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## LOCAL MATTERS.

—The Queen Anne's circuit court will meet on May 7.

—A letter box will be placed at Stam's corner for the convenience of patrons of the postoffice.

—Col. W. Scott Roberts, senior editor of the Centreville *Record*, made the TRANSCRIPT a pleasant call yesterday.

—Mrs. R. D. Hynson and Miss Aldridge, will entertain a number of friends this afternoon at an oyster scald, to be held at Quaker Neck.

—Mr. George B. McWhorter is making material improvements to his Main street residence. Messrs. Robert N. Boston, Thos. Elliott and Fitten are doing the work.

—Mr. William T. Anderson, who some months ago moved to Baltimore, has rented the Mann residence on Queen street and has brought his family to Chestertown.

—Dr. John L. Wethered left on Monday for New York, where he will take steamer for Germany. The doctor will pursue a special course of two years in a German University.

—Commissioner Thomas J. Shallcross, on Tuesday brought to town a mussel which had turned to a solid mass of stone. The curiosity was found on his farm near Locust Grove.

—Messrs. Smith & Clements' advertisement of binders and mowers was received too late for this week, but will appear in our next issue. They represent the Deering macnine, one of the best ou the market.

—Mr. Joseph N. Wheatley, the assistant postmaster has forwarded his resignation as a Justice of the Peace. Mr. Shaw, the newly appointed postmaster will remove the office to the new site on or about May 1. He has purchased the boxes and outfit of Postmaster Hiram Brown.

—R. K. Pippin & Son contracted on Tuesday, with representatives of the American Strawboard Company, for the erection of a storage ware house at the Chestertown mill, 40x56 feet. The building will be of brick, and will be divided into two sections, one for a liner room and the other for storage purposes. Work was commenced yesterday.

—The boards of commissions of Kent and Queen Anne's counties, met in joint session yesterday, for the purpose of considering the subject of whether it would be better to put in a new draw at Chester bridge, or repair the old one. It was decided to secure an engineer and prepare specifications for a new foundation under the old draw.

—Is not our Queen Anne's friend just a little too previous? Mr. Preston R. Anderson, of Ingleside, has sold his crop of peaches for 1894 from 1000 trees to Mr. Joseph E. Willson, for twenty-five dollars. Some growers in Kent claim that they would sell out at "starvation prices," but are not rushing as yet to put their orchards on the market.

—Washington Coollege base-ball team will play a game with the Deichmann's school team, on Washington College campus, on Saturday afternoon, game to be called at 3 o'clock. The Deichmann's team beat the Baltimore City College men 15 to 4 last week, and the W. C. team defeated the City College nine a few days before by a score of 21 to 4. A rattling good game is expected.

—Queen Anne's has secured the passage of a law for the protection of the sheep interests of the county. The law provides that any owner of sheep, has a right to kill any dog detected in killing sheep, unless the dog escapes to the premises of its owner. The owner of the sheep may proceed against the owner of the dog for damages to the extent of the loss incurred, and the owner shall give bond in fifty dollars with security that the dog shall thereafter kill no more sheep. Upon a refusal to give such bond, the dog shall be killed by a constable, who shall receive one dollar for the killing, the fee to be paid by the owner of the dog. The bailiff may kill the dog wherever found.

—Temperate in all things, is one of the cardinal principles of the "Y. W. T. C. U." and the idea is adhered to in all things save possibly one, that of the "Y supper" which has long become proverbial for a superlative nature in their abundance and elegance of service, and the supper given on Wednesday evening in Shuster's dining parlors was no exception. The salads and all articles on the menu were as tempting as they were abundant, and the service by the young ladies: Misses N. E. Walters, N. E. Gooding, Maggie Anderson, Bertha May Stiles, Susie Matthews, Anna and Ethel Stewart, Belle Boston, Tillie Reiche, Minnie Peregoy, Claudia Thompson, Hettie Greenwood, Lillie Willis, Flora McCourt, Lola Staats, and Miss Anderson, could not have been improved upon.

### A Noble Work.

The ladies' sewing circle of the Mercy and Help department of the Epworth League of Chestertown, made a visit to the almshouse. They were kindly received by Mrs. Knight and her daughter. The visitors repaired to the breakfast room, which with its clean white walls and floor, looked very cheerful. The inmates were seated comfortably around the room. After singing and prayer, the Scriptures were read by the Rev. Charles S. York, who also gave an appropriate discourse to those present, after which the ladies uncovered the baskets which they had carried, and then followed a distribution of good things in the way of cake, etc. The visit concluded by calling upon those in the departments who could not come into the hall, after which the party returned home with bright and happy hearts, and with the consciousness of the fact that they had opened the way for another gleam of sunshine for the blessed Gospel of the Blessed Christ. Among those present were: Miss Annie G. Lambert, Mrs. Lucas, Mrs. York, Mrs. Reid, Mrs. Ringgold, Mrs. Anthony, Mrs. McWhorter, Mrs. Twilley.

MIZPAH.

### The W. C. T. U. Prizes.

The committee appointed by the W. C. T. U., of Kent county for awarding the prizes offered to the children of the public schools, announces that the following ladies have consented to act as chairmen of the various committees, and to them the essays must be sent not later than the seventh day of May:

Chairman of committee on first prize, Mrs. Emma C. Shafer, Kennedyville; chairman of committee on second prize, Mrs. C. M. Lucas, Chestertown; chairman of committee on third prize, Mrs. S. A. Hurlock, Hanesville.

### Lime Wash.

Slake a bushel of the best quality of lump lime with boiling water, and strain it through a fine sieve; dissolve two pounds of the best quality brown sugar, or granulated white sugar (the former preferred), and stir into this a quarter of a pound of Spanish whiting, and one and a half pounds of ground rice boiled to a thin paste, boiling hot; add this mixture to the slaked lime and stir thoroughly. Add water to bring it to a proper consistency. For coloring use Spanish brown, yellow, chrome or a little lamp-black. For smaller quantity the same proportions. This is a most excellent recipe and is timely and suggestive.

### A Purse For His Family.

Mr. Frank Shreck, one of the crew of the police schooner Anna B. Smith, met with a painful accident on Friday. Shreck had been to Rock Hall to visit his family and was returning to his vessel when the accident occurred. In jumping from the wharf to the yawl in which he was to go to his vessel, he struck his knee, bursting the cap. Dr. Hines was summoned, and as the injury must of necessity detain the unfortunate man from his duties for some weeks, recommended that he be taken to the Baltimore City Hospital, which was promptly done by Capt. Hyland on the police schooner. Mr. Robert H. Wright collected $21.75 on Saturday, and presented the purse to the wife of Mr. Shreck on Sunday. Mr. Wright states that his requests were met by such prompt responses as to render his action in behalf of the injured man's family entirely pleasant.

### Obituary.

The Woman's Relief Corps, No. 6, attached to Post 46, G. A. R., Baltimore, held memorial service at Grand Army Hall in memory of Mrs. Mary Rand, the mother of Olivia and Rosa Rand, the well-known actresses, on Friday last. Mrs. Rand, who was a member of the Woman's Relief Corps, died in New York about a month ago, and was buried at Loudon Park, Baltimore. The memorial service, which was conducted according to the new ritual, was very beautiful and touching. The music, especially was very fine. Mrs. Annie Daly was organist, and the singers, Mrs. Sallie A. Moore and Miss Hannah Daly. The ritual service was conducted by Mrs. Kate Johnson, president, and the officers of the corps. Colonel Theo. F. Lang was the orator.

Mr. Alexander Hoover, brother-in-law of Mr. D. U. Dewees, Kennedyville, died at Norristown, Pa., on Saturday last, about 60 years of age. Mr. Harris was a wealthy iron manufacturer. Mr. Dewees attended the funeral services yesterday.

### A Destructive Fire.

Between 8 and half-past eight o'clock, on Saturday evening, the outbuildings on the farm near Locust Grove, tenanted by Mr. Samuel J. Hill, were discovered to be on fire. Mr. Hill was at supper, when the colored men, who were also at supper, made the discovery and gave the alarm. The first thing done was to liberate the large number of horses in the stable, which was successfully done except in the case of three, which were left to perish in the flames. When discovered the fire had made such progress as to make the saving of the buildings an impossibility, and only a portion of the horses and some of the more easily handled and convenient farming utensils could be saved. The stables, with sheds attached, three horses, all of them fine animals, one cow, a large lot of farming implements, all of the harness and three tons of hay were consumed by the flames. The fire originated, it is thought, in the hay, but the exact cause is of course purely a matter of conjecture. It is thought, however, by Mr. Hill, that a match must have been in the hay by accident and in some way became ignited. The buildings were insured in a Delaware Co. Mr. Hill's personalty was insured through the agency of Mr. J. Herman Ireland. Among the horses liberated from the burning building were two young stallions, Young Smuggler and Mountain Boy, and a terrible conflict between the horses took place. Many neighbors who had driven over to render any possible assistance were kept at bay for some time, fearing to drive in the lawn where the horses were. A large force of men finally captured the combatants. The buildings belonged to the Charles Beaston heirs, of Middletown, Delaware.

### A Royal Shad Supper.

The members of the Chestertown Cycle Club, together with a number of friends, enjoyed a royal shad supper at the Chesapeake House, Betterton, on Thursday evening last. The cyclists left Chestertown about four o'clock, and though stopping at Lynch's, Still Pond and at several other points, made the run of fourteen miles in an hour and forty minutes. Mr. W. E. Moody and Capt. William Taylor left Chestertown a little late, and made the run in one hour and six minutes, making one stop. Capt. W. P. Howard, in command of "A Cycle for Six," took to the scene of action; Messrs. C. S. Smith, J. H. Aldridge, E. S. Wroth, Frank H. Howard and W. R. Mettee. Messrs. H. Strong, of Rock Hall, M. W. Thomas, R. S. Thomas and C. C. Hopper, of Chestertown, were also there and gave creditable performances at the table, though Messrs. Miller, Chapman and the Howard Bros. held indubitable sway in the contest for first position. The wheelmen present were: Messrs. C. W. Wroth, Capt. Wm. Taylor, William E. Moody, Harry Rickey, W. W. Chapman, W. B. Copper, Wm. R. Aldridge, T. W. Perkins, H. Rickey, Jr., J. D. Bacchus, W. E. B. Faithful, J. L. McFeely, Harry Simpers, Alvin Culp, M. A. Toulson, Allie Thomas.

After the splendid supper a concert was enjoyed, and a gentleman whose underpining was unequal to the extreme weight of shad put upon them, was called upon for a "speech," but was unequal to a reply. Capt. Brice and his most estimable wife were taken somewhat unawares, as a much greater number were present than was expected, yet there was enough and to spare for all.

Another run to Rock Hall supper is now being considered.

### From Betterton.

Shad fishing up to date has been very unsuccessful. Prices in Philadelphia market yesterday was: roe shad 25 cents, melts 14, rock 12 cents per pound.

Mr. George R. Craw, saloon-master of steamer Elizabeth, of the Ericsson line is home on a visit.

Mrs. Caroline Primrose, of Baltimore, spent two weeks with her brother, Mr. James T. Brice.

The Chesapeake House on Thursday evening was a scene of pleasure. The Chestertown Bicycle Club came down to enjoy a shad supper, and a more jolly set of fellows seldom meet here. We hope to see them often.

The steamer Sassafras is carrying a great deal of asparagus to the city and some fancy prices are being obtained. As much as $8.50 per dozen was paid for Kent asparagus last week. SEWANEE.

### A Handsome New Residence.

Hope H. Barroll, Esq., on Tuesday, awarded the contract for the building of his handsome new residence, to be built on his farm on the suburbs of Chestertown, to William S. Alvin M. Culp. The residence promises to be one of the most handsome and the most elegantly furnished in all of its appointments of any home in the county. It will be of colonial style, three stories high, and surmounted by an observatory. There will be colonial porches in front and on two sides, with balconies above and connected by galleries. On the first floor will be the library, parlor, sitting room and dining room, with a large hall. There will be fourteen rooms independent of the halls. The library will be finished in cherry, the hall in hard oiled cypress, the parlor in china white gloss, and the sitting room and dining room in oiled cypress. The walls will be white coated. In the parlor and parlor chamber will be large tripple windows, with large double windows in the library and library chamber.

All of the windows will be of plate-glass. On the stair landing, and the recess under the stairway there will be handsome cathedral glass windows, and in the recess will be stationary seats. The stairway will be of cherry and ash, with rope balusters in various designs. The house will be heated by hot water. There will be a dumb waiter, speaking tubes, and electric bells in each room. The porches will be supported by heavy colonial columns. The chimnies will harmonize in height with the other proportions of the house and will be capped with ornamental blue stone. The contract calls for a completion of the work by November 10, 1894. When completed the residence will be one of the most elegant and most beautifully located in the county, and possibly on the Eastern Shore. Mr. Barroll has decided not to build on the old site, but has selected one possessing decidedly greater merit for beauty of location. Grading and other improvements will be commenced in the fall. The Messrs. Culp commenced the work, as per contract, yesterday.

### THE BASE-BALL FIELD.

#### A Second Victory for Washington College.

The game last Saturday between Washington College and New Windsor College, was won by the former, score 4 to 1, in six innings. The game was a pitcher's contest, and Burris, as usual, came out ahead. Whitehill, the opposing pitcher, was hard to hit. He is a man built for speed, and he had it. His curves were nothing to speak of, but he tossed the ball so lively across the plate, that the home team failed to connect with it very often. Still, had the game been finished the score probably would have been run up on the visitors, as the Kent boys were getting the hang of the New Windsor man's delivery. Outside the battery, the visitors showed decided inferiority as ball-players. The home team went in the field confident of winning, and that, together with the make-up of the opposing club, caused the game to lack some of the interest of other contests. The New Windsors were not college men; the club being made up of players all over the country, backed up by a hired battery. They should have been shut out; an overthrow to second by Zearfoss, followed immediately by an error of Beaston in centre field, who attempted to stop the ball, allowed "Coxey," who had reached first on a hit, to score. Most of the runs of the home team were made on errors by the short-stop, pitcher and catcher. The game was begun at about 2 P. M., or shortly thereafter, and called at the end of the 6th inning to allow New Windsor to catch the boat at Tolchester.

Manager Perkins expected to go to Maryland Agricultural College next Saturday with his team, but a communication from that place breaks the engagement on the score of financial stringency, and the trip had to be abandoned. Mr. Perkins is now trying to secure Deichman's School for a game on W.C.'s grounds for next Saturday. This team defeated the Baltimore City College by a score of 15 to 4, two days after the latter's Waterloo in Kent. Saturday week St. John's will be here, and a close contest is looked for.

### FROM GALENA.

GALENA, April 24, 1894.

MESSRS. EDITORS.—The Georgetown Presbyterian Church was the scene of most beautiful wedding on Wednesday of last week. The contracting parties were Miss R. H. Hall, of Cecil county and Mr. Charles Ditman, of Baltimore city. They took the late train at Middletown, for an extended trip north. Their future home will be in Baltimore.

Misses Lena Ireland and L. K. Scott have been chosen by the Epworth League as delegates to attend the convention at Easton in May.

Presiding Elder Smith filled the M. E. Church pulpit Sunday morning. His subject "The love of many shall grow cold". was ably handled and he held the close attention of his congregation through his entire sermon. He preached at Massey's in the afternoon and at Cecilton in the evening.

Some of our farmers are planting corn, while others have not finished ploughing

Mr. Wm. B. Ford says he will have, any way, a half crop of peaches if they are not again injured. He finds many of the blossoms sound.

Wheat looks well.

Some asparagus is going to market.

Mrs. E. A. Scott and children are on a visit to her father, Mr. Diggs, of Baltimore city.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hyland, of Chestertown, spent Sunday last with his father, Mr. Wm. A. Hyland.

Miss Minnie Cooper, of St. Michael's, Talbot county, who has been on a protracted visit to her sister, Mrs. Wm. Hicks, returned home Tuesday.

Rev. E. H. Nelson, who has been out of town for the past few days, is expected to return to-day. SCRIBBLER.

### Court News.

County commissioners court, Tuesday, April 24. Full board present. Garrett Foxwell, treasurer for Kent county, presented his official bonds for county and State taxes, which were approved by the board and directed to be filed with the clerk of the circuit court for record by orders endorsed thereon. John F. Conner, keeper of standards of weights and measures, presented his official bond as such, which was approved by order of the board, and directed to be filed with the clerk of the circuit court for record. Walter Francis, constable for Kent county, in and for the fifth election district, presented his official bond, which was approved and ordered filed with the clerk of the circuit court for record. The recommendation of Susan Wilmer, colored, of the first district for pension, was considered and a pension of $10 allowed and ordered to be provided for by levy in 1894. The board was further engaged in examining, approving and passing accounts for payment by orders on levy in 1894, and noting transfers and abatements.

## COURT PROCEEDINGS.

### James J. Spear Declared Innocent of the Murder of John Brophy. —The Evidence in the Case.

### ROUTINE BUSINESS OF THE SESSION.

Full proceedings of the court up to the adjournment of court on Wednesday, were given in our last issue.

On Thursday morning the case of ex-Sheriff Edward J. Plummer against Edward W. Spear, was taken up. The facts of the case were, that Mr. Spear, a miller and highly respected citizen of Millington, purchased of C. E. Comegys in August, 1893, 600 bushels of wheat. The sheriff in October of 1892, had levied upon the growing crop. Mr. Spear knew nothing of the crop having been levied upon, but the court instructed the jury that the levy attached to the crop, and that the purchaser came in possession of the property at his own risk. The jury gave a verdict for Plummer for $219.86. A motion in arrest of judgment was filed. Barroll for Plummer and Pearce for Spear.

The suit of the receivers of the D. B. Stewart company, of Baltimore, against John D. Urie, was postponed because of the absence of certain books which were necessary in the trial of the case. The suit was to compel Urie to make payment of stock subscribed to the company. The defendant subscribed $200 to the stock, paid $50, and before making another payment the affairs of the company went into the hands of receivers. R. D. Hynson, H. P. Stewart and Walter J. Dawkins appeared for Stewart; Jas. A. Pearce and Marion deK. Smith for Urie.

The case of H. H. Barroll vs. the commissioners of Chestertown was removed to Centreville.

The case of H. L. Lemkiehl against J. E. Gilpin, was a suit for $93.30, balance on account of liquors. The defense claimed that the goods were ordered for the now defunct Chester Social and Literary Club. Verdict for defendant. Hynson for defendant; Barroll for plaintiff.

At one o'clock, the case of James J. Spear, charged with the murder of John Brophy, at Massey's, in December 1893, was called for trial before a jury. The full particulars of the case have already been given in the TRANSCRIPT, consequently it is deemed necessary to only give the condensed evidence as brought out at the trial. The remainder of the day was consumed in securing the following jury in the case: Edward W. Emory, Wm. B. Stephens, Thos. J. Davis, Ray Bowers, Horace A. Willison, Thos. C. Maslin, P. A. M. Brooks, Benj. F. Davis, A. S. Crawford, Finley Collins, Murray Smith, T. J. Shallcross. The regular pannel was exhausted without getting but six jurors and the counsel for the State came within one of exhausting his right to challenge, before twelve jurors were secured.

The Court (without swearing the last man in order not to keep them together) cautioned the jurors not to talk with any one or allow any one to talk to them.

FRIDAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

The trial of the State against James J. Spear was promptly taken up, with Judges Joseph A. Wickes and Frederick Stump on the bench. Spear is highly connected, handsome, and has an extensive circle of friends, which facts attracted a large number of persons, and the court room was literally packed.

Mrs. Spear, mother of the prisoner, and a large number of ladies, were in court. The clerk of the court read the indictment charging him with murder, the prisoner stood attentive and motionless. Immediately after the reading of the indictment he took position at the trial table with his counsel, Messrs. Harrison W. Vickers and Richard D. Hynson. Spear is 26 years old, wore a heavy mustache with smooth face, and was neatly dressed, when called upon to meet the charge of murder.

The first witness was John Rowan, who works at the Massey's creamery. He testified to having seen Spear at the station shortly before the shooting, and asked him if it was so that Brophy had given Watson Spear in? Spear said, "Did he?" Thought that Spear said he would go down and "lick him." Rowan said: "No, Jack, I would try to get him to compromise." Spear said: "No, as good and kind as we have been to him, I will go down and lick him." Did not see the pistol, but saw Spear start down town. He (Rowan) went down and saw the crowd coming out of Malsberger's store, and heard some one say that Jack Spear was going to kill Brophy, and in a moment he heard the report of a pistol. He told Spear "We will send for a doctor" and Spear answered, "Yes, for God sake send for a doctor."

Carroll Clark, son of Dr. E. G. Clark, and clerk in Malsberger's store at the time, stated that he took the afternoon train for Millington, and saw Spear at the depot. Spear spoke to him and asked if Brophy was in the store, and received the answer that he was. Spear then walked off toward the store. He had a pistol in his hand and either put it in his overcoat or his hip pocket. He (Clark) judged from Brophy's actions that he had been drinking, but was not drunk.

Mr. Malsberger, in whose store the shooting occurred, testified that shortly after supper, Brophy was in his store leaning carelessly on the counter, Spear entered the door and walked up to Brophy and said, "Brophy did you go to Millington and give Watson in, as kind as we have been to you this fall?" Brophy answered "Yes, sir, I did." Spear struck Brophy, who had not raised up from the counter. Brophy slid around the counter and knocked the scales over. He did not fall to the floor and as he recovered he caught hold of a weight (about two pounds) which was on the end of the counter. By the time Brophy recovered, Spear had him covered with a pistol, and said, "Brophy, don't raise your arm or I'll shoot you." He repeated it twice and possibly oftener. As Brophy's arm started up Spear shot. He (Brophy) had raised the weight from the counter. Neither man had advanced a step and were three or four feet apart. Malsberger said to Spear: "Jack don't shoot." Brophy caught Spear's blow on his arm. Did not see Spear draw the pistol. First saw it when Brophy took hold of the weight. Brophy said, "You'll have to shoot." Spear had Brophy covered with the pistol when he told him to drop the weight. He (Brophy) raised his arm about half way. Between the time of the blow and the shooting a half or possibly one and a half minutes elapsed.

James H. Travers, who lives at Massey's, said that he was in the store when Spear came in and walked up to Brophy and said: "I hear you have given Watson in." Brophy said: "I have" Spear said; "You d—— son of a b——, as much as we have done for you," and struck him, but did not strike him a fair blow. Travers left the store but saw the pistol in Spear's hand as he went out. He did not hear Spear tell Brophy to drop the weight.

F. C. Numbers, agent at Massey's, testified that he saw Spear at the depot on December 6, the day of the shooting. Saw what he took to be the nickle of a pistol in Spear's hand while he was on the platform. Spear held it above the heads of those around him.

Dr. Comegys, of Millington, testified that he attended Brophy and found a fatal wound in the left side of the neck, and from the direction taken by the ball Brophy's side must have been to Spear.

The dying statement of Brophy was not offered in evidence. It had been given to Esquire Johnson; he had failed to send it to the State's attorney, and had in the meantime died.

James J. Spear, the accused, then took the stand. He testified that Brophy had hired to himself and mother during the fall work. He had worked at cutting off corn, and then husked corn by the barrel, and had received many kindnesses while there. On December 5 he was discharged by Watson Spear, acting under instructions from his mother. He saw Brophy in Malsberger's store that evening. Brophy said he had had trouble with Watson. Spear said: "Is that so? I am sorry for that." He (Spear) then made a calculation and found that he owed Brophy $1.95. He gave him a $2.00 bill and Brophy said he would get it changed, but he (Spear) did not take the change. He said to Brophy that it was too bad a night for any one to go out, and insisted that he should go back to the house and stay all night. Brophy said no. He (Spear) had an engagement to meet Mr. Stephens at Malsberger's store between 6 and 7 o'clock. Had been in the habit of carrying a pistol since the Hill murder. The pistol was on the mantel on the day of the shooting; he thought of the pistol after leaving home, and went back after it. While on the platform at Massey's he changed the pistol from the pocket of his overcoat to his hip pocket, because it was less liable to be discharged in the hip pocket. After putting the pistol in his pocket, he buttoned his coat up. Until he went to Massey's, he had heard nothing of the writ for Watson. Rowan first told him, and asked if it was so. He saw Clark, and something was said about Brophy being in the store. After the train left he went to Malsberger's store to meet Mr. Stephens, but was not hunting for Brophy. He saw Brophy in the store and said: "John is it so that you haye gone down to Millington and sworn out a warrant for Watson, as kind as we have been to you?" Brophy said: "Yes." Spear then said: You d—— onery son of a b——." Brophy said you are another, and Spear struck. Brophy retreated down the counter; did not follow him, as he (Spear) wanted no trouble. When Brophy got to the end of the counter, he (Brophy) picked up a weight. Spear said: "John don't raise that weight." Brophy had stepped out from the counter. Told Brophy three or more times not to raise the weight, and each time Brophy's hand went down. The last time he struck his breast and said: "Shoot you son of a b——, shoot. I will——." Then Spear shot. He shot because he thought if he did not he would be killed. He had no opportunity to escape after Brophy took up the weight and drew back to throw it. He had no animosity or ill will, and would have shot for no other purpose than to save his own life. Brophy, after being shot down said: "Jack, you d—— bastardly son of a b——, if I ever get up I'll kill you yet." Brophy pulled off his coat and threw it on the floor before picking up the weight. Could not say that Rowan did not advise him to compromise with Brophy, but he did not hear him. Did not know whether he asked Carroll Clark about Brophy or not.

W. W. Spear, brother of the prisoner, testified that Brophy was discharged by order of his (Spear's) mother. He (Watson) did not tell his brother that Brophy had been discharged, or that they had had trouble on December 5.

Joshua Galloway, of St. Augustine, Cecil county, stated that he was in Malsberger's store, saw Spear enter and heard him ask Brophy about the writ. He corroborated the testimony that the two men cursed each other. Brophy pulled off his coat when Spear struck at him and took the weight, and said: "Jack you've got it to do." Spear took the pistol from his hip pocket. Brophy took up the weight before Spear drew the pistol. Spear told Brophy two or three times, "If you raise the weight I will shoot." Brophy said: "Shoot you son of a b——, shoot, struck his breast, raised the weight as if in the act of throwing, and Spear shot. While on the floor after being shot, Brophy said: "D—— son of a b—— if I ever get over it you're a dead man."

Robert Galloway said: "Spear did not address Brophy in an angry manner. He (Galloway) corroborated some of the material points testified to by his brother.

Dr. Latimer, of Galena, stated that he had attended the wounded man, and that the wound had been received while the man's side was to the man who had shot the pistol.

James E. Spear, of Millington, talked with James J. Spear from the car window on the evening of the shooting. And Spear told him of the engagement with Stephens. He saw no pistol, which he would have done had Spear had it in his hand, as testified to by Numbers. He did not see James J. Spear all the time at the station, and did not see him talking with Carroll Clark.

Dr. E. G. Clark, who attended Brophy, corroborated the evidence of Drs. Latimer and Comegys.

Court then adjourned to meet again at 6 o'clock and continue taking evidence in the case.

Mrs. Spear, mother of James J. Spear, was the first witness called after the recess, and testified that her son had been carrying a pistol since the Hill murder. She also testified to the kindly treatment which had been extended to Brophy.

C. S. Thomas, of Sudlersville, testified that he saw both Spear and Brophy on the day of the shooting. Brophy told of having given Watson Spear in, and said that he could break Jack Spear in two if he wanted to. Brophy abused the whole Spear family. Saw Jack on the platform, but saw no pistol.

C. S. Stephens testified that he lived on Mr. Tobe Merritt's farm, and had an engagement to meet Jack Spear at Malsberger's store at 6.30 o'clock. He went there just after Brophy was shot.

A. F. Huey swore that Travers told him that he heard Jack Spear tell Brophy twice to drop the weight.

Wm. H. Cacy testified that Malsberger told him about a half hour after the shooting, the particulars of the affair, and said that Brophy raised the weight not quite head high.

H. B. Massey swore that Malsberger told him that he did not see Spear shoot, and that Brophy raised the weight head high. He (Malsberger) also said that Brophy raised and lowered his arm as Spear told him three or four time not to raise the weight. Brophy called Spear a son of a b—— and said shoot, and at the same time patted his breast. Jack shot after Brophy raised the weight.

After Messrs. Slay, Hynson and Vickers had made exhaustive arguments, the case was given to the jury at 3 o'clock, and at 5.30 o'clock a verdict was brought in declaring Spear not guilty.

MONDAY.

First case, State against Capt. W. S. Boyer, charged with illegal dredging. Jury trial. Verdict not guilty.

State against Capt. Harrison Collison, for illegal dredging, case quashed.

State against Martin L. Warner charged with illicit sale of whiskey. Not guilty.

State against Isaac Gleaves, colored, charged with firing a pistol at Officer Kelley. Verdict not guilty.

WEDNESEAY.

Trustees of D. B. Stewart Company against John D. Urie, non pros.

Caroline R. Merritt against Samuel A. Merritt, suit on note, non pros.

T. R. Strong against C. C. Morgan and others, to be concluded to-day.

Court will probably adjourn on Saturday, possibly to-morrow.

### CRUMPTON HAPPENINGS.

#### A Cannery Assured — The Electric Road—Farm Work Advanced.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—No section of either Kent or Queen Anne's could be more materially benefitted by increased facilities for the transportation of passengers and freight, than would Crumpton and its immediate vicinity on both side of the Chester. The question of having the proposed electric road continued on to this point has created much interest, and doubtless the enterprise would receive support and no impediments would be thrown in the way. A strong move has been already made to bring the matter before the projectors of the road, and the question has been seriously considered.

The cannery is now a practical certainty. The pile-driver for Sanford & Brooks, Baltimore, has arrived, and is in progress on the piling of the wharf, and will be completed in about two weeks. Dr. Sheppard will erect the buildings, and Sanford & Brooks will put in the machinery, which will be of the most approved kind in every respect.

Shad and herring have been on the menu cards at Hotel Bradley during the past several weeks. A number of summer boarders are expected at the hotel during the coming season of warm weather.

BENTLEY BARD.

### The Evolution

Of medicinal agents is gradually relegating the old-time herbs, pills, draughts and vegetable extracts to the rear and bringing into general use the pleasant and effective liquid laxative, Syrup of Figs. To get the true remedy see that it is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only. For sale by all leading druggists

### PROSPEROUS ROCK HALL.

#### Enormous Catches of Fish—A Strange Visitor—Horse Racing and Other Items of Interest.

If it be true, as is claimed by some, that the name of Rock Hall, the pretty bayside village, really owes its name to a tremendous haul of rock-fish, we would suggest that the time-honored name be now changed to Herring Catch. Messrs. James E. Apsley & Son, the affable fishermen, have broken all recent records in fishing. In a single day last week they took 80,000 herrings from their pound net, and on another occasion were forced to open the pounds and release the fish because of their inability to fish the nets without the individuals of the great mass of fish smothering each other. It was impossible for the two men to draw the net to the surface because of the weight of the fish which crowded to the bottom. On Monday Capt. Apsley took over 50,000 herring from the same pounds. Boats and large vats are used in salting the fish away. The captain in one day used thirteen sacks of salt to salt down his catch.

Capt. W. B. Shaw, about ten days ago caught forty-odd loons (large ducks) in his fish nets. The big birds are usually considered valueless, but the captain, more as a joke upon our city cousins than for any other reason, shipped them to Baltimore and received a fair price for his novel catch. Mr. A. Casey and several others are engaged in large fishing interests up the bay.

A representative of the TRANSCRIPT spent a portion of Saturday and Sunday at the splendidly-kept hotel Chesapeake, Mr. George E. Lambert, proprietor, assisted by his most estimable wife and daughter. They make charming hosts, and a royal visit was enjoyed.

Horse racing forms a favorite pass-time on Saturday afternoons, when the owners of local flyers meet to test the speed of their favorites. Benjamin H. Coburn has a good one, and though he was "in it" at the wind up on Saturday, some are disposed to think that the splendid goer of Richard Titter, of Quaker Neck, was dangerously near when the line was passed. Thus it will be seen that honors were so evenly divided on Saturday, that the question has not as yet been positively settled. George Walbert, too, has friends who claim that his horse, Rock, is as good as the best, and that neither Coburn nor Titter can leave him in the rear. Lev. Gale also has a smart goer, and by consent of many is the quickest of the Rock Hall flyers. The matter will possibly be put to a test on Saturday next, when hundreds of lovers of sport will witness the contest.

Of course, it is no reflection upon the town, and indeed, it would not be a bad idea for Rock Hall to send her evangelist, Dr. Riley, to Chestertown. The doctor preached a splendid sermon on the streets on Saturday night to an attentive audience.

A mysterious stranger anchored in the Rock Hall harbor last week in the form of the quaintest looking craft that ever split a wave or unfurled a sail. As black as midnight, as ugly as a camel, and as awkward as a mule is a concise description of the vessel sailed by Captain James N. Pearce, or as the captain styled himself "Wild Jim, the ocean crank." The captain was an ideal tar of the old school, rugged and weather-browned. He had built his vessel himself and was accompanied by a beautiful shepherd's dog. The boat was twenty-two feet long, had a rustic cabin, and with her two water-tight compartments was unsinkable. The captain said that she had been built upside down, hind part before, inside out and had been rolled down a mountain to a marsh, where she waited for a high tide to float her off. The jib was in the stern of the vessel, and her general make up was primitive and curious. She was, though extremely homely herself, named Kapalca, after a most beautiful flower.

We must thank Captain J. E. Apsley, Mr. A. Casey, that prince of good fellows, Wm. Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Lambert, and indeed, hosts of others, for kindly considerations shown. Indeed it would be impossible to imagine a more royal hospitality than was extended to the TRANSCRIPT representative.

The Independent Order of Good Templars, of Rock Hall, will celebrate their first anniversary, at Downey's Hall, on Friday evening, May 4, at 7.30 P. M. A delightful programme is being prepared and a most enjoyable occasion will follow.

CONSECRATION SERVICE.—Trinity Cathedral, Easton, Md., will be consecrated to the service of Almighty God on Thursday, May 24th, by Bishop Adams. The Bishop of Delaware will preach the sermon appropriate to the occasion, and several clergymen from the Diocese of Easton, beside visiting clergymen will be present.




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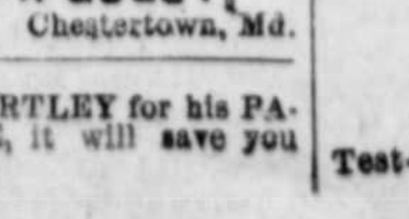
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Feb. 16, 1893.


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