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LOCAL MATTERS.

Weather Forecasts.

Mr. Hicks gives the following forecasts for the approaching seven days:

Reactionery storms about the 13th and 14th, followed by renewed cold. By 17th there will be a return to growing storm conditions in Western extremes. Warm, balmy weather will appear with south winds and falling barometer. Farther to the east chill easterly winds. By 20th, disturbances will reach central parts. Warmer weather will appear east of storms, with winds shifting to southerly, giving cloudiness culminating in storms of rain and snow. The period runs from 17th to 20, by the close of which, all the various phenomena in the growth and progress of a storm period will have passed from west to east across the continent, leaving cold weather behind.

MOON'S PHASES.—New moon, 5; first quarter, 13; full moon, 19; last quarter, 27.

—Muddy roads have been the rule rather than the exception.

—Peach growers state that the outlook is as yet very promising for a crop.

—It is estimated that the extent of tomato culture in Kent this year will reach the unprecedented figures of 2,500 acres.

—Violations of the ducking laws in Kent county waters, are reported as rare since the vigorous protest made against such violators through the TRANSCRIPT.

—Rock Hall has her weather eye set on an electric road between Chestertown and that point. A gentleman said several days ago "Far stranger things than that have happened."

—Because of heavy roads, the mails between Rock Hall and Chestertown for several days were more than one hour late each way, and it was found necessary to drive two, instead of one horse.

—Dogs attacked the flock of sheep of Mr. William D. Shinn last week, and several were killed and others injured. Mr. Shinn succeeded in killing two of the dogs, which proved to be two fox hounds belonging to Mr. Biddle Hossinger.

—Yesterday, Feb. 14, was the day sacred to the good St. Valentine, and numberless cupids were sporting around the county. While some awoke visions suggestive of "Love's young dream," others were of a negative character and the man around the corner is looking for a certain girl who remembered him.

—We published last week that Mr. Wm. J. Evans had sold out his drug business in Church Hill. This is not correct. Mr. Evans has not sold nor has he entertained the thought of selling. The error doubtless originated from the fact that there was gossip as to a probable sale of the stock of Mr. John H. Evans at Rolph's wharf. We gladly correct this mistake.—*Centreville Observer.*

—Mr. H. L. Chew, the enterprising Main street merchant, to meet the demands of a constantly increasing business, has opened a new feed, general grocery and provision store on Cross street adjoining the establishment of Mr. John S. Vandergrift. Mr. J. A. Bryan, a merchant of twenty years experience is in charge, and the outlook is most promising. Hay and all manner of coarse feed are in full stock. Mr. Chew will devote his time almost exclusively to his Main street business, and is enjoying a boom.

—Mr. E. E. Hudson, the most extensive raiser of finely-bred poultry on the Eastern Shore, being unable to attend the great New York poultry show held at Madison Square Garden, telegraphed to the secretary asking the prices of first and second prize pens (four females and one male) of Barred Plymouth Rocks. The answer received was: first pen, $500; second, $300; first cockerel, $150; second and fourth, $75 each. A buff cochin cock on exhibition, said to be the largest in the world, weighed 17½ pounds, and was valued at $500. Many local buyers who complain of paying Mr. Hudson two or three dollars for a fine male, will see that good birds have a value as well as fine stock of other kinds.

—R. W. Jones, George W. Davis and C. J. Scott, school commissioners for Kent county, were before the finance and ways and means committee last week, in opposition to the free school-book bill introduced by Senator John Walter Smith. They explained that Kent county did not favor the passage of this bill, as its tendency will be to increase the tax-rate without a corresponding increase in advantages to the schools or pupils. School books are now, they claimed, in reach of the children who attend schools, and that the passage of this act will not add to the school attendance in Kent. The commissioners also went before the Chesapeake bay committee and urged that tongers' licenses in Kent be increased for the benefit of the public schools.

Committed for Rape.

James Martin, a colored man twenty-three years of age, was committed to Centreville jail on Friday, charged with having committed rape on Josephine Blackwell, colored, aged fifteen years. Both Martin and the girl lived with Mr. Wm. E. DeFord, a prominent farmer living near Chester bridge in Queen Anne's, the girl occupying apartments in Mr. DeFord's house. On Friday morning the attention of the family was attracted by screams issuing from the room occupied by the girl. Upon investigation Martin was found in her apartment, and she charged him with assault with intent to rape. Martin was arrested by Constable W. T. Roe and taken before Justice T. W. Trenchard, of Church Hill, and in default of bail was committed for court.

Mad Dogs in Quaker Neck.

The greatest consternation has existed in Quaker Neck during the past ten days, occasioned by the appearance of rabbid dogs. The dog of John Brown, a colored resident, was the first to show signs of the rabbies. The dog gave unmistakable evidences of being mad, and visited Mr. B. N. S. Wilkins', and was on his front porch. The dog then went to the place of Mr. Carvill Maslin, where two hogs and several dogs were bitten. The places of Messrs. Frank Lamb, Walter Trew and Henry Brown were visited. At Mr. Brown's five hogs and two dogs were bitten. Mr. Brown had a desperate encounter with the brute, and fought the dog off with his hat. The dog's teeth made several punctures of the hat. Henry Sanders was attacked, and would have suffered but for the timely appearance of his wife who opened the house door just in time to save him from being bitten. A number of gentlemen have killed their dogs, and it is estimated that between thirty and forty dogs have been killed in Quaker Neck within the past two weeks. None of the hogs have shown evidences of the rabbies, but are being watched and upon the first intimation of trouble they will be killed.

Matrimonial.

Ex-Judge John Dodd, of the Orphans' Court, of Queen Anne's, and Mrs. Martha J. Reed, of Church Hill, were married Tuesday of last week, at the bride's residence, in Church Hill, by Rev. A Batte, of the Protestant Episcopal Church. The bride wore a wedding gown of dark heliotrope broadcloth, and bonnet and gloves to match. A few intimate friends were present. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Dodd started on a trip to Niagara. They will reside in Centreville. *Centreville Record.*

Nearly a Tragedy.

Last week a prominent farmer near Kennedyville, while being confined to his house, suffering from a severe cold, observed what he supposed to be a very suspicious person approaching his residence. Without further comment he procured his gun and opened fire, while the supposed robber, highwayman or whatever he might prove to be, secured safety behind a convenient tree. The bullets came close enough to make his retreat quite uncomfortable, but he managed to make his object known, as he only wanted to sell his book, which upon examination proved to be one of the greatest wonders of the age, a history of the Western Hemisphere from the discovery of Columbus to the present time. He sold the book.

A Standard Measure for Tomatoes.

It is of no little importance to the tomato growers of Kent to know that the question of how many baskets of tomatoes to the ton? will be practically answered by a law which the farmers of Anne Arundel county propose to have passed by the present Legislature. As is well known there is much diversity of opinion as to the number of baskets of tomatoes to the ton. The Anne Arundel bill will provide for the establishment of a standard bushel or half-bushel box for the measurement of tomatoes. This may be a State law. The weighing or measurement of tomatoes is now totally in the hands of the purchasers and it is stated that the variations in weight varies sometimes as much as from three to five bushels a load. The wagon-loads are weighed on large scales, and checks given for the loads as ascertained. The scales might accidentally be wrong, and the farmer has no redress. The standard measure will, it is claimed, obviate this trouble.

With this proposed standard measure, however, the question will be equitably adjusted only to a certain degree, since it is impossible to enforce any established extent of the rise given in the measurements with the established standard, and this matter might figure materially against the buyer were the growers disposed to take advantage of it. So after all the most satisfactory standard is by weight.

Of Personal Interest.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Miss Minnie Catharine Lowe, eldest daughter of Capt. Wrightson L. Lowe, of Centreville, to Mr. Sudler C. Tolson, of Kent Island. The ceremony will take place at Grace M. P. Church, Centreville, to-day at 2 30 P. M. Miss Lowe has several times been the guest of Miss Wallis, Mill street, and has many friends in Kent.

Because of illness, Rev. A. Edwin Keigwin was unable to fulfill his appointment to preach at the Church Hill Presbyterian Church on Sunday.

Mr. Wm. Merritt, so well known throughout Kent county, was stricken with paralysis at his home in Millington on Monday night last, and is extremely ill. This is the second attack which Mr. Merritt has had.

Miss Clare Vannort is the guest of Miss Dale, a school-mate, of Pocomoke city.

Master Leonard Massey, who has been ill for some months past, has greatly improved. Master Paul Massey, who was so severely injured by being thrown from a horse recently, has so far improved as to be able to resume his attendance at school.

Mr. James E. Taylor, of the Chester River Steamboat Company, has spent several days of the present week in Chestertown on business.

Miss Nellie Shallcross is visiting friends in Wilmington, Delaware.

Mr. A. I. Dugan, on Monday, moved from the Rockwell house to his new home on Main street, adjoining the residence of W. B. Usilton and John N. Dodd.

Capt. Cecil R. Atkinson, who is now residing in Queen Anne's, several months ago ran the blade of an oyster knife entirely through his hand. The wound healed on the surface and then gathered, since which time Mr. Atkinson has suffered untold agony and is still wearing his hand in a sling.

Court News.

Orphan's court, Tuesday, Feb., 13. Present, Judges Harris, Moffett, Burgess. John D. Urie was appointed guardian to Ella and William Dillhofer. John P. Nicholson, executor of Isaac Parsons, filed second administration account. Letters of administration on the estate of Benjamin C. Harris were granted to John B. Harris and R. D. Hynson. The last will and testament of Adelia M. Justis was admitted to probate.

Board of county commissioners met on Tuesday with a full board. Clarence S. Hurlock, treasurer, presented his official report for January, which was filed, by order of the board. An order passed directing annual notice to be published in the TRANSCRIPT and *Kent News*. Petitions from citizens of Worton station to improve the roads at the station, was presented and referred to Mr. Rodenhiser. Written opinion of H. W. Vickers, attorney, relating to payment of watchmen by the county, for watching dredge vessels while in the custody of the law Receipt of Maryland Hospital in full for Kent county's indebtedness filed. Josias Price, supervisor, presented his bond for section 12 of roads in fifth district, which was filed. C. F. Stam obtained order for amount of pension to Rachel J. Copper, in part payment of his account for medicine. J. Lloyd McFeely & Co., bill of $19.29 for materials for Chester bridge draw, paid by order on funds provided in hands of treasurer. Same, account for jail and pipe for roads, $142.99, approved for levy in 1894. E. W. Emory, for shells, $134.61, ordered provided for by levy. W. S. Scoone for hauling shells, $50, ordered provided for by levy.

Still Pond Notes.

Miss Mary Pennington, of Kennedyville, was the guest of Miss Myra Crewe last week.

Mr. R. T. Turner is in Virginia. He will be away from home about two weeks.

Mrs. Wm. G. Rasin's Sunday school class, is to give an entertainment in the hall this, Thursday evening. The proceeds will be given to the missionary cause.

Miss Katharine Howard was the guest of her sisters, Mrs. Dodd and Mrs. Hurlock, at the jail a part of last week.

Miss Amy S. Baynard was the guest of Senator Hepbron's daughter, Miss Ada, a part of last week.

Mr. John E. Thompson, of Philadelphia, was the guest of his brother, Mr. Wm. H. Thompson, a part of last and this week.

BEAU MONDE.

JOHN V. CROSBY DEAD.

The Oldest Teacher of the County Dies Suddenly on the Public Road—An Excellent Teacher and Most Estimable Citizen.

John V. Crosby, principal of the Rock Hall public school, died suddenly of heart trouble, about 4.30 o'clock, on the public road between the road gate of Mr. Tilden Brice and the Lankford school house, on Friday afternoon, aged 71 years. Mr. Crosby had been to Chestertown to attend the session of the Teachers' Association and was returning home. Just after passing Mr. Brice's gate, the horse stumbled and fell, he (Mr. Crosby) at once got out of his carriage to get the horse to his feet. At that time Mr. M. Miller and Miss Shaw drove up, and Mr. Miller alighted to render any possible assistance. Mr. Crosby was noticed to be suffering, and was told that he had better sit down beside the road while he (Mr. Miller) got the team ready for him. The suffering man sat down, but in a few moments he made an effort to get up and fell over dead. At that moment Mr. J. C. Wood drove up and the stricken man was placed in his dayton wagon and carried to his (Mr. Crosby's) home. Both Dr. Willson and Dr. Price examined the body. Dr. Willson and Mr. and Mrs. Burgess went ahead and notified Mrs. Crosby of her husband's death. She was at home and was busying herself preparing her husband's supper when the startling news was received.

Mr. Crosby was the oldest and one of the most respected citizens of the county, and was undoubtedly one of the most widely known and efficient teachers in our schools. He was born on a farm near Oxford, Pennsylvania, in '23, and attended New London Academy, and went from there to Newark, Del. He came to Kent and engaged in teaching at Bungy school, near Edesville, in 1845. He remained there for several years, and then went to Denton, Caroline county. Before leaving Kent, however, in the spring of 1847 he married Miss Hettie E. Burgess, daughter of the late Peregrine Burgess, of the fifth district. He came back to Kent and took the Millington school, where he taught until he assumed charge of the Rock Hall school twenty-one years ago. He also did some surveying for the people of Rock Hall. No man in the community was so universally loved and looked up to.

In the exercises of the Teachers' Association on Friday, he took an unusually active part and was never clearer or more forcible in expressing his views upon different subjects. When he reached town in the morning however, he was not feeling well and asked Mr. Charles Davis to send some one with him in his carriage to the school, to take his horse back to be cared for, which Mr. Davis did. Dr. S. G. Fisher states that he treated him for heart trouble for two years, and that Mr. Crosby was in to see him on Friday but he was out of the office at the time.

A correspondent from Rock Hall says: "Four brothers survive him, William P. Crosby, of Tolchester, and three in Pennsylvania. He leaves a wife, a daughter, Mrs. Samuel J. Wickes, of Rock Hall, and one son, D. W. Crosby, a merchant in Piney Neck. The flag is at half-mast, crepe is on the school house door, and all exercises are suspended to-day (Monday). None knew Mr. Crosby but to honor, respect and look up to as a friend, and his place here can never be filled. The whole district is in mourning. He was teaching the third generation in this place, and both children and older persons now weep the loss of a friend."

He was buried in the cemetery at Wesley Chapel, the services being held in the church at 2.30 o'clock on Monday, by Rev. Jesse Shreeve. The pall-bearers were: R. W. Jones, William Stevens, Benj. R. Durding, John Dickerson, Lee A. Durding, T. C. Maslin John E. Hadaway and James M. Wood.

TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.

Opposed to Free School Books—To Assist in Erecting a Monument to Prof. M. A. Newell.

The Kent County Teachers' Association met on Friday last, and in spite of bad roads and a miserable day, forty-three of the sixty-two teachers of the county were present. The question: "Is there any good to be attained by detaining pupils after 4 o'clock" was thoroughly discussed and the concensus of opinion was that but little if any good is to be derived from such detention. Relative to what should be done, there was no definite rule agreed upon, methods differing in different cases. Mr. ———— then sung a finely rendered solo with Miss Gresham presiding at the organ as accompanist. Prof. W. J. Humphreys, of Washington College, at this point delivered an address; subject, Astronomy. No particular branches of the subject were taken up for discussion, but in a most delightful way, the speaker took his auditors for a general excursion among the worlds of space. So highly pleased were the members of the association that they extended to Prof. Humphrey's a rising vote of thanks, and requested him to give them another talk at an early date, which he consented to do. Miss Elizabeth F. Fowler then delivered a very prettily written essay; subject——

The subject of "Free School Books" was then taken up. The feeling of the association was strongly against the measure. The following resolution was substituted:

"It is the sense of this association that it is not for the best interests of the schools that we have free books."

The question was put and but one teacher voted against the resolution. The subject of contributing to the fund being raised for the erection of a monument to the late Prof. M. A. Newell, was then introduced and Miss N. E. Gooding was appointed a committee to receive contributions. The questions reported for discussion at the next meeting are: "What has the public a right to expect of the schools?" and "Should we try to cultivate a taste for natural history? If so, how?

The sentiment of the Teachers' Association, of Queen Anne's county, on Friday was against the adoption of the free school book law.

Betterton Notes.

The fishermen are busy rigging up for rock and shad fishing. Preparations are being made to go down the bay for those deep-water beauties called rock.

The gunners in this vicinity are generally in favor of a law prohibiting the shooting of rabbits and quail during the year eighteen ninety-four, provided the law is enforced.

Mr. Thos. G. Lockard has returned from a gunning expedition to North Carolina, and reports shooting for ducks and geese excellent.

The sale of the personal property of the late John Young took place as advertised in the TRANSCRIPT, on Monday of last week. The prices realized were surprisingly good, everything considered.

Mr. John Brice disposed of his horse a few days ago; consideration twenty-five cents, but the purchaser was unable to comply with the terms, and in consequence Mr. Brice still has his nag, and his pile of corn is growing smaller.

WATER-WITCH.

A CHANGE OF LAW.

To Provide for the Appointment of the Trustees of Public Schools.

Eben F. Perkins, Esq., has sent the following self-explanatory petition to the members of the Maryland Legislature. With his long experience and careful study of all phases of public school matters, no educator of the State is in a better position to make sound suggestions relative to public school legislation than is the Examiner of Kent:

To the Senators and Members of the House of Delegates of the Maryland Legislature:

The time for appointing the Trustees of the Public Schools was changed by an Act of '92, from May to August, and it is proposed to restore the old date. While May will be an infinite improvement over August, I desire to advance some reasons for an earlier date than May.

The first meeting of the School Boards in February would be the best time.

The trustees are appointed by the school commissioners, and are required to organize, take the oath of office, and make return of their organization within thirty days from their appointment. They are a very important part of the school system, serve without pay, and their convenience should be consulted. May is a month when the farmers, who compose the great majority of the trustees, are actively engaged in farming operations, and they will not generally spare the time to meet together for organization, nor will they especially inconvenience themselves to take the Oath of Office, and the schools are left without an organized or legal board of trustees. Where the school closes June 30, and especially in counties where schools close a month or two earlier, the trustees have in the case of new appointees no acquaintance with the teacher or the requirements of the school.

An experience of nearly twenty years as Examiner justifies me in saying that it is difficult to secure the proper organization where trustees are appointed in May.

If the appointments were made early in February, or even in March, the farming community then being mostly at leisure, a prompt organization would be effected and an interest elicited which would be felt during the entire school year. The trustees should have full time to become acquainted with the teacher, his efficiency, and the needs of the school before the end of the school year in May or June.

It the school commissioners are to be appointed in May, that is another reason why the trustees should not be appointed in May. The Commissioners, if new appointees, should not be called upon to perform so important a duty immediately after organization.

The matter is of more importance to the schools than may be supposed from a slight acquaintance with the subject, and I earnestly urge that in making the change, the time shall be fixed as early as practicable.

A NEW GUNNING LAW.

A Number of Kent County Gunners Decide Upon a Closed Season for 1894—Virtually a New Dog Law.

As a result of the call issued in the TRANSCRIPT and the active part taken by the TRANSCRIPT in awakening an interest in the subject of game protection, a largely attended meeting of Kent county gunners was held at the office of Messrs. Beck & Walker, Chestertown, on Tuesday. William S. Walker, a veteran gunner, and one who is still a lover of the sport, was made chairman of the meeting, and C. C. Hopper, secretary. It at once became apparent that the gentlemen had met for business. The draft of a new law which will be asked for Queen Anne's, was read and the sections considered seriatim. Mr. James Brice, who has always opposed a closed season for Kent, said that he supposed that if Queen Anne's passed a prohibitory law, Kent would have to. He contended that there is now a considerable quantity of game left from which the county may be stocked, and with the purchase of some birds we would need no law. Mr. Walker contended that there is "comparatively no game." The claim of Mr. Brice that there are now one hundred birds within a mile of Chestertown was not acquiesced in by a majority of those present. Mr. Edward W. Hepbron stated that this is the first season for forty years that he has not heard the familiar "bob white" call of the partridge.

J. C. Loud suggested that the birds had wiser grown and did not hollow to apprise the gunner of their whereabouts. Dr. Sam'l Beck moved that all gunning be suspended until 1895. Postmaster Brown was opposed to a closed season for any game except partridges, rabbits and squirrels. Each act of the Queen Anne's law was considered separately and passed without amendment or change except Section 35, to which an amendment was made to the effect, that the power shall be given to the county commissioners to appoint special bailiffs in the districts of the county to enforce the law, without pay except one-half of the fines as provided by the Act. Sections 30 and 31, relative to dogs running at large and hunting gave rise to considerable dicussion, but was adopted in toto.

Messrs. William M. Slay, R. D. Hynson and William W. Beck, were appointed a committee to make such changes in the Queen Anne's law as will make it applicable to Kent county. The gentlemen were instructed to confer with Queen Anne's gunners if thought advisable. They were also instructed to draft a law to govern the shooting of water-fowl in Kent.

The following gentlemen were present: Thos. C. Parsons, Dr. S. Beck, W. H. Lambert, Jr., S. Hicks, C. H. Price, Jas. Brice, S. Lee, J. C. Loud, J. K. Aldridge, D. U. Dewees, H. M. Brown, Hiram Brown, E. W. Hepbron, W. M. Slay, Dr. W. F. Hines, W. R. Price, R. D. Hynson, W. S. Walker, Frank B. Jester, John Clendaniel, W. H. McFeely, Dr. C. P. Gilpin, H. W. Catlin, L. C. Justis, Jr., R. H. Collins, C. C. Hopper, J. Thomas Pennington, W. W. Beck, W. B. Usilton, E. T. Comegs, J. Walter Skirven, James Taylor and Amos Reed.

THE LAW TO BE PASSED.

On our front page will be found the proposed Queen Anne's law as copied from the Centreville *Observer* of last week. Since printing the law as given last week, several important changes have been made which we will here make, and our readers will have the new law as proposed for this county. In section 25 of the Queen Anne's law, as printed on first page, the date for the killing of partridges, quail, bobwhite, woodcock and robbins is from Nov. 1 to Dec. 31, it should be Dec. 24. Rabbits between November 1 and December 31, it should be December 24. Squirrels between October 1 and December 31, it should be December 24. Doves, plovers and wild pigeons between August 1 and December 31, it should be December 24.

In section 27, the charge for a non-resident-gunning license is increased from $10 to $15. Where the non-resident is the invited guest of a real estate owner or bonafide tenant of the county, the license is made $5 instead of 4.50.

Sections 26, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 36, and 37 were adopted without any change whatever.

FROM COLLEGE HILL.

Half-Yearly Averages—The Teachers of the College Serenaded.

Morris led the Senior class with an average of 93.2, Cameron, the Junior class, with 94 8; Charles Easley, the Sophomore class with 95.4; Thomas, the Freshman class with 97.3. The pupils making an average of over 80 are:

Thomas, 97.3; C. Easley, 95.4; Cameron, 94 8; Fowler, 94.7; Cruikshanks, 94.3 Miss Brown, 93.3; Morris, 93.2; Wheatley, 92.2; M. deK. Smith, 92.1; Usilton, 91.5; Holloway. 91.4; Noble, 90; W. C. Brown 89; N. Wilkins, 88 9; Miss Downey, 88.5; C. C. Brown, 88 5; Graham, 88.4; Smith, 88.2; Miss Russell, 88; Beasten, 87.7; Hendrickson, 87.6; Beck, 87.5; N. Perkins, 87.2; J. Easley, 87.2; McDorman, 86.2; Miss Easley, 85.9; Polk, 85 8; Watts, 85 4; Glover, 85.3; Faithful, 85.3; Jefferson, 85 2; J. Eliason, 84.9; Miss Whaland, 84.9; Baxter, 84.8; Miss Wickes, 84.2; Venable, 84; F. Perkins, 83 3; McFeely, 83.3; Gordy, 83.1; Brinsfield, 82 9; G. Vickers, 82.8; Lucas, 82.4; Melvin, 81.6; R. Simpers, 81.5; Miss Reiche, 81.2; Sherwood, 81; Miss Boston, 80.6; Patton, 80.5; H. Vickers, 80.4; Cowman, 80 3; Miss Wilkins 80 3; M. Greenfield, 80.2.

The members of the Mount Vernon Literary Society, assisted by a number of friends, gave a royal serenade to the individual members of the faculty of the college on Saturday night. The young men composing the Mount Vernon fife and drum corps led the procession, and visited the professors at their homes. Miss Stiles, who boards in the town was not forgotten by the young gallants, and was soon wooed to the front door by the dulcit strains of music by the band. The young men were asked in and were given a most cordial reception. Miss Stiles made a neat little speech welcoming her guests, and afterward gave a charming recitation. Responses were made by Messrs. Polk, H. N. Perkins, Covey and Baxter. A number of college songs were sung, with Mr. Jack Westcott at the piano as accompanist. During the evening cake, lemonade and apples were served to the visitors. Mr. Thomas Perkins was leader in the vocal selections. Shortly after ten o'clock "Good night, ladies," was sung, and the young men dispersed after having passed a very enjoyable evening.

The members of the Mount Vernon Society will hold a splendid banquet at Shuster's restaurant, on the evening of Feb. 22. Covers will be spread for fifty. James A. Pearce, Esq., has been invited to be present and give the young men a talk.

"MUM SOCIABLE."

A Charming Evening Spent in Animated Silence.

The ladies of the Union M. E. Church, have devised a new plan of raising money for the devotional cause. They have decided to hold weekly sociables at the homes of the different members. The first of these gatherings was held on Wednesday last, at the residence of Mr. W. W. Parks, and the occasion was one of unrestrained enjoyment. The rooms of the lovely and picturesque home in which the guests were assembled, were artistically decorated with holly. The first hour of the evening was spent in a mum sociable, during which time all who became oblivious of the fact that they must remain silent, were fined five cents every time they spoke. Any who wished the privilege of talking during this hour, paid twenty cents on entering. After this trying hour (particularly to the female members, who so appreciate that wonderful gift of nature) elapsed, the guests were invited to an adjoining room, where they were entertained with a most ludicrous dialogue, rendered by Miss Helena Link, Mr. Tilden Cooper and Master Frankie Bacon. Other enjoyable features of the evening were the sweet recitations by little Addie Cooper. But by far the most pleasant feature participated in, was when the hostess, Mrs Z. P. Hubbard, assisted by her sister, Mrs. Richard Moffett, of Millington, and Miss Mary Russell, invited the assemblage to repair to the dining room, where were abundantly served the most delightful refreshments The cakes were artistically ornamented by Mr. Hubbard with the words welcome and the Union. All together the evening was a most enjoyable one, and we feel safe in saying that all returned to their homes much pleased with their kind reception and entertainment.

We hope that great interest may be manifested in their innocent way of furthering God's beautiful cause, and that the labors of each family will be crowned with success. VISITOR.

MILLINGTON HAPPENINGS.

Spicy Bits From Our Regular Correspondent.

Mr. A. Maxwell, of Middletown, and owner of the large livery stable of Mr. Samuel Mallalieu, which was burned December 20th, has nearly completed the erection of a new building for Mr. Mallalieu. This will be much larger and more convenient than the old one, and is being covered with sheet-iron roofing. Mr. B. M. Hazell has the contract for the roofing. Mr. Mallalieu will occupy the building in a few days. He also has the stables of the Brick Hotel. Mr. Hazell is also rebuilding his stables which were burned the same day.

Mr. C H. Stevens has moved into his new home on Cypress st.

Miss Della Massey is visiting friends in Philadelphia.

Dr. E. G. Clarke spent Sunday in town. He and family are boarding in Annapolis, Md., during the session of the Legislature.

Messrs. F. G. Usilton and Wm. R. Pippin, of Chestertown, spent Sunday with friends in Millington.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hendrickson and daughter, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with his brother, Mr. A. Hendrickson, near town.

Mr. W. H. Price has accepted a position with J. H. Coulburn, live stock commission merchant, Philadelphia.

Mr. W. F. Collins spent Sunday and Monday with his brother, Mr. Wm. S. Collins, near Centreville.

Mr. J. R. Poor and family, of Wilmington, Del., have removed to their home on Crane street, Millington.

Mrs. William West and sister, Miss Maud Pullen, of Price's, Md., have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Ahern.

Miss Linday Maloney, of Townsend, Del., was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Dr. W. M. Jacobs, a portion of last week.

Mr. J. L. Smith spent several days of last week with his parents, Harrington, Del.

Mr. Clarence Comegys, of Baltimore, spent several days of last week with his parents on Cypress street.

Mr. B. F. Vansant, our new postmaster, took charge of the office February 1st.

Messrs. W. E. Thomas and Harry Hendrickson, of Washington College spent Sunday at their homes. Y.

MARRIED.

HURLOCK—HOWARD.—In Still Pond M. E Church, February 7, 1894, by Rev. J. D. Kemp John S. Hurlock and Miss Grace M. Howard.

New Advertisements.

Ye epicures, ye peoples fond of good suppers, make engagements for to-night, to-morrow night and for Saturday night (15th, 16th and 17th,) which neither storm nor sunshine may change—that of supping with the ladies of Kennedyville Methodist Protestant Church. All your friends will be there.

Mr. W. E. Jarrell, of near Chesterville, advertises in this issue eight young sows for sale. See advertisement for particulars.

Mr. Clarence S. Hurlock, county treasurer for Kent county, gives notice in this issue to tax-payers who have not paid their taxes, that it is to their advantage to do so at once, and save costs and interest on same.

Dr. Samuel G. Fisher, clerk, advertises in this issue the law for the mutual protection of breeders and owners of stallions. Every one interested in this business should read this law carefully.

A local law to enlarge and extend the powers of the Kent County Savings Bank and to increase the board of directors of the same will be found in another column of this issue.

Messrs. Moody & Lusby, the live Main street clothiers, have a change of advertisement in this issue, in which they are offering great sacrifices on their entire stock, to make room for spring and summer goods.

Mr. Percy T. McFeely has a change of advertisement in this issue, in which he is offering red flag prices on high grade furniture.

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.

LENT—SACRED HEART CHURCH.—*Every* Wednesday evening, 7.30 P. M., Sermon on the "Passion," followed by Benediction. *Every* Friday evening at 7.30 P. M., Stations of the Cross, followed by Benediction. On the first and third Sundays, Mass at 10.30 A. M. Evening services, 7.30 P. M., with Sermon on the "Mass," followed by Benediction.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ROCK HALL.—Services on the second and fourth Sundays at 10.30 A. M., consisting of Stations of the Cross followed by Mass. Evening services at 7.30 P. M., with Sermon on "Lent," followed by Benediction. On the Monday following, Mass at 8 A. M.

SPRING OF 1894.

TRADE MARK

After a successful experience of 19 years in the manufacture of Fertilizers, we confidently refer you to our record, and earnestly solicit your patronage. An article that has been sold 38 seasons in succession, with an increased sale each spring and fall, and our sales the past year larger than ever before, ought to convince the most skeptical as to the merits of our goods, and that they must have superior quality and absolute uniformity and purity.

PEERLESS!
Our CORN and TOMATO Phosphate.

The leading farmers and canners throughout New Jersey, Delaware and Maryland, speak in its highest praise, declaring it to be positively THE CHEAPEST, THE SAFEST and THE BEST in use. Once a trial, always a patron. Wouldn't it be a good idea for you to try them? Farmers who have not tried our Tomato Phosphate will consult their interest by doing so upon their next crop. Many farmers think that all Phosphates are alike, but a fertilizer apparently the same by analysis on paper may show a vast difference when tested on the soil.

CHESTERTOWN, MD., 1893.

T. R. HUBBARD & SON—GENTLEMEN:—Yes, the ton of your Tomato Phosphate purchased of you and used last year, did well. I had my tomatoes in a young pear orchard of one-year-old trees. I applied the Phosphate by sowing broadcast and cultivating it in. The fruit was large, smooth and perfect, and whilst it is almost incredible, feel sure that my yield was 16 tons to the acre, but I know that Lamotte paid me for over 15 tons per acre. I know it did splendidly for me.

CHESTERTOWN, MD., Jan. 2, 1894.

GENTS:—In reply to your question as to my opinion in regard to your Tomato Goods, must say it is a good goods from the fact the finest Tomatoes grown and brought to my cannery were grown with your Phosphate. I remember one of my growers would bring some loads that were particularly fine, while others were not. I asked what made the difference, and he replied Hubbard's was used on the best, while another that cost more money, on the others. I believe your Tomato Phosphate to be an excellent article. JOSEPH DOWNEY.

FOR POTATOES.

Our "Special Potato Manure" has been used for years in competition with Mapes, Yarnell's and Baughs, in fact, all the high grade goods on the market.

For General Truck

We make a Special Truck Phosphate that contains all the required elements of plant food. One fair and impartial trial, will convince the most skeptical as to its merits.

FOR OATS,

Use our Special Oat Fertilizer, which has stood the test now for years. One patron claims to have grown 61½ bushels per acre with it.

FOR GRASS.

As a top dressing for grass, our Phosphate has no equal, but it should be applied in February or March if possible.

There Are Your Peach Trees.

As the world grows older and its people wiser, there is a growing demand for better and more perfect quality of goods of all kinds. The people to-day are not content with the manner in which their ancestors fertilized their orchards, but are striving to reach the heights of perfection. Finally, T. R. Hubbard & Son offered O. B. Guano, a natural bird manure found in the West Indies, and introduced here after their senior's return from that place in 1882. This goods became the base of their Fruit Grower. In appearance it looks like old peruvian. In analysis it runs higher than dissolved animal bone. In action has eclipsed all competitors. In sales more than any other Peach manure in the world. Then taking into consideration the quality, price, guarantee, our success, satisfied patrons, increased trade, our reputation, together with the fact that you have this season the prospect of a crop, we think further comment from us unnecessary, a trial will convince you that the goods speak for themselves.

T. R. HUBBARD & SON.,

Chestertown, Md., Manufacturers of Standard Bone Fertilizers.

Red Flag Prices.

HIGH GRADE FURNITURE!

One thing is certain, better Furniture of serviceable quality has never been presented. It is ALL FIRST CLASS; nothing shopworn; all fresh, beautiful, built to wear; everything in the catalogue of Furniture design. Yours at heavy discount. More room is wanted for SPRING GOODS.

We are Receiving a Fresh Stock of PAINTS and OILS

OF ALL KINDS,

in our Paint Store. We are still sole agent for Masury's Paint, Leads and Varnishes. Call at

PERCY T. McFEELY'S,

FURNITURE, CARPET AND PAINT STORES.

GREAT SACRIFICES

are being made at our store in order not to leave a vestage of Heavy and Medium Weight SUITS and OVERCOATS.

Getting Rid of Stock,

This is what we are doing, cost is an after consideration.

Turning the Stock Into Money,

in order to put it into Spring and Summer Goods, this is what we are after.

MONEY IS THE LEVER.

ing it along, and if you want CLOTHING we will sell you.

Respectfully,

doors below Postoffice

MOODY & LUSBY,

Square-Dealing Clothiers.

Best Flour,

Which is

LEA'S!

WE SELL WATCHES

That Keep Time!

That's what you want a Watch for. Prices begin at $4.00.

All goods warranted to be just as represented. Make a note of this, and call

AT WILLIAMSON'S

Cross Street Jewelry and Optical Store,

CHESTERTOWN, MD

The BOSS Patent Farm Fence on the Market.

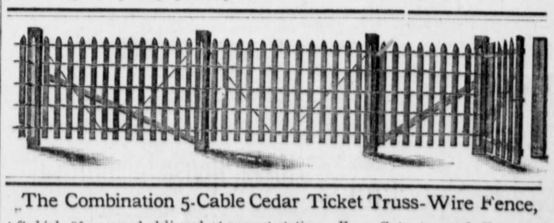
Fence Question Solved.

Farmers, Read Carefully.

THE ABOVE CUT REPRESENTS CORRECTLY THE PATENT

VAN WAGONER FARM FENCE!

REMEMBER, the Posts are set two rods apart; if properly set, will turn all kinds of Stock It is the only Fence over which you have positive control. It is the Cheapest Good Fence on the market. Buy a Farm Right, and your materials, by quantity, will not cost you, at present quotations, over 27c. per rod for an 8-strand No 10 Galvanized Wire Fence, with five pickets to the rod. With the Farm Rights I furnish the machines (2) necessary to put up the Fence. It will pay you back the Farm Right money in 100 rods at prices charged for putting up—65c. per rod.



The Combination 5-Cable Cedar Ticket Truss-Wire Fence,

4 ft. high, 95c. per rod, delivered at nearest station. Farm Gates to match Fence, with patent non-sagging brace, 10-foot Gate, one patent Brace Hinges and Catch, $3.75. Over 10 feet, 12c. extra per foot. Extra Brace 25c.

Also FANCY IRON AND STEEL YARD FENCES for sale. Call on or Address

JOSEPH GUEST, Chestertown, Md.