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LOCAL MATTERS.

Wilson in Jail.—Samuel Wilson, the white man charged with the rape of 11-year-old Sarah Ann Burris, in the first district, some months ago, was captured and lodged in jail on Thursday a few hours after the adjournment of court.

A Prompt Settlement.—As an example of the promptness with which losses are adjusted by the Kent Mutural Insurance Company, the case of Mr. James T. Ireland may be cited. Mr. Ireland's fire occurred on Saturday morning, April 23d, and on the following Monday week, May 2d, the losses had been adjusted and the amount of insurance paid.

A Splendid Record.—The TRANSCRIPT entends congratulations to State's Attorney W. Frank Harper and the people of Queen Anne, upon the splendid record made at the recent term of court. There were nine prisoners sentenced to the Penitentiary and the House of Correction, with practically but two acquittals in all of the cases before the court. Kent was not so fortunate. Out of 33 criminal trials but seven convictions resulted, and two of these *plead* guilty.

Real Estate Sales.—John H. Greenwood, auctioneer, sold at trustee's sale on Tuesday, for Lewin W. Wickes, trustee, the forty-four-acre farm of Augusta Wright and others, to Augustus Dreka, of Sassafras, for $400. The property is situated on the public road leading from Sassafras to Smyrna, Del. Mrs. Mary R. Ireland has purchased the pretty cottage residence of Mrs. Horace W. Beck, situated on Water street, and occupied by R. Harrison Collins.

The Susquehana.—Stockholders of the Port Deposit and Havre de Grace Steamboat Company met on Friday and received from President W. C. Eliason reports of the progress of work on the steamer being built for the company. It is expected to have the vessel ready to run between Baltimore, Port Deposit and Havre de Grace, stopping at Betterton and Tolchester Beach, by June 10. The company will use the wharf of the Tolchester Steamboat Company in Baltimore.

Duyer vs. Hill, Vickers and Owens.—The $5.000 damage suit of Ex-constable John A. Duyer against Commissioner Daniel Hill and Ex-Commissioners Samuel Vickers and George W. Owens, will come up for trial at the May term of the Circuit Court for Harford county. Mr. Duyer sues to recover damages for claimed illegal removal from his office as one of the constables for Kent county. Messrs. Hope H. Barroll, R. D. Hynson and J. J. Archer will represent Mr. Duyer, and Messrs. C. T. Westcott and Stevenson Archer Williams will appear for Messrs. Hill, Vickers and Owens.

Electric Plant Nearly Ready.—The four and a half ton fly wheel is now in place and Messrs. Tracy and Wright, barring accident, expect to turn on the electric current at their new plant on next Saturday to give the machinery an initial test. On next Thursday they expect to give Chestertown its first ray of electricity for illuminating purposes. A large arc light of — candle power will be placed at Bordley's corner, in the business centre of town, and the old gasoline lamps of the past will dwindle into insignificance in the presence of the greater and more beautiful light which will be conveyed over the wires.

Making Berry Baskets.—The Scott's Point factory of Crane and Trenchard Brothers is now running full time on the manufacture of strawberry baskets and strawberry crates. About sixty-five men and boys are employed, and all the work is on orders already in hand. Mr. Trenchard, when seen on Saturday, stated that the outlook so far is good for a peach crop, and so soon as the berry basket season is closed their men will be started on peach packages. Norman Booker is the champion berry basket maker, turning out eighty complete baskets per hour Harry Boone comes next with seventy-six per hour, and Chas. Senart next with seventy-four. The boys receive 7 cents per hundred.

Willow for Powder.—Two men, under contract with the Dupont Powder Company of Wilmington, Del., to furnish a large quantity of willow to be manufactured into gun-powder, are now operating in Kent. The parties have contracted with the American Strawboard Company for all of the willow on their property near Chestertown, and now have about twelve men at work. Willow of from one to four inches in diameter is preferred, and is stripped of its bark as soon as cut. It is stated that all of the available willow at McKnett's mill has been contracted for, a quantity at Little Meadows, near Worton Heights, and the gentlemen propose to secure, if possible, a number of cords from Mr. Thomas Ellis, near Rees' Corner. The Dupont Powder Company is under contract to furnish a vast amount of powder to the Government, and this wood will be used in the manufacture of powder to be used against Spain. This variety of willow is most valuable for this purpose.

Harvard Was Beaten.—The players and friends of the Washington College base-ball team will rejoice to learn that the Harvard Freshmen are beaten since a Chestertown player was conspicuous in bringing about the defeat. Eldridge Eliason, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Eliason, took position in centre field with the Yale freshmen when the haughty Harvards went to New Haven for the contest, and in a full column account of the game, it is eloquently stated that a "star catch" by the Chestertown boy saved the day to Yale by a score of 9 to 8. In New Haven it is a time-honored tradition that no Yale freshman is allowed to sit on the fence till his base-ball team beats the Harvard freshman, and it was largely through Eliason's "star work" that it became possible for the Yale players to sit on the sacred base-ball fence in the old College town of New Haven. Congratulations to Yale and their sturdy Eastern Shore player, Eldridge Eliason.

Kent Cases at Easton.—The approaching session of the Circuit Court for Talbot county which will open on Monday, will be largely taken up by removed cases from Kent. They are as follows: The case of the State vs. Jos. Wright for the murder of William Newcomb. The case was tried in Chestertown at the last term of court, but the jury failed to agree on a verdict. The case of W. A. Ramey vs. Col. William J. Vannort also goes from Kent. Ramey sues Col. Vannort for $10,000 damages, alleging malicious arrest and imprisonment. The damage suit of Alexander Crew and his daughter, Miss Lily Crew, for $5,000 damages each, against Dr. C. W. Reid, president of Washington College, for injuries alleged to have been received by them their horse becoming frightened at Dr. Reid's bicycle, was started in Kent, was removed to Queen Anne, and from there to Talbot. All these cases will be tried this term. The cases are set for trial as follows: The Ramy case on next Monday, the Wright case on Wednesday and the Reid-Crew cases on Thursday.

Steamer Ericsson Remodeled.—The steel steamer Ericsson, of the Baltimore and Philadelphia Steamboat Line, arrived in Baltimore on Friday morning from Philadelphia for the first time since February 17, when she capsized in the Delaware river. The steamer was raised, taken to Philadelphia and underwent extensive repairs and alterations. The mishap which the steamer met with is said to have been due to the fact that she had too much top-hamper. Half of her upper tier of cabins has been taken away and the lifeboats placed in the space made. The dining-room, which was formerly on the upper deck, has been removed to the main deck. The wooden doors on the gangways have been removed and replaced with steel.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

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

*†*A Chinese laundryman poet has submitted the following short description of the Manila battle:

Muchee man,
Littee fight,
Dewey blew-ey
Outey sight!

*†*The trustees of Wye Camp have decided to hold a meeting on the old grounds again this year. The date has not as yet been decided upon.

*†*Mr. Alday Clements has purchased from Mr. Thomas Hill, the Sanders farm, adjoining Mr. Clement's home farm.

*†*Mr. Joseph M. Parvis, clerk to the county commissioners of Queen Anne county, left Centreville on Saturday for Baltimore for the purpose of enlisting in the Fifth Regiment. Mr. Clayton Wright will fill his position as clerk during his absence. Mr. Parvis is prominently identified with Queen Anne politics. He is clerk to the Democratic State Central Committee.

*†*Wilmer Emory, Esq., who is known by members of the bar and business men of Kent, has been appointed by the Governor a notary for Baltimore city. Mr. Emory is eminently qualified by profession for the duties of the office and his friends will be glad to learn of the excellent selection made by the Governor.

*†*Mr. George Brice has six young foxes which he is carefully guarding. The little fellows are growing finely and as soon as they are large enough they will be given their freedom. Their tails have been cut off and Mr. J. K. Aldridge, Mr. Brice and others are already enjoying visions of many fine hunts before a twelve-month has passed.

*†*Ex-Judge Russum has recently received a large and handsome photograph of Ex-Judge Wickes.—*Denton Journal.*

*†*Undertaker John N. Dodd has purchased in Baltimore, a handsome pair of cole black horses to be used to his hearse. The horses are five and six years old respectively, splendidly matched in gait, and are of fine size. There is probably no handsomer pair of horses in the county.

*†*The first strawberries of local growth, were placed on the market on Tuesday by Mr. W. F. Wiggins, of Double Creek, and were sold by Mr. D. Arthur Bacchus at 15 cents per quart. Judge C. H. Jefferson came over from Queen Anne yesterday with some beauties which were sold by Mr. F. D. Leary at two boxes for a quarter.

***Millington "Y." has extended an urgent invitation to the County W. C. T. U. Convention to meet there on June the second.

*†*James L. Beck, County Treasurer elect's commission has been received by Clerk Dixon, and the new treasurer will probably qualify on Tuesday next.

LOCAL WAR TALK.

An Interesting Statement by M. deK. Smith, Esq.—War Prices for Groceries.

In referring to the tremendous penetrating powers of the projectiles which are now being fired from American guns, M. deK. Smith, Esq., made the statement that while in Annapolis sometime ago, he was shown a projectile about two feet in length, and with the exception of being slightly discolored, as by smoke, gave no evidences of ever having been fired from a cannon. To his astonishment, he was told by a naval officer that the projectile had been fired through six plates of hardened steel, each plate six inches apart. After going through these thirty-six inches of hardened steel it then penetrated six feet of live oak and buried six or eight feet in a bank of earth, and this, too, at a distance of half a mile. The pointed end of the projectile was not in the least blunted.

Mr. William Bell, son of Mr. John Bell, last week visited Camp Wilmer, near Baltimore, and gives an interesting account of the trip. He was halted by a guard, and upon refusing to stop the embryo soldier boy, sought to enforce his authority, but was found to be carrying an empty musket. A colored man who was told to "halt" retreated in hot haste.

Capt. James H. Thompson, one of the veteran captains on Chester river, states that during the Civil War he sold flour in Chestertown at $20 per barrel and coffee at 40 cents per pound. He was then captian of a vessel and states that he sold flour at these high war prices which before the war began, would not have been fed to pet dogs.

ADDITIONAL SEWERAGE.

Chestertown's Sanitary Condition will be Greatly Bettered.

A movement is now on foot to secure the needed sewerage for Washington avenue and Maple avenue. It is proposed to run a line of pipe from Washington College to the intersection of Washington avenue and Maple avenue, thence down Maple avenue to the river. The pipe it is thought will be about twelve and eighteen inches, ample to meet every sanitary requirement for that section of the town. Washington College it is understood will subscribe liberally to the improvement, persons owning property on the two avenues to be directly benefitted have expressed a willingness to assist in defraying the expense, and it is generally understood that the town commissioners will subscribe to an extent that will place the matter in the hands of the town to be carried into effect and insure its ownership of the improvement.

The finest residence sections of Chestertown are along Washington and Maple avenues, and all property will be rendered more valuable by this improvement. A large pipe already extends down Main or High street from in front of Sacred Heart Catholic church, near the head of town, to the river. It is expected that the board of town commissioners will officially consider the matter at their next meeting.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Harry Hurtt, of Philadelphia, have been the guests of Mr. J. H. Hurtt, at the Voshell House.

Miss Margaret Stavely, of Lynchs, last week graduated as a trained nurse at the Maryland Hospital, Baltimore.

Dr. J. T. Twilley and wife attended the funeral of Geo. L. Porter, of Wicomico county, last week. Mr. Porter was a brother to Dr. Twilley's first wife.

Mrs. S. C. Roberts has been elected delegate from Emmanuel branch of the Woman's Auxiliary of Chestertown to the diocesan convention to convene in Centreville on June 7th.

ITS EFFECT IN KENT.

The War With Spain has so far Failed to Materially Affect Local Prices.

As a matter of information, a TRANSCRIPT reporter has interviewed a number of Chestertown's most prominent merchants to ascertain the effect of the present war with Spain upon local prices.

M. A. Toulson, druggist, said: "The only articles so far affected and liable to be influenced by existing conditions, are the contrabands of war, sulphur and saltpetre, and quinine. Sulphur has already gone up from one and seven-eight cents to eight cents, and saltpetre and quinine have also been somewhat influenced."

George W. Smith, dealer in agricultural implements: "The only articles to be carried up by the war schedule of prices is Manila binder twine. This extensively used article by our farmers is largely produced on the Spanish island of Luzon, and already the wholesale price has gone up to what I have been accustomed to supply it to my customers for. This will not be felt in this season's prices, however, as I purchased before the commencement of hostilities and will give my patrons the benefit."

Jacob F. Thompson, merchant: "The rise of flour to about $2.50 per barrel over prices of several weeks ago is, in my opinion, not attributable to the war, but to a foreign shortage, and grain speculations in Chicago and New York. Other goods remain practically unchanged."

Moody & Lusby, clothiers: "We have so far discovered no influence upon our line of goods. Some of our customers, however, think differently. An old colored man, a few days ago, to whom we offered a coat and vest for $1.75 said: 'Lawd Mr. Moody, dem am reglar war prices. Dey's too high."'

J. K. Aldridge & Co., hardware: "No change except in binder twine, and as we purchased before the war, our prices will be at the old prices and within reach of our patrons."

Thomas G. Wroth, shoe dealer: "My line has not been affected. There is some change in prices for some classes of goods but this is not due to the war."

NEW STEAMBOAT LINE.

Crumpton and the Upper Chester to Have Direct Daily Communication with Baltimore and the Ocean.

Mr. Samuel O. Stokes, representing Philadelphia steamboat parties, spent a portion of last week in Kent arranging for the starting of a direct, daily steamboat line from Crumpton and the upper Chester river to connect with the Queen Anne Railroad at Queenstown. Mr. Stokes was accompanied by Wilmer Emory, Esq., the man to whose tireless energy and splendid management the Queen Anne Railroad owes its existence. Mr. Stokes stated that he and Mr. Emory had completed a thorough survey of the field and that the new line could be put down as a certainty for the near future. "We propose," he said, "to put on a speedy steamer which will make the thirty miles run from Crumpton and intermediate points to Queenstown, in two hours and a half, connecting with trains and steamer at that place. If found necessary two round trips will be made each day for the convenience of passengers and freight. The fine trucking and fruit growing section of the upper Chester on the Queen Anne side of the river will be reached by stops at Deep Landing and Crumpton, while stops at Travillas and Buckingham will take in the fine grain and fruit producing sections in Kent above Chestertown. The idea is to open up and develop the splendid sections of country on either side of the river. The steamer will stop at Chestertown of course, and should necessity demand, some stops below that point will be made. Frankford's Bay will also be given the advantages of this daily schedule. The steamer will be speedy and give adequate accommodation for passengers." Mr. Stokes stated that all necessary arrangements have been completed with the Queen Anne Railroad Company, and it is proposed to have the new line in operation by the first of June. He examined the Burchinal wharf property and the county wharf in Chestertown but could not say positively just where the new steamer will stop. "We hope," Mr. Stokes said, "to build up, by the increased passenger and freight facilities and so increase and enlarge an undeveloped business that the success of the new enterprise will not be based upon an infringement upon the territory of any line already established. Kent and Queen Anne are two of as fine counties as I have ever seen anywhere and the business is in this new field only awaiting proper facilities to bring it into closer touch with markets and place its produce at the doors of consumers. The wharf on the Kent side of the river at Crumpton has been secured by the new company."

The new line will operate as a feeder, as it were, to the Queen Anne Railroad.

Mr. Emory stated that the branch road from Crumpton, touching Church Hill and other points, has not been abandoned, but will certainly not be pushed during the present unsettled condition of the country. "We will at least wait until the war is over," he said.

THESE ARE FORTUNATE.

A Few Farmers who Enjoyed or Will Enjoy War Prices for Grain.

In last week's issue a short list was given of those who are so fortunate as to still have wheat on hand. But there are others upon whom this rare good fortune has fallen. Mr. William T. Crow this week loaded at Black's station 1200 bushels of wheat which he had sold at a round $1.50 per bushel. He retains, it is stated, about 600 bushels as an experiment awaiting the $2.00 mark.

Mr. George Snitcher, has 1800 bushels in his granary and is enjoying visions of $2.00 per bushel.

Mr. Eugene M. Bonwell, of near Still Pond, who has two of the finest fields of wheat in the county, has refused an offer of $1.25 per bushel for his this year's crop.

William Bishop, of near Centreville, last week refused an offer of $1.50 per bushel for his crop of 2000 bushels of wheat.

A Galena farmer sold his wheat crop just before the war prices set in and lost just $2,500 by the transaction.

New Advertisements.

Harrison Jenkins advertises ice cream, water ice and frozen custard for sale by the plate, quart or gallon. Jenkins served an apprenticeship at this business under William Perkins, at one time one of the most noted restaurant and ice cream men on this peninsula. Jenkins is located at 342 Cannon street, Chestertown.

One of the most beautiful and at the same time inexpensive lines of goods suitable for Children's Day and general summer wear ever shown in Chestertown, will be found at Mrs. S. A. Hurlock's. The goods are charming and at delightfully dainty prices. Don't fail to call and examine.

In the advertising columns in this issue will be found a notice from a party wishing to purchase a Herford cow. See the advertisement for particulars.

Rev. Sam Jones has written and telegraphed that he will certainly be in Chestertown on Saturday, May 21st, to deliver his lecture. Those desiring seats will do well to secure tickets at once.

TERRIFIC RAIN AND HAIL STORM.

Thousands of Dollars Damage Done to Fruit, Grain and Vegetables in Different Sections of the County.

QUARTER POUND STONES FELL.

One of the most severe hail storms which has visited Kent since 1854, when hailstones as large as medium sized apples fell, and sheep, hogs and poultry were killed, swept over some sections of the county between four and six o'clock on Monday afternoon.

SEVERE AT CHESTERTOWN.

The threatening cloud swept down upon Chestertown from the northwest with a heavy wind which lightened as the downpour of rain increased, and was soon followed by hail. The stones varied from the size of a pea to that of a large walnut, the larger stones being oblong and flat rather than round.

The town was flooded, the waters were backed up over the sidewalks and in places were nearly up to the hubs of carriages in the middle of the street. But trifling damage was done, though several persons had thrilling experiences during the storm. Mr. Wilbur Eliason, possibly, was given the severest test. He was caught on the public road on the hill near the strawboard mill, and as he ascended the hill noticed a wagon directly opposite a large tree on the roadside. The next moment the tree was struck by lightning, the colored driver of the wagon fell as though killed and the team dashed off at a full run. The team was about twenty-five feet from the tree and Mr. Eliason was not more than one hundred feet off. Suffering from the severe pelting by the hail his horse sought shelter along the bank, and Mr. Eliason was forced to leave his carriage and brave the full force of the storm while holding his horse.

Miss Mary Hurtt, and Mrs. J. H. Hurtt, of Philadelphia, were caught out in the storm on their way from Buck Neck.

W. S. Elburn, an extensive trucker living on the Whaland place, near the strawboard mill, lost heavily. About 50,000 cabbage plants, tomato plants, strawberries, etc., were almost totally destroyed.

Mr. George W. Smith, Joseph Wheatley, and others who have fine gardens in town, suffered severe loss to their spring truck.

All of the glass in the hot house of C. B. Senart was broken and plants broken and destroyed.

The fusilade upon the stable of Mr. T. E. Hayes was so terrifying that the neighing and lunging of his horses in their fright was distressing.

A large tree was blown on the residence of Mr. Solomon Startt, near town, and a number of telephone poles in the same vicinity were blown down.

Mr. John Copper had his early truck considerably damaged.

Mr. John Bell, the fruit authority near town, reports many peaches cut from the trees and apple trees up-rooted.

Mr. Ray Bowers, his neighbor, says his fruit was badly cut, and his corn, which was just coming up, was broken down.

SCENES OF DEVASTATION.

It was in the lower section of the county that the great black clouds burst with greatest force and spread ruin in their track. On the Swan Point farm of R. D. Hynson, Esq., tenanted by Mr. Lonnie Stevens, a prosperous young farmer, the scene on Tuesday morning was one of devastation. On Monday afternoon before the storm, Mr. Stevens had one of the finest outlooks for wheat in the county; under fairly favorable conditions 4000 bushels were expected, but on Tuesday morning it lay spread in ruin. So flat was it that a cat could have been seen walking at any point in the fields, and the straw could be gathered up by the armful. Fruit was stripped from the trees and utter ruin was seen on every hand.

The wind was so great during the hailfall that great limbs were wrenched from trees in Mr. Steven's yard. The high wind accounts largely for the extent of the damage done.

Mr. Harry Willis, on the Bruff farm, on Swan Point, fared little if any better than did Mr. Stevens. His wheat was similarly beaten down, fruit stripped from the trees and a number of sheats in his field were killed by the hailstones which fell, weighing, it is estimated, nearly if not quite a quarter pound. Horses caught out in the field rushed to the house covered with lumps made by the hail as large as guinea eggs.

Mr. J. Harper Gale was forced to seek shelter, having been caught on the road. Seven telephone poles were splintered by lightning near his place.

NEAR ROCK HALL.

The clouds apparently lifted, and though the down-pour of rain at Rock Hall was very great, and an unusual quantity of hail fell, but trifling damage of a serious nature was done there. On the road, however, leading to Eastern Neck Island, the full fury of the storm was felt. Mr. R. W. Jones' field of fine wheat was beaten down and mutilated so that to-day he has not the promise of a half crop. Nearly if not quite all of the fruit was beaten from his trees. Every window pane on one side of his residence was shattered before shutters could be closed or other safeguards provided.

Mr. Sterling Jones, who had a most flattering outlook for crops, suffered even more severely than did his father.

Other farmers had their prospects blighted in the same neighborhood.

TERRIFIC AT EDESVILLE.

The prosperous little village of Edesville was sorely stricken. The great hail and rainstorm swooped down upon the town at about a quarter to five o'clock. Judge Burgess and Surveyor H. H. Gresham both state that the great flat hailstones, some of them weighing nearly a quarter of a pound, could be scooped up by the bushel. Some of the large stones, says Judge Burgess, would measure fully two or two and a half inches in length and were about one inch thick. About 300 window panes were smashed in the village. Mr. Burgess had 36 broken out, William Wagner 41, Mrs. Horace Willson 20, Walter Frances 26, and many others also suffered loss. The heaviest of the hailstorm lasted about fifteen or twenty minutes. Every body lost their vegetables, the ground under all fruit trees was covered with fallen fruit, grape vines were ruined, and the bark on apple trees was split and cut by the hail. Fortunately the wind was light. Mr. George Cosden informed his wife that that was the way balls fell when the Americans got after the Spaniards. Capt. Columbus Leary's wheat was badly cut. North of Rees' Corner the hail was light and did no damage. Mr. Romie Strong reports that though some of the hail at his place was as large as duck's eggs, the wind was slight and but trifling damage was done.

Mr. Frank Coleman's wheat crop was almost ruined.

IN BROAD NECK.

Mr. George Beck reports but slight damage to his wheat and but trifling injury to his fruit crop. Mr. Oregon Leary, living further down toward the path of the storm had his wheat cut off to the extent of one-fourth. His peaches were not only beaten from the trees, but in some instances the seeds of the fruit were split by the force of the hail.

SEVERE IN QUAKER NECK.

Next to Swan Point, the greatest severity of the storm was in Quaker Neck. At Cliff City the hail was very severe and did great damage, but it is probable that at no place was the destruction so complete as on the farm of Mr. Carville Maslin. This gentleman stated on Tuesday morning that his wheat was totally ruined. The stalks in one field were not only beaten down but were broken off. His clover field, which had a beautiful growth, presented on Tuesday a scene of winter barrenness. The leaves and buds had been beaten into the ground and only the stubs could be seen. About forty window panes were broken. Mr. Maslin made an effort during the severest of the hail fall to go to his garret to close the windows, but was forced to abandon his purpose by flying glass and hail. Great frozen balls as large as eggs dashed in the window clear across the room. Fortunately his peach orchard did not lay within the storm's path. The ground under his cherry and apple trees was completely covered with fallen fruit.

Messrs. Walter Trew, Bartus Trew, Henry Brown and others suffered heavily from injury to their wheat and fruit crops.

Mr. J. H. Baker said that while considerable hail fell at his place and in the vicinity of Pomona, he did not consider that the injury to either wheat or fruit would be very great. Some persons, he stated, were disposed to think that considerable damage had been done, but he was hopeful that their fears would not be realized. The hail at Quaker Neck wharf was heavy.

Mr. A. C. Loud exhibited peaches in Chestertown on Tuesday which were badly cut and bruised by the hail. Mr. John Bell, showed peaches similarly injured, while Mr. Spear, from Queen Anne, reports fruit badly cut in that section. Of course all of this damaged fruit—and there seems to be thousands of dollars worth of it throughout the county—will be lost to the farmers.

BARN STRUCK AT WORTON STATION.

Our Worton Station correspondent writes:

"During the terrible thunder-storm of Monday evening lightning struck the barn on Mr. Wm. Ivens' farm, tenanted by his son, Charles. At about 6 o'clock Worton and vicinity were startled by the report that Mr. Ivens' house was on fire. Men, women and children rushed to the scene but it was soon discovered that fortunately it was his stable instead of his home. Mr. Ivens and Mr. Harry Latham and wife, were standing in their kitchen when the lightning struck, and Mr. L. knowing that Mr. I's driving horse was in the end of the stable where the current struck, rushed out and cut the halter and led him out. By that time crowds had gathered around to help save the property. Harness, a carriage, and farming implements were saved, but wagon harness, about three tons of hay, a stack of fodder, ½ ton of fertilizer and 150 bushels of corn, together with all the buildings, etc., which Mr. Ivens estimates at about $800, were lost. No insurance.

IN MORGAN CREEK NECK.

Considerable damage was done in Morgan Creek Neck. Wheat crops were variously estimated to have been injured from one-third to one-half, and fruit seriously beaten from the trees. Mr. Nehemiah Clark's wheat was badly injured, window panes were broken in the residence of Mr. H. C. Powell, on the Wilmer place, and Mr. J. V. Crowding places his loss at one-third of his wheat crop.

At Lynchs, Still Pond, Massey's and Millington the rain storm was very heavy but no damage was suffered from hail.

The reports as given from different sections have been gathered from the most reliable sources possible and every effort has been made to avoid any unnecessary coloring of the effects of the storm. It is simply impossible at this time to compute in dollars and cents the loss to the agriculturists and fruit growers of the county, but considered in its most conservative light, thousands of dollars were swept away in about twenty minutes on Monday afternoon.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The funeral of William T. Matthews, on Friday, was largely attended and the floral tributes were of surpassing beauty.

The following resolutions of respect have been passed:

WHEREAS, in the dispensation of Divine Providence, it has pleased Almighty God to remove from our midst our beloved brother, William T. Matthews, a highly honored member and teacher of the M. E. Sabbath School, therefore, be it

Resolved, That by the death of brother Matthews, our Sabbath School has lost one of its most useful and zealous members; distinguished for his many excellent qualities, and, in his daily life, beautifully exemplifying the true principles of christianity.

Resolved, That we extend to the family of our deceased brother our sincerest sympathy in their sad bereavement.

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the M. E. Sabbath School, a copy be sent to the family of the deceased, and the same be published in the county papers.

Committee. { T. S. BORDLEY. JEANNETTE GOODING. EMMA F. DAVIS.

Chestertown M. E. S. S.

The following resolutions of respect were passed by Amicable Lodge No. 117, I. O. O. F.:

WHEREAS, it has pleased the Divine Disposer of our lives, to remove suddenly, from the scene of his active and useful labors, the soul of our esteemed and worthy brother, William T. Matthews, for many years a faithful, conscientious and active member of this Lodge,

Be it Resolved, That while his sudden death solemnly impresses us as fellow-members of the uncertainty of human life and the necessity of having our lamps filled and burning in preparation for the call of that mysterious visitor, yet we can but realize the serious loss the Lodge has sustained in being deprived of the fellow-ship of a brother, who so industriously and untiringly fulfilled all the obligations and requirements of the Lodge, while placing before us the example of a useful and enterprising citizen and an affectionate and ever-faithful husband and father,

Resolved, That we extend our sincere and heartfelt sympathy to the widow of our departed brother, while we endeavor to realize, to some extent, the depth of the sorrow which has been her portion and the bereaved orphans, who have been deprived of the protection of a devoted and careful father,

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the widow of our deceased brother, that they be spread upon the minutes of the lodge and published in the county papers.

Committee. { S. C. ROBERTS, H. M. WALLIS, CHAS. J. REICHE, FRANK M. MILLER, E. C. REICHE.

Many old soldiers now feel the effects of the hard service they endured during the war. Mr. Geo. S. Anderson, of Rossville, York county, Penn., who saw the hardest kind of service at the front, is now frequently troubled with rheumatism. "I had a severe attack lately," he says, "and procured a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It did so much good that I would like to know what you would charge me for one dozen bottles." Mr. Anderson wanted it both for his own use and to supply it to his friends and neighbors, as every family should have a bottle of it in their home, not only for rheumatism, but lame back, sprains, swellings, cuts, bruises and burns, for which it is unequalled. For sale by M. A. Toulson, Druggist, Chestertown, Md.

PLEASANT PROGRAMMES.

Christian Endeavorers and Epworth Leaguers hold Rallies.

The Junior Endeavorers of Christ M. P. Church, at their ralley on Sunday evening presented a programme which was above criticism. The little participants all did so well that we have no intention to make unpleasant comparisons or otherwise detract from the triumph achieved by the christian workers. The programme was opened by an organ voluntary by Miss Clara Usilton, followed by singing by the choir, prayer by the pastor, singing and the collection. Then the Juniors sang an inspiring chorus, "Bringing in Our Pennies," followed by recitations all charmingly rendered by Joseph Wheatley, Ralph McFeely, Ethel Price, Ollie Pennell, Mary Smith and Helen Gale. Recitation, Louise Urie; duette, Addie Hurlock and Annie Sappington; recitation, Marguerite Dodd; committee work, Adelaide Howard, Clara Kelley, Maud Kelley, Inez Russell, Daisy Chilcutt and Merlie Elburn; singing, James Bacchus, Dorothys Opinion, recitation, Rebecca Aldridge; recitation, Nellie's Gift, Edith Frazier; male quartette, Bordley Sappington, Gaylord Hurlock, Charlie Dodd and Clyde Maslin; beatitudes, Annie Sappington, Ethel Bacchus, Charlie Wheatley, William Wheatley, Maxwell Blakeney, Lynie Chilcutt, Norman Nelson, Augusta Aldridge and Nellie Nicholson; recitation, I Am Six Years Old To-day, Marguerite Dodd, duette, Edith Fallowfield and Eva Hurlock; recitation, What Can I Do? Elizabeth Russell; recitation, The Brave Little Missionary, Arthur Bacon; singing by the Junior band, closing with Mizpah Benedition.

THE EPWORTH LEAGUE.

A short but extremely pretty program was presented by the Epworth League on Sunday evening. The following was the program: Organ voluntary, Miss Anna G. Lambert; singing by the choir; congregational singing; prayer, Dr. Grise; chorus, 92; collection; singing, choir; report by Mr. Thomas; song by Junior League; Dr. Grise, subject, "Has the League a Right to Exist?" chorus, 168.

The following composed the choir: R. K. Pippin, leader; Mrs. Wm. A. Smith, Miss Minnie Peregoy, Miss Cora Hynson, Miss May Fallowfield, Mrs. Delma Dyott, Miss Sue Ford, Dr. A. S. Hall, M. W. Thomas, W. Lee Wheatley, George B. Twilley, Arlie Sparks, Charles Pippin, Walter Bennett.

CHURCH AND PEW.

Rock Hall continues her upward move and this year promises even a finer record than last. Coming! Coming! That is the news from Worton charge. Bro. Eilis is at the helm. You will hear from it soon.—*Peninsula Methodist.*

Church Hill has adopted a new financial plan for raising Church funds. Pastor and people are working in sweet harmony.

Next Sunday morning at 10.30, Rev. Father Miller will open a three day's retreat at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church. The retreat will continue three days with sermons morning and evening.

To-morrow (Ascension day) there will be service and Holy Communion at Emmanuel Church at 11 A. M.

First Presbyterian Church of Worton, Rev. K. M. Bull, pastor, Sunday School 10 A. M., song service and preaching at 8 P. M.

Grace Presbyterian Church of Kennedyville, Rev. K. M. Bull pastor, Sunday school 2. P. M., preaching 3 P. M.

Rev. Sam Jones has written and telegraphed that he will certainly be in Chestertown on Saturday, May 21st, to deliver his lecture. Those desiring seats will do well to secure tickets at once.

FROM WORTON.

We have had a very wet spring which has put the farmers greatly back in their work. Several farmers around here have their corn up. Mr. Daniel E. Jewell is among the lucky ones.

Worton Presbyterian Church is preparing for an elaborate program for their Children's Day.

Mr. Chas. Crowding met with bad luck one day last week. He had put ten dollars and a half in his pants pocket and hung them up and the next morning it was gone quite mysteriously.

Miss Daisy Crew and friend, Miss Nora Ray, of Baltimore, are visiting the former's parent's, Mr. and Mrs. Lewin Crew, near Worton.

Dogs made a raid on Mr. Geo. Venable's sheep last week and killed three and badly crippled seven.

Among the new wheelmen we see Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Stevens, Miss Florence Jewell, Messrs. Jos. Duyer, Jake Kiker and Page Hickman.

We hear that the ladies of the Union M. E. Church are contemplating holding a festival in the near future.

One of our young men is so worked up over the war that he has become poetical. One piece that he has composed is:

Only one flag in this world for me,
Only one flag to fight for liberty,
Only one flag that can make the Cubans free,
Only one flag that can make the Spaniards flee,
The stars and stripes are good enough for me,
Only one flag in this world for me

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Kennedyville, Md., March 15, 1898.
This is to certify, that I, Mrs. C. E. Shreeve, have been perfectly cured of Rheumatism after suffering 20 years, and feel like a new woman. I cannot speak high enough for it. I will recommend them to every one as it hastened me out of bed.
MRS. E. C. SHREEVE.

Kennedyville Station, Md., Feb. 27, 1898.
This is to certify, that I, Joseph J. Webb, have been greatly relieved and helped in two weeks from Rheumatism, which I have suffered for a number of years. I have been so that I could not dress or undress myself until I used one of the appliances. I can do either now as fast as I please. I wish to tell every one, as it is a wonderful cure.
JOSEPH J. WEBB.

Lynch's, Md., April 20, 1898.
This is to certify, that I, Mr. George Fowler, of Lynch's Station, have been wonderfully relieved from Kidney disease after suffering for 44 years. I have tried everything I could think of but found no relief until I tried one of the appliances. I can speak highly of it to every one as a wonder worker.
Yours resp.,
GEORGE FOWLER.

Lynch's, Md., March 28, 1898.
This is to certify, that I, Mrs. Rachel Copper, have been perfectly cured of heart trouble after suffering for a number of years, and I cannot speak high enough of the appliance, for it has brought me out. I will recommend it to every one.
MRS. RACHEL COPPER.

This is to certify, that I have worn one of the Electric Pads for indigestion and sick headache, and have not been troubled with either one since.
MRS. D. HILL,
Kennedyville, Md., April 26, 1898.

We have a number of other testimonials which will be published later. In addition to the above testimonials we refer you to Mrs. James Toulson, Lynch's; Mrs. Sallie McKnett, and Mrs. S. W. Webb, Kennedyville.