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## LOCAL MATTERS.

**Valuable Horse Lost.**—The splendid driving horse of Mr. Harry L. Boyd, died yesterday of lockjaw, resulting from a nail stuck in the foot.

**Will Admitted to Probate.**—The last will and testament of the late William S. Busick was admitted to probate before the Orphans' Court on Tuesday.

**Early Closing of Stores.**—The merchants of Chestertown have signed a petition to close their stores at 7.30 o'clock instead of at 9 o'clock, as heretofore, during the months of July and August, Saturday nights excepted.

**Apricots in Market.**—An unusual sight in the local market was apricots for sale in peach basket lots on Tuesday. The fruit, though rather small, was delicious in flavor and found ready sale. Mrs. A. S. Turner, of Worton, brought the apricots to market.

**Fine Wheat Yield.**—The finest yield of wheat so far reported is that of Mr. Louis Hayes, on the farm of Capt. Andrew Woodall, near Georgetown. Mr. Hayes got a yield of 33 bushels per acre off fifteen acres, and from 130 acres threshed 3400 bushels, an average yield of over 26 bushels per acre.

**The Matter of Lower Freights.**—The fruit-growers of Kent and Queen Anne are requested to meet at the court house, in Chestertown, at 3 o'clock on Saturday next, July 11th, to discuss the matter of lower freight rates on the present fruit crop. All fruit-growers and interested parties are requested to attend.

**Geological Reports In.**—Dr. Bagg, who has spent two weeks in Kent making geological surveys, has made his report, which contains much interesting and valuable information as to the geological structure of the county. The information from the various counties will be collected and given out to the people not earlier, probably, than May next.

**County Commissioners.**—Session of July 7th, 1896. Full board present. The following accounts were examined and passed and provided for in current levy: John D. Boyd, road work, $12.50; J. C. Davis, road work, $20.20; Dolly Reese, hauling lumber for Chester bridge, $8.40; N. W. James & Co., lumber for Chester bridge, $115.37, of which Queen Anne pays one half.

**Fine Stock Purchased.**—Mrs. Helen Kent Shaw has purchased of Mr. James H. Baker three fine thoroughbred Jersey cows, to be placed on her farm near Chestertown. Mrs. Shaw has had a windmill erected, and a perfect system of drainage placed through her house and on the property. Hot and cold water will be one of the marked conveniences of this model and handsome home.

**The Fresh Air Children.**—The sixteen interesting little fresh air children arrived last Friday and are now indulging in a royal enjoyment of fresh air and country life. Some of the little folk are extremely quaint and pretty and have been the objects of no little interest during their stay. In several cases they have been home-sick, but were easily packed.

**Real Estate Sales.**—James A. Pearce, Esq., assignee of mortgage, sold on Tuesday at public sale, the Richard S. Diehl farm, situate in 5th district and containing 326 acres, to Mr. Samuel Dunn, of Philadelphia, at $14 per acre. Chas. T. Westcott, Esq., assignee of mortgage, sold the Chas. Brown property on Cross st., Chestertown, at public sale to the Colored Protective Building and Loan Association of Chestertown, for $560.

**Successful Colored Camp.**—Rev. E. E. Hughes, pastor of Bethel colored M. E. Church, up town, is conducting a most successful camp in a large tent in Lynchburg. The tent is spacious and it is estimated that nearly two thousand persons attended the meetings on Sunday. Presiding Elder Charles Bournes of Baltimore, and Rev. N. B. Snowden assisted in Sunday's services. Bishop Handy will be present next Sunday.

**Early Peach Sales.**—One of the largest peach growers of the county was several days ago asked at what price he would sell his entire crop of fruit. "Well," said he, "I believe the peach is to go at profitable prices, and at this time thirty cents would be only a conservative demand for the run of the orchard, all fruit and all varieties taken." Mr. Frank Crow, of Melitota, has sold his early fruit, in the orchard, at 25 cents per basket.

**Bank Dividends.**—The Chestertown National Bank has declared a semi-annual dividend of three per cent. clear of taxes. The Second National Bank, at the regular meeting Wednesday, declared a semi-annual dividend of 3 per cent. clear of taxes, added $400 to surplus and left $500 to undivided account. The surplus of the bank has now reached $10,000. The Centreville and Cambridge banks have also declared a semi-annual dividend of 3 per cent.

**New Commission Firm.**—Messrs. W. Harrison Newnam and Charles W. Kibler, of Queen Anne, have formed a copartnership under the firm name of Newnam & Kibler, for the general commission business. Mr. Newnam has had six or eight years experience in handling peaches, having been in the commission business during several of the largest crops ever grown in the State. Mr. Kibler is also a practical fruit man. The headquarters of the new firm will be at 318 Light street, Baltimore.

**Big Prices for Peaches.**—Speaking of peach prices on Monday, ex-Judge Thomas J. Shallcross, stated that the highest price ever received by him for peaches was in 1865, when he received for four boxes shipped to Philadelphia, a check for twenty-eight dollars. Oh! that those good old prices may return in this year of 1 96. Mr. Shallcross also stated that during one season he purchased five hundred packages of fine heath peaches for a northern canning firm, and the lowest price paid was $3.50 and the highest $5.00.

**A Colored Voter's Idea.**—Immediately following the St. Louis convention, two colored voters were overheard exchanging ideas as to the result. Well, said one, de 'Publican candidate is named, and Mr. William McKinney, of Centreville, is de President, and Mr. Hubbard, Mr. Will Hubbard's father, is in de second place. Dey wanted a silver plank in de platform, but de 'Publicans said silver wasn't good enuf for dem, dey wanted all gold, and dey made a solid gold platform, and de Democrats will hab to hab silver in dern. As to dis 16 to 1 free silver business, dat don't cut much figure [illegible] man; dat simply means [illegible]rs fur de white man and one [illegible]t, ef he can git it. Be not [illegible] good book says; be sure [illegible]ll find you out, and we cullud [illegible] watch dis 16 to 1 move.

**Repairs to Chester Bridge.**—Contractor Robert N. Boston, with a force of men is engaged in making repairs to Chester bridge. About 30 yellow pine stringers, 6x14 inches and from 25 to 30 feet long are being put in. Some of the old timbers are perfectly rotten. At this stage of the repairs it is not known that any other work will be needed to put the bridge in excellent condition. The work is being done without any obstruction to travel, except, perhaps, about three or four hours on Friday, when one of the old girders is to be replaced with a new one.

**Directors Elected.**—The Kent County Savings Bank held its annual election of directors on Tuesday, when the following board was elected for the ensuing year: J. K. Aldridge, president; John D. Urie, solicitor; M. A. Toulson, James H. Baker, R. T. Turner, Geo. W. Hatcherson, Fred G. Usilton, Jeff D. Bacchus, Dr. W. Frank Hines, R. Heston Hickes, James A. Casey and Chas. S. Smith, the latter two are new members. The board declared a semi-annual dividend of 2½ per cent. and carried $875.34 to undivided profits. The bank has paid to its depositors in interest during the last six months $972.68.

**Daily Peach Line to Philadelphia.**—In another column will be found the schedule of the Baltimore and Philadelphia Steamboat Company's daily line of steamers between points on the Chester river and Philadelphia. The steamer Elizabeth will be placed on the line on Monday next and will start from Buckingham, the highest point touched up the river, at 10 o'clock A. M., and Chestertown at 12 o'clock noon. The Chester river Company has granted the Baltimore and Philadelphia Company the privilege of using its wharves on the river, and by this friendly arrangement the best interests of the fruit shippers will be admirably subserved.

**Shallcross Injured.**—Mr. Sereck Shallcross, who represented the Chestertown Cycle Club in the Fourth of July races at Cambridge, met with a serious injury in the qualifying race of the two mile division championship. In the race were Shallcross, Mes enger and Phelps. The accident occurred on the home stretch, while the men, with the Chestertown champion in the lead, were sweeping down like the wind to the tape. Shallcross held the position of vantage, and had the race, it was conceived by many, won, when Phelps, a Cambridge rider who has had more protests for "dirty riding" filed against him than possibly any man in the State, dashed into and cut him down. Mr. Shallcross was terribly bruised and cut, and had his collar bone broken.

**Officers Installed.**—D. D. Grand Master Wm. T. Matthews on Monday night installed the officers of Amicable Lodge 117, I. O. O. F. for the ensuing term as follows: S. P. G., L. B. Russell; N. G., A. B. Frazier; V.G., Wm. M. Culp; treasurer, Jas. W. Chapman; secretary, John R. Rollison; warden, C. G. Howard; R. S. N. G., George B. Twilley; L. S. N. G., Frank D. Leary; O. G., E. Lambert; I. G., Harry T. Hoyle. On the same night officers of Kent Lodge No. 125, K. of P., of Kennedyville, were installed as follows: C. C., J. W. Weer; V. C., H. S. Redmile; P., J. E. Newcomb; M. of W., W. T. Hague; M. of F., J. D. McKnett; M. at A., S. T. Newcomb; I. G., Wattie McKnett. John H. Scott, G. C., of Delaware, was present and made an eloquent speech.

**Washington College Professorships.**—At a meeting of the Board of Governors and Visitors of Washington College, held on Monday evening, was Miss Katharine Wicker, Farmville, Virginia, teacher of pedagoggy in the Normal Department. Miss Wicker is a graduate of the Virginia State Normal School, and a graduate of the University of Nashville, Tennessee, at which institution she was first-honor graduate in a class of one hundred and thirty members. Dr. A. S. H[illegible], of Grand Rapids, Michigan, was elected to the chair of sciences to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Prof. J. I. Stevens. Dr. Hall is a graduate of Ann Arbor University, and has the degree of Ph. D. from that institution. He has held the chair of Natural Sciences at St. John's College, Annapolis, and the Woman's College, Baltimore, and is now principal of the High School at Grand Rapids, Michigan. The position left vacant by the resignation of Miss Caroline Pettigrew, has not as yet been filled.

**Peach Growers' Meeting.**—For several reasons the meeting of peach growers called for Tuesday afternoon in Chestertown, was but poorly attended. Mr. John Bell stated the object of the meeting to be to take into consideration the subject of freights on peaches. He considered six cent freight on ten-cent peaches as excessive, and was favorable to making a demand for freight reductions. Capt. Joseph W. Thompson stated that he had over three hundred thousand dollars backing him, and offered to adjust a sliding schedule for peach freights; for instance, he would agree in writing, to carry ten-cent peaches for three cents if the farmers would agree to pay twenty-five cents freight on $1.00 peaches. This offer was not accepted. Thomas D. France, agent of the Baltimore and Philadelphia Line, and Mr. J. W. Apsley, representing the St. Michaels Company, were also present. Freights, as now existing, are six cents per package by water to Baltimore, and ten cents per package by water to Philadelphia. The meeting adjourned to meet again at the court house at 3 o'clock on Saturday afternoon next, July 11th. All fruit-growers and interested persons from both Kent and Queen Anne are requested to be present.

**Anne Arundel Visitors.**—About fifty ladies and gentlemen from Magothy river, Anne Arundel county, visited Chestertown on Friday, and were formally given the keys to the city on the Chester. Mr. Jefferson M. Cook, one of the most extensive and successful truckers of the celebrated Magothy river trucking section, tendered his friends a delightful excursion, and with Chestertown as the objective point, the handsome schooner, George S. Cripps, in tow of a tug, was boarded. Chestertown was reached about one o'clock and the visitors took in the place. Rev. H. R. Savage, of the M. E. Church, though in town but a short time, made many friends, and the editors of the TRANSCRIPT were more than delighted at any opportunity to point out the beauties of Chestertown to the reverend gentleman and his charming wife, and were pleased at an opportunity to form the acquaintance of the visitors from across the Chesapeake. Mr. Cook always takes his Fourth on the third and generously shares the pleasures of the occasion with his friends. Rev. John M. Gill, an old friend of Mr. and Mrs. Savage, was called upon and extended a cordial greeting. The excursionists were enthusiastic in regard to the beauties of Chester river and the charms of Chestertown. Among the visitors were: Mrs. Ida Linsted, Mrs. J. M. Cook, Mrs. Pumphrey, Mrs. H. R. Savage and Misses Gussie and Genevieve Savage, the Misses Blunt, Mrs. Mary E. Williams, Misses Katie, Sallie, Emma and Laura Ellison, Miss Genevieve Wayson, a beautiful singer of Baltimore; Misses Inez Crockett, Annie Martin, Grace Mitchell, Helen Clayton, Mrs. Ann Clayton, Mrs. Elizabeth Butcher and others. "Captain John" was a hero of the young ladies. Come again friends.

**Property Sales in Queen Anne.**—The farm belonging to the William Parrott estate, in Queen Anne county, was sold on Tuesday to Mr. William McKenney at $17.65 per acre. The tract contained 350 acres. Two houses on Liberty street, Centreville, belonging to the Elliott estate, were sold, one to John M. Perry for $860 and the other to R. M. Hopkins for $300. The large glass-front store in Centreville formerly occupied by Joseph E. Elliott was offered and withdrawn at a bid of $1,955. The William Slaughter property, in Queenstown, was sold to Samuel W. Dadds for $825.

## THREE SUDDEN DEATHS.

### Edward J. Watson, James Birch and William Loller and W. P. Crosby Pass Away.

The community was startled on Sunday morning by the announcement of the unexpected death of Mr. Edward J. Watson, a highly respected citizen and prominent farmer of near Chestertown. Mr. Watson was known to have been suffering from an attack of indigestion, but his condition was not considered dangerous. Inflammation of the stomach finally set in and at an early hour on Sunday morning the sufferer passed away, his loss regretted by a wide circle of friends. Mrs. James W. Crouch, his daughter, was on a short visit to her home at the time of her father's death.

The deceased was in his sixty-sixth year. He leaves a widow and three children. The children are: Mrs. John Morris, Mrs. James. W. Crouch and Mr. Joseph Watson. Funeral services were conducted at his late residence on Tuesday afternoon by Dr. J. L. Mills; interment in Chester cemetery. The pall bearers were: John P. and William T. Nicholson, Samuel Vannort, Victor Hendrickson, H. C. Smyth, B. F. Crew.

JAMES BIRCH.

Mr. James Birch, a highly respected citizen and successful farmer, died at his home on the Miss Mary Hepbron farm, near Hepbron Station, on Sunday morning, of heart disease, aged 60 years. This death, too, came as a profound shock to many friends, who had every reason to look forward to many years of vigorous health for the now deceased. On Friday morning he commented on the subject of his good health. While on the road in the afternoon of the same day, he was stricken with heart trouble, but afterward rallied and became apparently much better, and retired on Sunday evening without any apprehensions of pending death. During the night his wife was attracted by his labored breathing, and from that hour he continued to sink, expiring at an early hour on Sunday morning. He had lived continuously on the farm where he died for over thirty years, and was known as an excellent farmer and man of business, and an upright and honored citizen. He leaves a widow but no children. Rev. E. H. Nelson conducted the funeral services at his late home on Tuesday afternoon; interment in Still Pond cemetery. The bearers were: Harry Price, George W. Rodenhiser, Eugene M. Bonwill, George Parrott, Edward W. Hepbron and Archie Hepbron.

WILLIAM P. CROSBY.

Mr. William P. Crosby, an old and respected citizen and successful farmer, died on Tuesday evening at 6.30 o'clock, at his home, the Tolchester Farm. Mr. Crosby had been in failing health for some months from a general giving way of the constitution as a result of old age, and his death, though a severe shock, was not altogether unexpected. He was seventy years of age. For many years he was known as one of the most progressive and successful farmers in the county. He was a widower, and leaves an adopted, daughter, Miss Lidia Crosby.

WILLIAM LOLLER.

Mr. William Loller, who formerly lived near Chestertown, died after a short illness, at his home near Crumpton, on Sunday morning, aged fifty-five years.

## NOTES OF THE DIAMOND.

### The Whys and Wherefores of the Local Base-Ball World.

The Chestertown Base-Ball Team met defeat at the hands of the McDonough club, one of the crack teams of Baltimore, at Tolchester, on Saturday, July 4th. A crowd of over three thousand was present to witness the game, and because of the inability of the management to control the spectators, the game was by no means replete with fine plays. The fight started well for the Chestertown boys, the score being 3 to 0 in their favor at the end of the third inning. Davis was not at his best, and this fact, together with costly errors by the home players, gave the visitors an advantage, after the third inning, which they could not overcome. The Chestertown boys evidently lost their heads owing to the presence of the crowd, and this is the sole cause of their defeat. The Baltimore men acknowledged the superiority of the Chestertown team, and attributed their defeat to a bad case of the "Rooters." Chestertown had much to lose in this game, for they were in the game to win first money. They succeeded right well in getting second money—$20. The purse of $60 was divided—$40 to the winner and $20 to the loser. Chestertown received the $20, and there was no agreement whatever by which the winner was to take all the purse, as was currently reported.

Barris, the Washington College twirler, the mysteries of whose curves are yet to be solved, pitched three innings of the great game between the Salisbury and Cambridge clubs last week. Hillery and Seltzer were knocked out of the box and the game virtually lost, when Burris took the box and retrieved the fortunes of the day. Murry s. s., Stidham 2b. and Ward centre, old companions on the diamond, played against Burris, and became easy preys to his curves.

Usilton at first in Saturday's game played magnificent ball—ball which was professional in its character.

Short-Stop Manner for the Chestertown team, put up the most brilliant game, it is said, ever played on a local nine.

Catch Bader, as was predicted by an old admirer before he came, has won the hearts of the rooters and others, by his splendid work. On Saturday he was a star of the first magnitude. The old players who have stood the storm and heat of the day are not overshadowed by these bright particular stars, however they have done splendid work, but were not prepared for the unwarranted crowding of the diamond which took place on Saturday. It is estimated that at critical points of the game the bases and field were so crowded that it was impossible to play. Pitcher Davis, it is claimed, took the ball and ran up to the home plate and touched a lady who had crowded into the diamond and called "judgment on the runner."

The Chestertown base ball team was avenged for its Fourth of July defeat, on Tuesday. The McDonough Club, flushed with its victory at Tolchester came to Chestertown ready for new laurels and a greater triumph, but the host of rooters was absent, and the company was too fast. Up to the sixth inning the game belonged to anybody and was one of the finest ever witnessed on the College diamond, but at that stage of the game, McCulbin, McDonough pitcher, was knocked out of the box, four runs were scored by the home nine and the destinies of the day were virtually settled. Bennett took the box, but the day was lost, and the game ended with a score of 7 to 3 in favor of the home team. The score by innings was:

| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Chestertown | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | —7 |
| McDonough | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | —3 |

The Chestertown team will play the Greenmounts on the College campus tomorrow. Game will be called at 3 o, clock P. M.

## PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. Samuel Hill, of Baltimore, is in Kent visiting his several fine properties. Mr. Hill is making a visit to his farms in both Kent and Queen Anne which will require nearly a week.

Miss N. E. Gooding and Miss N. E Walters, spent last week the guests of the Misses Ethel and Anne Stewart, at "The Meadows."

Misses Mary Sudler and Fannie Roe, of Sudlersville, rode from Sudlersville on their bicycles, and were guests of the Misses Wilkins, at their beautiful home, "The Maples," on Friday. The distance from Sudlersville is sixteen miles.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Hopper and Mrs. J. C. McCollister, of Baltimore, are registered at the Watts' Hotel.

Miss Mary P. Ould and Miss Katharine Hopper, are spending several weeks at the Voshell House.

Miss Davidson, of Baltimore, is visiting the Misses Wilkins, at "The Maples."

Mr. Joseph S. Leaverton, is visiting Mr. John Loud. Mr. Leaverton is an original Kent countian, but several years ago removed to St. Mary's where he married an attractive young lady and has become one of the most successful tobacco growers and farmers in the Southern Maryland county.

Miss Jennie Copper, has returned from a pleasant business sojourn in Anderson, South Carolina.

Miss May Nickerson, of Millington, has returned from a pleasant trip to Aikin, South Carolina.

Miss Connor, a popular young lady of Annapolis, is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. M. E. Watts, at the Watts' House.

Mr. Millard Davis, foreman of the Harford *Democrat*, printed at Belair, is the guest of Chestertown friends.

Mrs. Minnie Davis and Miss Helen M. Covington, of Still Pond, Md., are guests of Mrs. W. E. Barnard, Middletown.

Miss Eugenia Denney, is visiting Miss Emory at Chestertown.

Miss Bertie Hopkins and Mr. Jack Merritt, of Baltimore, spent Sunday with Dr. and Mrs. Charles Richard Twilley.

Mr. and Mrs. Solan Anderson, of Baltimore, spent several days with Mrs. A.'s father, Mr. E. C. Reiche.

Mr. Will Mack Reiche, of Baltimore, is spending a few days at his paternal home.

Mrs. Lewin S. Fowler is visiting friends in Baltimore.

Mr. H. C. Chase, of Washington, D. C., has spent several days in town.

City Solicitor Thomas I. Elliott, of Baltimore, is the guest of H. W. Vickers, Esq.

Graham Dukehart, Esq., State lecturer, and son, Mr. Edward Dukehart, and William Dockterman, Grand Marshal, of Maryland A. F. and A. M. were visitors at Chester Lodge 115 A. F. and A. M. last Wednesday.

Miss Philpitt, of Baltimore, is the guest of Miss Mary Elliott on High st.

Miss Ollie Hill is spending several weeks with her sister, Mrs. Shuster, in Wilmington, Del.

Dr. Charles R. Twilley has become an expert cyclist, and rides a handsome maroon.

Miss Irma Eliason has been on a pleasant visit to Miss Ethel Perkins, Germantown, Philadelphia.

Mrs. Dimond, of Brooklyn, N. Y., Mr. and Mrs. Richmond Keeler, and son Harry, of Baltimore, have been guests at the home of Daniel McKee, near Still Pond.

Mr. George Warfield, president of the Chester River Steamboat Company, spent Tuesday in Kent on business.

Mr. S. D. Murphy and Mrs. M. C. Chase, of Wilmington, Del., and Mr. G. P. Chance, Jr., and Miss Hattie Hanley, of Philadelphia, are spending this week with Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Crowding, at Buckingham.

Mrs. M. R. Mettee and son, Carroll, Mrs. Healey and two children, of Baltimore, are at "Anderson Villa," near town.

Mr. T. R. Hopper, of Baltimore, spent the third and fourth, the guest of Chestertown friends.

Miss Gussie Rockwell, of Paca's Island, is visiting Mrs. Wm. Smith, in Chestertown.

Capt. Wm. Reily, of Elkton, spent last week in Chestertown the guest of Mr. E. N. Roland.

A. H. and George P. Blackiston, of Washington, are guests of their aunts, the Misses Blackiston, on Washington avenue.

Master Herman Blackway is visiting his uncle, Mr. Wm. Kirby, in Baltimore.

Mrs. M. J. Fleming was chosen Thursday night as one of the lady managers of the Home for the Aged Women in Westminster by the M. P. Church, Chestertown. This home will be opened on July 15th.

Misses Julia, Ella and Mary Jones, of Dover, Del., Miss Alena Watkins, of Milton, Del., and Miss Olive Harper, of Brooklyn, N. Y., are guests of the Misses Baker, near Pomona.

Miss Clara Downey is the guest of Miss Agnes Smith, near Church Hill.

A pretty wedding took place Tuesday morning at ten o'clock at St. Mary's P. E. Church, Franklintown, Baltimore county, the parties being Miss Alice Gundry, daughter of the late Dr. Richard Gundry, superintendent of the Maryland Hospital for the Insane, at Catonsville, and Mr. William Edward Phillips, of Catonsville. Rev. William R. Webb, rector of St. Mary's, performed the ceremony The wedding was a very quiet one, no invitations having been issued. The ushers were Mr. William P. Gundry, brother of the bride, and Mr. Thos. P. Perkins. Mr. George S. Horsey, of Baltimore, was best man. Miss Grace Gundry, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. The couple left on a tour to Atlantic City and other points. Miss Gundry is a sister of Dr. Richard Gundry, who several years ago married Miss Katharine Hines, of Chestertown.

## STILL POND ITEMS.

Mr. and Mrs. Allie Hyland and daughter, of Brooklyn, N. Y., visited Mrs. Hyland's mother, Mrs. Jane Howard, this week.

Miss Mary Baynard and her friend, Mr. Edward Miller, both of Baltimore, were entertained by Mrs. J. W. Harper, Miss Baynard's sister, from Saturday to Monday last.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Benson were at Mrs. Parrott's for a few days.

Messrs. J. Ben. Krusen and Gustavus Krusen celebrated the Glorious Fourth at their old home.

Mr. Struthers, of Vineland, N. J., occupied our pulpit last Sunday evening and gave an instructive talk. The praise or song service was well attended.

Our community was greatly shocked and saddened by the death of Mr James Birch, which occurred on Sunday morning, the 5th inst., at 3 o'clock A. M.

Mr. Birch, who had long been a successful farmer at his home near Still Pond Station, and who has always been respected for his integrity and loved for his unassuming kindness, had for some time been subject to heart trouble. On Friday he was seized by one of these attacks while on the road, and could scarcely reach home. He seemed much better, however, on Saturday, but when he retired that night it was to wake in another world. About 3 o'clock A. M. his devoted wife, alarmed by his labored breathing, attempted to arouse, him, but in vain. Before medical aid could be summoned, he was dead. Unusual sympathy and grief are felt and shown by those to whom Mrs. Birch has so often been a tower of strength in their hours of need. The funeral was held on Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The bearers were: Harry Price, G. W. Rodenhiser, E. M. Bonwill, George Parrott, E. W. Hepbron and Archie Hepbron.

## ECHOES OF THE FOURTH.

### The Social Side of the Great Holiday.

Mr. F. Hyland Stewart and family, and Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Stewart spent the day at the home of Mr. W. H. Stewart. At night beautiful fireworks were set off and a large balloon sent up. One balloon caught fire.

Mr. Colin F. Stam sent up a large balloon from the square in the centre of town at 7.30 o'clock. Several other balloons were seen sailing over the town in a northerly direction.

A number of friends spent the day and evening at "The Maples," the beautiful home of Mrs. M. A. Wilkins. The fireworks on the lawn during the evening were of unusual beauty.

Prof. and Mrs. J. R. Micou, Mrs. C. C. Hopper, Miss Ould, Miss Katherine Hopper and several others spent the afternoon in real picnic fashion in Klinefelter's woods, in Queen Anne.

About 250 colored excursionists made the round trip to Baltimore on the Emma A. Ford.

The Heptasoph excursion on the B. S Ford took nine passengers from Chestertown, but the number was largely increased at Queenstown and other down-the-river points, notwithstanding, a $1.50 deficit is reported.

Mr. James Brice had beautiful fireworks on his pretty yard on Saturday evening, to the great delight of a number of little folk.

The first Queen Anne team bound Tolchesterward on the morning of the Fourth, passed through Chestertown at 4.30. It is not stated how many early worms this early bird caught, but surely the early worms had not sought cover when he arrived at the Beach.

Dr. W. O. Selby, of Centrevill, spent the day the guest of his brother, Dr. Selby, at Rock Hall.

The fine skiff, Nancy Hanks, Captain J. Frank Stevens, won first prize in the sailing race at Betterton on the Fourth. Capt. Stevens was in command and had on the spring board: Messrs. Joseph Sewell, G. T. Rollison, John Kerr and Frank Kerr.

The temperature on the Fourth of July for the past 25 years has been as high as 98 degrees and as low as 71. The maximum and state of the skies has been as follows:

1871, 79 degrees; clear.
1872, 93 degrees; fair.
1873, 92 degrees; cloudy.
1874, 92 degrees; partly cloudy.
1875, 88 degrees; cloudy.
1876, 95 degrees; fair.
1877, 86 degrees; clear.
1878, 92 degrees; clear.
1879, 98 degrees; fair.
1880, 87 degrees; clear.
188 , 93 degrees; fair.
1882, 71 degrees; cloudy.
1883, 94 degrees; clear.
1884, 85 degrees; cloudy.
1885 88 degrees; clear.
1886, 86 degrees; fair.
1887, 86 degrees; cloudy.
1888, 85 degrees; fair.
1889, 84 degrees; cloudy.
1890, 91 degrees; fair.
1891, 79 degrees; fair.
1892, 75 degrees; fair.
1893, 84 degrees; clear.
1894, 86 degrees; fair.
1895, 76 degrees; cloudy.

### Kennedyville Items.

Rev. J. A. Weigand and daughter, Miss Virgie, left on Tuesday for their home in Westminster. They were entertained during their stay at the home of Mr. Tilghman Shafer.

Miss Eva Busick, of Baltimore, is visiting the Misses Vandyke.

Miss Emma Shafer is visiting relatives in Baltimore.

Miss S. Blanche McKnett, Messrs. H. C. Jarrell, Geo. Medders and W. E. Sanders, are in attendance at the International Christian Endeavor Convention, at Washington. The latter is a-wheel and will join the ranks of the Endeavor Cycle delegation.

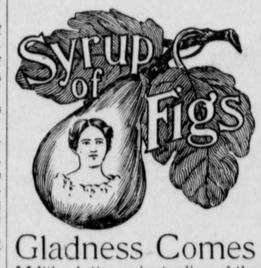
Mr. Fred Cornelius and two children, of Camden, N. J., and Mr. Ernest Cornelius and sister, Miss Minnie, of Centreville, spent Sunday with their sister, Mrs. J. R. Jarrell.

Messrs. J. Oscar Jarrell and Walter E. Hill, of Baltimore, spent part of the week at home.

Mr. W. J. Hurlock will conduct the services at the M. P. Church on Sunday morning next. The C. E. Society will take charge in the evening.

Farmers who have threshed wheat say the yield is remarkably good. JUNO.

The Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Kent County has during the past month, returned to a number of its policy-holders $2600. A nice little saving for these hard times.


Gladness Comes

With a better understanding of the transient nature of the many physical ills, which vanish before proper efforts—gentle efforts—pleasant efforts—rightly directed. There is comfort in the knowledge, that so many forms of sickness are not due to any actual disease, but simply to a constipated condition of the system, which the pleasant family laxative, Syrup of Figs, promptly removes. That is why it is the only remedy with millions of families, and is everywhere esteemed so highly by all who value good health. Its beneficial effects are due to the fact, that it is the one remedy which promotes internal cleanliness without debilitating the organs on which it acts. It is therefore all important, in order to get its beneficial effects, to note when you purchase, that you have the genuine article, which is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only and sold by all reputable druggists.

If in the enjoyment of good health, and the system is regular, laxatives or other remedies are then not needed. If afflicted with any actual disease, one may be commended to the most skillful physicians, but if in need of a laxative, one should have the best, and with the well-informed everywhere, Syrup of Figs stands highest and is most largely used and gives most general satisfaction.

Second-Hand Wheels for Sale.

R. SNOWDEN THOMAS,
May 14, 1896. AGENT.


## AT POPLAR GROVE.

### Horsemen Did Not Celebrate in Kent.

Messrs. A. J. Hynson, Dr. G. Allen Jarman, C. H. B. Massey, Alday Clements, William McKee, George Walbert, and hosts of others in Kent who have rattling fine goers, made no effort at a celebration on the track of "the glorious Fourth," but spent the day quietly. Even John Gale, at Worton Manor, and Col. Noland, at Tolchester, did not provide a special programme adapted to the tastes of the horsemen.

Five hundred persons, however, attended the races held at Poplar Grove Stock Farm, under the management of Col. Edward B. Emory, and five interesting contests took place. The races resulted as follows:

Free-for-all.—Entries: Dan Russell, Belle B. and Happy George. Joseph A Grindall's Belle B. won in straight heats, with Colonel Emory's Happy George a close second. Best time, 2 26

2.50 class.—Entries: Happy Maud, Dexter and Mah. Happy Maud won in straight heats, with Dexter second. Best time, 2 38.

2.40 class.—Entries: Jim Blaine, Happy Rose and Bell Boy. Happy Rose won in consecutive heats, with Jim Blaine second. Best time, 2.34.

Three-Minute Class.—Entries: Charley T., Miss Newman, Kitty Russell and Starlight. Kitty Russell won in straight heats, Charley T. second. Best time, 2.43.

There was a special race between the two-year-olds Russell B., owned by Jas. Green, of Marydel, and Colonel Emory's Minnie. Russell B. won. His best time was 2.44. Both are promising youngsters. There were also two bicycle races by local contestants. The judges were Messrs. Joseph A. Grindall, W. G. Smith and James Green. Timers, John F. Godwin and Col. W. Scott Roberts.


### A Child Enjoys

The pleasant flavor, gentle action, and soothing effect of Syrup of Figs, when in need of a laxative, and if the father or mother be costive or bilious, the most gratifying rusults follow its use; so that it is the best family remedy known and every family should have a bottle.


### Market Quotations.

Stevens Bros., Baltimore, furnish the following as condition of market on Tuesday: Market steady, sales to grade No. 2 Red 61c.; Steamer No. 2 58¾c.; Milling grades 61c. to 61½c.


## Summer Schedule, 1896.

THE STEAMER LOUISE

(weather permitting) between

Tolchester Beach and Baltimore,

Leaving Tolchester Daily at 10.30 A. M. and 7.00 P. M.
Leaving Baltimore daily at 8.30 A. M. and 2.30 P. M.
Tickets 25 cents.

Russell's Stage makes connection from Chestertown with the Tolchester Boat.

TOLCHESTER COMPANY.
Main Office, Pier 16, Light St., Baltimore.
Or, G. E. NOLAND, Tolchester.

MONDAY, June 8th, '96.

What's the matter with you? Oh! It's so hot, so hot.

First Lady—Why I don't think it so very hot, I feel very pleasant I'm sure.

Second Lady—I don't know why it is, here I am nearly melting and you do not even know it is warm. I can make out very well at home, but as soon as I get dressed and get my CORSETS on I begin to melt, so it seems.

First Lady—Oh! I know exactly what's the matter, you have on those old thick corsets. Now if you will just go to "JAKE THOMPSON'S" and get a pair of those first-class Summer Corsets that he sells for 49c. you will have no more trouble. You can just feel the breezes blow through them all the time. I would not be without them for 5 times the price, and besides his little store is just brim full of things tending to one's comfort this warm weather. I see there a line of thin dress goods, white goods, etc., which, indeed, if I do say it myself, cannot be surpassed for beauty and lowness of price. There are a few other stores that can show a larger line, but none can show a better selected line of goods than he. In fact, I will say, if you just visit Jake Thompson I assure you you will be pleased and will be sure to go see him again. I find his prices always as low and often lower than any one else. He is in the room where Moody & Lusby had a clothing store.

Second Lady—Well, I shall make it my business to go see your friend

JAKE THOMPSON.

NOTICE.

POLICY-HOLDERS OF THE MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY of Kent County, who use GASOLINE for COOKING PURPOSES are hereby notified that it is necessary for them to secure permits for its use from the Treasurer of the Company, who upon application and payment of usual charges will issue same.

GEORGE B. WESTCOTT,
May 14—6m. TREASURER.

HOTEL AND STABLE For Rent for 1896.

The Brick Hotel and Stable at Millington, Kent county, Md., are for rent for the year 1896. The building is desirably located, and is now occupied by Mr. S. L. Pratt. For full particulars, address

FRANK A. EMORY,
a15-tf. Centreville, Md.

WAGNER'S

Green House Restaurant

West Pratt Street,

BALTIMORE, MD.

J. L. & B. WAGNER, - Proprietor

The Restaurant is the oldest and most expensive in its accommodations of any in the city.

MRS. D. GRUBER'S BAKERY.

Nearly 30 Years at the Same Stand.

I respectfully call attention to my old-established Bakery business up town.

PIES AND CAKES OF ALL KINDS,

BOTH TO WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

CHOICE CONFECTIONERY!

AT SPECIALLY LOW PRICES.

A call solicited. Resp'y, etc.
39-96. MRS. D. GRUBER.

Salesmen Wanted

on salary, to sell Pennsylvania grown Nursery Stock, which is the best in the world. All the new specialties as well as the standard varieties of Fruits and Ornamentals. A fine outfit furnished and all traveling expenses paid. Salary dates from day work commenced. Write for terms, stating age.

HOOPES, BRO. & THOMAS,
Maple Avenue Nurseries, West Chester, P

LOST! LOST! LOST!

*In this sale we have lost all interest in profits.*
*We are so cramped for space in our present quarters that we cannot carry stock, but must keep on the move; so, to keep our work-people busy, we make these offers:*

CLOTHING.

$5.90 Offer.—225 Men's Suits, absolutely our $7.50 and $10.00 values. We recommend these Suits for wear, style and quality.

$9.80 Offer.—250 All-wool Suits for business men, every style, shade and shape; were $12.00.

$14.40 Offer.—Here are some $16.50 $18.00 and even $20.00 values. 445 Men's Suits in all, 19 different Styles; all made within the past two months; every size to start with; first customer gets first choice.

$18.75 Offer—And we wonder at our own audacity—300 of the latest, the finest, the best Suits in the house, hand-shaped, exclusive designs, values from $22.50 to $25.00.

These are bold offers, but we have no choice, we must sell; yours the fault if you fail to buy.

And with it all—money back if you want it—don't trouble about reasons; if you