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LOCAL MATTERS.

—A cargo of about eight thousand bushels of oyster shells were received on Tuesday, to be used on Morgan's Creek causeway. Frederick Nichols, the Chestertown carter, has contracted for the hauling of the shells.

—A burly negro created some uneasiness in Chestertown on Saturday night, by going from house to house and looking in the windows. He steered clear of the officers, but was watched by a gentleman on Washington avenue for fully an hour.

—On Tuesday of last week, the engine on the B. & D. B. R. R., while proceeding from the station to the Strawboard mill, left the track, necessitating the sending for another engine. After the arrival of the wrecker two hours were consumed in getting the derailed engine on the track.

—A meeting will be held in Centreville, on Tuesday, Jan. 16th, by persons interested in the protection of game, &c. This is certainly an important matter and should have the hearty co-operation of every citizen of the county. The object of the meeting will be for the discussion of plans and exchange of ideas.

—The glass-smasher was again at work on Saturday night, but contented himself with hurling a brick or some other missile through a hall window of Mrs. Watts' boarding house. One glass was smashed and a hole, resembling that made by a slingshot or pistol ball was made through a second glass.

—Many passengers were greatly inconvenienced by a two hours delay on the B. & D. B. R. R. one day last week on the trip north. A spring of the engine broke, and a two hours delay was the result. An extra engine was sent down from Clayton, but because of the detention, the passengers failed to catch the regular train on the Pennsylvania road and were given a tedious wait.

—For the edification of those correspondents who have opposed the Columbian postage stamps on the ground that they are unnecessarily large and consequently inconvenient, we will state that Postmaster Brown has received his proportion of the recent and last issue of those stamps and now has them safely in bank. His alotment was: 20,000, one cents; 60,000 two cents; 1,000 each of 5's, 8's and 10's. This supply will last fully six months.

—Rev. Irl R. Hicks, has found a competitor in weather forecasts, in Jesse T. Hyatt, of Middletown, Delaware. Mr. Hyatt says: "Between 3d and 5th, rain or snow; 7th, 8th, 9th, fair weather, 11th and 12, cloudy and cold; 14, fair; 15th, 19th, clear and cold; 22d, cloudy; 23d and 24th, cold; 25th to 27th, cloudy, with rain or snow; 28th, 29th to 31st, changeable. From 19th to 25th is the only time for ice. Four snow storms during the month. Two heavy sleets. 25 days of fair weather.

—Mr. J. Herman Ireland, who has accepted a position with the Mutual Life Insurance Co., of New York, will have his head quarters at Wilmington, Del. Mr. Ireland has many warm friends in this, his native county, who regret to see him leave; he is a young man worthy of the confidence of all who may have business with him. Mr. Ireland needs no recommendation from us to our readers, as he is too well and favorably known throughout the county. The company which he represents is the largest in the United States, and the oldest in the world. Many of our best citizens are insured in this company, and we believe Mr. Ireland will succeed in insuring many others.

—Delegate George Keenan, of Baltimore, and a number of his constituents interested in the oyster industry, met at the Hotel Rennert on Saturday to discuss probable oyster legislation at Annapolis. Those present besides Mr. Keenan, were Capt. W. H. Thompson, who was chairman of the committee on Chesapeake Bay and tributaries in the last Legislature, and others. There was a lengthy talk as to what these gentlemen desired for the advancement of the oyster interests of Baltimore and the State. They are understood to be satisfied with the strict enforcement of the cull law, but they desire that a bill be passed to allow oysters to be taken with tongs as early as September, as is the case in Virginia. The present law fixes the date for tonging as September 15.

An Unusual Find.

Mr. Oliver Miller and Mr. Cranor, while at work digging up peach trees on the farm of Mrs. Richard Diehl, in Worton, last week, were surprised at striking an iron pot, and as may be supposed, at once proceeded to make an investigation. The pot was at once uncovered, and to the utter astonishment of the fortunate finders it was found to contain about $150 in old coin, an open face silver watch and a number of other things.

Rev. Mr. Easley's Surprised.

Rev, J. W. Easley was given a pleasant surprise, by about fifty members of his congregation, on Thursday evening of last week. The occasion differed in one material respect from the customary ministerial "pounding" in that the donations were of a more substantial nature than the small packages which in many instances compose the "pound party" which so unmercifully pounds the average minister in its annual rounds. The party met at the home of Mr. M. A. Toulson, and with a dearborn literally loaded down, they proceeded to the parsonage, intent upon an evening of pleasure with their pastor and his family. Mr. Easley in a neat and appropriate little speech expressed his thanks and appreciation of the pleasant visit and the expressions of love and good will of his congregation.

A New Creamery.

The building of a creamery at Fairlee is now an assured thing, and Messrs. Keyser and Staats, the movers in the matter, have made all necessary arrangements, and work on the foundation has commenced. Building material is being hauled, and the work will be pushed as rapidly as possible. The location is on the corner of Mr. Keyser's lot near the school house. The building will be 20x48 feet, and will be fitted up with the most approved machinery for the work to be undertaken.

It is expected that the creamery will be ready for the commencement of operations in early spring. The prospects are promising, as the surrounding country is admirably adapted to the raising of stock for creamery purposes, and the farmers, recognizing the advantages to be derived, it is thought will give the enterprise their earnest support.

MR. ROBERTS' EXPERIENCE IN MEXICO.

Mr. John Roberts, of this place, who left about two weeks ago to take a position in Mexico, has had quite an unpleasant experience, and is now under the protection of the Stars and Stripes. It seems that the position of superintendent of the Electric Light Company, of Satello, Mexico, has been in charge of a Mexican, and the board of managers were dissatisfied with him, and wrote to the Thomas Houston Electric Co. for one of their men. Mr. Roberts was recommended and accepted the position. He arrived in Satello on Friday, Dec. 29, and found the affairs in a sad state. It seems that the former superintendent of the electric plant had not been notified of his dismissal until the evening before Mr. Roberts' arrival, and was so infuriated that he injured the works so the city was in complete darkness, for which offence he was put in jail, but was released the next night on condition that he would make good his work. Mr. Roberts was compelled to work under a guard of soldiers, as he was threatened by the numerous friends of the discharged Mexican expert, and was obliged to sleep, or attempt to sleep, with this room at the hotel surrounded by guards. On Sunday night there was to be a large bali, instead of the accustomed bull fight, and it was important that the lights be in good order. In the meantime Mr. Roberts was threatened by the Mexican and his friends that if he did not leave immediately he was in personal danger, and that they would cut the wires and damage the works. Mr. Roberts, seeing the danger of his position, went to the board and resigned, but they refused to accept his resignation, as they did not wish to retain the Mexican expert, and Mr. Roberts was the only other man in the place who understood the plant. His life was threatened and he was compelled to leave the city secretly at midnight, arriving in San Antonia, Texas, early the next morning. Those familiar with the treachery and revenge of Mexicans can fully realize the seriousness of Mr. Roberts' position.

Church Notes

A short series of special sermons, briefly explaining the Catholic morning service, called the "Mass," began at Sacred Heart Catholic Church last Sunday evening, and to be continued during January and February on the Sunday evenings when church is held in town.

At the election of officers of the Methodist Episcopal Sunday School held Sunday last, the following officers were elected: Superintendent, Mr. M. W. Thomas; assistants, Miss Nettie Gooding, Mrs. C. M. Lucas; secretary, Mr. Arlie Sparks; treasurer, Mr. E. W. F. Simpers; librarians, Mr. J. F. Thompson, Mr. Chas. York, Jr.; organist, Miss Belle Pippin; chorister, Mr. R. K. Pippin.

Directors Elected and Dividends Declared.

At the regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Second National Bank of Chestertown, on Tuesday, for the purpose of electing nine directors for the ensuing year, the following directors were elected: James A. Pearce, president; Hope H. Barroll, Judge Joseph A. Wickes, Harrison W. Vickers, Wilbur W. Hubbard, Garrett Foxwell, Dr. J. K. H. Jacobs, Thomas H. Horsey, all of Kent, and David Hurlock, of Queen Anne's. These gentlemen constituted the board of directors for 1893.

At the meeting of directors on Tuesday a dividend of three per cent. clear of taxes, was declared for the past six months. The surplus was increased, making it $6,700.

CHESTERTOWN NATIONAL.

At the meeting of the Chestertown National Bank, held on Tuesday last for the election of seven directors for the ensuing year, the following gentlemen were elected. Charles T. Westcott, president; Richard D. Hynson, T. W. Eliason, M. deK. Smith, F. H. Harper and Alday Clements, of Kent, and Edwin S. Valliant, of Queen Anne's. These gentlemen composed the board of directors for the year 1893. The bank has declared a semi-annual dividend of five per cent.

Of Personal Interest.

Miss Etta C. Legg, daughter of Col. William Henry Legg, has been appointed assistant teacher at the Female Academy, Centreville, *vice* Miss Lida Larrimore, resigned. Miss Legg will assume her duties as teacher on the 10th inst.

Mr. William W. Woodford, formerly purchasing agent on the Emma A. Ford, has purchased the passenger line, horses, hacks and harness of his father, Mr. J. W. W. Woodford.

Hope H. Barroll, Esq., was in Centreville on legal business on Monday.

Miss Nellie E. Walters, because of a severe attack of grip during her Christmas holiday, was detained from her duties as teacher in the Chestertown public school until yesterday.

Judge Joseph A. Wickes and wife spent Saturday and Sunday at their home in Chestertown.

Miss Mamie Catlin, teacher of the public school near Hanesville, has been quite sick at her home in Chestertown for the past two weeks.

Miss Gundry, of Catonsville, is the guest of the Misses Hines.

Mr. Samuel Vannort was confined to his home for several days last week with grip.

Mr. Wilder, of California, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hurlock, at Hanesville.

The Town Commissioners Sued.

Hope H. Barroll Esq., as attorney for Joseph H. Gibson, has brought suit against the town commissioners of Chestertown, in the sum of $5,000 for injuries received by his son, and $500 injury to his team, in a runaway on October 21, 1893. The suit is brought against the commissioners for allowing the continuance of a nuisance in the centre of the town. The facts of the accident are about as follows:

As Mr. Joseph Gibson was passing through Chestertown, on Saturday afternoon, October 21, 1893, driving two horses to a dearborn on which was a load of corn fodder, when in front of the residence of Mr. R. K. Pippin, near the market house, his horses took fright at an engine which was used in running a flying horse outfit on market house square, and dashed off at full speed toward Dugan's corner. Hitched to a post near the gate leading into the court house yard, was the two-horse carriage of Mrs. Theodore Diel. The runaway team rushed against the carriage demolishing a wheel, upsetting the dearborn and doing some other injury before the team was gotten under control.

Young Gibson, aged about twelve years, received injuries it is claimed, of a serious nature, and Mr. Gibson's team also sustained injuries entailing a substantial loss to its owner, and it is upon these facts that the suit, which will involve several interesting points of law, is brought.

HAPPY BRIDES AND BRIDEGROOMS.

Beautiful Marriage Bells Ring in the New Year.

CROW—LEE.

Salem M. E. Church presented a brilliant and impressive scene on Thursday evening last, which has rarely been excelled in the county for exquisite beauty. The marriage of Miss Annie E. Lee, daughter of Mr. Samuel G. Lee, and Mr. C. Frank Crow, an energetic young farmer, of Worton, had created widespread interest among a large circle of friends and relatives. Both parties are members of the United Y. W. C. T. U., who had handsomely decorated the church in honor of the happy occasion. In front of the altar stood a handsome arch of evergreen, sufficently large for the entire bridal party to stand under. Across the top of the arch and fringed with evergreen, were the appropriate words in pure white letters: "Blest be the Tie That Binds." From the centre of this motto and pendant from the arch was a beautiful marriage bell of evergreen. On either side of the time-honored bell hung two Y's about two and one-half feet long, united by white ribbon at the bottom, forming a large bow in the centre. Surrounding the altar, were shapely cedars and beautiful potted plants, with handsome lamps shedding a flood of brilliant light over the scene.

At 7.45 o'clock, as Miss Clara B. Usilton played the wedding march, the bridal party entered the church. The ushers were Messrs. Elmore Skirven, cousin of the groom, and Stockton Startt; maid of honor, Miss Della Lee, sister of the bride; best man, Mr. William Barnes. The bride entered the church leaning on the arm of her father, who gave her away, and was attired in a beautiful gown of cream cloth and lace, as was also the maid of honor. The bridal party was met at the altar by Rev. J. H. Geoghegan, a former minister of the church.

Immediately following the ceremony at the church, a delightful reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, and consisted of everything, both dainty and substantial to tempt the appetite. The table was a poem of beauty and fairly groaned under its burthen of luxuries, all served in the most approved style. About 100 presents were received, among them a pair of handsome pictures in gilt and white frames, from United "Y."

TURNER—WILSON.

Mr. Howard Turner, a prominent young business man, of Betterton, and Miss Mary R. Wilson, were quietly married at 6 o'clock this (Thursday) morning, at the home of the bride's mother, in the presence of the immediate relatives of the contracting parties. After the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Turner took the morning train for a bridal trip. The popular young couple will commence married life with the sincere best wishes of a large number of friends.

CLAYTON—PLUMMER.

Worton Presbyterian Church was the scene of a pretty wedding at 7.30 o'clock, yesterday evening, the occasion being the marriage of Mr. John S. Clayton and Miss Sallie E. Plummer, sister of ex-sheriff Edward J. Plummer. The church was crowded with the interested friends of the popular young couple, and the occasion was one of general congratulations and pleasure.

LERTY—EDWARDS.

The nuptials of Mr. William Lerty, of Church Hill, and Miss May Edwards, called together a large number of friends at Lynch's M. P. Church, on Wednesday evening of last week. The church was beautifully trimmed for the happy occasion. Rev. J. L. Mills performed the ceremony, pronouncing the happy couple man and wife. Miss Lizzie Hepbron, played a pretty wedding march as the couple entered the church. The ushers were: Messrs. George Kennard and Frank Hepbron.

DAVIS—WALMSLEY.

An unusually pretty home wedding took place at Fredericktown on Wednesday last, the contracting parties being Mr. John C. Davis, the popular merchant of Pomona, and Miss Nealie Walmsley, of Fredericktown. The ceremony took place at the bride's home.

Mr. and Mrs Davis were given a rousing serenade at their future home at Pomona, on Wednesday night.

ROE—MALLALIEU.

One of the prettiest weddings which ever took place in the M. E. Church, at Millington, was solemnized on last Thursday evening at 7 o'clock, the occasion being the marriage of Mr. R. Oscar Roe, a prominent young farmer living near Sudlersville, and Miss Mary J. Mallalieu, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Mallalieu, of near Millington. The ceremony was performed by Rev. G. W. Burke, assisted by Rev. C. F. Sheppard, of Sudlersville, while Miss Nannie Pierce, cousin of the bride, presided at the organ, and rendered sweet music during the ceremony. The bride wore a handsome gown of light tan, trimmed in velvet and brocade satin to match. The ushers were Wm. G. Roe, of Camden, Del, Norman Smithers, of Easton, and John T. and Thomas A. Mallalieu, of Centreville. The church was beautifully trimmed by friends of the bride, the chancel being a bank of potted plants and blooming flowers. The bride and groom stood under an arch of flowers and evergreen, in the centre of which hung a large wedding bell of roses and evergreen. After the ceremony a large number of friends repaired to "Conway Place," the residence of the bride's parents, where a splendid reception was held. Ice cream, cake and all kinds of fruit were served in abundance. They were the recipients of many handsome and useful presents. They will reside on Mr. Roe's farm near Sudlersville.

WARNER—PORTER.

Mr. George Warner, of Millington, and Miss Clara Porter, daughter of Mr. W. J. Porter, were quietly married by Rev. G. W. Burke at the residence of the bride's parents last Wednesday evening, at 7 o'clock, and Dame Rumor has it that there will soon be more weddings in Millington.

SPRY—CACY.

The marriage of Mr. Charles Spry, of Chesterville, and Miss Effie Cacy, took place at the Millington Methodist Episcopal Church south, Rev. Mr. Mitchell, officiating, on Wednesday evening of last week. The church was crowded with interested friends of the contracting parties. The bride wore a handsome wedding gown of steel colored henrietta. The ushers were Messrs. William Jones and Wesley Moffett. A delightful reception was held and a splendid wedding supper served at the home of the bride's parents immediately after the marriage ceremony.

COMEGYS—COCHRAN.

One of the prettiest weddings which has taken place in Middletown, Delaware, during the present winter, was that of Mr. George Spencer Comegys and Miss Elizabeth Naudam Cochran, at St. Andrew's Chapel, at 2.30 o'clock P. M. yesterday. The church was magnificently trimmed with evergreens and potted plants. Miss Anna Welch, of Chestertown, was one of the bridesmaids. The ushers were: J. Herman Ireland and John C. Sutton, Jr., of Kent, and Mr. Cochran, of Delaware, brother of the bride, and Mr. Thomas R. Emory, Jr., of Centreville. After a splendid reception at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Comegys took the afternoon train for their home near Centreville.

A CHARMING TEA.

Wealth, Youth and Beauty Honor the Occasion.

The afternoon tea given by Miss Anna Brown, to Miss Jennie Hines and her bride's maids yesterday evening, was one of the most charming social affairs ever given in Chestertown, and its exquisite beauty baffles description. The tea was from four until six o'clock, and during the two hours a host of callers did honor to the pleasant occasion. The large parlor was transformed into a bower of tropical beauty, and the air was fragrance-laden with the perfume of sweet flowers.

The ladies who received were: Miss Anna Brown, wearing pink crepe, decolite; Miss Jennie Hines, lavender silk skirt, white silk bodice with delicate lavender stripe, decolite; Miss Nelie Walker, white challis, blue figure, ribbons, decolite; Miss Mary Beck, blue crepe and black velvet, decolite; Miss Sue C. Wilkins, red chiffon over silk, decolite; Miss Gundry, white silk and lace, decolite; Miss Katharine Hines, blue silk and chiffon trimmings. The ladies stood in front of a bank of spreading ferns, palms and other potted plants. Graceful cords of evergreen extended from each corner of the room, joining in the centre and terminating in a bunch of English ivy and sprays of romance-inspiring mistletoe. On either side of the fire place beautiful palms cast their shadow upon a mound of ivy and laurel. Potted plants made beautiful the mantel, while from each picture and every imaginary nook and corner looked out sprays of ivy, laurel and ferns. This was the "white and yellow room" and white and yellow candles from countless candelabra shed their glory of light and beauty upon the scene.

The dining-room was not less charming in its perfection of beauty. Mrs. Hiram Merrett Brown, wearing black silk mull; Mrs. Rogers, green and white silk; Mrs. Horace Beck, pink crepe; Miss Baker, white silk with green trimmings; Miss Fisher, red crepe, and Miss Pearson, wearing a pretty gown of cream silk, presided at the different tables. From each of the four corners of the large table, finding their origin in graceful bows of green ribbon, heavy cords of smilax extended to the ceiling to lose themselves in a magnificent cord of green ribbon, to which was suspended a basket made of smilax, and filled with hyacinths and white carnations. Smilax, evergreens and potted plants touched their dainty leaves against the handsome dresses of the many guests, making a beautiful contrast. Smilax festoons were draped around the spotless table covers, and over pictures and bric-a-brac. This was "Green and white room" and green and white candles cast a glow of wamph and beauty, while the merry callers enjoyed the rapidly passing hours.

Miss Hines will be married on Tuesday next to Mr. William Stevens Walker, Jr., and the ladies who received will act as bridesmaids, except Miss Katharine Hines, her sister, who will be her maid of honor. Mr. and Mrs. Walker will give Mr. and Mrs. Walker, Jr., a tea on Thursday evening next.

THE WORLD OF SPORT.

Winter and Spring Sports Galore—Fox Hunting, Foot-ball and Base-ball.

The past fall and present winter have furnished many chases of rare enjoyment in fox hunting circles. On several occasions the huntsmen of Kent and Queen Anne's have joined packs and have enjoyed chases which were calculated to make the hearts of such veterans in the chase as John W. Loyd, Victor Hendrickson, William Ford, James P. Hatcherson and others, in Kent, and "Headlong" James Tilghman, Lemuel P. Wright and hosts of others to leap for joy.

FOX HUNTING IN ANNE ARUNDEL.

A party of New York sportsmen, who intend to spend the winter fox hunting in Anne Arundel, have rented the old Mason mansion, corner King George street and Maryland avenue. They will find plenty of sport, as foxes are said to be plentiful in that section. Twenty-five horses and thirty hounds from the Belwood stables have arrived for the party. Twenty couples of hounds from England are expected later. The hunt will be under the management of S. S. Nowland, as master; Capt. J. P. Adams, of New York, who will act as huntsman, and Wm. H. Latham, of Cambridge, England, as first whip. The first meet will probably take place about January 15 and will continue two or three times a week until about April 15. A number of fox hunters from Baltimore and Washington are expected to participate in the Annapolis hunt.

THE FOOT BALL FIELD.

The disbanding of the Washington College foot-ball team last fall, has, as a matter of course, deprived Chestertown's lovers of sport on the diamond, of no small amount of pleasure. The contest of last week, however, which was reported in detail in the TRANSCRIPT, has awakened the slumbering spirit of foot-ballists, and Messrs Burris and Polk are arranging for a beautiful contest on the college campus for Firday, between teams impersonating respectively, the University of Pennsylvania and Harvard. The teams will be captained by Messrs. Burris and Polk, two of the finest athletes and most representative lovers of the manly sports which the college has ever had.

The teams will line up as follows:

U. P.	Position.	Harvard.
Holloway	Right End	E. Usilton
Baxter	Right Tackle	(c) Polk
Beaston	Right Guard	Zearfoss
J. M. Greenfield	Centre	Lewis, Boston
Merriken	Left Guard	Douglas
Burris (c)	Left Tackle	Brown
H. Perkins	Left End	Webb
Massey	Right Half	Glover
N. Perkins	Full	Patten
MacDorman	Left Half	Dashiell
Clifton	Quarter	Cameron

Admission 10 cents. A series of three games for the championship will be played.

Prof. Burris reports that the Washington College base-ball season will open with a most promising future. He states that many of the old players will furnish material for the first and second teams, and that among the new men is some first-class stock from which to draw, and the teams will doubtless be strengthened by this new life. Mr. Burris of course had but little to say of the battery, being himself an interested party, but we are glad to say that Zearfoss, that phenomenal source of strength behind the bat last year, will fill his old position. Burris, whose work in the pitchers box was a revelation and delight to the friends of the college club, and a puzzle and perplexity to its opponents, will again overwhelm his competitors, not excepting the Varsity men, who were the only successful competitors of the local nine last year. Armstrong, the diminutive whirlwind from Queen Anne's, will also be in at the finish, with many others who promise fine work.

The greatest fox hunt of the year took place yesterday. Representative fox hunters from nearly every section of Kent met at the home of Mr. James Ringgold, in Piney Neck, and a day of royal sport was enjoyed. Some of those who left Chestertown were: Messrs. R. D. Hynson, Joseph E. Gilpin, Frank Gilpin, John Brice, Dr. Geo. Perkins, Jervis Spencer, William Cooper, W. E. DeFord, Ray Bowers.

A number of huntsmen while on a chase on Monday, started a black fox near Tolchester, but did not succeed in bagging his foxship.

Mr. Frank Dayer killed a handsome canvass-back duck up Chester river, beyond the bridge, on Tuesday. A most unusual occurrence.

A pack of about fifteen dogs ran a fox into a bunch of briars, near the strawboard mill on Monday. Nathan Diggs, a colored man, saw the fox when he entered the bunch of briars, completely exhausted, with the dogs in full cry about two hundred yards behind him. Diggs rushed to the rescue, but was painfully bitten through the hand by the fox. The fox, we are told, is now in possession of Mr. Bennett, and will be turned loose for another chase.

A BRILLIANT EVENT.

The Third Anniversary of the United "Y's" Appropriately Celebrated.

The most brilliant of a long series of interesting entertainments by the United "Y's", was their 3d anniversary, celebrated in Fairlee hall on Monday evening, January 8. The scene presented in the richly decorated and brilliantly lighted hall, was beautiful in the extreme. No ceremonious stiffness prevailed, but dignified mirth and pleasure, born of the many charming features of the surroundings, and pleasantly the hours sped on. A committee, consisting of Miss May Hurlock, Miss Rees, Miss Ida Bramble, Mr. Whittier Copper and Mr. Charles Skirven, met the guests at the door and presented them to the reception committee. Miss Ida C. Crew, president of the United "Y's", as hostess of the occasion, first received the visitors and presented them to the other members of the reception committee. Next Miss Crew stood Mrs. Elizabeth Skirven, ex-president of the United "Y's", and who so acceptably filled the position at its organization four years ago; at Mrs. Skirven's side was Miss Anna Stewart, State superintendent of Y. W. C. T. U. work, and who was, until recently, president of the Chestertown Y. Miss Elizabeth Caulk, of Sassafras, county superintendent of Y work, was next to greet us, and next, Miss Lizzie Corey, vice-pres. of United "Y's", completed the list of delightful receivers. The committee stood under a graceful arch of evergreen, from which hung a "Y" of evergreen fastened with "a knot of white ribbon." On the opposite side of the hall was the beautiful and suggestive motto: "For God, and Home and Native Land," below which were "Welcome, Y's," enframed in ivy leaves. At one end of the room hung the banner of the Loyal Legion, with its emphatic warning: "Tremble, King Alcohol, we will grow up," while at the other end was that world-stirring injunction: "Be a Hero." Graceful festoons of evergreen encircled the hall, while from each corner of the room a graceful chain of evergreen extended to the centre, losing themselves in a marriage-bell of evergreen having a clapper of white blossoms. The marriage bell, beside being a pretty ornament, was in honor of Mrs. C. Frank Crew, who was married last week, and who, as Miss Lee, did valuable work in the Y. Mr. and Mrs. Crew were present.

After the arrival of the two hundred and fifty guests, Miss Crew, acting as toastmistress, introduced a most delightful programme, which for want of space we will give without comment, further than stating that the toasters have by unanimous consent excused the worthy president for such reckless use of their names in such unexpected fashion. The programme was opened with music by the Y orchestra; next came a chorus, "clear the way"; then a finely rendered duet by Miss May Hurlock and Mr. Arthur Hurlock, followed by prayer by Mr. W. G. Skirven. Mr. Fred G. Usilton responded to the following toast so mysteriously put: "All things have weight, especially a Y. W. C. T. U, which represents several *tons*, and we use them to great advantage, such as *tons* of literature, money, etc. We are favored to-night by having with us one *ton* who will tell us why it is a benefit for young men to become members of a 'Y'."—Mr. F. G. Usilton.

Mr. Charles Skirven sang a beautiful solo, "If You Love Me, Darling," and was followed by C. C. Hopper, who in a somewhat rebellious spirit replied to the following:

The Y. W. C. T. U. is a wonderful piece of machinery, and like all such, find that *Hoppers* are very necessary, as we are constantly grinding various substances, such as human beings. At the late county convention we were fortunate in finding one a most fitting helper. The social aspect will be told by the valuable Hopper of the Chestertown TRANSCRIPT.—Mr. C. C. Hopper.

Dr. H. L. Dodd and Miss Julia Thompson sung "When Gathering Clouds," and were followed by Miss Anne Stewart, who, though giving no evidences of being in a *stew* at the time, responded to the following: On one occasion we were convinced how fond we all are of a *stew*—at our oyster supper for example—but we have a *stew* large enough to serve the whole State of Maryland, at the same time possessing a heart and brain of sufficient art not to allow us to tire of *stew* no matter how often served.—Miss Anne *Stewart*, State Superintendant of "Y" work.

In response to an enthusiastic demand Dr. H. L. Dodd and Miss Julia Thompson sung, "Over the Stars is Thy Rest." Then Dr. Dodd gave, from a scientific standpoint, "The Effect of Alcohol upon the system, when not absolutely necessary in sickness."

Miss Elizabeth Caulk responded to the following toast, and directly paid her respects to Chestertown as a Prohibition town: Those who have indulged in the sport of fishing, either with large nets of the various kinds, or with angle, know that a *cork* is invaluable. Our last county convention was wise enough to select one, especially adapted not only to be "a fisher of men," but a *Caulk*, who will, we believe float to a pinacle of fame.—Miss Elizabeth Caulk, county superintendent of "Y" work.

Then came a delightful quartette by Messrs. H. L. Dodd, F. G. Usilton, Edward Lambert, Jr., and A. Biscoe. Miss Ida Bramble sung with splendid effect, "Bonnie Sweet Bessie" in response to the following: If thorns should grow about us, we have a *Bramble*, which, although not constantly in our midst, is kept bright and ready to make sweet music and remove "briars from the way."—Miss Ida Bramble.

Mrs. L. M. Corey responded to: A *Corey* substance is generally rejected, but so ingenuous is this Y. W. C. T. U., that although we really have a small portion of such, are largely indebted to two *Corey* specimens, one in devising ways, means and plans, the other our beloved county president, Mrs. L. M. Corey, who will tell us the importance of Y's to W's, and was followed by a captivating solo and quartette: "I's Gwine Back to Dixie," by Miss Julia Thompson, soloist, Messrs. Lambert, Dodd, Usilton and Biscoe.

Miss Belle Boston recited in an effective manner, "The End of King David."

The male quartette of Chestertown, at the close of the regular programme, sung several extra pieces, to the intense enjoyment of all present.

Mr. R. J. Nicholson read a most appropriate poem in response to the following: While there are metals of higher money value, there are none more capable of higher or more lasting polish than *nichol*. Until recently we only had a balance wheel, but now we are proud to claim a son.—R. J. Nicholson.

Miss Crew, of the receiving party was attired in a canary and lavender India silk, with Brussells lace and diamonds; Mrs. Skirven wore black silk and lace with olive and gold trimmings; Miss Caulk, white China silk and lace, turquoise and diamond ornaments; Miss Stewart, black and red silk and black lace; Miss Corey, Valencine lace over pale blue satin, with pearl ornaments.

Miss Lizzie Corey, vice-president of the United "Y's" presided most acceptably as accompanist to all vocal pieces rendered by the members of the "Y," while Miss Clara Usilton played the accompanyments to the music rendered by Miss Thompson and the gentlemen from Chestertown.

At the close of the delightful programme, which was changed to some extent, because of the absence of Rev. D. L. Greenfield, Prof. E. J. Clarke and several others, a splendid supper was served in the upper hall. The table was beautifully set; at each plate was a dainty menu card, and in short the supper was one of those ideal feasts which the ladies of the United "Y's" know so well how to prepare. The menu was as follows:

MENU.

ROASTS.

Turkey. Duck. Chicken.

BOILED.

Ham. Tongue.

ENTREES.

Chicken Salad. Potato Salad.

RELISH.

Celery. Chow-Chow. Pickles. Jellies.
Cranberry Sauce. Rolls. Md. Biscuits.
Chocolate. Tea. Coffee.

Miss Crew and the individual members of the "Y's" are to be congratulated upon the magnificent success which crowned the third anniversary entertainment of their commendable order.

IT WILL PAY.

New Fields of Financial Enterprise Open to Kent County Farmers in the Fourth and Fifth Districts.

We have from time to time called attention to the vast possibilities which may be opened to the Kent county farmers of the fifth and portions of the fourth districts, by the establishment of a daily ferry, or line of steamers, plying between Rock Hall and Baltimore. The daily steamboat matter, which, when first advocated by the TRANSCRIPT months ago, was only a possibility, has now taken form, and the advantages then outlined, will beyond question, be offered, and it only remains for our farmers to avail themselves of the opportunities to be extended with the opening of spring.

Now, first as regards the steamer and the convenience of her schedule. The boat will leave Rock Hall early in the morning, at an hour found to be most convenient, say seven to eight o'clock; will go to Baltimore and return to Rock Hall, leaving Baltimore, say from ten to eleven o'clock. Leaving Rock Hall again in the afternoon, probably two to three o'clock, and leaving Baltimore in the evening at five or six o'clock to return to Rock Hall. The Gratitude is being thoroughly overhauled for this business. She is being repainted inside and out, redecorated and upholstered. Her electric light plant is being put in tiptop order for the late afternoon trip, and her machinery overhauled. The Chester River Steamboat Company are going to make a big jump forward and show great public spirit and enterprise in fulfilling their part of the contract to bring about a new era of progress, and a desirable agricultural change for the better. The boat will run on schedule time, and will as we have said, be a ferry between Rock Hall and Baltimore. Of course, this new venture will, in the beginning at least, involve heavy losses to the Chester River Steamboat Company. The steamboat company of course, will not run it indefinitely at a loss, and it devolves upon the farmers to at least act in concert with the company and make of the progressive experiment a permanancy.

The Rock Hall Land and Improvement Company will do its best to make all the business possible for the boat, but of course it will be some time before they can hope to develop the town sufficiently to make the boat pay.

This furnishes a splendid opportunity for our farmers to raise truck. Rock Hall being the nearest point on the Eastern Shore to Baltimore, the Gratitude will be the first Eastern Shore boat to reach the city in the morning, except the all-night boats from down the bay. Farmers can, therefore, have an excellent opportunity to pick their fruit and gather their truck early in the morning, and get it to Baltimore in time for early market. Kent county truck and fruit being picked early in the morning, will reach Baltimore FRESH, and ought, as doubtless it will, find a ready sale at better prices than fruit and truck picked the day before. All sorts of early truck may be raised with profit, and small fruits, such as strawberries, raspberries, asparagus, etc. Trucking is a distinct branch of agriculture, and one which has been too long neglected in Kent. There are a good many people engaged in the business around Baltimore, and it is very profitable, and there is no reason why it should not be engaged in in Kent, supplemented by this new arrangement, giving ample transportation facilities on an extensive scale.

In addition to growing tomatoes and peaches for the canners, there is no reason why corn, peas, asparagus and other things should not be combined as sources of revenue. It should be remembered that this new schedule will put Chestertown and all the lower part of the county within two hours and three-quarters of Baltimore. With these facilities, even Anne Arundel county would find a strong competitor in the garden products of Kent. Stock, eggs, chickens, butter and every class and description of product from the farm would find "rapid transit" to market, with corresponding profits. Now, this matter is at least worthy a fair and impartial trial, and with such a trial we can see but one result—success. It is already time to be considering the subject of early vegetables. Early cabbage should be planted promptly, and preparations made for other early crops. Let the farmers take hold of this matter promptly and push it through. The Chester River Steamboat Company is showing every possible disposition to make the matter of mutual advantage to themselves and the farmers of Kent, with every advantage given the farmer, who has all to gain and nothing to lose.

Then, too, the Rock Hall Land and Improvement Company, composed of some of the most representative moneyed men of Baltimore city, namely: George M. Sharp, Esq., Mayor F. C. La robe, George Warfield and others, are deeply interested in this new venture, and will lend every possible aid to make it a permanent success. Our people are not asked to expend a dollar in this matter other than for their personal benefit.

The subject of summer boarders is another phase which we have before alluded to, and succeeded in awakening some interest in the matter last year. This subject should also be considered, for there is no reason why the summer population of Kent should not number thousands. A magnificent country, a splendid climate, a people whose hospitality is their most striking characteristic, hundreds of comfortable homes charmingly situated, it only remains for our farmers to make a move in the right direction to make Kent county a great and blossoming truck garden and orchard, with the homes of her citizens filled with a delighted and delightful summer population, paying into the pockets of our people thousands of easily-earned dollars. Let us all join hands, the farmers, their wives and daughters, the Chester River Steamboat Company, the Rock Hall Land and Improvement Company and the press; and make of this movement a glorious success. The time is ripe, all that is needed is more grit.

In Olden Times

People overlooked the importance of permanently beneficial effects and were satisfied with transient action; but now that it is generally known that Syrup of Figs will permanently cure habitual constipation, well-informed people will not buy other laxatives, which act for a time, but finally injure the system.

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MARRIED.

DAVIS—WALMSLEY.—At the home of the bride, Fredericktown, Md., Jan. 3, 1894, by Rev. E. H. Nelson, John C. Davis, of Kent county, and Miss I. Cornelia Walmsley, of Cecil.

TAVERS—STANLEY.—Near Galena, Md., Jan. 3, 1894, by Rev. E. H. Nelson, James H. Tavers and Miss Susie E. Stanley, both of Kent.

LATHAM—COHEE—At St. James parsonage, Dec. 25, 1893, by Rev. J. L. Mills, D. D., Robert D. Latham to Miss Mary R. Cohee.

LERTY—EDWARDS.—At Lynch's Meth. Prot. Church, Jan. 3, 1894, by Rev. J. L. Mills, D. D., William Lerty and Miss Mary E. Edwards.

GRESHAM—GRESHAM.—At the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Sam'l Bennett, Edesville, on Dec. 23, 1893, by Rev. Jesse Shreeve, Peter Hass Gresham, of the Sixth Auditor's office, Washington, D. C., and Miss Rebecca Gresham, of Kent county.

CROW—LEE.—At Salem M. E. Church, Jan. 5, 1894, by Rev. J. H. Geoghegan, Miss Anna E. Lee and C. Frank Crow, all of Kent.

CATLIN—PLUMLY.—In Philadelphia, Jan. 3, 1894, Dr. Joseph A. Catlin, of Chestertown, and Miss Harriet Miller Plumly, of Philadelphia, by Rev. Dr. W. T. Chase.

DIED.

BLACKISTON.—Dec. 27, 1893, at the Soldiers' National Home, Dayton, Ohio, Thomas M. Blackiston, in his 64th year.

COSDEN.—On Thursday, Dec. 21, 1893, at 9 P. M., at Landover, Prince George's Co., Md., Walter Thomas Cosden, aged 3 years and 9 months, youngest son of W. W. and M. E. Cosden, and grandson of the late Alfred T. Thomas.

POLK.—In Carroll county, Thursday, Dec. 28, 1893, Col. William Causey Polk, aged about 70 years.

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