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LOCAL MATTERS.

Her First Trip.—The steamer Emma A. Ford made her first trip to Chestertown on Saturday after undergoing a thorough overhauling and new coat of paint. The popular Chester River Co.'s ship looks as neat and trim as a lady's new spring hat.

Thrown From a Horse.—J. Waters Russell, private secretary to W. W. Beck, Esq., while indulging in a horse-back ride on a fiery steed belonging to H. W. Catlin, Esq., yesterday afternoon, was thrown to the ground and badly shaken up. The private secretary is more expert as a type writer than as a jockey.

Cecil Court.—The March term of the Circuit Court for Cecil county convened at Elkton on Monday with Judge Frederick Stump on the bench. More than ordinary interest will be taken in this session, because of the fact that the grand jury will be called upon to investigate a large number of cases for violation of the local option law, the gambling dens in the county and several other important matters.

Large Purchase of Furs.—Mr. Marcus Asher, the fur king of the Eastern Shore, bought over 2,000 muskrat, fox, opossum, otter, coon and mink hides in this and Queen Anne counties last week. He purchased one otter hide from Mr. Frank Plummer, near Church Hill, which measured five and one-half feet, for which he paid $6.50. Mr. Plummer caught the otter in a steel trap in South East Creek.

Oyster Planting.—The Oyster planters of New Jersey and Delaware are now busily engaged in procuring stock oysters for planting purposes. Oyster planting in those States has greatly increased of late, and there is a demand for Chesapeake Bay stock, which is hardy, of fine flavor and rapid growth. In attempting to supply this demand the provisions of the Maryland Cull law came into frequent conflict with the enterprise of the oystermen, as the buyers prefer small oysters for their purposes.

Dredging Season Closed.—The dredging season closed on Monday last. The dredgers report oysters plentiful on the down the bay bars, but scarce on the upper bay bars. The season, however, has not been a profitable one as the prices for oysters have ranged so low. The violations by dredgers for dredging on forbidden grounds have been reported less than for many previous seasons, because the low prices paid for the oysters did not justify taking the same risks of being captured and fined as if the prices had been higher and the demand greater.

Order of U. A. M. in Chestertown.—A Council of the Jr. Order United American Mechanics was instituted in Chestertown on Friday night last. The officers elected for the first term are as follows: Councilor, L. Bates Russell; V. Councilor, Geo. Burk; Rec. Sect'y, John R. Rollison; Ass't. Rec. Sect'y. J. Allie Russell; Fin. Sect'y, J Frank Davis; Treasurer John W. Hirons; Conductor, Wm. L. Fowler; Warden, Cyros G. Howard; I. Sen., Milton E. Baker; O. Sen., James H. Shuster; Chaplain, Geo. B. Twilley; Trustees; L. Bates Russell, W. A. Burk, F. H. Howard; Past Councilor and Representative to State Council, M. Wilbur Thomas.

New Telephone Line.—The Queen Anne's Railroad Company is laying the poles for a Telephone line from Easton to Chestertown via Wye Mills, Queenstown, Centreville and Church Hill, which is expected to be completed and opened to the public in the next two weeks. This line connects with the Denton line at Queenstown, thus connecting Easton, Wye Mills, Queen Anne, Hillsborough, Ridgely, Denton, Queenstown, Centreville, Church Hill and Chestertown, and the principal towns of Kent, Queen Anne's and Talbot counties, also connecting the principal towns of Maryland and Delaware South of Denton. As this line will prove a great convenience to the business interests of the county, the enterprise should be encouraged by the general public.—*Centreville Record.*

Celery Farming on the Eastern Shore.—The Easton *Gazette* says: "J Vanmuller, of Kalamazoo, Mich., is en route for the Eastern Shore, where he proposes to locate and devote himself to celery farming, on lands sold to him by the Prudential Land and Improvement Company of Talbot County. Mr. Vanmuller is a Hollander and has been raising celery in Kalamazoo for some years. He states that beside the demand for it for table use, it is in demand for the manufacture of candy, and it is also used in medicine. The celery industry is a paying one. Though a little trouble, yet the returns are great. Our farmers do not give this the thought they might. At this time celery is scarce in Easton, indeed very little is to be had unless we send to the city for it." The same state of affairs exists in Kent county; not one-tenth of the celery consumed here is raised in the county. Hundreds of dollars are spent annually in Baltimore by our citizens for this article that could and should be kept at home.

Procuring Stock Partridges.—Two hundred and twenty-five partridges have been sent to the Easton Gun Club, in Talbot county, by Dr. George W. Massamore, assistant game warden of this State, for stock purposes. The birds will be distributed among the farmers in the vicinity of the club. Another lot of two hundred partridges were expected to arrive from Kansas about the first of this week. Six dozen of this lot will go to George W. Clay, of Carroll county, and the remainder will be sent to farmers living in Queen Anne and Dorchester counties. The Kansas birds are preferred, because it is said, it has been found that they stand the Maryland climate better than those raised elsewhere. The birds are trapped in the neighborhood of Wichita, Kansas, and are sold to dealers. Let the sportsmen of Kent get together and procure a number of the Kansas birds and turn them out on farms in this county. The Galena correspondent to the TRANSCRIPT last week advocated the purchase of stock birds, and offered to contribute to a fund for that purpose.

Locust Grove.

The Corey "Y" will present the drama "Under the Laurels," in five acts in the Galena hall, this (Thursday) evening and in Crumpton Saturday evening. The play was produced in Locust Grove a few weeks ago, and was pronounced first-class.

Miss Blanche Sutton is Visiting Mrs. Eta Kilbourne at Edesville.

The Rev. Mr. Fletcher preached his closing sermon of the conference year on Sunday and it was pronounced a very fine sermon by some who should know a good sermon. The question by some is, Will Mr. Fletcher return for another year with us?

There has been quite a good deal of sickness around our little village but all are reported better, Dr Kelley is much better, we have seen him out during some of the nice days we have been having.

Mrs. Robert Comly is visiting relatives in Pennsylvania.

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL.

The engagement of Miss Nellie Brown, daughter of Hon. John B. Brown, of Centreville, to Mr. Hamilton Cromwell, has been announced. Miss Brown is one of the social leaders of Centreville, and is well-known in Chestertown. Mr. Cromwell is a prosperous business man of Baltimore.

Miss Sara Fenimore, eldest daughter of Mr. J. L. Stratton, was married Thursday, March 4th, to Mr. William F. Stoops, at the residence of her father, in Quaker Neck, Rev. C. T. Denrouche, of St. Paul's, officiating. The house was prettily trimmed with evergreen. In the parlor was a raised dais surmounted by an evergreen arch in which hung a floral bell. The bride's dress was of brown covert cloth trimmed with white satin and velvet. She carried bride's roses. The march from Lohengern was played by Miss Margaret Stratton, sister of the bride. Promptly at half-past seven the couple entered the parlor preceeded by Mr. J. F. Stratton and Miss Virginia Reese, of New Jersey, brother and cousin of the bride, Mr. Clark Stoops, brother of the groom, and Miss Ella Chambers, of Baltimore, followed by the tiny flower girl and little ring bearers, Emma and Edward Brown. After the ceremony a supper and reception followed, after which the bride and groom left amid a shower of rice and old shoes, for Betterton, where they took the steamer for Baltimore.

A very delightful and enjoyable social was held on Tuesday evening at Mr. and Mrs. Leary's, at their beautiful residence on Lankford bay. Various games were indulged in and all present seemed to have a pleasant time. At a late hour all were invited out to a large dining room where cake, ice cream and confectionery were served in abundance. Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Gale, Mrs. Tessie Gale, Mr. Lemont Thompson, Mr. Wilton Crew, Miss Hettie Haddaway, Ozman Nickers, Maud Thompson, Buelah Taylor, Flora Taylor, Langford Vickers, Jennie and Pricie Stoops, Thomas Fletcher, Capt. Herbert Fletcher and many others.

Mrs. Catharine Gundry, of Catonsville, is visiting her brother, Dr. W. Frank Hines, on Water street.

The Misses Anna and Eleanor Rasin have returned home after spending a most delightful social winter in Baltimore.

Mrs. Fahnestock, of Pennsylvania, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Rev. W. P. Compton.

Mrs. McClintock, of Pennsylvania, is the guest of Mrs. George Jessup, at Lankford.

Martin Lane, Esq., of Wilmington, Del., and John B. Money, ex-mayor of Delaware City, were in Chestertown on Tuesday on legal business.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Burgess died in Brooklyn, N. Y., on the 10th of March, and was buried at St. Paul's, Kent county, Md., on the 12th. She was the widow of the late Thomas Burgess, and daughter of the late Alexander Williamson Ringgold. Mrs. Burgess had been for nearly three years in delicate health, and in continual grievous suffering, which she bore with admirable patience, womanly fortitude and christian resignation. In her long illness she was most tenderly cared for by the loving and assiduous devotion of her children. She was born in Kent county, Md., and was held by many of its best citizens in the highest esteem and appreciation. For some years past she has lived in various localities, and in every place of residence her quiet, uniform, and lovely character always challenged and ever won the good-will and deep respect of all who knew her. Four children are left to mourn their separation from a dear, dear mother, viz.: Mrs. William Milbourn, of Baltimore, Md.; Miss Minnie Burgess, of Peekskill, N.Y.; Mr. Paul Burgess, of Baltimore, Md. and Mr. Claude Burgess, of Brooklyn, N. Y. The family and friends have the earnest sympathy of ourselves and everyone. May she rest in peace.

Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Smith, died at the home of her husband, Mr. Daniel Smith, on High street, Chestertown, Monday morning, of paralysis, aged 69 years. The second and fatal stroke occurred about a week ago from which she never regained consciousness. She leaves one daughter, Mrs. Charles Nelson. Funeral services were conducted from her late residence yesterday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock, Rev. S. C. Roberts officiating. Interment at Chester cemetery.

Miss Sarah Ann Pearce died at the residence of Capt. James S. Thompson, at Quaker Neck wharf, on Friday last March 12, aged 80 years. Interment at Chester Cemetery, Rev. J. B. Cooper, officiating. The following were the pall bearers: Wm. Faulkner, Ed. O. Meara, Jacob Snyder, Wm Goodman, Henry Jones, and Fred. Woodmender.

Distribution of the School Tax.

Comptroller Graham on Tuesday made the following distribution of the public school tax for the State, payable on and after Thursday, March 25:

To WHITE SCHOOLS—Allegany county, $4,510.49; Anne Arundel, $3,525.28; Baltimore city, $37,751.14; Baltimore county, $6,847.27; Calvert, $1,120.27; Caroline, $1,473.48; Carroll, $3,146.74; Cecil, $2,361.09; Charles, $1,706.71; Dorchester, $4,551.42; Frederick, $4,818.38; Garrett, $1,540.07; Harford, $2,808.63; Howard, $1,699.96; Kent, $1,729.34; Mountgomery, $2,872.81; Prince George, $2,893.29; Queen Anne, $1,909.19; St. Mary's, $1,864.97; Somerset, $2,636.35; Talbot, $1,953.40; Washington, $3,898.44; Wicomico, $2,125.93; Worcester, $2,115.44. Total, $100,000.

To COLORED SCHOOLS—Allegany county, $163.03; Anne Arundel, $1,758.32; Baltimore city, $6,104.31; Baltimore county, $1,958.19; Calvert, $672.27; Caroline, $493.53; Carroll, $261.44; Cecil, $457.36; Charles, $1,165.48; Dorchester, $1,024.99; Frederick, $756.74; Garrett, $21.94; Harford, $782.83; Howard, $509.53; Kent, $77.67; Montgomery, $1,237.82; Prince George $1,520.89; Queen Anne, $786.97; St. Mary's, $1,045.74; Somerset, $1,249.08; Talbot, $859.98; Washington, $273.28; Wicomico, $658.03; Worcester, $859.58. Total, $24,500.

Galena Notes.

Dr. Latimer spent two days in Baltimore last week.

Mr. Everett Wallis, of Washington, spent Sunday with his people.

Rev. Mr. Prettymem and wife, of Delaware, have been visiting Miss Armstrong.

Mrs. Jacoby has been quite sick with the grippe, but we are glad to say that she is out again.

Mr. Jeremiah Peacock has had a rush of business in the hack line of late.

Mr. J. Thomas Pennington is visiting in Baltimore.

A council of the Junior Order United American Mechanics was organized here last Thursday night, with thirty-eight members and officers installed.

Next Sunday being the third Sunday in the month the Holy Communion will be celebrated at St. Andrew's Chapel at 10.30 A. M.

Our farmers are getting into their spring work, some have quite a number of acres plowed.

Yesterday was St. Patrick's day, and is a time that a great many of our people plant potatoes. M.

ELECTRIC LIGHTS FOR CHESTERTOWN.

An Offer by a Wisconsin Firm to Light Chestertown by Electricity.

Mr. E. E. Mandeville, of Racine, Wisconsin, is in correspondence with a number of gentlemen of Chestertown, looking to the establishment of an Electric Light Plant at this point. He states that if he receives any assurance that the town will take a sufficient number of lights to light the town, and there is a reasonable support of the project on the part of the citizens, the Plant will surely be located. Profitable plants have for many years past been in existence in many of our neighboring towns, much smaller and much less wealthy than Chestertown. No community could ever feel the want of lights more than we do. Two ladies have recently been attacked on the streets of this town by negro men or negro boys, and in each case at an ill-lighted spot. It is likely none of these attempts would have been made if the town had been provided with electric lights. Under our present lamp-light system with coal oil and gasoline, it is impossible to properly light the town. It is safe to say our people are willing for the Town Commissioners to meet this proposition in a liberal spirit. Only those who have always held back against every improvement will oppose it. When the Water Works were started, it is stated that a few of the citizens opposed their establishment, and it is likely some few will oppose the introduction of Electric Lighting in the town. Let there be a public meeting called, and let the citizens express themselves. A subscription paper is now in circulation by Mr. John S. Vandegrift and let all those who expect to put in lights respond liberally to the enterprise, and at last Chestertown may shine out of her darkness. We can see no reason why this enterprise should not succeed, although it may be more expensive than the present system. Mr. Aidridge, one of our commissioners, has subscribed liberally for lights; Mr. Westcott, another commissioner, has always been in favor of electric lighting of the town, and Mr. Simpers, the third commissioner, is a progressive gentleman, so let the citizens uphold the commissioners in an effort to advance this much needed enterprise. Will not some public spirited citizen donate a site? If not, then let some half dozen join and give one, and meet such an advantageous offer more than half way.

Rev. W. R. Mowbray, of Smyrna, Del., who is in attendance at the conference here, states that he has six lights in his residence in that town, three ten candle power and three five, which costs him 76 cents per month, or $9.12 per year. Is not this cheaper than the same amount of lamps cost the average housekeeper?

The following is a list of the subscribers with the number of lights to be taken, that had been secured at the time of going to press:

Hope H. Barroll (office)	4
Hope H. Barroll (residence)	20
Kent News	9
R. Bergen	20
C. and H. Reed	6
Thomas W. Wickes	4
Thomas S. Bordley	6
M. A. Toulson, about	14
Moody & Lusby	5
John F. Howard	2
T. G. Wroth	18
J. G. Roland	2
J. L. Shuster & Co	10
Wm. A. Blakeny	3
Westcott & Dodd	6
S. A. Hurlock	14
John Bartley	0
A Friedman, about	20
Williamson Brothers	4
J. F. Thompson	8
W. R. Manl & Co	3
George D. Lofland	4
L. Winer	6
Frank McWhorter	12
Frank Leary	8
C. F. Stam	60
W. R. Aldridge, about	10
Charles S. Smith	30
Henry W. Catlin	2
Wm. W. Beck	2
E. W. F. Simpers	2
J. S. Vandegrift (barber)	4
Chestertown Transcript	6
Harrison W. Vickers (residence)	12
Second National Bank	6

A Genteel Billiard Parlor.

A number of young gentlemen have just completed their arrangements for the opening of a billiard and pool parlor in Centreville. The parlor will be located on the second floor of the Perry Building, Lawyer's Row. This enterprise is in no sense of the word a club, nor will it be conducted according to the plans of a club. The parlor will be open to the patronage of the public, the promoters of the enterprise enjoying no other privileges than will be accorded to all persons who may visit the place. Two very handsome tables have been purchased, which will be erected in position next week. Then the doors will be opened, offering the use of the tables to all lovers of the game upon payment of the stipulated fees. It is the purpose of those having the matter in charge to have it conducted in the most highly respectable manner. In fact the place is to be managed according to methods of such strict propriety that the most refined and sensitive lady might enter the place at any hour and find nothing to shock her sense of delicacy. Furthermore, it is proposed to devote the tables during one day of the week to the use of ladies, charging them no fee when accompanied by gentlemen. By this means it is designed to maintain for the parlor a reputation for high-toned respectability. The enterprise is being promoted by young men of character such as will doubtless enforce this idea of propriety. No drinking will be allowed on the premises; nor will intoxicated people be allowed to play.—*Centreville Observer.*

Three years ago when a number of the young gentlemen of Chestertown organized the Brick House Club, a place for social meeting and amusement, our friends of the *Observer* strongly condemned it. It seems that a change has taken place in the midst of our worthy contemporary since that time judging from their approval now of places of social gatherings for young gentlemen which they class as "a genteel billiard parlors." Will our friends across the river explain the moral difference between "a genteel billiard parlor" and a genteel club room.

Jots From Still Pond.

Who will occupy Still Pond pulpit next year?

Most of the chickens of the county are preparing to mourn for their feathered friends of Chestertown and vicinity.

Last Thursday night was the Banquet of the Knights of Pythian Order. If you were not there, you missed it, I declare! What good things they piled on your plate! Five and sixty sat down, with never a frown, and rose up with many a smile! Iula's furnished music for the occasion.

The drama last Thursday evening in Still Pond hall was a fair success. Chas. G. Watts as "Marmaduke Hilton," J. Ben. Krusen as "Alphonsus Belhaven," Walter Davis as "Teddy O'Neil," Wm. M. Watts as "Squire Hilton," Edgar Pennington as "Richard Harvey," J. H. Robinsen as "Capt. DeBalzac," Wm. H. Krusen as "Major Lookout," C. W. Hague, John Sutton and John Jones as "Smugglers," and Henry Davis as "Sergeant Jennison." All did credit to their ability. Wm. H. Krusen as the astute Major, J. Ben Krusen as the villain, and Chas. G. Watts as the Hero deserve special mention.

CONFERENCE IN SESSION.

Arrival of the Members and Full Proceedings of the Conference.

The ministers composing the examining boards and the candidates for admission began to arrive on the noon train Monday, and the examination began Monday evening and will continue until and including Thursday evening.

TUESDAY.

Bishop John M. Walden and a large majority of the ministers and members of the conference arrived by train and boat on Tuesday, and after the missionary sermon conducted by Rev. H. W. Ewing that evening, a reception, an entirely new and what will probably prove one of the most pleasant social features connected with the conference, was given the Bishop and the entire conference, by the Epworth League, of Chestertown, in the lecture room of the church, where a collation of light refreshments were served.

The pews of the room had been moved aside and the room converted into an inviting reception parlor with a number of tables conveniently arranged, beautifully ornamented and presided over by the lady members of the League. The honored guests were received by the following reception committee, viz: Rev. W. P. Compton, pastor of the church; Revs. R. K. Stephenson and Harry Ewing, conference cabinet, and the cabinet of Chestertown League—M. Wilber Thomas, Miss Fannie E. Stuart, Miss Anna G. Lambert, Thomas S. Bordley, Mrs. Edward Ringgold, Miss Julia Burchinal, Miss Jennie Vickers, Miss Cora Massey and John M. Toulson. At intervals during the evening music was rendered by the Sabbath school orchestra.

WEDNESDAY.

The twenty-ninth annual session of the Wilmington Conference convened in the M. E. Church in this town on Wednesday morning at nine o'clock. Bishop John M. Walden presiding. At nine o'clock the bishop called the conference to order, read from the 40th chapter of Isaiah and the 2d chapter of 2d Timothy, addressed the conference at length, after which the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered, under direction of the bishop, a large number of ministers and lay members taking part in the service. Following this service was the organization of the conference for regular work. The roll-call resulted in showing the presence of 140 ministers out of one hundred and seventy-six.

A. S. Mowbray was re-elected secretary with Z. H. Webster and W. A. Wise as assistants. J. D. Rigg was re-elected as recording secretary, C. A. Grise was re-elected conference treasurer, and W. R. Mowbray was re-elected statistical secretary, with the following as his assistants: H. A. G. Westerfield, J. H. Geoghagan, W. W. Sharp, V. P. Northrup, G. P. Jones, Edwin Gardner, W. G. Chance.

The following standing committees were submitted by the Presiding Elders and were confirmed by the conference:

Public Worship.—Alfred Smith, W. P. Compton, E. H. Nelson, T. B. Cooper.

Education.—W. L. S. Murray, Isaac L. Wood, W. J. DuHadaway, H. C. Turner.

Bible Society.—J. Carroll, W. T. Valiant, H. S. Dulaney, W. Jaggard.

Sunday School and Tracts.—F. J. Cochran, M. D. Nutter, W. H. Benford, Rob't Roe.

Temperance.—C. T. Wyatt, J. D. Kemp, G. W. Burke, T. S. Williams.

W. F. M. Society.—W. G. Koons, Frank Fletcher, W. E. Avery, Warren Burr.

W. H. M. Society.—C. F. Sheppard, T. F. Tabler, W. F. Dawson, F. C. McSorley.

Fr. Aid and S. Ed. Society.—S. J. Morris, G. W. Bounds, T. H. Harding, J. F. Anderson.

Postoffices.—W. B. Guthrie, J. M. Collins, W. H. S. Loller, J. P. Outton, T. C. Smoot, J. F. Beauchamp, G. S. Conaway, F. E. McKinsey.

Periodicals.—J. M. Lindale, W. E. West, A. Green, W. P. Taylor.

Sabbath Observance.—S. M. Morgan, F. F. Carpenter, T. E. Terry, G. T. Alderson.

Epworth League.—R. K. Stephenson, C. P. Swain, V. S. Collins, C. A. Hill.

Endowment Fund.—T. E. Martindale, J. A. Arters, Robt. Watt, C. A. Grise, Wm. Taylor, C. P. Swain, W. H. Jackson, H. S. Goldey, Joseph Smithers, I. K. Wright, J. F. Dawson, C. A. McKinrey.

Ministerial Qualifications.—E. C. Atkins, T. E. Martindale, John France, J. W. Easley, E. H. Nelson, C. S. Baker, H. S. Thompson, C. W. Prettyman.

Auditors.—Julius Dodd, J. O. Sypherd, Adam Stengle, L. P. Corkran, J. M. Mitchell.

As assistants to the treasurer the following were appointed: A. G. Cox, A. J. Brewington, H. S. Goldey, F. C. McSorley, J. M. Lindale, E. C. Atkins, T. F. Beauchamp, A. Green, W. J. DuHadaway.

The bar of the conference was fixed to include the seventh pew from the front, and the hours for meeting and adjournment were fixed at 8½ A. M. and 12 M. The committee on ministerial qualifications was empowered to have surveillance over candidates for admission, and to continue to report in each case until his novitiate is completed.

At this juncture the bishop halted the business in order to indulge in an address of greeting and make some reflections as to the conduct of the routine business of the conference, which were very practical and well received.

The following transfers to the conference were announced, and they were introduced: Ezra Tinker, from the New York Conference; F. M. Dougherty, from the Minnesota Conference, and H. M. Thurlow from the Baltimore Conference.

G. W. Bounds was appointed as conference postmaster.

Dr. Fowler, the Conference Evangelist, was taken sick, and was obliged to return to his home, and Bishop Walden consented to direct the Pentecostal service at four o'clock. Adjourned with the benediction by Bishop Walden.

The call was made for financial and statistical reports, and they were put in the hands of the statical secretary and the treasurer. The amount of money thus turned over for benevolent purposes for the year, will aggregate upwards of forty thousand dollars. Over twenty thousand of this is for the cause of missions, foreign and domestic.

The anniversary of the Conference Historical Society was held in the church at 2 P. M. with Rev. R. W. Todd, president, in the chair. Rev. J. H. Webster was elected secretary. The opening religious services were conducted by Rev. B. F. Price and Dr. Phoebus. Mr. Price then read some interesting reminiscences of a few of his sixty years experience in the active ministry of the M. E. Church. The sketch deeply interested the audience, frequently illiciting smiles and other evidences of approval; at points his remarks were both whitty and humorous.

At the conclusion of the reading the paper was unanimously requested for the archives of the society. The president then presented a valuable and deeply interesting paper from the facile pen of Bishop John F. Hurst, LL. D., on the "Transplanted Fruit of Peninsula Methodism," which was read by the secretary and accepted for the society archives with a vote of thanks.

Dr. Phoebus then made some interesting remarks on the early history of Peninsula Methodism, and the concurrent history of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the same territory. The president, in behalf of the Salisbury District Ministerial Association, presented the minutes of the Snow Hill district of the Preachers Association of the Philadelphia Conference for deposit in the same archives. After benediction by Dr. Phoebus thesociety adjourned.

The Pentecostal services at 4.00 P. M., were conducted by Bishop Walden, Dr. C. J. Fowler being sick, and were also deeply interesting. A large congregation was present.

The lecture on "Africa," by Bishop Walden in the M. P. Church at 7.30 was a touching and masterly talk, and we regret not being able to give it to our readers in full, but space and lateness of the hour, prevent our doing so. This ended the first day's program of the conference.

GOLT'S GLEANINGS.

On Sunday evening Rev. W. N. Conoway delivered his last sermon here before leaving for conference. He took for his text, the last verse in the New Testament, "The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all, Amen," and from that subject he delivered his farewell address to a large congregation. Bro. Conoway started for Chestertown on Tuesday. If he is not returned to us, both he and his estimable lady will be greatly missed.

Mr. John Hobson, an aged farmer residing near VanDyke Station, died on Saturday.

Mr. William Harris, living near Dulany's, Del., had a sale last Thursday of stock and household effects, which was attended by some of our townfolks They reported the goods as selling well.

The lunch party at Mr. Silas Thompson's, last Wednesday evening, was well attended and was quite an enjoyable affair. Net proceeds from the sale of lunches, amounted to something over eight dollars.

We are glad to see that Mrs. Emma Smith who has been quite sick, is able to be out again.

Mrs. Josephine Jones who has been away visiting her son for several days, has returned home.

Mrs. George Woodkeeper, of Jersey City, was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Smith, for a few days last week.

Mrs. Hart, of Townsend, Del., spent Thursday with her brother, Mr. Andrew Reynolds, of this village.

Mrs. Ray Whiteley and son, of Philadelphia, are visiting her sister, Mrs. John Johnson.

Miss Ella Ennis, of Philadelphia, is the guest of her cousin, Miss Addie Matthews.

Mr. Willie Hall, of Woodland Beach, was the guest of his uncle, Mr. J. P. Rolph, on Wednesday.

Master Jesse Rolph has been visiting his cousin, Mr. Alonzo Hall, near Greenspring, Delaware.

A Graphophone entertainment was given in the hall here on last Saturday evening. The audience seemed to enjoy the performance.

W. W.

New Advertisements.

Messrs. Turner & Boyles, the Worton hustlers, announce in their advertisement this morning, bargains at their cheap cash store, at Worton Station.

Mr. Joseph Guest, of this town, urges upon all who desire to use Black Residuum, to leave their orders as soon as possible. Price per ton $6.50 delivered nearest station in bulk car lots.

Mr. Wattie McKnett, located at Urieville, this county, offers some timely suggestions to the farmers of this county in our issue this morning. Mr. McKnett is a progressive and industrious young man and deserves encourgement.

Misses Cora & Hattie Reed advertise in this issue a new stock of beautiful millinery. After visiting New York and Philadelphia they are prepared to give their patrons the latest styles. Their exquesite taste cannot fail in every way to please the most fastidious.

On the second page of this issue will be found the advertisement of Mr. C. R. Adkinson's handsome and finely bred horse, Edward Wilkes, who has trotted miles in training, better than 2.30, and has pulled a buggy with two men on the road sixteen continuous miles in less than an hour, and can do it again at any time; this is a test of the strength and endurance of the horse. Mr. Adkinson states that he has six of Edward Wilkes colts at his Bel Rio farm, near Chestertown, and don't think there are six larger or better colts in the county of the same age. These six colts all show speed.

DIED.

BURGESS.—In Brooklyn, N. Y., on the 10th of March, 1897, Sarah Elizabeth Burgess, widow of the late Thomas Burgess, and daughter of the late Alexander Williamson Ringgold, both of whom were residents of Kent county, Md.

PEARCE.—At Quakerneck wharf, March 12, at the residence of Capt. James S. Thompson, Sarah Ann Pearce, aged 80 years 5 months.

ROYAL

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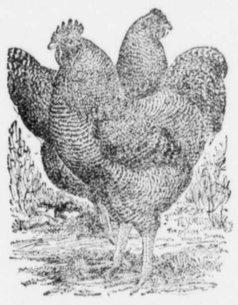

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