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LOCAL MATTERS.

Postoffice Hours.—Postmaster Wheatley announces that the Chestertown postoffice will be open to-day for the distribution of mail matter between the hours of 6 and 8 A. M. and 12 and 2 P. M. and 6 to 8 P. M.

Improvements at Tolchester.—Supt Noland has already commenced improvements at Tolchester. A heavy cement and stone sea-wall is being built as a protection to the beautifully sodded slope in front of the hotel and along the entire bay front. This will prevent the washing away of the bank which has taken place so frequently in the past.

Time by the Forelock.—The republican board of county commissioners left no vacancies unfilled, and last week completed their list of appointments by naming several new constables. Marion Downey was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Jackson Davis, in Rock Hall, and Bartus C. Legg was appointed for a new term of two years. B. F. J. Sparks was appointed constable for the first district.

Mr. Shockley's Enterprise.—Mr. George Shockley, of Worton Station, who has for some time had in contemplation the building of a creamery at Queenstown, went to Queen Anne last week and secured options on several suitable lots. It is stated that Mr. Shockley will begin on the walls at once so as to complete the work before freezing weather sets in. Queenstown farmers are enthusiastic in their endorsement of the enterprise.

A Monstrous Head of Cabbage.—Mr. John B. Price, of Shrewsbury Neck, sent to the TRANSCRIPT office last week a head of cabbage which measured in diameter 14 inches, in circumferance 44 inches and weighed twenty pounds. The cabbage was of the Dutches variety, and was perfect in every particular. Mr. Price lives in one of the finest sections of Kent, and evidently knows how to make the soil produce fine results for his labor.

To Stop at Betterton and Tolchester.—Work on the new steamer for the Havre de Grace and Port Deposit Steamboat Company is progressing satisfactorily and as soon as she is completed in the early spring she will be put on the line. The Kent county stops of the steamer will be at Betterton and Tolchester Beach. The boat will have three decks, lower for freights and two upper for passengers, and will be lighted by electricity. The measurements are 160 feet long, 30 feet beam, 10½ feet deep and with 4 foot guard rails.

A Big Hunt.—Messrs. Walter Strong, Thomas Trew, Bert DeCorse, Charles Jessop, Frank Toulson, John Parsons, Conley Beachamp and Thomas Wallace, enjoyed one of the most delightful fox hunts of the season several days ago. Two foxes were started at Walnut Point at the same time, and a long sight chase was given by fox number one, which afterward went to earth on the Old Camp farm. The dogs were then taken back and put on the trail of fox number two and were left at Tolchester after nightfall.

Charles E. Jones Dead.—Mr. Chas. E. Jones, an estimable citizen of Chestertown, died at his home in Chestertown on Friday morning, in the seventieth year of his age. He had been a sufferer from asthma for two years past, but the direct cause of death was dropsy superinduced by his old trouble, the asthma. Four sisters and two brothers survive him. Funeral services were held on Saturday morning, Dr. S. C. Roberts and Rev. J. M. Gill officiating; interment at Kennedyville. The bearers were: W. J. Hurlock, W. T. Lane, Bedford Roe, Geo. Jones, T. Shafer and James A. Garey.

"Doggy" Trenchard Hurt.—The New York *World* of Tuesday contained the following telegraphic dispatch from Pittsburg: "'Doggy' Trenchard is laid up again. He quit the Greensburg—Latrobe game Saturday in pitiable condition. It is reported his jaw bone was broken by a kick and one of his eyes was almost gouged out by a Greensburg player." Mr. William Trenchard, a brother of the great foot-ball champion, was in Chestertown on Tuesday and knew nothing of the accident until he saw the above announcement in the paper. He at once sent a telegram of inquiry, and received a reply stating that while Mr. Trenchard had sustained some injury in the game, he was not seriously injured and the statement was overdrawn.

Poison by Mistake.—A sudden death occurred near Hope, Queen Anne county, on Monday night under distressing circumstances. Miss Mazie Sullivan, daughter of the late Samuel Sullivan, once editor of the CHESTERTOWN TRANSCRIPT, took strychnine that night instead of quinine. She frequently took quinine for a cold and thought she was doing so on the fatal night. It seems that the family had borrowed some strychnine from a neighbor to kill a fox which had been stealing their poultry, and the bottle had been put in a cupboard, and was mistaken for the quinine bottle. Soon after she had taken it she discovered the mistake, and sent for a doctor, but she died before he arrived. She was about 26 years of age and lived with her mother, Mrs. John Mason. Miss Sullivan was born in Chestertown and lived here for some years with her parents while her father was connected as foreman and afterwards editor of the TRANSCRIPT. They lived for some time in the house opposite the TRANSCRIPT office now occupied by Officer Amos B. Keiley.

The Ticket Came Back.—A "Salt Rive" ticket which has done valiant service for thirty-seven years has again turned up in Chestertown, storm-beaten and defaced. This ticket, which is ornamented by pictures of two political steamers bound up Salt River, was first sent to Mr. Thomas R. Hubbard by his old republican friend, Mr. W. H. Charles, of Baltimore, after the election of Abraham Lincoln in 1860. The free-pass up the historic river was jealously kept until retaliation would be in order, and though slow in coming, the political tide turned, and Grover Cleveland entered the White House in 1884, and the ticket came from its hiding place and was sent to Mr. Charles as a gentle reminder of an important political event (at least considered so by Eastern Shore democrats). Mr. Charles was not napping, and when President Harrison stepped upon the political tapis, Mr. Hubbard again received free-passage up Salt River. But the irrepressible Grover again bobbed up serenely from beneath the political flood, and back went the ticket to Mr. Charles. Perhaps Mr. Charles knew that Kent county democrats would bear no fooling with in 1895, and the ticket failed to put in an appearance. Evidently Mr. Charles has not heard from Kent's royal political walk-over in November, and to the amusement of Mr. Hubbard, the dilapidated ticket came back several days ago giving every indication of having been caught out in the democratic cyclone of November the second. Out of consideration for Mr. Charles' political feelings, Mr. Hubbard will keep the old ticket on this side of the Chesapeake, with a consciousness of an approaching opportunity to send his Baltimore friend on a salt water trip for his political health in the near future.

Honored the Retiring Judges.—The members of the Easton bar gave a banquet on Friday evening to retiring Judges Wickes and Russum at the Hotel Avon, at which were present, besides the guests of the evening, Judge Stump, Judges-Elect Pearce and Martin, Hon. Charles H. Gibson, Col. Oswald Tilghman, Gen. Joseph B. Seth, Col. J. C. Mullikin, Alfred L. Tharp, Wilfred Bateman, Charles S. Carrington, J. Frank Turner, Wm. H. Adkins, J. Harry Covington, William Collins, Clayland Mullikin, George M. Wilson, Mason Shehan, John Jump, and W. D. J. Morris, lawyers, and Henry Hollyday, Jr., and William Wilson, deputy clerks of the Circuit Court. The committe in charge of the affair were C. S. Carrington, Wilfred Bateman and A. L. Tharp. Col. Oswald Tilghman was master of ceremonies and toastmaster. Because of a pressing business engagement Judge Russum was not present. Speeches were made in response to toasts, by Judge Wickes, Judge Stump, Mr. Pearce, ex-Senator Gibson, who responded to "The Nestor of the Talbot Bar," and others. The oyster, the terrapin and the soft-shell claim, had prominent places on the menu, which was "a la Eastern Shore," except the wines.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

Bits of News and Gossip Gathered Here, There and Everywhere.

| A game of foot-ball will be played between two scrub teams of Chestertown this afternoon on the College campus. Admission free.

| The upper and old time home of the TRANSCRIPT has been occupied for two days past by ladies arranging for the "art exhibition" which will be held by the ladies to-night and to-morrow night. They are arranging a delightful way for spending Thanksgiving evening in the bright pretty room over the TRANSCRIPT office, and extend a general invitation to all.

| The annual meeting of the Association of School commissioners met in Baltimore on Tuesday and Wednesday. Mr. Richard W. Jones, of Rock Hall, and Examiner William G. Smyth, of Fairlee, were on the programme as participants in important discussions.

| A lamp on one of the Queen Anne passenger coaches caught fire while the train was at Queenstown wharf last week.

| A Queen Anne railroad train ran into a flock of turkeys one day last week and killed and crippled nine.

| The first snow squall of the season passed over Chestertown on Tuesday morning.

| The Talbot county commissioners on Tuesday of last week paid to Kent county $178, Court expenses in the removed case of William A. Walls vs. R. B. Dixon & Co., tried at the October, 1896, term of court at Chestertown. The Talbot Commissioners have a bill of $277.20 against Kent for expenses in the Walraven case.

| Mr. Clinton Rasin, of Still Pond, who has been a close observer of weather conditions for years, prophecies a warm winter. Mr. Rasin states that whenever the sun is the controling planet, as will be the case during the coming months, the winter is invariably a warm one.

| The schooner Bertha Reeder, E. W. Emory, of Pomona, Kent county, owner, is on the railway of Kirby & Sons, St. Michaels, undergoing general repair. It will take about three weeks to finish.

| The gunning party which left Chestertown about ten days ago for a gunning trip to St. Mary's county, returned on Saturday and report a delightful cruise on the yacht Josephine, but from the standpoint of "fun with dog and gun," the trip was a failure. Game is as scarce in St. Mary's as in Kent.

| The thirty-three-year-old driving horse of Mr. John Nowland, near Chesterville, is dead. This faithful animal had become almost as one of Mr. Nowland's family and was treated with the most kindly consideration.

| Miss Mary Hersch has purchased the millinery business of Mrs. Wilkins, at Rock Hall, and is opening the season with a fine line of goods.

| Representatives E. G. Clarke and George E. Noland have been notified that they will occupy the seats in the next Legislature formerly held by Messrs. Nicholson and Baker. These seats are pleasantly located and in every way desirable.

| The 250-acre farm known as the Fennimore Farm, on which Mr. Vincent Lee now resides, was offered by James A. Pearce, Esq., at trustee's sale on Tuesday, and was bid in at $15.50 per acre by the heirs of the mortgagee, Price J. Patton.

| One case of diphtheria has made its appearance in town, but no spread of the disease is apprehended. Every possible precaution has been used and the case is closely quarantined. All members of the family having public duties or any business whatever have left the house and have never, in the slightest degree been exposed to the disease.

| In spite of the apparent superabundance of work horses the Eastern Shore market for mules is as strong as of years ago. Messrs. Sapp & Raughley, who will offer 38 head of fine selected mules at public sale in Chestertown on Tuesday next, November 30th, at one o'clock, stated several days ago that their sales of selected weanling and work mules at Centreville and Easton were accompanied by snappy, live bidding and good prices. Weanlings averaged over fifty dollars and selected work mules from $186 to $280. Twenty head of weanling mules ranging in age from 5 to 7 months will be offered, 8 yearlings and 10 head of work mules well meated in pairs.

KENT FARMERS INSTITUTE.

An Interesting Programme Arranged for December 6th and 7th.

Prof. Amoss, director of the Farmers' Institutes of the State, has perfected arrangements for the Kent county meetings, and the programme is one of peculiar interest. The meetings will be held in Chestertown on Monday and Tuesday, December 6th and 7th, with the following schedule of exercises:

Monday, 1.30 and 7.30 P. M.—Fertilizers, H. J. Patterson; Nature Study for Children, or Teaching the Principles of Agriculture in our Public Schools, Hon. George T. Powell.

Tuesday, 10 A.M. and 1.30 and 7.30 P.M.—Comparative Advantage of Cut Fodder and Ensilage in Farm Economy.—H. J. Patterson; Object of Cultivation, and the Value of Clover in connection therewith, Hon. George T. Powell; Poultry for Profit, Jas. E. Rice; Country Homes, what they should be and how to make them, Hon. George T. Powell.

Question Box Committee—James S. Harris, John Bell, Wm. D. Pennington.

The gentlemen who will address these meetings are all thoroughly conversant with the subjects to be treated, and should be honored by large audiences. Attractive features for both ladies and children have been arranged. Poultry for Profit, Country Homes, etc., and Nature Study for children are subjects in which the intelligent housewives of Kent and Queen Anne can but feel a deep and intelligent interest. The Question Box should bring out a number of interesting queries from both the ladies and their farmer-husbands.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. Spencer M. Hurtt has secured a position with the Lippincott Publishing Co., printers and book binders, of Philadelphia, one of the most reliable and extensive business houses in the country. Mr. Hurtt's position is one of responsibility, but the young Kent countian will be found in every way equal to a fulfillment of its every responsibility and duty.

Mrs. George E. Noland, while descending the stair at her home last week, tripped and fell, painfully injuring her ankle.

Miss Mary Hurtt witnessed the big "Great Scott" fire in Baltimore Monday, and Mr. Henry Waters, of Princess Anne, who came to Chestertown by Steamer Corsica, on Tuesday morning, was in the third story of the store only a short time before the fire broke out.

Miss Cora Hynson has opened a kindergarten at her home on High street. Miss Hynson has experience, and is well qualified for her new field of work.

Capt. William D. Burchinal was a guest at the inaugural reception of Mayor Hooper last week. No man in the State has a wider or more intimate acquaintance with State leaders of his party in and beyond the borders of Maryland than Kent's representative at the reception of Baltimore's new Mayor.

Dr. W. Frank Hines was last week appointed a member of the committee on organization, and Mr. Joseph W. Harper, of the committee on legislation, by the Maryland Health Association.

Mrs. A. M. Brown, who so successfully entertained summer boarders at "Ratcliff Manor" for several years, has opened a boarding house in Baltimore.

Mr. Thomas Hill, his son Malcomb and a friend, spent two days of last week with Mr. Samuel Maslin on a Hunting trip and bagged fifteen rabbits.

CHURCH NOTES.

Union Thanksgiving services will be held in Christ M. P. Church, this (Thursday) morning, and Dr. C. A. Grise, pastor of the Chestertown M. E. Church, will preach the Thanksgiving sermon at 10.30 o'clock.

Dr. Thomas H. Lewis, president of Western Maryland College, preached two eloquent sermons in Christ M. P. Church on Sunday morning and evening.

The "Harvest Home" service which was to have been held at the M. P. Church, Kennedyville, on Sunday last, was postponed on account of the death of a sister of the pastor's wife. The service will be held on Sunday next.

Rev. E. H. Nelson, pastor of Still Pond M. E. Church, preached a special sermon on last Sunday morning to the Still Pond council No. 182 Jr. Order American Mechanics. The text of his eloquent sermon was a part of 15 verse, 10 chapter, 11 kings.

There will be Thanksgiving service in Emmanuel Church, this (Thursday) morning, at 11 o'clock.

An eloquent special sermon was preached at Wesley M. P. Chapel, Rock Hall, on Sunday last to the members of Rock Hall council Jr. O. U. A. M. The text was Romans 12th chapter and 1st verse: "I beseech you, brethren, by the mercies of God that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service."

Presiding Elder Corkran, of the Easton District, preached at Rock Hall M. E. Church, Sunday morning, using as his text, Psalms 32 chapter, 1st and 2nd verses: "Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man unto whom the Lord imputeth no iniquity."

Mrs. S. Harry Todd is the guest of Washington friends. Her daughter accompanies her. During Mrs. Todd's absence Mr. Joseph Peterson is sharing Mr. Todd's bachelor quarters with him. A temporary bachelorhood is nowhere more bearable than at delightful "Chantilly."

Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Hurtt spent Sunday and a portion of Monday the guests of Mr. Hurtt's brother, J. Henry Hurtt, at the Voshell House.

The Epworth League of Still Pond M. E. Church, will give a delightful entertainment in Krusen's Hall, Still Poud, on Thursday evening, December 2nd. The program will be varied and interesting.

FAIRLEE ITEMS.

EDS. TRANSCRIPT:—A large congregation assembled at Salem M.E. Church on last Sabbath morning. The Junior Order United American Mechanics turned out in full force. They met at their meeting place in Fairlee hall, and marched from there to the church in a body, where we were given a hearty welcome by our beloved pastor, Rev. J. B. Merritt, D. D., and our efficient Sunday school superintendent, Mr. J. C. Statts, after which we had the pleasure of listening to one of those soul-inspiring sermons which few others beside our pastor is capable of delivering. We are indeed glad to say that he heartily endorsed all the principles and objects of the order, and says that were he as young as he once was, or young enough to become a member of our order, not a week would elapse before he would be found knocking at our door for admittance. The order also turned out in a body in the evening to attend prayer service, where they received some good advice and sound doctrine from their pastor and Captain Ames. Captain Ames, while he is a life insurance agent, is also a soul-insurance agent.

Mrs. Welch Crew, who has been quite sick for some time with pneumonia, has suffered a relapse, and is very ill at this writing.

Miss Minnie Smyth, we are glad to report, is better, and was out yesterday for the first time for several weeks. Miss Carrie Smyth is also suffering with a severe cold.

Miss Annie Bramble spent several days in Baltimore last week.

Quite a number went to Baltimore on Saturday last by way of Tolchester. Some of those who went from our neighborhood were: Mr. Wm. E. Keyser, Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Lee, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Jones, Mrs. John L. Lewis, Mr. William Welch, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Kendall and several others.

A Mite Social will be held at the home of Miss Annie Bramble this (Thursday) evening. The programme for the evening is a very interesting one, and a good time is anticipated. Come out.

A number of our Rock Hall brothers visited us at our council on our last meeting night, where they were gladly welcomed. Our brothers came prepared to give us the second and last degree or the orient. There were ten found willing to take the degree, and we were duly instructed into the secrets of the orient and the degree was forcibly impressed upon our minds and persons. All acknowledged value received for their money, and are proud that they are one of the inquisitive set.

Mr. Wm. Kliene is quite sick.

Mr. Walter Stokes killed the first wild goose that has been killed in this section this fall.

EAST END.

New Advertisements.

Moody & Lusby, the wide-awake clothing men of our town, extend to all, their best wishes for a pleasant Thanksgiving, and also a special invitation to visit their square-method, up-to-date clothing establishment. Go see them and you will be fairly dealt with.

FROM ROCK HALL.

The first "Smoker" of the season by the Odd Fellows, (Maxwell Lodge) was held on Wednesday evening of last week and proved a very joyous event to the many persons present. The regular meeting of the Lodge was called to order at six o'clock, one hour earlier than scheduled time, for the purpose of transacting routine business and initiating a candidate into the mysteries of the Initiatory Degree. After this the doors were thrown open for the admission of the families and friends of the membership who were in waiting near by. The social features began by the ladies singing America, with organ accompaniment under the skillful manipulations of Miss Nannie Taylor. Mr. George Davis was master of ceremonies. The exercises consisted of instrumental and vocal music, addresses, and refreshments consisting of cake, lemonade and candies in large abundance. The prominent address of the evening was delivered by Mr. Thomas Jefferson Rich, on the beauties and advantages of Odd Fellowship. Mr. Rich is a fluent speaker, who, after a rapid recovery of a slight attack of "stage fright," held the close attention of a large audience throughout. The ladies composing the musical program rendered delightful service, making numerous pleasing "hits" with special songs, all of which, created loud and long encores. The exercises of the evening were highly pleasing and profitable, and has added another bright spot to the many already strewn by such events on memory's pathway. A rousing vote of thanks was extended to the ladies of the musical department, also to Mr. S. C. Porter for his excellent success in securing such able talent in the make up of the programme.

The past five weeks have been exceedingly turbulent in weather conditions so far as the oystermen's vocation is concerned; two good days during last week, and only four during the five weeks, is the record. Many of the tongers have endeavored to weather the blasts and waves and get in as much time as possible, in view of the fact that a long and severe winter is predicted. Oysters have been "up stairs" in prices during the stormy weather, but as soon as moderation comes, down go the prices. The vessel buyers, except those under contract to city packers, have been paying as much here for oysters as they can get in return for the same in the city. Messrs. Leary & Son have been shipping in barrels some very select bivalves from their Grey's Inn Creek farm, at fair prices.

Capt. Charles H. Stevens had on his oyster lot in Grey's Inn, one hundred or more bushels of the finest oysters in the State which he placed there a year or two ago, and was anticipating the realization of fancy prices for the present season. He sent a man out to take up some a short time ago, who, after a hard day's toil, came ashore with but six bushels. Capt. Stevens was nonplussed to account for the scarcity of oysters on his bar, until an investigation revealed the fact that he was robbed of his oysters by some party or parties unknown. The thieving took place during the spring, while he was away from home fishing. On being convinced beyond a doubt that his bar was robbed, he became almost sick enough to go to his bed. He has some idea of who the miscreants are and where his oysters were deposited.

Capt. Stevens of the schooner Anna B. Smith, having been compelled to give very close attention to the upper line on Swan Point bar to prevent the intrusion of dredgers for several weeks, some tonger took advantage of his absence to grossly violate the cull law. One buyer bought one and a half bushels from a tonger and for curiosity sake, culled the lot over, when to his amazement, one-third were under legal size.

Capt. G. T. Sewell declares that he will procure cull boards and hammers for certain tongmen that sell to him so they will have no excuse for not culling their catch properly in the future.

Capt. Stevens on Saturday left his vessel in the bay in charge of Mate Downey, while he and one of the crew rowed in the yawl boat to the anchorage of the buyers for the purpose of overhauling the various catches, the result was three tongers were arrested for having undersized oysters while several others barely escaped the same fate. One of the men arrested seemed to be so exasperated at the idea of a $11 or $12 fine that he looked upon his culler boy and exclaimed, "I've been telling you bout culling dem oyster dat a way and now I've good mind to jump on you an kill you."

There is considerable talk pro and con, about the disastrous effect of the patent tong. So long as the patent tongmen confined themselves to deep water, very little was said about their use, but now as many patent tongers work side by side with hand tongers who are using 18 and 20 feet shafts (owing to the depletion of the deep water portions of the bars) a great howl is heard. A prominent hand tonger stated last Saturday night that a portion of Swan Point bar known as "off the fish home" where for several weeks the patent tongs have been extensively used, the bottom is as clear of oyster shells as a truck patch, the refuse of the catchers having been carried away in the nearby muddy bottom by the strong tide. Quite a number of our oystermen who own these patent tongs have not used them at all this season, believing they can do better with hand tongs. The ancient city solons will have the question of patent tongs to handle next winter.

Capt. James Middleton had the misfortune to have his fishing apparatus considerably damaged by the late winds.

BON JOUR.

Millington News.

Mrs. M. O. Cacy has issued invitations announcing the marriage of her daughter, Miss Elizabeth Boyer, to Mr. W. Finley Collins of the Hardware firm of Feddeman and Collins, Wednesday, Dec. 1st, at 2 o'clock, at the Chapel of the Holy Cross.

Mrs. D. J. Hall has returned home after spending a few days of last week with relatives in Wilmington.

Mrs. C. H. Stevens spent last week with friends in Wilmington.

Mr. R. H. Collins of the TRANSCRIPT was in town last Tuesday.

Mr. A. E. Tonkin of the Milington *News* and Mr. B. W. Duling spent a few days of this week in Wilmington, during the visit of the United States gunboat "Wilmington," to that city, where she sailed to receive the silver service donated by the people, and had the pleasure of seeing this magnificent vessel.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hurtt spent Sunday in Chestertown, guests of his brother, Mr. J. H. Hurtt, of the Voshell House.

Mrs. Thos. Maloney, of Townsend, spent Saturday with her daughter, Mrs. W. H. Jacobs.

Mr. T. M. Jefferson, king of the strawberry growers of Double Creek, has gone to Bristol, Pa., where he spends every winter in the employ of D. Landreth & Son, helping to get their spring stock off. Mr. Jefferson says he ate strawberries from his vines as late as Oct. 25th.

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THE CLOUGH WILL CASE.

Kent County Testimony in the Court of Appeals of Colorado.

The contest over the last will of the late John A. Clough, a resident of Denver, Colorado, and for many years a resident of Queen Anne has gone up to the Court of Appeals of Colorado. The will, it will be remembered, left the bulk of his estate to Denver church corporations and a Denver seminary, leaving his two sons, John A. Clough, Jr., and Joseph Cook Clough, the income from the Burcus farm, near Queen Anne Station, and the Pratt farm, near Bridgetown. These two farms were left in trust to James T. Anthony, who was directed to keep the property in fair state of repair and pay balance to the two sons in person. Feeling that they had been practically disinherited, the sons filed a caveat to the will and asked to have it set aside. This motion the District court of Denver overruled and the case was taken up to the Court of Appeals where it is now pending. A printed volume of 198 pages, containing the will, the exceptions, arguments, marriage contract, testimony, etc., has been issued from the Court of Appeals.

Mrs. Mary Ellen South, of Crumpton, a sister-in-law of Mr. Clough, testified that Clough said to her that his wife had said that at her death she would like for him to have her money, and when asked if he would like her to have this, he said, "No, I want my children to have it." He always said when talking to me that he intended his children to have his money, but I thought there was a change in his treatment of his sons, John A. and Joseph C., from the way he talked. One thing he said was that he broke up housekeeping to get rid of Joe. Always prior to his marriage he manifested great love for his children. When he came to see me last fall he seemed to be very feeble and absent minded. My niece was staying with me, and he would say, "Whose child is that?" three or four times, and it surprised me. His talks to me about his property were always voluntary, and never introduced by me.

Mrs. Josephine M. Hubbard, wife of Mr. T. R. Hubbard, of Chestertown, testified was on the steamer the last trip Mr. Clough made to Centreville. I was very much surprised at the change which had taken place since I saw him last. He looked older and careworn and seemed absent minded and restless. His general manner and expression was one of trouble. He seemed so perplexed in mind that his sentences were broken and disconnected. If he attempted to reply to questions he would run his fingers through his hair, and seemed troubled and not able to reply to them except in an irregular way. He complained about his breast and kept his hand to his breast nearly all the time. He called for water twice, but drank very little. During our conversation I inquired for his sons and asked what they were doing, and he said, "Nothing." He said Joe was boarding, and I said I thought Joe was being educated for a profession, he said "No, he is doing nothing." He said, "They have conceived the idea that I have money, but I told Joe that when he spent the money his mother left him he would have to go hungry." I advised him to provide for his boys, and if he was afraid they would squander it, "leave it in such a manner that they will have the benefit of it." I cannot remember his reply. He seemed very unhappy. He said he was suffering from indigestion and overwork; that he had worked like a dog for three or four days in order to take an excursion train and thus save fifty dollars. I asked him what he was worth, and he said: "You never know what a hog weighs until he is killed and hung up." He also said: "You cannot tell about your worth when it is invested in bank stock, bonds, farms, etc." He said his wife wanted them to found a charitable institution with their money.

FROM CLIFF CITY.

Well, we are improving. On account of increased trade from Cliff wharf, principally at this season oysters in barrels, the steamboat company has built another and larger wharf house. The two houses have a capacity for about 150 barrels. This is a decided accommodation for the buyers, there being no fewer than six, each buying all the good oysters they can get. This opposition is temporarily, at least, good for the tongers, the price going up to 75 cents per bushel. In one case during the stormy weather about 75 bushels brought 85 cts. per bushel.

Thos. H. White has started to erect a dwelling on land purchased from Wm. Brown.

The election is well over but one of the boys was talking it over the other day. He said we "done em up good and proper and hit em right in the solar perplexity."

The oystermen seem to be becoming more and more in favor of selling or leasing the barren bottoms and played-out bars for oyster planting, believing that they will not only furnish employment but will also help keep the natural beds stocked, for the spat of an oyster goeth whither no man knoweth and is just as likely to go out to the hills as to stay on the flats.

Capt. Brit Townsend has give up buying in Chester river for a while and is running from the Potomac. There are so many buying boats and wharf buyers that it takes too long to get a load of oysters for market.

Mr. Sam'l Townsend and Wilmer Fennimore are visiting the Cliffs at Mr. J. D. Carter's.

A singular accident happened to a colored man living near Townsend. According to his statement, he was chopping wood and a pistol in his pocket went off and shot him in the back. The night before the people heard of this singular accident, Shockley's house was entered, in Townsend, and the party was making his way to the jewelry store in front when Mr. S. was aroused and got a shot at the retreating form of the intruder. Of course these two events have no connection, but at the same time Constable Timmons is much interested in the matter and will take the colored man on an excursion if he recovers sufficiently to be removed.

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The first edition of the Christmas number of McClure's Magazine will be a third of a million copies. It will have a special Christmas cover, designed by Charles L. Hinton, and will contain pictures by F. S. Church, Charles Dana Gibson, Ernest G. Peixotto, Corwin Knapp Linson, and other of the best known artists, as well as reproductions of some famous paintings appropriate to the season. Rudyard Kipling, Anthony Hope, Charles A. Dana, Robert Barr, Ella Higginson, Bliss Perry, W. T. Stead, and the distinguished Asian explorer, Dr. Sven Hedin, will be among the contributors to the number.

Dana and the Generals Before Vicksburg.

In view of the late Charles A. Dana's exceptional gift for expressing his opinion of individual men freely and explicitly, there will be much curiosity to see the December number of McClure's Magazine, wherein, as the publishers announce, we are to have Mr. Dana's judgment on the generals in Grant's army before Vicksburg. These judgments were formed immediately in the field, and most of them were originally written therefrom, in private letters to Secretary Stanton. It is safe to prophesy that whatever else they may be, they are such as to leave the reader in no doubt as to their import. Mr. Dana always called things by their simplest names, and he was not needlessly considerate of personal sinsibilities.

DIED.

WICKES.—At the residence of Mr. R. W. Jones, Nov. 17th, Miss Sarah Jane Wickes, aged 76 years.

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C. A. GRISE, Pastor.

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State Entomologist.
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NEXT WEEK

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