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LOCAL MATTERS.

Still Buying Land.—The vast landed estate of the late Gen. William McKenney continues to increase. Thomas. J. Keating and B. Palmer Keating, trustees, last week filed a deed in the Clerk's office in Easton transferring to William McKenney, William L. Holton, Wrightson L. Lowe and Clayton Wright, administrators c. t. a. of William McKenney, deceased, the "Hacker" farm in Chapel district, near Wye Mills; consideration $25,645.88.

Closed for the Holidays.—Recitations at Washington College will close to-day at 11.30 A. M. After the usual chapel exercises, which take place at that hour, the seniors will deliver their semi-annual speeches, after which the students will be dismissed for the Christmas holidays. Dr. and Mrs. Reid will go to North Carolina, where the doctor will engage in his favorite sport, hunting partridges. Prof. and Mrs. Micou will remain in their cottage on College Hill, Dr. and Mrs. Hall may spend the holidays in Baltimore. Prof. and Mrs. Jones will probably rusticate at Mrs. M. E. Matthews. Miss Stewart goes to Baltimore, Miss Hobbs to her home in Caroline county, Prof. Burris will visit Delaware friends and Prof. Clarke after spending a few days in Norfolk, Va., will go to his home in Pocomoke City. The public schools of the county will also close today.

Kent and Queen Anne Fair.—Arrangements for the Kent and Queen Anne county fair at Tolchester Beach have already commenced, and the last week in August has been decided upon for the exhibit. Supt. G. E. Noland proposes that all shall be done with an eye single to the promotion of the best interests of the agriculturist, through whose support success must come. He announced several days ago to a representative of the TRANSCRIPT that he is open for any suggestions which the farmers or others may see proper to make before the fair book goes to the printers, which will be about January 1st. Everything will be upon a much more elaborate scale than ever before with larger premiums in all departments. The fair of the present year was a success; but with a hearty co-operation of the farmers of Kent and Queen Anne Mr. Noland says that the fair of 1898 will far surpass it.

New Railroad Scheme.—The oft-appropriated $58,000 to imaginary Cecil county railroad improvements, is still a matter of profound concern in that county. It is now proposed to build an electric road from the Pennsylvania State line to some point on the Sassafras river. The company proposes, says the Cecil *Whig*, to introduce a bill in the next Maryland Legislature asking for the transfer of the $58,000 now standing to the credit of the Elkton, Middletown and Massey Railroad, a branch of the Pennsylvania Railroad, and which was never built further than through the town of Elkton, a distance of about half a mile. Should this bill be carried through, the officers of the proposed company state that they expect to begin the first of the year to acquire the right of way from the Sassafras river. A company known as the Cherry Hill, Elkton & Chesapeake Electric Company has been formed with Dr. Frank H. Mackey as President and Charles H. Smith, secretary and treasurer.

Skirmish in Chester River.—Capt. Stevens of the police boat recently gave a fleet of six dredgers at work on forbidden grounds in Chester river a surprise which they will not soon forget. Capt. Frazier of the local boat had had serious trouble so Capt. Stevens determined upon a raid in his larger vessel. The boats were found at work at night and as soon as the command was given to drop their gibs the captains stoutly refused and emphasized the refusal by the suggestive snap of Winchester rifles. The cannon on the Smith was gotten ready for action, and Capt. Stevens, who is not only one of the best boatmen, but is claimed by his friends and those who know, to be one of the best rifle shots in the county, took his rifle and devoted his attention to one boat. The fleet bore down upon him and tried to sink his boat. The special object of the captain's shots soon surrendered and it was found that four balls had perforated her water barrel and she was otherwise marked. The other violaters sailed away in the darkness. This was one of the most entertaining receptions accorded Capt. Stevens this season.

The Redue Cook Book.—The valuable little volume known as the "Eastern Shore Cook Book," compiled by Miss Josephine E. Redue, has come fresh from the presses of the TRANSCRIPT ready for the public. This work is an exemplification of the old adage that "The best goods come in small packages." The fifty pages comprising Miss Redue's collection of the finest recipes known in the realm of Eastern Shore cookery is a gem which no housekeeper aspiring to excel in what is now conceded as one of the fine arts should under any ordinary circumstances do without. An index so designates each of the many recipes (all of which are grouped) that in a moment any desired recipe may be found. Among the contributors to this valuable little collection of the *very best* known methods of preparing the articles specified, are such widely-known housekeepers and queens of the art treated as: Mrs. John Brice, Mrs. William S. Walker, Mrs. W. N. E. Wickes, Mrs Hope H. Barroll, Mrs. James A. Pearce, Mrs. James L. Beck, Mrs. Harry L. Boyd, Mrs. Josiah Massey, Mrs. George Beck, Mrs. Jessop and others. The books are now on sale at the drug stores of Colin F. Stam and M. A. Toulson.

Court of Appeals.—The first case on the Court of Appeals docket, January term, is the case of Constable and others against Camp, Hurtt and others. The session will commence Jan. 11th and will be the first official appearance of chief Judge James A. Pearce in the appellate court. The case which will come up on appeal from Kent is Emory Camp, J. Henry Hurtt, and others vs. Mrs. Alice A. Constable, and others, devisees of Mrs. Amanda M. Hurtt, which we noted in the past summer as having been carried to the Court of Appeals, and will be heard on January 11th,, as it is No. 1 on the assignment. In this case Emory Camp, and others, heirs at law of James Hurtt, claim that Amanda M. Hurtt, the widow of James Hurtt, received some $10,000, which belonged to her husband's estate, and never accounted as Administratrix for same. They claim that they, as next of kin, were entitled to this sum of money, and the court below sustained their claim. From this decision an appeal has been taken as stated, by Richard D. Hynson, who appears for Mrs. Constable, Judge James A. Pearce and Hope H. Barroll appear for Emory Camp and the other next of kin, but as Judge Pearce in January will be a member of the Court of Appeals, he will not argue the case before that court. Albert Constable of Elkton, has been employed as counsel with Mr. Hynson.

Caterer Simmes Dead.—Caterer B. F. Simmes, whose courtesies will be remembered by many of those who visited Queenstown last summer on picnics, died in Baltimore last week. Simmes was one of the most widely known colored caterers in the country. At the World's Columbian Exposition, when Maryland put forth its best efforts to show to the representatives of all nations how luscious and dainty a table could be produced in Maryland style, Simmes was given charge of the catering at the Maryland Building, and the success of his efforts there brought him lasting honors. He was in charge of Hotel Bolingly, at Queenstown last summer.

Dr. Murray a Prize Winner.—Dr. S. R. Murray last year wrote three articles on the subject of "How to Use a Dictionary" one of which was published in the TRANSCRIPT and two in the *Enterprise*, and all of which secured prizes. The articles were written in competition for a copy of Funk & Wagnalls Standard Dictionary as first prize; a number of other less prizes were also offered. Two of the three first prizes went to New York writers, and one to Indiana. Of the thirty-one writers making over ninety per cent. Dr. Murray was the only one who wrote more than one article and was the only one to have all of his articles referred to as "excellent articles—all different." Mr. Fred G. Usilton is also listed as having secured ninety per cent. or over on an article written in the same competition. The article of Dr. Murry published in the TRANSCRIPT was most favorably commented upon at the time.

January Weather Forecast.—In view of the remarkable accuracy of Weather Prophet Hicks in forecasting weather conditions, we have received several requests that his prophecy for January be given. In regard to the coming month Hicks says: "A Mars periord holds over from December, 1897, extending to the middle of the month. As a rule, the kind of weather prevailing during the early part of a Mars period will be characteristic of the weather throughout his period. A vulcan storm period is central on the 3d, covering 1st to 6th. Southerly winds and warmer weather ending in storms of rain and snow central about 3d to 5th. Cold wave will rush southward over most of the country on or about the full moon on the 7th. Rain and snow will touch many points about 9th and 10th. Much colder about 11th to 13th. Regular storm period with tendency to rain or snow from 14th to 17th. Heavy winter gales about 18th and 19th. A dangerous cold wave will spread over most of the country on or about the 22d. The south will not be exempt. Storms of marked extent between the 25th and 29th."

Lodge Notes.

The members of Chesapeake Lodge No. 68 K. of P. at Rock Hall, are arranging for a public installation on the evening of Thursday, December 30th. An interesting program is being prepared, invitations have been extended to a number of friends and the occasion promises to be thoroughly enjoyable.

Rev. J. P. Gutten, pastor of Rock Hall M. E. Church, will preach a sermon to the four orders of Rock Hall on Sunday next. The orders which will attend in a body are: Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, Junior Order American Mechanics and the Women of the Revolution. This promises to be an impressive but extremely pleasant occasion in the year's history of secret order life at Rock Hall.

Still Pond Council No. 182, Jr. O. U. A. M., at its last meeting elected the following officers for the ensuing term: Councilor, Wm. H. Krusen; V. C., Wm. M. Watts; R. S., John N. Bennett; asst. R. S., J. P. Starkey; finan. sect'y, Willson Capps; treas., Wm. Clark; conductor, Lewis Atwell; warden, John C. Boulden; I. S., Chas. W. Anthony; O. S., Price Stanley; Chaplain, W. T. S. Rasin; Jr. P. C., Chas. W. Hague; trustees, Wm. H. Krusen, J. W. Urie, John Sutton. Representatives to State Council, Wm. H. Krusen, Dr. J. W. Urie.

Chester Lodge, A. F. and A. M., on Wednesday evening of last week elected the following officers: W. M., J. H. Simpers; Sr. W., Wm. A. Wheatley; Jr. W., L. Bates Russell; sect'y, Rev. Dr. S. C. Roberts; treas., Wm. G. Russell; Tyler, Wm. S. McDonnell.

County Commissioners' Court.

Tuesday, Dec. 21, 1897. Full board present. The following accounts were passed and ordered to be paid by order on levies provided in the treasurer's hands: Samuel Todd, commissioner, account of services, $125; Wm. H. Cheffins for road work in first district, $27.25; Wm. S. Melvin, last quarter as keeper of Morgan's Creek bridge, $12; Wm. S. Melvin, for one gallon of oil for draw of said bridge, 50 cents. R. S. Thomas, for road work in fifth district, $1; William Biggers for road work in fourth district, $7.25; Dr. G. Allen Jarman, for one gallon of vermin exterminator for jail, 75c.; Geo. W. Smith, for road machine appliances, by check, $17.50.

The following accounts were examined and allowed, and ordered to be provided for by levy in 1898: Lewis P. Atwell, for road work in first district, $13.34; James S. Webb, for road work in second district, $6.50; J. A. C. Biddle, per diem as juror on inquest on body of William Newton, colored, $1; L. M. Shuck, for road work in second district, $17; Sam'l B. Latherman, for road work in second district, $15; W. S. Walker, for road work in second district, $6.50; Wm. Stauffer, for road work in second district, $14.62; Wm. M. Watts, justice of the peace in second district, for fees in State cases, $8.75; John C. Jones, per piem as judge of election in third district, $7.50; Dr. W. Frank Hines, for making autopsy and examination at inquest, $20; Henry Brown, per diem as clerk of election in seventh district, $7.05; Mary E. Massey, for judgment Oct. term, '97, for taxes paid in error and plaintiffs' and witnesses' costs and interest, $268.93; B. N. S. Wilkins, justice of the peace in fourth district, for fees in State cases, $26.80; Bedford Roe, sheriff, board of prisoners and fees in State cases, $80.95; Henry W. Catlin, witness in State case Oct. term '97, $3.75; Thomas W. Skirven, for work on roads in fifth district, $8.75; Isaac R. Leaverton, for work on roads in fifth district, $18.80; George G. Cosden, for work on roads in fifth district, $12.25; Thomas W. Trew, for work on roads in seventh district, $32; Wm. Keating, for work on roads in fifth district, $2; Arnold W. Willis, per diem as doorkeeper at election in sixth district, $3; H. P. Jones, per diem as clerk of election in sixth district, $7.20; Bartus C. Legg, constable in fifth for fees in State cases, $11.67.

Geo. W. Hatcherson, committee on Chester bridge, reported old lumber sold since last report $2.50 and paid same over to board. An order was passed appointing Henry Parr, Phillip G. Wilmer and Thomas J. Vickers, examiner on new roads through Drayton and Kennard's Point to Long Point, on Still Pond creek and landing at said point. Charles W. Nickerson upon recommendation was appointed constable in second district for two years. Wm. A. Hyland's application for reduction in assessment was granted. Robert R. Calder, petition for transfer of lot and house in Chestertown was ordered to be made.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

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

† Postmaster Joseph N. Wheatley reports the present postal year as the most active within the history of the Chestertown Postoffice. It is $300 ahead of any previous year for corresponding months. An increase of $800 is required to affect the salary of the postmaster, but the present outlook is for another notch higher in the salary of the office. The holiday rush is now at its height.

† Capt. James H. Thompson, the veteran waterman of Chestertown, in commenting upon the weather conditions of the past fall and present winter, said several days ago: "I am no successful forecaster of the weather. Our climate has undergone a decided change in forty years. I remember very distinctly that the entire month of January in 1843 was almost like spring weather. The only trip lost on account of ice by the vessel on which I sailed was lost during the week before Christmas. The whole winter was comparatively warm. I can't forecast weather now."

† Capt. VanDyke, commander of the steamer Corsica, stated on Saturday that not during his experience has there been so much wheat and corn unshipped so late in the season. He estimates that there is a vast quantity of grain yet to be shipped from Kent and Queen Anne counties.

† The dredge stopped work at Rock Hall on Saturday for the season. The channel has been completed and most of the other work. Operations will be resumed in the spring.

† Capt. Cecil R. Atkinson purchased at the big sale at Madison Square Garden, Miss Aloha, a handsome three-year-old by Director 2.17, with foal to Stranger, son of old Goldsmith Maid 2.14.

† The handsome young pointer belonging to Mr. John H. Aldridge was poisoned on Monday morning. This was one of the handsomest dogs in the county, and Mr. J. K. Aldridge says that he would rather have lost any horse on his farm. This is the second dog lost by Mr. Aldridge within the past few weeks as a result of promiscuous poisoning by some unknown person.

† Mr. William Steel, the expert drive-well man of Galena, was unfortunate in the work of sinking a shaft at the depot for the B. & D. B. R. R. Upon reaching about thirty feet the point of the shaft broke off, and in trying to remedy the trouble an entire section was broken off in the ground. Because of the unsettled condition of the weather the work has been temporarily abandoned. But Steel will bring water if Chestertown has a spring left under her.

† The steamer Gratitude grounded in Rock Hall harbor last Saturday, and her fifty passengers were landed in small boats.

† Messrs. Dempsey, at Galena, and Willis, at Massey's, are the two latest additions to the list of republican postmasters in the county.

† Mrs. Biddle Hossenger made a narrow escape from serious injury several days ago. Mrs. Hossenger was driving a spirited animal and was returning to her home from town, when at Goose Hill the horse took fright and started off at fearful speed. The animal kept to the public road until the gate of Mr. William Biggers was reached. At that point the horse made a dash toward Mr. Biggers' house, and in turning in the gate upset and completely wrecked the carriage and threw Mrs. Hossenger violently to the ground. She escaped, however, without serious personal injury.

† One of the handsome ornaments to be seen in the stock of beautiful goods found at Stam's Drug store, is a shield hat-rack having three highly polished horns for hanging hats or other articles upon, and in the centre is a mirror. The workmanship is of a high order and Col. William P. Howard, who completed the entire work in its minutest detail, has been highly complimented upon his skill.

† One thousand slaughtered turkeys being packed in barrels for shipment to market, attracted the attention of every one who passed the store of Mr. A. J. Link on Tuesday. They were fine birds finely handled.

† Mr. John J. Cooper, who was killed by the acetylene gas explosion in the Wilmington postoffice building last week, was a brother of the wife of the pastor of Bond M. E. Church, near Pomona. Mr. Cooper was to have been married this week, and Mr. and Mrs. Cooper, of Pomona, were arranging to attend the wedding when the sad news of death called them to a home saddened instead of the happy surroundings of a marriage feast.

† An object of especial admiration in the windows of Messrs. Moody & Lusby for a week past, has been a hunting scene representing a gunner, his dog and two partridges. The birds are handsomely mounted by Prof. Hall, of the college, while the man kneeling, is a splendid representation, and was carved, gun and all, from a solid piece of pine wood by Mr. D. P. Jones. This rural picture has been generally admired.

† Mr. Alday Clements has purchased a 452-acre farm at Warwick, Md., of Mr. E. E. Marsh. The price paid was $45 per acre.

† The novelty was presented yesterday of a colored man desiring to pay for publishing a notice recommending his employer, Jerry Willson, who has worked for Mr. Robert Wallis for ten consecutive months without the loss of a single day, brought in a neat eulogistic card for publication. The evident admiration which the employe had for his employer was truly refreshing and to be commended. He is "zactly right" said Jerry, and "everybody expects him and so do Jerry Wilson."

[Written for the TRANSCRIPT.]

A Christmas Song.

Oh! wondrous light—
Oh! Babe divine—
Coming from space
Down into time.

Mysterious messenger of love,
Herald of joy, from God above
With angel guides, from star to star,
Thy wondrous light shines from afar,
Till Bethlehem is reached and then—
"Good will on earth peace be to men."

The firmament with praise resounds,
The shepherds watch their flocks around,
"The Mary," beautiful and blest,
Receives the "Light" upon her breast,
The Angel Child, the Mystery,
Uniting earth with Deity—
Unto this shrine so pure and good,
This shrine of Holy Motherhood—
Around which wondering cattle stand,
The Magi came, a princely band,
To worship and adore.

Prostrate upon the floor of stone,
They kneel before the manger-throne,
Their faces full of love untold,
Offering gifts of myrrh and gold,
And frankincense so rare.
While on the tremulous wings of night,
Angels are floating fair and bright,
And choruses of voices sing
Hosannahs to the "Infant King,"
The "Christ King"
Sent on life's wide sea
The light of all humanity.

ROSALIE MITCHELL.

Dec., 1897.

A Message to "Kris."

DECEMBER 17, 1897.

Dear Santa Claus:—I want a doll baby and carriage, and a gold ring and some candies and nuts, and oranges and toys. I have a little sister Mable and she wants a doll and carriage and express wagon and candies and nuts, and oranges and bananas.

Your Little friends,
NELLIE T. CLEAVER,
MABLE B. CLEAVER.

We live near Turner's Creek.

OF A SOCIAL NATURE.

What Society is Doing These Uncertain Winter Days.

The most prominent social event of the season in Chestertown, was the reception given on Tuesday evening in honor of Mr. Henry Clay Brown and his bride by Miss Anna R. Brown, sister of the bridegroom. The fine old homestead was a blaze of light, and even more inviting than usual in its holiday decorations of evergreen, mistletoe and holly. Every surrounding gave evidence of the warm welcome extended the bride. Miss Brown, and Mr. and Mrs. H. Clay Brown received, assisted by Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Hynson and Mr. Lewin W. Wickes. The ladies' gowns harmonized so perfectly that each added to the beauty of the other. Mrs. Brown were white satin and Duchess lace, Miss Brown, in a charming and indescribable gown of pink, and Mrs. Hynson in handsome black satin and lace. Screened by a bank of tropical plants, Iula, the harpist, discoursed sweet music during the evening. From the centre chandelier, suspended by a white satin ribbon, was a bunch of beautifully berried mistletoe—a token of the season. The color scheme in the supper room was pink. There in the delightful glow of myriads of pink candles, was daintily served a most delicious luncheon. Mrs. T. W. Eliason and Mrs. Wilbur Eliason presided over the coffee and chocolate. Mr. and Mrs. Brown will leave for Fort Worth, Texas, their future home, the latter part of the week.

A very pleasant evening was spent last Friday at the home of Miss Fannie Griffith, near Sassafras, by a large crowd of her school mates and young friends. Instrumental and vocal music, games, etc. were indulged in until about ten o'clock, when the company were invited out to the dining rooms where they found tables laden with refreshments. During the evening they were favored with instrumental and vocal solos by Misses Alice Dreka and Fannie Griffith, and also by Mr. Charles Griffith with his characteristic humorous singing, one piece especially delighting the young, entitled the "Backing Mule." The occasion was a complete suprise to Miss Griffith. She leaves Sassafras at the end of the year moving to near Cecilton, and many warm friends will deeply regret her departure.

Social pleasures promise to be of a most enjoyable and interesting nature from the present until after the New Year has become duly installed. The program of dances will be opened tonight at Church Hill by the young men by their annual hop before the Christmas season sets in. A number of Chestertown and Kent lovers of the dance expect to be present.

The young men of Chestertown will give their annual dance inaugurating the winter season of pleasure by a dance in Stam's Hall on next Tuesday evening December 28th. Though not one of the most elaborate, this will be one of the most pleasant affairs of the kind ever given by the young gentlemen of Chestertown to their lady friends. A number of visitors will be in town, and their presence will give added interest and pleasure to the occasion. The committee on invitations are: Messrs. H. M. Brown, Lewin W. Wickes, E. F. Perkins, Jr., Henry W. Catlin, William W. Beck.

Lovers of the dance at both Centreville and Middletown will enjoy a pleasant New Year's hop on New Year's Eve.

A number of the young men of Chestertown several weeks ago organized what was afterward formally christened the "Crescent Social Club," President, Walter W. Chapman; vice-president, C. C. Hopper; secretary, William M. Culp; treasurer, D. Arthur Bacchus; librarian, Harry Hodgkins. As is implied by its name, the club is for purely social purposes and provides a most delightful retreat for its members to while away a lonely hour or dreary evening. The rooms are beautifully papered in white and gold, a Brussels carpet covers the floor, while handsome pictures adorn the walls. Morris chairs, rockers and other comfortable seats make of this cozy nest of the "Crescents" a veritable dream of solid comfort. Handsome lamps shed their glow upon tables stocked with daily papers and periodicals. The Forum, North American Review, Harpers, Engineering Review, Life, Century, McClures, Munsey, Cosmopolitan, Baltimore Sun, Herald and American, New York Journal and Philadelphia Record are on the literary bill of fare. A writing desk, pens, ink and paper complete the list of conveniences for the members who may "drop in," either for business or pleasure. All profanity, games of chance or any questionable amusements are excluded from the quiet "den" which these young men have fitted up among the dove-coots and bell-tower of Stam's Hall.

IN CHURCH CIRCLES.

Dr. Grise's Pleasant Reception on Friday Evening.

The reception held by Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Grise in the Sunday school room of the church on Friday evening, was, if possible, the most thoroughly pleasant of any so far held. This special social feature in church life is one of several innovations introduced by the popular minister during his pastorate here. The early part of the evening was devoted to the formal reception of the friends who were present, by Mr. and Mrs. Grise and those who assisted them in receiving. Those who assisted Mrs. Grise were: Mrs. Thomas S. Bordley, Mrs. M. A. Toulson, Mrs. Wm. Moody, Mrs. W. B. Copper and Mrs. James Brice. Those assisting Dr. Grise were: Mr. James Brice, Dr. Charles R. Twilley, Mr. J. W. Coleman, Mr. W. B. Copper and Mr. R. K. Pippin.

Following this portion of the program the Reading Circle of the Epworth League gave a pleasant literary feature consisting of readings by Misses Emma Davis, Julia, Anna and Mary Burchinal, Fannie Stuart and Dr. Grise, interspersed by inspiring choruses. Then came frozen custard, ice creams and cake in abundance. This social feature of the church has already shown itself to be the handmaid and a strong assistant in the splendid spiritual work which is being carried on.

The scholars and teachers of the Chestertown M. E. Sunday school will enjoy their annual Christmas treat in the Sunday school room on Tuesday evening next. A Christmas tree will delight the scholars on the occasion.

There will be early celebration of the Holy Communion on Christmas day at Emmanuel P. E. Church at 7½ A. M., and service, sermon and Holy Communion at 11 A. M.

The Epworth League of the Chestertown M. E. Church, will hold a Christmas morning service at 6.30 o'clock, led by Mr. M. Wilber Thomas.

Christ M. P. Sunday school scholars will enjoy their annual Christmas treat in the Sunday school room on Tuesday evening next.

Rev. B. F. Price, of Elkton, the oldest minister in point of service in the Wilmington Conference, celebrated his eighty-second birthday last week.

Christmas day at St. John's Catholic Church, Rock Hall—Mass will be at 8. A. M. At the Sacred Heart Church, Chestertown, Mass at 10.30 A. M. with sermon and benediction. A special collection for the pastor is announced in both churches.

MATRIMONIAL EVENTS.

SCOTTEN—REDMILE.

A very pretty wedding was solemnized at the home of Mrs. Rachel Redmile, near Locust Grove, on Wednesday, Dec. 15, 1897, the contracting parties being Miss Ida May Redmile and Mr. Clarence Scotten. The parlor was very prettily decorated for the occasion with potted flowers on either side, and in the centre hung a bell under which the bride and groom stood during the ceremony. At precisely 7½ o'clock, to the strains of Mendelssohns wedding march which was beautifully performed by Miss Kathryn Pyle, the bride and groom entered, preceded by their attendants, Miss Blanche Redmile, sister of the bride, in blue organdy; Miss Clara Scotten, sister of the groom, in white organdy over pink; Mr. John Redmile, brother of the bride, and Mr. Albert Jervis. The beautiful and impressive ceremony of the M. E. Church was performed by the Rev. E. H. Nelson. After the ceremony an elaborate wedding supper was served to the numerous relatives and friends of the bride and groom. Among those whom we noticed were: Mrs. Geo. Thompson, Miss Emma Scotten, Miss Mary Lithgow, Miss Mary Symington, Messrs. Jos. Kennard, Guy Freeman, and Geo. Lithgow, all of Philadelphia.

Mrs. Wm. Pyle, Mrs Samuel Buckworth, Misses Anna Pyle, Anna and Nellie Buckworth, Messrs. Lindell Beaston, Geo. Benson, all of Chesapeake City. Mr. and Mrs. John Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. John Johnson, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Geo, Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Atwell, Mr. and Mrs. A. Biggs, Mr. and Mrs. Fillingame, Mr. Charles Warren, all of Sassafras. Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Redmile, Misses Bertha, Clara and Lilly Redmile, Miss Mary McKnett, Mr. and Mrs. Lane, Messrs. Harry and Linwood Redmile, all of Kennedyville; Mr. and Mrs. George Rasin, Mrs. John Harding, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Meeks. Mrs. Jewell, Mrs. Rebecca Boulden, Misses Emma Mecks, Lizzie Harding, Nellie Vansant, Messrs. John and Spencer Boulden, all of Still Pond; Messrs. John Money, August Money, Wiby Money, of Lynch's; Mr. and Mrs. Barclay Kilbourne, of Edesville; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Kelley, Mr. and Mrs. John Price, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. VanDyke, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Stauffer, Misses Hettie Hill, Lula Covington, Mabel and Lillie Price, Ellen Medders, Hannah, Lizzie and Ella Scotten, Messrs. Harry Kelley, Samuel Comly, William Money, Wm Rutter, Carl Price, Robert, Preston and Sereck Shallcross, Clarence Webb, Harry and James Scotten, Andrew Medders, Wm. McDowell. The bride and groom were the recipients of many useful and handsome presents. Mr. and Mrs. Scotten left for an extensixe trip north, and on their return will reside on his farm near Turner's creek.

Invitations have been issued for the marriage of Miss Nettie Jarrel Whitely to Mr. William Ernest Sanders, on Thursday evening, December 30th, at six o'clock, in the Methodist Protestant Church, Kennedyville. Miss Whiteley is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Whitely, and Mr. Sanders is the popular clerk in the store of Mr. Pote at Kennedyville.

Invitations have been issued to the wedding of Miss Marie Osborne Cacy and Mr. Richard Feddeman, both of Millington, in Holy Cross P. E. Chapel, Millington, on Wednesday, December 29th. Miss Cacy is a daughter of Mrs. M. O. Cacy. Her sister was married to Mr. W. Finley Collins, Mr. Feddeman's business partner, about three weeks ago.

Announcement has been made of the marriage of Mr. Charles D. Wood, of Piney Neck, and Miss Carrie Coleman, daughter of Mr. W. H. Coleman, of Rock Hall, next week.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Judges Pearce, Stump and Martin were entertained at dinner by Henry M. McCulloh, Esq., on Wednesday, and by John S. Wirt, Esq., at Elkton on Thursday of last week.

Mr. W. S. Culp has just returned from a visit to Pottstown, Pa., friends. This was his first visit after an absence of about thirty years. The town had grown from a quiet village of fifteen hundred into a busy city of fifteen thousand population. He was delighted with his short vacation.

Mr. Z. P. Hubbard left on Tuesday for a visit to his mother, Mrs. Mary Hubbard, widow of the late Lemuel Hubbard, of Caroline county. Mrs. Hubbard is now ninety-one years of age and, excepting impaired sight, every faculty is as clear and unclouded as they were fifty years ago. After his visit Mr. Hubbart will go to Charlottesville, Va., where he will make his future home.

Miss Lottie Woodall, a member of the graduating normal class of 1897-98 at Washington College, was sent for on Friday because of the sedden death of her mother at her home near Sudlersville. The young lady was prostrated by the sudden shock.

Clerk William H. Cecil, of Queen Anne, was in Chestertown on Saturday. This was Mr. Cecil's first visit since the close of the campaign in November and he was anxious to know how the big fight was fought and won. Mr. Cecil is one of the political hustlers of his party in Queen Anne.

Mr. Frank A. Emory, one of the most representative farmers and citizens of Queen Anne, was in Chestertown on Monday. Mr. Emory stated that farming operations had been greatly interfered with by the protracted rains. Some farmers had stopped husking corn because of the fact that it was impossible to haul it from the fields and it was consequently better off in the husk.

Mrs. Bevins Morris, who was so prostrated by the death of her husband as to be unable to be present at the interment, is at the Watt's House, still quite sick.

Mrs. L. M. Corey has been appointed assistant stewart of the Maryland State Grange.

Miss Mary Hurtt enjoyed the concert given in Baltimore last night by the Princeton Glee and Banjo Club. Messrs. Carl and Jack Westcott are members of the club.

Prof. and Mrs. Roland Watts, of Western Maryland College, are guests of Mrs. Watts' parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Hubbard, High st.

Miss Clare Vannort has returned from a pleasant two weeks visit to Baltimore friends.

Mr. Charles Watts, of Still Pond, has accepted his old position as clerk in the large furniture and art emporium of Mr. Percy T. McFeely.

Mrs. Emma Vanetta, of Philadelphia, is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Greenwood, on Cannon st.

Miss Ollie Hill has returned from a protracted visit with relatives in Wilmington, Del.

Mrs. Charles H. Davis, Jr., and daughters, spent several days in Baltimore this week.

Mrs. Wm. R. Aldridge and children have been visiting at the home of Rev. J. S. Bowers, Hampden, Baltimore. They returned home Saturday.

Miss Mary Louise Anthony, of New York, is visiting her parents, Capt. and Mrs. Jonathan Anthony, on High st.

Mr. Samuel Merritt attended the Brown—Gilpin nuptuals in Baltimore last Wednesday.

Mr. Harry H. Hyland, who has been in Government employment at Fort Delaware, is at home for the winter.

Senator Westcott's family left Chestertown yesterday for Baltimore, where they will remain during the winter.

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OBITUARY.

The remains of the late Bevins Morris, who died at his home in St. Mary's county, on Tuesday of last week, aged 73 years, were brought to Chestertown by steamer Corsica, on Saturday for interment. Funeral services were conducted in the M. E. Church by Dr. J. B. Merritt, of Fairlee, on Sunday afternoon. Dr. Merritt conducted the services in response to a request of Mr. Morris before his death. Interment was in Chester cemetery. The bearers were: Messrs. Harry Rickey, James T. Dixon, Milton Melvin, John Bell, Wm. Morris and William H. Rollison. Mr. Morris lived on his farm in Morgnec until 1891 when he moved to St. Mary's county where he had purchased a fine property.

The sad intelligence was received yesterday of the death of George W. Longfellow of comsumption, at his home, Whiteleysburg, Caroline county. Mr. Longfellow was a student at Washington College last year and was forced to leave because of ill health.

Died, at his home on Bayou Rapides, Rapides parish, La., on Sunday evening, December 5th, 1897, of typhoid fever, Dr. James A. Cruikshank, aged 58 years.

"See how the sun lights up the western sky,
In robes of radiant purple fringed with gold,
While to the earth he beams his parting eye,
And in a moment sinks behind the world.
So, to the hour of death, the just man's soul
Bursts from the clay which held it to this earth,
And in new glory soars without control.
To where the Eternal reigns acknowledged and adored."

The funeral services took place at the family residence at 2.30 o'clock Monday evening, Rev. Dr. Duncan, of Alexandria, officiating.

Every room in the large dwelling, the spacious hall, the galleries and the yard were crowded with people, old and young, white and black, all there to pay their last respects to the inanimate form of a good, true and noble gentleman.

The funeral procession which followed the remains to the family cemetery on McNutt's Hill, was perhaps one of the largest ever witnessed in this parish. The pall-bearers were Major Fred Seip, Judge James Andrews, Messrs M. D. Sleet, M. N. James, B. K. Hunter and P. H. Davidson, and when the cold clods were placed upon the coffin by these friends, many eyes became moist with tears.

In the death of Dr Cruikshank our community lost one of its most worthy and respected citizens. He has fought a good fight, and now "Life's fitful fever over, he sleeps well."

He has left to his son the heritage of an unblemished name. To his friends, the example of a man who walked in the paths of integrity and virtue, the memory of a life usefully and honorably spent.

The subject of this sketch was born in this parish. His father was the late Dr. Robert Cruikshank and his mother, Miss Martha Texada. He was educated at Washington College, Kent county, Md., and graduated in 1860.

Choosing medicine for his profession, he entered the University of Maryland, at Baltimore, and graduated in 1862, with honor. For many years he practiced in this parish, and a more kind and conscientious doctor never ministered to the sick. In late years ill health had caused him to almost entirely give up his practice, only visiting his near neighbors and intimate friends.

He was married in the year of 1866 to Miss Isabella Ruggold, of Kent county, Md. From this union two sons were born, James A. and Robert. Mrs. Cruikshank died in 1883, and the eldest son, James A. only a few weeks ago of typhoid fever.

In 1890 Dr. Cruikshank was again united in marriage to Miss Julia Dunnam, who still survives him.

What can I say to the sorrowing ones? Words of consolation are poor indeed.

May the Lord in his great mercy throw around the bereaved ones the arms of his everlasting love, and shield and comfort them in this time of their great trouble.

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Epworth League service at 6.45 next Sunday evening.

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