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THE CHESTERTOWN TRANSCRIPT

SUPPLEMENT.

THURSDAY MORNING, JUNE 1, 1893.

THE STILL POND FARMERS' CLUB.

STILL POND, May 25, 1893.

The Farmers' Club held its regular meeting to-day at the residence of Mr. Thomas J. Shallcross, a beautiful old colonial home surrounded by densely shaded grounds, on the shores of the Sassafras river. The house is built of brick brought from England, and dates back about one hundred and fifty years. The weather was fine, and the attendance was very full, as this was the last meeting previous to the usual summer recess. The day was given more to general discussion than to routine work. Our host interested the club with many bits of history, and exhibited many curios, among them a pin more than one hundred years old, a shot bag filled with old and curious coins; and what was fully as interesting to the gentlemen, his account book showing the prices received for asparagus and gooseberries some twenty years back. Also the date and quantity of first shipment each year. The members were very much astonished to find that the average price per bunch of asparagus had not varied over two cents in all that time.

The ladies were equally entertained with the artistic work of Miss Shallcross, daughter of our host, who has some remarkably fine drawings and paintings. But it remained for our hostess to furnish an entertainment that interested all alike, and which included everything good, from the ticklish terrapin of the Chesapeake to the silvery salmon of Puget Sound, with strawberry dessert; and altogether it was one of the most enjoyable meetings of the season.

The meeting was called to order by the president, and the minutes read and approved. Asking questions was then declared in order. It was asked how soon after hiving a swarm of bees the caps for honey should be put on. It was advised to put them on as soon as the bees were settled in their new home.

Mr. E. B. Pennington asked how to get rid of garlic in wheat. Some members claimed that garlic was increasing in the neighborhood, and some mode of exterminating it would be of great benefit to the farmers.

Mr. T. J. Shallcross gave the following plan: Sow peas after harvest, plow early next spring, keep it well worked until July, then sow buckwheat.

Mr. J. S. Harris asked at what time should the main crop of potatoes be planted. Mr. E. B. Pennington replied, as early as possible, so as to have only one crop of bugs to kill.

What is the value of land plaster in the management of manure? was next. This brought out a long discussion on manures in general, and the only virtue claimed for the plaster was that it fixes the ammonia and rots the manure up quicker. It should be spread about every month. It was then asked, What is the value of fish for manure? It was the general opinion that they were not of much value.

W. D. Pennington asked, How much does it cost to cut and bunch asparagus? It was estimated at 1½ cents. Mr. Shallcross stated that he had kept a record of prices received for asparagus since 1871, and these records showed that the grass from young beds sold for about one dollar per dozen more than that from old beds (10 or 12 years).

It was then asked at what time in the growth should the fruit on overloaded trees be thinned to produce the finest and largest measure of fruit. This was not satisfactorily answered, and the members were requested to experiment with both peaches and pears, and report at next meeting.

Mr. Harris showed some peach twigs, many of them showing pairs or twins, one triplet and one quadruple. This was something that none of the members had ever noticed before, and excited considerable interest. The club then adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

After collecting the ladies from different parts of the grounds the president called the club to order, and the committees were called on to report. No reports were ready. On motion Messrs. J. S. Harris and T. J. Shallcross were added to the package committee and ordered to look out for peach baskets also. The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That a committee of not less than three be appointed to wait on Capt. Cundiff of the Sassafras River Steamboat Co., in reference to the transportation of fruit, and learn on which wharf he intended to land it in Baltimore.

It was contended by several members who have previously wrestled with this wiley commander, that it would be utterly useless to send a committee, as his proverbial large-heartedness would naturally lead him to do all for his patrons that either the threats or cajolery of the committee would be able to obtain. The resolution was lost. The address by the host was next in order, but he was excused as he was just recovering from a severe illness. Questions being again in order it was asked, What is the most profitable use and mode of handling barnyard manure made by feeding stalks, straw, etc.? It was advised to spread it on the land as fast as it was made. The next question was, What proportion of the lawn trees should be evergreens and how should they be planted to have the best effect? It was thought about one-third should be evergreens, and they should be planted in groups at least forty feet from the deciduous trees. The next question was, What is the most tasty size and shape for a lawn on the average sized farm, (about 250 acres)? It was thought that where the lay of the land would permit, an oblong lawn about two hundred by three hundred feet was about the thing, and the lawn of Mr. E. M. Bonwill, near Still Pond, was thought to be an example of all that need be desired by the average farmer. The next question was, What should the Peninsula horticulturist exhibit at the World's Fair? It was the general opinion that they should make an exhibit of all fruits raised here all through the fruit season, by constant shipments of fresh fruit provided that the grower would be at no further expense than the proper packing of his contribution and delivery at wharf or station. It was then asked, What are the merits of the square peach basket? It was claimed that they would pack better and not jostle so much in the wagons. What are the merits of the half bushel handle basket? No special merits were claimed for them, and one member said if it meant the covered basket they were decidedly not wanted in the Philadelphia market, as buyers there preferred to see the fruit without the trouble of removing the lids. The president then made inquiry as to the fruit prospects and all members reported them very fair. The regular question was then taken up (growing and marketing fruit) and discussed for an hour. The necessity of getting it to market in the best possible shape was emphasized, and much good advice given that I fear will never be followed. After selecting the question, What are the merits of the different varieties of wheat for discussion, and the residence of W. H. Bowers as its next place of meeting, the club adjourned.

ANNIE ROONEY.

A VOICE FROM THE FIFTH.

Political Matters Increasing in Interest.

Politics in this section is becoming quite spirited. The friends of each of the Legislative candidates are doing their level best to promote the interests of their man. Of course Capt. J. B. Willson has the inside track so far, and why should he not have the best showing? Surely of all the gentlemen mentioned Capt. Willson is pre-eminently *the man* for the place, especially at this time, when the signs of the times are, that an earnest attempt will be made to dispose of the barren bottoms of the bay, which, if accomplished, will be the entering wedge that shall take the natural oyster bars as well. We thus speak of Capt. Willson without the least prejudice to the merits or interests of others in the race for legislative honors. Many years of the Captain's life have been spent on the water in the service of the State. He is now, and has been for several years, an oysterman, consequently he is prepared to render great good to the oyster industry. He knows what are barren bottoms and is prepared to answer concisely all questions relating to oysters and fish of interest to our people, in an intelligent manner. Such questions as the cull law, when to close or open the season, what kind of implements should be used, what kind of seines, nets or traps should be used for catching fish, what constitutes Swan Point bar, and to show what the chart of the bays does not—that instead of Kent Island shore and Kent shore, from Swan Point to Wickes' beach, being barren bottoms, they are a mass of natural oyster bars. Therefore, he is not dependent upon the statement of the oystermen alone, but has a personal knowledge of those things from actual experience; and while being a faithful exponent of the oystermen, he is qualified to be equally as much to the farmers, being a practical farmer himself. Can as much be said of the other gentlemen whose claims are pushed for the honor of representing Kent county in the next Legislature from this grand old fifth election district? We think not. There is a small element here who seem disposed to sling mud, for the reason that Capt. W. is a member of the Farmers' Alliance, citing as an instance some peculiar transaction by that organization in Minnesota and other parts of the West. But Minnesota is far remote from Maryland, and the circumstances not at all the same, consequently those things do not apply here, and deserves no consideration whatever. There is no antagonism between the F. A. and the working people here, be they watermen or other wage-workers. There has never existed a bar to the admission of any man of good moral character, except merchants, commercial agents and lawyers, so far as we are aware, within the precincts of the F. A. council. Did not the Farmers' Alliance unequivocally pass, at a county convention held in Chestertown previous to or during the last session of the Legislature, a resolution protesting against the sale or lease of the submarine bottoms of the bay and tributaries, to any party or parties for any purpose whatever? Not only is Capt. Willson the best man from this district as a delegate to the next Legislature because of the above qualifications, but he is the man to lead the party to success at the polls next November, for be it known, that the old sore caused by Comptroller Smith, in reference to the appointment of commander of the Anna B. Smith, is still oozing and is much irritated by the least friction; and while our Republican friends are keeping very mumm, they are watching very closely every move of the Democrats, and while they say there will be no ticket in the field next fall, yet they are ready to grasp any independent move in local politics. They will be compelled to have a State ticket, and if the "lilly white" Republican scheme should become a fact, there are many here in Kent county who would cheerfully flop over as a means of revenge, who have been deterred from this in the past because of the negro. We have said in the past that Comptroller Smith did right, and we still say the same; but alas! the woods are full of them who differ from us, but with Willson, the poplar, the affable, as legislative standard bearer, victory is sure.

The late frost and cold winds have seriously hurt several varieties of peaches and pears. Early apples and cherries have also been injured, but it is hoped that the farmers will realize a paying crop yet. Mr. A. Harris writes Mr. Robert Wickes that peaches are all killed in the southwestern counties of the State.

Wheat here is looking very fine. The wet weather put the farmers back in planting corn, but the splendid weather of the past two weeks has enabled them to push their work forward considerably.

The oystermen are quite busy renovating their homes and boat property.

Our neighborhood seems to be in a bad sanitary condition should hot weather set in, owing to the great stench from fish that are hauled up for compost purposes, and are left exposed, much to the discomfort of many residents. We think some action should be taken to abate the nuisance. It is discouraging for persons to work hard and use every precaution to ward off disease about their own homes, and then be compelled to submit to the carelessness of the adjacent neighbors, who seem to act with utter contempt as to other's well-being.

BETTERTON NEWS.

BETTERTON, MD., May 30, 1893.

The steamer Anthony Groves, Jr., the new Ericsson Line propeller, made her first regular trip on Tuesday, the 29th instant, leaving Philadelphia at 5 P. M., stopping at Betterton and thence to Baltimore. The new steamer is handsomely fitted up with all the latest improvements and conveniences, steers by steam and is one of the finest crafts of her model in the east. John Grace is captain, Robert C. Young, clerk, and John S. Owens, saloonmaster.

The young ladies of Betterton are forming a tennis club.

Three houses and two hotels go up this spring and summer.

Notwithstanding inclement weather, the festival held by the M. E. Church the last three evenings of the past week, was a decided success, and after all expenses are deducted, about $80 will remain to go towards furnishing the new church.

The tug Dolphine, which sunk last winter at the mouth of the Elk river, and the bugeye, mentioned heretofore as sunk, loaded with oysters, have been raised by the American Towing Company and towed to Baltimore.

The fishing season is over.

Joseph R. Owens has accepted a position with Bridges & Waller, a produce commission house of Philadelphia.

Miss Pearl Hedges, of Baltimore, is the guest of Miss Lillie Trott.

Miss Mary Whitely, of Chestertown, was the guest of Miss Mattie Leigh on Sunday.

Miss Annie Siebert, of Baltimore, is visiting Mrs. Annie Young.

Walter Brice, of the Gen. Cadwalader, spent Saturday here. OLD SALT.

Local Jottings from Melitota.

MELITOTA, May 29, '93.

TRANSCRIPT:—We received a visit from Mrs. Richardson, of Plum Point, one day last week in an open barouche, with a pair of high steppers in silver mounted harness, with liveried coachman such as has never been seen in this section of the county before, which created quite a sensation among the people here, many of whom had never seen anything like it.

We are glad to announce that Mr. B. F. Crew, one of our foremost farmers was the first to supply us with strawberries this season.

We notice that Mr. M. M. Rasin has prospects for a full crop of peaches.

Mrs. M. M. Wood has just returned from New York city, after an extended visit to her friends there.

Mr. Frank Walraven, of Baltimore is on a short visit to his mother, Mrs. E. Walraven, at Flatlands.

Mrs. N. Lieberman and daughter are on a short visit to Mrs. M. M. Wood.

Golt's News.

James Matthews has a duck egg, which measures in circumference the small way, 8¼ inches, and long wise 9¼ inches. His daughter having blown the egg to preserve the shell, discovered another egg within the large shell the size of an ordinary size duck egg, with a shell on it as hard as any ordinary egg.

Rev. F. E. McKinsey, former pastor of Sassafras and Massey's circuit, has been visiting on the charge.

We are preparing for children's day. Hope to be ready to hold our services on June 11th. We will use for our programme, Columbia's Defenses. X.

CRUMPTON NEWS.

EDITORS TRANSCRIPT:—The Crumpton creamery, under the proprietorship of Mr. F. Hamdem Massey, paid for milk last month, ending May 20th, $1.05 per hundred pounds. With this result the patronizing farmers seem well pleased.

Dr. Sheppard, after an absence of over four weeks, has returned from his protracted wedding tour.

One of our most estimable citizens, much annoyed by an egg-sucking and chicken devouring dog, reluctantly put a little of the life-exterminating element in an egg the other night. In the morning there was a dead dog near the nest, and lo, it was the pet dog of the house.

MORAL.—Though we know it not and little suspect it, we are sometimes plagued by the dangers of our own hearts and homes. Another gentleman, long time away in a distant city, came back to visit the scenes of his childhood, and with other valuable presents to friends brought a pug dog, so the canine stock is naught depleted.

Whit Tuesday of last week was colored people's day in Crumpton, though by mandate of an unwritten law, no negro family has ever been allowed to live in the place. On this particular day once a year by common consent, they are allowed the freedom of the town. The shop, booth, stall, side table, ice cream keepers of whom there are not a few, hail their coming with joyful anticipation. And verily they come from the north and west, south and east. The number this year is estimated at 1000 or less. The omnipresent flying horses were on hand and well patronized. One centre of attraction was the alligator show. A veritable living alligator just from the lake shores of Florida "on the way to the World's Fair via Crumpton. Only five cents to see the wonderful animal." Everything passed off quietly. No accident and no disorder occurred during the entire day.

The late festival held by the ladies of Union M. E. Church, held at Worton fair grounds was well attended and is regarded as a success. Amount taken $90 with net proceeds of not less than $50.

May 30th, '93. BENTLY BARD.

MILLINGTON ITEMS.

The Sad Death of Mrs. W. S. Collins—Locals, etc.

The sad news reached us Saturday morning of the death of Mrs. Hallie Collins a very popular young lady of our town, who about one year ago married Mr. W. S. Collins, an enterprising and independent young farmer of near Centreville, Md. Mrs. Collins was the youngest daughter of the late Dr. T. H. Crane, of our town, and her death will be greatly regretted by her many friends here and wherever she was known. Her funeral took place Monday morning at eleven o'clock, interment in Centreville cemetery. Quite a number of her friends from here attended the services.

The Millington "Y" met Monday evening at the home of the recording secretary, Miss Susie Vansant. After the usual routine of business, amusements were engaged in and every one present seemed to enjoy the meeting. We hope the "Y" will continue to grow as it is doing, and that much good will be done through the efforts of its members.

The building boom seems to have taken a firm hold upon our town, as several fine residences are being contracted for, and will be pushed to completion. Mr. J. W. Duling, with his brother, Mr. Sam'l Duling, of Wilmington, have contracted to build a beautiful home for Mr. C. H. Stevens, opposite the school property, and Mr. B. W. Duling has the contract to build a very comfortable home of modern style for Mrs. Wm. S. Green, opposite the town hall. We are confident these residences will be homes of beauty and comfort, as their contractors are men of ability and understand their business thoroughly. Several other residence are nearing completion.

Mrs. Col. Small, of Lincoln City, Del., spent last week the guest of Rev. Mrs. G. W. Burke, at the M. E. parsonage.

Mrs. Mollie O. Cacy is visiting friends in Baltimore, Md.

Misses Nellie Burke and Maggie Smith attended the convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, held in Chestertown on Saturday last.

Miss Cynthia Nelson, of Church Hill, Md., is visiting Mrs. Joseph Mallalieu, near town.

John Biggs, Esq., of Wilmington, Del., was in town Thursday last.

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Ahern, spent Monday in Philadelphia.

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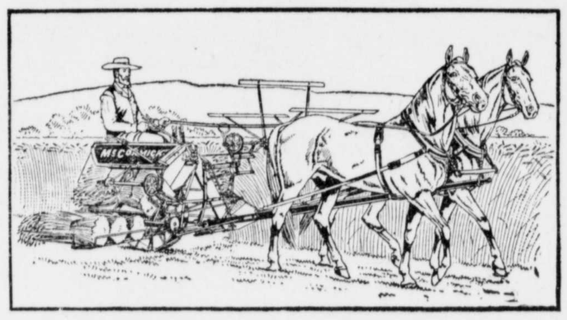

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OFFICE OF

Local Board of Health.

CHESTERTOWN, MD., May 11, 1893.

The American Public Health Association in a recent bulletin, has given various formulas and directions for disinfection and deodorization—giving the distinctive definition of the term. So often deodorization is thought to be disinfection, care should be taken to both disinfect and deodorize, that is to destroy disease germs and do away with noxious odors at the same time.

The disinfection of excreta of all kinds and under all circumstances may be accomplished by using chloride of lime (bleaching powder) six ounces to one gallon of water, allow this to stand thirty minutes and use in privies, vaults, sinks or vessels.

Also corrosive sublimate and permanganate of potash, two drachms to a gallon of water, to be used for same purposes as the lime solution, as well as various other formulas.

The disinfection and purification of premises may be best accomplished by removal of all organic or vegetable refuse and the substitution of earth, sand or other dry material; thorough draining of such places as hold water. The free use of lime in various ways; cutting away all undergrowth and all other obstacles to the free admission of sunlight; the removal of the pound, out-house, pig-pen or other offensive things of like character. All cellars and drains should receive prompt attention. Source of water supply especially should at this time be carefully looked after. If there is any doubt as to its purity seek the advice of those most likely to know.

Those having closets in their houses may be sure of their being free from disease-producing conditions if the second disinfecting fluid mentioned above be used after having emptied a box of concentrated lye into the sink or hopper.

Personal cleanlinsss and care deserves consideration, that of children or infants especially. If the infant is artificially fed great care should be exercised, and if fevers, infectious or contagious disease be present in the house or in contact with the child, or its care-takers, the food should be subjected to heat at a boiling temperature for twenty or thirty minutes.

The observance of strict sanitary rules and hygienic laws, while not absolutely preventing disease in all cases, will, and do in many, and in others render the disease less fatal and better enable the subject to withstand its ravages.

The lesson taught us last September, and the presence all winter of the cholera scourge in Europe, should stand prominently before us There is no better way to fight epidemics than to be prepared for them. If all communities, large and small, city and rural, should put themselves in the best sanitary condition possible there need be little cause for alarm.

The Local Board of Health for this county is anxious to have every town, village and farm put in SUCH CONDITION. The various town authorities, farmers and property-holders are urged to give these matters prompt attention before the advent of the hot season.

Whenever it is possible, the secretary will furnish such advice as is sought, will abate nuisances and render any other assistance possible.

W. FRANK HINES,

May 18, 1893—3t. SECRETARY.

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