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LOCAL MATTERS.

Real Estate Sales.—Hope H. Barroll, Esq., attorney, sold on Tuesday, the valuable 202 acre farm of Mrs. Elizabeth Walraven, situated near Chestertown, to Mr. George T. Hudson for $5,250.

Thieves at York.—Mr. Walter Strong had part of his farm on Sunday harness stolen from two sets of carriage in F. Beck had three night, and Mr. Bejan his poultry house the turkeys stolen from the same night.

The First Trip.—Mr. Wilmer Emory was in Queenstown last week and talked encouragingly of the early completion of the railroad from there to Ellendale, the road will be Delaware. He thinks ning by February ready and trains run excursion will be 15th, and that the first to attend the Presidential inauguration made on March 4th, t

The Ice Harvest.—The Christmas freeze of last week found a number of Kent countians ready to avail themselves of the early opportunity to gather ice. Mr. Dennis J. Nowlan commenced with four Monday filling his house and commenced five-inch ice. Mr. G. D. L the Chestertown cutting fairly good ice Mr. Frisby New-mill pond on Monday. nd's large house. comb is filling Mr. Lof at Kent county

Feeding Quail.—T interested in the sportsmen are deeply nty's stock of condition of Kent co n's game supply, partridges for next seas at already they is shown by the fact t the birds. Last have commenced to fee week's snow o paratively light and remained only a short time on the ground, but reports from Sassafras state that the birds were carefully fed and protected. The gunning season for partridges closed on December 24th.

Low Prices for Mountain Land.—The total of real estate sales at Hagerstown on Tuesday was $7,771,72. The finest cultivated land improved by a substantial dwelling was $74 per acre, while tracts of mountain land ranged as follows: 20 acres at 30 cents per acre, 15 acres at 25 cents per acre, 28 acres at 35 cents per acre, 13 acres at $2.00 per acre. Five dollars and twenty-five cents was the highest price obtained for any of these mountain tracts, which are located near Boonesboro.

A Peculiar Find.—Officer Amos B. Kelley made a singular find on Friday in a lot in Chestertown owned by Dr. J. T. Twilley, in the rear of Mr. Chilcotts. The find was a "kit" of keys, a number of which will fit several large store doors in Chestertown, while the others are for stables, chicken houses, etc. The bunch contains six hinge keys, four inches long, one of which had been filed, four brass night keys that will fit several doors to private homes, two padlock keys, all of which are strung on a piece of leather.

Railroad Contractor Sued.—Suit has been decided upon by Henry R. Lewis, J. Kemp Stevens and Howard Bryant, attorneys for Grant Roe, against Jones, Pollard & Co., the contractors who built the railroad bridge at Denton. The action will be brought in a Baltimore court. Mr. Roe on August 21st last, had three fingers badly mashed by the hammer of the pile-driver, rendering his hand almost useless. Attorney Stevens said the amount of damages to be asked for had not yet been determized upon. Mr. W. G. Pollard in speaking of the matter last week, said no one could be held responsible for Mr. Roe's misfortune. He had undertaken work which at the time of the accident he was in no condition to perform.

A Sad Drowning.—A sad drowning occurred at Grey's Inn, near Rock Hall, at about 10 o'clock on Tuesday morning. The six and nine-year-old daughters and nine-year-old son of William Greet, went on the ice on Grey's Inn creek to play. Mr. Greet is an oysterman and his home stood near the shore and the children were not missed. The ice gave way and the three children were precipitated into about ten feet of water. They at once screamed for assistance and a son of Capt. Charles Stevens hastened to the scene and held a pole to the elder boy and girl. They grasped it and were saved. The six-year-old girl was overcome by the cold and sank, and was unable to hold the pole. When carried to their homes the two children were gasping for life and were barely alive. Dr. W. O. Selby was summoned and after earnest work revived the children. The body of the little drowned girl was finally recovered.

Peninsula Horticultural Society.—The tenth annual meeting of the Peninsula Horticultural Society, will be held at Milford, Delaware, on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, January 6th, 7th and 8th, 1897. Dr. W. S. Maxwell, of Still Pond, is named on the programme for Wednesday afternoon, for a report of the Committee on Fruits in General. Among other interesing subjects discussed will be: "Room at the Top of the Market" by Hon. S. D. Willard, Geneva, N. Y.; "Reaching the Top of the Market." Hon. C. J. Monroe, South Haven, Mich.; "Western Methods in Fruit Culture and Marketing," Hon. Henry Augustine, Normal, Ill.; "How we control Peach Yellows in Michigan," Hon. C. J. Monroe, Michigan; "The San Jose Scale in Delaware and Maryland," Prof. W. G Johnson. It would be money well invested by the fruit growers of Kent to attend this meeting. There is no admission fee, and tickets on the B. & D. B. R. R. will be sold to all who attend at low rates. Special rates of $1.00 per day made to all visitors to the meeting, at the Central Hotel.

Our Submarine Telephone.—The reference made in the TRANSCRIPT to the placing of a cable across the bottom of Chesapeake bay connecting Chestertown and other peninsula towns with Baltimore, has resulted in a scientific consideration of the feasibility of the scheme. The possible objection urged by Mr. Woodland, president of the company, that the taking of oysters might interfere with the cable, is not an objection because of the fact that in the portion of the bay where it is proposed to place the cable there are no oysters. This objection removed, he says he does not see why the Chesapeake cable is not entirely practicable. Mr. W. J. Atkinson, general manager of the Home Telephone Company says: "In my judgment, the submarine project is not a practical one. It would cost less to go up around the head of the Chesapeake. Then the induction in the submarine system being so much greater, it would not give satisfactory service. It is the universal rule at present to avoid submarine cables in telephone construction. While it is an interesting problem which is being studied, statistics show that so far it has not proven either satisfactory or profitable." These objections to the contrary however, the projectors of the peninsula enterprise have considered the matter from every standpoint and state that it can and will be done, and that Chestertown and the other peninsula towns will be connected directly with Baltimore city by cable laid on the bed of the Chesapeake.

Deputy Copper Resigns.—Deputy Sheriff Whittier Copper, who has fulfilled his official duties so acceptably, last week tendered his resignation to Sheriff Casey, to take place on January 18th. The resignation was accepted with regrets and the position of deputy sheriff has been tendered Mr. John Atwell, of Lynch's. Mr. Atwelll was an applicant when Mr. Copper was appointed. Mr. Copper has accepted the position of teacher of Sassafras public school, to be vacated in January by Mr. Robert J. Nicholson, who will teach the school at Bethel, Delaware.

A Deplorable Condition.—The "Man About Town" of the *Observer* has taken a matrimonial census of Centreville, and discovered a condition of affairs which no journal less honest than the *Observer* would even have dared make known. It was found that Centreville has only eleven widowers to match fifty-six widows, only seven pronounced bachelors to match thirty-two old maids. (Heavens! when did the Centreville man ever find an "old maid"! There are none in Chestertown.) There were found sixty-two marriageable girls in Centreville, and but fifty-two young men of legal marriageable age.

Says They Robbed Him.—Mr. Holz, owner of Rock Point farm, in Worton, but who lives on Kent Island, during a visit to Baltimore last week, claims to have been chiseled out of $200 in money and a diamond ring valued at $65, by Frank N. Bauman, a saloon keeper, and his bar-tender, Ernest Schilitar. Mr. Holz said he went into the place and played a number of games of cards with several men. The proprietor said that he owed 80 cents for drinks. Mr. Holz denied this, whereupon, he said, the proprietor and his barkeeper sprang upon him and rifled his pockets, taking two one-hundred-dollar bills.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Miss Sadie Burgess, of Still Pond, was a holiday visitor of Mrs. W. E. Barnard, Middletown, Del.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Irving Walker, of near Chestertown, Messrs. Horace M. Walker, of Wilmington, were Christmas guests of their mother, Mrs. Maria Walker, at the Middletown Hotel.

Dr. and Mrs. T. T. Gilpin, and their brother, Dr. Chas. P. Gilpin, of Chestertown, spent Thursday in Philadelphia, and spent Christmas day together at their sister's, Mrs. McIntire, near Elkton where a delightful faimly re-union of the Gilpins was celebrated.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Perkins, of Philadelphia, have been guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Perkins, Front street.

Benjamin F. Perkins, Esq., of the Philadelphia bar, spent several days of the past week at the home of Harrison W. Vickers, Esq.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hines, of Atlanta, Ga., spent Christmas at "The Maples," the pretty country home of Mrs. M. A. Wilkins. Mr. Hines is a civil engineer and has been superintending the erection of fine railroad buildings at Atlanta.

Mr. T. B. Perkins, of Philadelphia, has been visiting the Misses Blackiston, Washington Ave.

Miss Ethel Perkins, of Philadelphia, is visiting Miss Irma Eliason.

Mr. Harry Camp, spent the holiday season at home. Mr. Camp holds a responsible position in the store of his brother-in-law, Mr. Perry, Queenstown.

Henry W. Catlin, Esq., spent the past week visiting friends in Baltimore, Washington and Philadelphia.

Dr. J. A. Perkins, of Philadelphia, but well-known in Kent made a narrow escape from serious injuries on Christmas morning. The doctor was descending a stairway at an early hour with a lighted lamp and an overcoat in his hands, when he tripped and fell head foremost down the entire flight of steps. Except several bruises on one arm he escaped without injury.

Mrs. Heuisler, of Roland Park, Baltimore, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. George E. Noland, at Tolchester Beach.

Dr. James W. Chapman, is spending the holiday at home.

Miss Helen Droste, of Baltimore, is visiting Mrs. William A. Wood, Still Pond.

Mr. C. H. Price and family, of Still Pond, are visiting friends in Baltimore.

Miss Grace Price will extend her visit to Washington.

R. Sinclair and Will Turner, of the George School, Pa., are spending the holidays at their home near Betterton.

Henry C. Turner, of New York, and James R. Turner, of Philadelphia, spent Christmas day with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Turner, Jr., near Betterton.

Harry T. Howard, of Baltimore, is spending a few days with his wife and children, at his mother's, Mrs. M. J. Howard, in Still Pond.

Messrs. Edward and Oliver Jones, of Philadelphia, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Jones, Queen st.

Miss Ethelind Crisfield, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Pearce, Maple ave.

Guion Roberts, Esq., a member of the New York bar, and Mr. John N. Roberts, of Boston, Mass., is visiting their father, Dr. S. C. Roberts, Queen street.

Miss Addie Glasscock, of Baltimore, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Eliason.

Rev. E. H. Nelson, pastor of Still Pond M. E. Church, was given a delightful remembrance by the members of his congregation on Christmas day by the presentation of a well-filled purse. The purse was afterward supplemented by other offerings, making the gift one of the most substantial ever received by the popular pastor of Still Pond church.

Mr. James Shuster, the aged father of Mr. John L. Shuster, fell off his bed on Monday night and sustained a fracture of the hip. Mr. Shuster is 84 years of age.

Mrs. Frank Plummer, while skating on Worton creek on Monday fell and broke her left leg near the ankle. Dr. J. H. Hessey reduced the fracture and the patient is doing as well as could be expected.

Mr. Norman Massey, of New York, is at home for the holidays. Mr. Massey is a civil engineer and has been recently at work on a New York "sky scraper," 25 stories high.

Prof. Sellers, of Dickinson Coilege, has been visiting Capt. R. S. Emory.

Miss Mamie Carroll is spending the holiday season at home, after arduous study at the State Normal School.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Brown are guests of Cecil county friends.

Mr. Sereck Shallcross, who is prosecuting the study of stenography and shorthand at Goldey's College, is spending several days in Chestertown.

Mrs. Reese Crew, with little son, of Wilmington, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Hodgkins on High st.

Mrs. W. W. Hubbard received a telegram Monday announcing the death of her uncle, Mr. Henry Keyser, at York, Pa., on Sunday.

The dance given by the young men of Chestertown, on Tuesday evening, was one of the most delightful social affairs in many seasons. The music was pronounced the finest ever heard on similar occasion in Chestertown.

Mr. C. C. Brown has resigned his position as principal of the Felton High School.

Mr. R. S. Emory, Jr., of Baltimore, spent Christmas at home.

Dr. Marion Twilley, and wife, of Dover, Del., have been guests of Dr. and Mrs. J. T. Twilley, on High st.

HAPPY BRIDES AND GROOMS.

A Series of Beautiful Weddings in Our Midst.

MCFEELY—MARKER.

Mr. Wm. J. McFeely, of Washington College, and Miss Martha A. Marker, of Philadelphia, were quietly married last evening at 8.30 o'clock, at the residence of Mr. Percy T. McFeely, Chestertown, Rev. John M. Gill officiating.

GREENWOOD—HARRISON.

At Still Pond, on Wednesday, December 23d, Mrs. Annabel Harrison was married to Mr. Alfred F. Greenwood, Rev. E. H. Nelson, officiating.

MERCHANT—THAWLEY.

Miss Maud Thawley was married to Mr. Fletcher Merchant, in Union M. E. Church, in Queen Anne, at 7 o'clock P. M. yesterday, Rev. W. P. Compton officiating.

DEWBERRY—AUSTIN.

Miss Austin and Mr. Thomas Dewberry were married at the home of the bride's parents, in Queen Anne, at 7 o'clock P.M. on Tuesday. Rev. J. H. Geoghegan performed the ceremony.

VANSANT—BOYD.

Miss Ada G. Boyd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Boyd, of Galena, and Mr. Andrew W. Vansant, were married yesterday evening at the home of the bride's parents. The ceremony was extremely quiet but beautiful in its simplicity and impressiveness.

SKIRVEN—KEYSER.

Announcement is made of the approaching marriage of Miss Clara Keyser, daughter of Mr. William E. Keyser, of Fairlee, to Mr. Charles Skirven, at St. Paul's P.E. Church, on Wednesday evening, January 6th, 1897.

CRAYNOR—WALBERT.

A quiet but pretty marriage was solemnized at the Rock Hall M. E. Parsonage on Wednesday evening of last week, the contracting parties being Mr. William A. Craynor and Miss Ida Walbert. Rev. James Carroll performed the ceremony.

WOOD—SAPPINGTON.

One of the prettiest marriages of the season was solemnized at Wesley M. P. Chapel, near Edesville, yesterday evening. The happy coupie were Mr. John C. Wood and Miss Fannie W. Sappington, both of Eastern Neck Island.

PENNINGTON—KING.

The first wedding to take place in the M. P. Church since being repaired, was witnessed yesterday evening by a large assembly. The contracting parties were Mr. William H. King and Miss Dora Pennington, both of Kenndyville. The church was very prettily trimmed for the occasion. Miss Katie Hessner presided at the organ, and while the sweet strains of Lohengrin's march were being rendered, the bride and groom entered the church preceded by the ushers, Mr. Harry S. Redmile and Mr. Joseph H. Weer. At the chancel they were met by the pastor, Rev. Jesse Shreeve, who, performing the ceremony, pronounced them man and wife. The bride was prettily dressed in old rose and dove changeable silk with lace and passamenterie trimmings, and carried a feather fan to correspond. Reception was held at the home of the bride, where a sumptuous repast awaited the guests. Many pretty and useful presents were received. We extend congratulations and best wishes for a long and happy wedded life.

PULPIT AND PEW.

New Year's day services in the Sacred Heart church will be at 9. A. M. At 3 P. M. the Christmas tree for the children will be held. Their will be no services at this church next Sunday, Jan. 3.

Delightful Christmas services were held at Wesley Chapel on Christmas evening.

The congregation and pastor of the Chestertown M. E. Church will observe the advent of the New Year with impressive watch-night services of song and prayer. The services will commence this (Thursday) evening at 10.30 o'clock, and continue until after 12 o'clock. The pastor, Rev. W. P. Compton, will preach a sermon suitable to the occasion.

Sabbath, Jan. 3d, 1897. The usual services will be held in the M. E. Church—morning service at 10 A. M., sermon subject, "The New Year's Duties." Sabbath school at 2.15. Epworth Devotional service at 6.45. Evening service 7.30, sermon subject, "The Guest at the Door," followed by revival services, which will continue during the week. These revival services will begin with "watch night" service.

THE APPROACHING CONFERENCE.

A word to the people of Chestertown, regardless of denominational lines, concerning the coming session of the Wilmington Conference: The Wilmington Conference will convene in Chestertown March 17th, and continue its session one week. Nineteen years have passed since the conference was entertained in Chestertown before, in 1878, and probably as long a time will elapse before it will return to our town. The conference is a large body, including ministers stationed in all the conference territory, including Delaware, the Eastern Shore of Maryland and the portion of Virginia east of the Chesapeake bay. Of course we did not invite the conference depending upon the resource of the M. E. Church, of Chestertown, for the entertainment, but upon the hospitality of Chestertown, regardless of denominational lines. We therefore earnestly solicit the co-operation of the people of Chestertown in providing homes for our two hundred ministerial guests. The visiting ministers will arrive Tuesday, March 16th, and depart Tuesday, March 23d. We need not add that they are a body of cultivated Christian gentlemen, whose presence ought to be a benefit to the families in which they are entertained. We shall soon make a canvas of the town for homes and trust that we will receive a most liberal response from all, that we may soon be able to report entertainment provided for all our guests. All persons outside of our church offering homes will be conferring a favor which will be gratefully received and remembered by the membership of our church. Hoping for a generous response to our appeal, I remain Yours respectfully,

W. P. COMPTON,
Pastor of Chestertown M. E. Church.

KENNEDYVILLE NEWS.

Misses S. B. and Mary McKnett are visiting relatives in Wilmington.

The members and friends of the M. P. Church gave their pastor a very pleasant surprise on Tuesday evening. Quite a large number were present and a very pleasant evening enjoyed.

Miss Nellie Barwick is home for the holidays.

Mr. J. D McKnett is visiting friends in Philadelphia.

Mr. W. H. Whitely is visiting relatives in Wilmington and Philadelphia.

Mr. Walter E. Hill, of Baltimore, spent Christmas with his parents near the village.

Mr. A. Strong, of Wilmington, spent part of the week with Mr. W. A. Pote.

Miss Helen Price, of Millington, is visiting Mrs. Maggie Webb.

A Sunday School was organized at Grace Presbyterian Church on Sunday with the following officers. Supt., Mr. H. L. Davies; assistant Supt., Mr. W. E. Sanders; secretary and treasurer, Mr. W. A. Pote; librarians, Mr. Robert Hill and Harry Hill; organists, Mrs. Rachel Hill, Miss Katie Hessner. JUNO.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENTS.

The scholars of the Chestertown M. E. Sunday School enjoyed their annual treat and feast of good things, in the lecture room of the church, on Tuesday evening. Mr. D. P. Jones made an ideal Old Kriss and delighted the children by coming down a "sure enough chimney." The children presented a cantata, "The coming of Santa Claus." Confectionery, nuts and fruits were distributed to the little folk.

The scholars of Emmanuel P. E. Sunday School were given a delightful treat of nuts, confectionery and fruit in the Sunday School room last night. Pretty and appropriate presents were distributed to each scholar.

No regular Christmas treat was given the scholars of Christ M. P. Sunday School, the children agreeing that the money necessary for the feast be used for some charitable purpose, to be decided upon next Sunday. Beautiful Christmas music was rendered last Sunday by the school. The bell song by the infant class was a charming success. Master Joseph Wheatley, little Miss Marguerite Dodd and Miss Bessie Wheatley, delighted all by their recital of appropriate selections. Superintendent Wm. B. Usilton made a pleasant address, as also did Prof. R. Watts.

The annual feast of the scholars of Still Pond M. E. Sunday School was most enjoyable. Sweet selections were rendered, and Master Rolph Starkey, the accomplished and finished little orator made an appropriate address. A Christmas tree was the delight of the children and boxes of candy, oranges and nuts were distributed.

Union Sunday School, in Queen Anne, Rev. W. P. Compton, pastor of the church, will feast around their Christmas tree to-night. Fruits, nuts and the good things of the season will be enjoyed.

Rock Hall M. E. Sunday school scholars participated in the pleasures of their annual Christmas tree and feast last night. A rare program of music and literary selections were splendidly rendered.

Salem M. E. Sunday school scholars will be joyous and happy to-night, the occasion being the Christmas treat. After the feast and a social good time, watch-night services will be held.

A beautiful Christmas tree, loaded with gifts and good things, was enjoyed by the scholars of Golts M. E. Sunday school on Thursday evening. Rev. W. N. Conway made a pleasent address to the school.

GOLT'S GLEANINGS.

An exhibit of Stereoptican views was given in the Church here last Wednesday evening by Professor Taylor. The exhibition was very entertaining, consisting of views taken from noted places in England, Ireland and Scotland, and also from the land of the "Midnight Sun."

On Wednesday evening Rev. Simon R. Needham, who calls himself a Hebrew prophet, preached to a small congregation in Shelton's Hall in this village.

Mr. George Ivory, who resides near Golts, met with quite a loss on Christmas eve. His family having gone away to spend Christmas and Mr. Ivory being out quite late on that evening, gave a thief a good opportunity, which he was not slow to take advantage of. When Mr. Ivory returned home he found a window cut out and all of his meat and some chickens missing. On Saturday morning Alec Boyer, a colored man, came to this place to sell some meat, and as it was known that he had killed no hogs of his own, he was at once suspected of the theft. Mr. Ivory and some others surrounded him and asked where he got the meat he was offering for sale. After some contradictory stories he confessed the theft and told where to find the rest of the meat, but said they had eaten all the chickens. He said he was needy and Mr. Ivory gave him back a piece of the meat. Is not that returning good for evil?

The children of the Sabbath School were given a treat on Thursday evening in the Church. Some Christmas music was sung and Rev W. N. Conway addressed the school, after which Mr. Walter Ford, the S. S. superintendent gave a short talk and proceeded to untrim the tree, which was no doubt the most enjoyable part to the children.

Watch night services will be held this, (Thursday) evening. Preaching at half-past ten after the League meeting adjourns.

Brother Conway expects to begin his extra services in this place next Sunday evening.

Mrs. Gowen, of Philadelphia, and Mr. and Mrs. Woodkeeper, of Jersey City, were guests of Mrs. C. H. Smith during Christmas.

Miss Cora Everett, of Templeville, who taught school here for quite awhile also spent Christmas with Mrs. Smith.

Miss Sallie Thompson is visiting Miss Addie Matthews.

Master Jesse Rolph is spending his Christmas vacation near Woodland Beach with his cousins.

Miss Bessie Higgins is the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. M. Conner.

We are to have a great many changes in our little village, as a good many residents are changing their homes, some are leaving for quite a distance, and some new comers taking their places. So moves the world. W. W.

From Betterton.

Miss Katie Crew, who is taking a course in stenography and typewriting at Bryant & Sadler's Business College, is at home for a few days.

"Spirits of fermenti" were exceedingly scarce with us on Christmas day. Hardly a drop of intoxicants to be found. Five or ten years ago whiskey on Christmas day was as plentiful as water; to-day it is a rare thing to see. Education is a great remedy to many evils, and this is only another proof that people are learning that drunkenness at Christmas is not only unnecessary for enjoyment, but is rather a discredit in this age of enlightenment.

Captains Geo. W. Moore and Thos. H. Moore were home for Christmas.

The young folk are having lots of fun skating.

Robert H. Crew, who has been on Captain Andrew Woodall's boats this year, is at home.

Crew & Owens had quite a nice holiday trade.

George R. Crew and R. C. Crew spent Christmas day with friends in Baltimore.

A prosperous new year to the editors of the TRANSCRIPT. Y.

Galena Notes.

Well, your Galena correspondent has neglected his duties for the past two weeks, but he has gotten over his Christmas jaunt and will now settle down.

There is beautiful skating on the mill pond, and all the young folk are taking advantage of it.

Mr. James Hicks has shod a great many horses during this cold snap.

Dr. J. W. Latimer and Dr. E. A. Scott spent their Christmas in Baltimore.

Steamer Sassafras had to cut her way through the ice Friday morning on her way out. X.

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STILL POND NEWS.

Filling ice houses is the most important event in our vicinity at present. A long string of wagons began to haul from Raymond's lake on Tuesday for the creamery. H. C. Gray and F. H. Harper & Son, with the result that their houses are filled with very good ice—2½ to 3½ inches thick. The thermometer stood 11° on Monday morning, 16° on Tuesday morning.

Christmas passed off quietly—no excitement of any consequence.

Rev. E. H. Nelson was presented with a very useful Christmas present by his friends and congregation in the shape of quite a nice little purse of money and an abundance of good will. Mr. Jas. H. Robinson made the presentation.

A skating carnival is being enjoyed by our young folk on Lloyd's creek. The ice is as smooth as glass, and the scene is one of gaity and brightness. The following persons are daily visitors to the jolly gathering: Misses Annie Roeder, Josephine Jones, Daisy, Viola Moffett, D. Crossley, Myra Crew, Ida Crowding, Sallie Jones, Mattie and Emma Davis Lizzie and Carrie Harding, Cora Jewel, Edith Sparks, Blanche Starkey, Beulah Thompson; Ben and Will Krusen, James H. Robinson, Edgar and Will Pennington, Arthur and James Harris, Jack and Ed. Schofield, Henry and Walter Davis and others.

Mr. Benj. Quimby, of Chestertown, spent Christmas day with his sister, Mrs. Joseph C. Bowers.

Dr. Medders, specialist of the ear and eye, of Baltimore, and a brother of Mr. William Medders, performed an operation on the child of A. J. Hackett, last week, and should the operation prove successful, sight may be recovered, the child never having seen clearly since born. The result is awaited with much interest by the many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Hackett.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Benson, with their daughter, of Anne Arundel county, spent Christmas with their mother, Mrs. A. R. Parrott.

Miss Sadie E. Burgess is visiting Mrs. W. E. Barnard, of Middletown, Del.

Mr. Miflin Hood, of Camden, N. J., is visiting Benj. Krusen.

Miss Vermie Krusen, of Wilmington, Del., is on a visit to her parents. Miss Krusen is well-known as a professional nurse, and is considered one of the best and brightest women of her profession on the Peninsula.

Miss Nellie Krusen, after a protracted visit in Philadelphia, has returned home.

John E. Thompson, of Philadelphia, spent Christmas with his brother, Wm. H. Thompson.

Frank Rasin is at home for the holidays. Frank is a student at Bryant & Strattan's Business College, in Baltimore.

Mrs. P. C. A. Clements and granddaughters, Misses Lena and Florence Rasin, are visiting in Philadelphia and Wilmington.

Edith and Dudley Sparks, of Sudlersville, are visiting their grandmother, Mrs. Crossley.

Miss Mary A. E. Hepbron is still ill, and her physician, Dr. W. S. Maxwell, has little hopes of her recovery.

Mr. H. L. Crew is reported as improving.

Mrs. R. L. Raymond and daughter, Miss Therese, have gone to Philadelphia for the winter.

Wishing the TRANSCRIPT and its many readers a very prosperous new year. R.

New Advertisements.

Moody & Lusby have marked the remainder of their stock of suits and overcoats down to manufacturers' prices in order to dispose quickly of them, and as the reputation of this house for close profits in season is widely established, this special reduction sale means an opportunity to secure bargains rarely met with. Go early to insure a good selection.

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.

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.

CORN!

I AM now prepared to buy Corn for rail shipment to Philadelphia, and expect soon to have orders for shipment to Baltimore, both by rail and water.

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and
I. M. PARR & SON, L't'd, PHILADELPHIA.
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The ARMSTRONG HOTEL, Chestertown, located on East Cross street, containing 25 rooms, is for rent for 1897. Terms moderate.
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MILLINGTON NEWS.

The M. E. Sunday School held its usual Christmas entertainment Christmas night in the basement of the Church. The committee had an excellent program prepared consisting of essays, recitations, dialogues and singing. All the parts were well rendered. After these exercises, our postmaster, impersonating Santa Claus, came forward and gave a treat of candy, nuts and fruit to each scholar of the School, also to every child in the church. The Sunday School under its Superintendent, Mr. John Weist, assisted by his teachers is in a progressive condition and has a very good attendance but there is always room and a welcome extended to any who will come in. Service was held in the Episcopal Church and M. E. Church South during the evening.

Misses Vic. and Helen Power spent Christmas day with their sister, Miss Annie, in Philadelphia, and Miss Helen is now visiting friends in New York.

Miss Smoot, of Ridgely, Md., spent Sunday with her brother, Rev. T. C. Smoot.

Miss Lizzie and Mr. Harry Mallalieu, of Philadelphia, spent part of the holidays with their mother, Mrs. M. E. B. Mallalieu.

Miss Annie Talbott, of Philadelphia, spent Christmas day with her mother, Mrs. Thomas Numbers.

Miss Mary Lees, of Baltimore, is visiting her mother on Cypress street.

Mr. B. Wallace Green, of Philadelphia, spent Christmas and Sunday with his mother, Mrs. W. S. Green.

Mr. T. Herbert Longfellow, of Baltimore, is visiting his aunt, Mrs. Lees.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Crane and brother, J. Heber Crane, of Philadelphia, are visiting their mother, Mrs. A. E. Crane.

Mrs. C. M. Hurtt spent several days of this week in Philadelphia.

Master Harry Talbot is visiting friends in Baltimore.

Mr. J. L. Smith spent Sunday with his parents in Harrington, Del.

Mr. T. J. McWhörter and daughter, Miss Olo, of Philadelphia, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Cook.

Mr. W. V. Messick, a student at the Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, spent several days in town this week.

Mr. Harry Tolson, of Middletown, Del. is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Tolson. W.

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