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LOCAL MATTERS.

—Wheat in Kent is looking only fairly well.

—First-class bay shad are selling for fifty and sixty cents per pair.

—Friday morning gave us the unusual treat of a several hours snowstorm.

—The days are now over twelve hours long and will continue to increase in length until June 21.

—James A. Pearce and Lewin W. Wickes, Esqs., will address the Cleveland Club at Lynch's, on Saturday evening at half-past seven o'clock.

—The electric light movement will be heard from at an early date. The people, we believe, want this decided improvement.

—The steamer Corsica made a special trip to Chestertown on Monday, and took on board about five thousand bushels of corn.

—Dr. Samuel G. Fisher, clerk of the circuit cout for Kent county received the commissions for the newly appointed treasurer, and other county officers, on Monday, who are required by law to qualify within thirty days.

—The Messrs Baldwin, will can tomatoes at Kennedville during the coming season, paying five dollars and a half per ton. They paid six dollars last year.

—Read every word of our first page. An eloquent speech by James A. Pearce, Esq., and an interesting report on the school-book question are prominent features.

—The contract for carrying the mails between Baltimore and Rock Hall, has been awarded to the Chester River Steamboat Company at one hundred and fifty dollars per year.

—Mrs. Sarah Hodges Gale, was stricken with paralysis at her home, the residence of Mr. A. G. Mathiot, near Hanesville, on Saturday morning, and is still very ill, her entire side being paralysed.

—Mr. W. B. Price, in Turner's Creek Neck, finished planting corn on Saturday last. But for the heavy rains of the past week several early planters would have been either finished or nearly so.

—The body of a white man, supposed to have been drowned, was found by James Bailey, a tenant on the farm of Capt. J. Fletcher Wilson, near Turkey Point, on Sunday of last week.

—The Seventh Day Adventists, will hold a meeting at Edesville hall, on Sunday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock P. M. to which all are invited. Subject, "Weighed in the Balance and Found Wanting."

—The tonging season throughout the State closed yesterday after only a fairly profitable season. The unusually disagreeable weather of the season was responsible for many lost days at work.

—Frog shooting is now a profitable and exciting sport in sections of Kent. At Delaware City, Delaware, quite a trade has been built up, the legs of the frogs bringing from seventy-five cents to one dollar per dozen.

—The Helen M. Baughman, one of the most trig and handsome of the vessels of the Maryland Fishery Police force, is anchored in the harbor. Her captain and crew are interested in a case to be tried at this term of court.

—The Eighteenth street Church, to which Rev. J. A. B. Wilson has recently been appointed, is one of the finest churches in New York, having cost about $100,000; the parsonage is valued at $16,000 and the pastor's salary is about $2,500.

—George Freeman, a colored farm hand on the farm of Mr. Garrett Foxwell, was shot in the leg above the knee by Charles Matthews, also colored, at a festival held in a tenant house on the farm Mr. J. E. Hurlock, on Saturday night last.

—A first-class dramatic troupe regaled the citizens of Centreville each night last week, and the town hall was crowded. The star of the troupe was a young married woman who stated that she was before marriage a Miss Mamie Jacobs, of Chestertown.

—Easter Monday is the great annual holiday of the colored people, and as a rule Chestertown is alive with visitors, but on accou[illegible] the heavy downpour of rain, there wer[illegible] few in town on Monday last. The [illegible]mpton day, Tuesday, was a decided succ[illegible]s.

—The follo[illegible]ing letters remain in the Chestertown postoffice, uncalled for: Mrs. Mary E. Davis, Dr. J. C. Earle, Miss Sarah Louise Hynson, Miss Dillie Mortiemore and Mr. Moses Senker. Persons calling for these letters will please state that they are advertised.

—On Easter Monday the Rev. William Munford and his wife, formerly of St. Paul's, this county, celebrated the 20th anniversary of their marriage. The rectory at Salisbury was opened during the day, and a cordial invitation extended to the rector's friends to call and express their kind wishes.

—Merchants of Ellicott City will petition the city council to exact a license of hucksters and peddlers of provisions not raised by themselves. The license is to be at least twelve dollars. The subject of exacting a license from country producers has been mooted by some Chestertown merchants.

—In the space of thirty-nine minutes, Mr. Billy Clifton, of Talbot county, ate twenty-five sweet cakes, drank nine glasses of water and one-half gallon of cider, and consumed a quarter pound of candy. Let the Chestertown cheese, cracker and pepper eater now make his report; the time is auspicious.

—The wheelmen of Chestertown held a meeting last week, with a view to organizing a permanent cycling club. Colin F. Stam, W. B. Copper and Charles S. Smith were appointed a committee to make all necessary arrangements for the permanent and formal organization of a club, which it is expected will have about twenty members.

—It would be well for business men to bear in mind, that in accord with the Saturday half-holiday law recently passed, Baltimore banks now close on Saturdays at twelve o'clock noon. Customers of the banks coming in after 12 o'clock to make deposits, will be permitted to do so. All notes and papers maturing will be carried over until Monday without protest. The Chestertown banks will not be effected by the new law, as it only refers to Baltimore city.

—The Emerald Court Tennis Club held its annual meeting for the election of officers, at the home of Dr. W. F. Hines, on Monday evening. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. R. D. Hynson; vice-president, Miss Mary Hurtt; secretary, Miss May Ireland, and treasurer, Eben F. Perkins, Jr. The club will have the same court as last year, which is possibly one of the most beauti[illegible] on the Shore.

—Miss Cole, of the State Normal School, lectured in Fairlee Hall Saturday evening last on physical culture, and showed the advantages of the systems of culture, which were illustrated by two young ladies in attendance, who also favored the audience with recitations, etc., which were highly appreciated.

—A pleasant birthday party was given by Mr. and Mrs. George B. McWhorter, on Friday evening last, in honor of the 12th anniversary of the birthday of their son, Charles McWhorter. Thirty-five or forty girls and boys were present, and the evening was delightfully spent. Refreshments were served in abundance and various games were enjoyed.

—The members and friends of St. John's Independent Methodist Church, Liberty street, Baltimore, gave a reception to their pastor, the Rev. J. S. Bowers, in the lecture room of the church several days ago, in honor of his reappointment. Mr. Bowers is one of the finest preachers of the conference, and has many friends in Kent, his original home.

—The Washington College base-ball team had arranged a game of ball with a Church Hill-Centreville combination, to take place on the college grounds on Tuesday, but the visitors failed to put in an appearance. Hawke was expected to pitch for the Queen Anne's team and with Borroughs in the box for the home team an interesting game was expected.

—Mrs. Susie J. Gafford, aged forty-five years, whose right leg was cut off by being run over by a street car in Baltimore on March 3, died on Friday. Mrs. Gafford was formerly of Church Hill, Queen Anne's county, where she lived for a number of years. Suit has been instituted against the railway company for twenty-five thousand dollars damages.

—Charles Hopkins, the boy who stole about eighty-five dollars from Mr. George B. Twilley, on February 22, was arrested in South Chester, Pennsylvania last week. Hopkins was arrested for stealing from a woman at whose house he was boarding. Notice was sent to Officer Kelley, and the necessary steps will be taken to bring him to Kent to stand trial. He is now held under three hundred dollars bail.

—The schooner J. B. Brown, Capt. Benjamin Blunt, owner, was sunk Saturday morning in the Patapsco river, by being in collision with a large scow in tow by a tug. At the time of the accident the schooner was bound for Wye river loaded with oyster shells. After the collision Capt. Blunt beached his vessel. It is now supposed that she will be raised and repaired. The loss will amount to several hundred dollars.

—The Centreville *Record's* Kent Island correspondent says: "Capt. Dadd Jones, of Rock Hall, Kent county, who commands the schooner Jack, of Baltimore, while attempting to clean a pistol on Thursday of last week was accidentally shot, the ball entering the palm of the hand and passing through near the wrist, inflicting quite a severe wound. The captain took the steamer for his home next morning.

—James E. Clark, aged about fifty years, died suddenly at his home in Sandy Bottom, near St. Paul's, on Sunday last. Clark was addicted to drink and died in his chair with his demijohn beside him. As persons were passing his home going to church the man was discovered in his house sitting in a chair dead. There was no one at home with him and it was thought best to hold an inquest, which was done. All of the upper portion of the body was badly discolored, when found.

—The great social event of the present season and possibly the most fashionable and beautiful weddings, which has been solemnized in Centreville for many years, will be the marriage of Dr. J. K. H. Jacobs, of Kennedyville, this county, and Miss Annie McKenney, daughter of Col. William McKenney, of Centreville, in St. Pauls' P. E. Church, on Wednesday, April 27, at twelve o'clock noon. Rev. James A. Michell, brother-in-law of the bride, and rector of the church, officiating.

—The penalty for having unculled oysters in possession, under the new oyster law, is a fine of not less than $25 nor more than $300 for dredgers, and not less than $50 for tongers. The legal size of the oysters still remains at two and one-half inches. Women are allowed to tong without a license in the waters of the counties in which they live, and boys under fifteen years are allowed to work on oyster boats as culliers without being required to obtain a license.

—An Indian battle-axe of unusually good outlines was found recently on the farm of Mr. James Lake, of Baltimore. The farm is at the head of the Chester river, near Millington. The axe comes down to a fine point with almost a cutting edge. The channel, which was grasped by the beaten withe or thongs of leather in order that the axe might be swung in battle, is clear and well defined. Through the syenite, of which the axe is made, are seen crystals of hornblende.

—Mr. A. C. Jump, living at Mr. A. L. Corey's near Fairlee, met with a serious and painful accident on Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Jump had been sitting on a pile of lumber which Mr. Corey was using in haying some repairs made to his barn, and while getting down the lumber rolled over on his leg and broke it just below the knee. Dr. W. Frank Hines was summoned and set the broken limb. Mr. Jump is an eldetly gentleman and the accident is a sad affliction. He wys resting very comfortably Tuesday night.

—Centreville has started a relief fund for the famine-stricken Russians. Why should not Kent aid in this great cause of relieving the sufferings of other lands? Queen Anne's public school No. 9, Mrs. A. G. Harley teacher, has contributed two dollars in cash, and several farmers have given flour, etc. Any contributions for the relief of these suffering people, will be received at the TRANSCRIPT office and promptly forwarded to the proper parties for transportation to the famine-stricken districts.

—Mr. A. B. Howard, Jr., chief of the State Industrial Bureau, has fitted up his office in the Robinson Building, Charles and Saratoga streets, Baltimore, and has entered upon the discharge of his duties. Thomas C. Weeks, his predecessor, as chief of the old Bureau of Labor Statistics, conducted the business entirely in his law office, and there has never before been an office especially equipped for this work in the State. Every possible facility will be added for the successful administration of the office. Mr. Howard cordially invites the co-operation and assistance of all who feel sufficient interest in the work to aid him. It is his desire to give careful attention to all of the material interests of the State and especially to make agriculture and the industrial condition of the counties leading features of his reports. There is a great deal of preliminary work to be done as a groundwork for the first report before its actual compilation can be commenced. Mr. Howard has appointed as his assistant, Mr. George C. Thomas, who at the time of his appointment was in the service of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, and whose experience there will fit him for valuable service.

—The Public School Association will meet at the school-room, in Chestertown, on Friday, April 22, 1892, at 10 o'clock A. M. unfinished business: Will it be better in teaching arithmetic to the first-sixth grade, to omit proportion and take up percentage in its stead? The regular questions are: 1st. In teaching arithmetic, should we complete the work laid down in any rule before taking up the work under any new role? 2d. How can we best train the perceptive faculties? Prof. Clarke, of Washington College will deliver the address. The literary committee will meet a half hour earlier, and teachers are earnestly requested to furnish the committee with questions that they may desire to have discussed by the association.

—In behalf of an improved road system for Chestertown and Kent county, both county and two commissioners are now considering the advisability of investing in the very latest and most highly improved road machines, and Messrs. Smith & Clements, agents for those excellent road-workers, the Pennock reversible and adjustable, have given several exhibitions of the working of their machines. The Pennock is said bp those most capable of judging, to be the finest on the market, and in competition with the Champion and several others in Queen Anne's several weeks ago, was declared by a decided majority of the judges to be equal to if not superior to all others, though the Champion, being the choice of the individual supervisor, was purchased. The work in Kent was of a most satisfactory character.

—Rev. J. D. Kemp and a number of others interested, met at the home of Mrs. G. Will Owings, Betterton, on Tuesday evening to consider the advisability of building a new church at that place. It is proposed that the new structure shall cost about one thousand dollars, shall have a seating capacity for two hundred persons, and, architecturally, shall be neat and attractive. Those having the matter in charge are thoroughly interested, and are determined to push the new move to a successful termination. Two hundred and fifty dollars are already assured, and it is intended to sell the old church and site for two hundred and fifty dollars, if possible, thus bringing the amount to half that needed. The new structure will be built nearer the bay, on the main road, and several hundred yards from the old site. Rev. J. D. Kemp was chairman of the Tuesday meeting.

—The Children's Aid Society held a festival at the old M. P. parsonage, corner Maple avenue and Queen street, on Tuesday night. The trees in the yard were brilliant with numerous Japanese lanters, which produced a picturesque and beautiful effect. The interior of the house was also brilliantly illuminated with Japanese lanterns. In one of the lower rooms were the ice-cream tables, while in another was an abundance of elegant confectionery. Charades were an enjoyable feature of the evening. A number of little girls were dressed to represent different characters, and it was left to the audience to distinguish by the costumes the characters impersonated. The house was literally crowded during the entire evening, and the financial result was very satisfactory. Mrs. Wm. J. Vannort had the matter in charge, and made of it a delightful success.

—Three gentlemen representing the New York Cob Co., were in Middletown Saturday in conference with officers of the Board of Trade. They are desirous of locating here their pipe manufactory. Great quantities of large corn cobs are a necessity, and they wish to get close to the base of supplies. They reported an order for twenty-nine thousand pipes received by them on Friday. Such a concern would probably employ fifteen or twenty men and boys, and the pay-roll would be quite an item. After looking over the ground, they decided that the location was a suitable one. They will probably locate here. There is also a good prospect for a button factory."—*A Middletown Exchange.* The Chestertown Board of Trade, if not dead, sleepeth profoundly. Our sister towns are gathering golden results, while we have accomplished absolutely nothing. It is high time that we awake.

—Kent county has unfortunately been exempted from the operation of the new peach Yellows law. A protest was entered by some the peach growers, claiming that the fines and penalties were unduly severe and arbitrary. The law does not apply to Washington county, which already has a local law. Any person shipping or selling diseased trees shall, upon conviction before a justice of the peace, be fined $10 or sent to jail for a term not exceeding thirty days. Any person who becomes aware of the existence of the "Yellows" in any orchard or tree is authorized to destroy the same, and no action shall lie against him for trespass for so doing. The county commissioners are authorized to appoint three peach-growers in each election district to act as a commission for the destruction of diseased trees. The commission has full authority to order the destruction of any diseased tree, and any person who shall refuse to destroy a tree when proper notice has been given, shall upon conviction before a justice of the peace, be fined not exceeding $10, and pay all costs incident to the trial and the destruction of the tree. The act defines the symptons of "Yellows" as follows: "A premature ripening of the fruit, which is flavorless, and with the color thereof not solid, but mottled; wiry growth of shoots from trunk or branches of the tree.

—The granary and contents on the farm near Kennedyville, tenanted by H. C. Gray, and owned by Mr. Burroughs, of Middletown, Del., were entirely consumed by fire on Sunday evening. About eight o'clock a colored man who was sitting in the kitchen, went to the kitchen door and noticed a light in the granary, then went to the sitting-room and asked who was at the barn with a light. Mr. Gray immediately made an investigation and discovered the back doors of the building open and the interior in flames. The fire had made such headway as to be beyond all possible control, and the efforts of Mr. Gray and his neighbors were directed to saving the valuable outbuildings which stood near. Fortunately, the wind set the flames off from the stable and other houses, and only the granary and its contents were destroyed. It is stated that the two doors found open, had not been open for several months past, and all of the circumstances point to the fire as having been of incendiary origin. There were in the building at the time, eighteen hundred bushels of wheat, three hundred bushels of corn, a fan and a wheat-rake, all of which were burned. Mr. Gray's portion or about one-third of the grain destroyed was insured in the Agricultural Insurance Company, represented in the county by Mr. L. B. Russell. This is the sixth fire within a territory of two and one-half miles, during the past five or six years and on almost adjoining farms. First was the burning of the outbuildings on the farm of Mr. Newnam, next Mr. Vandyke, next, two fires on the farm of [illegible] Bennett, then the fire on Mr. Part[illegible]'s place and last the fire of Sunday eve[illegible]g.

—The entertainment given by Prof. Gilbert Walden, the celebrated Southern elocutionist, at Stam's Hall, on Tuesday evening, was a treat to those present. His pieces were all well rendered, and many of them highly amusing. The selections most worthy of comment were Poe's "Bells" (in which was shown the culture of the voice) and the Southern Negro dialects, in which he was excellent, keeping his audience in a roar of laughter. He was equally effective in his more pathetic recitals.

—For the edification of the Washington College base-ball club, who may or may not (and possibly they had better not) cross bats with the Elkton club, we give the following from the Cecil *Democrat*: "Hawke, the pitcher of the Elkton club, is starting the season at the same old pace. He pitched for the Delaware Field Club of Wilmington against the Penn Charter Club on Wednesday, and but two hits were made off his delivery and not a run scored. He struck out 14 men, the score being 25 to 0 in favor of the Field Club."

—As a number of farmers in Kent are experimenting with the German, or scarlet clover, it may be of interest to know that Maryland is stated to be the northern limit of the successful growth of the new soil-improver. Henry Stewart writes to the *Rural New Yorker*, from North Carolina that it is a mistake to grow crimson clover in summer or autumn to be turned under the next spring, except so far south that open winters will allow it to grow continuously. It will not do so far north as any part of Pennsylvania, where it will not make a growth large enough to be of any use. He tried it on five acres in that State, and the result was a complete failure; it made a fair growth till the first frost when it stopped, barely covering the ground. There would not have been in the spring half a ton on the five acres. The land was good, had yielded 400 bushels of wheat on 13 acres.

Death of Mrs. Ann B. Smith

Mrs. Ann B. Smith, relict of the late Jas. Smith, died at the home of her son-in-law, John N. Dodd, Chestertown, at twenty minutes past one o'clock yesterday morning, in the eighty-third year of her age, having been born on the Howard farm, near Kennedyville, September 2, 1809. Though feeble from age, Mrs. Smith's general health had been good until about six weeks ago, when she was taken with a severe illness, but about a week ago the suffering patient rallied, and the wonted brightness again gave evidence of returning health, and hopes were entertained for a rapid recovery, but at six o'clock on Tuesday evening the deadly stroke of apoplexy seized the form too weak from age and suffering to withstand its fatal visitation, and in the early morning hours death came as a welcome relief. The deceased was a daughter of Jesse Knock, of Kent, and was twice married, the first time to Isaac Hines, of Kent county. Eight children were the result of this marriage, the only one now living, however, being John W. Hines. Her second husband was James Smith, of Caroline county. Mrs. Smith had six children by this marriage, five of whom are living, as follows: Mrs. John N. Dodd, Thomas J., J. Jury, M. deK., and Mrs. W. R. Graham. She was the mother of the late Jesse K. Hines. Mrs. Smith spent most of her life in Kent, but during the lifetime of her husband, lived for about ten years in Baltimore city. The past twenty-two years have been spent at the home of her son-in-law, John N. Dodd, Chestertown. The peaceful close was a most appropriate ending of a beautiful Christian life; it was the harvesting of a ripened and golden sheaf. The interment will take place in Chester cemetery at four o'clock on Friday afternoon. Services at the residence of John N. Dodd. No further notice will be given.

Two Colored Men Drowned.

John Wesley Gibbs and Anthony Potts, both colored, were drowned on Monday evening last about sundown in the Sassafras river, off the shore of Mr. Stephen Boyer, near Foxhole and about a mile from Sassafras. Gibbs, Potts and another colored man, were farm hands employed by Mr. Stephen Boyer, and on Monday after dinner borrowed Mr. Boyer's boat and gill-net to go fishing; after putting the net out in the river, they rowed down to Fredericktown, Cecil county, where they got drunk. On their return they went ashore on the Cecil side of the river where they got in a fight, after which they again returned to the boat and started up the river. Mr. Boyer becoming uneasy about their staying out so long, went down to his shore and seeing the men out in the river called to them to come ashore; they started to him, two of them were rowing, the other being down in the bottom of the boat drunk. When they got close enough to the shore to recognize Mr. Boyer, they turned the boat around and started across the river; at this moment the man in the bottom of the boat raised up and leaning over the side of the boat, upset it and his two companions were drowned, he holding on to the boat and was rescued by Mr. Boyer who secured another boat and went to him. The man was so intoxicated that he remembers nothing about the boat capsizing or anything that transpired thereafter. The bodies of the drowned men were found by a colored man on Tuesday morning with grappling irons, and Coroner Parr summoned a jury of inquest, Mr. T. H. Horsey, foreman, and Dr. J. Harton Kelley, physician, who rendered a verdict of accidental drowning.

Eastern Neck Locals.

Mr. G. P. Leatherbury, who has been the guest of Mr. F. E. Stevens, left for Baltimore last Friday.

The chimney in the residence of Mrs. C. C. Wood caught fire last Wednesday. It seemed to be a day for chimney-fires, as a chimney in one of the out-houses on Mrs. C. A. Wickes' farm also caught fire. Both were extinguished before any damage was done.

A party was given by Miss Allie Sappington last Wednesday, to a number of her friends. Among those present were: Misses Lizzie Bryan, Bessie Satterfield, Florence Watkins, Nellie Pearce, Annie Sappington; Messrs. Wm. Wilkins, John Wood, James Pearce, Harry Bogle, Neal Willson, R. S. Wickes, Frank Sappington and others. Dancing was indulged in until a late hour, to sweet music rendered by Messrs. Eugene Willson and Wm. Larrimore.

Mrs. William M. Willson and Miss Lizzie Bryan left Friday for Wilmington, Del., to attend the wedding of Miss Laura Blount, to take place on the 19th of this month.

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THE JOYOUS EASTER.

A Day of Impressive Sermons—Sweet Song and Beautiful Flowers in the Churches of Chestertown.

Though an ideal April day of sunshine and shadow, last Sunday could scarce be considered as having fulfilled all that was hoped of the joyous Eastertide. At six o'clock an April shower came, but only to be followed by massive banks of sombre clouds, through which the sun finally shone, bathing the Easter day with beauty. The air, however, was chill, and though a number of handsome spring suits and beautiful gems in the shape of hats came out, the wind was not tempered to suit their dainty beauty.

Yet, superior to all other considerations the sacred story of the Risen Christ was emphasized in vast cathedrals and humble churches on hillside and moor, while blossoming flowers whispered of the new birth unto life. Church choirs, with swelling anthems burst forth in sweet song, relating the beautiful story of the opened tomb. There is nothing in human history more beautiful than the life of the man called Christ, around which have been woven the sweetest stories which have ever charmed the ear of childhood or soothed the querulousness of old age.

In all of the Chestertown churches, services of a most impressive and beautiful character were held. The early service at half-past seven o'clock, at Emmanuel P. E. Church, was largely attended, as also the 11 o'clock service. The church was handsomely trimmed, banks of evergreens, Easter and Calla lilies and brilliant blossoms transforming the chancel and altar into a bower of fragrance and beauty.

Both morning and evening beautiful Easter music was rendered by the choir. In the afternoon a most enjoyable song service was held by the Sunday school.

At the M. E. Church, the floral decorations were elaborate and unusually beautiful. Rev. Mr. Easley preached appropriate sermons both morning and evening.

At Christ M. P. Church the floral effect surpassed that of any previous Easter, and the decorations were elaborate and beautiful. Within the chancel rail and around the pulpit, were magnificent evergreens, potted plants and bright blossoms. In the afternoon a song service was held in the Sunday school room.

A beautiful song service was held by the Sunday school of Fairlee M. E. Church, on Sunday. The church was beautifully decorated with blossoming potted-plants, palms and cut flowers. The children and choir acquitted themselves in a most creditable manner. The music was specially arranged for the Easter season.

Mass was celebrated at Sacred Heart Church in the morning. The floral decorations were declared to be the most beautiful ever seen in the church, and were, it is safe to say unsurpassed in any church in the county.

SPRING TERM OF COURT.

Work of the April Term of the Circuit Court Commenced.

The spring or April term of the circuit court for Kent county convened on Monday morning with his Honor Judge Joseph A. Wickes on the bench. The officers of the court were: Dr. Samuel G. Fisher, clerk; Willard Milvin, deputy; Edward J. Plummer, Sheriff; Frank Plummer, deputy sheriff; Major B. B. Wroth, cryer; John H. Greenwood and James A. Russell, bailiffs to the court, and George C. Adkinson, bailiff to the grand jury.

The grand and petit jurors are as follows:

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The October docket was called and adjourned *sine die*. The dockets were called and parties taken. Upon call of the roll of jurors, A. J. Cahall failed to respond on account of sickness, and W. W. Hurlock was excused on account of sickness.

The regular criminal docket was called. Court proceeded to take up the cases on the civil appeal docket.

The first case called was that of McWhorter & Stephens, shipping agents of fruit at Millington during the peach season of 1891, against Charles O. Cacy. The case was an appeal from a decision of Justice Parr. McWhorter & Stevens during the same season, conducted a partnership business in the sale of baskets and poultry. The gentlemen solicited fruit from growers, for commission houses which they represented in Boston and other cities. Mr. Cacy, among others, in response to their solicitations made a number of consignments through them, and claims that he supposed that his fruit was going at carload rates, and that he was paying the rate of freight actually paid to the railroad. McWhorter & Stephens claim that they chartered the cars from the railroad, assuming the responsibility for the freight, and that they had a right to charge such rates as they saw proper. The railroad charged market rates, 38c. and 30½c. carload rates per basket, to Boston, and in proportion to other cities, while McWhorter & Stephens arranged the difference and charged the growers 35c. to Boston and in proportion to other cities. Mr. Cacy contended that McWhorter & Stephens never disclosed this fact to him, and that he believed that he was paying only the actual freights as received by the railroad company. He also contended that McWhorter & Stephens were his agents in the shipment of fruit, and were bound to exercise good faith and fair dealing in this agency, and to disclose to him fully and fairly, all particulars, so that he could have acted intelligently in the matter. Mr. McWhorter said that he never had told Cacy what these freights would be, as he supposed he understood it. Some eight or ten farmers testified that they thought all freight was charged at actual rates paid the railroad, and not arbitrary rates fixed by McWhorter & Stephens. A number of witnesses testified that Charles H. Stephens, of the firm of McWhorter & Stephens, had said that he was not satisfied that the excess of freights belonged to the shippers, and that he was perfectly willing to refund the money to the growers, but that McWhorter would not consent. This is a test case to see whether or not this excess of freights can be secured, and though there is only about thirteen dollars involved in the suit, the amount in the county which will be effected, will aggregate eight or ten thousand dollars. Pearce and E. H. Brown for McWhorter & Stephens; Barroll for Cacy.

Both Tuedsay and Wednesday were consumed in the case. The grand jury on Tuesday brought in indictments against Romaine Wickes—one for burglariously entering the house of Emma Reed, and one for rape upon Emma Reed. Presentments were brought in against J. Henry Jones and Thomas Taylor for shooting with intent to kill, John Lindsay. Presentment against James Thompson for resistance of officers in discharge of their their duty.

Grand jury brought in presentments against Theodore Diehl for assault upon Ivens Jewett Howard, and Charles Hopkins, for larceney of a pocket-book containing about 70 dollars belonging to Geo. B. Twilley; and true bills against Thos. Taylor, James Emory Jones and James Thompson. The jury was out on the peach case at the hour of going to press.

Orphans' Court, Tuesday, April 19, '92. Present, Judges Harris, Moffett and Burgess. On application, Sarah J. Stevens was appointed guardian to Jesse G., Elmer R. and Lillie A. Stevens. On application, Edwin Cooper was appointed guardian to Bessie B. and Robert G. Cooper. C. J. Scott returned appraisement of certain real estate of William Cacy, deceased. Court passed sundry claims against estates.

Board of county commissioners met on Tuesday, with a full board present. Check was received from treasurer of Queen Anne's commissioners for balance due Kent county on settlement of joint account of Chester bridge. Collector's vouchers of Horace M. Stuart, collector for 1888 and 1889, heretofore filed, were examined by the board and balance due board paid by check. Order was passed acquitting said collector and his sureties of all liability, and under all levies subject to order of county commissioners. The bonds of of Clarence S. Hurlock, county treasurer of Kent county, and as collector of county and State taxes, were examined and approved, and ordered to be filed with clerk of the circuit court for record. Mrs. Margaret Baker's recommendation for pension, was examined, allowed and ordered to be provided for by levy in 1892. Recommendation of Isaiah Ward for pension, examined, allowed and ordered to be provided for by levy in 1892. Order was passed directing the treasurer to apply the balance of levy for bridge at Sparks' Mill, or so much thereof as may be necessary to the payment of jurors for present April term. Application of Captain James H. Thompson for position of keeper of public wharf at Chestertown, heretofore filed, was considered, and order passed appointing said Thompson to said position for one year, or until a successor shall be appointed. Board was further engaged in examining, approving and passing accounts for payment by orders for levy in 1892.

Peach Notes.

Mr. John A. Groves said yesterday: "I think we had a fourth of a crop of peaches in Kent up to Sunday, but there was frost on Monday and Tuesday nights, which I believe was harder on the buds than the freezing of the recent cold spell."

"The dispatches from Indiana say the peach crop has not been materially injured by the recent cold snap. The Eastern Shere peach crop liar will shudder with disgust when he thinks of the opportunity thus thrown away."—*Baltimore Evening News.* Our Western Shore neighbors of the fraternity of chronic prevaricators, have this advantage over their Eastern Shore friends, that their misstatements are confined to no season, period or crop, but is systematically kept up during the entire calendar of the months.

Reports from Somerset county state that the prospects are good for nearly half a crop. There will also be a half crop in Wicomico county, it is claimed. According to the latest advices from different parts of Delaware, the peach crop this year is very promising. Ex-Representative L. E. Wallace, of Seaford, is authority for the statement that the cold spell last November did not injure the trees at all, reports circulated by the "Peach Crop Liar" to the contrary notwithstanding.

Ex-Governor Biggs, who had just returned from an examination of his peach prospects in Queen Anne's county, Md., informed a representative of the Delaware *New Era* "that the prospects are very bright—plenty of peaches on the trees, and, if there is nothing further to nip the buds, we will have a good crop except on two varieties. Of course" said the venerable ex-Governor, "the trees are not as full as they were last year, but it is my opinion we will have a good crop." Inquiry of growers in this neighborhood also lead us to believe there will be an abundance peaches. The recent cold snap did not affect the buds in the least, for the reason that the atmosphere was dry and kept the frost if any, from settling on the tender buds.

New Advertisements.

Mrs. Elizabeth B. Turner, executrix, advertises in this issue two threshing outfits.

Mr. Joseph Turner advertises for a partner in his lumber business at Scott's Point.

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

Public local law to regulate the institution of suits before the justices of the peace in Kent county.

A meeting of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Kent county, will be held on Monday, May 2, 1892, to elect directors, etc.

DIED.

SMITH.—Of apoplexy, at the home of her son, in-law J. N. Dodd, Chestertown, 20 minutes past one o'clock, on Wednesday morning, in her 83d year, Mrs. Ann B. Smith. Interment in Chester cemetery at four o'clock on Friday afternoon. Services at her late home. No further notice will be given.

THOMPSON.—In Chesterville, April 14, 1892, James W. Thompson, aged 63 yrs. 7 months and 25 day.

Farewell, dear husband—'tis a solemn word
That thrills through every heart;
But, oh, it is the will of God,
That loving ones should part. WIFE.

We watched him breathing through the night—
His breathing soft and low—
As in his breast the wave of life
Kept heaving too and fro.
Our very hopes belied our fears,
Our fears our hopes belied;
We thought him dying when he slept,
And sleeping when he died. ONLY SISTER.

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P. O. Pomona, Md.

James H. Baker, Carvil Maslin, Bartus Trew.

P. O., Lynch's, Md.

Samuel Mann, C. W. Jones.

P. O., Baltimore, Md.

Thomas Hill, Cor. Fayette, and St. Paul Sts.; Samuel Hill, " " " " " " " " " " James L. Delaplain, No. 2, York Street; W. Irving Walker, 1808 Bolton Street.

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