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LOCAL MATTERS.

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—Locust Grove creamery will pay sixty-five cents per hundred pounds for milk for June. Galena and Sassafras paid sixty-four cents.

—Cargoes of Chesapeake bay oyster shells are now being deposited in Delaware Bay, for the purpose of increasing the profitable oyster territory of the bay.

—Mr. C. C. Brown, has had tomatoes on sale at W. S. McDonnell's and Charles S. Smith's, for fully two weeks. These were the earliest of the season from Kent.

—Mr. L. C. Justis, Jr., lost a valuable horse several days ago. The animal was apparently well when turned in the pasture, but the next morning was found dead.

—It is stated that Mr. Robinson, father of Mr. Eugene A. Robinson, a student for several years past of Washington College, was a heavy loser by a recent fire in Sharptown, Wicomico county.

—Friday last was "Baptist Day" at Tolchester, and it required both the Emma Giles and Louise to bring the hundreds to the delightful summer resort. The occasion was the annual excursion of Brantly Baptist Sunday school, of Baltimore.

—Mr. William Bonwell, Chesterville, found a large balloon in his cornfield on Thursday, which bore a tag indicating that it had been sent from Baltimore on July 4. The Chestertown balloons were not marked and have never been heard from.

—Messrs. William Neff and Max Juhn, of Baltimore, while on a fishing trip to the Chester river narrows, last week, caught two rock fish, one measuring 3 feet 9½ inches and weighing 16½ pounds and the other measuring 3½ feet and weighing 14½ pounds.

—Fairlee now has a through mail route to Baltimore by way of Tolchester. Mr. James A. Russell will carry the mail on the new route. This long-needed improvement is due to the persistent efforts of a number of representative gentlemen of Fairlee and vicinity.

—Chestertown gunners have been sampling dove, plover and woodcock shooting. Some doves and woodcock have been found, but it is as yet rather early for plovers. Dr. C. P. Gilpin and W. Harper McFeely have so far been the most successful heard from in bagging woodcock.

—Wm. Tilghman, colored, was seriously, but not fatally shot, by Eben Rochester, also colored, in a general fight at a festival held at Sharptown church, near Edesville, on Saturday night. The ball entered the body and struck one rib. The ball has not as yet been found.

—Thomas Dolan, was taken before justice Dodd, on Wednesday last charged with selling intoxicating liquors near Tolchester. The man testified to having soled pear cider, not beer, and the justice held that there was no evidence that the man had sold beer and dismissed the case.

—The Chestertown Cycle Club, was represented at the great meet of American wheelmen, which closed in Washington yesterday, by Messrs. Harry Rickey, junior and senior, Charles S. Smith, E. Weston Welch, James Chapman, Jr., C. W. and E. S. Wroth, W. R. Aldridge and Fred Stevenson.

—Master Douglas Bell, grandson of Mrs. A. L. Houston, who has been a student of St. Paul's school, Baltimore, several months ago stood a competitive examination with about thirty others for a scholarship in McDonough school, one of the finest institutions in the State and last week received the appointment.

—Major W. F. Smith, in a report on improvements in Maryland rivers, states, that since improvements were begun on Fairlee creek, Md., no appreciable increase in the commerce—which has always been very limited—has been noted. There were no operations on the stream during the past fiscal year.

—James J. Archer, Esq., as trustee sold on Tuesday, the real estate in the first election district, wheron Lewis S. Price resides, and containing 188 acres. The farm was offered at public sale but held up for want of a satisfactory bid, and afterward sold at private sale to Mr. Donovan, of Delaware, for $4000.

—Prof. Erwin F. Smith, of the department at Washington, D. C., was in Delaware last week, investigating the peach yellow's remedy which W. B. Croft claims to have discovered. Several trees that were treated by Croft were examined, and three more diseased trees were placed under his treatment, the final result to be determined this fall when Mr. Smith will make an examination.

—Superintendent Price, of the Chesapeake & Delaware Canal, met a party of Untied States Engineers at Delaware City, on Tuesday of last week, and made a tour of inspection on his steam yacht. The trip was for the purpose of making a report as to the condition and adaptability of that route for a ship canal. Let it come this way, friends. Kent can stand further improvements.

—Mrs. Martha J. Atkinson, wife of Mr. Geo. W. Atkinson, formerly of Church Hill, but at present an employee of the Pusey & Jones Company, Wilmington, committed suicide by cutting her throat last week. Mrs. Atkinson was a consumptive, and had become despondent. She was a daughter of the late John D. Elliott, a highly respected citizen of near Church Hill.

—The Second National Bank, of Chestertown, has declared a semi-annual dividend of three per cent. clear of taxes, carried $1500 to the surplus fund, and charged off banking house and fixtures $711.21. Its net earnings for the past six months are $4,105.95. The Chestertown National Bank has declared a semi annual dividend of five per cent. and carried $900 to the surplus fund.

—The remains of four bodies were removed on Monday from the old Ringgold graveyard on the lot recently purchased by Dr. J. T. Twilley, to Chester cemetery by Mr. Humbert. The lot belonged to the estate of the late Josias Ringgold, and the slab on one of the graves bore the name of Thomas Ringgold, who died in April, 1772; another Thomas Ringgold, Jr., who died October, 1776, and still another, Anna Maria Ringgold, widow of Thomas Ringgold, July, 1794. The graves were six feet five inches deep. In one of the graves was found a handsome set-ring. Only a few bones remained.

—It will be remembered that the *Sunny South*, a Savannah, Ga., newspaper, offered five hundred dollars for the person or persons naming three of the nominees on the Democratic and Republican tickets, and twenty-five hundred dollars for the person naming the four nominees. No one named the four candidates, and sixty-two named three. Among the latter was a Chestertown gentleman.

—Mr. John Parrott, of Still Pond, had a yearling colt which, on Monday morning, sustained a compound, comminuted fracture of the tibia, or in English, a break of the leg bone above the hoc. Dr. Jarman was sent for, but found it necessary to kill the animal, which was done by dividing the spinal cord behind the poll. By this means death is instantaneous and painless. It is supposed that the colt was kicked.

—A report from Church Hill, states that a farmer living near that town, several nights ago heard a commotion in his hennery. He got his gun and started on a tour of investigation, and seeing some shadowy object near the hen-house he fired, not knowing whether the object was a hog, dog or whatnot. Immediately after the shot he heard a groan, and upon getting a lantern found a negro lying dead with a sack of chickens, which he had stolen, and killed to stop their noise.

—Superintendent E. P. Stacey, will run the second of his delightful excursions to Cape May over the Baltimore and Delaware Bay railroad, on Monday next, July 25. The excursion on July 11, was a veritable treat to all who went, and we have heard nothing but expressions of commendation as regards the general management of the entire affair. Cape May is even more attractive than formerly and the comfort of the excursionists will be carefully provided for en route.

—A fine of $2 50 was imposed upon Mr. Schwab, a Baltimore drummer, last week for trotting his horse over Chester bridge. The notice which requires that all horses must be driven over the bridge in a walk, is placed over the draw, and strangers know nothing of the injunction to walk their horses until, from the Queen Anne's side, two-thirds of the bridge have been crossed, or one-third from the Kent side. A notice should be placed in a prominent position at either end of the bridge.

—John Barnes, the six-year-old son of Mr. John Barnes, of the TRANSCRIPT's staff of compositors, met with, what was feared at the time to be a serious accident on Thursday last. A colored man drove a wagon loaded with coal through the streets and had an empty wagon attached. A number of boys mounted the tongue of the rear wagon for a ride, when the little fellow fell, and both wheels of the empty wagon passed over his body. He was at first thought to be seriously injured, but soon recovered and has since suffered no inconvenience from his accident.

—A committee was appointed on Wednesday night of last week, to take full charge of the details of the purchase of the handsome Cleveland and Stevenson banner, which it is proposed to raise at an early date in Chestertown. The committee consists of Messrs. T. H. Topping, R. N. Boston, W. M. Slay, Joseph Peterson and J. S. Vandegrift. The committee will also select the place for the banner, and arrange for its being raised. The banner will be about 16 by 20 feet, and will cost about $60. The committee is now perfecting arrangements for its purchase, and will, we hope, provide for proper ceremonies at the casting to the breeze of this glorious banner by the Democracy of Kent.

—The most important business before the intermediate or non-jury term of court for Queen Anne's county, which was in session on Monday, Judge Robinson presiding, was the rendering of a judgment against the Queen Anne's and Kent Railroad for $205,082.66 at the suit of the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad Company for money paid for renewing the road. The Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad Company already own 52 per cent. of the stock of the Queen Anne's and Kent Road, and as the earnings of the road will not justify the payment of this encumbrance, the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad will probably own the entire road within a few years.

—Rarely have the citizens of Kent ever been given a more beautiful aurora display than that of Saturday night last, commencing at about half-past ten o'clock. The first intimation of the almost startling phenomenon, was a broad band of light, which spread from east to west across the northern sky. In a few moments great columns of w e light shot high into the northwester.. ens, which were followed by other pillars of a deeper hue, while the sky in the northwest assumed the appearance of being covered by a rich mantle of flame. Diverging from the beautiful band of light, which spanned the sky like a bow of burnished silver, were quivering sheets of flame which passed in rapid succession to the very zenth. The magnificent display lasted for fully an hour, and its beauty was such as to defy description.

—The eighth annual tournament of the Baltimore Gun Club, began on Monday morning at Tolchester and continued until late in the afternoon. The shooting was done on the grounds of the club, a field to the left of the hotel. Five traps to throw blue rock composition targets were set, and five expert trappers, who were concealed behind a thick board screen, reloaded the traps as fast as they were sprung. The distance was eighteen yards from the traps to the score where the markemen stood. A shooter faced each trap. Number one trap threw its saucer-shaped targets about forty-five yards away at a right angle quarter from the marksman. Numbers two and five threw to left quarters, number three straight away and number four to a right quarter. Most of the marksmen used twelve-gauge guns and shot noiseless and smokeless powder. Over 7000 shots were fired.

—Fire broke out about 9.45 on Monday morning in the St. Peter's Protestant Episcopal rectory, Salisbury, and in a few minutes the entire building was ablaze. The family of Rev. Wm. Munford, the rector, barely had time to save their clothes. A portion of the furniture was saved, but many valuable things were lost during the excitement. A portion of the house was saved, but so much was destroyed that the part remaining will have to be torn down. The building was insured in the Orient Instrance Company, of Harford, Conn., for $1,500. Rev. Mr. Munford had no insurance on his furniture, and among the things lost or badly injured are his sermons for the past twenty years. These are so badly torn and scattered that, he says, it will be difficult to save a whole one from the lot. It is thought a new rectory will not be built on the old site, but in the church-yard adjoining. Rev. Mr. Munford is a widely-known clergyman, especially in the South, where he served during the war as a Confederate officer. He is a Virginian, and at one time lieutenant-colonel of Seventeenth Virginia Infantry, which was in large part composed of companies from Alexandria, Va. Mr. Munford was for several years rector at St. Paul's, this county, and has many admirers and warm friends in Kent.

—Friday last was good St. Swithin's day. The common adage concerning it is that if it rains or is fair on St. Swithin's Day it will rain or be fair forty days ensuing. It is, so to speak, the groundhog day of summer, but it does not work by contraries, as ground-hog day does. Many persons who believe in the efficacy of St. Swithin's Day in determining the fate of the next forty days hoped for fair weather so that an unbroken season of sunshine might ensue. Some think that St. Swithin never would have established his fateful day had he known how much work in the way of hay making, machining and various other important matters which are now engaging the attention of the farmer. The good saint, who was Bishop of Winchester, and who died in 862, could not, of course, think that all of these things would be under full swing at this time in 1892, so he cannot after all, be blamed for it, as history tells us he was noted for his uprightness and humility. He was indeed so humble that he requested to be buried not in the church, but in the church-yard, while his grave might receive the water dripping from the eaves. One day, about a hundred years ago, the monks made up their minds to bury his bones in the cathedral. Just as they were beginning the ceremony there came a rain, which kept up—or, rather, kept coming down—forty days. They put him back in the old spot and raised a chapel over him.

—The steamer Emma Ford which was seriously damaged on Wednesday of last week, as already reported in the TRANSCRIPT, left Baltimore on Saturday evening in tow of a large ocean going tug for Wilmington, Delaware, where repairs will be made at the ship-yard of the Harlan & Holtingsworth Company, the original builders of the boat. The Baltimore companies could not complete the repairs in less than six months, but the Wilmington builders have contracted to have the work done in three weeks from date of her arrival at the yards. The steamer was stormbound in Hampton Roads on Sunday, but reached her destination on Tuesday. The walking beam was broken close to the guides, about two feet from the centre of the connecting pin and the beam. The break caused the blowing out of the head and bottom of the cylinder by the tremendous pressure of steam. The accident was caused by a flaw in the iron. Notwithstanding the dangerous position of engineer Benner, he remained cool and promptly cut off escaping steam. About thirty passengers were on board, but the excitement soon subsided after the first shock had passed. The damage is estimated at about $3900, though a much greater amount will be expended in putting the steamer in thorough repair before she is again put on the route, which will be in about a month's time. During the repairs to the Emma Ford, the Gratitude will leave Chestertown and Baltimore on the Emma's regular schedule time, making all Chester river and the Rock Hall stops. The Corsica will make daily trips for freight, leaving Baltimore each day at 4.30 o'clock P. M. and Crumpton each day at 6 o'clock A. M.

The Execution of Thomas Thompson.

The execution of the murderer, Thomas Thompson, may now be considered from a financial standpoint with much interest, and bearing as it does such an intimate relation to the forthcoming detail of county expenses, the tax-payer will consider the figures given below with possibly some profit. The following is adetailed account of the expenses of the trial and execution:

Inquisition and post mortem examination of Bully Adams	$32 00
Coffin and burial expenses of Bully Adams	11 00
Search and reward for Thompson	102 03
Jail board bill	70 00
Attorney fees	110 00
Witness fees	212 00
Jurors, bailiffs and crier	240 40
Clerk's fees	32 35
Cost of execution, watchmen, etc	389 14
Leg-irons, fixtures, etc	33 50
Other fees, expenses and costs	60 00
Clothes for Thompson	9 25
Coffin and black cap	5 50
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Sales to Take Place.

Hope H. Barroll, Esq., as trustee, will offer at public sale in Galena, on Saturday next, July 23, between the hours of 2 and 4 o'clock P. M., valuable real estate in that town, now occupied by W. R. Miller as a hotel. At the same time and place he will also offer the personal property of Mrs. Sarah E. Sparks.

The same gentleman, as attorney, will offer at mortgagee's sale in front of the court house door, Chestertown, at 11 o'clock A. M., Saturday next, July 23, the real estate of Richard and Eliza Ann Hyland, colored, located near Millington.

The same gentleman, as attorney for the owners, will offer at public sale on the same date as above, at 11.30 A. M., valuable real estate near Fairlee, whereon Herbert Lamb now resides, and belonging to Adam Diehl, Richard S. Diehl, Martha E. Skirven and Mary A. Diehl. This property is conveniently located, and is a fine grain and grass farm.

Social Happenings.

Miss Ada Roberts, of Centreville, gave her guest, Miss Madge Meetecr, a most enjoyable dance last week.

Miss Bell Emory last week gave her annual picnic to Indiantown on the Chester. These picnics will be remembered with much pleasure by a number of Miss Emory's friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward W. Emory, the ushers and a few intimate friends of the bride and bridegroom were elegantly entertained by Capt. R. S. Emory, at his beautiful home on Friday evening last. The grounds were profusely illuminated, and the scene from the river was picturesque and beautiful.

An enjoyable dance was given at the home of Mr. W. A. Kennedy, near Kennedyville, on Tuesday evening. About fifty persons were present, and a delightful time was enjoyed. The music which was furnished by Frank Jules, of Baltimore, was only surpassed by the elegant refreshments which were served.

The Misses Sue, Fannie and Jennie Wilkins gave a delightful straw-ride to Tolchester Beach on Saturday afternoon last. There were about thirty ladies and gentlemen in the party, and a royal good time was enjoyed until the home-return commenced late in the evening, when one of the gentlemen and several of the ladies were taken sick, but none of them seriously.

One of the most delightful social events of the season at Centreville, Queen Anne's county, was the dance given on last Thursday night by Miss Hattie McKenney in honor of her guests, Misses Lannice, Knight and Mehaffy. The town hall was decorated with Japanese lanterns, parasols and flags. The music was furnished by Weber, of Baltimore. The grand march was led by Miss McKenney and Mr. F. Keating. After the dancing was finished the participants repaired to the residence of Col. McKenney, where supper and refreshments were served. Those present from Kent were: Dr. and Mrs. Jacobs, Miss Meeteer and Messrs. Lewin W. Wickes and Harry W. Catlin.

Church Notes.

Rev. T. H. Lewis preached in the Sassafras M. P. Church on Sunday last.

Rt. Rev. Bishop Curtis will preach at Sacred Heart Church, Chestertown, at 10 o'clock on Sunday morning next.

Rev. S. C. Roberts and wife will return home to-day and seavice will be held in Emmanuel P. E. Church, Chestertown, on Sunday next.

Rev. T. H. Lewis, president of Western Maryland College, will occupy the pulpit of Rev. D. L. Greenfield, at Christ M. P. Church on Sunday morning next, and also at the twilight service in the evening.

Beautiful Children's Day services were celebrated at the Piney Neck M. E. Church, Rev. Mr. Lister, pastor, on Sunday. A large congregation was present, and the exercises were pronounced to be the most elaborate and delightful ever held at the church.

The twilight services at Christ M. P. Church, conducted by Rev. D. L. Greenfield on each Sunday evening, are of a most delightful character, and have become extremely popular. The service of last Sunday was unusually impressive and beautiful, and that they will all prove of vast spiritual benefit to the large congregations who always attend is most devoutly to be wished.

The Sunday school of Emmanuel P. E. Church held its annual picnic in the beautiful grove at the Morgan's Creek schoolhouse yesterday. A number of scholars went to Buckingham's wharf in a large lighter in tow of the steam-launch Gracie and thence to the grove, while others drove out in carriages. The entire day was spent in feasting and pleasure.

The Sunday School of Christ M. P. Church spent yesterday at Worton Manor Beach, and a royal good time was enjoyed both by scholars and teachers. Shortly after seven o'clock in the morning, teams took the pleasure seekers to the beautiful summer resort, and until late in the evening the joyous nature of the occasion was unbroken. We extend thanks for numerous invitations to accompany the party, but a busy day prevented an acceptance of the appreciated kindness.

Last Sunday was a gala day in the churches at Rock Hall. Rev. E. E. Franke, assisted by a visiting president of his church, baptized twenty-one members, making fifty-nine who have accepted the full doctrine of the church. Bishop Curtis preached in the Catholic church and confirmed a class. Mr. Denroach, of St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal Church, preached to a fine congregation in Downey's Hall, and Rev. C. S. York preached two fine sermons to large congregations in Rev. R. Roe's church, both morning and evening. The church was unequal to an accommodation of the very large congregation at each service.

Necrology.

THOMPSON.

Mrs. C. F. Thompson, relict of the late George H. Thompson, after an illness of several weeks, died at her home on Main street, Chestertown, on Monday, July 18, in her fifty-fourth year. Medical skill tried in vain to give relief and on Monday, death came to the patient sufferer. The deceased was before marriage, Miss Clarinda Fisher, sixth child of Dr. J. and Mary A. Fisher, and was born in the fifth district, this county. She was a devoted member and regular attendant upon the services of the Methodist Protestant Church. She leaves five children, Jacob, Julia, Clarinda, Ella and Georgia. After a beautiful christian life she passed quietly away comforted by a beautiful Christian faith.

LOFLAND.

Stephen B. Lofland, died of paralysis at the home of his nephew, James A. Pierce in Sassafras Neck, on Sunday, July 10, of paralysis of the bowls, in his 78 year. Mr. Lofland has passed much of his time at the home of Mr. Ellis Porter, living near Roesville, Queen Anne's county, but several weeks ago went on a visit to his nephew, Mr. Pierce, who resides on the farm where Mr. Lofland was born and spent many years of his life. After lingering about ten days he died on July 10. The deceased was a widower and leaves five childred as follows: W. H. Lofland, merchant at McDonough, Del.; T. A. Lofland, engineer, Wilmington, Del.; George D. Lofland, butcher, Chestertown; Mrs. Jos. Guest, Chestertown, and Mrs. Ellis Porter, near Roesville, Queen Anne's county.

BRYAN.

Mr. Christopher Bryan, who died at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. J. Q. A. Watkins, 808 Edmondson avenue, on Thursday, was born in Kent in 1804. He went to Baltimore in his youth, and was engaged in the stove business on South Calvert street for forty years. Mr. Bryan retired from business in 1863 and removed to Kent county. In 1886 he returned to Baltimore. His death was caused by old age. His wife, Mrs. Eleanor Bryan, died in 1867. Mr. Bryan leaves four daughters, twenty grand-daughters and thirteen great-grandchildren. The daughters are Mrs. Watkins, Mrs. R. R. Conner, of Annapolis, Mrs. Eleanor Newton, of Cecil county, Md., and Mrs. Joshua Harvey, of Baltimore. The body of Mr. Bryan was brought to Chestertown by steamer on Friday and was buried at Kennedyville, this county, on Saturday morning.

Victorious Tockwogh.

The Baltimore-built steamboat Tockwogh has won fame in Northern waters in the service of the Newport and Wickford Railroad and Steamboat Company which purchased her a short time ago. Agent C. U. Coffin, has written the following flattering letter about her to Capt. Wm. Cundiff: "When she first went on the line we had trouble in getting steam. She was built for soft coal and we used hard. We could not get over 27 pounds at that time. All the boats tackled and made a show of us, and Tockwogh stock went down. Everything looked blue. I had an eight-pointed jet put in her chimney and soon found we could get all the steam we were allowed and keep it. Meanwhile the other lines had been getting saucy. They did considerable blowing and not until the Day Star tried to down us did Tockwogh stock rise. We were all ready for her, and when she got alongside the crowd began to yell, thinking she was going ahead. Well, we opened up, and the way the Tockwogh went was a surprise to all. In twenty minutes we were a mile ahead. The crowd went wild with excitement, bets were made that the Tockwogh could do it again; so the next night we tried again. As soon as the Tockwogh settled down to business we left the Day Star far astern. The Tockwogh is only 165 feet long on keel. We fell in one day with the steamer Mount Hope, 880 tons, 46-inch cylinder, 10-foot stroke, 195 feet in length and 58 feet beam. Then we took a jump, and the Maryland steamer is the queen of Narragansett bay. We can beat any boat around here, and the smallest one is 177 feet long. The Tockwogh is the finest boat of her size that ever ran on this bay. As soon as we get a chance we are going to give her a trial over a mile course."

Personal Mention.

Rev. Dr. D. W. Bates and wife, of Johnsville, Carroll county, were the guests of Mr. Samuel Vannort last week. We were glad to receive a pleasant visit from the venerable minister.

John D. Urie, Esq., and his brother, Dr. Urie, spent last and a portion of this week at Atlantic City.

Mrs. Wm. A. Colescott and children, of Camden, N. J., are spending several weeks with Mrs. C.'s parents near Lankford.

Mrs. J. H. Redue and Miss Lizzie Grape, of Baltimore, are the guests of Mrs. M. A. Wilkins at the Maples.

The Misses Stewart, of Baltimore, are visiting relatives near town.

Rev. Q. L. Morrow and wife, now stationed at Waverly, are visiting Mr. Thos. Jones.

Miss Lottie Wickes is visiting Miss Mabel Graham in Georgetown, D. C.

Miss Vincent and Miss Moore, of Snow Hill, have been visiting the Misses McKnett recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Golt, are the guests of Mrs. Garrett Foxwell.

Miss Jennie Speakman is the guest of Mrs. Harry Hill, near Kennedyville.

Miss Katie O'Meara, of Pomona, is visiting her friend, Mrs. Perry Rasin.

Mrs. P. B. Darrell is visiting relatives in Wilmington.

Mr. David Wolfe, wife and mother, of Baltimore, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. Bergen.

Rev. J. D. Rigg is very much improved in health.

Miss Lilly Boggs, of Locust Grove, is the guest of the Misses Cavender near Smyrna.

Miss Annie Hynson, of Baltimore, is visiting the Misses Welch on Maple Ave.

James Hollett, of Smyrna, spent several days of last week in town.

Mrs. Harry Pennington, of Seaford, Del., is the guest of Mrs. Owen Hayes, at Locust Grove.

Miss Mamie Moore will shortly leave home for a visit to friends in Carroll county, after which she will go to Havre de Grace to visit her friend, Miss Elsie Pening.

Mrs. McGuire, of Baltimore, is visiting Mr. George Cannan, on Cannon street.

Mrs. R. Solomon, of New York, is visiting her neice, Mrs. A. Alexander at Rock Hall.

Miss Cora Hoffecker and Miss Lewis, of Dover, Del., are the guests of Miss Mamie Baker, near Pomona.

Miss Gallagher, of, New York, is visiting at the home of Mrs. Hynson, on Front street.

Miss Nellie Shalleross, of near Locust Grove, is visiting her brother, Mr. T. W. Shalleross, near Carville's station.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Brown, of Baltimore, have been visiting Mrs. Stoops, and other relatives in Kent.

Miss Bessie Martin, of Philadelphia, is visiting her grandfather Rev. John Martin, at Kennedyville.

Mr. Albert Kirtland, salesman of Armstrong, Cator & Co., has been visiting Miss Rockwell at the residence of her sister Mrs. Albert Groves, Pomona.

Miss Morgan Beasten is visiting her mother Mrs. W. R. Graham, Georgetown, Washington, D. C.

Mrs. John N. Dodd, has been an a pleasant visit to friends in Baltimore and Washington.

Miss Bacchus, of Baltimore, is the guest of her grandmother, Mrs. Bacchus, on High street.

Dr. John L. Wethered and Mr. C. C. Perkins are enjoying a cruise with Mr. Fred Gerker, of Philadelphia.

Mr. Alfred Hall, of Wilmington, is visiting his grandmother on Kent street.

Miss Lizzie Baker, of Pomona, has been visiting Miss Cora Hoffecker in Dover.

Mr. Wilbur F. Stephens, who has been in Waco, Georgia, for the past six months arrived in Kent on Tuesday of last week.

Miss McSherry, of Baltimore, is visiting Miss Laura Thomas, on Washington avenue.

Mr. Samuel Estes, of Wilmington, Del., is visiting his father, Mr. Charles E. Estes, on Main street.

Rev. John S. Bowers, and children, of Baltimore, are visiting Mrs. Bowers, on Main street.

Miss Sallie Carroll, of Baltimore, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Bacchus, on Main street.

Miss Palma Carroll, of Baltimore, is visiting her uncle, Mr. W. S. Carroll.

Mrs. W. W. Hubbard and daughter, who have been visiting Mrs. Hubbard's parents at Mexico, Mo., returned to Chestertown last evening by steamer Gratitude. Mr. Hubbard met his wife and daughter at Harrisburgh, Pa., and occompanied them home.

Mr. M. A. Toulson has been invited to serve on the staff of Chief Marshal Thomas G. DeFord, in the Prohibition parade, which will meet at their headquarters in Baltimore to proceed to Glyndon Camp ground on July 27. The staffmen will wear yacht-shaped white straw-hats, with ribbon bands, a badge, white cotten gloves and carry a rattan cane.

Peach Chat.

Notwithstanding the fact that the peach crop in Kent has been declared to be a failure, it is thought by many that when the season closes it will be found that the aggregate has exceeded expectations and rather a handsome sum will be brought to the county from the crop of this year.

Mr. Percy Skirven, in Worton, is reported as having several thousand packages, while several neighbors are equally fortunate. Some of the Eastern Neck Island orchards have a fair sprinkling. Mr. Geo. W. Harper, of Still Pond, has a fair crop of good varieties.

Mr. John Wood, on the Spencer Harris farm, East Neck Island, is said to have 1000 packages and Mr. Marian Miller, near Rock, Hall has a larger crop than last year.

More peaches have been shipped from Snow Hill station this season than for a number of years. The peaches are principally of the Early Beatrice variety, and are bringing good prices. Robert N. Todd, who has about thirty acres in trees, shipped 500 baskets last week.

An average of about fifty baskets were shipped from Ridgely, Caroline county, each day last week.

The Sussex (Delaware) *Journal* says: "For the first time in 7 years the people of Sussex county have been able to ship peaches and realize some profit therefrom. At last the luscious peach is here, not too many, but just enough for our farmers to realize a fair profit from them. Every day wagon loads are being hauled to, and shipped from our depot, amounting in some cases to a carload per day. Reports have been circulated for the past two or three months that there were no peaches at all, but the reports seem to have had no foundation, as the scenes around our depot will prove."

A SAD DROWNING CASE.

Four Brothers, Grandsons of Dr. J. T. Twilley, Lose Their Lives While in Bathing.

The saddest drowning accident within the history of Somerset county, occurred in the Manokin river, near Princess Anne, between four and five o'clock on Saturday afternoon, when four brothers, the sons of Mr. Christopher C. Ball, a highly esteemed and thrifty farmer, living one mile from Princess Anne, on the Arcadia farm, owned by Mr. Isaac D. Jones, of Baltimore, lost their lives while in bathing. Mr. Ball and five of his boys, whose ages ranged from nine to sixteen years, were cutting hay until four o'clock in the afternoon, and when they had finished, the boys asked their father to let them take a bath in a little stream that leads out to the Manokin river, back of the farm, which Mr. Ball readily consented to. Upon their arrival at the stream, they found the tide low and there was little or no water, but undressing they followed the stream a short distance through the marsh to where it empties into the river. Immediately at this point the water is deep. It is not exactly known how they all got into deep water, but it is thought that one of them slipped, as the bottom is muddy and treacherous and that the others in their efforts to save him became demoralized and in the excitement all got beyond their depth. William, the oldest, who was sixteen years of age, could swim a little, but Lewis, fifteen, Thomas, twelve, and John, ten years of age, could not swim. The drowning was witnessed by another brother, George. The others were in advance of him, and as he neared the river he saw they were in trouble, and paralyzed with fear, he stood helpless as he was and saw his four brothers drown within a few feet of him. He hurriedly dressed and ran across the farm to tell his parents, who went to the spot. The news spread rapidly and in a short time willing help was at work searching for the bodies. The last one was recovered at 11.30 at night by Mr. John W. Crisfield, Jr., who had previously found three of them together about seven o'clock. Mr. Ball is a native of Wicomico county. His wife is a daughter of Dr. J. T. Twilley, of Chestertown. The family before the accident consisted of the parents and nine children, six boys and three girls. The parents have the sympathy of the entire community, and to-day relatives and friends are with them to lighten, if posible, the burden that must be hard to bear.

Dr. Twilley knew nothing of the sad occurrence until Sunday afternoon, when a neighbor sent him a paper containing a full account of the distressing accident. A telegram had been sent on Saturday, but failed to arrive. He left accompanied by Mrs. Twilley, for his daughter's home on Monday morning. Bessie, the five-year-old sister of the drowned boys, has made her home for several years past with her grandparents in Chestertown.

COURT NEWS.

Matters of Unusual Interest Disposed of.

County commissioner's court, Tuesday, July 19, 1892.—Full board present. Upon application of Wm. T. Matthews, superintendent of the American Straw-Board Mill, to determine the width of the public road at the location of said mill, so that no encroachment be made thereon in rebuilding said mill, which is to be extended beyond the old foundation, the board, in view of the fact that there is no record of the very old roads in Kent county, and that there will remain seventy-two feet of width of road at said point from the point of extension of said mill to the fence of H. W. Vickers, Esq., a resolution was passed, that, in view of all the facts set forth, the board does not feel authorized officially, to object to the extension of said mill, and have no authority to grant the request of said superintendent, and if said mill is extended as requested, the corporation extending the same will assume all responsibility that may attach to its act. Upon motion, it was ordered that Mr. Groves be, and he is hereby appointed, a committee to purchase such amount of coal for use of court house and jail as he may consider sufficient. Upon application of James T. Brice, it was ordered that the said Brice be, and he is hereby, re-appointed constable for Kent county, for the third election district thereof. Preparatory to fixing the rate of county taxes, Mr. Westcott, president of the board of town commissioners, was invited to a conference with the county commissioners in relation to increased proportion of the road and bridge money expended, caused by the building of the three new iron bridges at Whaland's and Beck's mill, which the county commissioners considered ought to be excepted from the town's proportion of levy of the Act of 1888, chapter 227, whereupon Mr. Westcott volunteered to see the other members of the town commissioners, and they passed a resolution informally, that the said town commissioners would appropriate towards the construction of the new bridge over the branch at Whaland's mill, the excess of their levy over two thousand dollars, which will be about $700. The board then proceeded to fix the rate of county taxes for 1892 upon the assessment bases as counted and adjusted for said year at 97 cents in the $100, and directed that the rate for State taxes as fixed by law at 17½ cents in the $100, be computed on the assessment as corrected and adjusted for State taxes for said year.

Orphans' Court, July 19, 1892. Present Judges Harris, Burgess and Moffett. Letters of administration a. b. n. c. t. a. on the estate of George W. Spencer, were granted to R. D. Hynson. John C. Sutton guardian to B. Spencer Sutton, passed his first and final gauardian account. John C. Sutton filed release from B. Spencer Sutton. Court passed sundry claims against estates.

New Advertisements.

The statement of the Second National Bank will be found in this issue.

Mr. C. F. Stam, advertises a fine lot of turnip seed on sale at his drug store.

The American Strawboard Company advertises in this issue for three brick layers.

Eben F. Perkins, Esq., secretary of the school board advertises a free scholarship in Western Maryland College.

The Chestertown Branch of the Baltimore Building and Loan Association have a change of advertisement in this issue to which we call the attention of our readers.

Mr. Wm. E. Moody, the enterprising Main street clothier has a change of advertisement in this issue in which he announces another strike in clothing. It may be to you interest to give him a call.

The cut of the wire fence in the advertisement of Feddeman & Earle was upside down in our issue of last week. A correct insertion will be found in this issue, to which we call the attention of our readers.

Mr. H. L. Boyd, calls the attention of farmers to the advisability of insuring their grain. The cost will be comparatively small and in case of fire will prove to be a good investment. It is a wise precaution to insure your crops against loss by fire, and Mr. Boyd represents reliable companies.

The Ladies.

The pleasant effect and perfect safety with which ladies may use the California liquid laxative Syrup of Figs, under all conditions, makes it their favorite remedy. To get the true and genuine article, look for the name of the California Fig Syrup Co., printed near the bottom of the package.

TWO NEGRO BRUTES.

The Little Daughter of a Kenton Farmer Brutally Assaulted by A Negro.

The little six-year-old daughter of Benjamin Middleton, a well-to-do farmer living near Kenton, was feloniously assaulted by a negro man named Smith, who was employed on his farm, Friday afternoon last. Mr. Middleton succeeded in capturing the brute immediately, when two other colored men who were in his employ came to the assistance of the villain and released him. The negro immediately fled to Maryland. Constable Wright being notified at once started in pursuit, and located him on the Delaware and Chesapeake railroad, from which he again escaped and is still at large. The child is reported as being very badly injured and is in a critical condition. The community is greatly excited and lynching is freely talked of. Shortly after the assault the news was received at Massey's which is but seven miles from Kenton, and at Millington, and one gentleman of near Massey's, offered to be one of a party of two or more to go in pursuit of the brute. Maryland authorities are on the lookout for the negro.

Mrs. Harvey, who was alone at her home, near Bowie Station, Prince George's county, was feloniously assaulted by a negro boy eighteen years of age, on July 18. The villain failed in his purpose and escaped to the woods, but has since been arrested.

MARRIED.

SINGLETON—MORRIS.—On July 9, 1892, by Rev. William White, at Woodbury, N. J., S. C. Singleton, of Washington, D. C., and Miss Bertha E. Morris, of Sassafras, Md.

ELBURN—ELBURN.—At Rock Hall parsonage, July 4, 1892, by Rev. Robert Roe, Romie Elburn and Miss Ella Elburn, both of Piney Neck.

DIED.

THOMPSON.—At her home in Chestertown, July 18, 1892, Mrs. C. F. Thompson, relict of the late G. H. Thompson, in her 54th year. Short services will be held at her late residence this (Thursday) morning, at 8 o'clock A. M. Interment at Wesley Chapel at 10.30 A. M.

LOFLAND.—At the home of his nephew, James A. Pierce, Sassafras Neck, Cecil county, on Sunday, July 10, 1892, Stephen B. Lofland, in his 78 year, after an illness of about 10 days.

BALL.—Drowned in the Manokin siver, near Princess Anne, Somerset county, on Saturday, August 16, 1882, William, Lewis, Thomas and John Ball, sons of Christopher C. Ball, and aged respectively 16, 15, 12 and 10.

USILTON.—At Smithville, Md., July 2, 1892, Thomas, beloved son of R. C. and Alice R. Usilton, aged 5 years.

LEYBOLD.—In Georgetown, Md., July 10, 1892, Willie J., son of Andrew and Sarah M. Leybold, aged 1 year and 5 months.

TRIMBLE.—On July 10, 1892, at Hanesville, Md., Carmen Sutton, aged 1 year, infant daughter of William D. and Ida M. Trimble.

BRYAN.—On July 14, 1892, at the residence of his son-in-law, John Q. A. Watkins, No. 808 Edmondson ave., Christopher Bryan, in the 88th year of his age.

RODNEY.—In Baltimore, July 13, 1892, Mrs. Ellen Rodney, aged 72 years. Interment at Wesley Chapel M. P. Church.

JONES.—In Baltimore, July 17, '92, Sarah C., wife of Reese Jones, aged 59 years. Interment in Union M. E. Church yard, this county.

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