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LOCAL MATTERS.

—The first day of St. Blasius was observed in the Catholic Church on Wednesday of last week. The day is for the blessing of throats and the offering of prayers for the deliverance of persons suffering with throat diseases.

—The schedule of mail service between Baltimore and Rock Hall has been so modified by the Postoffice Department as to require three trips per week until the expiration of the contract, and six trips per week whenever the boats run that often. The route is served by the Chester River Company.

—Mr. Charles E. Reiche, showed us on Tuesday, a curious freak of nature in the limb of a branch oak which, after having grown out from the trunk of the tree had in some way become perfectly engrafted in the body of the tree and formed a limb apparently drawing its substance from two distinct points in the body of the tree.

—At the election of officers for the senior class of the University of Md. Law Department, held on Monday, Kent and Queen Anne's counties were abundantly honored. Mr. A. S. Goldsborough, of Centreville, was elected vice-president, and Mr. Harper, of the same town, was elected treasurer, while Mr. W. W. Beck, of Chestertown, was made chairman of the committee on arrangements.

—At the recent election of the Chester River Steamboat Company, held at the company's office in Baltimore, the following were elected directors to serve the ensuing year: F C. Latrobe, S. E. Ford, Sherlock Swann, Wm. S. Taylor and George Warfield. The board of directors elected the following officers: George Warfield, president; F. C. Latrobe, treasurer; S. E. Ford, secretary.

—The Kent county students of the Dover Conference Academy, after having enjoyed their holiday of two weeks, returned to their studies on Monday, the scarlet fever patient having been removed from the academy and the building thoroughly disinfected. The lost time of two weeks will be made up by doing away with the Spring vacation and by running a week further into the summer.

—Mr. John H. Redue, secretary to Surveyor Wm. D. Burchinal, has been promoted to a clerkship in the liquidating department of the Collector's office, at a salary of $1600. The vacancy was caused by the dismissal of Mr. Osmond Tiffany, who had held the position for a number of years. Capt. Burchinal has nominated Mr. J. Edward Tyler, of the Easton *Gazette*, to the position made vacant by Mr. Redue's promotion.

—The Ericsson Steamboat Company, whose boats ply in the Delaware and Chesapeake Canal between Philadelphia and Baltimore, have plans preparen for a new iron boat for that service. The vessel will be 212 feet long, and will have compound engines with cylinders 40 and 20 inches in diameter and 28-inch stroke. She will have superior passenger accomodations.

—Mad dogs have been creating much consternation in sections of the Eastern Shore, and since Chestertown like most other towns of the Shore is populated by a host of dogs of greater or less value, it is evidently proper that every precaution be exercised in the town and throughout the county to avoid serious results from rabbid dogs. Two small boys were bitten by a dog suffering from the rabbies, in Queen Anne's last week. This warning is timely and should be sufficient.

—E. B. Emory, of Popular Grove stock farm, has just returned from New York with two finely bred trotting colts, bought at Senator Stanford's sale. In the chestnut stallion Bedworth is combined the blood of Nutwood, Electioneer and General Benton. Bedworth is two years old, 15.3 hands high and shows a 2.40 gait. The yearling filly Fragrance is by Eros, full brother to Conductor, who was recently sold for $40,000. She is a seal-brown, with beautiful trotting action.

—Nine thousand four hundred and ninety-three gallons of apple and peach brandy were manufactured on the Eastern Shore during the season of 1891, distributed by counties as follows: Kent, 1 distillery, 59 gollons; Caroline, 2 distilleries, 1452 gallons; Talbot, 1 distillery, 925 gallons; Dorchester, 9 distilleries, 3841 gallons; Wicomico, 9 distilleries, 2915 gallons; Somerset, 2 distilleries, 196 gallons; Worcester, 1 distillery, 105 gallons; total, 25 distilleries, 9,494 gallons. About 200 gallons of this product was peach brandy, and all the rest apple brandy.

—It has been several times reported in the county that Col. John C. Voshell, who last fall left Chestertowa to take charge of the handsome "Peninsula Hotel," at Salisbury, was trying to sell out his hotel business, and that there was dissatisfaction on the part of the lessees of the property. We are authorized to say that the report is absolutely without foundation; that Mr. Voshell has his hotel of thirty-eight rooms handsomely furnished; is doing a tremendous business, and that the veteran hotel man has every reason to claim that he has one of the most elegantly-equipped houses on the Shore. Mr. Voshell, who has been quite sick for several weeks, is convalescing, and in a letter to us reports business as being first-rate.

—Mr. Isaac R. Starkey, principal of the Still Pond public school, fell on the streets of Chestertown, on Friday morning, sustaining a painful but not necessarily serious injury. Mr. Starkey had come to town to attend the session of the teachers' institute, and at Bordley's corner, slipped on the snow, dislocating his ankle. Immediately after the accident he was removed to the home of Mr. J. Lloyd McFeely, where medical aid was summoned and the injured ankle dressed. Mr. Starkey returned to his home on Sunday, and a letter from him on Monday stated that he was decidedly improved. It was thought that in a few days he would be sufficiently improved to resume his duties at his school. A similar injury was sustained by the same ankle about twenty years ago.

—Hicks, the weather prophet, says of the weather for February: From 2d to 5th, inclusive, will constitute first storm period for February. Rain, some lightning and thunder southward, with snow northward. Don't be unprepared for cold following. Dates touching the 8th will bring warmer weather, with storms central on that date. Plan for such results and for regular cold to follow. Storm conditions will return on the 14th, 15th and 16th, bringing rain and snow on or touching these dates. The cold wave following storms will expend itself and reactionary storms will appear about the 20th. The 26th, 27th and 28 are regular storm dates, sure to be heard from and to bring a cold ending of the month. Much hard trying weather in February. Prepare for it.

—The shedding and frame stable, adjoining the "old brick stable," Centreville, was entirely consumed by fire on Monday night, together with a mule, several sleighs and some other articles. A horse was also badly burned. The fire was discovered about half-past eleven o'clock, and but for the effective work of the Centreville fire company, a serious conflagration might have resulted. The fact, too, that there was but a slight wind at the time aided the firemen in their work.

—The steamer Tockwogh was sold last week by the Sassafras River Steamboat Company to the Newport and Wickford Steamboat Company for $50,000. The steamer will run between Stonington and Newport. The present owners bought her on account of her speed, the steamer having an established record of 19½ miles an hour. The Sassafras River Steamboat Company sold her because her length was too great for the purposes of that company. She is a Baltimore built vessel. The Sassafras Company will have a new boat built. It is stated that the steamer will be improved to the extent of 8000 or 10,000. The Tockwogh was the fastest boat of her class sailing out of Baltimore, and it is stated that the Sassafras River Co. will replace her by a steamer similar in many respects but not so long.

—The famous Schubert Quartette, will give a concert in Stam's Hall on next Wednesday evening, February 17. It is positively announced that this, the most successful company of singers which has ever visited Chestertown, will come this year, having several additional features and a more delightful programme than ever before. Miss Clemens as an elocutionist is said to be a delightrul success, and that Miss Roman, the pianist and Mr. Harris, the second tenor are equally charming in their respective parts. The one solo promised by the magnificient-voiced Iott is well worth the price of the concert, while Messrs. Battle and Tyley, both well-known in Chestertown, are popular favorites and calculated to add strength to any company.

The Thousand-Dollar Poem.

The editor of the Rocky Mountain *Celt* won the prize of one thousand dollars, offered by the syndicate of Western editors, for the best appeal-poem to newspaper subscribers to pay up their subscriptions. This is the poem he wrote:

"Lives of poor men oft remind us
Honest men wont stand a chance,
The more we work there grows behind us
Bigger patches on our pants.

On our pants, once new and glossy,
Now are stripes of different hue,
All because subscribers linger
And wont pay up what is due.

Then let all be up and doing,
Send your mite however small,
Or, when the snow of winter strikes us,
We shall have no pants at all."

Any man who is able to resist this appeal must have the heart of stone, or wear leather breeches.

Personal Mention.

Mr. Creighton Wallace, who has been located for some time in Florida, is home on business. Mr. Wallace was once an employee of the TRANSCRIPT. He will return to Ocala, Florida, on Friday, the 12th, accompanied by his brother, Hugh.

Miss Annie Downey returned to the Dover Conference Academy yesterday after a two weeks visit to her home.

Miss Mamie Roberts, youngest daughter of Rev. S. C. Roberts, and Mr. Joseph Archbell, of New York, will be married on Thursday morning next in Immanuel P. E. Church, Chestertown. The ceremany will take place at 11 o'clock A. M. No cards have been issued in the county.

Mr. P. B. Hollis, who left during December for a visit to relatives near Liverpool, returned to Chestertown on Monday, and reports having had a most enjoyable trip. The passage across the ocean was pleasant, and nothing of especial importance occurred except the suicide of the fireman of the steamer by leaping overboard in mid-ocean. But as an offset to this decrease in numbers a child was born on shipboard shortly afterward.

A Donation Party.

The congregation of Rev. W. R. Mowbray gave their pastor a delightful donation on Tuesday evening, which was a complete surprise to the occupants of the Pomona parsonage. About forty persons assembled, to whom the pastor and his wife made a complete surrender of their home. It would be difficult to imagine a more enjoyable seige than was experienced by Mr. and Mrs. Mowbray, for after a pleasant passage of words, the beseiging party withdrew from the castle, leaving behind them in their retreat, a most abundant supply of the good things of this life. This substantial reminder of their love and confidence on the part of his congregation was only a delightful climax of a series of acts running through the entire year, the pastor not having been under the necessity during that time of buying either hay or corn; his wood-pile has been generously supplied with fuel, while his larder has received weekly additions from the overflowing store-houses of his congregation. The donation of Tuesday was the most liberal affair which the present pastor has ever enjoyed, and consisted of hams, potatoes, oysters, sausage, poultry by the dozen and apples by the bushel, indeed, the long list of substantials is too protracted to enumerate. The surprise was complete, and this evidence of the thorough sympathy, appreciation and love existing between a pastor and his people may very profitably be followed.

Court News.

Orphans' Court.—Present, Judges Harris, Moffett and Burgess. The last will of James Kelley was probated. The will of W. B. Ginnodo, late of Philadelphia, was filed for record. James Brice, administrator of Thos. S. Wilmer, returned inventory of the personal estate of his decedent. James Brice, administrator, was ordered to sell the personal property of Thos. S. Wilmer, deceased, at public sale. R. L. Pearson, administrator of R. W. Pearson, passed his first and final administration account. J. P. Nicholson, trustee, passed his account for the year 1891. Letters of administration c. t. a. on the personal estate of Margaret Ginnodo, late of Philadelphia, Pa., were granted to Robert M. Groves, who filed his bond in the sum of $1000, and Samuel J. Hill and Samuel A. Merritt were appointed to appraise the said estate. Court passed sundry claims against estates.

County Commissioners.—Full board present. Wm. S. Walker, upon application, obtained the loan of county maps for use of committee of Columbian Exposition. Board was further engaged in examining, approving and passing accounts for payment by orders on funds provided and for levy in 1892.

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CHURCH NOTES

Missionary day of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Chestertown, will be observed on the 28th inst. The missionary song service will be used, and a special programme arranged.

The Wilmington Conference of the M. E. Church, will meet in Grace Church, Wilmington, March 16, and be presided over by Bishop E. G. Andrews, of New York. The session will be one of the most important held for years. Delegates to the General Conference will be elected, both ministerial and lay; another vote will be taken on the woman question, there having been some misunderstanding in the last vote, and several serious differences existing in the conference will be called up for consideration, and it is to be most devoutly hoped for settlement.

Rev. C. S. York will preach at the Chestertown M. E. Church on next Sabbath morning and Prof. C. W. Proctor at night, in the absence of the pastor, Rev. R. Irving Watkins. Prof. Proctor will preach at Salem on Sabbath morning for Mr. York.

Next Sunday afternoon will be observed as the monthly missionary day in the M. E. Sabbath school, the exercises having been postponed from last Sunday on account of the inclemency of the weather.

Rev. J. D. Carey, of Port Deposit, has been appointed pastor of the Elkton Catholic Church, by Bishop Curtis. He will also have charge of the missions at Port Deposit and Rising Sun.

Solemn pontifical mass of requiem will be celebrated by Bishop Curtis, assisted by all the clergy of his diocese, in the Elkton Catholic Church, this morning at 10.30 o'clock. This service is held to commemorate "the month's mind" of the late Rev. J. A. Murphy. All are cordially invited.

The Maryland Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church will meet at Pocomoke City, Md., on Wednesday, April 6. President W. M. Strayer will open the conference. A president will be elected and much other important business transacted. Our Pocomoke friends will entertain the ministers in their usual hospitable manner.

The sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered (D. V.) in Kennedyville Presbyterian Church on Sunday, 14th inst.

The sewing circle of St. James Church had an enjoyable meeting at the home of Joseph R. Usilton, last night.

Rev. D. L. Greenfield is holding a series of meetings, "A week's conference about prayer." The following is the series: Monday, Its Warrant, the pastor; Tuesday, Its Conditions, the pastor; Wednesday, Why Inffective? Rev. R. Irving Watkins; Thursday, In the S. S. Teacher's Work,——Friday, Some Special Objects, the pastor.

The Lyceum of Christ M. P. Church, has purchased a very handsome Steiff piano to be used at their entertainments.

In the Social World.

An enjoyable dance was given by a number of young men of Betterton, at the Betterton House, on Thursday evening, February 4. Quite a number were present, and a thoroughly good time was enjoyed. Among the ladies were: Miss Sadie Faulkner, Miss Cora Johnson, Miss Lida Crouch, Miss Coleman, Miss Katie Crew, Miss Annie Whealer and sister, Nora, Miss Brice, Mrs. Owens, Miss Greenwood, Mrs. Annie Lockard, Mrs. Brice, Miss Josephine and Annie Ziesel.

Miss Josephine Wickes entertained a number of friends at a card-party at her home on Main street, on Monday evening. Just enough dancing to give variety to the evening's pleasure was indulged in, and tempting refreshments were not ignored on the delightful menu of the occasion. Miss Roberts, of Centreville, Miss Gemmill, Miss Weathered, Miss Hurtt and Miss Aldridge were the ladies present.

The Quiz Club met at the home of Miss Nelie Walker, on Friday evening. The meeting was one of the most pleasant of the series. The meeting at the home of the Misses Brice on the previous week was also one of rare pleasure. The meetings of the club form a most delightful diversion, and are largely attended.

Dr. W. Frank Hines gave a pleasant card-party to a number of friends on Saturday evening. There were three tables, and those present were: Mrs. Spencer Harris, Mrs. John Comegys, Miss Roberts, of Centreville; Misses Hallie and Mary Beck, Miss Nelie Walker, Miss May Ireland, Miss Belle Aldridge, Mr. Hodges, of Baltimore; Dr. C. P. Gilpin, and Messrs. Charles E. Perkins, Lewin W. Wickes, W. W. Beck and John Rose.

College Notes.

There will be a meeting of the athletic association this afternoon, to arrange for the opening of the base-ball season. Practicing has already commenced.

The examinations closed on Tuesday.

A number of students petitioned on Wednesday to have a holiday given them during the remainder of the week. The request was not granted, but a little generosity will be exercised toward the boys in consideration of their recent examination trials and good work done.

Dr. C. W. Reid has been to Annapolis, trying to secure, if possible, legislation securing to the College three additional State scholars. The bill will be presented to the Legislature.

Arrangements are being made by the Mount Vernon Literary Society of Washington College for an entertaiment to be given in the college chapel, on Feb. 22, in commemoration of Washington's birthday, John D. Urie, Esq., and Prof. J. R. Micou, are on the programme for addresses; a poem by Mr. R. E. Fisher, a member of the Senior class, will be sung to the tune of "Columbia 'tis of thee," and Mr. Thomas Perkins will recite a poem also written by Mr. Fisher. The boy band will discourse music.

Chester Alliance Meeting.

At the meeting of the Chester Alliance on Thursday, at the home of Mr. J. M. J. Byron, the following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, Our brother, Robert G. Nicholson and family, by an accident from fire, have been deprived of the enjoyment of their beautiful home and the memories therein destroyed; therefore be it

Resolved, That the members of Chester Alliance sympathize deeply with them in their serious loss

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be tendered to Brother Nicholson as a token of our brotherly esteem.

The following officers were elected to fill vacancies: George S. Biddle, treasurer; Philip Powers, secretary.

New Advertisements.

Examiners' road notice to widen public road.

The Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Kent county, publishes its annual statement in this issue of the TRANSCRIPT.

Messrs Westcott and Dodd, corner of High and Queen streets, Chestertown advertise in this issue of the TRANSCRIPT Hamburg edgings, laces, white goods, etc.

A BEAUTIFUL WEDDING.

HYNSON—GILPIN.

The marriage of Richard D. Hynson and Miss Emma Gilpin, at Immanuel Protestant Episcopal Church, Chestertown, on Thursday evening, was one of, if not the most elaborate and beautiful ever solemnized in the county. A warm and balmy afternoon, was but the precurser of the beauties of a star-crowned and perfect night, and long before the hour of half-past seven o'clock, the time appointed for the opening of the church doors, an anxious throng blockaded the streets awaiting admittance. Within a few minutes after the church was thrown open, every available space was occupied, and it is estimated that fully two hundred persons were forced to leave.

Possibly, never before did the interior of Immanuel Church present a scene so rich in its beauty and so chaste in the general effect of its decorations; elaborate, yet subdued, and though profuse, yet pervading it all were a beautiful harmony and delightful correspondence of parts. Spanning the centre isle, in addition to the time-honored ribbon, were the graceful curves of a perfect arch, formed of evergreens and bright berries. Suspended from the centre of the arch was a monogram of the initial letters of the names of the bride and bride-groom, H. & G., in silver and gold. Upon the very threshold, as it were, of the altar before which the sacred troth of a manly and womanly love were to be plighted, spread the curves of a larger arch formed of fragrant evergreen, from whose bosom peeped out the rich, red beauty of its winter fruit. From this arch hung a marriage-bell, with lily clapper and formed of myrtle, holly and box, upon which lay in mid-winter profusion myriads of sparkling crystals. Within the chancel were jars of potted plants and luxuriant palms. Girdling the body of the church was a cord of evergreen, caught at intervals in graceful festoons, and from the chandaliers were also intricate festoons of evergreen, while upon the whole scene fell a flood of mellow light from brilliantly lighted chandaliers and many candles placed on the altar and in the windows.

Promptly at eight o'clock the bridal party arrived at the church door, and though many had left, the crowd was so dense as to almost preclude the possibility of an entrance. The bride, wearing a magnificent gown of white faille silk, en train, square neck, Medici collar, a necklace of diamonds, the gift of the groom, and carrying a bouquet of cornations and maiden hair fern, advanced to the altar on the arm of her father, preceded by two little flower girls, Miss Isabel Beck and Miss Mary Rogers, in charming little white gowns and bearing a basket of beautiful flowers which were strewed in the way of the bride. The veil was caught up with sprays of lily of the valley. In front of the flower girls were the maid of honor, Miss Hallie Beck, wearing a beautiful costume of white silk, demi train, decolite bodice and chiffon trimmings, and carrying pink roses, she was preceded by the six ushers, Dr. C. P. Gilpin, C. E. Perkins, Frank Gilpin, W. W. Beck, Wm. H. Cacy and David Davis.

The beautiful form of the English wedding service was observed, the bride being met at the altar by the bridegroom and his best man, Lewin W. Wickes, when the bridesmaid, flower girls and ushers took position on either side while the contracting couple standing under the poetic marriage-bell, were pronounced man and wife, by Dr. Eccleston, of Immanuel Protestant Episcopal Church, Baltimore. Many of those present were in full evening dress.

After the marriage ceremony, an elegant reception was held at the home of Mrs. Hynson, the groom's mother, on Front street, to which all friends were invited. Many availed themselves of the invitation, and from half-past eight until half-past eleven Mr. and Mrs. Hynson, assisted by Miss Hallie Beck, received their friends. In the spacious dining room an elegant collation was served during the evening. The presents, which were numerous, magnificent and costly, were admired in the library. The presents were too numerous for a detailed mention, but the magnificent Onyx clock presented by Bank Officers Peterson, Rickey, Chapman and Thomas, was one which elicited the admiration of all who saw it, to such an extent that it should be made an exception of. The scene at the home was animated and beautiful. The dressing on the occasion was rich and costly, and though it is impossible to mention all of those present having elegant dresses, among those in full evening dress were the following: Miss Walker, cream surah, en train, bodice decolite with chiffon trimming, carrying white roses; Miss Eunice Gemmill, white camels-hair, entrain, square-neck bodice, feather trimming, silk-cord girdle, carrying white roses; Miss Ada Roberts, Centreville, white-flowered chale, demi train, bodice decolite, chiffon and velvet-ribbon trimming; Miss Anna Hill, Baltimore, mauve rep silk, demi train, V neck bodice with freezian trimming; Miss Nettie Crane, Baltimore, pink silk, demi train; Misses Josephine Wickes, black silk decolite, en train; Hope Wickes, amber satin with figured tulle overdress, decolite; Nannie Brice, cream surah, demi train, brocade bodice, square-neck, Medici collar; Daisy Brice, pink surah demi train, bodice of brocade with chiffon trimming, decolite; Mary Hurtt, lavender brocade, India silk, demi train, decolite bodice, trimmings of chiffon, girdle of pearl; Morgan Beaston, Nile green India silk, demi train, chiffon trimming, girdle of gold bullion fringe; Belle Aldridge, pale blue India, chiffon overdress; Lillian Hynson, pink silk with chiffon; May Ireland, pink silk; Hallie Ireland, cream cloth, garnet velvet trimming; Ellen Fisher, blue broadcloth, demi train, jet and chiffon trimming; Effie Pearson, cream Henrietta and chiffon, corsage white roses; Addie Kennard, cream cashmere gown, pale green and silver brocade, silk trimming; Mamie Patterson, cream India silk; Jennie Vickers, lemon silk, chiffon trimming; Violet Beck, cream cloth with surah, silk waist decolite; May Vickers, cream silk with chiffon trimming, decolite; Mary Beck, demi train, corsage decolite bodice, white roses, pink embroidered, grenadine, chiffon trimming; Mamie Catlin, corsage of white roses, cream crepe gown of Kate-Greenaway style; Grace Turner, yellow brocade India silk, demi train, decolite; Sue Wilkins, black lace skirts, yellow surah waist; Fannie Wilkins, cream China silk, decolite; Jennie Wilkins, pale blue India silk, decolite; Anna Hubbard, cream figured India silk, demi train, velvet and gold braid trimming; Emma Beck, white silk, bodice decolite, chiffon trimming; Lizzie Roberts, corsage pink roses, cream cloth gown, demi train, pink chiffon; Ida Camp, black embroidered chiffon over black silk, demi train, decolite. Idel Baker, mauve silk, pink roses; Mrs. Charles Westcott, gray faille silk, and diamonds; Mrs. Hill, pearl silk, jeweled head ornament; Mrs. Geo. Vickers, steel-colored silk, demi train, black lace; Mrs. W. W. Hubbard, white silk with embroidered chiffon overdress.

NECROLOGY.

A Series of Deaths in the County.

Richard T. Turner, one of the most estimable citizens of the county, died suddenly at his home near Betterton, on Saturday evening, aged seventy-three years. His death came as a profound shock to all, for though he had during the past several weeks suffered from slight nueralgic attacks, there had at no time existed any cause for serious apprehension. Until his recent indisposition Mr. Turner was enjoying unusually good health, so much so, indeed, that it was a matter of general remark by those who saw him. On Saturday afternoon, in accord with his custom, he left his home, and though giving some evidences of despondency while in conversation with his son during the day, to others he made no complaint and was apparently in his usual good health. About nine o'clock, after having engaged in a general conversation with a number of friends at the Chesapeake House, he bade his friends good-night and started for home. About a quarter after nine, Mrs. Turner and her daughter were awaiting the father and husband's return in the sitting-room, and a sound was heard as of the customary placing of the key in the lock. After waiting a reasonable length of time, Miss Turner went to the door and without opening it called to her father, but receiving no response thought that she had been mistaken. Mrs. Turner who had in the mean time gone out of the room, also went to the door and called the name of her husband, but no response was received. Later his lifeless form was found sitting on the mat at the door. His position was one of perfect comfort; the head had assumed an easy position, the hands were resting gently in the lap, and a small bucket in which he had brought several small articles from the village, was sitting beside him. The key was in the night latch, and there were no evidences of a struggle. It is supposed that the fatal trouble seized him before he reached home, and by one supreme effort he placed the key in the lock, but thinking possibly to rest from the fatal exhaustion, seated himself on the mat at his own door, and placing himself in a comfortable position against the door and bench which sat on the porch, death came and found him waiting.

Mr. Turner was born in Baltimore, and came to Kent forty years ago, and settled near Betterton, and has inaugurated many of the important improvements of that section. A striking characteristic was an unostentatious charity which he extended to the poor, lowly and meek. He was a devoted Quaker in religion, finely educated, eloquent and the soul of honor. He leaves a widow and five children, Rachel Turner, R. T. Turner, Jr., Joseph Turner, Mrs. Anna B. Chandlee, wife of Dr. Chandlee, of Baltimore, and Dr. Wm. B. Turner. The interment took place yesterday afternoon at the old Friends' meeting house, near Lynch's, in the same graveyard where lies the remains of his grandfather, and was by request strictly private.

William Cacy, one of the oldest and most respected citizens of Kent county, died at his home near Massey's, on January 27, aged 79 years 4 months and 13 days. Mr. Cacy had been an invalid since December 1890, but was sick in his last illness only four or five days. About three years ago he lost his wife after a happy married-life of nearly fifty-five years, and after this bereavement he apparently lost all interest in general affairs and gradually gave way to the inroads of age. It is thought that prior to his last illness he had suffered two slight attacks of paralysis and this fatal trouble was one of the potent causes of his death. He was taken seriously ill on Saturday and never rallied, dying at 7.30 o'clock on Wednesday evening. Mr. Cacy was born in Queen Anne's, about three miles from Millington, where he passed a number of years of his more vigorous manhood, but came to Kent in 1841. His whole life was spent in agricultural pursuits and but few men in the county have ever figured more successfully as a farmer and citizen. At first a prominent Whig, he afterward cast his fortunes with the Democracy of his county and State and was always known as an uncompromising party-man, but never held nor did he ever ask for political preferment. He leaves a record untarnished and rarely surpassed. Mr. Cacy left one son, Samuel Cacy, one of the most prominent citizens of the county, who in every way possible made pleasant the declining years of the effectionate father, good citizen and upright man.

Mrs. Sarah C. Crew, wife of Mr. J. Welch Crew, after a ten day's illness, died at the home of her husband, on Wednesday, February 3, aged 71 years. She leaves three children; T. E. W. Crew, A. P. Crew and Miss Ida Crew. The interment took place on Saturday in Chester cemetery, Rev. W. R. Mowbray and Robert Roe officiating.

A friend writes:—"One of the saddest deaths we have had to record was that of Mrs. S. Caroline Crew, beloved wife of Mr. J. W. Crew. A nobler Christian character, a more beautiful life, we could not offer as an example. Truly, 'her children raise up and call her blessed,' as did all who knew her. We extend our sincere sympathy, and commend them to their mother's God."

The second startlingly sudden death of the past week, was that of E. T. Jacobs, of apoplexy, at the home of his son-in-law, Edward Lusby, on Monday evening. Mr. Jacobs was originally of Queen Anne's, but for several years past had made his home in Kent. He was highly respected by all who knew him, and had made many friends in the county of his adoption. On Monday afternoon he was in Chestertown, and made the remark to several friends that he never felt better. During the evening he had been enjoying a smoke at Mr. Lusby's home, and arose from his seat to put away his pipe, when he fell and was almost instantly dead. The deceased leaves a large family of children. Funeral, this (Thursday) afternoon at two o'clock; interment in Chester cemetery.

Mrs. Mary M. Beck, widow of the late Horace Beck, died of paralysis, at the home of her son, Dr. Samuel Beck, Chestertown, on Monday last, at 8.45 o'clock A. M., aged 74 years. Mrs. Beck had been an invalid for several years past, consequently her death was not altogether unexpected, yet it came as a great shock to a large family and many friends. She died as she had lived, a thorough Christian and a noble woman. Six sons survive her: Dr. Samuel Beck, George Beck and James L. Beck, of Kent, and M. M. Beck, Walter H. Beck and Clarence Beck, of St. Louis. Mrs. Beck before marriage was Miss Miller, daughter of the late Merritt Miller, of Kent county. Funeral services took place yesterday at 10 o'clock A. M., from the residence of her son, Dr. Beck; interment at St. Paul's.

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POETICAL RESPONSES.

A Few Intercepted Responses to the Invitations to the Leap Year Dance, 1892.

The following is the unique invitation to the Leap Year ball recently sent out by the young ladies of Centreville:

Come, good friends,
Both brave and true,
In our dance of ninety-two,
Joyfully we'll leap with you.

The following are some of the responses taken from the Centreville *Record*:

Your kind invitation, dear girls, is received,
And, while I'm most grateful, 'twould scarce be believed
That professional duties preclude me the ball,
For on Thursday—confound it!—I'm due at Rock Hall.
So instead of accepting—I am speaking the truth—
Please think while you're dancing I'm pulling a tooth
To relieve some fair sister of exquisite pain,
And what is my loss will be for her gain.
So your kind invitation I must decline,
But I'll drink your succes in a goblet of wine.

Your Most Gracious Majesties:

I have heard of duck suppers with champagne, replete,
But of nothing so tempting as a feast of the feet
With its ravishing powers to enchant or enthral
By the Muses and Graces condensed in a ball.
I scarcely had hoped for the honor conferred,
Or dreamed that my pulses could so deeply be stirred
By a small bit of paper spread over with ink,
And reflecting the names of fair maids whom, I think,
Have never their equals in wit, wisdom or beauty,
While to worship such idols is no sin, but a duty.
But enough! For the invitation many thanks in advance,
I'll be *at* your supper, if not *in* the dance;
And since some adornment would brighten the hall,
I'll aid it by posing as a flower called wall,
Your most faithful subject, SQUIBS.

REJECTED ADDRESS.

To accept or decline is a question much mooted.
That acceptance is best, can't be disputed;
To decline would appear, at the very first glance,
An open admission that one cannot dance;
And this would betoken—I have heard said—
An error most fatal in the way one's been bred.
So, rather than lie under such grave suspicion,
Or suffer the pangs of unrecognition,
And have one's connection cruelly sundered
From Centreville's royal and brilliant 400,
With thanks I accept and with elegant grace
Among the 400 fall into place.

ONE OF THE DISAPPOINTED.

Doubtless you ladies are enjoying the fun
Of reading responses by the carload and ton;
So, with your permission, we'll now add our mite
To the source of your fun, and thus will we write
Thankful acceptance of your kind invitation,
And offer you this, as a sort of oblation.
And while we can't rhyme as Byron or Tupper,
One of us will dance, the other eat your supper.
And so, ladies fair, without more ado
Both of us will come, and we accept for two.

DARBY AND JOAN.

THE TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

Interesting Discussions Upon Interesting Topics.

Notwithstanding the fact that a driving snowstorm prevailed all of the day, last Friday, forty-seven of the sixty-one teachers of the Public School Association of Kent county met in the school-room, at Chestertown. The association was called to order by the president, E. F. Perkins. A number of the pupils of the Chestertown school opened the meeting with music, after which the roll having been called, and the proceedings of the previous meeting read and approved, the first regular question, "What constitutes Domestic Economy, and how shall it be taught?" was called up and discussed at considerable length. There was no great difference of opinion as to the real meaning of the term, Domestic Economy. However, some seemed to hold the notion that *sewing* and *cooking* mainly constitute Domestic Economy, while others thought that it means all that is included in good housekeeping. One teacher's opinion was, that Domestic Economy has for its object to teach how to utilize and to turn to the very best account one's resources, and that cleanliness, order, system, industry, frugality, good taste, a knowledge of the value of household articles, and good management furnish the data for the science of Domestic Economy. The difficulty did not lie so much in defining the term, as in finding a method for teaching it in the schoolroom. Sewing can be taught, and has been taught to some extent in many of the schools, but the appliances for cooking cannot be had in rural districts, and hence cannot be taught. "Household Science," by Prof. Youman, of Yale College, was recommended as a great help to the study; and it was asked if it could not be taught in connection with parts of the physiology, where foods are discussed.

At the close of the discussion, the literary committee submitted the following questions, which on motion of Mr. Topping, were adopted for discussion at the next regular meeting: 1st. In teaching arithmetic should we complete the work laid down in any rule, before taking up the work under any new rule? 2d. How can we best train the perceptive faculties? The committee in connection with their other report, offered the following suggestion: That the president appoint some one of the teachers to furnish the association with music at each meeting. At this juncture Miss Katie R. McKee read the essay—subject: Light.

The second regular question, "Are there any advantages in teaching by the 'Topical Method,' if so, what are they?" was called up and discussed by Mr. Tonkin, Miss Fowler, Miss Wallis, Miss Roberts, Miss Crane, Mr. Smyth, Miss Meredith, Miss Hadaway, Mr. Melvin, Miss Harris, Miss Irene Gooding, Mr. Topping, Miss Nellie Walters and the Examiner.

After some expressions of opinion by a number of the teachers and the Examiner as to the best methods of teaching History of the United States, the secretary called the roll, and the president declared the meeting adjourned; after which the teachers, enriched by a quarter's salary and many valuable suggestions, went out in the pelting snow, in search of their respective homes.

THE QUEEN ANNE'S MEETING.

Second quarterly meeting of the Queen Anne's Teachers' Association was held in the female school building, Centreville, Friday, Feb. 5, commencing at 10 o'clock A.M. Owing to the very inclement weather the attendance was not so large as usual. After prayer the roll was called by Secretary, A. G. Harley, Jr. Each teacher present responded with a quotation from some well-known or favorite author. After the reading and approval of the minutes of the last meeting, those present were entertained with a marching and motion song by a class of little girls from the primary department of the school. The music was under the direction of Mrs. M. J. Cahoon, and did that lady much credit. After a reading, "Forgive and Forget," by Miss Nannie Larrimore. "The Advantages of Associations," was discussed by Misses Carrie B. Roe and Lillian D. Bowen and Messrs. Gibson, Boyer and Harley. Mr. Harley spoke at some length. While agreeing with those who preceded him in thinking that we gain instruction, encouragement and enthusiasm from the exchange of ideas and opinions, Mr. Harley thought the discussion could be made more practical. He spoke of reading circles and district associations where the number being smaller, the members got nearer to the real difficulties of their work and dealt less in theory.

Miss Mary Sudler read a pathetic little incident from the war, entitled "Our Folks," and Mr. Clarence Tucker delivered an oration. The next subject, "Methods of Teaching Literature," was discussed by Misses Friel, Sadie Bowen, Haslup and Wittman and Mr. Walson.

The teachers are evidently not doing routine work, for each had one or several methods to suggest. Mr. Watson coming last began his remarks with a humorous anecdote, intended to point the statement that there was nothing left for him to say; but he soon proved that there was something and he could say it very well. Prof. Woodford then gave a selection on the organ, which was very much enjoyed. Miss Ella Pippin read an essay on "Reformers," which was so highly appreciated that the association voted for the publication of the same. Miss Annie Thompson read a selection describing Miss Charity's Mishap with the postal service in New York city. The question, How can we best create in the Pupils Original Thought? was discussed by Misses Bell Rash, Boyles and Mr. Pardee. Mr. Beatty spoke of the approaching examination to begin Feb. 8. This has been made the examination for promotion instead of the June examination, in order to give a chance for promotion to those pupils who attend school only duing the winter.

It was decided to have only one session, Rev. V. S. Collins kindly promising to deliver his address which was on the programme for the afternoon, at our next meeting. R.

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MARRIED.

HYNSON—GILPIN.—At Immanuel P. E. Church, on Thursday, Feb. 4, 1892, by Rev. Dr. Eccleston, of Baltimore, Richard D. Hynson and Miss Emma Gilpin, both of Chestertown.

HURD—BENNET.—At the M. E. parsonage, Chestertown, on Tuesday evening, Feb. 9, 1892, Heenan Hurd and Miss Maggie E. Bennett, both of Kent county.

DAVIS—MEEKS.—At the M. E. Parsonage, Still Pond, on Feb. 3, 1892, by Rev. John D. Kemp, John A. Davis and Miss Dora Meeks, both of Kent county, Md.

HILL—ARCHIBALD.—February 3, 1892, at the home of the bride's mother, Kennedyville, Md., by Rev. W. Jamison Fitzsimon, Rachel, youngest daughter of the late Wm. Archibald, Esq., to Harry F. Hill, of Still Pond.

BOYD—SUTTON.—In Locust Grove M. E. Church, on Wednesday evening, Feb. 3, 1892, by the Rev. E. H. Nelson, Joseph E. Boyd and Miss Sallie T. Sutton, both of Kent.

SCOONE—BIRCH.—In Baltimore, on the 26th ult., by Rev. Hugh L. Elderdice, Mr. George R. Scoone to Miss Mabel Birch, both of Rock Hall.

DIED.

TURNER.—Suddenly, at his home near Betterton, on Saturday evening, Feb. 6, 1892, Richard T. Turner, Sr., aged 73 years.

CACY.—At his home near Masseys, on Jan. 27, 1892, after a short illness, William Cacy, aged 79 years, 4 months and 13 days.

JACOBS.—At the home of his son-in-law, Edward Lusby, on Monday, Feb. 8, 1892, E. T. Jacobs of apoplexy, aged about 65 years.

LANE.—Wednesday morning, February 3, 1892, near Chestertown, John Lane, aged 69 years.

BROXSON.—Near Locust Grove, Sunday morning, Jan. 31, Thomas Broxson, of typhoid fever, aged 23 years.