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LOCAL MATTERS.

Wiring the Town.—The work of wiring Chestertown with electric light wires was commenced on Monday morning, and but for the interruption by the storm which commenced on Tuesday this portion of the work would now be well under way. Nearly all of the poles are now in place and ready for wiring. About three miles of wire will be required to complete the full equipment of all the streets. Messrs. Tracy and Wright received the boiler castings and some other portions of the machinery on Monday, and state that the dynamo was shipped from Fort Wayne, Ind., on Monday of last week, and is expected to arrive in Chestertown either to-morrow or [illegible]. The boiler and engine will be received at an early date.

[illegible] Recommence Business.—Mr. L. [illegible]er, whose stock of goods was destroyed in the burning of the Thompson Building on the morning of February 7th, stated to a TRANSCRIPT reporter several days ago that he had an option of rental on the store building on High street until recently occupied by the late Thomas W. Wickes and purchased several weeks ago by Capt. Wm. D. Burchinal. The building is eligibly located near the business centre of town, and Mr. Winer stated, will be remodeled and enlarged for his stock of goods. "Just as soon as I receive my money from the insurance companies," he said, "I will reopen for business." The time allowed insurance companies for settlements of losses is sixty days. Of this time thirty-nine days have elapsed.

Unnecessary Preparations for a Funeral.—A prominent farmer living near Chestertown, was given considerable unnecessary trouble in preparing for the funeral of his cook on Monday. The cook in question, failing to respond to the early morning call was hurriedly examined and was taken for dead. The farmer hurried to Chestertown, made arrangements with the county commissioners to defray a portion of the expenses of burial, an undertaker was employed, Mr. William Ford was called upon and gave a written permit to have the body interred at the almshouse. At the suggestion of some one it was thought best, in view, of the sudden demise (?) of the woman, that the coroner make an investigation, and accordingly a physician and Coroner Rouse were summoned to the kitchen which it was supposed had been bereaved of a cook, but were afterward notified not to go. In the meantime, however, the woman had completed her morning doze and promptly appeared among her agitated friends convincing them [illegible] their funeral arrangements unnecessary. The joke was a [illegible] but it was worth [illegible] by the first day [illegible].

"Dog" Killed.—The wild [illegible] which has [illegible] possibly done [illegible] the sheep interests of [illegible] any [illegible] other one dog [illegible] all efforts to capture [illegible] years, was killed on [illegible] Mr. Thomas Blackiston in Skirven. As al[illegible] Stevens, the TRANSCRIPT, a shep[illegible] late of absolute wildness [illegible] years past done great damage [illegible] sheep, lambs, pigs and poultry. The marauder has been shot at over one hundred times, but up to Monday had escaped capture. Mr. J. Walter Skirven, the heaviest loser by the incursions of the brute offered a prize for her head. Several litters of pups had been found but in every case with remarkable cunning the mother eluded capture. It was discovered on Friday that the dog had a litter of pups in a brush pile in a ravine on the farm of Mr. Richard Leaverton. Seven of the pups were caught and Mr. Blackiston and Mr. Skirven went to the place on Monday morning armed with shot guns. Upon their approach the dog ran out like a deer and after being shot six times was killed. After having one leg completely shot from under her the brute tried to escape. Two more pups were found in a perfect nest made of sheep's wool and feathers. Messrs. Clifton Rasin, Thomas Toulson and several others have dogs, which puppies were stolen from the "wild dog" of Kent.

To Find the Date of Easter.—Of course, you know that next Sunday will be Easter; if you didn't, you know it now. But suppose that you are anxious to determine the date upon which Easter will fall in any coming year. All you have to do is to make your calculation according to the following rule, known as Gauss' rule:

First, take x and y out of the following table:

	X	Y
Old style	15	6
New style, A. D. 1583-1699	22	2
New style, A. D. 1700-1799	23	3
New style, A. D. 1800-1899	23	4
New style, A. D. 1900-2099	24	5

Second, calculate the five numbers, a, b, c, d, e, by the following rules, where N is the number of the year:

A is the remainder after the division of N by 19
B is the remainder after the division of N by 4
C is the remainder after the division of N by 7
D is the remainder after the division of 19a+x by 30.
E is the remainder after the division of 2b+4c+6d+y by 7.

Then the 3rd, then d+e+22 is the day of March, or d+e−9 is the day of April on which Easter falls, except when this rule gives April the 26th the true day is April 19th, and when the rule gives April 25th, if d=28 and a is less than 10, then the true date is April 18th.

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL.

Miss Clara Vickers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harrison W. Vickers, Lauretum Place, is enjoying a sea trip to Savannah, Ga. Others of the party are Thomas Ireland Elliott, Esq., and his sister, Miss Rose Elliott. Both are well known in Kent.

Col. William P. Howard is rapidly becoming an expert bicyclist. The colonel is a marvelously adept pupil with the wheel.

Miss Stella Crew is putting her bicycle to practical use. She rode from her home at Betterton on Monday morning [illegible] to join her classes at Washington [illegible], without the least evidences of fatigue.

[illegible]ge and Mrs. James A. Pearce returned to their home in Chestertown on Friday after a pleasant winter spent partially at Annapolis. The Court of Appeals adjourned on Friday and Chief Justice Pearce will be free to attend the duties of the courts of his circuit.

Misses Ellen Longfellow, of Whiteleysburg, and Anita Downes, of Bridgetown, have been guests of Miss Grace Price, at her home in Still Pond. Miss Price and Mr. Longfellow left yesterday for a visit to Mr. Downes.

Misses Cecilia Senart and Mrs. Emma [illegible] are visiting friends in Baltimore and Washington, D. C.

Master Hines, son of Dr. W. Frank Hines, is home for the Easter holidays.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

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

† Mrs. Geo. S. Biddle has a record-breaking flock of ducks. After getting one egg each day from each duck of the flock, she was astonished at the performance of one of the ducks in winding up the week by laying two eggs in one day.

† The appearance of the college campus is being improved by the removal of the fence leading from the entrance to the college grounds to the buildings.

† Mr. Norman Massey, civil engineer of New York, is visiting relatives on Washington avenue. Mr. Massey states that the war spirit runs high in New York. As he left the city he saw a government transport carrying troops down to the fort for the defence of the city in the event of war with Spain should the necessity demand. He purchased an extra of the New York Evening Journal several days ago, and to his amazement found that it was the TWENTY-FIRST editions of that afternoon.

† Bicyclists of Chestertown and others are delighted at the shelling of the piece of sandy road leading from Chestertown into Quaker Neck. This improvement will provide for wheelmen and the general public one of the finest strips of road in the county.

† It is proposed by a number of wheelmen to ask the county commissioners to place a narrow causeway or bridge over the two streams on the road from Chestertown to Fairlee. The improvement would cost but a trifle and the great number of cyclists who use this road during each summer would be relieved of the necessity of dismounting and carrying their wheels at these branches. This is considered a reasonable request which it is hoped the commissioners will grant.

† The windmill has been removed from the station and the work of sinking a well for the use of the B. & D. B. Railroad, at least temporarily abandoned.

† Mr. James S. Bradley is having material improvements made to the interior of the Voshell House for the proprietor, J. Henry Hurtt. The office and some of the other rooms are being repapered, repainted and remodeled, and conveniences added for the comfort of guests.

† The slaughter of worthless dogs continues in Chestertown. The ordinance providing for the muzzling of canines is not being complied with, and six dead dogs is the record of the dog-killer for one night.

† Dr. Simmons, of Ohio, it is stated, will come to Chestertown to practice medicine in about ten days, as the successor of Dr. T. H. Cooper.

† The comfortable home of Mr. Jos. Edwards continues to spring up as by magic. The damage done to the back building by the washing out of the dirt at the foundation by last week's storm, was a mere trifle. Though scarcely four weeks under construction the building is nearing completion.

PERSONNEL OF FIRE COMPANY.

Chief Kelley Last Night Selected His Foremen and Assistants.

At a meeting of the Chestertown Fire Company, held last night, Chief Amos B. Kelley announced his assignments of men. The different departments are divided into two classes, foremen and assistants, and in the event of fire each and every man will have his work clearly defined, and all confusion of duties will be avoided. The following are the assignments:

Foreman of Extinguishers—Charles S. Smith. Assistants—Wm. R. Aldridge, Wm. F. Malin, Wm. R. Pippin, Thomas Massey, Wm. H. McFeely, Wm. S. McDonnell, Wm. B. Usilton, Jr.

Foremen at nozzle—Frank M. Miller, Wm. P. Duyer. Assistants—Harry Cannan, Harry Hoyle.

Foremen at plugs—Wm. C. Sutton, Philip M. Miller. Assistants—Mill Davis, Foster Cannan.

Foremen at hose carrier—J. D. Welch, Walter U. Lusby, Henry T. Deaver, Thos. W. Perkins. Assistants—W. A. Burk, John Barnes, Albert Rawleigh, Harry Hodgskin, Fred Russell, Charles Kirby, John A. Russell, J. Hydie Thompson, Arthur Hurlock, John Gruber, J. M. Toulson, J. A. Bradley, Joe. Brice, Herman Gruber, Wm. H. Howard, John Rollison.

Foremen at ladder truck—William T. Fowler, Allie Baker, S. O. Crouch, T. B. Elliott. Assistants—Edward C. Boston, Geo. Burk, S. W. Rawleigh, Walter Bennett, W. W. Chapman, R. S. Thomas, Geo. D. Lofland, Harry Rickey, Atlee H. Tracy, Chas. L. Dodd.

The officers are: Amos B. Kelley, chief; Frank E. Duyer, assistant chief; Robert N. Boston, Marshall; J. King Wright, assistant marshall; William Duyer and H. Cannan, foremen, and Allie Baker, assistant foreman.

THE BASE-BALL SEASON.

The First Game on Saturday Next—A Series of Games With the Strongest Teams of the State.

The base ball season of 1898 will formally open on the Washington College diamond on Saturday next, April 9th, when the college team will meet the strong Walbrooks, of the Suburban League. This team defeated St. John's College last Saturday by a score of 11 to 3. Washington College will be represented by a purely college team and it is expected that the nine of the present season will be one of the strongest in the history of Washington College athletics.

Mt. St. Marys, with whom the W. C.'s have a game scheduled for May 24th, defeated the Western Maryland College team by a score of 37 to 1 on Saturday.

Let us give the ball team of 1898 a royal reception on Saturday. It will be their first game and a rousing send off should be accorded the heroes of the present season. The Walbrooks are a strong aggregation, they are flushed with victory and our boys will need some encouragement in their first game. Let Chestertown respond to this demand by a large attendance and hearty endorsement.

The following is the interesting schedule so far arranged by Manager Smith:

DATE.	CLUB.	PLACE.
April 9	Walbrook Athletic C.	Chestertown.
" 16	Athletic A. C.	"
" 21	Harvard Univ.	"
" 30	Balto. City College	"
May 4	Open.	
" 7	Md. Agri. College	"
" 14	Catholic Univ.	"
" 21	Md. Ath. Club	"
" 24	Mt. St. Mary's	Emmittsburg.
" 25	Catholic Univ.	Washington, D.C.
" 26	Gallaudet	" "
" 27	Open.	
" 28	St. Johns	Chestertown.
June 11	Catonsville C. C.	"
" 13	Open.	
" 15	Univ. of Md.	"

It now looks as though Chestertown is to have a strong *summer* base-ball team. Mr. Frank Simpers has thoroughly canvassed the field and states that there is ample material for a winning team. Cambridge, Salisbury, Pocomoke City, Cape Charles, Smyrna, Dover and Townsend will probably all be represented by strong nines and it is hinted that a Peninsula League may be formed. With such men as the Trenchards, Tom Massey, George Brice and others, Chestertown could enter the League and acquit herself nobly in the series of games. Every true lover of sport should contribute.

OBITUARY.

The Family of Dr. C. A. Grise Sorely Stricken.

JOHN G. GRISE.

The sympathy of the entire community has gone out to the family of Dr. C. A. Grise in the hour of its sore affliction. God in His infinite wisdom has sent a great sorrow to this home. On Friday last Dr. Grise was summoned to the death-bed of his father, John G. Grise, at Roxana, Delaware, and on Friday night was called upon to witness the triumph of death in the paternal home. John G. Grise was sixty-eight years of age, and had been a great sufferer for several months with tumor of the stomach. He was born in Berks county, Pa., and moved to Delaware twenty-five years ago. A widow, his second wife, and two sons, Dr. C. A. Grise, pastor of Chestertown M. E. Church, and Geo. W. Grise, a member of the United States Life Saving Service, survive him. Funeral and interment on Sunday afternoon.

Dr. Grise, upon reaching Roxana, wrote a letter to his wife stating that his father was in a dying condition, and when death came at 12 o'clock he at once wrote another letter telling that the sad end had come. Strangely enough, these letters failed to reach Chestertown until Monday on the same train on which the writer returned, and his family then for the first time learned of Mr. Grise's death, and Dr. Grise for the first time learned that death had invaded his own home and that his wife's mother had died that morning, just as he was boarding the train to return home.

MRS. ESTHER MILBOURNE.

Mrs. Esther Milbourne, mother of Mrs. C. A. Grise, died on Monday morning at the home of her son-in-law, Dr. C. A. Grise. Mrs. Milbourne, upon the death of her husband fifteen years ago, went to make her home with Dr. and Mrs. Grise, and from year to year the strengthening sunshine of her cheerful christian life became more and more a necessity in the home which she continually blessed by her presence. Scarcely secondary to that of mother and father was the relation which she held to the beautiful development of the child-life which came to bless and make happy the home. She was always well, ever ready to share the burdens or dispel the shadows which came as temporary guests, but last October, the active body was seized with rheumatism which finally developed into heart disease, and after sixteen weeks of patient suffering in bed, rest came, the dawn broke and it was light. The deceased was seventy-two years of age. Services were held at the parsonage at 8 o'clock P.M. Tuesday, Dr. S. C. Roberts, of Emmanuel Protestant Episcopal Church, officiating. The remains were taken to Pocomoke City by train on Wednesday morning for interment. The pall-bearers were: T. W. and Wilbur Ellason, James Brice, W. B. Copper, T. S. Bordley and M. A. Toulson. Several beautiful selections were sung by Misses Anna G. Lambert, Fannie E. Stuart and Messrs. M. W. and Snowden Thomas.

MRS. LUCINDA NEAL.

Mrs. Lucinda Neal, widow of the late Willard H. Neal, of Queen Anne county, died at her home in Sudlersville, Saturday, April 2, 1898, aged 72 years. Mrs. Neal was the daughter of the late Jessie Knock, of Locust Hill, near Millington, this county, who died in 1856.

She was the half-sister of the late Mrs. Annie B. Smith, mother of the late Jesse K. Hines and Hon. M. deK. Smith. Interment in the family burying ground on the farm of Mr. Augustine Hendrickson, near Millington.

IN THE POLICE COURT.

An Inhuman Brute—A Crap Den Raided and Several Arrests Made.

Justice J. W. Wright dealt out summary punishment to Charles Harris, colored, last week. Harris' offense was of a most revolting character, and certainly no claim of excessive punishment at the hands of the justice can be made. It was brought out at the trial that Martha Gordon, the woman who lived with Harris as his wife, had two children, one a daughter of about eleven years of age. The girl's mother was not allowed to keep her children at Harris' house, but wishing the girl to go to school, the woman took the child to Waters' home. This aroused the brutal instincts in the man and he forcibly bound the girl at his house on Cannon street. After entirely stripping the child of clothing he plaited switches together and beat her in a most inhuman manner, only desisting when interfered with by persons attracted by the girl's screams. The victim's back, when exposed at the trial, gave unmistakable evidence of the brutal treatment which she had received. Harris was sentenced to one year in the House of Correction.

A CRAP DEN RAIDED.

Deputy Sheriff Gill and Constable Lockerman made a raid last week upon a den of crap shooters in the house of Jas. Redding and Isaac Green, on the road from Chestertown to Millington. Two women, Lida Reed and Sadie Green were among the crap shooters caught, and had assisted in giving to the place an extremely unsavory reputation along other lines. The house has been notorious for more than a year past, but not until Redding and one of the women had trouble and he turned State's evidence, were the officers given a sufficient clue to work up the case. At the time of the raid Lida Reed, Sadie Green, James Hackett and John Wilson were arrested and lodged in jail on a charge of violating the Sunday law by shooting crap on Sunday, March 20th. Samuel Henry, one of the most notorious of the gang, escaped and was shot at four times by Deputy Gill, but escaped. Constable Lockerman again came up with Henry and shot at him four time, and thinks that one of the shots took effect, but the negro escaped across the line into Delaware. There are six or eight men of this gang still at large. Lida Reed was sentenced to the House of Correction for six months, the Green woman was released and Hackett and Wilson were each fined $1.00 and costs, amounting to $6.75 each.

INTERESTING FISH CASE.

A case of unusual interest to fishermen was tried in Justice Wright's court on Tuesday. The facts of the case as brought out at the trial are about as follows: William Walters, colored, rents of Mr. William T. Wright, the old Primrose fishing shore on the Queen Anne side of Chester river near Chester bridge. Between the low-water mark of this shore and the channel of the river, Charles Johnson and James Coleman were fishing Johnson's drift gill-net when Walters' seine drifted around and came in contact with their property. At the order of Johnson, Coleman cut the seine, whereupon Walters brought suit against them for trespass and the malicious cutting and destruction of his property. Walters testified that he did not purposely place his seine so that it would come in contact with Johnson's gill-net, but that the wind and tide swept the seine around the net. He contended that the cutting of his seine was not necessary, but was maliciously done. Johnson and Coleman swore that there was no element of viciousness in their act, but that they had cut the seine simply to prevent the destruction of their property, contending that with a horse drawing the seine in their net would have been destroyed. They admitted the cutting and insisted that it was a necessary act. W. H. Lambert, Jr., Clint Moody and Addie Needles testified as to the result of allowing the seine to be drawn over the net, substantiating Johnson's and Coleman's claim that the gill-net would have been ruined. Johnson and Coleman were acquitted.

MISSIONARY ANNIVERSARY.

A Beautiful Service at Christ M. P. Church on Sunday Evening.

One of the most enjoyable and successful anniversary programmes ever given at Christ M. P. Church was that of Sunday evening last. Because of the fact that Rev. J. M. Gill, pastor of the church will be absent at conference on Easter Sunday, the Missionary Anniversary and Easter services were united in a most charming programme of recitation and song.

The pulpit had been removed and back of its position stood a graceful arch of gold on which, in large white letters, were the words: "Light from the Tomb." On either side of the arch were shields bearing the words,—"Mercy Peace Hope and Love." Heavy chinelle curtains concealed the wealth of fragrant beauty back of the arch which was later revealed. On either side were banks of queenly Easter lilies, emblematic of the Light from the Tomb which lends joy and promise to the glorious Eastertide whose spotless beauty was heightened by graceful palms and blossoming plants.

The programme was opened by a fervent prayer by Mr. M. A. Toulson.

After music, President William Sherwood made an interesting address, dwelling upon Christ's mission to bring Light from the Tomb. He emphasized that our mission is to disseminate the gospel of Christ and send it to the uttermost parts of the earth.

The Penny Exercise was delightfully carried out by the following little tots, each one of whom made a dainty speech; Norman Crouch, Mary Smith, P. B. McFeely, Rebecca Aldridge, Frazier Russell and Reba Davis.

Next, manly little Joseph Wheatley, in a clear, impressive voice told his hearers what Eastertide means to the world. Quaint little Elizabeth Russell was one of the most conspicuous heroines of the pretty programme. Miss Ellen Bacon's recitation, Hail Beautiful Day, was most creditably rendered.

The most elaborate and one of the most beautiful features of the evening was the inspiring rendering of Light from the Tomb. This consisted of beautiful solos and choruses, first by Misses Bessie Wheatley, Mary Sappington, Elsie Fallowfield, Annie Sappington and Nora Boston; next came the following younger scholars each of whom did splendidly; Inez Russell, Olive Pennell, Mildred Davis, Edith Fallowfield, Gladis Aldridge, Marguerite Howard and Avis Dodd. During this piece the curtain was thrown aside and just back of the arch were the emblematic cross and crown with a back-ground of most beautiful palms and flowering plants.

Misses Katie Shuster and Carrie Sappington, and Messrs. James Shuster and Arthur Hurlock sung that beautiful selection, Jesus is Risen To-day.

Next came an interesting feature of the programme, the summing up of the total collections for the year and the night, and the decision of the friendly rivalry between the classes for the prizes offered to the four classes making the largest contribution to the missionary fund. The following was the result:

FOUR HIGHEST FOR YEAR:

1. Bible Class, Rev. J. M. Gill, Teacher	$34.50
2. F. G. Usilton	34.40
3. J. K. Aldridge	29.01
4. W. W. Wheatley	27.87

FOUR HIGHEST FOR NIGHT.

1. F. G. Usilton	$16.55
2. Bible Class	13.20
3. W. W. Hubbard	12.58
4. Infant Class	11.00
Total For Year	$318.28
Total For Night	128.24

No account of the evening's exercises could be complete without reference to the beautiful instrumental music by the orchestra, which interspersed the entire programme with a pleasant frequency and was most thoroughly enjoyed by the great audience present. The orchestra was composed as follows: Warren Hurlock, violin; W. H. McFeely, first cornet; John N. Dodd, second cornet; John C. Cannon, trombone; Miss Clare Vannort, pianist; Miss Clara Usilton, pipe organ; Miss Rose Frazier, organist.

Mr. William F. Russell, in a highly appropriate speech presented the prizes. Miss Bessie Miller presented the banner in a dainty speech.

CHURCH AND PEW.

Rev. J. M. Gill left on Wednesday to attend the annual session of the Maryland Conference of the Methodist Protestant church which commenced in Baltimore yesterday. Mr. Gill has succeeded in paying a small back indebtedness on the parsonage, will go to the conference ahead in the year's collections, and will enjoy the satisfaction of representing one of the most valuable church properties on the Eastern Shore of Maryland which is absolutely free from debt. The next great improvement in the church, it is stated will be the introduction of electric lighting. Unless something very unexpected occurs Mr. Gill will certainly be returned to his congregation another year.

Easter Sunday the Catholic churches of Chestertown and Rock Hall, will have special services. Flowers and other becoming decorations will symbolize the joy of the church in the Resurrection. Special music and appropriate sermons will be given. The services will be held at St. John's Church, Rock Hall, at 8.30 A. M., and at the Sacred Heart Church, Chestertown, at 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M.

Methodist circles of the peninsula are still in a state of dissatisfaction over the ministerial assignments made by the recent conference. The congregation of the M. E. Church at Laurel refuses to accept Rev. D. H. Corkran as pastor, and Bishop Newman and Presiding Elder Watt have been notified. Dr. Watt went to Laurel this morning and will remain there till Wednesday, in the hope that he may be able to adjust the matter.

To settle the difficulty at Laurel it may be necessary to transfer Mr. Corkran to the Southern California Conference, in exchange for Rev. C. C. McLain, in which event Mr. Corkran would probably become pastor of Los Angeles, or make another exchange. As previously stated, Mr. Corkran was offered two weeks ago a transfer to the Southern California Conference, but declined it. It is not known at present who would likely be transferred from this conference in the event of another exchange having to be made. Previous to the conference session at Port Deposit Rev. W. P. Compton, pastor, desired a pastoral change, and it is suggested that the Bishop's task might be made easier by sending Mr. Corkran to Port Deposit and Mr. Compton to Laurel. Whether or not Mr. McLain is acceptable to Pocomoke, and Mr. Valiant acceptable to Federalsburg has not been stated. Presiding Elder Watt conferred last evening with the officials of Brandywine Church, and it is stated that they informed him that they have no personal objection to Rev. W. T. Valiant, but they prefer to have Rev. J. W. Easley for their pastor.

Deep interest is being manifested by St. Denis congregation, Galena, in the services to be held in St. Denis' Church on Thursday and Friday evenings of this week. On Thursday evening, the Rev. Father Dolan, a preacher of national reputation who has just finished the Lenten course of sermons in St. Matthew's Church, Washington, D. C., will preach on the "Holy Eucharist," and on Friday evening, (Good Friday,) the pastor, Rev. Father McManus, will deliver a sermon on "The Redemption." Sermons both evenings will begin at 7.30. The public are invited, and seats will be free.

Services at St. Denis Church, Galena, will begin Easter Sunday at 10.30 A. M. High Mass will be sung by the choir under the direction of Mr. B. J. McCauley, the well known cultured musician. The pastor, the Rev. Miles J. McManus, will deliver a sermon on "The Risen Christ."

The usual Easter services will be held in the Chestertown Methodist Episcopal Church on Sunday.

SASSAFRAS ITEMS.

The sad intelligence was received last Wednesday morning by Mrs. Charles F. Beaston, wife of our postmaster, of the death of her brother, Mr. J. F. Leatherbury, of Middletown, Del. Mr. L. left home about three weeks ago for Asheville N. C., the famous curative resort for consumptives, hoping thereby to regain his lost health, but the fatal disease had gained too strong a hold on its victim and all efforts of his physicians failed and he rapidly sank. He had concluded to start for home unattended by anyone, with the hope that he might reach home before the end came, but alas, he was never to see home and the loved ones he had only a few short weeks before bade farewell, for when the train had gotten only a few miles out of Asheville his spirit took its upward flight. His body reached Middletown on Friday morning and the funeral took place from his late residence on Saturday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock. He leaves an aged mother and father and a young wife to mourn his sad and early demise. The deceased was but 28 years of age and was highly respected by all who knew him.

St. John's M. E. Church of this place whose doors have been closed to public worship for over two years, due to an insufficient membership justifying its being kept open, was again opened last Sunday afternoon for public worship. This church was at the recent session of the Wilmington Conference united with the Golts' and Delaney charges, with Rev. Irving B. Taylor as pastor. The opening again of this church has been the source of great joy to some of the older residents of our town. The Rev. Mr. Taylor, who preached his first sermon last Sunday afternoon is a young gentleman of very fine address and promises to make his mark in the ministry. He preched as his first sermon a very strong and favorable one. The services will alternate with morning and afternoon with no conflict with those of the M. P. Church.

Rev. W. W. White left Wednesday morning for Conference in Baltimore with Mr. I. Gunkel as delegate from this circuit.

Mr. Wm. H. Spry will leave Friday for Baltimore to attend the closing sessions of the M. P. Conference.

Mr. Jesse Hartley entertained a number of his friends last Saturday evening, the occasion being his birthday anniversary.

Mr. Edward Bramble and mother, of Lankford, spent last Saturday the guests of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Hartley.

Mrs. John F. Copper and daughter, Annie, of near Chestertown, visited her son, W. C. Copper last week.

Miss Lena Staats, of Middletown, spent last Saturday and Sunday the guest of her aunt, Mrs James D. Davis, near town.

Mr. George Morris, of Dover, Del., is visiting his brother, Mr. Shepherd Morris.

Master Robert Townsend, of Wilmington, is spending a week with his uncle, Mr. R. J. Townsend.

We wish to correct an error in the spelling of a word which occurred in our last items. The word Co-operation occurred in print which should have read Corporation. As errors in the setting of type will occur, as in every other business, we merely mention this as the former word would have had no meaning whatever in the connection in which it was used. C.

FROM ROCK HALL.

Fruit Injured—Oysters High, and a General Batch of Interesting Items

The fruit outlook appears gloomy. Last Friday, Sunday and Monday morning's frosts and ice got in some heavy licks. We hope sufficient buds escaped injury to insure the growers a paying crop. Some of our early gardeners suffered quite a set-back to their growing vegetables.

"The Bohemians" entertainment, held at Edesville Hall on Wednesday night for benefit of M. P. Church, was interferred with by the inclement weather, but notwithstanding the drawback the splendid performance was highly enjoyed by those present.

The failure of the Baltimore and New York papers to arrive on Thursday threw our village and vicinity into a spell of the "blues." Many were the imprecations and murmurings against the means responsible for the failure. The TRANSCRIPT's columns were eagerly scanned in hopes of finding the latest war news.

Our I. O. O. F. friends are making preparations for a quiet observance of the 79th anniversary of the order in America, which will take place on the evening of the 27th inst. in the hall of the lodge at this place.

Ex-Judge Wilkins is building a stable near his new residence for the convenience of his son "Babe."

"Dr." Schwatka, our poultry man, has erected on the "Colyer homestead" a commodious hennery. The "Dr.," too, is one of our earliest gardners, having numerous varieties of vegetables well under way in growth.

The several millinery stores here are busily engaged in their line of meeting the feminine fancies, and we expect to see numerous killing styles of headgear, etc., on next Sunday.

Our oyster buyers, it is said, have been realizing good profits on their several late trips, and as a consequence prices have advanced five cents on the bushel. The stormy weather and scarcity of the oysters, however, have not enthused the tongmen on the increase in prices.

Fish seem quite low, and allwives have been an annoyance to the gillers.

It affords us much pleasure to report that Mrs. J. E. Blackiston and Mrs. F. T. Hogans continue to improve in health, to the agreeable surprise of the whole neighborhood.

Mr. George Lambert, Jr., is on the sick list. Mr. G. L. Maslin has been filling the vacancy in Mr. Alexander's store during the week.

As was expected, Mr. Outen was returned to the M. E. Church for another year. He filled his pulpit on Sunday, and quite a large congregation greeted him.

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LITERARY NOTES.

LIPPINCOTT'S MAGAZINE FOR APRIL, 1898.

The complete novel in the April issue of LIPPINCOTT'S, "Meriel," is a love story in the peculiar vein of Amelie Rives, Princess Troubetskoy. The scene is laid mainly in Italy, though the highly selected hero and heroine are English. Other stories are "The Ark in the Wilderness," by Alice MacGowan; "The Recruit who was rushed," by Charles B. Lewis; "William Tyrwhitt's Copy," by Bernaid Capes; and "A Boundary War," by W. H. Babcock. "The Strangest River in America," the Colorado, with its terrible canons and rapids, is described by John E. Bennett. R. G. Robinson writes of "Florida Storms," and Dr. Harvey B. Bashore on "The Making of Man." "Northwest to the Harlem, and Beyond," is the concluding paper of Dr. Theodore F. Wolfe's series, "Some Literary Shrines of Manhattan." James M. Scovel's paper on "Thaddeus Stevens" includes some personal reminiscences. Emily Mayer Higgins writes briefly of "The Unterrified." Under the heading, "No New Hands Wanted," Frederic M. Rird considers the real or supposed prejudice against beginners in literature. Henry Willard French's observation and experiences "In an Australion Camp" will be found both interesting and instructive. The tribal battles of the aborigines, as witnessed by him, were noisy rather than destructive. The poetry of the number, apart from quatrains by Edith M. Thomas and Clinton Scollard, and couplets by Carrie Blake Morgen and Robert Gilbert Welsh, is by Florence Earle Coates and D. H. R. Goodale.

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