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LOCAL MATTERS.

Fine Stock.—Mr. J. Walter Skiryen, has shipped eight of his finest young bulls to the Channel Islands to improve the breeds of the Jersey and Alderney cattle.

New Deputy Sheriff.—Mr. Whittier Copper, son of Mr. John F. Copper, has accepted the appointment of deputy sheriff, vice Deputy Sheriff Owens resigned.

Town Property Sold.—An half interest in the Smyth property, on the corner of Mill and Cannon street, and occupied by Mr. Percy T. McFeely, was sold at sheriff sale on Tuesday to Mr. F. G. Usilton, for $80.

New Outbuildings.—Messrs. R. K. Pippin & Sons have finished the dwelling on the farm of Messrs. Hynson and Smith, near Crumpton, and have entered into a contract for the erection of large outbuildings.

Strawberries in Market.—The first home-grown strawberries in market were placed on sale by Mr. Charles H. Jefferson, of Queen Anne, on Thursday. The berries, which were of fine size and sweet for so early in the season, sold at 15 cents per quart. The crop is reported somewhat short.

Queenstown Left Out.—The $5,000 appropriation for Queenstown harbor has been cut out of the river and harbor bill by the Senate. The Senate, however, agreed to permit a resurvey of the harbor, and Representative Miles proposes to make a strong fight to have the appropriation inserted in the bill.

Early Tomatoes.—Mr. W. H. Kirby is one of the early birds in the line of fine vegetables, and has tomatoes, growing out of doors which will in a very short time be ready for the table. They are of the Aristocrat variety. Mr. Kirby has hundreds of thousands of all kinds of plants and reports a heavy demand during the present season.

Hung Itself.—A catbird met with an unusual experience several days ago. W. H. Kirby the florist left a ball of cord lying beneath a small tree in his garden. A catbird which was building in the tree thought to appropriate the cord to its nest, and accordingly seized the loose end and flew on a limb. The ball was an obstruction and in a few minutes the industrious builder was found fast to the limb, the string being securely tied around its throat and then around its wings and body.

A Horse for a Dog.—Ex-county commissioner George W. Rodenhiser, has possibly one of the most valuable setter dogs in the county. Though the dog is not yet eighteen months old, Mr. Rodenhiser gave Mr. William Wood a valuable horse for it. The dog happened to be present when the offer was made for his purchase and from that moment on he has never but once returned to his old home. The ex-commissioner's horse was also present when the bargain was made, but with less intelligence than was shown by the dog had to be led to its new home.

Handsome Residence.—Mr. Klinefelter, who owns a handsome property near Chester bridge, in Queen Anne, has had made by Contractor Culp elegant improvements to his residence. The dwelling has been remodeled and enlarged, steam heating apparatus has been put in, elegant porches built and now Mr. Klinefelter has one of the handsomest homes in the county. The spot ideal with Mrs. Klinefelter is the spacious hall, with fire place, hard wood mantel, arched ways leading into adjoining rooms and a winding stairway of elegant design. Mr. Culp pronounces this one of the finest homes that he has ever remodeled in Queen Anne. Mr. William Coleman did the plastering and gave a fine piece of work.

Obstruction Overcome.—The Pennsylvania Railroad's obstruction to the building of the Queenstown road was overcome by legal proceedings, last week. The Pennsylvania Company refused to allow the new road to cross its tracks near Queen Anne station. Last week Sheriff Seymour, of Talbot county summoned a jury, and condemnation proceeding were gone into and one hundred dollars damage allowed the Pennsylvania company. The latter road crosses Lloyd's branch near Queen Anne station on a high trestle. The Queen Anne road will follow the bed of the branch, and its track will be 21 feet below the bottom of the trestle bridge. The amount of damage allowed is considered ample to provide for all expense to be incurred in the strengthening of the trestle over the tracks of the new road.

The Baby Show.—The announcment that the baby show to be held at Middletown, Delaware, the latter part of this month, is to be open to competitors from Kent, has created widespread interest among the mothers of the hosts of beautiful children in the county. Of course all of the Chestertown babies will not go, but the contest would be decidedly interesting should they decide to enter the lists, and we venture the prediction that Kent would hold its own from any point of view. The decision will be by five persons selected from five different towns as judges of the contest, and the mother producing the finest model of a child two years old will be entitled to a solid gold watch; one year old, to a gold watch and chain; and under one year old to a pair of gold bracelets. The competition will extend to Delaware and Kent and Cecil counties, Maryland. The mothers will be required to free admission, otherwise 35 cents will be charged. Those wishing to compete will please address George W. Ingram, Middletown, Delaware.

Town Improvements.

Captain Kelley, with his corps of men, has been busy during the past week marking the square in the centre of the town. The plots of grass have been shaped up and the result has been to demonstrate what wonderful changes for the better can be wrought at trifling expense. The plot near the Chester river wharf, which has served as a dumping ground for old rubbish for years past, has been hauled off and Mr. James Dunbracco, animated by a spirit of enterprise, has offered to improve it and see that it becomes an ornament to the approach to the wharf.

Nothing is heard of the new public school building in these latter days. After August it is expected that the matter will be formally taken up for settlement as to location, etc.

Nor has the site of the new ladies dormitory building at Washington College been definitely settled. Some difference of opinion exists as to the advisability of using the lot adjoining the residence of Prof. J. R. Micou or the purchase of a lot from Mr. Bell, on the opposite side of the road.

Mr. M. A. Toulson is having an addition erected in the rear of his store. The extra room has long been needed and Contractor Pippin will soon have the work completed.

No citizen of Chestertown but will be glad to know that that handsome plant, Scott's Point saw and planing mill, is to be again imbued with life and energy. The Messrs. Trenchard, of Church Hill, are now putting in machinery preparatory to active operations in the manufacture of peach baskets during the season. It is proposed to keep the mill constantly running throughout the year in manufacturing baskets, boxes, etc.

News of the Track.

The Chestertown Cycle Club has rented the fine track of Mr. A. J. Hynson, near town, for the present season. The track will be used for training purposes and the club and inter-club circuit races in the fall.

Mr. A. J. Hynson will soon commence working Sailor Girl, his fine trotting mare, preparatory for the approaching season. Mr. Hynson will work the mare himself, and states that she will go into training under the most favorable conditions. This beautiful mare will force her competitors well down in the figures.

There are a number of promising youngsters in the county which will be heard from this fall.

Church Notes.

The Northern Convocation of the Diocese of Easton has been in session in Shrewsbury Parish during Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. On Tuesday evening, at Galena, there was services and addresses by appointed speakers. On Wednesday morning, service at Shrewsbury Church, the Holy Communion and a sermon by Rev. Dr. Sutton. A bounteous collation was prepared by the congregation, which was partaken of and enjoyed by all who were present at the services. There was service in the afternoon, followed by addresses delivered by appointed speakers. There was service in the evening at Galena and addresses delivered by appointed speakers.

The 27th annual convention of the Diocese of Easton meets in Emmanuel Church, Chestertown, on Tuesday, the 2d day of June, 1896. On Monday evening, at 7½ o'clock, there will be service and a sermon by Rev. Mr. Denroche, and confirmation. On Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock, there will be service, Holy Communion and the convention sermon, by Rev. Geo. C. Sutton, D. D., of Trinity Cathedral, Easton, after which the convention will be called to order. On Wednesday morning, at 7½ o'clock, there will be early communion. On Wednesday afternoon a meeting of the "Woman's Auxiliary," in the Sunday school room. On Wednesday night a public service in the Church at 7½ o'clock for the Woman's Auxiliary, where there will be addresses by Miss Emory, the president of the auxiliary, other lady officers, the bishop and clergymen appointed to speak. On Thursday night there will be a missionary meeting and addresses by appointed speakers in the church at 7½ o'clock. All welcomed to these services.

The congregation of Christ M. P. Church will meet to-night to discuss the subject of a new parsonage.

Rev. Henry G. Budd, of Perryville, will preach at the M. E. Church next Sunday morning. He will also make an address at the anniversary exercises of the Epworth League in the evening, at 6½ o'clock the same church. An interesting programme has been prepared. Choice music will be rendered. Public cordially invited.

Children's Day will be observed at the M. E. Church, Sunday, June 7th.

Prof. Thos. D. Bowers will discuss the subject "Social Life in the Church, What the Epworth League May do for it," at the Epworth League Convention at Port Deposit, May 27th.

News of the Boats.

The C. C. C.'s are elaborating one of the most delightful trips ever given from Chestertown for next Tuesday night. Music, moonlight on the water and beautiful girls will be in attendance. Don't forget the C. C. C. moonlight excursion for Tuesday evening next. H. Rickey, Sr., will sing a solo and Dave Ford will warble "The Girl I Left Behind Me."

The pleasure yacht, Marie Westcott, which figured conspicuously last year in yachting circles, is now owned by E. S. Valiant & Son, Church Hill, and is being used in freighting building material out of South East creek.

The Harland W. Houston, a large three-masted freight schooner, coal-laden for Mr. J. D. Bacchus, has been at Chestertown this week. In addition to the regular crew the captain brought his family, consisting of his wife, little daughter and son, a dog and a cat. The vessel was of 318 tons burthen and drew 8 feet, 4 inches of water.

The pleasure yacht Eva, owned by a number of the members of the Chester League, has been sold to Messrs. W. F. and James C. Stoops, of Pomona.

It has been several times suggested that one of the most desirable changes which could possibly be made to the steamer Corsica before she is again placed on her regular route, would be the introduction of electric lighting. The steamer is a great convenience to the traveling public, and is largely patronized, and nothing could add more to the comfort of patrons than good lights. Often it is impossible to secure a stateroom, the lights are so poor that reading can be done only at great injury to one's eyes, and time drags heavily indeed. An appreciative public makes this timely suggestion to the Chester River Company.

Capt. William Cundiff, of the steamer Sassafras, spent last Wednesday in Chestertown, and called upon many friends.

The beautiful pleasure boat Kaplan, belonging to the Messrs. Eben F. Jr., and Thomas Perkins, is in Baltimore, and her purchase is being negotiated for by Baltimore parties. She is fast, and splendidly built.

The pleasure boat Hallie, belonging to the Perkins Brothers, has been provided with a new suit of sails.

A beautiful Naptha launch of the Baltimore Yacht Club, brought a number of members of the club to Chestertown on Sunday.

SUMMER AT TOLCHESTER.

A Famous Battleship Ordered There —Formal Opening.

Arrangements have been completed for the annual cruise of the Maryland Naval Battalion. Tolchester was again selected as the place and the week of July 11th to the 18th, inclusive, the time. The seamen-soldiers will go to the beach on the Dale, and will there meet the famous battleship Indiana, which the Navy Department has agreed to loan to the battalion for the week. The ship will have its full complement of naval soldiers and seamen, under the command of Captain R. D. Evans, well known as "Fighting Bob." During the week the reserves will be taken out to sea on the great ship for at least one day, and given practice with thirteen-inch guns, main and secondary batteries, and instructed in general seamanship. The Indiana is at present lying at Hampton Roads. She is one of the four largest ships in the navy and is considered a model of modern sea fighters.

The place is in every way suited to the occasion, as was proven last year. It gives the boys all the opportunity they desire for practice in small boats, for landing parties, sham battles, battalion drills and dress parades on land.

There will be battles between the faithful and ancient Dale, and the up-to-date battleship, together with daily practice for the signal corps. These will bring out of the Baltimore boys the exact nature and amount of instruction they have received during the past two years.

Among the special features of the cruise will be a cutter race between crews of the Indiana and the Dale. During the middle of the week the annual ball of the reserve will be given, either at the Hotel Tolchester or on the Indiana. To this will be invited representatives of the Navy Department, Governor Lowndes and staff, General Allison Wilmer, General Lawrason Riggs and staff, and the colonels and officers of the three regiments, together with Mayor Hooper and members of the City Council. For the special accommodation of the guests, Captain Eliason, of the Tolchester Company, will run a special boat to and from Tolchester in the evening. It is proposed to make the affair the most elaborate of the kind ever held in the State. The Naval Reserve Band, Prof. J. D. Sauerwald, leader, will go on the cruise and furnish all the music.

The cadets at the Maryland Agricultural College, in Prince George's county, have arranged to encamp at Tolchester Beach from June 3 to 11. There will be about 150 of them, and they will have regular army tents and equipments.

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL.

Dr. J. H. Willey, of Syracuse University, and Mrs. Willey, who have been abroad for several months, sailed for this country on the steamer Spree yesterday.

Miss Hattie Seemuller, of New York, who has spent several weeks so pleasantly in Chestertown as the guest of Miss Hurtt, left on Tuesday to visit Baltimore friends.

Dr. W. S. Maxwell, one of the most extensive and most widely known fruit growers of the county, and Mr. Howard Turner visited the fine fruit farm of Capt. R. S. Emory on Tuesday, and express themselves as delighted with their entertainment and what they heard and saw.

Messrs. Sereck Shallcross and James Shuster, two representatives of the Chestertown Cycle Club, left on their wheels on Saturday for an extended trip through Western Maryland and the Shenandoah valley, Virginia. The gentlemen rode to Kirkwood, Del., on Saturday and on Tuesday started for Hagerstown awheel. Mr. Shallcross took along a codak and will take pictures of a number of the most beautiful scenes which present themselves through the Virginia Eden. Weir's Cave, Luray and other points of interest will be visited.

Mr. James Shuster has resigned his position as clerk in the store of Messrs. Westcott & Dood and will associate himself with his father in his restaurant and ice cream business.

Capt. Andrew Woodall, drove to Chestertown last week in a carriage, rendered delightful for riding purposes by having rubber tires. This was the first rubber tire carriage, possibly, ever seen in the town.

Mr. Charles M. Peters and daughter, Miss Carrie, of Snow Hill, Md., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Hubbard on College avenue. Mr. Peters is conceded to be the largest peach nursery grower in the United States, having grown 3,000,000 trees last year, and Miss Peters is one of the most popular of the pretty girls of Snow Hill.

Messrs. W. T. Matthews and Horace Reed were guests of Adamant Lodge 180 A. F. and A. M., Centreville, on Monday evening. The occasion was a banquet at which Grand Master Thomas J. Shryock and a number of other prominent Masons were expected to be present, but were detained by the storm. Messrs. Matthews and Reed declare the banquet portion of the unfinished programme to have been a brilliant success.

Mr. George B. Twilley, in addition to other accomplishments, has developed into a designer of beautiful patterns in picture frames. The frames are cut out of celluloid, the patterns are entirely original, and the frames are beautifully ornamented.

W. W. Chapman, paying teller of the Chestertown National Bank, will start on a ten days' tour through the north and west the latter part of this week.

Mr. Frank Jester and Miss Josephine Zeizel were married last evening at the priest house of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, by Rev. Father McSweeny. The bride wore a handsome wedding gown of white organdie and carried bride roses.

It will be gratifying to the friends of Mr. C. M. Lucas that he is again able to be out of doors. He had been confined to his room for fully six weeks.

Miss Morgan Beaston is the guest of Miss Blanche Ostrander, West Philadelphia.

Mr. A. J. Cahall is much improved in health and is able to be on the street.

General John Bordley is convalescing.

Deputy Sheriff Owens has resigned his place as a county official and has accepted a position as cabin officer on the Ericsson steamer Capt. Cadwalader. Mr. Owens made an efficient official and his resignation is to be regretted.

The Baltimore *American* on Sunday of last week published on its society page the picture of Miss Anna Bryant Hill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hill. Miss Hill has many friends in Kent, where she has frequently visited.

The Tolchester Company has issued invitations to a number of friends to take a trip with them to Tolchester Beach on their "opening day," June 1st. The excursion will be to inspect the improvements, changes, etc., at Tolchester Beach and on the steamer "Louise" for this year. The steamer Louise will leave pier 16, Light street, Baltimore, at 3.00 P. M. Returning, will leave Tolchester at 7.00 P. M., arriving in the city not later than 8.45 P. M.

Miss Matthews, of Virginia, is the guest of Prof. and Mrs. J. Roy Micou, at Washington College.

Mrs. Anderson, is the guest of President and Mrs. C. W. Reid, at the College.

Mr. I. Freeman Rasin, and son I. Freeman Rasin, Jr., of Baltimore, spent several days of this week the guest of Mrs. Annie Rasin, at Millington.

Mrs. Jane Collins and little granddaughter, Hallie Crane Collins, spent Sunday guests of Mrs. A. E. Crane.

Hope H. Barroll, Esq., spent Sunday and Monday in Philadelphia, the guest of his brother, Mr. J. Leeds Barroll. Mrs. Barroll and two sons returned home with Mr. Barroll.

Mrs. Lloyd Burke, of Queen Anne, has been visiting Chestertown and Kent county friends.

A delightful banquet was enjoyed by the members of the Washington College Athletic Dramatic troupe which has so successfully rendered "A Celebrated Case," on Monday evening. The beautiful room in the Catlin Law Building was handsomely decorated with flowers, national banners and potted plants. The table was charming in arrangement. Prof. E. J. Clarke was toastmaster and presided at the head of the table. The toasts were: Delights and pleasures of being well-read in your lines; responded to by H. W. Catlin. Difficulties of stagewooing, Mr. T. W. Perkins; The Centreville trip, Mr. Coursey; His disappointment at the last performance of A Celebrated Case, Mr. Goldsborough; His theatrical aspirations, Mr. Pardee; France versus the aesthetic pronunciation of the name, Miss Seemuller; Rehearsal versus Trench, H. Rickey, Jr.

FAIRLEE.

As the Rev. Dr. Mills was absent from his church yesterday, being away at General Conference, caused quite a number of the members of St. James M. P. Church to attend service at Salem M. E. Church, where we were glad to welcome them.

Our Children's Day entertainment has been announced for May 31st. Every preparation possible is being made to make it a great success. The programme has been carefully selected by the Sunday school officials.

Extensive preparations are being made by the members and friends of the Union M. E. Church for the festival, which is to take place in the hall at Worton on Friday and Saturday, May 22d and 23d.

Mrs. Haslup, the State president of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, is to be with us next Sabbath morning and evening. She will deliver an address on each occasion. She will also meet the members and friends of the W. C. T. U. at the church here on Saturday afternoon at two and a half o'clock. All will be welcome who may wish to attend.

A very heavy wind storm has just passed through our town, leaving some of the trees on Main street minus some of their branches. The rainfall was very light, but thankfully received. Our farmers say unless there is considerable rain soon the wheat and grass will be very short.

Town improvements are still being made. Mr. Wm. G. Smyth is improving his property in the village now occupied by Mr. John L. Hudson on Front street. We learn that a summer kitchen is to be built and an enclosed back yard, new pavements and some painting is to be done, all of which will add greatly to the appearance of the place.

Mrs. John Noland and daughter have been visiting friends here.

Mrs. Geo. Hart, and Mrs. Watts, of Townsend, Del., have been the guests of Mrs. Rash, of near Melitota.

Mrs. J. B. Merritt returned home on Saturday, after having spent a pleasant week with her daughter, Mrs. Hepbron, of Baltimore.

Mr. Wm. Sappington, our miller, stopped at the postoffice one day last week; his horse, not being tied, become restless and ran off, but with the exception of a lost coat and a shattered dearborn, no other serious damage was done.

Mr. John Lewis, our postmaster, and a native of Rock Hall, was seriously hurt on Thursday of last week. He was at work with some other men driving piles near the public landing at Rock Hall, when he was in some mysterious way caught and wedged between two piles. The doctor has very little hope of his recovery.

Our sidewalks have again been put in good order under the supervisorship of the Rev. J. B. Merritt.

During the wind storm of this afternoon a large locust tree was blown down in the yard of Mr. Samuel Leaverton, mashing the fence but doing no other damage.

While painting is the order of the day we hope our parsonage will not be left, but will soon be shining with a new coat of paint. EAST END.

NOTES OF THE DIAMOND.

Professional and Unprofessional Ball Playing.

One of the most spirited and most amusing games of the season took place on the Washington College diamond on Friday afternoon. Dr. C. W. Whaland, as captain of the impromptu "Professionals," challenged Mr. William R. Aldridge, captain of the "Business Men's Club," to a game. The challenge was accepted and at 4.00 P. M. game was called and the ball put in play. Pitcher Davis, of the college team umpired, to the satisfaction of both teams, the only kicking being when the players kicked themselves. In the second inning Dr. H. L. Dodd, a really good player, in wrestling with the second base on a slide, suffered a serious sprain of the ankle and had to be carried home in a team. The injured part has been quite painful but is better at this writing.

The following are the players and the number of runs made by each:

PROFESSIONALS.

Dr. H. L. DODD, 1 b, builder up and restorer of old and new constitutions. No runs.

PROF. E. J. CLARKE, p., educator, elocutor, actor and high-grade cyclist. No runs.

WILLIAM BECK, p., lawyer, collector and winner of cases. Two runs.

L. W. WICKES, 2 b and c., attorney, counseller, pleader and erstwhile ball player. No runs.

DR. C. W. WHALAND, prolongator of human existence and diagnosticator of physical disarrangements. No runs.

J. ROLLISON, s. s., artistic chirographer and ball player. No runs.

S. SHELTON, 3 b, druggist, and professional refreshment dispenser. No runs.

DR. H. L. SIMPERS, c. and 2 b., health restorer of the future. No runs.

J. VANDEGRIFT, r. f., tonsorial artist and lightning grease eradicator. No runs.

W. H. MCFEELY, guarantor against the uncertainties of the future.

BUSINESS MEN.

J. CANNON, 1 b., contracter and manufacturer of chips and good ball, 2 runs.

W. R. ALDRIDGE, p., merchant and disseminator of artistic designs, 1 run.

DAVE FORD, c., phonographer, confidential clerk and artistic renditionist of "The Girl I Left Behind Me," when in Centreville, 1 run.

D. A. BACCHUS, c. f., Cycle Club official, semi-politician and seller of early fine fruits, 1 run.

H. HODGKINS, 3b., electric disseminator, cycle record maker and breaker, 2 runs.

S. SHALLCROSS, l. f., financier, courter (both of trouble and girls) and general good fellow, 2 runs.

JAMES SHUSTER, s. s., congealor of cream, water and juices, 1 run.

J. D. BACCHUS, dealer in pure carbon at 2240 pounds to the ton, 1 run.

O. ESTES, 2b., a man who can play good ball, but wants a more remunerative occupation, 4 runs. Total, 16 runs.

The professionals were outclassed and runs were conspicuous by their absence.

The Washington College team on Tuesday was scarcely given good practice work by the Cliftons, of Baltimore. The visitors were outplayed at every point as may be judged from the score, 18 to 3, in favor of the home team.

Score by innings....	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	T
Washington College.	2	0	1	0	0	2	2	4	2	18
Clifton Ath. Club....	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	3

Earned runs—W. C., 5; C. A. C., 2. Two-base hits—Burris, Murray, Stidham. Three-base hit—Davis. Home runs—Murray and Thompson. Stolen bases—Burris and Stidham, 3; Boston, Conway and Thompson, 1 each. Double play—Dunn, Coggins and McBriety. Passes on called balls—Off Davis, 2; off Dunn, 4. Hit by pitched ball—Massey and Thompson. Struck out—By Davis, 15; by Dunn, 4. Wild pitch—Davis, 1; Dunn, 1. Left on Bases—W. C., 10; C. A. C., 4. Umpire, W. E. B. Faithful.

A DESTRUCTIVE STORM.

Great Destruction of Property Throughout the County—Capt. Clark Rescues a Vessel's Crew in the Patapsco.

A short but destructive storm swept over Kent about 4 o'clock Monday afternoon. The storm passed over Chestertown with cyclonic force and was accompanied by blinding clouds of dust, rendering it impossible to see an half square away. Rain soon followed and the dust was allayed. A number of teams were in Chestertown at the time and the greatest consternation prevailed for a time. One gentleman changed the location of his double team three different times in less than ten minutes to prevent trees falling on it.

The large covered milk wagon of Mr. John Bell was caught on the road, completely overturded and the horse had to be cut loose from the shafts. A hundred some shade tree was blown on the residence of Capt. William D. Burchinal, but no damage was done. A large shade tree in the yard of Mrs. Constable was uprooted. Several of the beautiful trees in the court house square were badly broken. A large tree opposite the residence of Dr. J. A. Catlin was torn in two, and from one end of Chestertown to the other, broken trees and wreckage strewed the streets.

On the road leading to Quaker Neck, the peach orchard of Capt. Burchinal was badly torn to pieces. A small house on the shore of Capt. R. S. Emory, in which his nets and fishing paraphernalia were stored, was torn completely in half and one part landed at the water's edge. Large shade trees in the yard of Mr. W. H. McKee were uprooted. Peach orchards were also greatly damaged.

AT GEORGE S. BIDDLE'S.

The destruction at the home of George S. Biddle, on the Kennedyville road, was very great and the storm reached its greatest fury at that point, the damage being great. It came on with a terrific roar, and Mrs. Biddle, who was at home alone with her children, was terrified, and promptly sought Divine protection in prayer. Two beautiful and very large evergreen ornamental trees were snapped off about thirty feet from the ground and their tops carried a distance of over one hundred feet. A large cherry tree was blown up by the roots and another larger than a man's body was twisted off at the trunk as though it had been a reed. Beautiful maples and other large trees were broken and wrecked. The end of the stable was also blown out.

Before reaching Mr. Biddle's, the storm swept through the peach orchard of Mr. John Burris and the orchard presented a scene of general confusion and wreckage. A large walnut in the yard was blown up by the roots.

WINDMILLS WRECKED.

A windmill and pump at the home of Bedford Roe, near Kennedyville, was blown down and wrecked, though a few minutes before they had been in perfect working order. The windmill of Mr. Victor Hendrickson lay in the path of the storm and was blown down and badly damaged.

One of the outbuildings on the farm of William A. Kennedy, near Kennedyville, is reported to have been moved on its foundation. Undertaker E. C. Reiche, of Chestertown, was caught by the storm while attending a burying at the colored church in Morgan Creek neck and reports heavy hail. Sixteen large windows were broken out of the church by the hail stones, and Mr. Reiche had considerable difficulty to keep his horses from running away.

Vast numbers of peaches were slashed from the trees, but a full crop is left up to this time.

FROM MILLINGTON.

A very heavy wind storm, with almost the velocity of a cyclone, and lasting five minutes passed over our town from south west about four o'clock Monday afternoon. No buildings were blown down in this locality and the ground being very hard owing to the recent dry weather, was perhaps the reason that so few trees were blown down. But one tree in Millington was uprooted, that being a large locust in the yard of Mr. W. J. Tolson, in Sand Town. Several other trees in the town were started and perhaps some of them will have to be cut down for safety.

Capt. Geo. C. Towsend's Bugeye Lottie had her main mast carried off in the Pardners while lying at her moorings near her wharf.—*Millington Correspondence.*

FROM GALENA AND CHESTERVILLE.

A big wind storm, accompanied by but little rain, struck here yesterday about 4 o'ck P.M. In Galena, small branches were torn from trees and some other slight damage done. Mr. D. J. McCauley had a shed blown over and Mr. Sam'l Caldwell a rick of hay.

Mr. C. J. Scott was caught on the road in his carriage. The force of the wind was so great that the carriage was slewed around in the road.

The storm in the vicinity of Chesterville assumed the strength of a cyclone, uprooting large trees, blowing down fences and damaging other property. A large oak standing in the yard of Mr. Wm. Baldwin, was blown directly on the roof of his kitchen, smashing it in, but without injuring his wife and child, who were in the kitchen at the time. Their escape seemed miraculous. A large tree standing in the centre of Chesterville was torn up by the roots.

Mr. Samuel Coppage's peach orchard was litterly blown to pieces. I have been informed that trees were torn up and twisted all out of shape.

Mr. J. T. Pennington had a good deal of fencing blown down on his farm near Chesterville. I have heard of no buildings being damaged or any injury to persons or stock. The blow lasted about fifteen minutes.

FROM ROCK HALL.

The storm of Monday afternoon was terrific. Considerable damage was done to fruit trees, very many peaches being threshed off. A dwelling in course of erection and nearly completed, south of Grey's Inn Lane, was blown from its underpinning, and a new dwelling on the road leading to the steamboat wharf was slewed from its foundation. A number of vessels and small craft in the various harbors were upset or blown ashore.—*Rock Hall Correspondence.*

CAPTAIN CLARK SAVED A CREW.

Though the storm on the water was severe, the loss of life was comparatively small. Captain John Clark, of the steamer Gratitude, who has figured as the hero on four different occasions by rescuing human life from the waves, again became prominent as a life saver. The storm struck the Gratitude when off Steelton, in the Patapsco. Great clouds of dust were blown from shore which were blinding. When the dust settled the bugeye P. Pendergraft, of Rock Hall, Capt. Thomas Elburn, was seen capsized in the track of the steamer. Captain Clark stopped and rescued the crew, composed of Capt. Elburn, Columbus Kendall, Wm. Gale and Wallace Wheat, all of Rock Hall. The latter two returned to their homes on the steamer, while the captain and Mr. Kendall boarded a tug and returned to Baltimore to arrange to have their vessel righted.

ROCK HALL NEWS.

Hopes were entertained generally that the long controversy over the police boat "Skippership," would be difinitely settled last Thursday, but another week's contention must be endured. If *fitness* is to be given prominence in the selection, surely there ought to be no difficulty in deciding the appointment, as that qualification seems to have been pretty well drawn out as to the contestants. Captain Stevens is still on deck, and is very sanguine of his ultimate election.

The village and vicinity were highly entertained during last week by the Circus and Theater Company with their daily performances, one of the features being a street parade by the superb band each afternoon, which attracted the juvenile portion in all directions, but was rather annoying to those with nervous teams.

Notwithstanding the apparent seasonableness of the weather for the past two weeks, vegetation seems to be quite slow in its processes. Wheat and grass are not as promising as the conditions of two weeks ago warranted, and garden truck is almost at a standstill, and there is considerable annoyance by insect.

The Knights of Pythias on Sunday morning last attended divine service in a body at Wesley M. P. Church, where the Rev. Mr. McCaslin preached a special sermon.

The vessel-purchasing fever has struck this place with a vengeance, quite a number of oystermen having purchased vessels for general freighting and the coming oyster season. Capt. B. F. Sewell has now placed his pungy, the A. Parker, on the market with a view of purchasing a larger vessel. Preparations are also underway for a large addition to the oystering fleet.

Improvements to property is the order of the day all along the line. Among those thus engaged are: S. D. Sewell, adding a back building to his dwelling and other improvements. W. R. Larrimore, erecting a back building to his dwelling and a shop for his bicycle business. J. M. Collison, a carpenter shop and general storage room on his property now occupied by J. A. Smith. R. J. Harrison, erecting a front porch, and adding a fresh coat of paint to the exterior of his house. J. W. Boyer, new roof to his dwelling, and F. T. Hogans, a roof to his front porch. J. T. Stevens, enclosing his property with a wire fence. Frank Davis, a back building on his property occupied by Frank Wilkins. A. Alexander, placing a neat board fence the entire length of his tenant property in Alexville. All of which improvements adds very materially to the looks and convenience of the respective properties.

Those who are fortunate enough to have suitable accommodations for summer boarders, are very busy in their preparations for the influx that will soon set in from the crowded city, which will, from present indications, far exceed any previous year.

Boatmen are overhauling, scraping and painting their floating property preparatory to the summer's trade in freighting, fishing, crabbing, etc.

Last Tuesday, the 12th inst., being the fifth anniversary of the institution of Maxwell Lodge, No. 27, I. O. O. F., the members celebrated the occasion by assembling at the hall of the lodge with their families, best girls and other invited guests, where a banquet was served in true fraternal style, after which instrumental and vocal music, addresses and other pleasantries were enjoyed until a late hour. Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, quite a large audience was present. BON JOUR.

KENNEDYVILLE NEWS.

An interesting game of ball was played at Crumpton on Saturday afternoon last, between the Crumpton and Kennedyville teams resulting in a victory for the latter in the tenth inning. The score was tied twice, once in the eighth and again in the ninth, standing 5 to 5 at the close of the ninth inning. In the tenth inning King came to bat with two men on bases, and knocked a home run thus netting three runs for the Kids, then Crumpton came to bat on the last half, and scored two runs before a man was put out. At this critical moment Greenwood did his good work and struck out two men in succession and the third man knocked a high twisting foul but catcher Minner was equal to the emergency and made the catch which ended the game. Good playing was done by both teams. Faulkner retired the side by the catch of a fly ball and throwing to King and King to Johnson catching two men on bases. The Kids say the fielding done by the fielders of the Crumpton team was the best they ever saw. Score by innings:

Crumpton. ...	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	5 — 7
Kennedyville.	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	1	3 — 8

Greenwood struck out 14 men.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Pennington spent several days of the past week with relatives in Delaware.

Miss Lillian Busick, of Baltimore, has been visiting friends in this community.

Miss Laura McKnett, of Baltimore, is visiting her parents at Urieville.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Pippin, of Wilmington, have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. W. McKnett.

Messrs. Shafer and Davies paid 56 cents for milk for the month of April. JUNO.

When Nature

Needs assistance it may be best to render it promptly, but one should remember to use even the most perfect remedies only when needed. The best and most simple and gentle remedy is the Syrup of Figs, manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Company.

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RASH MURDER TRIAL.

Jury Failed to Agree and it is Stated Stood 7 to 5 for Murder in First Degree—Jury Discharged and Court Adjourned to Meet in Special Session and Commence a New Trial of the Case on June Third.

THURSDAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

Joseph Giles, colored, testified that Brown accused him of having disclosed business matters to Rash. Brown also said, "Sam Rash is a yellow son-of-a-b—and if you side with him you are another."

Doctor Allen, colored, testified to a conversation which he said had occurred between him and Brown, at which Brown said that his brother-in-law had gone back on him and that he, Brown, was in trouble about a note, but he would get even with Rash if it took him 100 years to do so.

Detective Seibold was the next witness for the State. He described in minute detail how he had, with detective Pumphrey and Deputy Sheriff Roberts, followed up the various theories as they presented themselves in his efforts to discover the perpetrator of the crime. He told of how he had examined the home of Brown, etc., restated the finding of the shot pouch, which was identified as belonging to the witness Coursey. He exhibited some shot and pellets, which he said were taken from the body of Rash when post-mortem was made. He said that there were 3 seed and 2 shot taken from the lungs. He also exhibited a quantity of small seed which, he said he had gathered from a bush growing in the garden at prisoner's home. He also told of an interview which he, with other officers, had in the jail with the prisoner. At which interview the prisoner told that on the night of the tragedy he was at Roesville, but declined to give any further information of his whereabouts. When pressed to do so he said "he was not going to say anything which would implicate himself" and referred his questioners to his counsel. The witness then told of the drive which he, with other officers, made over the route supposed to have been taken by prisoner, which occupied 1 hour and 23 minutes time. Sixteen and a half minutes of this time was consumed by a stop in the peach orchard on the Rash farm.

On cross examination the detective denied that there had been any attempt to put up a job on prisoner. When shown the contents of the bottle, which was reported to contain shot and seed taken from lungs he was unable to distinguish positively the shot from the seed. He was unable to tell how the shot pouch got to Coursey's house, where found.

EVENING SESSION—DEFENSE.

Walter Thomas, colored, saw a horse pass his house going at a rapid pace on night of murder.

Harry Handy, colored, drove to Clucktown on night of murder and overtook two men on road. Was driving at a good gait. A number of other witnesses were examined but nothing material was drawn out.

Mr. Brown, for the defense, then arose and addressing the court said: "We are willing to submit this case to the jury without argument." State's attorney Harper and Mr. P. B. Hopper, who assisted him, held a conference. The State accepted the proposition. Judge Wickes instructed the jury as to the form of verdict they should render and a bailiff was sworn to take charge of the jury.

The jury retired about 9 P. M. and the court adjourned.

At 8.30 P. M. on Friday, says the Centreville *Record*, Judge Stump called the jury into court, first sending for the counsel engaged in the case and ordered the sheriff to bring in the prisoner. A few minutes thereafter Brown came in and took a seat by the side of his counsel. Mr. Edwin H. Brown said: "Tom, the jury have not agreed." This relieved the prisoner very much and his countenance brightened. This conversation took place as the jury filed in. The clerk was ordered to call the roll. All answered. Judge Stump then said: "Gentlemen of the jury have you agreed upon a verdict?" The foreman answered "we have not." "Is there any prospect of your agreeing by morning?" "I think not," responded the foreman. "Gentlemen," said Judge Stump, "this is to be regretted and, I have no doubt, as much by you as by the court." After some pertinent remarks to the jury, Judge Stump ordered the crier to adjourn the court to Wednesday, June 3d next. The whole case will have to be tried again and the same expense again incurred. This is to be regretted. It is currently reported that the jury stood 7 for conviction and 5 for acquittal.

County Commissioners.

Session of May 19th. Full board present. The following accounts for road work were examined and allowed: Otho M. Fogwell, $49.67; John F. Dodson, $22.21; John D. Boyd, $81.89; A. L. Hudson, $8.05; R. H. Coleman, $23.95; Geo. Faulkner, $25.00; J. P. Jewell, $26.00; Walter M. Spry, $42.45; Samuel B. Latham, $31.95; W. W. Dwyer, $100.87; Benj. Wheeler, $65.85; Geo. T. Bramble, $41.33; F. C. Anderson, $97.51; R. R. Hill, $66.48; W. S. Walker, $54.15; A. J. Toulson $51.45; William Biggers, $22.25. The