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LOCAL MATTERS.

—The strawboard mill is temporarily closed down for repairs.

—All of the county crate and basket factories are running at full blast, on full time and full orders.

—Galena's new town hall, 30 x 24 feet, is to be built by contractor A. M. Kendall, of Fairlee.

—Worton's annual tournament will be held on the Worton fair grounds, on September 23, and preparations for a gala day are being made.

—The Queen Anne's county tax rate has been fixed at eighty-three cents on the one hundred dollars, or a reduction of six cents under last year's rate.

—But little fallow has been broken in Kent because of the protracted drought, and that which has been broken is confined almost exclusively to stubble fallow.

—The public schools of the county will open on Monday, September 4, instead of Friday, September 1, and both pupils and teachers are again preparing for a resumption of work.

—The annual fair of the Talbot County Agricultural Association will be held at Easton, September 19, lasting four days. The Cecil county fair will be held Sept. 5, continuing four days.

—Messrs. Walter W. Hurlock and Wm. Hurlock, formerly of Kent, lost $6,000 in their hardware stock in the Snow Hill fire, insurance $3 000. Mr. William Hurlock lost $600, in his home, insurance $300.

—James Brice, one of a Baltimore party of bicyclists who rode from Chestertown to Tolchester on Sunday, was overcome by the heat at Tolchester. He was carried to Baltimore on the steamer Louise and sent to his home in a carriage.

—Mr. S. T. Newcomb, living near Worton, lost a valuable young milch cow on Thursday. Mr. Newcomb was driving the animal on the public road, having a rope around her horns, when she ran up on a bank and fell, breaking her neck.

—Large numbers of sea turtles are reported off Swan Point bar near Rock Hall. Some of them are very large, would weigh possibly several hundred pounds. Sharks are also very plentiful, but so far the Rock Hall fishermen have failed to hook any of the big game.

—Several large sturgeons were seen in Chester river on Saturday evening. This fact saddened the hearts of hook and line fishermen, as the sturgeon is very destructive to small fish, and has a tendency to drive them away from their fishing grounds.

—We are indebted to Mr. John Startt, the hustling representative of the large nursery firm of Elwanger & Barry, for a contribution of delicious grapes of the Moore's variety. These grapes are ten days earlier than the Concord and are elegant in flavor.

—The new patent roller process flouring mill of Mr. W. P. Price, on the site of the old Connelly mill, near St. Paul's, commenced work on Friday last, and is now running on full time with a full head of water. The mill has a daily capacity of twenty-five barrels of the finest flour, and is one of the most thoroughly equipped mills in the county.

—Dogs attacked the flock of sheep of Mr. Dennis McCaulay, living near Galena, on Saturday night, since which time eight of the finest of his flock have been mysteriously missing. It was impossible to find where the sheep were killed, and the only solution to the puzzle is that they broke out of the pasture and strayed away, though up to this time they have not been reported found.

—S. B. Latham, through A. S. L. Shields, his attorney, of Philadelphia, has entered suit against the Philadelphia *Inquirer* Company for $20,000 damages, the outgrowth of an article which appeared in that paper charging him with the assault on little Nellie Silcox, at Kennedyville in 1892, for which crime the negro Taylor was lynched. Mr. Latham claims that the assault upon his character was unwarranted, and his reputation must be vindicated.

—County Commissioner John A. Groves took the Kent county board of commissioners, and Messrs. A. Anderson, J. C. Price and Mr. Smith, members of the Cecil county board, on a trip to his Paca's Island peach farm on Tuesday evening, on his large tug, the Canton. Mr. Groves has the largest acreage of peach trees in Queen Anne's county, on the old Paca estate, and is now running his own tug in marketing his heavy crop of fruit. He will return with his guests either to-day or to-morrow.

—The Seventh-day Adventists will hold their annual camp meeting in a grove at Newark, Del., beginning August 17th and continuing till August 27. One hundred and five canvas family tents, with provision, book and meeting tents, aggregating in all 115, will be pitched on the grounds. In connection with the camp the Atlantic Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will hold its fourth annual session. Men prominent in their work will be with them from other conferences. This will add much to the interest of the meetings. They are not exclusive in their meetings, but invite all who desire to attend.

—A "Crescent Fete" under the management of the Epworth League of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Chestertown, will be held on the church lawn on August 23. The crescent will reign supreme, and as the moon is high above the earth, so it is claimed, will this delightful fete be high above the fate of ordinary occasions. Everything will be served in the shape of the graceful and beautiful crescent. Preparations are being made to make this one of the most delightful social events within the history of the Chestertown chapter. Success to the League and its pleasant gathering.

—In the summary of results by Professor Patterson, of the Maryland Experiment Station, is found this item: "The corn fodder, or stover, from one acre of land yields as much digestible matter as two tons of timothy hay." Also this: "There is more digestible matter in the corn fodder from an acre than in the corn ears from that acre." This reveals a fact not generally known that corn fodder is quite as valuable as the corn taken from it, and in this season of short crops and high prices for hay, should induce farmers to grow and save large crops of fodder, that they may market their valuable hay crop.

—The Young People's Association, of Christ M. P. Church, held a charming "Watermelon Fete" on the lawn of Christ M. P. Church on Wednesday of last week. The grounds were brilliantly illuminated by numberless Japanese lanterns of rich and gorgeous colors, while beautifully-arranged tables laden with ice cream, cake and that most beautiful of fruits, the watermelon, were arranged beneath the flood of mellow light. Dainty and beautiful waitresses added animation and a charm to the scene with which even the tempting melons could not vie. The pleasant occasion was, as it should have been, largely patronized, and was a splendid success, both financially and socially. The money raised has been placed to the credit of the parsonage fund.

—Frederick J. and William Gilbert, two brothers, of Baltimore, were arrested on Friday last for riding on bicycles across Chester bridge. The young men, with another companion rode across the bridge several days before, but escaped Bridge-keeper Jones, and on Friday were returning to Tolchester to take the steamer for Baltimore when arrested and taken before Justice of the Peace J. Evan Thomas, and fined $2.50 each. The wheelmen, since the Court of Appeals has held that the commissioners have a right to restrict the use of the bridge, have been very anxious to carry a case to the United States Court for a decision of the point of law involved, and for this purpose, it is stated, they will endeavor to secure the arrest of a non-resident of the State, which will throw the case in a United States Court. To avoid this the commissioners have given instructions to the bridge keeper that only such persons shall be arrested for a violation of the prohibitory rule 9, as are personally known by him to be residents of the State. The young men claimed that they saw no rules relative to riding bicycles across the bridge. The rules were posted up, however.

—Happy B., formerly owned by Edward B. Emory, of Poplar Grove stock farm, won a race on Tuesday at Philadelphia, in 2 15¼, establishing a new record at Belmont track. Happy Bee was sired by Happy Russell, the great Maryland stud owned by Mr. Edward B. Emory, of Queen Anne's county. Her dam is Beeswing, by Kent. Happy Bee was bred by Mr. Emory, who sold her to John Gibbons, of Philadelphia, for $2,000. Mr. Gibbons sold the mare to Mr. Rockefeller, of the standard Oil Company, for $10,600. Mr. Rockefeller gave her to young Mr. Alcott, of Round Top Stock Farm, Pa. On July 29, 1891, Happy Bee made a record at Cleveland Ohio, of 2.17¼ and on the half-mile track at the Gentlemen's Driving Park, Baltimore, lowered that record.

—An alarm of fire on Saturday afternoon sent a thrill of terror throughout Chestertown. A strong wind prevailed, and blocks of wooden buildings were as dry as tinder, and a realization of a possible conflagration seemed to accelerate the movements of our fire department to a remarkable extent, and in a few moments the hose was ready to be put in position for work. The cause of the alarm was a small place burned in the roof of the granary at Burchinal's wharf. The fire orginated from a spark from the engine of Collins' peach basket factory, but was extinguished before the fire department arrived. The town as well as officer Kelley and his efficient assistants, are to be congratulated upon the promptness with which the alarm was responded to.

—Charles S. Emory, colored, who was serving a life sentence in the Baltimore penitentiary for the murder of Dr. J. Heighe Hill, near Millington, Kent county, Md., April 23, 1892, died on Tuesday night at the prison. Emory suffered paralysis of the lower limbs about eight weeks ago. His condition gradually grew worse until death came to his relief. He was attended during his illness by the prison physician and was carefully nursed by the prison officers. He was also attended by Rev. Edward D. Boone, of Loyola College, who administered the last rites of the Catholic Church and also received his last confession. He died without making an acknowledgment of complicity in the murder of Dr. Hill. His body was taken in charge, Wednesday, by the Society of St. Vincent de Paul and buried in St. Vincent's Cemetery. Henry Hurtt, colored, who also was convicted of the murder of Dr. Hill, died at the penitentiary June 30, 1893. Joshua Baynard and Louis Benson are serving life sentences.

THE POSTOFFICE BUILDING.

Probability that the Old Market House Will Go.

After nearly five years of constant bombarding by the TRANSCRIPT, the probabilities are now strongly in favor of the old market house being torn down and a sightly and roomy building being erected in its stead. As already stated, Inspector Hooton was in town investigating the site for the proposed building, and information has been received by the town commissioners to the effect that the inspector's report was favorably considered, and upon that report and specifications the allowance of rent has been increased from $175 to $260. Mr. Westcott, president of the board of town commissioners, says that the board has not been informed as to the exact character of the report and its specifications. He has written to the Department at Washington asking that the report be sent on, and as soon as that is done the board will act promptly in the matter, and if it is found possible to make the improvement, work will commence at the earliest convenient moment.

Of Personal Interest.

Mr. Frank M. Beck and wife and Mr. Harry A. Beck, all of Washington, D. C., are visiting their father, 'Squire Wm. E. Beck, of Worton.

Rev. A. E. Keigwin, of Worton, started for a two weeks visit to the World's Fair.

Rev. Father Scott, left Monday for Still Pond on his yacht Time-Piece, visiting friends and relatives.—*Queenstown News.*

Miss Crew, of Chestertown, is visiting Miss Fox at Bennett's Point, in Queen Anne's.

The St. Michaels *Comet*, in speaking of the Worton bicycle races, says that Mr. Larrimore, the winner, is a frequent visitor of St. Michaels, and has many friends in Talbot who extend congratulations.

Miss Power, of Millington, is visiting the World's Fair. Miss Etta Rash, also of Millington, is enjoying the immensities and grandeurs of the Fair.

Mr. T. E. W. Crew is "doing" the World's Fair.

Miss Rosa McIntyre is visiting relatives in Baltimore.

Miss Sallie Whitehill, of Philadelphia, is the guest of Mrs. Mary Gleaves in town.

Master Frank Ivens, of near Worton Station, is visiting his grandmother, Mrs. A. E. Elliott, on High street.

Court News

Orphans' Court, Tuesday, August 15.—Present, Judges Harris, Moffett, Burgess. Anthony H. Johnson, Executor of Rich. C. Johnson deceased, passed first and final administration and distribution accounts. George W. Smith, administrator of Andrew R. Reed, filed account of sales of the personal estate of said deceased. George W. Smith, administrator of Noah R. Reed filed account of sales of the personal property of said deceased.

The board of County Commissioners of Kent and Cecil counties, met in joint session at Chestertown on Tuesday. Messrs. A. Anderson and J. C. Price, and Mr. C. H. Smith, clerk to the Cecil board, were in attendance. The joint meeting was for the purpose of receiving bids on the work of building an arch over the stream at Kennedy's mill, Sassafras. The bids were as follows: H. M. Stuart, of Chestertown, $3,050; Alfred Green, Middletown, Del., $3,100, and Patterson & Jackson, of Cecil, $3,450. David Connel, of Cecil, filed a bid for building an iron bridge at $3,290. The matter was held under consideration. The following accounts were examined and approved (or allowed) and ordered to be paid: Adam Murray, witness certificate, $3.00; Sallie Porter, witness certificate, $3.00; F. G. Usilton, witness certificate, $5.25; Martin L. Warner's account for repairing the streets of Millington, $46.75. Wm. Jones, keeper of Chester bridge, returned $5.00 for fines collected for violations of bridge rules. Mr. Morgan was appointed a committee in behalf of the Kent county commissioners to superintend the work on the Sassafras mill dam.

Sprays From Betterton.

Betterton has had the greatest season in its history. Every hotel in the place is crowded, and during one day last week eleven steamers stopped at one wharf. The daily number of stops by steamers is eight. Fruit shipments have been good, the Philadelphia steamers taking the bulk of the peaches.

Fishing has been only fairly good, some days the sport is good, while on others it is extremely poor. Mr. R. T. Turner Jr., caught a five pound rock on Thursday last, off Worton point. A party of Chestertonians spent the day here on Thursday, but a pleasant sail and less than two dozen perch were the total of the day's outing.

This section is suffering for a refreshing rain. Fruit is small and the corn crop is badly cut. A good rain ten days ago would have been worth thousands of dollars to our farmers.

Capt. Wm Crew, while out on the bay was the first to discover the body of the late Max John, who was drowned off Poole's Island recently.

Mr. Richard E. Vandegrift paid Chestertown a visit on Monday and reports a pleasant call at the TRANSCRIPT office.

A party came to Betterton last week, and here is the way their flaming programme commenced: "We want a change! Have we it? We have!!! Money scarce, time and life short, but Betterton on the Chesapeake bay and the perch fishing grounds will last forever." Just here was the cut of a fish with this quotation: "*I ad Betterton iensem, naviga, pete, perceas, et repone.*" The party, which was from Philadelphia, had a scrubbing-brush member, a dealer in spices from the Indies, the Moor, a man who don't play cards but can, an alleged secretary and kwill driver for U. S. an N. E. L. and so on, a bloated corporation secretary, a good man and true, and a host of other not less notorious gentlemen. They were royal good fellows and had a not less royal time.

SNAPS.

NECROLOGY.

REV. JOHN MARTIN.

Rev. John Martin died suddenly at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Anna Physic, near Port Deposit, Cecil county, on Friday last, aged about eighty-five years. Mr. Martin was born in Philadelphia, and came to Kent county about fifteen years ago as rector of Shrewsbury and the chapel at Galena, Protestant Episcopal Churches, which charge he filled for five years, when ill health compelled him to retire from his active field of labor. He continued the good work of his chosen profession however, at intervals, until the time of his death, having held two services at a church near Port Deposit, the Sunday preceding his death. He was always found ready to assist charity, and was universally beloved by his congregation and the entire community in which he lived, or wherever known.

Nothing too good can be said of the life of this Christian man, and none can doubt but that his mission on earth was conscientiously and faithfully fulfilled. Three sons and two daughters survive him. His oldest son, Dr. Henry Martin, is rector of St. Andrew's and All Saints Protestant Episcopal Churches, Somerset county; his second son, Douglas Martin, lives in Georgia; the third son, James, lives in Port Deposit, and his maiden daughter, Miss Lucy, lives with her sister, Mrs. Anna Physic, near Port Deposit.

His remains were brought down on the B. & D.B. R.R. on Tuesday, and buried at Shrewsbury, between twelve and one o'clock. The funeral services were conducted by Bishop Adams, of the Diocese of Easton, Rev. M. Sutton, rector of Shrewsbury, and Dr. Duncan, of St. Stephen's Parish, Cecil county. Rev. C.T. Deuroche, of St. Paul and I. U. Churches, Rev. Albert Ware, of North Kent Parish, and Rev. Mr. Schouler, of Elkton, together with a large number of friends were present. Bishop Adams, in his address paid the deceased a most beautiful tribute. The services were probably the most impressive ever held in this county. Bishop Adams, the clergy present, and the vestry, Messrs. Dennis Noland, Nathaniel Comegys, George W. Jacoby, J. W. Hurtt, E. B. Pennington, J. Herman Ireland, F. Hyland Taylor and T.H. Horsey, preceded the remains, with Henry and James Martin, Dr. J. K. H. Jacobs, John and William Janvier and Douglas Brown as bearers, in the funeral procession to and from the church to the last resting place of this saintly and divine man.

CHARLES L. SEVERN.

Mr. Charles L. Severn, a highly respected and energetic citizen of Millington, died at his home in that town on Friday morning last, aged about 55 years. Mr. Severn was taken sick on the Tuesday previous, but no one at first supposed that his illness was of so serious a nature, and his death came as a surprise to the entire community. He had been for a number of years one of the most progressive business men of Millington, and since 1881 had conducted one of the most extensive basket manufacturing establishments on the Peninsula. On July 1, 1893, he married Miss Mina Williams, a most estimable lady of Felton, Del. He was a consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and a most estimable citizen.

A Series of Accidents.

Mr. W. Harper McFeely, in decapitating a chicken for last Sunday's dinner, nearly cut off the end of the thumb of his left hand. The bone was badly shattered, and the wound was an extremely painful one.

James Coverdale, of Clayton, Del., had the large toe of his foot entirely cut off and the other toes so badly lacerated that amputation was necessary, by a wheel of the 6.30 train on Monday morning. Coverdale was fireman on the engine, had thrown the switch open, and in trying to mount the engine his foot slipped and he stepped in front of the wheel with the result above stated. Dr. Dodd dressed the wound, and the injured man was taken to his home on a later train. The same engine killed a horse on the Bombay Hook section of the road on Monday morning of last week.

Miss Sallie Beck, daughter of Dr. Sam'l Beck, narrowly escaped serious injury at Tolchester on Friday of last week. The young lady with a party of friends had gone to the Beach on a straw ride, and was enjoying among other pleasures of the evening, a ride on the flying horses. The motion made her sick, and she fainted, falling to the ground head foremost, and was badly stunned and bruised about the arms and shoulders. Restoratives were applied and the patient soon recovered consciousness, and is now entirely recovered from the effects of what might have been a most serious accident.

Mr. William Bogle, of Eastern Neck Island, while passing along the public road near Edesville on his bicycle at night, about ten days ago, in company with Mr. Larrimore, in the darkness collided with a vehicle and received painful bruises and sprains, and had his wheel badly crushed.

Mr. P. D. Darrell, because of a badly mashed finger, was detained from his route as express agent for several trips last week.

Richard Jones, a carter, and one of the most highly respected old colored men of Chestertown, met with a serious accident on Saturday, the result of being overcome by heat and falling from his wagon. He had been at work in the sun and was sitting in the rear of his wagon, and was entering the yard of Messrs. Chapman & Lambert's shops when he was overcome by the intense heat, and fell forward on his face to the ground, injuring his arm and breaking the bone of his thigh. He is 73 years of age.

FROM CRUMPTON.

EDITORS TRANSCRIPT:—It may not be uninteresting to your many readers, to know that Mr. T. Hamden Massey, proprietor of the Crumpton creamery, is erecting a separator at Catlin's. He expects to be in readiness to receive milk at that point inside of ten days. Monthly payments for milk will be made last of this week, probably paying 65 cents.

It is currently reported that Mr. Alday Clements proposes to build a new storehouse on his vacant lot, 24x110 feet, with all the modern improvements of front and internal arrangements. The location is most eligible, and the new building will be a great improvement to our town.

It is also rumored (though some think it a joke) that Mr. Charles Bradley has sold out his interest in the hotel to Mr. H. J. Clark. The hotel, under the management of Mr. Bradley and his excellent wife, has become quite a favorite summer resort, and has been well patronized by delighted guests. The party held there last Thursday evening was well-attended. Among the guests from abroad were: County Treasurer B. Legg and John Downs, Esq., from Kent Island. Delightful music was discoursed by the Ware quartette, with dancing by the entire company.

Mr. Alday Clements, purchaser of the ninety-acre Ginn farm, at the mouth of Crumpton Lane, is preparing to sow down 6½ acres of it in wheat the coming fall. The purchase, we suppose, is intended to be an addition to his adjoining farm.

Peaches at Millington sold from 30 to 80 cents on Monday of this week.

Rev. J. D. Kinzer, president of M. P. Conference, in his late visitation preached acceptably, both at Providence and this place.

Rev. Mr. North, of the Philadelphia Conference, and family, are visiting his wife's brother, Mr. S. S. Baker, of Magnolia. He preached at Double Creek M. E. Church last Sabbath afternoon to a large and delighted audience, from the text: "All things are yours," etc.

Rev. Mr. Bohem and congregation are arranging for a festival in the near future in tent on Crumpton green.

Our merchants are complaining of great scarcity of small change.

Miss Lizzie Hodge is visiting at the M. P. Parsonage.

Miss Rhoda Cannon, of Rolph's wharf, and Miss Lizzie Welch, daughter of Rev. Eben Welch, of Barren Breek Springs, are visiting Miss Laura Carsons.

Mr. Bottomless is spending his summer vacation with his friend, Miss Hellen Solaway.

Mr. Geo. I. Harrison, wife and children are at Ocean Grove.

Mr. Spencer Merrick has returned from Ocean City, where he spent a week in pleasant recreation.

Fishing is reported good up and down the river. Mr. J. E. Kirk, of the Kent Ironware Company, Wilmington, Del., caught a 2½-pound rock.

Aug. 15, 1893. BENTLY BARD.

SOCIAL BREVITIES.

Pleasure Holds Sway in Mid-Summer.

A lawn party was given at the residence of Mr. Arthur M. Brown, "Ratcliff Hall," on Tuesday evening of last week, in honor of Miss Florence Perry, of Baltimore, the guest of Miss Anna G. Lambert. The grounds were beautifully ornamented, and the company spent a most pleasant afternoon with croquet, tennis, swings and hammocks until supper, which was served on the lawn. After supper a delightful musical was given.

On Wednesday evening Miss Perry was tendered a reception at "Prospect Hill," the home of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Brown. The afternoon was pleasantly spent in out-of-door amusements, followed in the evening by a literary and musical entertainment. Music was furnished by Henry's Orchestra. Among those present were Miss Perry, Miss Anna G. Lambert, Miss Sue Lambert, Miss Ida Jewell and Miss Mary Brown. Messrs. W. H. Brown, Harry Messick, M. Wilber Thomas, T. Arlington Sparks and Henry Brown.

A delightful reception was tendered Miss Catharine Merritt, of Elkton, who was the guest of Dr. and Mrs. J. T. Twilley, on Main street, on Friday evening last. A charming musical programme was rendered, which added much to the pleasure of the guests present. Those present were: Misses Catharine Merritt, Ida Bramble, Anna G. Lambert, Anna May Downey, Sue Lambert and Lillie Bramble. The gentlemen were: Messrs. Capt. William Taylor, Dr. T. H. Cooper, J. F. Davis, R. Snowden Thomas, Harry Messick, George B. Twilley, Morris Bramble and M. Wilber Thomas.

A most enjoyable impromptu dance was given by the young ladies of Chestertown, on Tuesday evening. The hall was brilliantly lighted and this, added to the bright, pretty colors of the gowns of the young ladies presented a very lovely scene. It was given in honor of the young men of town who have been so kind in contributing to the pleasure of the young ladies this season, but aside from raising the necessary funds the affair was not a leap year dance, as some have supposed. The music was kindly rendered by the various musicians present, and seemed quite as much enjoyed as the paid music on previous occasions. Among the many gowns especially attractive were those of Mrs. Richard Hynson, blue silk, Miss Sallie Beck, white mull, pink trimmings; Miss Mattie Constable, white pique; Antoinette Merritt, red selicia; Miss Hettie Houston, dotted blue dimity; Miss Louise Houston, white dotted swiss; Miss Bertha Hynson, white dotted swiss, red trimmings; Miss Page Beck, yellow satin and lace; Miss Marie Westcott, white mull; Miss Deaver, blue organdy; Miss Catharine Hines, blue organdy; Miss Hines, pink organdy; Miss Madge Meeteer, lavender; Mrs. C. C. Perkins, pink silk; Miss Nelie Walker, white India linen, blue trimmings; Miss Lillian Hynson, white mull; Miss Guion, white mull, yellow trimmings; Miss Lucille Rasin, white India. The chaperones were Mrs. C. T. Westcott, Mrs. W. S. Walker, Mrs. Walter Beck.

About four-thirty o'clock Friday afternoon, the peace and quiet of Chestertown was broken by a very hilarious party bound for Tolchester on a straw-ride. There were two wagons, each carrying about twenty-five persons. The first to leave was that of the younger set, chaperoned by Miss Ellen Fisher, and included Misses Mattie Constable, Sallie, Elyse, Page and Isabelle Beck, Antoinette Merritt, Mabel Graham, Edna Ringgold, Grace Whaland, Sophia Beck, Messrs. Lenox Catlin, Eben F. Perkins Jr., Spencer Hurtt, Ward Carvill, A. Coulter, C. C. Brown, George Vickers, Paul Graham, George Robinson and H. Rickey.

The team was far superior to that of the older party, and notwithstanding the fact that the load reached Tolchester in an hour and a half, the other party had a longer and much more tiresome journey. After reaching their destination, the young folks had a delightful time, and ended the evening by a dance, which was attended by many country people in that vicinity. The ride home was perfectly lovely to those participating, but we fear rather disagreeable to the inhabitants of town, (which was reached at 1 30), as the picnicers took delight in raising the greatest racket possible. The older party, under the chaperonage of Mrs. P. A. M. Brooks, included Misses Belle Aldridge, Madge Meeteer, Mary Deaver, Mary Beck, Nelie Walker, Jennie and Catharine Hines, Daisy Brice, Stella Stephens, May Ireland, Sue Wilkins, Mrs. P. A. M. Brooks, Mrs. C. C. Perkins, Mrs. Whaland, Messrs. Carl Westcott, Henry Deaver, George Brice, Henry Plumley, Lewin Wickes, William Rose, Dr. C. P. Gilpin and George Perkins.

CLIFF CITY HAPS.

Happy Picnicers—Damage to Cliff City Wharf, etc.

CLIFFS, Aug. 14, 1893.

On Thursday morning the Emma A. Ford landed a party of picnicers from Chestertown, and in about an hour after landing there was as jolly and happy a party as ever picnieed at Cliff grove. The party was in charge of our friend Charles S. Smith (I call him friend because he set up one of the necessities of this life to me). As fine a lot of soft crabs and cull perch as ever graced the table of any one, was ready for them, fresh caught and furnished by Capt. Emory Crouch. Two efficient cooks from Chestertown accompanied the party, and everything was soon in shipshape. They came to spend the day, breakfast, dinner and supper on the shore. Swings and hammocks were soon put up and filled with laughing and singing children. I asked one little tot if she could sing, she said no, sister sings, I cry, but she had no occasion to bring her special *forte* into action on this day. The children were given a nice bath (which none of them looked as if they needed). Everything passed off in a pleasant and happy manner, and why not, with plenty of ice cream, cake, melons and fruit for the ladies and children, and any lady callers, and a supply of something better and more invigorating for any gentlemen who dropped in on them. Why not a happy and pleasant time.

On Saturday morning Capt. Taylor tried which could stand the most, the Cliff wharf or the Ford. The Ford knocked the wharf out in one round. The Cliffites don't blame them for knocking down the wharf so much, as it takes the boat about two minutes longer to make the turn in. Mr. Vickers ought to have run the wharf out to the channel. The Cliff wharf is unsafe, in fact, dangerous now.

Mrs. Lapp, of Baltimore, is visiting Mrs. Anna Dickinson.

Miss Annie Wisman, of Baltimore, is visiting Mrs. Anna M. Dickinson.

The Philadelphia Line has Capt. Roland Shriver in schooner Coburn, stationed off the Cliff to receive peaches. They have not been receiving many so far, but since the wharf has been wrecked so badly, they will no doubt receive most of those shipped from this point. The wharf had a dozen planks knocked off, and when Capt. Taylor was asked if it should be repaired at the company's expense, he said no. It will, however, cost them more than the repairs by the freight they may lose.

HIVER.

MELITOTA BRIEFS.

Mrs. Dr. J. B. Merritt and children, formerly of Kent county, but now of Easton, Md., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. T. Gale, in Worton.

Mrs. C. Frank and daughter, of Boston, Mass., are visiting Mrs. M. M. Wood at Melitato.

Mr. H. Baer, of Cambridge, Dorchester county, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Wood and Melitota.

A party of young men came from Philadelphia and are encamped at Mr. T. Gale's shore. They are having a good time fishing and boating. The party comprise Dr. Z. Hickman and John A. Thompson, of Philadelphia; Dr. G. Hickman, George Sassman and Albert Beale, of Reading, Pennsylvania; Chas. Pepper and Robt. Reudell, of California; Frank C. Hanna, of Wilmington, Del. They expect to stay ten days.

Mr. Crittenden, of Chesterville, is visiting relatives at Mrs. Burris', near Melitota.

Miss Lizzie Butler and Miss Emma McKeig, from Baltimore, are visiting Miss Lottie Roeder, near Melitota.

Miss Lizzie Collins, of Baltimore, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Smyth near Melitota.

Mrs. S. Richardson, of Massey's, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Richardson, at Plum Point in Worton. TAMMANY.

Serious Effects of the Drought.

The drought of the present summer is widespread, not only throughout Kent county, but throughout many sections of the State, and must of necessity result in the loss of many thousands of dollars. The effect in Kent will be of a most serious nature to all farming interests. Reports from all sections are that the damage is already irreparable, the crops in most instances having passed a point where the shortage can possibly be remedied. The grass crop is cut more than one-half, and in instances farmers are now stabling and feeding their stock, the pastures being entirely bare. Capt. Joseph Downey, who has fully two hundred acres of tomatoes planted by farmers for his Chestertown and Rock Hall canneries, says that more than a one-third crop of tomatoes is out of the question. The vines haven't the fruit on them, and as many tomatoes are now rotting as are ripening, and if rain does not come within the next ten days even the late crop will be almost ruined. The early sugar corn crop is certainly not over one-third, but that planted about July 1 is looking well, and a soaking rain by September 1 or 10 will bring it out. Peaches are under size, he said, and many are so small that they are only good for pie fruit. He has paid as low as 8 cents per basket for peaches at his Rock Hall cannery, but not lower than 15 cents at Chestertown, of course the quality of fruit and general prices governing. The absence of rain will result in tremendous loss to the farmers.

Mr. James S. Harris says that the corn crop around Still Pond is cut in many cases fully one-half, but in other instances less, depending upon the character of soil and cultivation. Early peaches were somewhat hurt, but the fruit now being marketed is of fine size and quality. Rain is badly needed.

Ex-Sheriff Casey reports crops being parched in the vicinity of Rock Hall. Tomatoes are rotting badly.

Mr. Wm. E. DeFord, of Queen Anne's, says: Peaches are drying up on the trees, and the best of them are greatly undersize.

Mr. George W. Smith stated that the drought has reached distressing proportions. The corn crop is badly cut, some persons fearing that they will scarcely raise enough to serve them.

Mr. John Brice says that fruit up to this time is badly injured, but rains within the next few days will greatly help later fruit and later corn.

Mr. John Lamotte, an extensive and experienced canner at Chestertown, says that both the corn and tomato crops are badly hurt. The ears of corn are not well-filled, and the grain has an unusually small quantity of milk, and is correspondingly unsatisfactory for packing purposes. Peaches, he continued, are small and the crop is considerably short. He states that one of the most striking evidences of the effects of the protracted drought upon the farmers, is shown by the fact that for the first time in his experience, they are willing and anxious to haul the refuse from the cannery for feeding purposes. They are even anxious for tomato pearings to be fed to their stock.

Millington Notes.

MILLINGTON, MD., Aug. 15, 1893.

MESSRS. EDITORS.—The cannery being built here is nearly completed, and which, when opened for work will give employment to a number of people in our town.

Peaches have begun to come in very freely, indeed with a rush, and are bringing good prices considering the quality of the fruit, which is very inferior. They are bringing from 25 to 75 cents a basket, as to quality. The farmers have shipped very few peaches, preferring to sell to buyers at the station, who number about twenty. The average shipment last week was about seven cars per day.

Mr. Charles Stevens' new house is nearly finished and is a model home. Mrs. Green's residence is also nearly finished and is awaiting material to be completed. Mr. Edward Hurlock's house is also under way.

Dr. E. G. Clarke, one of our next Legislaturemen, has remodeled his home on Cypress street. It is supplied with all modern conveniences and is one of the most complete homes in the county.

A pleasant dance was given at the home of Mrs. Wm. Comegys on Friday night of last week. Those present were: Miss Minnie Mullikin and Miss Todd, of Baltimore; Misses Annie and Emma Gillispie, of Sudlersville; Miss Sadie Pippin, of Easton; Miss Etta Massey, Miss Ethel McWhorter, Miss Lillie Cacy, Miss Susie Massey, Miss Nannie Comegys, Miss Ola McWhorter, Miss Evelyn Cochran, Mr. Robt. Wallis, Mr. Pennington, Mr. Bennett, Messrs. Wm. Thomas, T. H. McWhorter, Harry Hendrickson, W. F. Collins, Carlton and Harry Spear and J. Turbert Greenwood. Refreshments were served.

VISITOR.

New Advertisements.

The Stewart Fruit Company, of Baltimore, has an advertisement in this issue. This company is composed of the following officers: D. B. Stewart, president; W. B. Burroughs, secretary and treasurer, and David B. Stewart, J. P. Treanor, Robert G. Nicholson, P. F. Winebrenner and Hyland P. Stewart, board of directors.

The Gruber family will give one of their pleasant musical concerts at Still Pond on Monday evening next, August 21. This family has already appeared at Still Pond, and this thoroughly musical family will offer a carefully selected musical program which will maintain the high standard already gained.

MARRIED.

FLETCHER—VICKERS.—At the Methodist Protestant parsonage, Chestertown, on July 31st, 1893, by Rev. D. L. Greenfield, Walter Fletcher and Miss Grace Vickers, both of Kent county.

CARTER—COLEMAN.—At the rectory in Fairlee, on August 2, 1893, by Rev. Christ. T. Deuroche, William T. Carter and Miss Martha H. Coleman.

DIED.

SEVERN.—At his home in Millington on Friday, Aug. 11, 1893, Charles L. Severn, aged 55 years.

MARTIN.—At the residence of his daughter near Port Deposit, Rev. John Martin, aged about 85 years.

DANIELS.—At Rock Hall, Md., July 28, 1893, after a lingering illness, which she bore with Christian fortitude, Sarah Louise, beloved wife of Philip A. Daniels, aged 26 years, 1 month and 19 days. Funeral service was conducted by Elder Hottel, in the presence of a large assembly of relatives and friends.

HALL.—At Locust Grove, Aug. 1, 1893, Robert Hall, aged 5 months and 20 days.

WEBB.—At Rock Hall, July 14, 1893, of remittent fever, Harry Raymond, only son of Harry C. and Mary E. Webb, aged 13 months.

DOWNEY.—At Rock Hall, Aug. 3, 1893, after a short illness, Elmer W. Downey, wife of George Downey, and daughter of Joseph and Martha Williams, in the 23d year of her age.

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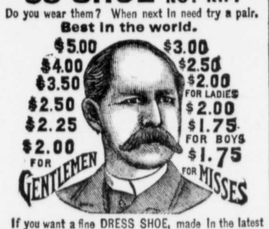
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