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LOCAL MATTERS.

—Mr. H. Skeggs caught two fine herrings in Still Pond Creek on Saturday last.

—Mr. W. W. Trout has been appointed postmaster at Church Hill, after a bitter contest between several applicants.

—The widely-known commission firm of Stevens Brothers, Baltimore, have moved from 303 S. Charles street to 206 S. Charles Their friends should note the change.

—Albert King, the respected and well-known citizen of Chesterville who about two weeks ago received serious injuries by the breaking of the king bolt of a wagon in which he was riding, died on Friday last and was buried at Chesterville.

—A thief or thieves broke into a potato kiln of Mr. James White on Thursday night and stole about five bushels of potatoes. The hole was left open and the potatoes which were left were ruined by freezing. There were ten bushels in the kiln.

—The farmers of the vicinity of Price's Station, in Queen Anne's, have fallen in line, having benefitted by Kent's example, and have contracted for 150 acres of tomatoes at $6 per ton, and during the coming fall a cannery will be established at Price's.

—The truck of a loaded coal car broke on the switch from the depot to the paper mill on Friday, and necessitated the coming down of a wrecking crew in charge of Mr. Bice. The damage was soon repaired with but slight damage to the partially wrecked car.

—The prices paid per hundred pounds for milk by the Kent county creameries for the past month were: Chestertown, $1.05; Kennedyville, $1.10; Locust Grove, $1.15; Sassafras and Galena, $1.15, Still Pond, $1.10; Middletown will pay its patrons $1.21.

—Mr. Wm. E. Northam, captain of the sloop N. E. Northam, reports that he sighted a whale in Chespeake bay, above Cove Point, about 11 o'clock Sunday morning. The whale came within two hundred yards of the Northam and looked to be about 60 feet long.

—Messrs. James Brice and John Gale were the only gentlemen, so far as known, who came out in their sleighs on Saturday morning. The snow was less than one inch deep on a level, and sleighing was extremely poor, and none but the most courageous among local lovers of the winter sport ventured out.

—Because of the inclemency of the weather on Monday last, the sale of the personal property of John Young, deceased, advertised in the TRANSCRIPT to take place on that date, has been postponed until Monday next, February 5, 1894, if fair, if not the next fair day. Joseph H. Crew is administrator.

—Because of the extremely low tide, the steamer Emma Ford experienced much difficulty in making the turn in coming into the wharf at Chestertown on Thursday last. In crossing the flats on the Queen Anne's side of the river, the steamer refused to answer her helm, because of plowing through the mud, and a considerable delay ensued.

—The large scow loaded with between eight and ten thousand bushels of oyster shells, which arrived for the county commissioners last week, sunk on Friday in Morgan's Creek. The shells are for use on the Morgan's Creek causeway. The tug Edna came over on Sunday, and on Monday succeeded in raising the scow and her cargo.

—Hicks, the weather prophet, gives the following forecast for the present week: February will open fair and cold, except in the extreme west, where reactionary warmth, with storm indications, will be returning. These conditions will pass across the country eastward by the fourth with cold in rear of warm, stormy area. New moon on 4th will hasten period 7th to 10th.

—The move for a general dog law in Kent has resulted in an estimate of the number of dogs in the respective districts of the county. The result is simply astonishing. The estimate gives the first district 2,400, the second district 1,500, the third, 1,100; the fourth, outside of Chestertown, 1,300; Chestertown 600 and the fifth 2,000, making a grand total of 7,400 dogs in the county.

—The buildings, including the entire outfit, on the White Banks fishing shore on the North East river, near Turkey Point, were destroyed by fire on Saturday night, incendiarism being suspected. It is a pound-net fishery, and was operated by George W. Carter, of Havre de Grace, who loses his entire outfit including pound-nets, buildings, vats, etc. There was only partial insurance.

—Many who were at the World's Fair will remember the magnificent exhibit of the B. & O. Railroad. This exhibit the company has agreed to give to the Field Columbian Museum of Chicago, with the understanding that additions be made to the collection, making it the greatest railway exhibit in the world. The exhibit contains fifty-six models of locomotives and 1,700 pictures, and represents a complete history of the evolution of railway transportation.

—The Hagerstown *Mail* of last week said: The unusual mildness of the weather for the season of the year does not please the peach-growers of Frederick county, who fear that the buds will put forth, and then should the weather suddenly turn cold, the fruit will be ruined. In several places in Frederick fruit trees, especially the apricot trees, have begun to bud, and in some instances flowers in unprotected beds in the yards of residences are putting forth bloom, pansies especially.

—The law of 1892, providing for the payment of oyster inspectors' salaries, out of a fund created by a tax of 10 cents on every 100 bushels on the oyster packers, has been declared unconstitutional by Attorney-General Poe. The salaries were fixed at $600 and the inspectors had drawn various amounts up to the time the law was declared unconstitutional. Mr. W H. Wilmer, of Queen Anne's, is the inspector for Chester river and Eastern Bay and will be affected by this decision.

—The authorities of the Queen Anne's railroad have been staking off their road, and last week it was found that some of the public roadways were built entirely on the railroad property. The *Record* says: "Particularly is this the case between Hayden's and Price's. The company in surveying last week put stakes in the centre of the road in several places between these stations. The result has been that several carriages have been torn-up and runaways numerous, all from collision with these stakes. What is to be done about it?"

—Paul Massey, the thirteen-year-old son of Mr. Josiah Massey, met with a painful and serious accident on Friday morning, being thrown from a horse and painfully cut about the head and face. Paul was taking a horse from his home to Mr. George S. Biddle's, and for some reason the horse ran away. Being an expert horseman, young Massey kept to his saddle until the horse made a short turn into the gate at Mr. Biddle's home, when the unfortunate boy was thrown, and was rendered unconscious by the severity of the injuries received. He is now much improved in condition.

—As there are a number of gentlemen in Kent who have fine collections of rare old coins, we take the following from the Centreville *Observer*, hoping that some fortunate Kent countian may also succeed in finding fortune in some neglected spot: "About a year ago Mr. John M. Mason, while repairing a water pipe on Front street, opposite the house now occupied by Mr. A. M. Keating, found a ten-cent piece eighteen inches under the ground, which was made in the year 1800. A few days ago he showed it to Mr. Eugene Pennington, cashier of the Queen Anne's Bank, and was informed that it was quoted at seven dollars. Mr. Pennington sent the coin to a dealer, but on account of a pin scratch on the face of it was informed that it was worth but three dollars."

Married in Winter

The following marriage licenses were issued from the clerk's office of Kent county during the month of January:

WHITE.

George T. Whaland and Susie Carter, James H. Travers and Susie Stanley, Wm. Lerty and Mary E. Edwards, James W. Greenwood and Lillie N. Ratter, George W. Warner and Clara R. Porter, Charles F. Crow and Annie E. Lee, Howard Turner and Mary R. Wilson, John S. Clayton and Sarah E. Plummer, John W. Rodney and Emma Walbert, Elias T. Othoson and Martha J. Hurlock, Wm. S. Walker, Jr. and Jennie Q. Hines, Charles S. Stevens and Ethel R. Taylor, John E. Joiner and Hattie S. Davis, Wm. T. Jewell and Jennie E. Rile, Harry C. Willis and Harriett A. Usilton, Benjamin Sewell and Mary C. Proctor, Wm. Blackiston and Maggie E. Fowler.

COLORED.

Henry Tilghman and Carrie Tiller, Abraham Tilghman and Sadie Diggs, Louis Johnston and Elsie L. Gaines, John Wesley Chestman and Laura Williams, Charles H. Brooks and Janie Jefferson, Josiah Smith and Mary Henderson, Lemuel Cann and Martha Wickes, James E. Wise and Rachel Brown, Richard Williams and Maggie Hodges.

Minstrelsy.

One of the demands of the present age is most evidently the theatre and the stage. But to satisfy this demand, this rage of the varied public, with taste as multifarious as its number, is a question hard to answer. However, there is a quality of stage performance that seems to gratify most especially the most varied of audiences, and this is the comedy of minstrelsy. We are glad to give a familiar example in the personages of the Rock Hall Minstrels. We did not expect to see professionals, but in all candor, we can vouch the approbation of the large audience present, that it was one of the best amateur minstrel performances ever given in Stam's Hall. We are fully satisfied it will bear criticism. The banjo solo by Harry E. Waguer was pleasingly rendered. The stump speech by Frank S. Hartman delighted the audience, and was a noted feature of the evening's performance. Messrs. Stevens, Hartman, Taylor and Urie in their quartette entitled, "At the Farm in Chester," were loudly applauded. The triple clog by Lawrence I. Whaland, Jacob Urie and Frank Satterfield could not have been done better by professionals. The minstrels undoubtedly excel in all their dance performances. The overtures given by the company were equal to those of professionals. Mr. St. Clair gave good support at the piano. The musical director, Mr. W. Eugene Willson, and Mr. Lawrence I. Whaland, are to be complimented for the very successful result of their efficient labors.

The Shrove-Tide.

The splendid entertainment which is being arranged by the ladies of the Dorcas Society for the Shrove-Tide, February 6, promises to be a most charming affair. The picturesqueness of the now celebrated Midway Plaisance of World's Fair fame, will be united with the glorious richness and beauty of the Mardi Gras of the land of oranges, sweet blossoms and tropical sunshine. Some of the finest local talent in the county will participate, and we deem it advisable not to dwell at length upon minor mysteries of the programme, leaving every member of the community to witness the beauties of the entertainment in person and not be satisfied with a mere prophecy of their charms from the press.

The supper will be one of the most elegant features of the occasion, and elaborate arrangements are being made to invest it with a beauty and interest entirely novel. Then, too, the object of the entertainment is one which can but recommend it to the community at large. Every cent of the proceeds, independent of actual expenses will be devoted to alleviating the suffering and needs of the poor. The community at large should feel an interest and pride in the success of the entertainment.

Iula, the well-known harpist who has often played in Chestertown for dances, has an orchestra of harp, violin, flute, picolo and clarionette, which has been engaged to play both during the supper and for the carnival.

Kennedyville's Boom.

EDITOR TRANSCRIPT:—Kennedyville is booming, and I write it with proper regard for that much-abused article, the truth. A new cannery is about to be established, and this means more money in the community and increased activity.

A new and complete butcher shop is also included in the boom.

A barber shop with a skillful artist, has gracefully fallen into this procession of the boom.

And a new postmaster in the sweet bye and bye is one of the possibilities.

The Knights are getting on finely, and the lodge is one of the most flourishing in the county, and promises splendid results for the future.

A good deal of land has been plowed for corn, many farmers anticipating a late spring.

Not much talk of peaches as yet, but wait—it will come, and come with a rush.

Provender is getting scarce despite the open winter, and farmers will be at their wits ends before the advent of that "ethereal mildness" of which the poet wrote.

There is considerable sickness in the village, but as a rule we "still live" in the solemncholly words of the immortal Daniel Webster.

Mr. L. C. Justis, Jr., has been on the sick list but is now better.

Yours in Kent, X.

THIEVING GALORE.

An epidemic of Petty Larcenies in Kent.

One of the most daring of an extended series of larcenies occurred on Saturday night of last week, when the meathouse of Mr. Alick Crew, living near Chestertown, was entered and a large quantity of meat, flour and lard, and nearly all of Mrs. Crew's sausage were stolen. The thieves entered by ripping off a board on the side of the house. Mr. Crew heard the theives between 12 and 3 o'clock, but thought that the noise was caused by some one raising a window. In about a half hour the noise was repeated, but he made no investigation, supposing the noise made by some member of the family. On Sunday morning the board was discovered off the meat house and one of the finest young horses on the farm was found standing at the stable door with bridle on and drenching wet from having been immoderately used. An investigation disclosed the footprints of two men in the snow. Three augurs had been taken from a wagon shed and an effort made to bore their way in, but failing in this an effort had been made to remove a board from the rear of the house with an axe. Failing in this, the board was finally torn off one side, which after having rifled the house the men replaced it. The ripping off and putting back of the board evidently caused the noise which Mr. Crew heard.

Evidences of a fire having been built were discovered both in the wagon shed and in the carriage house. It is supposed that the fire was started to heat an axe for the purpose of saturating it with either oil or tar to be used as a light, the axe being found having evidently been used for some such purpose, being covered with some substance and having evidently been in the fire. It is supposed that the axe was used as a torch. Three bags were taken and it is believed that the stolen goods were carried off in them. The tracks of the horse were followed around the field and thence to Worton. As yet no clue to the guilty parties has been found. The farmers in the vicinity of Worton have been infested possibly by the same gang. Messrs. John W. Corey has lost a number of turkeys; S. Lathnam, geese and chickens; Odie Carroll, geese and chickens; Thomas Burris, geese and shoats. The thieves stole ten gallons of coal oil from a barrel outside of M. M. Rasin's store. Other farmers in the neighborhood have lost to a greater or less extent.

Of Personal Interest.

Miss Jennie Thompson, of Newark, Delaware, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. L. M. Smith, Millington.

Mr. Sam'l E. Moffett, son of R. S. Moffett, Esq., of Millington, left Tuesday morning of last week for Jacksonville, Florida, where he will spend several months with a view of the climate improving his health.

Miss Rose Comegys, is visiting friends in Chestertown.

United States Marshall Biddeman, of Baltimore, was in Millington last week on business.

Miss Ethel Stewart was last week appointed teacher of the fourth grade of the Chestertown public school during the absence of the regular teacher because of sickness.

At the annual election of the Philadelphia Produce Exchange, held last week, Mr. William P. Ireland, formely of Kent county, but at present the head of one of the most representative and reliable commission firms of Philadelphia, was elected a member of the Board of Managers. Of the eight nominees, only five of whom could be elected, Mr. Ireland should feel highly gratified at receiving the greatest number of votes of any one of the candidates.

The annual meeting of the Mutual Reserve Fund Life Association for the election of officers was held last week at its office in the Potter Building, N. Y. There was a big gathering of the members of the association, delegates being present from all parts of the United States and Canada, and one from England. This was the thirteenth annual meeting of the association, and those present had the satisfaction of listening to a very pleasant statement from the President, Edward B. Harper. Reports were handed in by the various officers of the company, showing that the association was never in better condition and that it was advancing by leaps and bounds. Mr. Harper was again elected president.—*New York Sun.* Mr. Harper is a Kent countian, and to-day stands recognized as one of the most representative insurance men in the United States. He is a brother of Messrs. F. H. Harper and Joseph W. Harper, of Still Pond.

Mr. Henry Deaver, the newly-elected book-keeper in the Second National Bank, will enter upon his new duties to-day. Mr. Unit Horsey, of Galena, is Mr. Deaver's successor in the law office of Mr. Barroll.

Miss Mary Vickers on Monday started for Willson College, Pennsylvania, to attend the annual reception. This reception is a brilliant affair and is the great social feature of the year among the young ladies and their friends.

Mr. John N. Roberts is visiting his father, Rev. S. C. Roberts, on Queen street. Mr. Roberts arrived in Chestertown on Tuesday evening by the steamer Emma A. Ford.

Still Pond News.

Mr. Charles Webb and family, of Baltimore, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Harper last week.

The M. E. Sunday school is making preparations for their yearly anniversary.

Mrs. Wm. G. Rasin's Sunday school class is preparing for an entertainment. They have given several entertainments on previous occasions with much success.

The wedding of Miss Grace Maxwell, daughter of Mrs. M. J. Howard, to Mr. John Hurlock, will be solemnized in Still Pond M. E. Church, Feb. 7th, 1894, at 7 P. M. Miss Howard is one of Still Pond's most esteemed and charming ladies. Mr. Hurlock is deputy sheriff of Kent county and is highly respected. The ushers will be Dr. H. L. Dodd, of Chestertown, Messrs. Wm. Hurlock, of Kennedyville, and James and Carson Harris, of Still Pond. The music will be furnished by L. Harris Crewe.

Dr. Urie is expected home from Florida in about two weeks time.

There is a great deal of sickness but no very severe cases. BEAU MONDE.

New Advertisements.

Mr. Joseph Guest, one of our most enterprising business men, has an advertisement in this issue of his Van Wagoner Farm Fence and his Picket Truss-Wire Fence. He also advertises a few plows which he has on hand for sale at cost, and wants to buy fence posts. A sample of the Van Wagoner fence was placed on the public square near the TRANSCRIPT office last spring, and though put through a very severe test by the small boy, is none the worse for wear

A supper by the ladies of the M. P. Church, at Kennedyville, is advertised in another column.

Messrs. Turner & Son advertise in this issue a complete line of fishermen's supplies.

MARRIAGE BELLS.

Matrimonial Events in Kent During the Past Week

The pleasant ripple of excitement which had added an unusual charm to Worton social circles for several weeks past, found a delighted termination on Thursday of last week, in the marriage of Miss Hallie Usilton to Mr. Harry Willis, at St. James M. P Church, Rev. J. L. Mills officiating, assisted by Rev. Johnathan S. Willis, of Delaware, uncle of the groom. The interior of the pretty church had been transformed into a bower of tropical beauty, and long before the hour for the ceremony the seating capacity of the structure was exhausted. Overarching each aisle was a graceful arch of evergreen, at which stood little Miss Daisy Nicholson, daughter of Mr. Wm. T. Nicholson, little Miss Stella Biddle, daughter of Mr. Geo. S. Biddle, and masters Parks and Merritt Rasin, aged between 7 and 8 years, all in evening dress and wearing white kid gloves. These little fairies and the young gallants, took their important parts to perfection and removed the heavy cord of evergreen as the guests entered the upper portion of the church. In front of the altar was an arch with the initials W and U pendent making a charming frontispiece to the perfect picture.

Looking through the large arch with its suggestive monogram, could be seen a miniature mountain crowned with growing and cut flowers and capped at its summit by graceful ferns. In each window were six candles sifting their mellow light through sprays of evergreen. On either side of the pulpit the light from candelabra fell upon the scene. As Miss Clara Usilton played the wedding march in her usual easy and finished manner, the bridal party entered the church. The bride, leaning on the arm of her brother, Mr. Joseph R. Usilton entered the church and was preceded to the altar by the ushers: Messrs. Romie Skirven, William Willis, Harry Cacy, Jesse Usilton; the charming little flower girls, little Miss Daisy Nicholson and the ribbon boys Parks and Merritt Raisin; the groom and his best man, J. McHenry Willis, of Talbot county, and the bridesmaid, Miss Daisy Usilton, sister of the bride. The bride wore a gown of rich white silk and carried a bouquet of bride roses and lilies of the valley. Miss Usilton, the bridesmaid, wore a handsome gown of green crepon and lace. The fairy-like little flower girls wore white silk, white slippers and kid gloves, while their manly little escorts were the personification of dignity in dress suits and white kid gloves. An elegant reception was held at the home of Mrs. Harriett Usilton, mother of the bride, immediately after the ceremony, at which only the relatives and immediate friends of the two families were present. The pleasant home was beautifully trimmed with evergreens and potted plants, and was resplendent with light. We were met at the door by Mr. Walter Skirven, then the ushers presented us to the receiving party, consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Willis, Miss Mollie Alrich, Miss Daisy Usilton and Mr. J. McHenry Willis, standing in a spacious bay window decorated with evergreens. Refreshments were served in the most tempting style. The presents, numbering about 150 were costly and beautiful. Many were in full evening dress. Among them we remember: Miss Elizabeth Willis, cousin of the groom; Misses Annie and May Willis, sisters of the groom; Misses Ida C. Crew, Lizzie Corey, Annie and Ethel Stewart, Clare Vannort, Clara Usilton, Blanche and Carrie Smyth, Gertie Lusby, ——Lusby, Mollie and Tenie Alrich, Jennie Frances and Mrs. William Stevens, Walter Skirven, Wm. Nicholson, Mr. Jos. Usilton, Mrs. John Gale, Mrs. Thos. Gale, Mrs. S. C. Corey, Mrs. J. S. Willis, Nellie Keyser. At least 100 persons were present.

Miss Jennie E. Rile was married on Wednesday evening of last week to Mr. Wm. R. Jewell, son of Mr. Daniel E. Jewell. The impressive ceremony took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Otho M. Fogwell, Betterton, Rev. J. B. Merritt, of Crumpton, officiating. As Mrs. Thomas Davis played the magnificent wedding march by Lohengrin, the bridal party entered the brilliantly lighted and handsomely trimmed parlor. Mr. Samuel E. Roeder, of Philadelphia, was best man, and Miss Annie O. Roeder, of Worton, was bridesmaid. The bride was gowned in pearl colored capelle silk and Persian embroidery. The bridesmaid wore a handsome gown of blue crepe de chene trimmed in silk. Both the bride and her bridesmaid carried a bouquet of tea roses. A splendid reception was held after the marriage ceremony. The house was beautifully trimmed with smilax, evergreen and potted plants. The dining hall was particularly beautiful with its splendidly set table of delicacies and wealth of evergreens and flowers.

Court News.

Orphans' Court met Tuesday, Jan. 30, 1894. Present, Judges Harris, Moffett and Burgess. J. W. and Ida C. Crew, administrators of Sarah C. Crew, deceased, filed first and final administration account. R. D. Hynson and Charles M. Brown, administrators of Mary A. Clothier, filed inventory of the personal property of said dec'd.

County Commissioners Court, Tuesday, Jan. 30. All present. Three petitions were filed requesting the board to pass a law taxing dogs in the county, the revenue from the same to be applied to payment for sheep killed by dogs. The following road supervisor's bonds were approved by the commissioner of their respective district, and accepted and filed by order of court, viz: Wm. W. Duyer, 3rd district, section 7 to 13 inclusive, $316.25; James M. Severson, section 1 and 2 in 3rd district, $55; John Dempsey, section 3 in 3rd district, $60; Edward Dempsey, section 5 in 3rd district, $45; Richard B. Willson, Jr., sections 2, 3 and 23 in 5th district, $155; George L. Maslin, section 4 and 5 in 5th district, $25; Thomas J. Clothier, section 6 in 5th district, $90; James C. Ringgold, sections 7, 8, 9 and 23 in 5th district, $247; Charles M. Brown, section 29 in 5th district, $9. John H. Gibson's account for hauling shells, $30.80 was examined, approved and ordered paid by order on road and bridge fund in hands of treasurer, use 5th district.

The following accounts were examined and approved and ordered to be provided for by levy in '94: Samuel Hurlock for taxes paid on erroneous assessment since 1884, $330 78; Capt. Joseph W. Thompson for 4000 bushels of shells, use 2d district, $126.60; Capt. James B. Lewis for shells, use third district, $115 66; Samuel G. Lee for hauling and spreading shells in 3d district, $71; John A. Duyer, constable, for fees in State cases, $7.95; J. Cordray Loud, supervisor, for hauling shells, $45 30; John E. Hadaway, committee of James H. Hadaway, passed check of Hope H. Barroll, Esq., endorsed by said Hadaway for board, attention, etc., of James H. Hadaway in Maryland Hospital for one year, $150; Captain Benj. Mathieson's account for shells delivered in 5th district, $33.60; Charles H. Eliburn for watching schooner Kessie J. Price, in custody for violating the oyster law, two days and nights, $8; Wm. Keating for same, $8; Sarah Jane Tilghman, colored, recommendation for pension was examined and allowed for $10 and ordered to be provided for by levy in 1894.

THE SOCIAL WORLD.

Pleasure Still Holds Sway and Thus the Pleasant Hours Pass.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Turner, after a protracted and delightful wedding trip, returned home on Tuesday of last week, and held a most pleasant reception at their home in Still Pond, from 8 to 10 o'clock on Thursday evening last. The beautiful home was brilliantly illuminated, and though the floral decorations were not elaborate, in unexpected nooks and corners rich and fragrant potted plants gave a richness and variety to the scene. The receiving party, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Turner, Mr. and Mrs. J. Cowgill Allston, of Middletown, Delaware; Miss Ethel Covington, of Still Pond and Dr. William Barnard, of Middletown, Delaware; Miss Bessie Cannan, Miss Birdie Jump, and Mr. Harry J. Thomas, of Baltimore, formed a semicircle in the parlor, where the many guests were received. Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Turner presented each guest to Mr. and Mrs. Howard Turner.

After meeting the bridal party the elegantly-set refreshment table became an object of interest to the guests. Beautifully frozen creams, water ices, fruits, cake, nuts and other delicacies were served in the greatest abundance. The great number of magnificent presents also claimed no limited amount of the attention of those who called. The occasion was one of unusual pleasure, and the popular young couple begin married life crowned with the most sincere wishes for long and happy lives extended by a large circle of friends.

Among others who called were: Mrs. Mary R. Wilson, mother of Mrs. H. Turner, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Wilson, of Baltimore; Miss Bertha A. Lambson, of Wilmington, Mr. George H. Atkinson, of Philadelphia; Miss Lillian Hynson, of Chestertown; Mr. C. Cox Hopper, Chestertown; Mr. and Mrs. Jas. H. Baker, Misses Baker, Misses Leaverton, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Brown, Pomona; Miss Knabb, of Philadelphia: Miss Alex. Mair, of Baltimore; Mr. Clifton Hurtt, Locust Grove; Messrs. George and Howard Parrott, Miss Gallie Parrott, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. S. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Price, Dr. and Mrs. W. S. Maxwell, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. S. Harris; Messrs. Carson and James Harris, Mr. and Mrs. John H. O. Stokes, Prof. and Mrs. I. R. Starkey, Mr. Max Price, Miss Annie Roeder, Mr. J. Roeder, Mr. Ford Caulk, Rev. and Mrs. J. D. Kemp, Miss Kemp, Mr. L. R. Hepbron, Mr. Will Clarke, Mr. S. J. Busick, Mr. Charles Watts, Still Pond; Mr. John Johnson, of Dover.

The Chester League, a social organization of young men of Chestertown, celebrated their second anniversary on Monday evening, at their rooms on Main street. The occasion was one marked by many pleasant features, and was the most notable event within the history of the organization. The officers are: President, Charles T. Howard; vice-president, John G. Roland; secretary, John R. Rollison; treasurer, W. S. McDonnell, and warden, Wm. Davis. Elections of officers are held every six months.

The idea of the members of the league is to furnish a cozy and comfortable place where its members may spend their evenings in social intercourse, innocent games or in reading the local, daily and religious papers, all of which are on file. The room is carpeted, pleasantly heated, and its walls are ornamented by pictures giving evidence of care and extreme refinement in their selection. On the occasion of the banquet, national banners and dainty sprays of evergreen gave an air of brightness and beauty to the delightful quarters of the Chester League. Rules splendidly executed in colors with a pen by Mr. John Rollison, are framed and hung on the wall, and prohibit all profanity, drinking, betting or gambling in any shape or form. Indeed, the cozy and delightful leisure-hour home of the young men was a most pleasant revelation to their guests, not one of whom but felt that the anniversary occasion could not come too often. About 10 o'clock refreshments consisting of ice cream, ices, fruits, nuts and confectionery were partaken of, after which a series of toasts were introduced by the president, Charles T. Howard. Toasts were then in order, and were given by Messrs. T. D. France, Fred G. Usilton, L. B. Russell and C. C. Hopper.

The annual reception of the Chestertown Y. W. C. T. U. was held on Saturday last in the vacant dwelling adjoining the residence of Mr. John N. Dodd. This house, previously vacant, was invaded by some of the young ladies and gentlemen, and two rooms were soon transformed into a delightful picture of coziness. Miss Lola Staats, president of the "Y," assisted by Misses Anne Stewart, Bertha May Stiles and Minnie Peregoy formed a most charming reception committee. According to the testimony of the many who called during the evening, the young ladies eminently succeeded in their determination to make all present spend an enjoyable evening. May the members of the Chestertown "Y" continue in their efforts to throw around the young people in our midst, an influence which will have a telling effect upon their after life.

Miss Ida Bramble and brother, Maurice, gave a tea in honor of Miss Elizabeth Caulk, who is the guest of Miss Ida C. Crew, of Lankford. The home was artistically decorated with evergreens, growing and cut flowers. Miss Nora Bramble and Mr. Harry Messick received in a most becoming style, and then presented the guests to the hostess. Every lady was attired in evening gowns. The 10 o'clock tea was beautifully served with true Maryland hospitality. Various prizes of beautiful designs were awarded successful contestants in the peanut hunt, drawing contest, observation game, etc.

A very pleasant party was enjoyed at the home of Mr. Thomas Toulson, in Quaker Neck, on Thursday evening of last week. A large number of friends were present.

The Modern Invalid

Has tastes medicinally, in keeping with other luxuries. A remedy must be pleasantly acceptable in form, purely wholesome in composition, truly beneficial in effect and entirely free from every objectionable quality. If really ill he consults a physician; if constipated he uses the gentle family laxative Syrup of Figs.

MARRIED.

STEVENS—TAYLOR.—Tuesday evening, in the presence of a few friends, at the M. E. Parsonage, Charles S. Stevens and Miss Ethel R. Taylor, both of Millington, were united in joyous wedlock by the Rev. George W. Burke. They went at once to Mr. Stevens' home near town.

MOFFETT—PENNINGTON.—At Emmanuel Baptist Parsonage, 1812 St. Paul street, Baltimore, Jan. 16, 1894, by Rev. C. A. Fulton, Pearley Moffett and Miss Sallie V. Pennington.

POWERS—WICKES.—In Baltimore, Monday, Dec. 25, 1893, by Rev. Mr. Cleaver, Philip E. Powers and Mrs. Elizabeth R. Wickes.

DIED.

COHEE.—Fell asleep in Jesus, on January 28, Nellie E. Cohee, the oldest and beloved daughter of G. W. and Sarah E. Cohee, and granddaughter of Mary A. Thompson.

PROTECT OUR GAME.

What Gunners Say of the Methods to be Pursued.

The gunners of Kent are now carefully considering means and methods of protecting our game. Game of all descriptions, but particularly partridges, were very scarce during the past fall, and it is this scarcity which has impressed upon gunners the necessity of taking some active measures to restock the county with birds and seek some legislation on the subject if necessary.

Mr. Thomas J. Shallcross, one of the finest partridge shots in the county, says substantially: I am not favorable to a total suspension of shooting for a year, yet if the other counties pass such a law, we must fall in line. I think the idea of buying, say two or three hundred, or even five hundred pairs of birds to be turned out in the county, an admirable idea and will certainly contribute to the fund.

Richard D. Hynson, Esq., says: "I am in favor of a total prohibition of all gunning until the fall of 1895. If gunning for rabbits, woodcock and other game is allowed, partridges will also be shot, consequently I am for an absolute cessation of gunning. The idea of buying birds is an admirable one and should be carried into effect. Game is scarce and every gunner should be willing to take prompt action to bring about an improvement of the situation. Call a meeting and let this matter be fully discussed by our gunners."

Dr. W. Frank Hines, said: "Legislate to prohibit all gunning for partridges, rabbits and woodcock until the fall of 1895, and there will be no *necessity* to buy birds, yet an addition to our stock of old birds will insure finer sport and I am favorable to purchasing as many pairs as may be considered necessary. I believe that to require every visitor gunning in the county to take out a reasonable license is a good measure and should be required."

Mr. John Howard believes that the supply of old birds is greater than last year, and that the proposed prohibition will be unnecessary, yet, said Mr. Howard, "If the other counties pass such a law we must fall in line."

Mr. W. H. McFeeley said: "I believe that the prohibitory law is what is wanted. Our stock of game is woefully limited and some measures must be taken both to preserve what we have and to increase it if possible. Let the law be uniform throughout the State. The purchase of stock birds is a good idea and should in my opinion be carried into effect."

Mr. P. A. M. Brooks said: "I think the wholesale prohibition of gunning is drawing the lines a little severely on gunners, who, like myself, indulge in hunting for rabbits to a greater extent than for birds. What am I to do with my kennel of beagles? I know that game is scarce, but I think the absolute prohibition idea a little excessive."

Mr. H. M. Brown: "Make a law requiring every non-resident gunner to take out a license; tax every dog in the county, and pass a rigid prohibition law of all gunning until the fall of 1895. The dog tax idea should be strictly enforced."

Dr. C. W. Reid thinks that a prohibition of gunning until the fall of 1895 is unnecessary. "Let us buy, say 500 or 1000 birds" said the doctor, "and the trouble of a scarcity of game will be at once remedied. The birds can be secured for fifty cents per pair delivered, from North Carolina, let them out next spring, and we may feel assured of fine sport next fall."

Postmaster Hiram Brown declared himself as being favorable to a total closing of all gunning until the fall of 1895. Said Mr. Brown: "By all means give us a law requiring a reasonable license of every non-resident gunner of the county, and make this license not less than $5. The buying of birds will certainly help the cause and I am in favor of it."

Mr. Wm. S. Walker said: "I think the gunning for partridges, rabbits and woodcock should be prohibited until the fall of 1895. By all means endeavor to secure uniform gunning dates throughout the State. The idea of buying birds to restock our depleted game supply is certainly a thing which should be carried out by the gunners of the county."

Mr. J. K. Aldridge said: "We want an absolute prohibition of shooting until the fall of next year. We should also get birds to restock our county, and with a law compelling every non-resident gunner to take out a reasonable license, our depleted territory will be again put in a position to afford fine sport. Call a meeting and let our gunners thoroughly discuss the matter."

Mr. James Lambert holds that to close the season for partridges, rabbits and woodcocks is an absolute necessity if we are to preserve our game. "Tax every dog in the county and enforce the law," said Mr. Lambert, "this is a necessity of the situation. Dogs do as much to destroy game during the summer months as the gunners do in the gunning season. I am not sure that the restocking will be necessary. If we can secure these measures I think we are alright. But by all means tax the dogs."

Mr. S. Hicks: "I am opposed to closing the season. Put in the county one thousand birds and we will have every assurance of fine sport next fall. Put the birds out early in the fall, and there will be no fears of our not having fine sport."

W. H. Lambert, Jr.: "I don't think we need a prohibatory law, we do need however, that our laws be strictly enforced, and something should be done to keep dogs from hunting and destroying the young of both birds and rabbits. Our stock of birds and rabbits is, in my opinion, amply sufficient to replenish our gunning territory."

Mr. James A. Shaw: "Unless the closed season idea is carried out by our neighbors, I scarcely think that it will be necessary for us to pass a prohibatory law. I do think that possibly the idea of buying stock birds might be of great benefit, and would favor the plan."

Milkmaids Interstate Convention.

An attractive programme has been arranged for an entertainment to be given in Fairlee hall, Feb. 5, by "United Y." We learn the following characters are taken and others that we regret not being able to give.

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