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AL MATTERS.

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C. Jones, of Lynch's, shipped hundred pounds of spring chickens two weeks ago.

—Marriages in Kent county are at a discount; there has not been a marriage license issued by our clerk since February 28th, 1893.

—Sheriff McKenney, of Cecil county, has put in a claim of $125 for the execution of Alfred Stout. This does not include the cost of the scaffold.

—Mr. William Richardson, Plum Point, will build a handsome annex to his residence. The work, which will be done by Messrs. Staveley & Bowers, will commence next week.

—About one dozen fine lambs were shipped from Rock Hall to Baltimore on Thursday of last week. Though several small shipments have been made from other points, Thursday's shipment was the largest so far reported.

—A number of drift logs came down with the recent washout at Port Deposit, and are scattered along the Eastern Shore of the Chesapeake. Mr. William Richardson and Percy G. Skirven have several hundred on their shores.

—William T. Anderson, living near Chester bridge, in Queen Anne's, is the earliest gardener, so far reported. Mr. Anderson two weeks ago planted one and a half bushels of onion sets and four bushels and a half of potatoes.

—Messrs. Smith & Clements sold to the county commissioners on Tuesday, five Adjustable Vulcan road machines. The same gentlemen sold to the commissioners five of the Vulcan machines last year, which have given entire satisfaction.

—On April 3 and thereafter, the time of leaving Chestertown of the Chester river steamers will be seven o'clock A. M. instead of 8 o'clock A. M., as at present, and the Emma A. Ford will stop at Rock Hall going and returning from Baltimore.

—Hopewell School House was again broken into last week, for the fifth time since last September. It is evident that these depredations are engaged in more from a desire to satisfy a disposition of lawlessness than as a matter of plunder.

—Application has been made to the State fishery force to permit the extra police sloops employed during the oyster season, to remain on duty after the expiration of the six months for which they hired her and until the close of the tonging season, April 20. Dredging ceases March 31.

—A Church Hill merchant says that making Chester river bridge free, has materially injured the business of that town to the advantage of Chestertown.—*Queenstown News.* We regret that our sister town should suffer, but since it must be so we are satisfied that Chestertown should receive the benefits.

—A small round box is reported as having been found on the "Blakeford" shore, Chester river. In the box was a note, headed Steelton, Pa., July 10th, 1892. The writer told the finder to go to Sheol, as he was then on his way to the World's Fair. The box is supposed to have come down with the drift.

—An Annapolis boat-builder is working on models of a pungy, a sloop and a bateau, which are being built for a Baltimore merchant to be sent to the World's Exposition to represent the oyster industry of Maryland. The larger models are fitted out with miniature dredges and windlas, and the bateau with oyster rakes.

—The stackyard of about twenty tons of straw belonging to Mrs. E. R. Wickes, of near Chestertown, was totally destroyed by fire on Saturday. It is supposed that the fire was originated by a spark from the engine of the noon train. The straw had been sold and was only awaiting delivery to the American Straw-board mill.

—The Wilmington Fair Association has determined to dissolve. It has been in existence for five years and has sunk $50,000. The buildings, &c., will be sold by the sheriff for the benefit of the creditors. This is a matter of regret to many in Kent who have enjoyed the annual exhibits on the grounds of the Association. Kent county horses have carried off a number of prizes, and our horsemen will regret the collapse of the fair.

—Raymond Blackway, the four-year-old son of Mrs. J. E. Blackway, living on Cannon street, on Tuesday swallowed a quantity of muriatic acid. The little fellow was in the yard and found the bottle and drank a portion of its contents. Owing to the fact that the acid strangled him but a small portion was swallowed. Dr. Whaland was promptly summoned and the child is rapidly improving. The acid, which is used by tinners had been thrown away when the house was built about six months ago.

—In our next issue will appear the advertisement of the two finely-bred stallions recently brought to Kent by Capt. Cecil R. Atkinson, viz., Mambrino Lumps, 2.28, by Lumps; he by George Wilkes, 2.22. His owner Capt. Atkinson thinks he is one of the handsomest grandsons of the king of stallions, as well as one of the fastest, having trotted a full half mile in 1.08 in public and making his record 2.28 in a race over frozen ground. Then to Wilkes No. 2, a beautiful specimen of the Wilkes family will be formally introduced to the public.

—While several dredgers were looking around the shore of Miller's Island last week for the body of Capt. Jas. S. Hill, they stumbled across the decomposed remains of a young man. At first it was thought to have been the remains of Captain Hill, but later investigation showed that it was not. The head and face were well preserved, but the trunk was much disfigured. The body was without shoes or hat, and proved to be that of young Daniel Fox, the son of a prominent Brooklyn politician. The body of Captain Hill has not as yet been found, nor has the exact location of the vessel, Wish-Ton-Wish been ascertained.

—The steamer B. S. Ford brought over on Friday an enormous general freight, indeed, the largest freight for many months. A very narrow passageway on one side from the lower saloon to the bow of the boat was the only break in the solidly packed mass of freight on the freight-deck; the bow of the boat was stacked as high as possible, and freight was stored away in front of the upper saloon. One hour at both Rock Hall and Centreville was consumed in unloading the freight at those points. A heavy fog settled on the Eastern side of the bay, and in making the stop at Rock Hall it became necessary to throw the lead at frequent intervals to keep in the channel. The steamer left Baltimore about 10.30 and reached Chestertown at a few minutes before 7 o'clock.

—As Col. W. J. Vannort was loading goods into his dearborn at the Chester river steamboat wharf, on Monday afternoon, his horses took fright and dashed off at full speed. Upon reaching the corner of Main and Front streets, the team collided with a telephone pole and one of the horses was thrown violently to the ground, but was not seriously hurt. The dearborn was only slightly damaged.

—The Emma Giles has been newly painted, and has had new steam chests put in and many pretty changes have been made in the interior of the steamer. The new wharf is completed and the Giles will resume her Saturday trips to Tolchester on April 1st. The improvements on the grounds will begin at once. Already lumber and carpenters are on hand, and Monday, April 3d, will find the Beach getting back to a lively scene after a hard winter.

—The oyster navy appointments which were postponed at the suggestion of Governor Brown, will be made at the close of the oyster season. It is said both Captain Turner and Captain Howard will remain on the force. Gen. Joseph B. Seth is an applicant for reappointment as commander. The friends of Capt. T. C. B. Howard are urging him for commander, and in the event of his appointment it is said F. Louis Griffith, of Anne Arundel, will get the steamer Governor Thomas.

Church Notes.

Sacred Heart Church, Easter Sunday, high mass and sermon at 10.30 A. M. evening services at 7.30 P. M., consisting of Vespers, sermon and benediction.

The anniversary exercises of Christ M. P. Church, Chestertown, will be held on Sunday evening, commencing at seven and a half o'clock. The programme will be of a most interesting character.

The Easter Day services at Immanuel P. E. church will be: Communion at 7.30 A. M. ann regular service and children song service at 4 o'clock P. M. Regular evening service at 7.30.

Regular services at the Methodist Episcopal Church morning and evening, Rev J. W. Easley officiating.

April Jurors.

His honor, Judge Joseph A. Wickes, drew the following jurors Thursday for the April term of court:

2 Philip G. Wilmer,	5 Thos. C. Maslin,
2 Edw. W. Pennington,	1 Clarence S. Hurlock,
1 Samuel Mallalieu,	2 J. W. Hurtt,
2 L. C. Justis, Jr.,	3 Henry Nichols,
2 P. A. M. Brooks,	1 Benj. P. Morgan,
2 J. H. Clendaniel,	3 Thos. J. Willis,
4 John Brice,	1 Chas. P. Loper,
5 Wash. G. Skirven,	2 J. H. Ireland,
2 Edw. W. Hepbron,	5 S. J. Wickes,
4 Walter T. Morris,	5 J. P. Nicholson,
1 F. H. Taylor,	J. Jas. W. Lambert,
1 F. P. Cochran,	2 Bedford Roe,
4 Geo. W. Smith,	1 Robert C. Morgan,
4 J. Lloyd McFeely,	4 Thos. W. Ellason, Jr.,
4 Jas. H. Baker,	1 W. A. Whittaker,
3 Samuel A. Reed,	4 Geo. W. Hatcherson,
1 Henry S. Cook,	1 Thos. J. McWhorter,
2 G. M. Reaston,	5 Horace A. Willson,
1 Geo. W. Jacoby,	2 John Hurlock,
5 J. E. Jewell,	5 R. Sterling Jones,
4 W. G. Trew,	4 Jeff. D. Bacchus,
1 Thos. A. Jacobs,	4 Enoch N. Roland,
2 Daniel W. Dewees,	4 E. W. F. Simpers,
2 Geo. W. Harper,	3 E. T. Turner.

Divided among the districts the first has 12; 2nd, 13; 3rd, 4; 4th, 12; 5th, 7.

Personal Mention.

Judge Joseph A Wickes has been quite sick at his home on Main street.

Mr. E. Weston Welch left Chestetown for Spokane, Washington State, on Monday. In the energy, capacity, and pluck of Mr. Welch, Chestertown sends to the west one of her finest young men. A young man who will honor both himself and his native town, and we predict and wish for him a successful career.

Invitations are out announcing the marriage of Mr. Edward F. Catlin, of St. Louis, but formerly of Chestertown, to Miss Lillian May Wright, on Wednesday evening, April 12 at six o'clock. Mr. Catlin is a son of Mrs. Mary Catlin of Chestertown, and was at one time a student of Washington College, but is at present successfully engaged in the grain business in St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. William E. DeFord will entertain a number of friend at a terrapin supper, at their home in Queen Anne's county, this evening at 8 o'clock.

Mr. T. Blackiston Perkins, of Philadelphia, spent several days in Chestertown last week.

Mr. Joseph Archbell, of New York, has been the guest of Rev. S. C. Roberts.

A DELIGHTFUL SUPPER.

Sheriff Edward J. Plummer Entertains.

Sheriff and Mrs. Edward J. Plummer entertained nearly a hundred friends at a most elaborate and elegant birthday supper, given in honor of the sheriff's fifty-first birthday, on Monday evening. About 8 o'clock persons began to arrive, and in less than an hour the parlor, halls and sitting room were filled with a host of friends from Baltimore and every section of Kent. At nine o'clock the guests were invited into the dining room, where a long table fairly groaned under its abundance of every delicacy of the season, most temptingly prepared by Mrs. Plummer. Turkey, terrapin, salads, oysters in various styles, roast beef and all of the necessary accompanyments were served in a manner calculated to thoroughly gratify the taste of the most fastidious epicure. Until after 12 o'clock the royal feast of appetizing good things and social pleasures were enjoyed. Sheriff Plummer was all that could be desired of a host, while Mrs. Plummer as hostess, and as presiding over the preparation of the feast, was a most glorious success. Mrs. Frank Plummer at the close of the evening dispensed some beautiful music. Captain Cadwallader and Lieutenant Siebald, of the Baltimore city police force; Detective Pumphreys and Mr. R. Fagan, of Baltimore, were special guests of Sheriff and Mrs. Plummer. Mr. Fagan presented Mrs. Plummer with a magnificently engraved silver pitcher, and Capt. Cadwallader presented a handsomely engraved napkin ring each to Sheriff and Mrs. Plummer; also to Leo and to little Miss Elsie Plummer. The supper was in every way a most pleasant affair, and all left wishing for the sheriff many returns of his natal day, and a long and happy life for his most estimable wife. Mr. John N. Dodd offered a toast, wishing that his years of prosperity may more than double what they now are, and Mr. W. H. McFeely offered a ringing toast not less complimentary.

Those present were: Capt. Cadwallader, Robert G. Fagan, Detective Pumphreys, Detective Siebold, H. H. Barroll, Frank Greenwood, John Brice, T. S. Dodd, Frank Gilpin, F. G. Usilton, W. H. McFeely, Jos. Gilpin, T. E. W. Crew, R. D. Hynson, C. C. Hopper, Ramond Bowers, R. C. Smythe, Jervis Spencer, Snowden Thomas, Wm. E. Deford, John Aldridge, John N. Dodd, W. B. Plummer, W. T. Plummer, R. J. Carter, Josiah Massey, T. C. Maslin, R. H. Wright, Jas. V. Pote, E. Bowers, Alfred Staveley, J. C. Jones, W. W. Newcomb, B. F. Beck, Jr., Geo. T. Perkins, George Biddle, Jas. Ringgold, Richard Wilson, Wm. Lusby, Clay Lusby, Thos. W. Wickes, Bailiff, Amos B. Kelly, W. W. Dayer, J. Hall Denny, Bates Hendricks, Thos. Storkes, J. H. Greenwood, and others.

NECROLOGY.

STEVENSON CONSTABLE.

Stevenson Constable, died of consumption, at his home, near Lankford,, at 1.45 o'clock on Sunday morning, March 26th, 1893. Mr. Constable was a son of the late John S. Constable, and would have been fifty-four years of age in July next. He was born in Kent, and as a young man took a position as clerk in Baltimore city, but afterward returned to his native county, and excepting several years during which he kept a store at Lankford, was a successful farmer, and during the past sixteen years has lived on his farm near Lankford. In 1860 he married Miss Alice A. Riley, daughter of the late C. M. Riley, of Kent county, who with four children, Blanche, Lillian, J. Stevenson and Horace B. Constable survive him. Though always taking an active interest in the success of the Democratic party, he was not a politician in its strict sense, and the only political position which he ever filled was the office of county commissioner from November 1869 to November 1871. Mr. Constable was a vestryman of St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal Church, and was an untiring worker for the cause of religion and his church. Services were held at his late home on Tuesday morning, Revs. C. T. Denroche and S. C. Roberts officiating, after which the interment was made in St. Paul's cemetery at 10 o'clock. The pall-bearers were, W. R. Constable, W. S. Walker, Dr. S. G. Fisher, Dr. S. Beck, R. W. Jones and R. Staveley Jones.

IN MEMORIAM.

How often is it practically brought to the notice of every community, as some shining example displays itself "that the memory of the just is blessed." In old St. Paul's cemetery beneath those ancient oaks and abundant evergreens, was laid to rest, on March 28th, 1893, the mortal remains of STEVENSON CONSTABLE, in hope of a blessed resurrection. And as the clods of the valley shut him out from mortal view, those who knew him best and most intimately can confidently exclaim, as they turn from his grave to leave him there, "he sleeps well." He was never, in a popular sense, a public man; he never sought or desired any public office, while at the same time, he held himself in readiness conscientiously to obey any summons to serve his county or district, at any cost to himself of inconvenience or hardship. His well-known voice and reverent demeanor in one familiar spot within the walls of old St. Paul's, will be sadly missed, as the congregations who assemble there week by week are brought to realize that that voice is hushed in death, and the pulsations of that brain stilled, which thought so much and contrived so actively for the welfare and well-being of the old church to which he was so ardently devoted, and whose interest and welfare lay so near his heart, and whose service and advancement was never considered by him a sacrifice of time or convenience. In secular as in religious affairs he was governed by undeviating principle, seeking the right, he maintained that course, and could never comprehend the principle of policy or expediency. He was a prince in the bosom of his family. He loved his home, and was never happier than when sitting by his cheerful fireside, surrounded by the members of his family, whose each and every interest and welfare received at all times his best and fullest labor, thought and devotion. And what a vacancy is realized in that bereaved household, now that his familiar footstep shall no longer be heard within its walls, contriving for its protection and sustenance. A FRIEND.

MARTHA ISABEL SMYTHE.

Mrs. Martha Isabel Smythe, wife of the late Jefferson L. Smythe, of Fairlee, and daughter of the late John Greenwood, died of consumption, on Thursday last, aged 53 years, and was interred at St. Paul's cemetery on Saturday last. Mrs. Smythe was a most estimable woman, a devout christian and a sincere friend.

MARRIET FREEMAN RING GOLD.

Miss Harriet Freeman Ringgold, formerly of Chestertown, Kent county, Md., died in Washington City, on Saturday at the residence of her nephew, Mr. Edward T. Matthews. Miss Ringgold was over ninety-three years of age, and while her home was at Chestertown, she resided for a number of years in Washington, and in Baltimore. Until six months ago she resided in Baltimore with her niece, Mrs. Territt, the mother of Lieutenant Territt, of the Eighth Infantry, United States Army Upon Mrs. Territt's death recently, Miss Ringgold went to Washington and took up her residence with her relatives there. She was buried on Tuesday at Loudon Park Cemetery, Baltimore. She was a cousin of W. N. E. Wickes and his two brothers, of Chestertown.

COURT NOTES.

More Road Supervisors—Bonds Being Filed.

The following additional roads have been given out by Commissioner Willson, of the fifth district, leaving only the roads on Eastern Neck Island to be provived for:

3.—Road to Gray's Inn Wharf ¼ mile, to keep in repair. R. B. Willson, $10.

6—Skinner's Neck Road, 2¼ miles, ditches opened to carry off the water from road, three furrows on each side of the road at the hill near the Maslin farm, and dirt scraped; balance at road to keep in repair. E. R. Strong, $80.

13—Tolchester Road from corner near Battershell Hill to Landing, 2¾ miles, four furrows on each side, dirt scraped in road and ditches opened to carry water from road where needed. W. H. Baxter, $75.

23—Forest road from Edesville to Swan Creek Road, 2¼ miles. From Edesville to bridge below Wesley Kennard's, ditches cleaned out so as to carry off water, and dirt put in road; balance of road 3 furrows on each side, dirt scraped in road and ditches opened to carry off the water. W. H. Jones, $38.

25—Rock Hall X roads from corner, near Arch bridge, to Landing at Dr. Sharp's, 1 mile, ditches opened to carry off the water, road scraped. Geo. R. Scoone, $20.

27.—Road to Deep Landing, 1¼ miles, about half four furrows on each side and scraped; balance to be kept in repair, bushes, briars and stumps to be removed where found in the road. Geo. R. Scoone $50.

The following contractors for road-work have bonded with the county commissioners in the full amount of the work to be done:

1st District—Fred T. Vansant, James A. Donohoe, Thomas White, McIntyre & Steele, J. P. Shelton and Thos. Quinn.

2d District—John McKee, H. A. Meredith, Jas. McKee, W. J. Clarke, Aaron W. Taylor, Thomas Bennett, Wm. Pratt, I. R. Staveley, E. W. Ford, Geo. W. Davis, John McGuire, Thos. Quigley and Geo. L. Crisfield.

3rd District—Edward Dempsey, J. T. Coleman and W. W. Duyer.

4th District—J. C. Loud.

5th District—I. R. Leaverton.

Orphans' Court, Tuesday, Mar. 28, 1892.—Present Judges Harris, Moffett and Burgess. Hope H. Barroll, trustee filed accounts of sales of real estate of Stephen Kennard. Charles T. Westcott, administrator of Geo. B. Westcott, deceased filed second and final administration and distribution account of said deceased. Wm. H. Davis was appointed guardian to Bessie J. and Wm. H. Hurtt. Daniel E Jewell, administrator of Thomas F. Rasin, deceased, filed inventory of personal property of said deceased. Caroline L. and R. D. Hynson, executors of Richard Hynson, deceased, filed an inventory and account of sales of the personal estate of said deceased. Hope H. Barroll, guardian to Mary E. Greenwood and Alfred F. Greenwood, filed guardian accounts for 1892. Will of Alfred Melvin admitted to probate.

From Kennedyville.

KENNEDYVILLE, MD., Mar. 28, 1893.

EDITORS TRANSCRIPT:—The Ladies' Aid Society of the M. P. Church, met in the Hall last Friday evening. The programme consisted of readings and music, after which the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Miss Martha Murlock; vice-president, Mrs. W. T. Lane; secretary, Miss Lula Vandyke; assistant secretary, Miss Lillie Boggs treasurer, Mrs. James E. Weer; closed with benediction by Mr. Lewis. Next meeting April 21st.

We understand that one of the contractors for roads received a present of a horse and cart.

Mr. Dewees is spending the week at Brenford, Del., with his son George.

MILLINGTON ITEMS.

A Sad Death—No New Election to be Held—Marriage and Personals.

MILLINGTON, MD., Mar. 28, 1893.

It is our sad duty to report the death of Mrs. Sallie Cook, wife of Mr. H. S. Cook, on Friday evening, March 24th, after a lingering illness. She had been sick quite a long while, her family entertaining little hope of her recovery. She was the daughter of Mr. John Mullikin, of Trappe, Md., was 38 years of age and leaves three small children, one son and two daughters Dora, Maggie and Emily. Mrs. Cook was a faithful member of the M. E. Church and had a large circle of friends in Millington. Her funeral took place Monday afternoon; interment in Millington cemetery in the presence of a large number of relatives and friends. Rev. E. E. White conducted the funeral services, assisted by Revs. Alfred Smith and G. W. Burke. Mr. Cook has our sincere sympathy in this his greatest hour of grief.

Rev. G. W. Burke, our newly appointed pastor, preached his first sermon in the M. E. Church on Sunday morning. He will move his family from Lincoln City, Del., this week. Our former pastor, Rev. E. E. White goes to Church Hill, Md.

We stated some time ago that it was reported that a new election of town officers would have to be held, we have learned since that this report was not correct, and that Messrs. E. W. Spear and C. H. Stevens have been sworn into office and have appointed Mr. Thomas M. Britton in the place of Mr. H. C. Hendrickson who refused to serve.

A beautiful but quiet wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Tolson in south Millington, Wednesday evening last. The contracting parties on this occasion were Miss Cora, their eldest daughter, and Mr. W. B. Hilyard, a prospering young merchant of Kenton, Del. They have our best wishes.

Mrs. R. H. Adams, of Dover, Del., is visiting her mother, Mrs. Thomas Mallalieu.

Mr. and Mrs. George Mallalieu, of Paterson, N. J., are visiting his parents at the Frame Hotel.

Miss Annie Oliver, of Columbia, Pa., is visiting Miss Gertie Turner.

Mrs. W. S. Collins, of Centreville, is spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. A. E. Crane.

Edward Hackett, formerly of this town but now living at Yorktown, Va., is spending a short vacation with his grandmother, Mrs. Annie Rasin.

Mrs. I. E. Jackson and son Earle, of Cardova, Md., are visiting Mrs. W. S. Greene.

Many of our town folks have begun gardening and are hoping for fair weather as we haven't had much this spring so far.

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CRUMPTON LETTER.

Crumpton's List of U. S. Pensioners.

EDS. TRANSCRIPT:—Not less than twenty U. S. Army veterans receiving pensions from the government reside in and near Crumpton. The average amount received by these brave soldiers per quarter is about $30 each, or $2400 per annum. Steve Gibbs, and Wm. White, alias Orlando Easley receive their checks through other postoffices and the other 18 pass through the P. O. at this place. Quite a number more are looking to Uncle Sam with eager eyes for help. We have heard of two cases that are anomalies—quite anomalous. One who for years received a pension, has for some time refused from conscientious moves to accept the claim. The other was heard to say in substance: "I was in the army through the entire war, fought in most of the hard battles, was eight times wounded, and came out a better man than I went in, and am a better man now than I was the day I enlisted. I do not and cannot claim pension on the ground of disability. I would not swear to a lie for all the money paid to the soldiers throughout this entire land. No! Nothing could induce me to imperil my soul's salvation by taking a false oath." Can any of your correspondents present two other such cases? Speak Millington, Galena, Still Pond, Rock Hall; speak Betterton, Fairlee; speak one, speak all, or we claim the palm for Crumpton. Has any other place an alias on their pension list? We have two.

The funeral of Mr. John L. Newnam from his late residence at Pond Town Sunday afternoon last was attended by at least fifty carriages.

Mr. Geo. W. Finamore took in his fish pound at one catch on the 27th, over 700 herring and several baskets of perch. We are on the look out for Chester river shad.

Rev. Mr. Anderson and family of the M. E. Church, leave us on Thursday of this week. Some of the papers say that he was 3 years at Bishopville. This is a mistake. He has never been more than one year at any one charge, so far as we can learn. It is also reported that he has four children. He has never had with him but two in Crumpton, may be the other two are with his first wife's mother. Mrs. Anderson since she has been in our midst has lost a sister, wife of Rev. James Conner, and also her mother, Mrs. Stout, of Delaware.

The Rev. John Boehm (pronounced Beem) appointed to this charge has not yet been heard from. Many inquiries have been made concerning him, and none seem to know what manner of man he is. No doubt, like a true Methodist preacher, he will put in a timely appearance right side up. BENTLY BARD.

March 28, 1893.

New Advertisements.

Mr. A. F. Huey, of Masseys, Md., one of the most extensive agricultural implement dealers in the county, advertises his large stock of goods in another column of this issue. Mr. Huey is a gentleman of unquestionable integrity, and by his fair and square dealing, has gained a deserved popularity and large trade in his line of business. Read his advertisement and when in need of such articles give him a call.

Messrs. Staveley & Bowers, Lynch's, Md. advertise in this issue for carpenters.

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

Mr. Thos. Stewart, Sr., of Dulaney's, Del., advertises his horse, Sherman Morgan for the season of 1893, in another column of this issue.

Hamilton, Easter & Co., one of the most reliable dry goods houses in Baltimore, have their advertisement in this issue of the TRANSCRIPT. This firm is centrally located, accomodating and thoroughly reliable.

Mr. W. Richardson and Percy G. Skirvin, advertise drift log notice in this issue.

Mr. Colin F. Stam, advertises his spring line of paints, oils, varnishes, etc., in another column.

The advertisement of Strawbridge & Clothier, one of the largest and most responsible firms in Philadelphia, will be found in this issue of the TRANSCRIPT. Read their advertisement and see what they offer you. This firm is second to none in Philadelphia for popularity and square dealing.

Don't forget the terrapin supper advertisement in another column for Tuesday and Wednesday next, in the basement of Sacred Heart Church, Chestertown.

KENT COUNTIANS.

What They Have Done to Build Up Baltimore City.

The Raltimore *Sunday News* has a number of interesting references to the part which Kent countians have taken in the material development of Baltimore City. The *News* says: "The inhabitants of the Eastern Shore of Maryland are almost entirely engaged in agriculture, yet they have been distinguished for their intellectual strength from colonial times up to the present day. There is not anywhere a community that has produced more brainy and promient men than are embraced in the nine counties of the Eastern Shore of Maryland. While this section of the State embraces one-third of the area in square miles of Maryland, and only one-fifth of the population, it is extremely doubtful if the remainder of the State has furnished as many intellectual and distinguished people as have hailed from the Eastern Shore. At one time the mayors of both Chicago and St. Louis—Rice and Thomas—were natives of one county—Talbot. The Eastern Shore was the home of the ancestors of Henry Clay and James K. Polk, and can number among its intellectual giants the ancestors of Jefferson Davis, William Wirt, and a long line of illustrious sons."

"Among the distinguished merchants who were born in Kent county, and who have added to the growth of the trade and commerce of Baltimore, and who are held in the highest esteem, James Hodges is mentioned first. James Hodges was born in Kent county August 11, 1822, and came to Baltimore at an early age. In 1846 he established the firm of Hodges Brothers in connection with his brother William R. and subsequently admitted another brother, Robert, and also William Penn Lewis. James Hodges took a prominent part in the reform movement in 1859; in 1860 was delegate to the convention in Philadelphia to organize a National Board of Trade; in 1874 was president of the Mercantile Library Association; in 1877-8 one of the Finance Commissioners for Baltimore, and since 1877 director of the National Union Bank. In 1878 he was Commissioner to the Paris Exposition and member of the Franco-American Commercial Treaty Conference, and from 1885 to 1887 Mayor of Baltimore. In 1888 he was elector on the Cleveland ticket, and State director in the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad.

"Wm. K. Merritt, born in Kent county in 1809, came here in 1833, and was engaged in the dry goods business with Israel Griffith until 1852. From 1852 to 1871 he was in the grocery business with his brother, George A., and until his death, November 12, 1878, was in the grain trade.

"James W. Bowers was born July 23, 1827, in Kent county, and came to Baltimore in 1828. He began the drug business in 1840, and has continued in it ever since. He has been a member of the School Board, a member of the First Branch City Council, and is now a prominent Mason."

THE BENCH AND BAR.

The Eastern Shore has contributed many of the most distinguished members of the Baltimore bar: "Judge Peregrine Lethbury Wickes, born August 14, 1837, in Chestertown, Kent county, graduated from Princeton College in June 1856, studied law with S. Teackle Wallis, of Baltimore, and was admitted to the bar of Kent county April 18, 1859. He practiced in Chestertown until 1866, when he went to York, Pa., where he was elected in November, 1875, Additional Law Judge of the Nineteenth Judicial District of Pennsylvania. In January, 1882, he was commissioned President Judge of the same circuit, which he filled to the close of his judicial term, in January, 1866. Immediately after retiring from the bench at York he came to Baltimore in the fall of 1887, and was appointed by Governor Brown to fill the vacancy on the Supreme Bench of Baltimore city, caused by the death of Judge Edward Duffy.

THE PULPIT.

"Archbishop Eccleston was born June 27, 1801, in Kent county, and died in Georgetown, D. C., April 22, 1851. He was the son of Samuel and Martha (Ringgold) Eccleston and half brother of Judge John B. Eccleston. Educated at St. Mary's College, Baltimore, became a Roman Catholic, studied for the priesthood, and after his ordination in 1825 visited England, Ireland and France, studying for a time at the Ecclesiastical College at Issy, near Paris. Upon returning to Baltimore he was successively appointed vice-president and president of St. Mary's College, and in 1834 was appointed a bishop and coadjutor to Archbishop Whitfield, succeeded him on his death in the same year as Archbishop of Baltimore. He built several new academies for the education of girls and placed them under the care of the nuns of the Visitation; a training school and novitiate for the Christian Brothers, and German parishes were organized under the Redemptorists. He founded the College of St. Charles in 1850, and soon after introduced the Lazarists into Maryland; presided over five provincial councils; took the initiative in the passage of the law of 1840, providing for the passage of church property from a bishop to his successor, and also that of 1843 providing for the excommunication of Catholics who should remarry after being divorced by the State; and in 1849, during the exile of Pope Pius IX, invited him to Baltimore to preside over the provincial council.

OUR BOSS POLITICIANS.

The Eastern Shore has furnished to the city of Baltimore some of the brightest and ablest politicians in the country.

Joshua Vansant was born in Millington, Kent county, December 31, 1803. He removed to Wilmington, Del., with his parents in 1807; in 1812 went to Philadelphia, and in 1818 settled in Baltimore, where he was educated in the public schools. He learned the trade of hatter with his father; was a journeyman until 1835, and was from that time in the hat business in Baltimore until a few years before his death, which occurred March 8, 1884. In early life he was closely identified with the volunteer fire department, and for many years president of the Liberty Company, and also a prominent Odd Fellow; represented the Grand Lodge of Maryland in 1851, 1852, 1856 and 1857 in the Grand Lodge of the United States; and from September 5, 1853, until his death was grand treasurer of the Sovereign Grand Lodge. He early took an active interest in politics; was one of the "glorious nineteen" Van Buren Senatorial electors in 1836; Postmaster of Baltimore from May 21, 1839, till May 5, 1841; elected to the House of Delegates in 1845; one of the vice-presidents of the Mexican War meeting, held in Baltimore May 23, 1846; and March 4, 1850, called together a mass meeting in Monument square to give expressions of sentiments in favor of the Union of the people of Baltimore. In 1854-55 he was a member of Congress; was Prsidential elector on the Breckinridge ticket in 1860; elected mayor of Baltimore in 1871, and re-elected in 1873, and from 1876 until his death was Comptroller of the city. He was several times a director in the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad; president of the Board of Managers of the Maryland Institute in 1849, and held that office for many years; Finance Commissioner of Baltimore, 1846-55; president of the Board of Trustees of Bayview Asylum from 1847 to 1853, in 1861 and from 1868 to 1871; president of a commission to ascertain the best means of supplying Baltimore with water in 1852-54; School commissioner from 1852 to 1885, and president of the Board in 1853 and 1854; director of Maryland Penitentiary from 1867 to 1870, and president of the board during the last two years of his life; member of the board of trustees of the McDonough Fund from 1867 1871, and president during the last year, and served as president of the Building Committee appointed in 1869 to construct the City Hall, and turned over a surplus of $124,600 to the city upon its completion in 1875.

Jesse Knock Hines was born at Millington, Kent county, November 17, 1829. Educated at private schools in Baltimore, and in 1854, was employed as a clerk at Millington, Kent county; afterward at Smyrna, Delaware; in 1849-50 worked as a bricklayer and subsequently had charge of the primary school at Morgan's Creek Neck, in Kent county. In 1854 was constable; from 1855 to 1857 tax collector for the Fourth district of Kent county; clerk of the Circuit Court of Kent county in 1857, 1863 and 1867; studied law under Richard Hynson; was admitted to the bar at Chestertown May 2, 1868, and afterward practiced his profession at that place. He was a delegate to the National Democratic Convention of 1872; member and Speaker of the House of Delegates in 1874; commander of the Maryland Oyster Navy from 1874 to 1876; and then for a time Assessment and Corporation Clerk in the office of the Comptroller of the Treasury of Maryland. On February 1, 1877, he was appointed Insurance Commissioner in charge of the State Insurance Department upon its creation in 1878, and was re-appointed to the same office in 1882 and 1886, and continued to serve as such until his death in Baltimore on September 20, 1889.

Isaac Freeman Rasin was born March 11, 1833, in Kent county. He is the son of Robert Wilson Rasin, who was born in the same county September 8, 1806, and died in Baltimore February 8, 1878. He removed to Baltimore in 1847, and engaged in the real estate business, which he conducted successfully until his death. During the war he was arrested by the Federal military and confined in prison for 28 months.

"It is a fact not generally known that Isaac Freeman Rasin is descended from some of the most aristocratic blood in Maryland, and for more than two centuries and a half his family connections have held conspicuous positions in the annals of this State. Among his ancestors by descent or marriage, are such distinguished names as Robert Morris, the financier of the Revolution, the Hollidays, the Ringgolds, the Wilsons, the Kennards, the Blackistons, the Vaughans, the Claypools and many others who have managed by frequent intermarriage and by the exercise of sterling qualities to maintain the lead from the earlier times. The great-grandfather of I Freeman Rasin settled in Kent in 1750, and was several times a member of the Legislature and a man of prominence in the Province. His half-brother was a captain in the Maryland Line, and at the battle of Camden, in which Baron de Kalb was killed, he was the only one who carried his colors from the field when a retreat was ordered. The mother of I. Freeman Rasin was a Ringgold, and was descended from Captain Robert Vaughan, commander of Kent Island from 1647 to 1652. She was also a near relative of Major Samuel Ringgold, who lost his life at the battle of Palo Alto in the war with Mexico.

"I Freeman Rasin was educated at Washington College, Chestertown, Kent county, and at an early age removed with his parents to Baltimore, where he was employed as a clerk in a drygoods house, and afterward engaged in that business on his own account, which he continued to prosecute until 1867. In 1867 he was elected clerk of the Court of Common Pleas and re-elected in 1873 by a majority of over 14,000 for another term of six years, and again re-elected in 1870. During the administration of President Cleveland he was naval officer at the port of Baltimore, and in December, 1892, was appointed Insurance Commissioner of Maryland, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of J. F. C. Talbot, who was elected to Congress. As a politician, Mr. Rasin wields a telling influence in the State, though he never intrudes himself on the notice of the public; he is an energetic worker, a man of quick perceptions, clear views of men and things, positive opinions, and of rare executive ability. Robert Wilson Lowber Rasin, the brother of I. Freeman Rasin, was born in Queen Anne's county, October 27, 1836. He came with his parents to Baltimore in 1846, and found employment with a firm engaged in the guano business. He afterward became connected with Capt. Edward R. Cooper, discoverer and owner of the Navasso Island. In 1872 he established the firm of R. W. L. Rasin, now known as the Rasin Fertilizer Company. He has been president of the Chemical and Fertilizer Exchange of Baltimore; treasurer of the Maryland Horticultural Society, and treasurer of the National Chemical Fertilizer Association."

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