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LOCAL MATTERS.

—The pupils of public schools will soon commence to practice for Christmas entertainments.

—The walnut crop of this year is unprecedentedly large, and the winter luxury should be cheap.

—The first ice of the present fall was seen on Saturday morning. A slight crust formed on water in small pools in exposed places.

—Farewell, peaches! The last basket known to have been gathered in the county, was picked in a third district orchard on Monday.

—The November term of the circuit court for Queen Anne's county, will begin on Monday next. The term is expected to be a long one.

—The Middletown *Transcript* strongly urges Bombay Hook as a desirable location for a quarantine station. How would the B. & D. B. Railroad like this?

—The Washington College foot-ball team is booked to play a game on the college grounds, on Saturday morning, with the Franklin team of Baltimore.

—The liver of the large man-eating shark which we reported as having been caught in Sassafras river, near Shallcross' wharf, weighed sixty-five pounds.

—The organization of a creamery company at Still Pond is taking definite form and it is expected that at no distant date a creamery will be in full blast in the progressive up-the-county town.

—Diphtheria, in a serious form, has made its appearance in Queen Anne's, just across Chester bridge. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kibler lost an interesting child last week from the disease.

—The last package of peaches carried by the Chester River Steamboat Company, was shipped from Eastern Neck Island on Saturday, October 17th. Bogle's also had the honor of shipping the first package of the year.

—Mr. John C. Turner, postmaster at Millington, says the business at that office the past quarter, was the largest ever done since the establishment of the office. The cancellations for August were $81, the average being about $60 heretofore.

—Several barges loaded with oyster shells cleared from Baltimore last week for Salem, N. J., and Wilmington, Del. The shells were purchased from the packing houses at Baltimore for one cent per bushel, and are used for making lime and for road beds.

—James Floyd, colored, living near Chestertown, had a young mare valued at $125 stolen from his stable on Sunday night. The animal was securely haltered in her stall about 8 o'clock and upon going to the stable for some purpose about 9 o'clock it was found that she had been taken away.

—A limited number of farmers in the county have not finished threshing their wheat crops. Some have not yet finished seeding their crop for next year, while many others have commenced husking corn, and some of the "early birds" have husked and shelled a portion of their crop.

—Mr Andrew Medden, formally of Crumpton, now of Philadelphia, and who is now visiting Crumpton friends, met with a singular but painful accident while endeavoring to board a train near Ridley Park last week. Mr. Medden mistook an express train for an accomodation train and the car dashed against his arm breaking it.

—Thanks to Mr. J. J. Blackiston, of Rock Hall, for a sample of the most beautiful grapes of the season. The bunch was very large, and the fruit tempting in appearance and delicious in flavor. The grapes were of the Niagara variety, and were grown from vines which came from the reliable nursery represented by Mr. Blackiston.

—Mr. R. S. Griffith, living near Sassafras, lost a handsome driving horse on Sunday morning, valued at from two hundred to two hundred and fifty dollar. The animal had just been turned loose in his pasture, and rearing and was playing when it is supposed he jumped to a disadvantage and snapped the bone in his fore leg, rendering it necessary to kill him.

—Mr. John F. Godwin, one of the most prominent and success breeders of fine horses in Queen Anne's county last week sold his celebrated horse Belton to A. H. Tyson, of Chester, Pa. He has also sold to the same gentleman his 2-year-old filly, Romaola, by Belton and his 3-year-old filly, Beltonia, by Belton. The price in none of these sales has been made known.

—A delightful dance was given in the hall at Washington College, on Friday evening, by the young men of the college assisted by the young men of Chestertown. The music, consisting of a harp and violin from Baltimore, was unusually fine, and a delightful evening was enjoyed. This was the first of a series of monthly dances, which the young men propose to give during the fall and winter. Visiting strangers will be accommodated with rooms and beds.

MY TABLE

While engaged will be furnished with the best the market can afford.

MY STABLES

contain good and reliable horses; attentive hostlers, and a plenty of food. Travelers conveyed to any part of the Peninsula. Terms moderate. Give me a call.

SAMUEL MALLALIEU,
Jan. 27, 1887. PROPRIETOR.

—After Saturday October 31st, the steamer Gratitude of the Chester River Line will discontinue her daily round trips. Beginning Monday, November 2d, she will leave Centreville every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 8 A. M., making her usual stops and Eastern Neck Island. Returning will leave Baltimore every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 11 A. M.

—C. Richard Neal, of Quaker Neck, a sailor on the police schooner Helen Baughman, met with a painful accident during the heavy storm of Thursday. The vessel was off Love Point, when Mr. Neal, while in the discharge of some duty in the forward portion of the boat, was struck a tremendous blow on the head by the jib block, nearly breaking his nose and seriously injuring his eyes. A correspondent states that "Dr. Mary Carter, of the Cliffs," administered witchhazel and other remedies, and the injured sailor is much better at this writing.

—However strange it may appear, in the very midst of the finest oysters caught in Chester river there were sixty-two and one-half gallons of oyster used at the festival held at Mowbray Chapel during the three evenings of last week. Of course the major portion of this consumption was by those who daily labor on the Chester river oyster bars. The receipts at the festival held at Bond Chapel on the evenings of October 20 and 21 were $126.50. The attendance at these festivals was very large, and the affable politician, who lives for *all* as truly as the sun shines for all, was conspicuous among the visitors.

—A deputation of oyster tongers from Eastern Bay and Wye rivers was in Centreville last Wednesday to consult State's Attorney P. B. Hopper in reference to incursions of Talbot county oystermen upon the oyster beds belonging exclusively to Queen Anne's tongmen. It is alleged that upwards of 1000 bushels of oysters have been taken from bottoms belonging to this county by citizens of Talbot. It is also alleged that the police schooner Frolic, refused to make arrests because of orders received from Commander Seth. The *Record* does not publish the above statement as a fact but merely as a rumor. The Eastern bay tongers are incensed and claim that they had as well haul up their boats and quit work if the bottoms belonging to this county are not to be protected. The law seems to be on the side of the Queen Annes tongmen.—*Centreville Record.*

—Men fishing by means of dynamite bombs have put in an appearance along the bayshore of Kent. On Saturday a number of heavy bombs were exploded, but with what success is not known. Mr. Percy G. Skirven, while standing in his porch noticed a man in a skiff on the fishing grounds opposite his home, and in a few minutes a volume of water as large as a house was seen to rise in the air accompanied by a heavy, smothered thud or report. These cartridges have tremendous force and not only kill all of the fish in the immediate vicinity of the explosion, but stun them to such an extent for many feet around that they may be easily gathered up and landed in the boat. How these bombs or cartridges are exploded is not known, but a number of them were used along the bayshore on Saturday on the finest fishing grounds known to our fishermen. This method of capturing fish is of course contrary to law, and is a flagrant violation of the rights of our fishermen.

—Mr. William Perkins, whose death occurred at his residence in Philadelphia on Wednesday of last week, was a son of Dr. B. B. Perkins, formerly of Chestertown, but at present living in Philadelphia and a nephew of Eben F. Perkins, of Chestertown bar and Dr. J. A. Perkins, of Chestertown. The funeral services took place at the church of the Incarnation, Broad and Jefferson streets, Philadelphia, and the remains were interred in his adopted city. Mr. Perkins was a member of the extensive firm of Young, Smith, Field & Co., and was considered one of the most reliable judges of goods in his line of business in the city. He did much of the purchasing of the imported goods for the firm, and was in Europe at the time of the attack which resulted in his death. Universally esteemed and having unusual business qualifications, he was one of the most promising young business men in the city. His wife is a niece of Judge D. P. Davis, of the Cecil county Orphans' court, and daughter of the late James L. Davis.

—With but few frosts to the credit of the weather department, and a slight skim of ice for the first time this season, on Sunday morning, we may, with reason in this locality, congratulate ourselves upon having had a delightful fall season. The following is a pen-picture from Massachusetts, in regard to a novel but beautiful fall picture on October 23: An unusual sight presented itself to the inhabitants of Worcester county this morning. The ground was covered with from two to four inches of damp snow. The leaves are still on the trees and have scarcely turned to autumn colors, for there have not yet been killing frosts, and the flowers in the flower gardens are still in bloom. The trees were loaded with deep snow, and the long branches were bent to the ground, in some places nearly blocking the highways. In the orchards the unpicked red Baldwin apples peeped out from snow-covered branches. It is the earliest snow in this vicinity since 1876, when there was a heavy fall on October 15.

—A large steam dredge commenced work on Monday afternoon, dredging the channel of Chester river between Crumpton and Millington. This work is in response to a petition of sundry citizens of Millington and numerous other sections seconded by members of the Baltimore Corn and Flour Exchange, Col. Craighill and many other prominent citizens of the State about two years ago. A committee was promply appointed, consisting of Col. Richard Johnson, Joseph Turner, Joseph Mallalieu and Samuel Cacy to request that Congress make an appropriation of fifteen thousand dollars. One-third of the amount asked for, or five thousand dollars, was appropriated and the contract awarded to Philadelphia parties. The channel of the river between Crumpton and Millington is lumpy the water being in some places twenty feet deep and in other places very shallow, consequently the dredging will only be necessary at shoal points. It is proposed to give a channel with a depth of water of not less than seven feet and sixty feet wide. This improvement will open to navigation one of the finest section in the two counties, and will supply a long-felt demand for direct water communication with Baltimore.

New Advertisements.

Dennis J. Nowland and Garret Foxwell publish a caution notice in this issue.

The ladies of Union M. E. Church advertise a festival and supper to take place October 30 and 31, at the hall at Worton Grounds.

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JOH[illegible] judges of the Orphans' court give notice that they will not meet until Wed-
GUS, [illegible] next, Tuesday being election day.

SHORT COURT NOTES.

We unintentionally attributed to Judge Wickes in his charge to the grand jury last week, the ungrammatical expression, "It is time that something is being done" instead of "it is time something should be done." The inaccuracy crept in unnoticed in the rush of work incident to an unusually busy session.

J. Martin McNabb, the visiting attorney from the Harford county bar, measures about six feet eight inches with his hat on

Merrill N. Packard, Esq., of Baltimore, who will defend Larry Burke against the charge of murder, arrived in Chestertown on Monday.

Sheriff Comegys, about noon on Tuesday, gave the members of the grand jury and a number of others, an elegant spread of cake, fruits and lemonade. The members of the grand jury made a thorough inspection of the interior of the jail and the premises generally and everything was found to be in a cleanly and entirely satisfactory condition.

The court room has been crowded during all of the present week.

Several of the Harford county gentlemen interested in the Graham vs Roberts case who desired to return to their homes on Saturday, were left by the afternoon steamer after having made a heavy dash against time to catch the boat.

Immediately upon the ruling of the court setting aside the appeal in the case of Henry Spear against Tonkin & Co., Hope H. Barroll, Esq., instituted a new suit, and had drawn up the papers in several other cases against the same parties. It now appears that Tonkin & Co. have decided to meet the growers half way in this matter, and on Monday a delegation of growers from Millington consulted their attorney as to the advisability of accepting an adjustment of the matter without further prosecutions. Mr. Barroll advised, that if the shippers (Tonkin & Co.) will refund to the growers the amount of the overcharges, as shown by their (Tonkin & Co.) books and returns, that the cases will be dropped. A day will be designated for a full and final settlement of the matter between Tonkin & Co. and the growers. A strong move was on foot for action against a number of shippers in the county before the grand jury. This decision, however, on the part of Tonkin & Co. will put a stop to this proceeding, and the matter will be adjusted at an early date.

His Honor Judge John M. Robinson arrived by steamer on Tuesday.

W. Frank Tucker, Esq., of Baltimore, has been engaged to asssist State's Attorney M. deK. Smith in prosecuting the cases against the violators of the local option law in the county. Mr. Brown will assist only in prosecuting the cases in Chestertown.

Personal Mention.

Miss Katie Lynah, of Savannah, Ga., is the guest of Miss Josephine Wickes.

Miss Krouse, of Williamsport, Pa., is visiting Miss Anna Stewart near Chestertown.

Miss Feddeman, of Centreville, is the guest of Miss Aldridge, on Water St.

Mr. Benjamin F. Perkins, a member of the Senior class of Washington College, has been teacher in charge of the classes of the preparatory department during the present week in the absence of Prof. Clarke, who was called to Baltimore by the illness of his mother.

Mr. Thomos L. Hines, of Baltimore, paid the TRANSCRIPT a pleasant visit on Monday.

Mr. David B. Perkins, of Philadelphia, spent several days of last week on a visit to his parents on Queen street.

Capt. William D. Burchinal has spent several days of the present week in Kent.

Mr. Edward Lambert, is spending the week in Kent, and is an interested observer of the political fight, and we doubt not that he will take a hand.

Mrs. M. A. Cummins, who has for so long been identified with the business interests of Chestertown, has built a neat residence and store at Aberdeen, Harford county, and will remove her bakery and ice cream business from Chestertown. Mrs. Cummins extends thanks to her many patrons and friends, and expresses many regrets at the prospect of leaving our town, but states that while her business here has been good, the prospects at Aberdeen are rather more promising.

Miss Jeannette G. Shallcross is visiting her brother, T. W. Shallcross, near Centreville.

Church Notes.

The third quarterly conference of the Chestertown M. E. Church has been postponed on account of the illness of Presiding Elder Smith until to-morrow night after prayer service.

The sacrament will be administered in all the Chestertown churches on next Sunday morning.

It is stated as a fact that Rev. Julius Dodd, who was transferred from the Wilmington Conference to the New York Conference, will returned to his home conference at the earliest possible date on account of the illness of his father, and will be stationed at Delaware City in place of Rev. T. O. Ayres, deceased.

The Board of Bishops of the M. E. Church are in session, and will make arrangements for the meetings of the spring conferences.

David B. Updegraff, the Quaker evangelist, preached two strong sermons at Chestertown M. E. Church at Sunday.

The Rev. A. T. Melvin expresses himself as much pleased with his recent visit to the Morgan's Creek church. The congregation and Sunday school were as large as might have been expected under all the circumstances. The Sunday school is doing well. The answers to the questions upon the Sunday school lesson were answered promptly and satisfactorily. The Christian Endeavor Society is in a most flourishing condition. The field seems to be ripe for the harvest. They ardently desire a protracted meeting at an early date.

Christ M. P. Church, Chestertown, presented a pleasant picture on Sunday, with its picturesque and beautiful decorations of gorgeously colored and beautifully tinted autumn leaves. The occasion was that of the autumn service. The pastor, Rev. D. L. Greenfield, preached one of the most impressive and eloquent sermons of his pastorate in Chestertown.

Rev. J. D. Kemp will commence protracted meetings at Union M. E. Church, on Sunday evening next, if the weather is fair.

Progress.

It is very important in this age of vast material progress that a remedy be pleasing to the taste and to the eye, easily taken acceptable to the stomach and healthy in its nature and effects. Possessing these qualities, Syrup of Figs is the one perfect laxative and most gentle diuretic known.

CLEVER SWINDLERS.

Attempt to Swindle Father Murphy Formerly of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Chestertown, Proves a Failure.

The Philadelphia papers of Wednesday of last week, contained an account of an attempt to swindle Father Maus of the Catholic Church of Allentown, Pa., and gave a description of the swindler who gave the name of Alexander McNair, of Elmira, N. Y., and said he was Clerk of the Supreme Court of New York.

On Wednesday the same party arrived in Elkton and called on Father Murphy, of the Catholic church here, and handed him what purported to be a letter of introduction from Monsignor Preston, of St. Paul's Cathedral, New York city. He represented himself to Father Murphy as Honorable Alexander McNair, Clerk of the Supreme Court of New York, and called at the clerk's office and introduced himself in the same way. He was well but modestly dressed and of fluent conversation and pleasant address. He appeared to know several people in this vicinity, and to have some acquaintance with Father Murphy's antecedents. Although he had opened up no actual scheme Father Murphy became suspicious, and telegraphed to Monsignor Preston to know if the letter carrying his signature was genuine. He said nothing to Mr. McNair about this, but gave him a pressing invitation to remain over night with him, which the Hon. McNair accepted. An answer came to the telegram on Thursday morning saying the letter was a forgery, but it came too late to catch McNair, who quietly slipped away on the early train that morning.

McNair's scheme in Allentown was to represent himself as Executor of an estate which contained a bequest to Father Maus' church, and gave that gentleman a check for $950, which he said was the amount of the legacy and obtained a receipt therefor. He also called on President Reily of the Allentown Female College and said he had a daughter he wished to send to the college, inquired the tuition and being informed that it was $100 tendered a check for $200 and asked for the change. The president wasn't doing business that way and McNair withdrew. *Cecil Democrat.*

ANOTHER CLEVER GAME.

Carlton Kimble, a wealthy Cecil county farmer living near Rising Sun, was mercilessly swindled out of $2,800 on Friday, and here is about how the matter was managed. Mr. Kimble does not describe exactly how they accomplished their purpose, but it is understood that one of them drove up to his residence, and after looking over his farm, which is a large one of about 200 acres, expressed a desire to purchase it. While they were discussing the terms, etc., a second man appeared upon the scene, and it is said the one who wished to purchase the farm found he had not money enough with him to pay for it then, and proposed that each put up a forfeit, which the other swindler was to take charge of and place in bank until the sale was made. This was done, and after a few more words the forfeit holder departed for the purpose of making the deposit before the bank closed. After thinking it over awhile, Kimble decided to go to the bank and see that the money had been safely deposited. Upon reaching there he found that nothing of the kind had been done, and knew at once that he had been duped.

The men on Monday returned $7 to the livery man from whom they hired the team. Mr. Kimble claims that he was hypnotized and was completely under the influence of the conspirators.

The Hill-Hubbard Nuptials.

A quiet but beautiful wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Hubbard, of Meridan, Connecticut, on October 1, the contracting parties being Miss Nellie H. Hubbard and Mr. Walter S. Hill, of New York, but a native of Kent county. The Meridan *Daily Republican* says:

The bridal couple were unattended by either maids of honor or best man. Miss Emma Graham and Miss Eva Hubbard performed the duties of ushers.

The sitting room was beautifully decorated with cut flowers, potted plants and creeping vines, the work of Mrs. Frank S. Hale and Mrs. Charles E. Hubbard. At 3 o'clock the bridal couple entered the rooms, a wedding march being performed by Miss Emma Graham, and took position under a floral bell of small white dahlias, and were joined together by a short and simple service.

The bride was attired in a gown of silver grey faille Francaise, trimmed with steel passamenterie, and carried a bouquet of La France roses. After the wedding feast which followed the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Hill took their departure for New York city, where they will at once begin housekeeping.

A GOOD WORD FOR THE GRANGE.

FAIRLEE, MD., Oct. 27th, 1891.

MESSRS. EDITORS.—Fairlee Grange will resume its regular weekly meetings on the first Thursday in November or November 5, which it is very important that all the members bear in mind. As the busy season (which has been an exceptionally busy one) has made it necessary to lay aside Grange work for sometime past, we hope it has not been found sufficiently long or busy to make any member forget the institution to which he owes a great part of his success. While the average granger has no friends to reward nor enemy to punish, he has facilities for either in the Grange which is not in the possession of the average farmer. The old proverb says "it is no time to look for the ladle when the pot is boiling over" must have presented itself very forcibly to those farmers who were trying to form an organization, through which to obtain redress for wrongs or supposed wrongs received at the hands of the peach shippers and commission merchants, when their organization ought to have been complete and nothing to do but to ask redress in the name of the organization the name of which would strike with terror all evil doers. Then again the member of a well organized concern are not so likely to fall a victim to all kinds of tricks and deception, or be preyed upon by the sharpers who have infested our county.

The Epworth League, of Salem, will hold its first meeting this (Thursday evening) at 7 o'clock, a full attendance is disired. The public are always welcome at the League and an effort is always made to entertain all who may favor it with their presence. GRANGER.

The Markets.

The following are the quotations from yesterday's papers.

WHEAT.—Receips 47,282 bushels including 9,438 bushels Southern and 37,844 bushels Western. Shipments from elevators 84,707 bushels. Stock in elevators 1,423,589 bushels. The receipts of Southern Wheat showed a falling off, and the market was fairly active and steady. Milling grades were scarce, most of the offerings being taken by shippers at 98 cts to grade steamer No. 2 red, or at 102 cents to grade No. 2 red. Sample lots sold at 103 cents prime, 94½ and 95 cents for inferior, and, 75, 78, 80, 85, 90, 91, and 92 cts for damaged, according to condition and quality.

CORN.—Receipts 11,174 bushs including 1568 bushs new Southern white, ——bushs do. new and old yellow, and 9,606 bushs Western. Shipments from elevators 1058 bushs. Stock in elevators 32,097 bushs. Southern corn was in liberal supply, the bulk being new white. The offerings were mainly inferior. New white was quoted at 55 to 70 cents, as to condition; old white sold at 67 cts for fly-cut and 70 cts for prime. Old yellow sold 64 cts for track lots, and at $2.40 and $2.50 per bbl for small car lot, the latter for choice.

CIRCUIT COURT NEWS.

Much Business of Interest Being Disposed of.

THURSDAY, October 22.—Court called with his Honor Judge Joseph A. Wickes on the bench.

The removed oats note case of Charles E. Jubb, of Baltimore, against Francis W. Lowe, of Queen Anne's county, was taken up with Lowe on the witness stand. This case is the last of the Queen Anne's Hulless Oats cases, and has been watched with more than ordinary interest throughout the State, from the fact that many of the Western Shore counties were infested by the gang of thieves who subsequently laid seige to the Eastern Shore farmers and robbed them of many thousands of dollars. Though fraud was clear in all of these transactions, many, and indeed, a great majority of the notes given found their way into the hands of innocent holders for value, and notwithstanding the fact that payment was resisted, payment was compelled in the greater number of cases. Each case was decided upon the peculiar circumstances surrounding the particular case, and it was found next to impossible to make a test case in regard to the notes.

The history of these transactions in Hull-less Oats and Seneca wheat, between the Central Cereal Company of Carroll county, commenced in the fall and winter of 1887, and are too well-known to need a protracted review. The case which has occupied so much of the court's time at its present sesson, and has created such general interest, was on a note for $500, given by Francis W. Lowe, ex-county commissioner and a prominent farmer, of Queen Anne's county, to P. Huddle, or bearer, at twelve months from date, Dec. 13, 1887. The note was endorsed by Huddle to Price & Busteed, of Centreville, without recourse, and about May 1, 1888, was transferred for value by Price & Busteed to C. E. Jubb by delivery and without the endorsement of Price & Busteed. Upon the maturity of the note, it was not paid, and suit was entered by title at the January term, 1889, of the Queen Anne's court. The subpoena was returned non est, and the case renewed to ensuing May term, with the return sworn. At ensuing November term, plaintiff asked for trial, and defendant filed a suggestion for removal, and the case was accordingly removed to Talbot county and called for trial at the November term. Upon Lowe's affidavit of the absence of material witnesses the case was continued to May term, 1890, at which term trial was had before a jury and the plaintiff suffered non suit by failing to appear. The defence at that suit was forgery. When the case was heard by the Kent county court, the defence offered was that the note had been materially altered from a non-negotiable paper to a negotiable instrument by having the words "or bearer" printed in the note after the signing of the paper by Mr. Lowe. A witness (Voshell, a young farmer of Queen Anne's,) was introduced who swore that he was called upon at the time of the signing of the note as a witness to the fact that the words or bearer were not in it. Experts were produced by the other side to prove that such an alteration had never been made, and that the printing of the words "or bearer" after the note had been made, in the way claimed, was impossible, and thus the war was carried on around this central point with conflicting testimony. The case as will be remembered, was taken up on Wednesday and on Friday morning Edwin H. Brown, Esq., opened the argument for the plaintiff and gave an eloquent review of the testimony as did also Messrs. P. B. Hopper, R. D. Hynson and J. B. Brown. Mr. Hopper, for the defence, made an eloquent speech and gave a masterly review of the case from beginning to end. The case was given to the jury about two o'clock on Friday afternoon, and after spending all of Friday night locked in the jury room without an agreement, was discharged at half-past two o'clock on Saturday. On the first ballot the vote stood seven for the defence and five for the plaintiff; later, owing to some misunderstanding relative to some point, the vote stood nine for the defence and three for the plaintiff. This was soon cleared and the seven-five vote was again given and maintained until the jury was dismissed on Saturday, when it became evident that an agreement was impossible. The following were the jurors: Thos. W. Eliason, Jr., foreman; Cornelius C. Brown, John H. Simpers, James R. Hicks, Alfred L. Corey, Samuel Mallalieu, Walter R. Strong, James B. Parrott, Wm. T. Melvin, John M. Comegys, J. Thomas Pennington and Benj. N. S. Wilkins.

We give this case under Thursday's proceedings rather than in the detached portions of three days' work in the court, believing that it will be more interesting and intelligible.

Grand jury presented James D. Jamar for murder of W. E. Johnson; Peter Wilmer, for forgery; Alfred Wright, for assault on Noah Butler; Wm. Palmer, for assault on Percy Rawleigh. Grand jury also returned indictments against Larry Burke and Thomas Thompson, true bills, and recommended the discharge from jail of Richard Farrel.

Wilmer Emory, of Queen Anne's county, admitted to the bar. Court adjourned until Friday.

FRIDAY, October 23.—Court convened with his Honor Judge Joseph A. Wickes on the bench.

Argument in the case of Jubb against Lowe consumed a greater portion of the day. After this case was given to the jury the case of Elliott Graham against Thomas Roberts & Co. was called.

On motion of J. A. Pearce, Esq., John S. Young and J. Martin McNabb, of the Harford bar were admitted to the Kent county bar.

The case of Graham vs. Roberts & Co., is a suit for damages for breach of contract. Graham is a tomato packer of Harford county and purchased cans through Roberts & Co., to be delivered at or before specified dates. The goods were not delivered until some time after the dates agreed upon, entailing, it is claimed, a loss of $2,168 upon Graham by loss of fruit and increased prices paid for other cans. The case was removed from Harford to Baltimore county and from Baltimore county was removed to Kent. John S. Young, James J. Archer, Hope H. Barroll and Albert Constable, Esqs., for plaintiffs; J. Martin McNabb and James A. Pearce, Esqs., for defendants. Case unfinished.

Grand jury returned indictment against James D. Jamar, true bill; and presented Alfred Dunn for larceny and Mary Brown for the murder of Annie E. Gale.

Court adjourned until Saturday morning.

SATURDAY Oct. 24.—Court met with his Honor Judge Wickes on the bench. On motion of J. Martin McNabb, Esq., Wm. M. Stewart, Esq., of Philadelphia was admitted to the bar.

The case of Graham againts Roberts & Co., consumed the entire day. The jury in the oats note case failing to agree, was discharged about half-past 2 o'clock P.M.

Court adjourned until Monday morning.

MONDAY, October 26.—Court met with Judge Wickes on the bench. The entire day was consumed in taking evidence in the case of Graham against Roberts & Co.

TUESDAY, October 27.—C[illegible] Judge Wickes on the bench, a[illegible] Monday the entire day was taken up wi[illegible] the Graham vs. Roberts case.

Court ordered an attachment for James G. Harris for not attending as a witness to the grand jury.

Grand jury returned indictments against James Roberts, true bill, and presented Geo. R. Crew for selling whiskey, for keeping a gambling house and for selling paper cigarettes. John S. Owens for same. W. Frank Dennis for converting to his own use sixty baskets of peaches. Benjamin Durham and George Jones for selling whiskey. Court adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, October 28.—Court called with Judges John M. Robinson and Jos. A. Wickes on the bench.

All the morning was consumed by counsel in arguing the case of Graham vs. Roberts & Co. Case given to the jury, and about two o'clock verdict given for plaintiffs in $1,368.96.

State against Lewin S. Mears for assault upon Thomas H. and Mrs. Anna M. Hague.

This case of assault was upon Thomas Hague and his wife, an aged couple living near Tolchester Beach, on Tuesday, June 23, by Lewin S. Mears, an oyster culler from Cambridge, Md., who had come to Tolchester on an excursion and was drunk at the time of the assault. Mr. and Mrs. Hague were in their house when Mears tried to force the door, and was told to leave, but rushed against it and burst it open, and at the same instant dealt Mrs. Hague a stunning blow with a piece of iron. The old gentleman tried to compel the man to go away but received a severe cut over the left eye. The assault being made upon both himself and wife, Mr. Hague grasped a corn knife and dealt his assailant several heavy blows over the head. Mears was brought to Chestertown and given a hearing, but was released on bail. The man claims to have been so drunk at the time that he knows nothing at all of the affair. Trial before the court in these cases; verdict guilty, fined $1.00 and costs, and to be confined for six weeks in the county jail.

Grand jury returned indictments against George R. Crew, John S. Owens, Benjamin Durham, George Jones, true bills, and presented Mary Roberts and Thomas Bowers for selling whiskey, and Barnes Carmichael for bastardy. On motion of M. deK. Smith, Esq., W. Frank Tucker, of Baltimore, was admitted to the bar.

County Commissioners board, October 27, 1891. Full board present. Willard Melvin appeared before the board and stated it was impossible for him to serve as judge of election of the fourth district, and was excused. Charles England presented his resignation as judge of election for the second election district of Kent county, which was accepted; also, John W. Coleman, of Wm., presented his resignation as judge of election for the fifth election district, which was accepted. An order was then passed appointing James W. Newcomb judge of election for the second district, Lewin S. Fowler for the first precinct of the fourth district, and Thomas A. Hudson for the fifth district. James C. Roseberry's recommendation as constable of Kent county for the second district was considered, and an order passed appointing him to said office. Edward J. Plummer, constable for the third district of Kent county, presented his resignation of said office, which was accepted to take effect from date by order of the board. The board was further engaged in examining, approving and passing accounts for payment by orders on the treasurer.

Orphan's Court, Oct. 27, 1891.—Present, Judges Walker, Fisher and Moffett. S. J. Wickes, executor of S. A. J. Wickes, passed his first and final administration account. Samuel J. Wickes, administrator of Avarilla Sappington, passed his first and final administration account. C. C. Strong, administrator of Joseph Maslin, passed his first and final administration account. Wm. M. Slay, administrator, d. b. n. c. t. a., of C. C. Perkins passed his second administration account. T. Romie Strong, Register of Wills, having resigned the said office, Willard Melvin was appointed to fill the unexpired term.

AN INTERESTING PAPER.

The W. C. T. U. State Convention.

Thinking that some of the readers of your paper, all white ribboners in the county and some others, would be glad to know of the State Convention of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, this article has been written with the wish that all may know something of the grand work being done by that organization. The gain of our county in membership, as reported by our county president, was more than two hundred.

The morning and afternoon of the first day were occupied with committee meetings.

The opening exercises of the evening were conducted by the "Band of Hope," after which devotional exercises and Bible reading by Mrs. J. K. Barney, prison evangelist of the World's W. C. T. U., were followed by addresses of welcome by the mayor in behalf of the city; Rev. J. T. Ward in behalf of the clergy; addresses in behalf of Westminister W. C. T. U., and by Mr. Seabrook in behalf of the press. After a few pleasant remarks, the mayor drew from a bag a large key, a foot and a half long, and approaching the president, said: "Allow me, madam, to present to you and the ladies of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Maryland the big key of our little city." It would be well to add that the big key did unlock the city, for hall and churches were free, and the hearts of the people were open to receive us.

Responses were made by Mrs. L. A. Robinson, of Baltimore, Mrs. Harland, of Harford county, Mrs. Milligan, of Cecil county, and others.

Thursday morning the convention met in Carroll Hall, and after devotional exercises was called to order by the president. Music, roll call and report of Executive Committee, were followed by the appointment of committees on Resolutions, Finance, Auditing, Business and Courtisies. Then came a review of the year's work by Mrs. Margaret A. Lake, corresponding secretary, which was very encouraging, especially to those delegates who had felt that their work had been so little; but as the "little drops of water and little grains of sand," help to make mighty works of Nature, so the little good from each local union helps to make a great deal of good when combined with that all over the State.

For the reports of Superintendents of Departments five minutes each were allowed for report and discussion. Thirty-one departments of work were reported; viz., Legislation and Petition, Peace and Arbitration, "White Cross and White Shield," Reform Work among Women, Prison and Police Stations, Flower Mission, Young Women's Work, Juvenile Work, Scientific Instruction, Kindergarten, Evangelistic, Health, Press Work, Temperance, Literature and *Union Signal, White Ribbon*

The[illegible] of the day [illegible] session was held in [illegible] the hall was found too sm[illegible] were taken at every session to help [illegible] expenses, in both church and hall.

After the reports were read, Mrs. L. A. Cathcart presented her report of the Memorial Building. This building being for a long time the old bank at S S. Gay street, and which has now been purchased and fitted as headquarters by the Temperance women of Maryland,. This is the Woman's Mecca, where the friendless and needy of her sex may be sure of meeting sympathy and assistance. The evening meeting was held in Odd Fellow's Hall, the largest building in town, the house being crowded even to the vestibule, to listen to Mrs. Clement Leavitt, around-the-world Missionary of the World's W. C. T. U. Devotional Exercises were conducted by the clergy of Westminster, several denominations taking part; after which Mrs. Leavitt held the vast audience spellbound for one hour and a half, not one, even of those standing, leaving during her long address. Mrs. Leavitt has literally tied the white ribbon around the globe, and organized unions in thirty-two different nations. She touched upon the great need of spreading the idea of dress reform among women until it became universal, and laughingly told of the "Heavenly Foot Society," an organization of young men in China, who pledged themselves not to marry any girl who has not a foot as Heaven intended it to be, suggesting that the young men of America and Europe organize a "Society of the Heavenly Waists," pledging themselves not to marry any woman who has not a waist as Heaven intended it to be.

The Devotional exercises, Friday morning, were conducted by Mrs. Harding, of Baltimore, in the M. E. Church, after which followed the reading of minutes, reports of Superintendents continued, and the election of officers and superintendents of departments for the ensuing year. Miss Ida Crew, of Lankford, was elected to represent the group of counties (of which Kent is one) at the National Convention to be held in Boston in November.

Mrs. Summerfield Baldwin, State President, spoke of a visit paid the city jail, in which she found one hundred and sixty-nine men confined, and of her being told by the warden of the small need for the jail were it not for liquor.

The report of the Y superintendent must not be forgotten, as she stated that they were growing and doing good work, two of the unions owning libraries, and having over six hundred children enrolled in Loyal Legions.

The attraction of Friday evening was Mrs. J. K. Barney, of Rhode Island, a sweet, gentle, Christian woman and charming lecturer, who held the closest attention of her vast audience.

Anne Arundel county still holds the State banner for largest per cent. of membership increase, although old Kent pressed her hard, coming within a few seventeenths of winning it.

After accepting an invitation to meet in Cecil, the seventeenth Convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union closed until October, '92. S. E. S.

County Supt. Press Work, pro tem.

MARRIED.

HILL—HUBBARD.—At the home of the brid's parents, in Meridan, Connecticut, on Oct. 1, 1891, Mr. Walter S. Hill, of New York, and Miss Nellie H. Hubbard, of Connecticut.

HOLTZ—TAYLOR.—On Oct. 15, 1891, at Chatsworth Methodist Parsonage, by Rev. T. O. Crouse, Emanuel Holtz and Miss Lottie Taylor, both of Baltimore.

GODWIN—WHITTINGTON.—At Church Hill, on Oct. 1, 1891, by Rev. C. E. Simmons, Thomas E. Godwin, of Kent county, and Miss Emma A. Whittington, of Queen Anne's.

DIED.

CLARKE.—On Oct. 14, 1891, in Philadelphia, Pa., Stella Amelia, aged 3 years, 2 months and 18 days, beloved daughter of S. Warner and Buelah Clark.

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