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THURSDAY, MAY 26, 1892.

LOCAL MATTERS.

—Can any one tell us what has become of the electric light boom?

—Chestertown has several lady bicyclists. They are becoming quite expert riders.

—The person who throws a banana peel on the pavement may appropriately be called a "bananarchist."

—Little Nellie Silcox's condition was reported by her physician, Dr. Jacobs, yesterday, as still critical.

—Mr. Wm. T. Lane is making arrangements to have interesting races at the Worton track on Monday, June 13.

—The steamer B. S. Ford has been chartered to the Baltimore and Eastern Shore railroad to run from Claiborne to Baltimore.

—Mr. Harry L. Boyd has been appointed the special agent of the Baltimore Building and Loan Association for the local branch for Kent county.

—Mr. Daniel Haddaway, of Quaker Neck, who was so seriously kicked by a horse a short time ago, we are glad to learn, is reported very much improved.

—Mr. George B. McWhorter lost a fine horse on Saturday morning last. The horse was driven to Centreville Friday afternoon, and while there was taken sick and died.

—List of letters remaining in the post-office at Chestertown, uncalled for, May 23, 1892: Sarah Bauser, Mary Lane, Miss A. Woodland, Alice Wedling, Henry Brown and Isia Tousley.

—Mr. Samuel Cacy, one of the most prominent citizens of the first district, was striken with apoplexy on Saturday last. Mr. Cacy's condition was reported somewhat improved on Tuesday.

—Mr. Wm. M. Watts, of Still Pond, and a student of Dickinson College, has been elected one of the editors of the *Dickinsonian*, a college paper edited and published by the students of the college.

—The general oyster measurers for Baltimore city have submitted their report of oysters measured from September 1, 1891, to May 1, 1892, showing that during that period 5,354,320 bushels were measured.

—The first local strawberries of the present season were brought to Chestertown on Saturday last from Double Creek, and were sold by Mr. Authur Bacchus at his grocery-store for 15 cents per quart.

—Several young gentlemen in Edesville on Monday last caught a carrier pigeon with a brass band on each leg marked "W., 10,669." On the right wing was stamped "Wm. Clementson, 2,013 Walkins street, Philadelphia."

—The round trips of the Emma A. Ford will begin on Wednesday next, June 1, 1892. She will leave Chestertown daily, except Sunday, at 7 o'clock A. M., and returning will leave Baltimore at 2.45 P. M. Fare for round trip one dollar.

—Invitations are out announcing the marriage of Miss Hallie E. Crane, of Millington, daughter of the late Dr. Crane of that town, to Mr. William S. Collins, of Queen Anne's county, on Wednesday morning, June 8, at 7.30 o'clock.

—But one marriage license has been issued by Dr. Samuel G. Fisher, clerk of the circuit court for Kent county, during the month of May; the parties to whom the license was issued are Stephen H. Johnson, Jr., and Amelia Boddy, colored.

—Revs. Mr. Hottel and Frank, the Seventh Day Adventists, have erected a tent that will seat about 250 persons, and on Friday night will commence a series of meetings to last eight or ten weeks. They will have a band of singers to assist them in the services.

—Owen Smith, son of Mr. S. F. Smith, has secured a situation with a large drug house in Baltimore, located at the corner of Saratoga and Eutaw street. He will take a three years' course in the college of pharmacy in connection with his duties at the store.

—A number of the pleasure boats have been put out in the river, and our boatmen are making preparations to enjoy this delightful exercise during the summer. The boats have all been treated to new coats of paint and never looked neater or more dressed up.

—To-day, Thursday, being Ascension day, the Holy Communion will be celebrated by the Protestant Episcopal and Roman Catholic churches throughout the country. Service and communion at Emmanuel P. E. Church, Chestertown at 11 o'clock A. M.

—The students of Washington College will give a dramatic entertainment in Stam's Hall tomorrow evening. The programme will consist of two laughable comedies, "Jumbo Jum" and "Black Diamond," and will no doubt be very entertaining and amusing.

—We call the attention of bidders for the building of the new bridges for Kent county, as advertised by the county commissioners in the TRANSCRIPT last week, to several important changes that have been made in the advertisement this week as to the dimensions of the bridges, etc.

—The large three-masted schooner Edna H. Prougue, of Bridgeport, N. J., is lying at Thompson's wharf. She brought a load of coal from Port Richmond for Mr. J. D. Bacchus. Her model for so large a boat is quite a novelty in these waters, being built like our fast sailing little bug-eyes.

—Benjamin Elliott, colored, residing in the forest, was arrested on Saturday last at Golts, on the charge of disorderly conduct, and carried before Squire Parr, who sentenced him to the House of Correction for six months. He was taken over on the Sassafras river steamer yesterday by Constable Knox.

—Dr. Wilbur F. Davidson's lecture in Stam's Hall last Thursday night was enjoyed by a fair size audience. His subject was: "Italian Lakes and Lands," and the lecture was illustrated with many beautiful views of the "classic" land. The doctor is an entertaining talker, and his descriptions of the various places of interest held the attention of his audience to the end.

—Archey Hepbron, son of Mr. Lewis Hepbron, residing near Crumpton, this county, met with a serious and painful accident on Thursday morning last. Archey got his gun to kill a crow; when he shot the gun barrel burst, badly injuring his left hand. The ends of his two middle fingers were so badly injured that it was necessary to amputate them at the first joint; the little finger and thumb also received painful flesh wounds. He came to Chestertown to the office of Dr. W. Frank Hines who performed the surgical operation and dressed his hand. At last reports Archey was improving.

—Mr. Percy T. McFeely will open his new furniture store on Main street opposite the Vosheli House on Saturday next. Mr. McFeely will have a choice line of furniture, paints and glass which have been bought directly from the manufacturer and which will be sold at prices that will compare with the city houses. See advertisement next week.

—Mrs. Haslup, the State organizer of the W. C. T. U., of Maryland, gave an interesting address at the W. C. T. U. headquarters in Chestertown last Saturday afternoon, after which she organized a Loyal Temperance Legion among the children. This work, under the direction of Miss S. E. Matthews, promises to be a most attractive as well as interesting one.

—The Junior Epworth League was reorganized to the lecture-room of the M. E. Church last Friday afternoon with Miss F. E. Stuart, president; Miss Florence Melvin, treasurer; Miss Minnie Peregoy, organist. The other officers have not, as yet, been decided upon. This organization accomplished much last year, and doubtless the close of this one will find it equally productive of good fruits.

—Some of our Kent county asparagus-growers who are shipping to the Baltimore market, report that the present season, thus far, has not been as profitable as last year. The cold weather has kept our asparagus back, and allowed the Southern growers to flood the market, which has depreciated the price. Those who are shipping to the Philadelphia market, however, say prices are better than last year.

—The blue fish made their appearance in our river last week, and some of our fishermen made large hauls of this delicious fish. Those caught weighed from eight to fourteen pounds and sold in our market for 30 to 50 cents each. The first run of crabs is now on, and our crabbers have been catching them very freely this week. They are medium size—just the best size for eating. They are selling at 50 and 75c. per dozen.—*Queenstown News.*

—The 24th annual convocation of the Diocese of Easton, will meet in All Hallow's Church, Snow Hill, on Tuesday, June 7th, 1892. Mr. Wm. S. Walker will represent this, Chester Parish, as lay delegate; Mr. George B. Westcott being elected alternate. Mr. James A. Pearce will be present as chancellor of the diocese. There will probably be present thirty-seven clergymen and thirty-six lay delegates, as representatives of the various parishes. Matters of interest and business of importance will occupy the attention of this convention.

—The delegates from the east to the National Editorial Association, which convened in San Francisco, last week, arrived safely in that city on Tuesday, May 17. A letter from C. Cox Hopper, to this office dated Coronado, Cal., May 16 says: "Coronado Beach was reached at eight o'clock Sunday night, after a most delightful trip throughout. After reaching Barstow we were met at the station by committees of citizens and our way was in the midst of flowers and oranges. We will be taken on a trip to Lower California in a few minutes. The hotel here is simply maginficient, and the location, directly on coast, delightful."

—About the first action of the General Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, which convened in Westminster on Friday, was to send a greeting to their sister conference at Omaha, and to tell them to read Psalm 133:1—"Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." The conference has not so far accomplished much aside from the installment of delegates, the appointment of committees, etc. The committee upon delegates made a majority and a minority report on Monday upon the subject of admitting the women elected as delegates from the Western conferences, four favoring and three opposing their being admitted. Rev. W. M. Strayer moved that the question be recommended to the committee but the motion was not sustained and the question came up Tuesday and occupied the entire day.

—The State board of public works has decided upon Thursday, June 30, as the day upon which applicants and delegations in behalf of appointments in the State fishery force will be received. Action will then be taken only in cases where the commissions of the present incumbents have expired, and no deputy commander will be removed except for cause until he has served his full term. The commissions of the captains of the State steamers do not expire until later on, and these appointments will not be considered at the June meeting. Commander Seth's term of office under his present commission will terminate in October. The commissions of Deputy Commanders Turner, of the steamer McLane, and Horney, of the schooner Helen Baughman, expire at the same time. Deputy Commander Howard, of the steamer Governor Thomas, has until the following February or March to serve.

—The town commissioners have decided to make a much needed improvement, and one that cannot fail to meet with the approval of every one. They contemplate building a town building, and although nothing definite has been determined upon, several plans are under consideration. One is to tear down the old hall and engine houses, and put up a building on the corner where the old engine house stands, with a room for the commissioners and bailiff, quarters for the fire apparatus, the lamp lighters and any other town property. If it is found that this cannot be done with the funds in hand, the old hall will be remodeled so as to make it suitable for town purposes. The commissioners all greatly favor the *new building* plan, but of course will have to be governed in their decision by the cost, but we sincerely hope that they may find that the town can afford the new building.

—The constitutionally of the Maryland law allowing owners of river and bay shores in the State 25 cents for each sawlog cast upon their property was sustained by Judge Morris in an opinion filed in the United States Circuit Court in Baltimore Tuesday. The opinion was in a case resulting from the Johnstown flood, on May 31, 1889, which carried a large number of logs into Chesapeake Bay. About 8,000 logs, appaised at $5,706, were cast upon Robert's Island, in the Susquehanna river, owned by Wm. H. Roberts. They remained on the property of Mr. Roberts until the November following, when they were replevied by Charles H. Henry and James Strong, of Pennsylvania. Mr. Roberts claimed that under the Maryland law he was entitled to 25 cents salvage on each log. Messrs. Henry and Strong contended that the Maryland law was unconstitutional and void, alleging that it is unconstitutional and arbitary interference with private rights, that it is an attempt to regulate commerce, and that it authorizes the taking of private property without due process of law. Judge Morris overruled all three points of the demurrer, saying that "every presumption is in favor of the reasonableness of the legislative enactment."

Real Estate Transfers.

The following deeds for the transfer of real estate have been recorded with the clerk of the circuit court during the present month:

Hope H. Barroll and James J. Archer, trustees to John M. Cannon, lot of land in Golt's; consideration $100. Robert H. Groff to Helen Smith, lot of land in Golt's; consideration $250. Jonathan W. Crew to Ida C. Crew, lot of land east side of public road leading from Beck's mill to Trapp; consideration $300. Otho M. Fogwell and wife to Aquilla Fogwell, lot of land in Chestertown; consideration $1 and other considerations. Joseph Delano and wife to Barbara and J. Jonathan Anthony, lot of land situated in Quaker Neck, adjoining the Chestertown wharf property; consideration $400. Joseph H. Hossenger and wife to J. Wesley Johnson, lot of land in Quaker Neck, situated on the private road leading to the farm of Geo. B. Westcott, known as the Comegys farm; consideration $150. Thomas W. Eliason to Thomas W. Eliason, Jr., all that farm in Broad Neck, on northwest branch of Lankford bay; consideration $8000. Edwin R. Cochran, Jr., to Margaret P. Beaston, all his interest in four tracts of land near Shrewsbury Church; consideration $1200. Harriet C. Brown and Mary A. B. Brown to George E. and Elmer E. Leary, lot of land lying in the fifth election district, adjoining land of Simon Swart; consideration $388.75. Charles T. Westcott, trustee to John Gale Usilton, all that land called Kendall Farm, Broad Field or Cacaway Point, situated in Broad Neck, on the east and west fork of Lankford bay; consideration $5 and other considerations.

College Notes.

Rev. J. H. Easley addressed the Young Men's Christian Association of the College on Sunday afternoon from Prov. 4:23. "Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life." He opened his remarks by quoting from Ruskin—"The butterfly has more liberty, than the bee, but the restraints of the bee better fit him for the orderly society of bees"—and dwelt upon the beauty of force under proper restraint. The address was very much enjoyed by the students, and we regret that, owing to the inclement weather, the attendance was small.

The Athletic Association have arranged a full programme for the commencement, and we expect the exhibit to be very creditable, although there will probably be no prizes given. Our friends have contributed so liberally toward the gymnasium fund, that the association thought best to give the exhibition on field day without prizes.

Our base-ball team has suffered two of the defeats for which they have so persistently practiced, but the various teams need not expect to beat them every time, and when the Centreville Hawke Combinations come over to play the return game next Monday, they may meet a waterloo.

Olin Bryan, Esq., of the Centreville bar, will deliver the annual address before the Mt. Vernon Literary Society, June 20.

The Alumni Association expects to have a good attendance this year, and instead of having any set address, there will be a number of speeches by the association.

Prof. Clarke is getting the dramatic entertainment into fine shape. The young ladies will be a grand addition, and a very pleasant evening may be anticipated.

The Seniors are through, and will now prepare their commencement addresses.

FROM TOLCHESTER.

Improvements, Spring Attire, Etc.

Kent's delightful summer resort, Tolchester Beach, has begun to put on her holiday garb, the grounds looking beautiful in their new spring dress.

Several hundred additional feet of the high bluff upon which the buildings stand, have been graded and sodded, thus adding greatly to the general attractiveness.

A new, rapid transit railway has recently been completed, as has also a tunnel—the St. Gothard—named after the famous one in the Alps.

To the right of the railway, a large frame structure, accommodating, it is said, about one thousand persons, has been erected for the caroussel, or "merry-go-round," on which one hundred and fifty persons can ride at once. A new organ, imported from Germany, will furnish music for the riders.

The pleasure and convenience of small picnic parties have been consulted in the erection of a number of covered booths at various points on the grounds.

More bath-houses and swings have been erected, and beautiful flower beds lend their aid in helping to have this resort ready to be opened the first of June.

Mr. Eliason, the genial president and manager of the Tolchester Company, says that their is every indictation of a most successful season.

Base-Ball Notes.

The Washington College team went to Centreville on Friday, the 20th, and were defeated by a picked team from Queen Anne's, for whom the Hawke brothers, of Wilmington, officiated as the battery. The game was essentially a contest between the pitchers of the two teams. Burris pitching a superb game for the college team, and Hawke putting in his fine work for Queen Anne's. Burris had fourteen strike-outs to his credit, and only three hits were made off his delivery. Hawke struck out twelve, and allowed the college boys five hits. The defeat was due to errors by the college boys, made at critical points. There was not an earned run made.

Brice played a fine game, accepting every chance and making some phenomenal plays. He also made the only run the college team scored. Polk caught a good fly, as did also Burris. The following is the score in innings:

CLUBS.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	T
Queen Anne's	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	x	4
Washington College	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1

Hines Thomas umpired for college; John George, of Sudlersville, for Queen Anne's.

The Pastimes, the leading team of the Baltimore City League, will be over Saturday next, the 28th, inst., and a good game is anticipated.

A return game will also be played on the college ground between the Centreville and college teams on Monday afternoon. The Hawke brothers will compose the battery for the Centreville team, and Burris and Zearfoss for the college team.

Those people who are not willing to pay to see a good game had better remain at home.

When Traveling,

Whether on pleasure bent, or business, take on every trip a bottle of Syrup of Figs, as it acts most pleasantly and effectively on the kidneys, liver and bowels, preventing fevers, headaches and other forms of sickness. For sale in 50 cents and $1 bottles by all leading druggists.

KENNEDYVILLE ITEMS.

Our little village is again assuming its usual quiet demeanor. Little Nellie Silcox is improving slowly, and Dr. Jacobs thinks, with care and attention, she may recover. It is to be hoped we may never again be called upon to witness evidence of such a fiendish and brutal act. As for the lynching of the fiend incarnate, and the final act in the arena, however much to be deplored, is but a just retribution, and is voiced generally by all classes of citizens. There is no question about the brute Taylor's guilt, and if the law has been forstalled, it may teach evil-doers a lesson—not in the civil code—without regard to color or nationality. There is no disposition here to censure the colored people as a class. If Taylor had been white, he would have received the same kind of treatment.

Quite a large club has been organized here for mutual protection, and to try to remedy some of the evils existing. It will be well for those who have no fear of the law, to take down their sign and mend their ways.

We can only boast of two new houses and two additions so far this spring, with a prospect of more later in the season.

The peach prospect has now assumed a more reliable shape. The extreme early and extreme late varieties promise a fair yield, but middle and more choice varieties will be light.

A large proportion of our wheat fields promise well while our grass fields are rather backward.

Corn is coming up nicely and our farmers are nearly all through planting.

Cherry, pear and apple trees promise a fair yield.

A number of our neighbors have painted their house with fresh, bright colors, adding greatly to the looks of their premises; others talk of following suit when Mr. Lepscomb, our painter has time to take his breath.

Our creamery is now much improved and giving more satisfactory results with less expense, with an increasing demand for their products. The supply of milk is also increasing. For the month of April 1891, they received ninety-two thousand pounds against ninety-five thousand for April, 1892, with Locust Grove and Crumpton creameries in competition for '92. Just now they are receiving about six thousand pounds of milk daily and producing from 230 to 240 pounds of butter daily, and butter is now commanding the highest market price and they are frequently unable to fill their orders. The farmers are also giving their cows more attention. Upon the whole, the outlook is quite encouraging. CRUSOE.

Rock Hall News.

The Seventh Day Adventists immersed thirty-seven persons on last Sunday afternoon, at Huntingfield Point, on the farm occupied by Mr. George Hatcherson. About an equal number of both sexes were baptised. A crowd numbering about one thousand persons witnessed the ceremonies. Three of the spectators who were out in a small boat, fell into the water.

Mr. Joseph Pearce, one of our esteemed citizens, was strickened with paralysis on Sunday morning last. His entire left side is paralyzed, and he has completely lost the power of speech. Mr. Pearce is about sixty years of age and unmarried. Dr. Selby, who is attending him, thinks his condition is critical.

[Later].—Mr. Pearce died yesterday morning at 4. A. M.

Mr. Thomas J. Rich, who has been quite ill for some weeks, we are glad to report, is improving.

Soft crabs have made their appearance, and find a ready sale, but they are still very small. The fish seem to be leaving our waters, and our fishermen say they are very scarce.

Court News.

County commissioners court, Tuesday May 24, 1892. Full board present. Upon recommondation to increase the pension of John B. Craddock and Temperance Chiffins, of the first district was considered and the increase ordered to be provided for by levy in 1892. Robert K. Pippin, coroner, returned inquisition of the body of James Taylor, colored, hung by a body of masked men which was accepted and the cost therefore ordered to be provided for by levy in 1892. Wilson Capps, keeper of the standard of weights and measures, returned his report which was accepted and his salary ordered to be provided for by levy in 1892. Mr. Groves was appointed by the board to have the broken locks at the jail repaired. The board was further engaged in approving, examining and passing account for levy in 1892 and noting transfers and corrections.

Orphans' court, May 24, 1892. Present judges Harris, Moffett and Burgess. Martha A. E. Harper, executrix of Asenash E. Webb, passed her first and final administration account. Harriet M. Usilton, guardian to Mary S. Usilton, passed her first and final guardian account. Geo. W. Harper, guardian to John Wilson, filed petition. J. W. Crew and Ida C. Crew, administrators of Sarah C. Crew, returned inventory of their decedents. Will of Annie E. Gale admitted to probate.

New Advertisements.

Mr. W. T. Johnson, Sassafras, Md., advertises in another column for a situation as clerk.

The report of the Second National Bank of Chestertown, will be found in this issue.

Messrs. Fleming & Smith advertise in this issue for wool; they also advertise that they keep the Osborne reaper and mower extra on hand.

An order of publication in the case of George J. Houston, plaintiff, vs. the unknown heirs of Sidney Deny, colored will be found in another column.

Harrison Jenkins, advertises in another column that he has opened an ice cream saloon on Cannon street. Jenkins is a pratical ice cream maker and was manager for William Perkins, for several years.

Phil H. Tuck, Esq., advertises the valuable real estate of the late John W. Ireland, at assignees sale. This property is finely located in the first election district near Galena.

Mrs. Elizabeth Turner, advertises in this issue the tract of land known as the Green Point Farm together with the wharf and granary, situated on Worton Creek. This is very desirable and valuable property. It is beautifully located and very productive.

The first annual report of the Baltimore Building an Loan Association of Baltimore city will be found in this issue. The report makes a creditable showing for the first year of this new association.

DIED.

GODWIN.—On Thursday, May 19, 1892, at his residence, near Chesterville, of typhoid fever, William Godwin, aged 23 years.

HILL.—Miss Harriett Hill, daughter of Mr. Thomas Hill, of Baltimore, died at the county residence of her parents, in Baltimore county, Friday, May 13th, 1892. Interment at Greenwood cemetery.

CRUIKSHANK.—In Quaker Neck, May 21, 1892, Georgianna Cruikshank, [illegible] years.

THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF THE M. E. CHURCH.

A General Summary of the Work of the Conference at Omaha.

The General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, which meets quadrennially, was convened in Omaha May 2d. It is designated as the 21st Delegated General Conference, in contradistinction from the conferences of 1792 to 1800; in these all the ministry could sit if they chose, and the conferences of 1804 and 1808, to which all ministers were eligible who had served the church four years.

In the conference of 1808 it was enacted, that the General Conference should be a delegated body, and a constitution was framed. Such it has been to the present.

It is composed of ministerial and lay delegates. The ministerial delegation are elected from the several annual conferences of the church, one delegate for every forty-five members of each conference. The lay delegation consists of two laymen from each annual conference, except such conferences having one ministerial delegate, they will also have one lay delegate.

These compose the legislative body of the church. It is restricted, except in legislation of a prudential nature. Any enactments touching upon the polity, doctrines or "general rules," must have the sanction of the annual conferences by a two-third vote.

The opera house in which it should have been held, was unsatisfactory; from thence they went to the Exposition Hall. The conference represents 113 annual conferences and 2,292,614 members of the M. E. Church. Seating such a large body was tedious, made more so by the fact that the lay delegates are seated, for the first time, from the ministerial. This affords them a better opportunity for recognition by the chair and for consultation. The quadrennial address by the bishops, which is looked upon as the most perfect statement possible, as to the state and needs of the church, was read by Bishop Fowler. Its composition is also attributed to him. It has to do with about thirty distinct features of church life and work. The conservatism of these great men is stamped upon every paragraph, whether it be that of polity, doctrine, practical features, or citizenship. Their broad knowledge of the work of the church, qualifies them pre-eminently for such a task, and gives the address a classic stamp for this denomination.

This denomination, during the quadrennium, has made the phenomenal increase of 442,000 souls, by profession of faith. This, with the further statement, "that the love of piety among the people is not diminishing," gives encouraging promise for the future. The question of the admission of women as lay delegates, in the General Conference of 1888, called for a strict interpretation of the constitution of the church. The lack of agreement among members of that conference, from whom would be expected determining opinions, caused it to appoint "The Commission on the Constitution," said commission was to do its work in the interim of the conferences of 1889-'92. An idea of the *personnel* of that commission may be had, by giving the names of distinguished laymen assigned to it—Gov. Wm. P. Sillingham, Vt.; Francis H. Root, N. Y.; Hon. Judge Hiram M. Sibley, O.; Col. J. W. Ray, Ind.; Hon. Judge Samuel H. Elbert, Col.; T. B. Sweat, Kan.; Hon. Judge R. M. Widney, Cal., with an equal number of the best law talent among the ministers. Perhaps no other question of this conference will draw so heavily upon the vast reserve of ability as this did. That which was determined was of great value, but it is left for the conference of 1896 to complete the work.

Of the seventeen bishops, none have died, nor found it necessary to retire from duty.

Of the seventeen bishops none have died, nor found it necessary to retire from duty during the past four years. This obviates the great agitation attending such elections. This being the highest honor that can be conferred by the Church upon any man, it is not strange that elegible men should aspire to it.

Throughout the church there are issued weekly papers bearing the common name "*Christian Advocate.*" These are under General Conference supervision, and the editors are elected by it every four years. It is pleasing to know that the versatile and encyclopaedic man, Dr. H. M. Buckley has been re-elected to the editorship of "*The Christian Advocate.*"

One of the pleasing features of these quadrennial sessions is, the manifestation of fraternity between several of the bodies of Methodists. This is exhibited in the presence and addresses of those appointed to bear the message of hearty good will of the body from which they severally come. Fraternal delegates were present from the Wesleyans, of England, Irish Methodist Conference, of Ireland, Methodist Church, of Canada, and of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, which is the second largest Methodist organization. All came in the glow of faternal spirits. The type of men these addresses would indicate they are, will draw these large denominations out into a broader fraternity.

The great mass of matter presented to the conference, which exceeds a thousand memorials, petition, etc., is referred to appropriate standing committees. These committees are not ready with reports until at least one half the session is past.

Matters of great moment to the church are being considered. Some of these will be mentioned in another issue.

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By the exercise of rare economy upon the part of the board, they were enabled to build, though upon a much smaller scale, upon the old site in 1844. The college in the meantime had so increased that Prof. B. F. Green, a brilliant young man, was elected to the chair of mathematics.

At a meeting of the Visitors and Governors, Sept. 16, 1843, one member favored repealing the resolution of April 16, 1835, in reference to rebuilding the college upon Mt. Washington as College Hill, was then called, whereupon Mr. J. B. Ricaud moved that they commence at once to erect the college upon the old site. Carried by a six to two vote.

The cornerstone was laid in May 1844 with great ceremony, Hon. E. F. Chambers, performing the honorable duty that had, in 1783, devolved upon Governor Paca. The building was erected by the famous architect and builder Elijah Reynolds, of Port Deposit.

The faculty and students marched to the new college and formally took possession, Jan. 1, 1845. On the 22d of February following the college was brilliantly illuminated with wax candles. In the windows of the observatory the lights formed "1732." In the third story the windows being too small for such display the lights were arrayed in a solid band across the front. In the next row of windows the letters C. L. I. O. were tastefully arranged, while on the first the windows were decorated with jets of light in various mathematical figures. The scene was one of surpassing beauty.

The Mount Vernon Literary Society which has played so important a part in the college life was organized April 26, 1847.

Dr. Walters was elected for the second time, principle of the college in 1854 to succeed Prof. Ringgold. During this year the east and west buildings were erected. Under Dr. Waters the college again prospered, being filled with students from Virginia, Delaware and Maryland.

When in 1869 Dr. Waters resigned because of failing health, Rev. Andrew J. Sutton, an Episcopal clergyman, for several years a professor at the college, was elected president. Students and visitors regretted Dr. Waters' withdrawal, and the college seemed to at once commence to deterioate. Dr. Waters died in 1868.

Rev. Mr. Sutton was a scholar of fine attainment and one of the greatest pulpit orators of his time. Prof. Sutton was succeeded in 1867 by Prof. —— Berkely, now at the University of West Point.

The breaking out of the late war exerted a very baneful influence upon the college, which continued to decrease in numbers and in usefulness until it had reached a point of almost incredible weakness. But let us not dwell upon her darker days. Prof. Berkely resigned and was succeeded in 1873 by Prof. Wm. J. Rivers, A. M., of South Carolina, who succeeded in very much raising the tone and quality of the college. Prof. Rivers was followed in 1887 by Dr. Thos. N. Williams, who remained at the college two years. The most notable event of Dr. Williams' stay at the college was the organization of the preparatory department upon its present basis. A departure of incalculable benefit to the college and the community. Dr. Reid was elected president in the autumn of '89, and the quick succession of important events in our college history since that time are too well-known to you all to make it necessary for me to speak of them.

Over $6000 worth of improvements. An additional professor, increase of appropriation, and when we think of the noble manner in which our honored alumni have worked for the college, we are reminded of Daniel Webster's pathetic appeal for his *alma mater* before his State's Legislature. With what eloquence he beat back the miserly monopolists, who, like hungry jackals, would have torn the vitals from his college, and with her the best interests of his State. Washington College, too, had worthy sons to plead her cause in the legislative halls.

We have doubled our number of students in two years. And to the young gentlemen who have honored me by the invitation to speak, the origin of the Philomathean, no doubt, marks an important epoch in the history of our old college. Last, but by no means least, the gymnasium is an assured success. What next?

We have thus far, we fear, dwelt at too great length upon the history of our *Alma Mater.* Now, what of her position and her future?

The college was organized primarily as an Eastern Shore College. It was built by the generous inhabitants of this American Eden. Then, why should not Eastern Shoremen patronize her? If Washington College is not what they desire, whose is the fault? It is their college; why not make it what they want? Then, too, some students who owe their present state of educational advancement entirely to Washington College, with a contemptible lack of gratitude spurn her with the heel of disdain. Such base unthankfulness for benefits received, is hardly conceivable when we consider the almost incalculable good accomplished by this institution. From its classic halls, young men have been sent forth into the world well fitted to combat its opposing elements and meet with honor its highest responsibilities. Is gratitude dead? Is American patriotism a thing of the past? And has King Money torn in shreds the parchment of Maryland's history, and bound the eyes of her once patriotic sons to all sense of obligation and of civic pride? Heaven, forbid.

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