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LOCAL MATTERS.

Sales to Take Place.

The Walraven farm, near Chestertown, at Mortgagees sale on Tuesday, Dec. 29, Hope H. Barroll, Esq., Assignee.

Christmas Day Postoffice Hours.—Postmaster Wheatley states that the Chestertown postoffice will be open for the distribution of mail to-morrow, Christmas Day, from 6 to 8 A. M., 12 M. to 2 P. M., and from 6 to 8 P. M.

Her Last Trip.—The steamer Emma Giles will make her last trip of the winter to Tolchester Beach on Saturday, December 26th, after which time the steamers of the line will go into winter quarters for a thorough overhauling and repairs, preparatory to the summer excursion season.

Portrait of Judge Robinson.—Mrs. Marianna Robinson, widow of the late Judge John M. Robinson, has placed with cashier Eugene Pennington, a crayon portrait of the jurist, which has been hung in the directors' room of the Queen Anne National Bank. Mr. Pennington issues an invitation to the public to call in and inspect what is pronounced a splendid picture of one of Queen Anne's most distinguished sons.

Caroline's Reassessment.—With the result of the new assessment in Kent still unknown, the result of the work in Caroline county may be of interest. Following are their figures: Real property, $3,745,678; personal property, $1,006,587.26. The total amount of real and personal property assessed is $4,752,265.26. Subtract from this the amount of the present basis, $4,430,862.00, and we have an increase of $321,403.26. These figures do not include bank stock nor the stocks of corporations returned to the State Tax Commissioner, nor mortgages returned by the clerk of the court.

Queen Anne Railroad.—After a protracted delay, work on the Queen Anne Railroad was resumed last week. The Queenstown *News* says: "There is only about four miles of steel to lay with about a mile of ties already in place, and the present contractor says it will be only a few weeks before it is finished. The telephone poles and wires have been in place for several weeks, and in a few days the boxes will be put in and communication will be had between here and Greenwood. The track between Denton and Greenwood is all completed, including the side-tracks and stations, and work on the draw-bridge across the Choptank is being rapidly pushed, and will be completed in about two or three weeks."

Nearing Completion.—Normal Hall, the handsome new home for the young lady students of Washington College, is nearing completion, and it is expected that by January 15th will be ready for occupancy. The plastering is all finished, and after painting doors, and erecting the porches and painting some interior work the building will be ready for a general preparation of the furniture and its occupants. It will [illegible] W. S. Jones and wife, and Misses [illegible] Hart and Wicker, the two normal teachers [illegible] will reside in the building with the lady students. When completed [illegible] Hall will present a handsome "Normal [illegible] appearance. Messrs. [illegible]ppin & Sons are turning out a splendid piece of work, and expect to have the building ready for the acceptance of the committee by January 15th. College building [illegible]

Telephone Work Progressing.—The Chestertown telephone line is progressing. The exchange has been established and phones have been placed in town as follows: Hope H. Barroll, Esq., at office; James A. Pearce, at office; and residence; Jas. [illegible], Esq., at office; Second C. T. Westcott, E. C. Reiche, at place of National Bank; E. [illegible], at store; Dr. T. H. [illegible] business; C. S. Smith, After Christmas the Coopers at office. [illegible] extended to the towns wires will be extended, connection will be made with the lower peninsula towns, when the number of phones taken in Chestertown will be greatly increased. After completing the county the cable will be placed on the bed of the bay and connection made with Baltimore as soon as possible. When the Baltimore company's regular subscribers number additional have direct business intercourse with the city.

Licenses to Catch Fish.—The subject of license to take fish in the Chesapeake has become a matter of interest to Kent county fishermen. During many seasons deep-water or float-net fishermen find the month of January the most profitable of the year. Under the law passed by the last Legislature, February 1st is license day and all licenses to take fish under the law date from February first to February first following the year. The present law was not in existence on February first of last year, and the fishermen want to know whether or not they will be required to take out a full year's license dating back to last February to be enabled to fish for the one month of January, 1897. Clerk of the Circuit Court, Samuel G. Fisher, says that they will. When asked in regard to the matter Dr. Fisher said: "The law, so far as I know, has made no provision for such a fractional part of the year. Such is the case with traders licenses, but we have been provided only with the full licenses covering the entire year from February to February, and consequently have no authority to issue licenses for any thing less that the full year, which at this time would date back to February 1896."

Knocked Him Down.—Mr. Allan Goldsborough, a student of Washington College, from Caroline county, had an unusual experience with a Baltimore book-store, on Saturday. Mr. Goldsborough was in question and entered a book-store on Baltimore street which is kept by a Jew and made his wants known. The publication desired could not be found and Mr. Goldsborough started to leave the store, but was called back by the proprietor who said: "Didn't you come in here to buy a book?" Upon receiving an affirmative answer, he wanted to know why his would-be purchaser did not buy, and was told that the books looked dated and not suit. Mr. Goldsborough again started to leave the store when the man informed him that he had come in the store to buy a book and he had to buy one or he would have him arrested, and at the same time advanced toward the unterrified Washington College student in a threatening manner. The Eastern Shoreman's blood had gotten to the boiling point and he had answered the book-man in rather substantial and unequivocal English, and advance the Baltimorean continued to use his fists. Mr. Goldsborough lent emphasis to his words by a blow between the eyes of the persistent Jew which sent him sprawling on the floor. The clerks rushed to the assistance of their employer, but having seen the whole affair were not disposed to endanger the beauty of their own physiognomies by forcing the battle, and Mr. Goldsborough quietly took his departure.

A Chinaman's Xmas Gifts.—"Johnny," the Chestertown Chinese laundryman is as genial and whole-souled fellow as ever left the Celestial Kingdom to sojourn with the "Meleka man." Johnny, at Thanksgiving made a mistake and thinking that the occasion was the Christmas-tide, commenced the distribution of numberless little presents to his patrons and friends, but discovering his mistake, industriously set about to collect the articles given. This week the presents were redistributed, a pretty silk handkerchief "for Meleka man's girl" and a dainty package of tea direct from China for the "Meleka man" himself.

A Business Change.—The firm of Messrs. T. R. Hubbard & Son, one of the oldest and most substantial business houses in our community, has, by mutual consent, dissolved partnership; the Senior member, on account of advancing age, withdrawing from any active participation in the business, which will hereafter be conducted under the old firm name by Wilbur W. Hubbard, as sole proprietor. T. R. Hubbard is a native Marylander, as were his ancestors as far back as 1660, but he did business a few years in Seaford, Del., from which point he came to Chestertown in 1875, and his brothers, J. E. and W. L. Hubbard, who were in the same business at Wyoming, Delaware, took an interest with him in the manufacture of high grade commercial fertilizers under the firm name of Hubbard Bros. This arrangement continued until February, 1878, when T. R. Hubbard bought out the interest of his brothers in the Chestertown plant and associated his son, Wilbur W. Hubbard, with him in the business. Starting at an early age, the Junior member of the firm has mastered every detail and branch of the business and become one of the best posted and most progressive men known to the trade. In recent years he has assumed a greater part of the responsibility of the business, which has grown from a small local trade to a great business, spreading over Maryland and the adjoining States, so that he is thoroughly equipped in every way to make it a success. He has bought out his father's interest and will continue upon the same principles that have won for the firm the esteem of a constantly growing patronage at home and abroad. Making all necessary improvements in machinery and methods, he will in the future, as in the past, keep fully abreast of the times in all that is essential to the furnishing of the best obtainable materials for the lowest possible price. This firm has put a great deal of money afloat in our community and furnished employment for a good number of men, and we extend to the new firm our best wishes for a continuation of the patronage and prosperity it has so much deserved.

"ON WITH THE DANCE."

Happenings in the Fascinating Realm of Pleasure.

A delightful impromptu dance was enjoyed by a number of friends of Miss Bertha Hynson, at her home on Queen street, on Thursday evening.

A weekly german is one of the happy suggestions for the present winter. It is proposed that "A German Club" be formed, having in view the arrangement of a series of these charming dances.

A number of young ladies will give a delightful Leap Year dance at Edesville hall on the evening of December 30th. A harpist from Baltimore will dispense sweet music, and the ladies propose to make their "Leap Year" dance one of the most pleasant events of the social season.

The floor committee will be the Misses Laura Jessop, Mamie Strong, Violet Beck, Celeno Jessop, Edna Strong, Katharine Willson, Bettie Wallis, Lula Strong and Marie Camp.

The date of the delightful dance at Stam's Hall has been determined upon for December 29th.

The young men of Centreville will this year break their time-honored record of giving a grand New Year's ball on December 31st, and the advent of the New Year will not be celebrated by a dance.

"The Young Men's Social Club," of Middletown, will give their New Year's dance on Thursday evening, December 31st.

TO OLD KRIS.

Belated Requests to the Patron Saint of the Holiday Season.

Several of our little friends failed to get their letters to Santa Claus in in time to have them regularly mailed when the TRANSCRIPT sent off its mail pouch by a special messenger, driving two reindeer, several weeks ago, but as the Patron Saint is a regular subscriber to the TRANSCRIPT, the following latters are in due time, and will doubtless bring a response to-morrow morning.

CHESTERTOWN, MD., 1896.

DEAR OLD SANTA CLAUS:—As it is only a few days from Christmas, I thought I would write you a few lines and tell you we are going to move, and mamma can't make much preparation for you. I would like to ask for: Will you please bring me an iron stove, and bring me a black paper baby dressed in red plaid, and bring me a black baby, and bring me a game of croquet, and bring me a little white dog like the one that is in Mr. Stam's, and a little boy baby like the one that is in Miss Reed's. From one of your little 8-year-old girls.

NELLIE MCWHORTER.

P. S.—And don't forget to bring my little dog Daisy something too.

STILL POND, Dec. 21, 1896.

DEAR OLD SANTA CLAUS:—Please bring me a pair of mittens and lots of candies, nuts and oranges and bananas and apples. From your friend,

BERTHA SKEGGS.

P. S.—A set of dishes and a baby carriage.

STILL POND, Dec. 21, 1896.

DEAR OLD KRIS:—Please bring me a piano and a doll that can shut its eyes and a doll carriage, and a set of dishes and some nuts and candy and oranges. Don't forget mamma and papa.

From your friend,

MABEL SKEGGS.

Church Notes.

The Lynch's M. P. Sunday school, Mr. J. W. Copper, superintendent, and the Lynch's public school, Miss Fannie Wilson, teacher, gave a pleasant joint Christmas entertainment last night.

The Sabbath school of Christ M. P. Church will render special Christmas exercises at the church next Sunday night.

A Christmas morning service will be held at the Chestertown M. E. Church Christmas day at 6.30 A. M.

The St. James M. P. Sunday School, Worton, will on Wednesday next, Dec. 30th, give a Christmas treat in the church and in connection therewith a Church Extension service. A silver collection will be taken for the benefit of same.

Christmas day services will be held at St. Johns church, Rock Hall, at 8 A. M. In Sacred Heart church, Chestertown, at 11 A. M.

The Sabbath school of the Chestertown M. E. Church will hold their annual Christmas treat on Tuesday night, Dec. 29th.

Special Christmas services will be held at Emmanuel P. E. Church, Dr. S. C. Roberts, rector, at 11 o'clock to-morrow, Christmas morning.

The annual Christmas tree for the scholars of Emmanuel P. E. Church will be enjoyed on Wednesday evening, December 30th, in the Sunday school room.

OF PERSONAL INTEREST.

Mr. Thomas G. Baxter, of Delaware, a former student of Washington College, is an earnest sympathizer with the cause of Cuba, and is reported to be seriously contemplating going to the island and fighting for the cause of the patriots.

Prof. Roland Watts and wife, of Western Maryland College, are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Hubbard.

Rev. Cooper, pastor of Bond and Mowbray, in Quaker Neck, had an unexpected visitor at his church recently. An owl, which had in some way gotten into the church, perched itself on the cornice above the pulpit, and during the service took in with its intellectual vision the congregation.

Dr. C. P. Gilpin will spend Christmas with friends in Cecil county.

Mr. Harrison Vickers, a Student at Delaware College, is at home for the holiday.

Miss N. E. Walters left yesterday for a visit to Baltimore friends.

Miss N. E. Gooding will spend the Christmas season at the home of her uncle. Mr. Thomas J. Shallcross, near Locust Grove.

Supt. Frederick Quantz, is spending the week with his family at Winchester, Va.

Miss Palmer Carroll, is assisting Mr. Stam in waiting on the rush of holiday purchasers. Miss Cooper and Mr. Wroth are also kept busy from morning till night.

Mr. Harry Hodgkins, Miss Katie Green and Miss Blanche Cox, are assisting Mr. Charles S. Smith with his large trade.

Mr. and Mrs. Hope H. Barroll, entertained a number of friends at duplicate whist, at their beautiful home last evening, to meet Lieutenant and Mrs. Morris K. Barroll.

James A. Pearce, Esq., on Friday, met the Statue Commission in Baltimore. As already stated the commission is composed of James A. Pearce, J. Wirt Randall, Reverdy Johnson, C. J. Bonaparte and Thomas W. Hall.

Prof. Thomas D. Bowers, of Cecil, is at home for the holidays.

Mr. Owen C. Smith, son of Mr. S. Frank Smith, has purchased a drug store in Baltimore city, and is now fully installed into a prosperous business. Mr. Smith for a term clerked for Mr. C. F. Stam, afterward graduated at the Baltimore Medical College, and is fully equipped for an intelligent and successful prosecution of his new enterprise. He has many friends in Chestertown and throughout Kent.

PURELY SOCIAL.

Duplicate Whist, declared by the devotees to be one of the most charming ways of passing a winter evening ever evolved from the mind of the genius of cards, has secured a firm foothold in Chestertown. Prof. and Mrs. J. R. Micou, Prof. and Mrs. J. S. W. Jones, Miss Wicker, Miss Stewart and Prof. Clarke, at Washington College, are enthusiastic, and by-the-way, strong players. Messrs. Hollis, Wickes, Beck, Brice, Whaland, France and other members of the Brick House Club, have entered the fascinating game on their list.

PROF. BURRIS' SPLENDID WORK.

An Enjoyable Exhibition by His Class in Physical Culture.

The entertainment by Prof. Burris' class in physical culture, given in Washington College Gymnasium on Friday evening, was a splendid success. It was the first public exhibition ever given by the members of the class, and was more for the purpose of showing the faculty and members of the board of Visitors and Governors what has been done in that department of work at the College than for any other reason, consequently only those officially connected with the institution, the students and a few others were present.

The member of one class only were taken as follows: Staunton Brown, Rudolph Stam, M. deK. Smith, Virgil Ward, Harry Anthony, E. L. Jones, S. Chester Coursey, L. A. Davis, P. T. White, E. F. Webb, J. I. Coulbourne, H. Rickey, John Toulson, Howard Clogg, Hynson Rogers and Earle Simpers.

The splendid work done by the students was a delightful revelation to those members of the administration of affairs at Washington College who were so fortunate as to be able to be present.

The drill was particularly fine; the bearing of the young men excellent, and the complicated parts were executed with great precisions and promptness. The exibitions on the bar were also fine, and evidence of consciencious work on the part of Prof. Burris, as well as the students. During the programme, lasting more than an hour and a half, the students and Professor Burris were enthusiastically applauded.

Dr. W. F. Hines, W. S. Walker, Prof. E. J. Clarke and H. M. Brown gave interesting exhibitions in rope-climbing, shedding the overcoat and other performances requiring strength, skill and endurance.

New Advertisements.

Mrs. S. A. Hurlock makes announcement in this issue of peculiar importance to the ladies. It is to the effect that it is no longer necessary for ladies to go to the city for beautiful wrappers, waists, skirts and many articles which mean so much of worry and work. Her line of ladies' underwear is of great beauty and of the finest quality. Dainty shirtwaists from 25 cents to $2.50. Children's, misses' and boys' wear too, in endless beauty and variety and at the lowest imaginable prices. Mrs. Hurlock has had for months an expert lady trimmer and cutter from Armstrong Cator & Co.'s, who has done splendid work. No article for ladies, children, misses or boys has been left out of her fine stock of carefully selected and exquisitely made goods. What would make a more practical and common sense holiday present than any one of the thousand beautiful articles found in her store. Ladies' and gentlemen's kid gloves, handkerchiefs, mufflers and many articles which must be seen and examined to be appreciated, and they should be examined too, before making to-day's purchases. But of peculiar appropriateness is the soapstone foot-warmer. Neat and convenient, no one should go through the winter without one of these indispensible articles. It is splendid to put to the feet at night and even better for use in riding in cold weather. Mrs. Hurlock's stock of nuts, fruits and groceries is large and varied and at rock bottom prices. The store-room formerly occupied by Mr. A. J. Cahall has been enlarged, remodeled and beautified to meet the demands of her constantly increasing trade. Her friends should not forget that she has moved to Cahall's corner and has enlarged facilities for business, and a stock of goods greatly increased in beauty, extent and quality, at correspondingly low prices.

No Kent county purchaser can afford to complete his Xmas purchases without visiting the holiday emporium of Jacob F. Thompson. The star of empire has set in his show window in the form of nuts, candies and fruits for Christmas. Thompson is always there, his goods are always the best and freshest, and his prices are always right.

The Modern Mother

Has found that her little ones are improved more by the pleasant Syrup of Figs, when in need of the laxative effect of a gentle remedy than by any other, and that it is more acceptable to them. Children enjoy it and it benefits them. The true remedy, Syrup of Figs, is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Company only.

CUPID STILL BUSY.

Many Happy Brides and Bride-Groom's to Honor the Christmas Season.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wickes, celebrated the fifth or wooden anniversary of their marriage at their beautiful home, "Napley," by a "variety wedding" on Thursday evening. Friends were present from nearly every section of the county, Baltimore city, Caroline and Queen Anne, and the occasion was one of the most brilliant and delightful of many social seasons in the Fifth district, and Mr. and Mrs. Wickes received their friends with that hospitality which has made Napley noted during the residence of the popular couple. "Variety Wedding" was no misnomer, for a vast number of beautiful and useful presents were received in endless variety, and from dainty trinkets to splendid presents came in honor of the occasion.

One of the most elegant game suppers ever served in the county was a splendid feature of the occasion. Swan, terrapin, wild ducks, wild geese, oysters, bronze turkey stuffed with oyster, and all of the most tempting and appetizing accompaniments of the season. Suspended over the table was a beautiful bell of chrysanthemums and holly.

The dining room and parlors were beautifully trimmed with evergreens and chrysanthemums for the charming event, and it was declared by one having authority to speak that the supper table was truly "a thing of beauty and a joy forever."

Dancing was enjoyed in a large room in which blazed a roaring fire of logs in an old-fashioned fire-place of colonial days. Messrs. Willson, Beck and Ayres furnished the music.

The marriage of Miss Ada Gertrude Boyd to Mr. Andrew W. Vansant, is announced to take place at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John D. Boyd, on the evening of Dec. 30th. We extend congratulations to the young couple. May their matrimonial path be strewn with roses. The bride is a niece of Mr. Harry L. Boyd, of Chestertown, and the groom a son of Mr. J. N. Vansant, a prominent farmer of the first district.

A pretty home-wedding was solemnized at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Woodmender, in Quaker Neck, on Tuesday evening of last week, the contracting parties being Miss Annie E. Woodmender and Mr. W. W. Goodman. Rev. T. B. Cooper, officiated.

Mr. and Mrs. James Thomas Watts have issued cards to the marriage of their daughter, Mabelle Vernon, to Mr. John Anderson, on Wednesday evening, December the thirtieth, at five o'clock, in Zion M. E. Church, Cecilton.

Miss Mary E. Guerney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan G. Guerney, was married, at her home near Kennedyville, yesterday evening to Mr. William P. Garey. The home was beautifully decorated for the happy occasion, and the wedding was one of the prettiest home-weddings of the season.

Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Chas. Sydney Spencer, of Kent Island, have issued invitations for the marriage of their neice, Miss Clara Long, to Mr. Alfred Tucker, Jr., on Wednesday, Dec. 30th. Mr. Tucker is teller in the Queen Anne National Bank, is one of the most prominent of Centreville's young business men, and socially is extremely popular. He is socially well-known in Chestertown and other sections of Kent.

The marriage of Miss Gertrude Dushane to Mr. Harry C. Price took place at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Dushane, at Cecilton, yesterday. No cards were issued.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Wood, of Eastern Neck Island, have issued invitations to the marriage of their daughter, Miss Fannie W. Sappington, to Mr. John C. Wood, the ceremony to take place on Wednesday evening, Dec. 30th, at Wesley Chapel M. P. Church; reception at "Spencer Hall."

Miss Florence Copper, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Copper, was married to Mr. Charles Fowler, at the home of the bride's parents, at 7.30 o'clock yesterday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Fowler will make their home in Chestertown.

FROM FAIRLEE.

EDITORS TRANSCRIPT:—Moving seems to be the order of the day in our village. Mr. J. C. Statts has moved into the Mrs. John Swearer house across the street, which was vacated by Mrs. Wm. Diehl. Mr. Morris Bramble is moving into his pretty dwelling just vacated by Mr. Statts. Mrs. Spencer Leaverton has moved into part of the Payne dwelling with Mr. Wm. Price. Mr. George Falkner has moved from one of Mr. Hill's farms to Worton Point, on Mr. Thos. W. Skirven's farm. Mr. Walter K. Hudson will also move to Worton Point, on Mr. John Gale's farm. Mr. Frank Leaverton will tenant the farm vacated by Mr. Hudson.

Tolchester wharf had the appearance of a Fourth of July, on Saturday evening. About four hundred people we learn were on the boat, and two-thirds of these we judge were carrying a grip-sack.

Rev. C. T. Denroche returned home on Thursday and filled his place in his two churches on Sunday.

Mrs. Nellie Arrowsmith is visiting friends in Washington, D. C.

It is rumored that we are to have a wedding soon in our vicinity and another not far distant.

Poultry is being shipped by wholesale this week. Some are shipping to Philadelphia and some to Baltimore, while some others are selling to Mr. Turner, at Worton.

Mr. Wm. Barnes killed two wild geese last week, both of which were very fine birds and in splendid order.

Mr. Wm. Williams is still very ill, but is reported a little better at this writing.

Our Sunday evening prayer meeting, which was in charge of Mrs. J. C. Statts, was largely attended and was a splendid meeting. EAST END.

A GRAND BAZAAR AT OEHM'S.

A Grand Bazaar of Christmas Gifts was opened at Oehm's Acme Hall on Saturday last. The large room adjoining the famous Triorama, Santa Claus' Reception and Ice Palace is now given over to Seasonable Novelties, Toys, Candies, Perfumes, etc., etc.

The various articles are arranged in 5c., 10c., 25c., 50c. and $1.00 lots, each lot on a separate table, so that it is very easy for visitors to find what they want if they have placed a limit upon the amount of money they intend spending. Judging from the crowds gathered here day and night, the Oehm corner is the most popular spot in the city. A repetition of what we have already said about this enterprising establishment will not be out of place here.

On the ground floor may be obtained Furnishing Goods for Men, Sporting and Athletic Outfits, Hats, Shoes, Mackintoshes, Umbrellas, Canes, Leather Goods, Perfumery, Toilet Articles, Drugs, Candies, Toys, Watches, Cameras, Cyclometers, Soda Fountain, etc., etc.

On second floor: Boys' Clothing, Furnishings, Hats and Shoes, Pictures and Frames, and Wall Papers.

On third floor: Men's Clothing, Santa Claus' Ice Palace, the wonderful Triorama, Brownies Snow-balling the Yellow Kid, etc. Grand Xmas Bazaar of Toys, Candies and Seasonable Specialties.

The comfort of visitors has been carefully attended to. Reading, Writing and Smoking Rooms, Waiting Room for Ladies, Free Parcel Checking, etc., are at the service of patrons. All cars but one pass the door, and you are assured a hearty welcome.

OBITUARY.

JAMES J. M. BYRON.

The entire community was startled and saddened on Sunday morning by the announcement that James M. J. Byron had suddenly died at his home on Queen street at an early hour that morning, of angina pectoris. Though Mr. Byron had been somewhat enfebeled by poor health for several years past, he was as well as usual on Saturday and conversed with a number of friends on the streets on Saturday afternoon. He retired as usual on Saturday night without any evidences whatever, of immediate physical trouble of an alarming nature. At about six o'clock on Sunday morning he awakened his wife complaining of discomfort in the region of the heart. Mrs. Byron insisted that a physician be summoned, but he objected, stating that he would soon feel better, and was soon in what was supposed to be a deep but pleasant slumber. At seven o'clock the wife, attempting to arouse him, was shocked to find that death had come in the midst of sleep. Mr. Byron was 66 years of age and leaves a widow, and one son, J. Romie Byron, a successful young farmer, near Chestertown.

Alway a Democrat, he took an active interest in the success of his party, but was an advocate of that purity of men and methods which would elevate and tend to make politics purer and better.

He was a tax-collector under the collectorship, but until last year, when he was elected a Judge of the Orphan's Court, never held any other political office.

He was a member of Amicable Lodge No. 117 I. O. O. F. and the members of the organization attended the funeral services and observed the rites of burial of the order yesterday morning, at 11 o'clock.

Rev. J. M. Gill officiated at the funeral services from his late residence; interment in Chester Cemetery. The pall bearers were: Dr. J. T. Twilley, James A. Pearce, William S. Walker, Eben F. Perkins, Colin F. Stam and William Morris.

On the top of the handsome hermetically sealed metalic cloth-covered casket, was a plate bearing the words "At Rest." On another was beautifully engraved the following: "Sept. 17-1830. James M. J. Byron. December 20-1896." At the foot were the initial letters of the motto of Odd Fellowship, F. L. T. Mr. E. C. Reiche was funeral director.

Editorial reference to this highly respected citizen, will be found in another column.

JOHN W. RASIN.

The remains of John W. Rasin were brought to Chestertown by steamer Ford on Saturday and interred in Chester cemetery on Sunday afternoon. Funeral services were conducted from the M. E. Church, and were largely attended. The deceased was 68 years old, and leaves two children, viz: James and Rosa Rasin. He was for many years a highly respected citizen of this town, where he conducted successfully a large livery business. Undertaker E. C. Reiche had charge of the funeral arrangements, and the following gentlemen served as pall-bearers, viz: T. Waters Russell, L. S. Fowler, Sir Walter Rawleigh, Daniel Cox, E. E. Roland and B. F. Flemming. Mr. Rasin was formerly of Chestertown and was well-known throughout the county.

Resolutions of Respect.

At the meeting of the Orphans' Court on Tuesday, the following resolutions of respect were passed:

INASMUCH, As it hath pleased Almighty God in his providence to remove suddenly from our midst our esteemed associate and friend, James M. J. Byron,

Resolved, That in his death we feel that this Court hath been bereft of a wise counsellor, whose integrity, judgment and gentlemanly deportment was always exhibited on the side of justice to the widows and orphans, and to all others having business before us.

Resolved, That in his death the county has lost a faithful official, the community a useful and upright citizen.

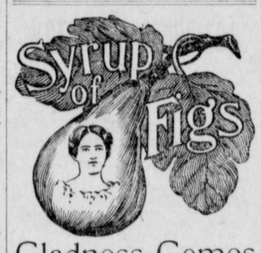
Resolved, That we hereby tender to his family our sincere sympathy and condolence in their severe bereavement.

Resolved, That these resolutions be recorded among the proceedings of this Court, published in the county papers and an official copy thereof be sent to his family. SAMUEL BURGESS,

FRANKLIN H. HARPER,

Judges of the Orphans' Court.

Attest—JAMES T. DIXON, Register of Wills.



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.

BEAUTIFUL MILLINERY

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At Reduced Prices

DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON.

WE have placed in stock a charming line of XMAS TOYS for the Children, and Beautiful Goods in great variety suitable for Holiday Presents. Our

Dolls and Christmas Tree Ornaments

are such as would delight the little ones, and the Beautiful Linen Scarfs, Linen Bureau Sets and other Christmas Articles, would be peculiarly appropriate as a season's greeting from friend to friend. These goods have been carefully selected from the largest and handsomest stocks in the country, and are rich in design and of unsurpassed quality. And remember,

AT GREATLY REDUCED PRICES!

during the Holiday Season. A cordial invitation is extended to the public to call and examine. Respectfully,

Misses Cora and Hattie Reed,

CHESTERTOWN, MD

Xmas Announcement

Look Out for Up-Town Prices.

Best Mixed Drops,	7½c. lb.
" Broken Mixtures,	7½c. lb.
Good French "	7½c. lb.
All-Cream "	15c. lb.

Just think of it.

For sale at

MRS. D. GRUBER'S,

The Up-Town Bakery.

Millington News.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Duling, on Friday evening, Dec. 18th, celebrated the 41st anniversary of their marriage, in their new home which they lately moved into. Quite a goodly number of relatives and friends were invited. Among which those of our town were: Rev. T. C. Smoot and wife, Capt. Numbers and wife, Mr. James Jones, Dr. Clarke, Misses Victorine and Helen Powers, Mrs. M. E. B. Mallalieu, Misses Lou and Millie Moffett, Mrs T. J. F. Smith, Frank S. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. John Weiss and others besides a number of relatives of the couple. Early in the evening they were ushered out to a very splendid supper. The tables were loaded with the choicest and best of the season, turkey, chicken, salad, etc., and all seemed to enjoy themselves and to do ample justice to the excellent viands spread. Later in the evening they all again repaired to the dining room where ice cream and cakes were in abundance. The worthy couple received some useful presents. After many hearty and kind congratulations were given, the company dispersed with many good wishes for their happiness.

On Monday night the Rev. J. D. C. Hanna gave at the M. E. Church a phonographic concert in connection with an illustrated lecture on the Ups and Downs of Home Life. The music by the phonograph was delightful and was intensely gratifying to the audience. The Battle of Manassas, rendered by the phone, was something stirring and grand. It vividly brought to mind the event; also the fire signal was wonderful, the tramping of the horses' feet and the ringing of the bells, blowing of the whistles were so correct it was just perfect. It led one to consider that "the invention of man was indeed wonderful," and the singing of "Abide With Me" and "Coming Through the Rye" were both well plessing. Mr. Hanna is very entertaining, bright, ready witted and has the requirements for the position he holds.

Fifty Years Ago.

Grandfather's hat! And within it you see,
Grandfather's favorite cough remedy.
Whether 'twas Asthma, Bronchitis or Croup,
Or baby at night waked the house with a whoop,
With Ayer's Cherry Pectoral Gran'ther was sure
That no cold or cough would e'er fail of a cure.
In hats the styles change, but the records will show
Coughs are cured as they were 50 years ago.

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral

has no equal as a remedy for coughs, colds, and lung diseases. Where other soothing elixirs palliate, Ayer's Cherry Pectoral heals. It is not a cheap cough syrup, which soothes but does not strengthen; it is a physician's cough remedy, and it cures. It is put up in large bottles, only, for household use. It was awarded the medal at the World's Fair of ninety-three. It has a record of

50 Years of Cures.

"Golly, it's a watch!"

It isn't hard to make your boy happy on Christmas day, but there are only a very few articles that will give him years of satisfaction and pleasure.

We Have

A very large stock of low-priced Reliable WATCHES, which make lasting & useful

Xmas Gifts

We would be glad to show you our stock and quote prices. Our line of Gorham Sterling Silver, and Roger's Plated Wares is complete. Extra space has been added to our salesroom, and every nook and corner filled with

Holiday Suggestions.

Early callers enjoy many advantages over those who put it off till the last few days. Goods selected now will be laid away for later delivery. All purchases engraved free of charge.

J. H. SIDES

The Jeweler.

221 High Street, Chestertown, Md.

FALL ANNOUNCEMENT!

Reduced Prices.

From September 1st to December 25th

I WILL

Shoe Your Horse for 40 Cts.

CASH.

I do not make any money at this price, but I want your trade, and if low prices will get it I am going to have it.

Points for Oliver Chilled Plows 25 cents cash.

No. 40 Plows $8.50 full rigged wheel and jointer.

No. 19 $7.50, wheel and jointer.

I will hoop your Carriage Wheels for 35 cents apiece. No extra charge for tire bolts. All other work in proportion.

Come and see me, I'm a living, breathing mechanic.

JOHN MEDDERS,

Sept. 3, 1896. Kennedyville, Md

SPECIAL NOTICE

To Farmers and Land Owners!

From 50,000 to 100,000 bushels Gas Lime Given Away for the next 30 days only.

I will receive orders and deliver Gas Lime at any point, by rail or water, in Kent and Queen Anne counties. No charges except for cost of handling. It is a sure preventive of insects around peach trees, and for land it cannot be beat. Consult Mr. Welch Crew at Lankford, or some one who has used it as to the results. Send your order at once, or I can be seen every Tuesday at TRANSCRIPT office.

J. W. APSLEY,

d3-tf. Rock Hall.

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, TREASURER

May 14—6m.

Santa Claus at Oehm's.

GRAND BAZAAR, 5c, 10c, 25c, 50c and $1.00 Tables of Toys, Candies, Perfumes and Holiday Gifts.

SHOWING HIS BEAUTIFUL CHRISTMAS TREE.
THE BROWNIES PLAYING SNOWBALL.
THE TIORAMA—ICE PALACE—SANTA CLAUS' POST OFFICE, ETC.

The morose and cynical should visit Oehm's Acme Hall and see the happy, smiling crowds. Good cheer is contagious. We also feel complimented by the way our lead of broad-minded liberality has been followed by some of our neighbors.

Gifts Galore.

Our Counters and Tables are loaded with handsome, new, seasonable specialties for Men, Youths and Children, and the exhibit is far and away the best we have ever shown.

English Plaid Smoking Jackets in every variety, trimmed with cord, handsome and stylish and comfortable—$3.50, 5.00, 6.00, 7.50.

In Fine Tricott, Blue, Brown or Wine color, trimmed in satin, $5.00, or with Quilted Collar and Cuffs, 6.00 and 8.50

Turkish Bath Robes, $2.25 to 10.00.

Blanket and Slumber Robes A few special value. Robes that were $5.00 offered for 3.50. Some better ones from 4.50 to 10.00.

Neckwear at 25 cents.

English Folded De Joinville 4-in-Hands, Teeks, Knots, Rows and String Ties, values all the way from 50c. to $1.00.

Neckwear at 50 cents.

Teck, 4-in Hands and Puffs, handsomely boxed for presentation.

Suspenders.

We have another lot of those handsome new 25c. Suspenders that Baltimore went wild over three weeks ago, at 19c. For the holiday we will put them on sale at 15c. each, or two for 25c.

Initial Handkerchiefs, Linen or Silk, 25c. and 50c.

Umbrellas.

A wonderful value. Close Roll, Steel Rod, Paragon Frame, warranted Fast Black, in a great variety of sticks, $1.00, should be $1.50. Others 2.00 to 10.00.

Storm Coats.

In Storm Coats alone we have 18 different styles, at prices from $5.00 to 25.00; marked from 3.00 to 7.50 lower than they ought to be. You know why. Overcoats from 5.00 to 37.50.

A Specimen Coat;

In Blue, Black, Brown, Tan or Oxford, is offered at $10.00; the actual value of which is not less than 18.00; others ask 20.00.

A Specimen Suit.

A Suit in the New Brown Plaid will cost you $7.50, but will save you 3.00 to 5.00 over prices asked elsewhere.

Children's Clothing.

A Lucky Purchase of 850 Boys' Double-Breasted Knee-Pants Suits makes $6.50 the price per suit instead of $12, 10 and 8.50. They are stylishly made in Cheviots, Cassimeres and Worsteds, all sizes, from 6 to 16 years.

Reefer Suits.

200 Reefer Suits, 3 to 8 years, in the English Mixed Cheviots, large Braided Collars, every seam sewed with silk, and thick warm linings. These go at $4.50 and 5.00, but should be 8.00 and 8.50.

Men's and Boys' Hats and Caps.

Men's Fine Alpines, all new colors, $1.00; would be bargains at 2.00.

Children's Boucle Tam O'Shanters, regular 75c. Caps now 40c

Boys' Golf Caps, Plain Blue or Black, or Fancy Mixed Boucle effects, ordinarily 75c.; but 50c. is all we ask.

Men's and Boy's Shoes