e Transcript.

RIPTION, $1.00 PER ANNUM.

RSDAY, SEPT. 10, 1896.

OCAL MATTERS.

sment Extensions.—Governor s has extended the time in which sors in Kent shall complete their October 15th. The same exten- been made in Queen Anne.

Page.—Don't fail to read the ırr's front page this week. al and other interesting news will be found. Each week the outside pages will be found to contain matters of varied interest.

Free School Book Law.—It has been decided by Prof. E. B. Prettyman, secretary to the State Board of Education, that under the new free school book law only text books will be supplied, leaving the pupils to furnish their own stationery and slates.

Tax Receipts.—Deputy Treasurer Hiram Brown states that the receipts for taxes at the treasurer's office for the month of August, exceeded by over one thousand dollars the receipts for the corresponding month for two years past. September receipts have opened slowly.

Farm Sold.—R. D. Hynson, Esq., has sold to Mr. J. H. O. Stokes, the Clinton Rasin farm of 153 acres, near Still Pond. The price is reported to have been $5,000 or $33 per acre. This is called Mr. Stokes' peach farm as it was bought with the profits of one year's peach crop on his home farm.

Changes by Farmers.—Mr. James Shuster, brother of Mr. John L. Shuster, of Chestertown, and widely known in Kent, will remove from Wye Island next year and open a restaurant and boarding house in Centreville. Mr. Albert Groves, of Wye Island has secured a fine farm near Betterton, owned by Mrs. Dr. Merritt, of Talbot.

"Old Defenders' Day."—"Old Defenders' Day," which will be next Saturday, is declared by proclamation of Governor Lowndes a legal holiday. The banks and public offices will be closed in honor of the occasion. Mr. Elijah Glenn, the last survivor of Maryland's honored line of Old Defenders, celebrated his one hundredth birthday at Galena last month.

Show People's Trouble.—The Sparks & Allen show which came to Chestertown in two cars week before last, encountered trouble when they reached the Pennsylvania road on the return trip. The cars were found not to be provided with the regulation coupling and the Pennsylvania company refused to carry them over their lines The show cars were left at Massey's and the P., W. & B. Road furnished cars for the downpeninsula run of the show people.

Growing in Popular Favor.—That the bicycle is growing in popular favor is strongly shown by the fact that in two days last week, J. H. Sides, agent for a handsome new $85 wheel, sold nine, eight in Chestertown, and one to Mr. Hynson, a guest of Mr. Wm. S. Walker, to be shipped to New Orleans. The Chestertown purchasers were: Miss Nelie Walker, Miss Mamie Catlin, Dr. W. Frank Hines, Dr. C. P. Gilpin, Henry Deaver, James Beck and George Brice.

The Brown Murder Trial.—Clerk Fields of the Caroline circuit court, has issued subpœnas for seventy-nine witnesses to testify in the case of the State against Thomas R. Brown, removed from the Queen Anne court. Forty-three of these will attend at the instance of the State, and the others on behalf of Brown. State's Attorney Harper has been dilligently at work searching for new evidence, but to what extent he has been successful is not as yet known to the public. Brown still protests his innocence and is sanguine of an acquittal.

Cardinal Gibbons' Base-ball Game.—Cardinal Gibbons is a base-ball enthusiast. He never goes to see a game, but he is always interested in the result and eagerly inquires about the score of each game. He is anxious to witness a game, and it is probable that his wish will be realized. Next Monday is an off day with the Orioles and the Cardinal has invited the club to go to St. Charles College and play a game with the college team. Manager Hanlon says that the club will go if it does not have to play off a postponed game on that date.

Tolchester Season Closed.—Sunday brought to a close one of the most successful seasons known within Tolchester's history. From a standpoint of numbers the Beach has been more popular than ever before; of course the financial depression was felt in the company's receipts. In speaking of the success of the company during the hot weather, Captain Eliason, the president and general manager, said: "This ends our 24th season, which has been eminently successful. We have had a good crowd nearly every day since we opened, June 7. The exceptions were rainy days. We have aimed to secure the newest attractions for our friends, and from the turnout each day it would seem that we have succeeded!. We are deeply indebted to our patrons and hope to have them with us next season, when we will continue to furnish the most novel and up-to date amusements to be had."

The Peach—A Source of Profit or Loss; Which?—Chestertown Conclave Improved Order of Heptasophs, has arranged a most interesting debate for their next meeting, on Thursday of next week, September 17th. The question for discussion is: Resolved, that the cultivation of the peach has been an advantage rather than a disadvantage to the farmers of Kent county. The discussion promises to be an interesting one and a full attendance is requested. The conclave, which is in a flourishing condition, is formed largely of peach growers and farmers, all of whom will doubtless have valuable data to present pro and con on the subject. There are those who claim that the cultivation of the peach as entered into in Kent has been an actual disadvantage to the farming community in more ways than one. The public will doubtless be interested in the final decision by the Heptasophs (which means the seven wise men) of this important question.

Washington College.—Washington College will open its doors to students on Wednesday morning, and so far as can be foretold at this time, the prospects were never better for a most satisfactory opening. Dr. Reid has done many days of faithful canvassing and his labors, it were safe to say, will result in securing many new students. The Normal Department is of especial interest, and as the handsome new Normal building will not be completed until in December, some other provision for the young ladies in attendance will have to be made, and the advisability of renting the Gilpin Hotel or some other building for temporary use, has been considered; of course the number of ladies in attendance will govern as to the selection of a temporary home for them. Dr. Hall, the newly elected professor to the chair of sciences as the successor of Prof. Stephens, arrived on Tuesday, accompanied by Dr. Hopkins, of the Woman's College, a friend of Dr. Reid.

Captain Sparks' Body Found.—As Mr. James Watkins was on his way from E. N. Island to Rock Hall last Sunday to deliver a yawl boat to Capt. Hoffman, he found the body of Capt. Clum Sparks, who was drowned off his vessell last week in Chester river off Kent Island wharf. Mr. W. towed the body ashore to Mr. Bennett Willson's and notified the Coroner, and the relatives. The remains were towed ashore face downward, and as it was turned over the dead man's pocket book was seen lying on the sand. In it were found $150 to $200. The money was handed over to the brother of the deceased, who arrived during the day, and took charge of the body and conveyed it to his late home. The remains were considerably eaten by crabs.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. Wm. Meeds and Mr. W. H. Miby, of Queen Anne, were in Chestertown yesterday. Mr. Meeds, who is a large land owner, celebrated his 84th birthday by driving over to Chestertown and return, a distance of over fifty miles. He is remarkably active and stated that he spent the day before in his peach orchard at work.

The Logan Invincibles, a social club from Baltimore, arrived at Betterton on Friday, on the tug Lauretta Spedden and Capt. Tom Lambert's schooner on a fishing trip. They are a jolly set of fellows and have had a good time. They returned this morning. Messrs DeFord and Wittie have been the caterers of the trip.

Betterton continues to grow in popularity as a fishing resort. Ex-Mayor F. C. Latrobe, ex-Postmaster Johnson, and a party of officials of the Pennsylvania Railroad were there on a fishing cruise recently.

Prof. Randolph W. Tinsley, formerly a professor of Washington College, has accepted the chair of natural sciences in the University of New Mexico. The university is located at Albuquerque and is one of the most pleasantly located and progressive educational institutions in the State.

Mr. Harry Thomas and wife, of Philadelphia, are guests of Mrs. Mary Brown, Front street.

Mr. T. Ridgely Hopper, of Baltimore, is the guest of Chestertown friends. Mr. Hopper since his coming to town has become innoculated with the bicycle ague and has enrolled himself a wheelman.

Miss Ida Crow, of near Kennedyville, is enjoying the breakers at Asbury Park. Miss Lolie Crow is the guest of friends in Philadelphia.

Miss Nettie Crane, of Baltimore, is visiting Mrs. Richard Hynson, Front st.

A Pretty Fall Wedding.

JONES—MATTHEWS.

A pretty noon wedding was solemnized at Christ M. P. Church yesterday, Rev. Walter R. Graham, D.D., of Westminster, officiating. The contracting parties were Prof. J. S. W. Jones and Miss May L. Matthews. The church had been beautifully decorated within the chancel rail by friends of the bride, with a profusion of cut flowers, palms and other potted plants.

The church was filled to its full seating capacity before the bridal couple arrived. Promptly at 12 o'clock, to the strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march, beautifully rendered by Miss Clara Usilton, the bridle couple entered the church preceded by the pretty little flower girl, Miss Helen Matthews, sister of the bride, and the ushers, Messrs. Thomas Mahool, of Baltimore; Edward J. Clarke, James W. Chapman, Jr., and Fred G. Usilton.

Approaching the altar the ushers separated; pretty little Miss Matthews took position to the left of the bride, and held the bridal bouquet during the service.

The bride wore a handsome gown of mode cloth with brown velvet and satin and lace trimmings, hat and gloves to match, and carried La France roses. The little flower girl was charmingly dressed in white mull and lace, and carried a basket of La France roses.

Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Jones, accompanied by a party of friends, drove to Prices Station on the Queen Anne railroad and left for a trip to New York and other northern cities.

The bridal couple left the church amid a downpour of rice, which carried with every grain many wishes of happiness and joy.

The presents were in great number and extremely handsome and useful.

With The Horsemen.

The following Kent county horses are entered in the races at Elkton Fair, to be held September 8-11: Sept. 9th, 3.00 class-trot; Romulus, b. h. entered by J. B. Pennington. Sept. 10th, 2.18 class-trot and 2.20 pace mixed; Polka Belton b. m. entered by W. T. Lane. Sept. 10th, 2.40 class-trot, Sailor Girl, b. m. entered by A. J. Hynson.

E. B. Emory, of Poplar Grove Stock Farm, has entered in 2.32 class-trot, Happy Rose, ch. m.; Happy George, b. s.; Daisy B., b. m; 2.24 class-trot, Bell B. b. m.

Many admirers of Victor B. are expecting something brilliant from that youngster during the present season, and doubtless their hopes will be realized.

Alcantell, the handsome goer of Dr. G. Allen Jarman is showing up finely on the track in practice, and should he go into the circuit contests some of the fastest of his class on the shore may expect to bring up the rear.

It is hoped that the stable of fine youngsters of Alday Clements will be heard from before the season closes.

Mr. Howard Turner and a party from Betterton started for Elkton fair by steamer this morning.

Messrs. A. J. Hynson, Dr. G. Allen Jarman, Samuel Hicks and C. H. B. Massey, Esq., are the Chestertonians who are in attendance at the Elkton trot.

Church Notes.

The following are the appointment of Bishop Adams for Kent county during the month of October, 1896: October 6th, Shrewsbury A. M.; Galena 7.30 P. M. October 7th, Massey's and Millington A. M. and P. M. October 9th Chestertown, 7.30 P. M. October 11th St. Paul's 10.30 A. M.; I. U. 3.30 P. M.

Cardinal Gibbons is reported as saying that Bishop Curtis, of Wilmington, will go to Baltimore to fill an important position as soon as his successor is named by the Pope. A list of priests from among whom a successor to Bishop Curtis will be named, will be sent to Rome this month.

A smooth brick pavement has supplanted the old board walk which formerly led up to the entrances of Christ M. P. Church. This is a decided and long-needed improvement.

Rev. W. P. Compton, after a thorough rest among the mountains of Pennsylvania, returned to Chestertown on Saturday showing marked improvement physically as a result of his pleasant holiday. He resisted all appeals to do ministerial work while away, claiming that in justice to his own congregation he ought to indulge in absolute rest. During one week of his absence he gained one pound in weight daily. He filled his pulpits on Sunday morning, afternoon and evening.

Commencing with last Sunday, the evening services at Emmanuel P. E. Church will commence at 7.30 instead of at 8 o'clock as during the heated term.

Rev. and Mrs. Gill will return from their summer holiday this week, and Mr. Gill will occupy his pulpit in Christ Church on Sunday morning and evening.

Rev. R. W. Mowbray, of Smyrna circuit, came down to hear Mr. Wooley speak before the W. C. T. U. Convention.

SEVERE STORMS.

Several Thrilling Experiences in Thursday's Heavy Storm.

The most protracted drought of the past summer and present fall was broken by the heavy rainfall of Thursday last. The storm struck Chestertown late in the afternoon, and for several minutes the clouds of dust driven by the heavy wind were almost blinding, then came a downpour of heavy rain.

The most thrilling experience so far reported was that of Mr. James W. Chapman, who was in Queen Anne near McGinnis' when the terrific wind, rain and hail storm burst upon him. First came blinding clouds of dust driven before a gale of wind which almost raised his carriage from the road. In a few minutes rain abundantly mixed with hail fell in torrents, striking the hapless driver and his horse square in the face. The horse was badly stung by the falling hailstones which were nearly as large as grapes, and in an effort to shield himself from the punishment the horse froced his way into a hedge on the roadside. As Mr. Chapman passed through a piece of wood a large tree crashed down across the road a few minutes after he passed. The traveler, in trying to shield his face from the pelting hail held his head down and the rim of his hat was nearly beaten off. He finally made shelter at Mr. Woodall's. The storm still raged with such fury that when he drove up to the house it would have been dangerous to leave his horse, it was impossible to make himself heard, and while the water ran ankle-deep, the wind was raising his carriage from the ground with each gust, he stood exposed to the storm. Some one finally came to the rescue, and both driver and team were kindly cared for. The experience was as thrilling as it was dangerous and unenviable.

Considerable damage was done to corn and fruit on the Queen Anne side of the river. Fully one-half of Mr. D. Potts' corn crop was broken off and strewed in a hopeless mass of confusion down the rows. One Queen Anne farmer stated that nearly every apple was slashed from his trees.

The lightning struck and knocked the end out of Mr. W. W. Beck's barn, on the Buck Neck farm.

A car on the siding at Worton was blown on to the main track and dashed into another car, damaging the roof and end.

Lightning struck a large walnut tree on the farm of Mr. W. D. Shinn, on the Chestertown—Kennedyville road. The tree was fired and all efforts of Mr. Shinn and his men to extinguish it were fruitless.

A considerable quantity of peaches were blown from the trees in some orchards, but the damage was not near so great as was at first expected that it would be.

The grain-loaded schooner Virginia, of Rolph's wharf, Capt. W. J. Riggin, was blown from Northern Central Railroad elevator No. 3, in Baltimore. Her flying jibboom was carried away and yawlboat stove. She was damaged about $100.

The schooner Ella, Capt. E. Fowler, from Georgetown, with grain, was also damaged at the elevator in Baltimore.

During the severe storm of Saturday night, Mr. Benton and his family, living on the W. W. Parks farm, near the Union Church, made a narrow escape. A bolt of lightning struck his residence, passed through some of the rooms knocking off the plaster, and then passed between and near several members of the family. All were badly frightened but were not in the slightest degree injured. Mr. Benton had one of his valuable cows struck and killed by the lightning.

DISTINGUISHED HONORS.

Miss Grace Whaland, Mr. Rickey and Prof. Clarke Win New Laurels on the Stage.

The brilliant acheivements of Miss Grace Whaland, Mr. Harry Rickey, and Prof. E. J. Clarke last spring in the star roles in "A Celebrated Case," was surpassed at Pocomoke City last week. The Worcester *Enterprise*, in referring to the talented young representatives from Chestertown says:

"It is not too much to say, that no entertainment ever given in the hall, by home or foreign talent has ever surpassed it. The characters were all well sustained and the way in which the whole play was given would have done credit to professionals. Miss Whaland, as leading lady, showed decided talent. Her personal appearance, her easy bearing, her familiarity with her lines, her fine conception and masterly execution in a double role—all went to show great versatility and power. As an amateur she is surely in the first rank, and she would make a fine under-study for many a professional. Of the gentlemen, Prof. Clarke, probably deserves first mention. In John Renaud he had a powerful character to portray and he did it to perfection. His power as an elocutionist, his mental ability to grasp every side of the part, and his easy bearing made his work stand out in brilliant colors, and it is not too much to say that he would be an ornament to the professional stage of to-day."

"Mr. Harry Rickey, as the Irishman, furnished what amusement was to be had out of what is probably too pathetic a play to be attractive to every one. His brogue was fine, his energetic conception great, and his general demeanor on the stage leads one to see that he is a young man of more than ordinary histrionic ability."

The *Peninsula Ledger*, in its account of the drama, pays the following splendid tribute to the galaxy of amateur stars and says:

"With but two exceptions, the *dramatis personae* of the play consisted of the young men and women of Pocomoke; Miss Grace Whaland and Mr. Harry Rickey winning, for the fourth time fresh laurels for Chestertown in their respective roles.

"In the dual part of Madeline Renaud in the prologue and afterwards as Adrienne in the play, Miss Whaland showed a sympathy with and a comprehension of the characters that betokened rare histrionic talent. Possessing a pleasant, admirably modulated voice; a face over which the lights and shadows of feeling flitted in quick succession with every subtle, swift change of tone; a graceful bearing and attractive personality, she immediately won the audience and held it in sympathy with her from her first appearance at the beginning until the curtain fell for the last time. Undeniable and marked talent is Miss Whaland's in this direction, for she has many of the characteristics which indicate the real artist, and doubtless success would await her in a field which would give full scope to her capacity in this line.

"Mr. Clarke's John Renaud was full of strength tempered by tenderness. There was is his delineation the patience and dignity of a man who, through years of injustice and wrong still retains those qualities which stamp a man as a man, and of which he is not deprived even by the bitterest hardships. Mr. Clarke's presence was graceful and easy; his apprehension of the character clear, and his acting faithful to his conception, and pleasing by its truthfulness.

"Mr. Rickey made a happy hit as Dinnis O'Rourke. The thread of comedy which his Irish brogue and funny speeches wove in and out the tragedy of the play, lightened the otherwise seriousness, and proved very taking with the audience."

New Adds.

Any one wishing to purchase a profitable stock of general merchandise, splendid trade, excellent location, will do well to call or write to Harry L. Chew, who is compelled to sell his entire stock and fixtures on account of bad health. Call at once.

Moody & Lusby are in the lead as usual with new fall and winter styles in clothing, hats and neckwear. A most beautiful assortment they are displaying. Go see them early and get your pick of their grand collection.

W. H. Kirby's fall announcement. Now is the time for setting out violets of which I have a splendid lot of plants ready for planting.

Peach Orchard Notes.

The Kent county peach crop is now on its last legs. The Chester River Company discontinued the trips of the Riverside on last Friday and the "Grey Hound" of the Chester river peach fleet returned to Philadelphia.

The tug and schooner of the Philadelphia line out of Lankford's Bay was discontinued on Tuesday of last week.

The steamer Clifton, of the Apsley—Booze peach line out of Chester river, made but three trips, when because of a failure of patronage the steamer was withdrawn.

The afternoon peach train on the railroad was withdrawn on Saturday.

The use of refrigerator cars by Kent county peach shippers continues to increase in popularity, and during the present season quite a number of carloads of fruit has been shipped to distant points in refrigerator cars. On an average about four tons of ice is required for each car. In the California Fruit Transportation Company's cars the ice is placed in ice-chambers at each end and under the roof of the cars. In the Armour cars the ice is placed in a chamber at each end only. The Nicholson ice works were unable to meet the full demands of the shippers, and farmers in the vicinity of Chestertown and the other stations were called upon to complete the orders out of private houses.

A shipper from Chestertown states that he proposes to build a large ice-house here this fall, and in the event of a failure of an ice harvest in Kent the coming winter, he will run down a number of carloads of ice from his ponds in the north.

The largest individual shipment of peaches from Worton Station this season was 1336 baskets made by A. S. Turner. The highest price paid at that point was 70 cents per basket.

Western Maryland peach buyers paid 75 cents for ⅘ baskets or $1.52 per crate at the stations on Wednesday of last week.

One hundred and two carloads of peaches were landed in Philadelphia Thursday, flooding the market and causing prices to drop to about half of what they were early in the week.

The Wye Island peach season has closed, and Messrs. Melvin, Roland, Groves, Pippin and Toulson, the Chestertown representatives in harvesting the crop have returned to their homes. Mr. Melvin states that less than 13,000 packages were marketed, though the entire crop was picked and shipped. He says the early estimate of 50,000 packages was not excessive at the time it was made, but the fruit dropped from the trees, rotted and failed to size up. The Queenstown *News*, in referring to the Wye Island peach season, says: "Hon. Marion deK. Smith has spent nearly five weeks at the farm, and has been praised by every one for his courteous and gentlemanly bearing, also for his constant attention to the interests of the farm of which he is administrator and receiver. The gentlemen compliment Queen Anne county for their hospitable and generous bearing and pretty girls."

The steamers of the Philadelphia peach line between Chestertown and other up-the-river points made their last trip on Saturday, closing a successful season.

BUSY TEMPERANCE WORKERS.

Eleventh Annual Convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Kent County.

Chestertown was literally alive all of yesterday with earnest temperance workers from every section of the county. At an early hour the devoted band of Christian women who are devoting so much of their time and talent to the uplifting and permanent betterment of humanity, began to arrive, and during the entire day their numbers continued to increase.

The morning session opened with delightful music at 10 o'clock, which was followed by scripture quotations and prayer, roll call of officers, appointment of committees and report of officers and superintendents. Though many were present, this interesting portion of the program was only partially carried out because of the absence of some of those from whom reports were due. The reports, so far as made, gave evidence of an abundant and glorious harvest—we say abundant in the sense that all things considered, the work done by the women of Kent county in the direction of building up a bulwark of safety for the future womanhood and sturdy young manhood of the county, though not all that they had wished, is giving daily evidences of a glorious future.

The report of the press committee, Mrs. S. E. Stewart, while doubtless not entirely satisfactory to the convention, it is hoped was not altogether satisfactory to the members of the press themselves, certainly not to the representative of the press who was present. The press has a part in this work which it must sooner or later recognize and grasp.

After the reports, followed singing. The election of officers was postponed, because of the absence of a number of delegates. The noon-tide hour of prayer and memorial services were followed by a sumptuous dinner in the upper hall.

It is regretted that it is impossible to give a full account of the interesting programme of yesterday afternoon and evening. The exercises were as follows:

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2.30 P. M.

2.30 Song Service and Prayer.
2.45 Minutes of Morning Session—Singing.
2.55 President's Address.
3.10 "The Evil effects of Narcotics," led by Mrs. Emma Shafer, followed by discussion.
3.25 Singing.
3.30 State Officers.
3.45 Exercise by Loyal Legions.
4.15 "Should Young Women be Interested in Temperance Work," led by Miss Mary Burchinal.
4.31 "Why Special Teaching in Sabbath Schools upon the subjects of Temperance and Sabbath Observance," Mrs. Ayis Vannort.

EVENING SESSION.

1. Singing.
2. Prayer.
3. Singing.
4. Report of Committee on Resolutions.
5. Singing.
6. Presenting the prizes for the Every-Day Dollar Party.
7. Singing
8. Lecture by Hon John G. Wooley.
9. Singing.
10. Benediction.

The officers elected were: President, Mrs. L. M. Corey; vice-president, Mrs. Emma Shafer; cor. secretary, Mrs. L. M. Usilton; rec. secretary, Mrs. Lizzie C. Smyth; treas., Mrs. C. M. Lucas.

GOLT'S GLEANINGS.

The ladies of the Mite Society of Golt's M. E. Church held their monthly reunion last Friday evening at the residence of Mr. Silas Thompson. As their place of meeting was several miles from this place quite a number joined in a straw ride, thus combining pleasure with duty. Some of the ladies who took part in this jolly mode of traveling were: Mrs. M. V. Davis, Mrs. Georgia Beltz, Mrs. Maude Johnston, Mrs. Sarah Hayes and Mrs. Ella Dellup. The young ladies of the party were Miss Annie Clayton, Miss Bessie Orrell, Miss Ella Beltz and Miss Avon Golt. Several gentleman were of the party also. If we may judge from the start they made they had quite a lively and pleasant time.

The Epworth League of this place proposes to hold a festival three evenings this week. We hope it may prove a success.

Mr. Sheppard Morris, our enterprising butcher, has just had a new meat shop built and is now prepared to serve his patrons on all occasions.

Mrs. C. H. Smith, we are sorry to say, has been quite sick for a week or so past, but is reported as being somewhat better at this time.

Miss Viola Simpson, who has been very ill is also improving at this writing.

Most of our city visitors have left us for their respective homes and the village seems somewhat dull since their departure. W. W.

An Ingenius Invention.

Farmers visiting Chestertown during the past week, were deeply interested in one of the most ingenius implements possibly ever shown in the county. Mr. Robert Wynkoop, the agent, explained in an interesting manner the invention, which was a combination wrench and adjustable jack. The possibilities of the wrench were almost without limit. First, we were shown the jack, which is designed for use in oiling buggies, wagons, carriages, etc. It is provided with an adjustable bar, by means of which the same tool is adjusted to any size hub, thus overcoming an objection hitherto possessed by all tools of the kind—indeed, the invention of Mr. Johnston is the only adjustable jack on the market. The advantages of this jack are that in oiling you never lose off a washer; you can oil a buggy without soiling your hands; a boy can use it; you can remove the wheel entirely for fitting on washers; the wheel can be revolved for washing, and, finally, its durability and cheapness.

The combination wrench, unlike most combination devices, is fully as efficient in its various capacities as any one of the various individual tools it represents. The tool can be used as a brace and bit, monkey-wrench, S-wrench, screw-driver, wagon or carriage wrench, gimlet maker, rivet-maker, staple-maker, plumber's wrench, and as a vice, working perfectly in each and every capacity.

The implement was pronounced a marvel of completeness by all who saw it, and the agent, who is still in Chestertown, never fails to attract a crowd whenever he gives an exhibition.

The remarkable features of the little implement demand a reference, for to those who saw it it became an item of genuine local interest and was certainly a mechanical curiosity. We are informed that the county right has been sold to a prominent citizen, who proposes to place the goods on the market.

ROCK HALL NEWS.

As stated by your correspondent during the closed season, the oysters on Swan Point and other nearby bars are very much injured from some unknown cause. At least 50 per cent. of the oysters are dead or in such condition that they will die ere the end of the present month. Some of our oystermen attribute the cause to the star fish, as nearly all the dead and affected oysters have their mouths bitten off; others say crabs are the cause, while others think the excessive freshets of the late spring and early summer is the main cause. Certain it is that some deadly enemy has played havoc with the bars in the upper bay, which is a most terrible blow to the oystering interests of Kent. Wherever the bars are unaffected by death the oysters are so poor that they are unfit for market, except around the edges of a few inside shoal bars, and these were selling for 20 cents per bushel. Many of our people who have made increased investments in the trade for this season are looking gloomy over the prospects. More than half of the tongers and buyers have gone into Chester river, where the oysters are not injured, but they are so scarce and in such inferior condition that the trade is very unprofitable, 35 cents being the price paid for the best stock. Many are compelled to bed their oysters and these are dying rapidly. It is hoped that the terrific rain of Saturday will have the effect of staying the onslaught of destruction to the bars and fatten up the healthy oysters, so that our "craft" will yet be profitable.

Deputy Commander Stevens arrested some Talbot countians for oystering on the lumps between Swan Point and the western side without license, but they were released by 'Squire Beck for the reason, we understand, that Commander Turner steamed up here and stated that Governor Lowndes had allowed the parties 15 days grace, in which to procure their licenses. Who is this great friend of the scraper and dredger, that he can strain the law, which says a license must be obtained before oysters can be taken? How is it that the tongers of Kent cannot be allowed a few days grace for a similar purpose? If resident scrapers of Talbot can catch oysters in the waters of Baltimore and Kent counties, can't Kent tongers go outside of their own waters and ply their vocation? We know the law says that license shall not authorize the catching or taking of oysters in waters other than those of the county wherein the license is granted, but isn't the law a general one, applicable to all the counties? Our oyster buyers say that they frequently see these favored wanderers dredging over on the lumps. We suppose they are given permission to do so by his excellency, the Governor. Nine bugeyes and sharpeys, all said to be residents of Talbot, left here on Friday and proceeded up the bay to finish catching their cargo of oysters.

During the high wind of Thursday last Mr. Ed. Jones, while oystering on Huntingfield bar, lost his partner overboard, who came near being drowned ere his being rescued.

Our people have deep sympathy for Mr. W. S. Maslin and his family in their misfortune, and hope that Mr. M., who has all the years of his life been one of our popular young men, will speedily be himself again.

Mr. John Fogwell is very much afflicted with sickness in his family, his wife and one child being very ill. The child has a fever, and has lost all use of herself from the hips down.

Mr. John A. Hersch, our veteran oyster rake shaft maker, has been quite sick for the past two months.

Mr. Geo. Colyer was taken extremely ill with cholera morbus on Saturday afternoon. He suffered intensely until early Sunday morning. Dr. Selby is getting him around all right at this writing.

The torrents of rain last Saturday night had the effect of sinking quite a number of our oystering boats at their moorings.

Capt. Stevens is giving close attention to Swan Point bar these nights, and any prowling dredgers who may chance to have their dredges thereon will find a warm reception. BON JOUR.

FAIRLEE ITENS.

EDITORS TRANSCRIPT:—Notwithstanding the somewhat inclement weather of Sunday, a large number of carriages were seen passing through our village enroute for Tolchester, that being the last day of the season.

The rain, which began to fall about noon on Saturday, proved to be the heaviest rainfall we have had for several months and was accompanied on Saturday night by sharp flashes of lightning and heavy claps of thunder.

A grand fish fry was given by Mr. James Bramble on his shore last Saturday afternoon. Some of the finest fish the grand old Chesapeake could afford were caught and served by those expert fishermen, Messrs. James and Jesse Middletown. A large tent was pitched for the occasion, which afforded sufficient shelter during the rain. Some of those present were: Rev. J. B. Merritt, D. D., and wife, a Mrs. Jones of Rock Hall; Mr. James Middleton and family, Mr. Jess Middleton and family, Mr. James Bramble and family, Mrs. Mary Bramble and others, including a host of little folks.

The little folks of our public school are making arrangements for a fair on the school yard, which will take place next Saturday two weeks. Prizes are to be awarded to those who deserve them. A foot race, tournament, jumping, and bread and pie making will be the most interesting features.

Mr. Wm. Barnes, our genial blacksmith, has accepted a position with Mr. Samuel Hicks, Chestertown, for an indefinite time. His shops are still open and the work carefully attended to by his assistant.

Mr. Harry Willis, we are glad to note, is convalescent. There is very little sickness in our village at this writing.

Mr. Wm. E. Keyser and Mr. Morris Bramble attended the fair in Baltimore county last week. There are several in town who will visit Elkton fair this week.

Mr. Wm. J. Payne and son Oliver, are rusticating in Baltimore and elsewhere.

Miss Minnie Smyth and Miss Minnie Hudson are preparing for an extensive trip through the West. They will be accompanied as far as the Monumental City by some of their friends.

Miss Stella Jones returned home this morning, after a pleasant visit with her sister, Mrs. S. D. Leaverton.

Miss Lenora Myers, of Philadelphia, is visiting her parents, at Hanesville, accompanied by Miss Daisy Melvin, of Philadelphia. Both ladies have wheels and are expert riders.

Miss Della Lee has been suffering intensely with a gathered hand but is now better. EAST END.

DIED.

FOGWELL.—In Baltimore on August 18th, '96, Mary B Fogwell, daughter of Aquilla D. and Emily A. Fogwell, aged 9 months.

Another little lamb is gone
To dwell with Him who gave;
Another little darling babe
Is sheltered in the grave.

God needed one more angel child
Amidst His shining band,
And so He bent with loving smile,
And clasped our darling's hand.

BY HER SISTER, LUCY A. FOGWELL.

The Ladies.

The pleasant effect and perfect safety with which ladies may use Syrup of Figs, under all conditions, makes it their favorite remedy. To get the true and genuine article, look for the name of the California Fig Syrup Company, printed near the bottom of the package. For sale by all responsible druggists.

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.

LUMBER LUMBER.

SHINGLES. SHINGLES

N. C. FLOORING,
GA. FLOORING,
VA. PINE FRAME STUFF,
GA. " " "
VA. PINE SIDING,
WHITE PINE SIDING,
WHITE PINE BARN & CULL B'DS.
CYPRESS FENCING,
DOORS, SASH,
BLINDS,
MOULDINGS, ETC.,

—FOR SALE BY—

T. W. ELIASON,

Sept. 10, 1896. Chestertown.

NOTICE.

Phila. Peach Line.

Balto. & Phila. Steamboat Co.

On or about Monday, July 27th, the following schedule will take effect. Steamers will leave daily as follows for Philadelphia direct:

11c *Buckingham,	10.00 o'clock,	A. M.
Snitchers,	10 30 "	"
Chestertown	12 00 "	"
11c *Chambers,	12.15 "	"
11c *Rolphs,	12.25 "	"
11c *Wilmer's,	12 40 "	"
Riverside,	1.00 "	P. M.
11c *Bookers,	1.20 "	"
11c *Quaker Neck,	1.40 "	"
Ashland,	2.00 "	"
Indiantown,	2 15 "	"
11c *Cliffs City,	2.30 "	"
11c *Spaniards Point,	2 45 "	"
11c *Bogles,	3.15 "	"
11c *Kent Island,	4.10 "	"
11c *Tolchester,	5.00 "	"
LANKFORD'S BAY.		
Ships Yard,	10.30 o'clock,	A. M
Groves' Wharf,	10.45 "	"
Vickers	11.00 "	"
Beck's Wharf,	12 00 "	"
Brown's,	12 15 "	P. M
Leary's,	12.30 "	"
Long Grove,	1.00 "	"

Freight will be eleven cents a basket from all landings marked *; all other landings and lighters the usual ten-cent rate will apply.

On Saturday steamer will leave all landings two hours later than above time.

For further information apply to

F. S. GROVES, 28 S. Del. Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.
THOS. D. FRANCE, Chestertown, Md.
j23-tf.

W. H. KRUSEN,

Furnishing Undertaker.

STILL POND, MD.

Thompson, the Butcher,

CHESTERTOWN, MD.

Always keeps on hand a Choice line of Meats for the family Table.

Give me a call and get satisfaction.

WANTED—CALVES AND STOCK,

for which I will pay the highest cash price.
Resp'y, etc.,
THOMPSON, THE BUTCHER.

Shuster's DINING PARLOR,

CHESTERTOWN, MD.,

Front Street, Opposite the Old Bank.

Permanent and Transient Boarders taken at low rates: Lunch served at short notice. Oysters in all styles. First-Class Dinners to country people at 50c. Bride's Cakes made to order. We also carry in stock a general assortment of Cakes and Confectionery. Picnics and Festivals supplied with our celebrated Ice Cream at moderate prices. A call solicited.

SHUSTER'S DINING PARLORS.

The Maryland Agricultural College

COLLEGE PARK, MD.

MARYLAND SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY.

FOUR COURSES OF INSTRUCTION: Agricultural, Mechanical, Scientific, Classical.

EACH DEPARTMENT SUPPLIED with the most modern and improved apparatus. Practical work emphasized in all departments. Graduates qualified at once to enter upon their life's work. Boarding department supplied with all modern improvements. Bath Rooms, Closets, Steam Heat, and Gas; Books, Room, Heat, Light, Washing, Board, Medical Attendance. $144 for scholastic year. ☞ A 130-page Catalogue giving full particulars sent on application. Daily sanitary inspection by physician to the College. Attention is called to the short course of ten weeks in Agriculture. Particulars sent on application. Term commences Sept. 16th. Early application necessary for admittance.

R. W. SILVESTER,
a13-6t. President M. A. C.

IN THE HIGHLANDS.

Western Maryland College,
Westminster, Md.

Thirtieth Year begins September 15, 1896. Buildings all brick; heated by steam; lighted by electricity; hot and cold baths. All rooms furnished with single beds.

The unexampled success of this College has been a steady growth based on thorough work, conscientious care and righteous discipline. There has never been any rowdyism at the College, and parents know it is a *safe place* to send their boys and girls.

Both sexes received, but trained in separate departments; the ideal educational arrangement modelled on the home. We began it thirty years ago, and its success is demonstrated.

Our students are our references. You are sure to find some of them in your county. Send for a Catalogue to T. H. Lewis, President.

1000 FEET ABOVE THE SEA.

Remarkable Offer to Farmers.

I wish to inform the farmers of Kent and Queen Anne counties that I am in better position to buy Grain in this vicinity than I or any grain buyer has ever been. I. M. Parr & Son, Baltimore, have employed me to buy Grain for them. They will telegraph me market daily, and have instructed me to pay Baltimore prices less only cost of handling; in this way farmers will surely save commissions and other costs, or about an average expense of $10 to $15 per 1000 bushels. I will call, examine grain and make offer, upon notice by mail or messenger. Bids will be made for future delivery if desired. We want this grain for export. Parties prefering to consign their grain will receive highest market price, according to grade, though we can't see any chance for consignments, when we are OFFERING SUCH INDUCEMENTS. Where it is not practical for me to see the grain, I will bid on it according to Balt