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LOCAL MATTERS.

Trustee Appointed.—At a meeting of the creditors of Mr. Samuel A. Merritt on Tuesday, Lewin W. Wickes, Esq., was made trustee.

Young Rabbits.—Kent county huntsmen have found an unusual number of very young rabbits, some of them not half grown, during the present season.

Care of the Ballots.—The Kent county ballots, cast at last week's election are now safely boarded up for security and protection in the vault of the clerk's office.

To Burn the Ballots.—The unused ballots which remain from last week's election, will be publicly burned on Saturday, in the presence of one or more of the Judges of the Orphan's Court as required by law.

Dredging and Tonging Licenses.—The total number of licenses issued from the Comptroller's office up to date is 750 or 150 more than was issued last year. The total number of tonging licenses issued in Kent county is 788.

Grain Quotations.—Baltimore grain quotations in yesterday's papers were: Wheat, No. 2 red, 89c.; No. 2 steamer, 85c. Corn, new, white, damp, 29c., 30c. for fair; new, yellow, 28½c. and 29c. for damp to fair.

Walraven Case Again Removed.—The Walraven case, which was to have been tried at the recent term of the Circuit Court for Kent county but was moved to Centreville, has been again moved, this time to Easton, Talbot county.

Who Can Beat This?—Mr. John E. Morris, on Mr. Samuel Vannort's farm, shelled with Mr. Walter Sparks' sheller between sunrise and 3.30 P. M. on Tuesday last, 2200 bushels of corn and hauled the same to Beck's wharf before sundown. Who can beat it?

The Oldest Tonger.—Richard Coleman, of Royal Oak, Talbot county, has taken out an oyster tonging license. He is 87 years old, and is said to be the oldest active oysterman in the State. The oldest licensed tonger in Kent is Mr. Kinsey E. Thomas, of Cliff City who is 79 years of age.

Gold Parade and Gold Supper.—Janes M. E. Church, Chestertown, has about completed arrangements for the novelty of a "gold parade followed by a gold supper" this afternoon. During tomorrow evening's programme Perry Frisby will discuss the question, "Past, present and future of the coming woman."

A New Company.—Messrs. Chas. W. Kennard, Edward J. Kennard and Linwood W. Sparks, all well-known former residents of Kent, have incorporated the Patapsco Coal and Ice Company of Baltimore city. The members of the new firm are gentlemen of business experience and energy and will doubtless make a success of the new enterprise.

The National Thanksgiving.—President Cleveland has issued his proclamation, designating Thursday, November the 26th to be kept and observed as a day of thanksgiving and prayer throughout the land. The President says: "Let us not forget on this day of Thanksgiving the poor and needy; and, by deeds of charity, let our offerings of praise be made more acceptable in the sight of the Lord."

A Work of Art.—A red-head wooden duck just in the act of lighting, was an object of much interest in the windows of Moody & Lusby's clothing store last week. The general pose of the wings and body was grace itself and astonishingly natural. The shading of the feathers was as near perfect as it could be possible to get it, and old gunners declared the work, which was done by Mr. D. P. Jones, to be perfect and in every respect a work of art.

Did'nt Want "Florida on Wheels."—"Florida on wheels," which was visited by a large number of persons at Chestertown on election day, was booked for Oxford, Talbot county, but unfortunately it went to St. Michaels first, and the diphtheria epidemic there had made the Oxford people fearful that the car would bring the disease. Dr. Councell, health officer, notified the "Florida on wheels" people that they would be fined $100 if they went to Oxford, and so the car departed from Talbot without going to that town.

Trial of B. Palmer Keating.—The case of B. Palmer Keating, removed from Queen Anne county has been set for trial on Monday next, at Cambridge. Messrs. Edwin H. Brown and A. S. Goldsborough, Mr. Keating's counsel, have not yet engaged local counsel, and it is understood that they will put in a plea in abatement, the substance of which will be that the grand jury that found the indictment charging embezzlement was not drawn in accordance with the late act of Assembly as construed by the Court of Appeals, and that Mr. Keating's offense only amounts to a breach of trust.

Farm Hands Paid in Gold.—Mr. James B. Councilman, who was an ardent advocate of honest money during the recent campaign and who employs a large number of men upon his place near Baltimore, on Saturday paid his men their wages for the week in gold. The men were much pleased with the coin, as some of them had not seen a dollar in gold for years. All the men employed by Mr. Councilman voted for sound money. Possibly our gold-standard advocates may be located by the payment of wages in gold. A majority of our farmers are as unaccustomed to the appearance of a gold dollar as were the Councilman laborers.

The Skeleton Received.—The TRANSCRIPT was in receipt on Monday of a neatly addressed package, postmarked at New York, and carefully designated as "mds'e." The dainty bundle was as daintily opened as it had been daintily prepared, and to the utter amazement of the editors, out fell a gruesome looking skeleton labeled "Bryan." It was a first-rate joke, and has been hugely enjoyed by a number who have, with tearless eyes, looked upon the remains claimed to be those of their recent political idol. The skeleton is being preserved, and in 1900, properly labeled "McKinley," will be sent to a certain New York friend who was until a few years ago a resident of Kent.

Centennial Ear of Corn.—A centennial year curiosity which was inspected by many farmers visiting Crumpton during the past two weeks, was an ear of corn just twenty years old, gathered by Mr. D. J. Quimby, on John N. Clark's farm near Downes' Chapel, Delaware, on October 15th, 1876. The ear, which was very large at the time of being gathered, is now rather below the average size. The grain though plump, has become smaller and is as hard as flint, while the cob has also shrunk and is as solid as a piece of bone. Is there another centennial ear of corn in the State? The TRANSCRIPT reporter secured several grains of the corn, which will be planted as an experiment.

Oyster Pirate in Trouble.—Captain Frederick Walters, who figured last winter in the Swan Point "bloodless battle," and against whom the circuit court of Kent county now holds charges for sundry oyster law violations, has gotten into serious trouble in Baltimore. It is reported that Walters on Friday asked his wife to kiss him, which she did, and he instantly fired upon her with a pistol. One shot took effect in the temple and the other in the neck.

A Contractor in Trouble.—Nine attachments for an aggregate of $3,440.96 were taken out of the Court of Common Pleas, Baltimore, last week against Wm. C. Merritt, contractor for building the Queen Anne Railroad. They were mainly obtained by storekeepers in Queen Anne who had cashed time-checks given by Mr. Merritt and furnished supplies to his workmen upon his order. They were laid in the hands of the Peninsula Construction Company, which is completing the railroad, for the purpose of making the claims good against any balance that may be found due Mr. Merritt. Other attachments obtained before magistrates increase the amount to about $5,000.

An Exciting Runaway.—Wilbur Eliason, Jr., and little Miss Rebecca Eliason had a most exciting experience on Friday afternoon last. Mr. Eliason was driving two spirited horses to a closed carriage in which was his sister. When opposite Chester cemetery the horses took fright and dashed off at full speed, and to add to the dangers of the occasion one of the reins broke. The horses dashed on toward the paper mill, but Mr. Eliason, with rare presence of mind and coolness succeeded in getting out on the tongue and finally secured control of the frightened animals. Like a true heroine, little Miss Rebecca remained in the carriage until all danger was passed, but declared afterward, "I never prayed as much in my life."

Stole Rotten Apples.—Mr. John Bell, last week played a practical joke on some party or parties who have been stealing his apples. One of several barrels of apples which Mr. Bell left in his orchard, headed up and ready to be stored away, was recently opened and nearly all of the contents stolen. In picking over his fruit on Saturday Mr. Bell headed up a barrel of rotten apples and placed it in his apple orchard. On Sunday morning the barrel and rotten apples had disappeared. The thief or thieves had no team but had rolled the barrel from the orchard to a place of safety. Mr. Bell is of course not materially distressed about the apples, but says that he is morally certain who his visitor was, and unless the barrel is promptly returned it will be called for.

Attempted Felonious Assault.—J. W. Kilson, colored, was convicted of an attempted felonious assault on a young white girl, in the Queen Anne Circuit Court, on Saturday. This case occasioned general interest. The evidence against the accused was so direct that a verdict of guilty was soon rendered. Kilson was employed as a farm laborer by Mr. William Roe, who resides about two miles from Centreville. Mr. Dill, the father of the girl, was his overseer. Kilson gained entrance to the room occupied by Miss Dill by placing a ladder under the window and awakened her. She screamed and the negro quickly made his escape, but not before he was fully recognized by her, as the moon was shining brightly through the window. Kilson was placed under arrest and acknowledged the act.

Shore-Rights on Chester River.—An interesting case, and one that occupied the attention of the Queen Anne court on Monday and Tuesday, was that of Wickart vs. Holtz. Gustav F. C. Holtz purchased the Love Point Farm, on Kent Island, last year, and on his shore in Chester river he surveyed and staked out 10 acres for a private oyster bed. Within these bounds Henry Wickart, who is a fisherman, drove stakes and set out a fish pound for the purpose of catching fish. Wickart charges that Holtz, without previous notice, came down to the shore and began firing on him with a rifle, which he, in turn, replied to with his pistol. Both finally withdrew without a scratch, and concluded to settle through the courts. Wickart is suing for $2,000 damages. P. B. Hopper is counsel for Holtz and E. H. Brown for Wickart.

Sketches Along the Chester.—The Students' Summer Sketch Club of the Maryland Institute, has held its first exhibit of original work in the main hall of the Institute. About 150 pictures were in the collection, the subjects, mainly landscapes, in oil, water-colors, pen and ink and charcoal. Among the exhibitors were Miss Katharine Gassaway and Mr. G. Alden Peirson, many of whose charming sketches of summer scenes along Chester river, have appeared in the Health Magazine, printed in Baltimore. These beautiful bits from nature have elicited the praise and admiration of all who have seen them. Mr. A. Palmer Cooper, the cartoonist and artist, who is well known in Kent, and who has done much excellent work with his pencil in illustrating the natural beauties of the county, was also represented by some of his finest productions.

Who Was the Kent Countian.—The Easton correspondent of the Baltimore *Sun* sends the following interesting item, and incidentally tells of the rare good fortune of a Kent countian who had been robbed. "Aunt Kitty Heath," says the writer, "is a well-known and successful fortune-teller, who has for many years lived and practiced at Royal Oak. She is now quite old, but her power of divination has not lessened, it is said, but rather increased with her advancing years. Many is the time she has been consulted both about the past and the future, and those who have had the most business with her have the greatest confidence in the accuracy of her powers. Her clientele embrace people from the whole Eastern Shore, and there is never a day without its customer, and some days she has a dozen. As a sample of her business, a few days ago a gentleman from Kent county drove ninety miles to consult her about finding some money and jewels which had been lost, and which he thought had been stolen. They were strangers, who had never met before. Mrs. Heathers was unaware of the existence of such a person as the Kent county gentleman until he came to her. However, she located the missing valuables, and described the person who had taken them and the place where he had put them with such particularity that he had no difficulty in identifying both, and felt justified in demanding the restoration of the stolen articles from the person described, with the result of getting them all back. The good woman still insists that William Jennings Bryan has been elected President, as she insisted all along he would be. After his nomination at Chicago she planted at the same time near each other two beans of the same kind, one of which she named McKinley and the other Bryan. The one named Bryan came up two days before the one named McKinley, grew faster and in every particular has been the more prosperous plant. The old lady's conclusion is that Bryan's electoral majority will be small, but that in the wind-up when all the returns are in it will be a certain majority. And until she surrenders there are a number of people around who will not give up the hope of Bryan's election."

Teachers' Association.—The Public School Association will meet at the school room in Chestertown, on Friday, Nov. 20th, 1896, at ten o'clock A. M. The regular questions for discussion are:

1—Should or not, an essential part of the curriculum be some exercise especially intended to improve and develop the pupil's memory? Should or not the pupil receive special instruction and suggestions from the teacher to aid him in improving the memory? If so, give the Association the benefit of some such suggestions.

2—Do you have some daily exercise that is well calculated to interest the whole body of the school? If so, what and how do you conduct the exercise?

Up Goes Wheat.—The upward movement in wheat values was continued from Saturday to Monday, and by noon scored new price records, December 87⅞, or ¾c. over the previous highest price, and about two cents a bushel over Saturday's closing "curb" price. Continued drought in India, less favorable prospects in Russia, and apprehensions of damage in Argentina from locusts were reported. The comparative scarcity and advanced prices asked for spot wheat in all primary markets was the chief home factor. Wheat futures opened fairly active at ½c. advance, December at 85⅞. In the first hour it advanced to 86, and by noon to 86¾. Famine threatens Ireland which will further add to the outlook for a demand. The *Mark Lane Express*, in the course of a long article on the crops, says: "Owing to the failure in India and Australia a deficiency of 2533,500 quarters has been created in Grea Britain's usual supply, which must be made up from other sources, and is a change in the situation which itself is sufficient to uphold the recent rise. The quantities of wheat on passage to the United Kingdom on November 7 were 2,045,000 quarters, of which Russian wheat amounts to 400,000 quarters, North American 300,000, South American 100,000, California 2,220,000 and from elsewhere 25,000 quarters.

An Appalling Forecast.—Astor, the astrologist, makes a most appalling forecast for the present winter. He says: "The coming winter will be the most severe since 1813, and colder than can be recalled by the oldest inhabitants; especially will the south and west suffer in this respect. There will be heavy rain and snow, and hailstones of remarkable size, as well as several meteors will fall. Violent storms are to come, one following another. Tidal waves will occur several times during the winter, and the Atlantic Coast will suffer from the ravages of the sea. More than one of the great Atlantic liners will sail their last voyage, and never in the history of shipping will be recorded such frightful loss of life and property. Fierce fires and conflagrations will extend throughout the land and loss of life from this cause will be appalling. There will be heavy failures in trade, especially among insurance companies. Tornadoes and explosions will occur, and again will the south and west suffer severely. November will be the phenomenal month of the year. The centring of the majority of planets in the mystic and accursed sign Scorpio, will produce startling changes, which will begin directly after the lunation of the moon, which occurs on the morning of the 5th; political upheavals will sweep over the land, both here and abroad. England is to mourn the death of her noble Queen, who will not survive the winter, and the passing away of this wonderful woman will mark the greatest change in the annals of the English Parliament since the days of King George III. War will be rampant. The downfall of Spain and the freedom of Cuba are to come. Turkey will be disposed of and Russia will assume a dictatorial front, with the result that the English Government will lose some of its valuable concessions. There will be more unrest among the great foreign powers than for many years. Deaths of prominent people will occur, and under peculiar circumstances. Daring robberies will take place, and there will be an avalanche of crime of a shocking and heinous nature. During this month stocks will advance rapidly, and commodities of all kinds will command higher prices, but will recede again and trade will not revive until after April, 1897. New and startling discoveries will be made in science, and with the incoming of spring we will have made wonderful strides in the modes of traveling on land, water and in the air. Besides the Queen, the planets foretell the death of England's brightest man, and the mortality among the learned men throughout the world will be severe. In this month will be born a ruler whose power will be long and mighty. There will be extreme suffering among the poor in the cities, and acts of lawlessness and desperation from them will be frequent; never in the history of living man will there be recorded in so short a time such carnage, wreck and ruin as this present year will live to tell, with the worst yet to come."

GUNNING ACCIDENTS.

A Day of Narrow Escapes by Young Gunners.

Friday was a day of accidents among gunners, and however strange it may seem, the accidents came curiously bunched. Mr. Charles Johnson, of Chestertown, while out gunning, having with him his twelve-year-old son, Charles, on Friday afternoon shot his son. The father did not know the exact location of the boy, who was in the bushes, and just at that moment a rabbit ran out and Mr. Johnson blazed away, and was dumbfounded to hear his son scream out that he was shot. The gunner had fired when the boy and the rabbit were in a line, and an examination of the boy's wounds by Dr. W. Frank Hines disclosed the fact that fully twenty shot had taken effect in the boy's legs.

Edwin Wilkins, the sixteen-year-old son of Mrs. Mary A. Wilkins, of "The Maples," in Quaker Neck, was painfully and seriously shot in the wrist Saturday afternoon while preparing to go gunning with a young friend. The two boys were at Capt. Cecil Atkinson's, and were both handling the gun, when it by some accident fell to the ground. The hammer struck a stone and the gun was discharged a portion of the load taking effect in young Wilkins' wrist, seriously injuring the bones and muscles. The wound, though of a painful and serious character, will not cost the young man the use of his hand.

A gentleman from Philadelphia, who has been visiting Kent county friends, was given a peppering on Friday while hunting the elusive rabbit. One of the party fired at a rabbit in a different direction from that of the nearest gunner, but that fact to the contrary notwithstanding, the nearest gunner was struck in the head and face. The shot had evidently glanced or rebounded. Though somewhat painful the wound was trifling.

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PERSONAL AND SOCIAL.

What promises to be the most delightful leap year dance of the season, will be given in Still Pond hall on the evening of Thursday, November 19th. The patronesses are: Mrs. E. W. Hepbron, Mrs. G. R. Parrott, Mrs. John H. O. Stokes, Mrs. P. A. M. Brooks, Mrs. Wm. R. Kay, Mrs. J. B. Hossinger.

Dr. C. W. Reid of Washington College, is now in North Carolina, much improved in health, and will return home either this or next week.

Mr. Wm. P. Ireland, of Philadelphia, is enjoying a week's gunning in Kent.

Miss Mary Hurtt heard Madam Melba with the Boston Symphony Orchestra, at Music Hall, Baltimore, last night.

Clarence W. Perkins, Esq., of the Baltimore bar, has spent several days of the present week professionally in Chestertown.

Dr. J. Frisby Anderson, of Brooklyn, N. Y., but formerly of Chestertown, favored the large number of persons present at Trinity Sociable last week by an enjoyable recitation.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Potts, of Tolchester, will spend the winter months in the South.

Mrs. H. Kent Shaw and daughters gave an impromptu sailing party to a number of friends on Friday afternoon. A pleasant tea was enjoyed after the sail.

Miss Helen Shaw, who has just returned from an extended tour of Europe, is spending the fall and winter at the beautiful home of her mother, on the Chester.

Mr. James W. Crouch has rented the Simpers house, formerly occupied by Mr. B. N. S. Wilkins and family, Queen street, and moved into his new home on Monday. Mr. Wilkins has moved to his pretty new home on Front street.

Mr. J. Henry Hurtt carried a party of friends to Crumpton on Saturday on his pretty steam launch, Sunset.

Mr. Robert W. Shelton, the popular clerk in Mr. M. A. Toulson's drug store, received a telegram last week announcing the death of his father at his home in Virginia.

Miss Lillie Cornelius, of Centreville, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. R. Jarrell.

Miss Eleanor Riley, of Baltimore, is visiting Mrs. Wallis, of Georgetown.

The wedding of Miss Jennie Meredith, of near Kennedville, and Mr. Richard Haggerty, of New York, took place yesterday at 7.30 o'clock P.M. at Grace Presbyterian Church.

Mr. M. T. Miller, of Baltimore, opened a new store in the Bordley Building on Monday, adjoining the drug store of M. A. Toulson. He has secured the services of Mr. Eugene Lucas as clerk.

Miss Katie Smith is visiting friends in Carroll county.

Mrs. Coopsey and Miss Hipsley, of Baltimore, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Copper, Washington avenue.

Miss Nannie Comegys, of Millington, is visiting Mrs. M. J. Cahoon, in Centreville.

Miss Ellen Fisher is visiting her brother, Dr. Fisher, in Port Deposit.

Mrs. V. L. Culbertson, of Middletown, has returned from a ten days' visit with Miss Dora Jump at Still Pond.

Mrs. Annie Bradley, of Chestertown, has been visiting friends in Delaware.

Mrs. Godwin and her daughter, Mrs. Corson, of Crumpton, are guests of Mrs. Chaulder, in Delaware.

Rev. J. S. Bowers, of Baltimore, has been visiting his mother on High street. He enjoyed a good day's hunt for rabbits last week.

Miss Sallie Groves, of Pomona, Kent county, has been the guest of Mr. Albert Groves and wife, for a week on Paca's Island and was present at the baptismal services of Thomas Harris, youngest child of Mr. Groves, performed by Rev. Mr. Benson.

Cards are out announcing the wedding of Mr. Vernon M. Barnett, of Chestertown, and Miss Edna Sheats, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Sheats, of Worton, to take place at Worton Presbyterian Church, Wednesday evening, Nov. 18th.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward W. Rodney, of Rock Hall, announce the marriage of their daughter, Miss Jennie, to Mr. C. Damon Rollison, of the same town, on Wednesday evening, Dec. 2nd, at Rock Hall M. E. Church.

Miss Beulah Hayes is the guest of friends in Philadelphia.

Mr. Ferris, of Pennsylvania, has rented the Stuart house, on Queen street, several months ago vacated by the family of Dr. J. A. Perkins. It is stated that Mr. Ferris is desirous of purchasing a farm in Kent and making his home here.

Mrs. Mary Matthews Jones, wife of Prof. J. S. W. Jones, of Washington College, has been appointed Y secretary for Kent county. A better could not have been found. We trust the young people will rally round her.

Kennedyville Items.

Miss Annie Shafer is visiting friends in Washington, D. C.

Misses Bertha Redmile and Ida Newcomb and Mr. H. C. Jarrell, have been elected delegates to the State Christian Endeavor Convention, to be held in Baltimore, 18th and 19th inst.

Mrs. Thomas Redmile, Miss Nettie Whiteley and Mr. W. E. Sanders have been elected delegates to the Kent County Sunday School Convention, which will be held at Still Pond on Wednesday and Thursday of next week.

The meeting of the W. C. T. U. at the town hall on Friday evening last, was exceedingly interesting. The exercises opened with singing followed by prayer by Mr. Kelley, of Locust Grove. Master Harry Johnston then read a selection followed by singing by the L. T. L. Mrs. J. R. Jarrell gave a very interesting report of the State Convention recently held at Frederick City. The president reported about eleven dollars as the net proceeds of the luncheon served on election day. The exercises were interspersed with choice selections on the guitar skillfully rendered by Miss Jenkins, of Philadelphia. A humorous selection was also read by Miss Irene Gooding, of Locust Grove.

Cursing McKinley and other Republican leaders does not better the political situation, and it would be far more creditable to follow the example of the honorable leader of the defeated party, Hon. W. J. Bryan. JUNO.

New Advertisements.

Mr. John Bell and wife, Mrs. Sarah E. Bell, advertise in this issue a fine lot of dairy cows for sale on Wednesday, Nov. 18, 1896.

Mr. Horace A. Willson advertises in another column a large lot of personalty at public sale on the farm where he resides, near Edesville, on Wednesday, Nov. 25, 1896.

Mr. Colin F. Stam advertises in this issue pure pepper, sage and saltpetre for sale cheap at his drug store in Chestertown.

Harry L. Chew advertises a lot of useful articles at a bargain to close out his entire stock to leave Chestertown.

In this issue will be found under heading of "Attention," the advertisement of a Thanksgiving entertainment in the town hall at Kennedyville by the Y. P. S. C. E. of Kennedyville. The entertainment will consist of a comedy, and vocal and instrumental music.

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CHURCH NOTES.

Great Activity in Religious Circles.

Revival services will be held at St. James M. P. Church, beginning Sabbath night, Nov. 15th. Jimmie Cook, the boy evangelist, will be present and assist Dr. J. L. Mills in the services.

Father Thomas, rector of the cathedral in Baltimore, has been designated by the Pope as the successor of Bishop Curtis as Bishop of the Diocese of Wilmington. Bishop Curtis will succeed Father Thomas at the cathedral.

Revival services have commenced in Union M. E. Church, Queen Anne, which are already being blessed with success. Services will be held in this church afternoon and evening of next Sabbath. At the afternoon service the visiting ladies representing the Foreign Missionary Society, are expected to be present and deliver addresses. Revival services Sabbath evening and each evening of the following week except Saturday evening.

Next Sabbath, Nov. 15, the services in the M. E. Church of Chestertown, will be in the interest of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the church. Mrs. Stevens, secretary of Baltimore branch, and Miss Sites, a returned missionary, will be present at all the services of the day. At the morning service, 10.30, a missionary sermon will be delivered by the pastor. The evening service, at 7.30, will be conducted entirely by the ladies of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. The address of the evening will be delivered by the returned missionary, Miss Sites. A very interesting day's service is anticipated and the public are cordially invited to all services. A reception will be tendered these visiting ladies by the W. F. M. S., in the lecture room of the church, on Saturday evening. To this reception all friends of the society are invited.

W. C. T. U. CONVENTION.—A national executive meeting of State presidents of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, will be held in St. Louis, November 12, the day preceding the meeting of the National Convention, to formulate lines of work to be submitted to the general convention. Mrs. Mary R. Haslup will be present as president of Maryland. The State of Maryland is entitled to eight delegates and four State officers, of whom the three city representatives will be Mrs. W. H. Everhart, Mrs. S. H. Martin and Miss Emily Fullwood, who will represent the "Ys."

The county delegates are: Mrs. Sarah T. Miller, Montgomery county; Mrs. I. C. Vannerruan, Harford county; Miss Grace Radcliffe, Frederick City; Miss L. M. Rider, Baltimore county, and Mrs. V. Skirven, Kent county.

The report of Mrs. James Lake, State secretary of the W. C. T. U., shows that Maryland stands second in rank among five States, whose addition of membership for the year exceeds 500, and entitles them to the honors and financial results of Benefit Night at the Convention. Maryland's increase is 847 members, almost 700 being in Baltimore city. The report also states that over 300 public meetings have been held during the year exclusive of the daily noon prayer meeting at Memorial Building. Mrs. Haslup, the State president, has visited 40 unions and attended 14 county conventions.

The annual convention of the Christian Endervorers of Maryland will be held in Brantly Church, Baltimore, on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, Nov. 17th, 18th and 19th. Extensive preparations are being made for this convention, and the indications are it will prove an exceedingly helpful as well as successful convention. The Brantly Church is a large, commodious structure seating 1600 persons, and if the interest manifested in the convention continues, the place will be filled to overflowing by Endeavorers. The Baltimore City C. E. Union has decided to entertain without charge all delegates who represent country societies, and this will doubtless bring a great many people from the counties. The programme is unusually attractive, and men of national reputation are engaged to speak. Tuesday afternoon will be given over to enrollment of out-of-town delegates and preparatory devotional services. The evening session will attract great attention. The subject will be "Armenia, the Martyr Race of the 19th Century," and Rev. Frederick D. Green, of New York; Miss Margaret W. Leitch, of Ceylon, and Rev. Dr. Allan H. Tupper, of Baltimore, will be the speakers. On Wednesday addresses will be made by pastors and laymen of the Maryland churches. The evening of Wednesday, Rev. Dr. John F. Beckley, of New York, will speak on "What Can C. E. do for Better Sabbath Observance?" Hon. Homer L. Castle, of Pittsburg, Pa., will speak on "The Christian's Right Place." On Thursday morning there will be conferences on various Christian Endeavor work led by prominent laymen, and an address by Rev. E. H. Delk, of Hagerstown, on "The Strength and Weakness of Christian Endeavorers." Rev. Chas. Roades, of Virginia, will speak on "The Joy of Soul Winning." One of the most interesting features of the convention will be the Junior Rally on Thursday afternoon. 1000 Juniors will assemble and listen to a talk by Rev. Maltbie D. Babcock, D.D. Other exercises will make this an interesting meeting. On Thursday President L. B. Whitman, D. D., of Washington, D. C., will make an address on "Every Talent for Christ." The convention will close by a sermon by Rev. J. Wilbur Chapman, D. D., of Philadelphia. At noon during the days, of the convention, Evangelistic Services will be held for men, and Dr. Wharton, of Baltimore, and Rev. J. Wilbur Chapman will be in charge.

The seventh annual session of the Atlantic Conference of Seventh Day Adventists, is being held at Jersey City, N. J., November 10-15, 1896.

PROGRAMME.

Tuesday, November 10th.—7.30 P. M., Sermon.

Wednesday, 11th.—9.00 A. M., devotional; 10.00 A. M., conference; 11.30 A. M., institute; 1.00 P. M., dinner; 3.00 P. M., sermon; 4.30 P. M., Sabbath School Association; 7.30 P. M., sermon.

Thursday, 12th.—9.00 A.M., devotional; 10.00 A. M., conference; 11.30 A. M., institute; 1.00 P. M., dinner; 3.00 P. M., sermon; 4.30 P. M., conference; 7.30 P. M., sermon.

Friday, 13th.—9.00 A. M., devotional; 10.00 A. M., conference; 11.30 A. M., institute; 1.00 P. M., dinner; 3.00 P. M., Sabbath School Association; 5.00 P. M., devotional; 7.30 P. M., sermon.

Sabbath, 14th.—10.00 A. M., Sabbath school; 11.00 A. M., sermon; 1.00 P. M., dinner; 3.00 P. M., sermon; 5.00 P. M., devotional; 7.30 P. M., sermon.

Sunday, 15th.—9.00 A. M., Missionary meeting; 10.00 A. M., institute; 11.00 A. M., sermon; 1.00 P. M., dinner; 3.00 P. M., sermon; 4.30 P. M., conference; 5.00 P. M., Sabbath School Association; 7.30 P. M., sermon.

ATLANTIC CONFERENCE.

President, J. E. Jayne; secretary, S. B. Horton; treasurer, T. A. Kilgore; corresponding secretary, C. D. Zirkle; general agent, U. P. Long; conference committee, J. E. Jayne, C. P. Bollman, R. D. Hottel, Allen Moon, O. O. Farnsworth.

Number of churches, 22; membership, 1015; unorganized Sabbath keepers, about 150; number of gospel tents operated during summer of 1896, 5; number of ministers, licentiates and missionary laborers, 13.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

The Kent county Sunday school convention will meet in the M. E. Church at Still Pond, Wednesday and Thursday, Nov. 18 and 19. The program as arranged by the committee is as follows:

MORNING SESSION.

10 A. M., Prayer and Praise Service led by Jos. W. Harper.
10.30 A. M., Convention called to order by President James H. Baker. Address of Welcome, Rev. E. H. Nelson. Responses by Rev. J. M. Gill and State Organizer, Rev. G. H. Nock.
11 A. M., Convention Sermon by G. H. Nock, State Organizer.
12 M., Recess until 2.30 P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2.30 P. M., Devotional Services led by Samuel Vannort.
3 P. M., Reports of S. S. Superintendents.
3.30 P. M., 1st Topic: How to make Sunday Schools Spiritual, Dr. J. L. Mills, Chas. E. Lane, Benj. F. Rash.
4 P. M., Election of Officers.
4.30 P. M., Recess until 7.30 P. M.

MORNING SESSION.

10 A. M., Devotional Services led by Rev. Kent M. Bull.
10.30 A. M., 2d Topic: The Superintendent, his work and responsibility, J. C. Staats, Samuel Burgess, Decatur Kelley.
11.15 A. M., 3d Topic: The best method of making Sunday Schools a success, Rev. W. P. Compton, R. H. Hicks, Rev. C. S. York.
12 M., Recess until 2.30 P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2.30 P. M., Devotional Exercises led by M. A. Toulson.
3 P. M., What are the advantages of Sunday School Libraries and what Books to be used, R. S. Griffith, Rev. J. B. Merritt, Jeff. D. Lecates.
3.30 P. M., Relation of Sunday Schools to the Temperance Cause, Mrs. T. R. Hubbard, Anne R. Stewart, Samuel W. Brown.
4 P. M., Brief Spiritual Talks; Farewell Words.
4.30 P. M., Adjournment.

EVENING SESSION.

7.30 P. M., Sunday School Experience Meeting led by a delegate, followed by Revival services.

FOOLED THE DEPUTIES.

Two Penitentiary Birds Seek Safety in Flight.

At the recent term of the Kent county circuit court, Thos. Foulks was sentenced to 4 years in the penitentiary for attempted assault on a small colored girl; John Bailey, 2 years for stealing; Wm. Henry, 2 years for stealing; George Parker, 6 months in House of Correction for selling whiskey; Robert Wilson, 4 months in House of Correction for common assault. When the Emma Ford landed at her Light street wharf on Friday, Deputy Sheriff Whittier Copper and Special Deputy C. S. York, Jr., landed these prisoners, and while the officers were standing on the wharf with their charges, waiting for a wagon to take them to their destination, the two penitentiary captives, who were handcuffed together, suddenly made up their minds to give the deputies "the slip," and moving off in the crowd of pedestrians, were soon at a safe distance from their erstwhile captors.

The deputies did not miss the men for at least eight or ten minutes, and when they discovered that two of the five birds had "flown" they gave the alarm and the police of the Southern district were soon in hot pursuit. The dense crowd on Light street wharf, caused by the large number of persons disembarking from the boat, made the occasion a favorable one for the prisoners, and they seemed to recognize the fact and took advantage of it.

When they had succeeded in getting about a block away from Pier 7 the fugitives started to run. Officer Debus, who was on Light street at the time, was informed by a citizen that two colored men, handcuffed together, had been seen running along Barre street, and he immediately began an investigation. He hurried to the deputy sheriffs standing on the wharf with three colored men in their custody, and asked them how many prisoners they had brought to Baltimore.

"Only just what you see here," said one of the deputies, but as he turned around, he exclaimed:

"Where are the other two?"

There was a large crowd of colored men on the wharf, and it was some time before the deputies could ascertain that the fugitives had left the vicinity.

They seemed to be dumfounded when they failed to discover the two missing captives.

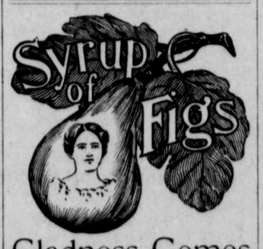
After a short consultation with Officer Debus, the deputy-sheriffs decided to call at the Southern Police Station and report the escape of their prisoners. Full descriptions of the two negroes were given to Captain Claibourne, and officers were soon scouring the locality for the missing men.

Round-Sergeant Riley, who has established an enviable reputation for capturing colored "outlaws," heard about the escape, and started out to find the negroes, "if they were in South Baltimore," as he put it. Prompted by a mysterious intuition, the sergeant peered into the backyard of house 204 West York street. He saw the door of an out-house open slightly and then shut suddenly.

"There's somebody there that doesn't want to see me," said the sergeant, and he advanced and knocked on the door. There was no response. The sergeant tried the door, but found it locked on the inside. The sergeant procured an axe and battered the door in. Crouching in a corner he found Foulks, one of the escaped convicts.

"Lor', sergeant, who tole you I wus heah?" queried the negro, with an expression of despair on his face. The sergeant took him to the Southern Station. Later on he was conveyed to the Penitentiary. No trace of Henry could be found during the afternoon.

Henry was arrested that night on Marsh Market space by Sergeant J. Smith and Patrolman Cole, of the Central district.



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.

ROCK HALL NEWS.

Floats From the Bayshore.

The smoke of last week's battle of the ballots having cleared away, we find the enemy in possession of the field, and the Bryanites of the old fifth district gracefully submit.

As a result of the great "slump" in our own commonwealth, there are about ten applicants for the postoffice at this place, but the sentiment here favors the retention of the present postmaster, inasmuch as he has proven the most efficient postmaster ever installed here, all things considered. He has been found constantly at his post, affable and thorough in the discharge of his duties; everything neat and clean about the office, never displaying any hangers or other partisan matter to offend the adherants of any political party, and the present location is the most adaptable of any in the village.

The supper and festival held here last Saturday evening under the auspices of the Odd Fellows, seemed in every way a complete success. It could not be otherwise, from the fact that the ladies took a very active part in the affair. The fathers of American Odd Fellowship wisely decreed that the funds of the order should not be used for festivals, suppers, excursions, etc., therefore the lodge at this place established a *pleasure fund* some time back and the proceeds of the late supper, etc., were placed to the credit of that fund and will be used for the entertainment of the members as they may deem best.

Capt. Stevens, of the police boat Smith, made a raid on dredgers on last Sunday night week and captured one vessel, whose captain was sent to jail. The dredgers working Love Point bar, when they find Captain Stevens well up on Swan Point bar, make a habit of running up to Wickes' Beach and dredge there as much as possible. It is a great shame that a local boat has not been placed in the mouth of the river. Capt. Stevens is doing his best, but it is impossible to amply protect both places. In view of the fact that Wickes' Beach will be *the* principal dependence of our oystermen for next season, the placing of an extra boat there should be no longer delayed.

Mr. T. J. Rich met with a very painful accident last Wednesday night. As he was about to retire he fell and dislocated his ankle. Dr. Selby has succeeded in placing him in a fair way to be about again in a short time.

Mr. Ben H. Coburn, on Wednesday last, while trimming a tree, had the handle of his hatchet caught in such a manner as to cause the hatchet to strike him on the right temple, making an ugly cut, and discoloring the eye very much.

On Friday