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LOCAL MATTERS.

Christmas Prices in Cuba.—The Christmas dinner in Havana de Cuba, was a luxury in which only a few Americans could, with comfort, indulge. Here are a few of the prices merely for comparison: Turkeys cost $6 apiece in town $18 in the suburbs, and were scarce at that. A chicken brought $17, eggs 5 cents apiece, bread 9 cents a pound, sirloin steak 65 cents a pound, cabbage 60 cents a head and lettuce 30 cents a bunch. Beer was 40 cents a pint and ice $20 a ton.

Benefit of Bankruptcy Law—Mr. Joseph Downey, a merchant of Rock Hall, made application in the United States District Court through his attorneys, Messrs. James P. Gorter and Hope H. Barroll, for the benefit of the bankruptcy act. The schedule of unsecured claims shows a total indebtedness of $7,622.93, among which is an individual note due the Chestertown National Bank for $1,200 and a note for $6,000 drawn to the order of Messrs. Dickey, Tansley & Co., North and Saratoga streets, Baltimore.

For Illegal Dredging.—Illegal dredgers have been sampling the Chester river oyster beds. Capts. Stevens and Crouch arrested Capt. Thomas Gibbons, of the schooner Lawrence F. Corbett, charged with dredging in Chester river. Held by Justice Beck, of Rock Hall, for the action of court. Capt. Gibbons was fined $50 by Justice Beck for having a rifle on board contrary to law. Gibbons took an appeal. Capt. Stevens also arrested Capt. Fred. Walters, of the schooner Martha A. Jones, charged with dredging in Chester river. Held for court.

General Miller at Manila.—General Miller, who is in command of the American forces at Iloilo, Island of Penay, of the Philippine group, is the father-in-law of Lieut. Morris K. Barroll, a brother of Hope H. Barroll, Esq., and formerly of Chestertown. The American forces are daily expecting a battle and already the fight may have taken place. The insurgents have defeated the Spaniards and are in possession of the town and refuse to allow General Miller's forces to enter the city. Lieut. Barroll is in command of artillery, and in the event of a battle will be in the advance line of the conflict. Iloilo is a town of 7,500 population, about 350 miles from Manila.

Was It Suicide?—Mr. Allen Biggs died under distressing circumstances at Georgetown last week. Mrs. S. A. Biggs keeps a small general store at Georgetown, and Mr. Biggs, her brother-in-law clerked for her. He complained of feelin drowsy and asked Mrs. Biggs to get him a drink of whiskey; she told him to keep quiet and she would try to get him some, but uppn looking around a few moments later the unfortunate man was dead. Four empty laudanum bottles were found and the idea of suicide is entertained by many. Coroner George R. Rouse was summoned but after hearing the report of Dr. Scott, the physician, deemed an inquest unnecessary. Mr. Biggs was about forty-five years of age and unmarried.

A Grand Success—The correspondent of the Transcript at Galena writes: The supper and festival announced in your paper for Dec. 29, 30 and 31, benefit of St. Denis Church, Rev. Miles J. McManus rector, was a grand success. The gross receipts aggregated over three hundred dollars. The contests were most interesting. R. T. Cochran, Jr., of Galena, was successful in the contest for the splendid carriage robe, turning in over $50. Miss Blanche Sutton, of Locust Grove, winning the lady's silver watch, turned in $32.50. Her competitor, Miss Lillie Cohee, of Fredericktown, turned in $31.25. The fruit cake contest was won by Miss Katie Bradley, who turned in $13. Miss Ethel Crisfield, of Locust Grove, turned in $11.25. The music box was won by Mr. Anton, of Galena.

Enlarging Their Plant.—Messrs. Crane & Trenchard Brothers, are making extensive improvements to their Scott's Point basket plant. They now have under roof a new building 50x20 feet which will contain two offices, a nail room and tool room on the first floor, and will accommodate thirty-five basket-makers on the second floor. The entire building will be heated by steam. A building 38x80 feet for storage is also under construction. It will be two stories and have a capacity of 300,000 baskets. A new track for a railway is being built from the mill terminating on the interior of the building. This addition will give a total storage capacity of 400,000 baskets for the mill. Mr. Crane stated to a Transcript reporter that the mill will be started up for the winter within a short time and orders are already in hand sufficient to give steady work for a year.

Forewarned - Forearmed. — The Transcript gives timely warning to housewives and farmers that two new but clever swindlers are operating in the Eastern shore counties, so keep a sharp lookout. One fellow cleans sewing machines for 50 cents and then finds broken wheels and appliances which need repair. Of course, he is the one who causes the bad condition of the machine by exchanging the several parts. If anyone stands watching him, he will send the person for oil, rags, etc. He charges exorbitant prices for his work. Farmers and fruit growers are being made the prey of some schemers who pretend to have a wonderful apple tree, which is sold for a big price, and is described as bearing Asiatic fruit which never rots, but simply shrivels up and could at any time be soaked in warm water and it returns to its original shape, color and flavor. It is claimed that the trees are forest trees, yielding abundant shade, require no cultivation, and that the fruit is all of the same size and shape.

Peninsula Horticultural Society.—The twelfth annual meeting of the Peninsula Horticultural Society will be held in Smyrna, Delaware, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, January 11th, 12th and 13th. Capt. R. S. Emory is vice-president of the society, and Mr. James S. Harris, the Kent county vice-president. Mr. Harris is also a member of the executive committee, and will make the responce to the address of welcome to be delivered by Hon. J. H. Hoffecker, congressman-elect from Delaware. Mr. Harris will discuss the question of "Packages and Implements" at the morning session on Thursday, and at the evening session Capt. Emory will give an exhaustive account of the splendid work he has done in combatting the San Jose Scale. This will be one of the features of the session. Capt. Emory will also make the report for the committee on legislation. Reduced railroad rates may be gotten by addressing the secretary, Wesley Webb, Dover, Delaware. The hotels of Smyrna have made the very low rate of $1.00 per day to visitors. Every fruit-grower should try to attend ese meetings.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

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

*‡*Mr. Tracy has connected his room in the voshell House with his office at the electric light plant, by a telephone.

† Betterton has a cigar manufacturer in the person of Mr. Harry Gough. He is unable to fill all the orders coming in.

† Mr. H. E. Cooper, of Worton, states that the report that he is to discontinue business is a mistake. Mr. Cooper says that he has no such idea

† Mr. H. Meeteer Wallis received information on Tuesday that his mother, who is visiting her son in Philadelphia, had fallen and broken her arm.

† Commissioners Joseph R. Usilton and T. J. Fletcher were sick with the grip on Tuesday, and were not present at the meeting of the commissioners' board.

† The snow was so badly banked in the road from the Merritt farm to Locust Grove that all drivers of teams were forced into the adjoining fields on Tuesday.

† Mr. S. Frank Smith while sleighing on Monday turned his horse too suddenly, the sleigh was overturned and Mr. Smith was thrown out and dragged for some distance.

† Postmaster Wheatley states that the rush of mails at the Chestertown postoffice was greater this Christmas than ever before within the history of the office.

A Crumpton gentleman found in his stocking on Christmas morning "a crisp new one hundred dollar bill," and a young lady a gold pin, a family relic many years old.

† Mr. Joseph B. Boyd on Tuesday qualified as magistrate in and for the second precint, first district, at Galena. Mr. W. A. Whitaker was appointed last year but did not qualify.

‡ Mr. Robert Moffett has sold his fine 5-year-old Alcantell mare to Mr. J. V. Crowding for $200. This mare can make 2.45 with ease and gives promise of greater speed with proper care.

‡ Mr. Brown, the Chestertown lamp lighter on Sunday evening lost his purse containing eleven dollars. Mr. Brown had set it aside out of his hard-earned salary to pay his rent on the following day.

‡ Monday morning was a local record-breaker. The themometers registered in Chestertown from 2° to 6° above zero. On Friday afternoon the mercury stood at 62°, or two degrees above temperate.

‡ A merchant states that to his positive knowledge, one Christmas circular of the handsome illustrated kind printed by the Transcript paid him forty dollars. Who says that the Transcript's printer's ink doesn't pay?

† The directors of the Kent County Savings bank on Tuesday declared a semi-annual dividend of three per cent., clear of taxes, on the capital stock of the bank and carried $580 to undivided profits.

† The directors of the Second National Bank of Chestertown at their meeting yesterday declared a semi-annual dividend of three per cent, payable January 10th, $1,500, Premiums charged off U. S. Bonds, $1300—carried to surplus, $1,000.

† Chestertown's Chinese laundryman presented Mr. M. A. Toulson with a novel Christmas present in the form of a tree made entirely of wire. The little gift represented a great deal of work, is a novelty, and looks strikingly like a tree denuded of foliage.

† Licenses of marriage were issued to 157 couples during last year, 85 white and 72 colored. During 1897 but 146 licenses were issued—68 to white and 78 to colored couples. The first license issued this year (1899) was issued on Tuesday to Samuel T. Caldwell and Miss Emma Stradley.

† Arrangements have been made to have Rev. Thomas H. Dixon, D. D., of the People's Church, New York, deliver a lecture in Stam's Hall during the present winter. Mr. Dixon is one of the most striking personalities in the American pulpit, and his lecture, "Backbone," is his strongest production.

† The steam barge Harry was cut through by the ice and sunk off Pooles Island on Monday afternoon. Two of the crew were in an open boat all of Monday night and nearly perished. The Anthony Groves was caught in the ice at Betterton and broke her propeller wheel in trying to break her way out. She was helpless and was towed into Baltimore for repairs on Monday evening. Her crew and twelve passengers welcomed the New Year while their steamer was jammed in the ice.

KENNEDYVILLE NEWS.

Christmas week was a season of pleasure and enjoyment for the young folks in and around the village. A masquerade party was given at the residence of Mr. John Medders on Wednesday evening, and a delightful Ribbon Social was held at the country home of Mr. Thomas Redmile on Thursday evening, while on Friday evening the C. E. Society gave a very pleasant social surprise at the M. P. parsonage, which was much enjoyed by both young and old.

Miss Nellie Barwick, Miss Clara VanDyke, Messrs. George Medders, Frank and Walter Hill were all home during the holiday.

Mr. S. H. McKnett left on Wednesday of last week for Palatka, Florida, where he will engage with his brother in the mercantile business.

Miss May Sanders, of Greensboro', is visiting her brother, Mr. W. E. Sanders.

Mrs. Emma Jarrell and children have returned from a pleasant visit in Philadelphia and Camden.

Mrs. Emma Shafer and daughter, Miss Anna, returned last Saturday from a visit with relatives in Baltimore. Mr. Shafer extended his visit to relatives in Pennsylvania.

Mr. Samuel W. Webb, whose hand was so terribly crushed by the elevator chain of a corn sheller a few weeks ago, has had the member amputated above the wrist, and is doing as well as could be expected. He is expected home in about three or four weeks.

Mr. Harvey C. Meredith, who for some time has resided in Baltimore, has moved with his family to our village, where he will make his future home.

Mr. W. E. Sanders has been in Baltimore and Philadelphia this week purchasing goods for the new firm of W. E. Sanders & Co., the one-price cash merchants. It is stated that the firm will conduct a modern, up-to-date business, and doubtless will offer many advantages to the public generally.

The mercury was down to 4° on Monday morning. Hugo.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Guy Brothers' Minstrels to Appear Next Week

No show ever in Chestertown is more pleasantly remembered than is Guy Brothers' minstrels. Their work is of the finest order, and their show clean and interesting. Guy Brothers will appear in Stam's Hall on next Wednesday evening, Jan. 11th.

IN THE CHURCHES.

A full house was well entertained by the Christmas exercises at Grace Presbyterian Church, Kennedyville, Tuesday night, December 27. The programme was appropriate and pleasing. Each member of the Sunday-school received a box of candy and an orange. The presentation of a handsome Morris chair by the people to their pastor, Rev. K. M. Bull, was a very happy feature of the evening.

On Thursday night, December 29, appropriate Christmas services were held in Worton Presbyterian Church. The members of the Sunday-school took part in the services and each received a box of candy.

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

First Presbyterian Church of Worton, Rev. K. M. Bull, pastor. Song service and preaching at 7 P. M. Morning services discontinued.

The Middletown Transcript says that perhaps the cutest Christmas tree in Middletown, was the one in honor of Miss Barnard, the six-months'-old daughter of Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Barnard. It was prettily trimmed and pleased the young lady exactly. Monday being the birthday anniversary of her mother, in answer to inquries she chose her name, it not having been previously decided upon and only her parents knowing what it might be. A few friends were invited in and Miss Barnard became Miss Helen Covington Barnard, the name of her maternal grandmother. Little Miss Barnard is the grand-daughter of Mr. Geo. W. Covington, of Still Pond.

Mr. James Mulford, of Galena, and Mrs. Thornley, of near Sassafras, were married at the Galena parsonage on Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Mulford will occupy the Hyland house, Galena.

Prof. A. B. Burris was the guest of Mr. McDorman, in Wicomico county, during the Christmas holiday, and succeeded in bagging over fifty partridges.

Mr. Thomas G. Baxter, a former student of Washington College, has been nominated by the Delaware democrats for the position of Reading Clerk of the House of Representatives.

The Northern Convocation of the Diocese of Easton, will meet at Trinity Church, Elkton, on January 10th, 11th and 12th, Right Rev. William Forbes Adams, D. D., ex-officio president; Rev. G. B. Cooke, dean; Rev. Wm. Schoulder, rector. The session's program will be as follows: Tuesday, Jan. 10th, at 7:30 p. m., evening prayer, subject, "Extension of the Kingdom of God in the Parish, Diocese, and Beyond the Diocese;" speakers, Rev. Thos. Duncan, D. E., and Revs. H. B. Phelps and A. M. Rich. Wednesday, Jan. 11th, at 10:30 a. m., sermon by the Rev. H. B. Phelps, alternate Rev. A. M. Rich. Administration of the Holy Communion, at 7:30 p. m. evening prayer, subject, "The Church's Duty to the Rising Generation;" speakers, Revs. C. T. Denroche, Albert Ware and Samuel Edson. Thusaday, Jan. 12th. at 10:30 a. m., morning prayer and sermon by Rev. Albert Ware, alternate Rev. S. C. Roberts, D. D. At 7:30 p. m., evening prayer, subject, "Our Epiphany Gifts of Christ;" speakers, Revs. S. C. Roberts, D. D., A. M. Rich and C. T. Denroche.

Dr. C. A. Grise held an impressive and interesting watch-night service to watch the Old Year out and the New Year in.

Revival services began in the M. E. Church last Sunday night. Services every night in the week. The Evangelist may be expected any night. Those services have postponed the reading circle meeting until Saturday night.

Annual election of officers and teachers took place in the M. E. Sunday School last Sunday afternoon, when the following were elected: Superintendent—W. B. Copper; Assistant Superintendents—M. W. Thomas and Miss Nettie Gooding; Superintendent of Infant Room—Miss Idel Baker, with Miss May Fallowfield, assistant; Secretary—Harry Hodgskin; Treasurer—George Perkins; Librarian—Walter Bennett, with Charles Pippin, assistant; Organist—Miss Annie G. Lambert, with G. T. Musselman and Miss Belle Smith, assistants; Chorister—R. S. Thomas, with Mrs. Ollie Sparks, assistant. All the junior teachers were re-elected, and the list was swelled by electing Dr. Hall, M. E. Grise, Miss Mamie Barnes, and Miss Estella Simmons. The reports indicated that the school is in a flourishing condition and the finances up.

REMOVALS IN TOWN-COUNTY.

Where Some of Your Friends Will Spend the Present Year.

Wm. T. H. Whiteley has removed in the Hyland house, on Cannon street, Mr. H. Hyland going to Delaware City; house from which Mr. Whitely moved not rented; J. Duyer goes into the house adjoining Commissioner G. W. Hatcherson, Mr. Dawson removing to Wilmington; Lawrence Duyer will remove to the keeper's house at Chester bridge, Mr. Bradley removing to the Shaw house on Cannon street; G. B. Westcott takes the old Westcott homestead, on Court street, Wm. Ford going to the Ireland house, owned by Mrs. Kelley, on Maple avenue; Mrs. Ireland removes to her newly-purchased house, adjoining Dr. Hines; R. H. Collins goes to the new Chase house, on Princess street, opposite J. T. Dixon; Butcher J. L. Lewis has removed to Edesville, the new merchant adjoining J. H. Simpers succeeding Mr. Lewis; Miss E. G. Marshall vacated the Eliason store room and rents parlors in Mrs. Cahall's house near Mrs. Hurlock; Mrs. Fallowfield takes the Crow-Gleaves house up town; Stewart Matthews removes to the house vacated by Mrs. Fallowfield; Mrs. Sheats moves from the Gleaves to the Eliason house vacated by Mr. Matthews; Mrs. Walraven will remove to her house, on High street, Mr. Bacon going to his farm in Worton; O. B. Knight will remove to the Rockwell or Simpers house; G. H. Thomas will take the Mill street house vacated by Mr. Knight; Dr. Emerson will remove to the house vacated by G. B. Westcott; Charles Embert has removed to the Blackwell property up town; Mrs. Copper moves into the Dodd house, occupied by Dr. Wm. Houston; Prof. L. J. Smyth taking the Copper house, adjoining W. B. Usilton; Charles Copper took the house vacated by Embert; Charles Roland moved to Wilmington; E. C. Reiche occupies the Eliason house, Spring avenue, and Mr. W. F. Russell occupies the Simpers house, Spring avenue.

The following removals about Mellitota are reported: Alonzo Kennard has rented the store kept by Ezekiel Fowler in Mellitota, and will open a meat shop there; Mr. Fowler goes on Wm. Kay's farm, the latter removing to Philadelphia; William Willis, and father, Thos. J., have moved to their farm; Romie Skirven has gone to Mrs. A. Bacon's Stevens farm and occupies the brand new house; Samuel Moffett on James Brice's Wilmer farm in Morgnec; George Bacon, clerk in Lofland's butcher shop, Chestertown, removes to his farm occupied by Harry Taylor, the latter goes with his mother near St. James' Church.

In Quaker Neck the following removals are reported: Bedford Titter moves to the old home farm of the late Comegys Brown; Philip Dickerson moves to the place he traded with his brother up by Philips creek; John Dickerson moves into his new house on Philips creek; Robt. Kirby moves into the J. P. Decorse house; J. Henry Porter moves on his 12-acre place, heretofore occupied by Kirby; W. P. Woodmender takes Porter's farm on Lankford's Bay; Frank Morris moves on the Hill farm occupied by Woodmender.

THE SOCIAL WHIRL.

An Old-Time Christmas Season of Social Pleasures and Jollity.

The Christmas season of 1898 and the New Year of 1899 have been seasons of unusual social pleasure in Kent. The most elaborate, and certainly one of the most pleasant events of the week, was the annual Christmas ball in Stam's Hall on Thursday evening. The hall was beautifully decorated with graceful festoons of evergreen, while the rich light from many lamps sifted through shades of a deep red gave a mellow glow and charm to the scene of animation and beauty. Four pieces of Weber's orchestra furnished as delightful music as was ever heard in the hall. The youth and beauty of Kent and Queen Anne counties honored the occasion, and it may be safely said that no more delightful dance has ever been given in Chestertown. At 12 o'clock midnight a tempting lunch of sandwiches, coffee and chocolate was daintily served by Mrs. J. Cordray Loud, Chestertown's new but eminently successful restauranteur. Among those present were:

Baltimore—Mrs. Dr. Gardner, Misses Edith Sprigg, Rosamond McGraw, Ethel Wright and Marie Westcott.
Church Hill—Misses Virgie Porter, Sallie Finley, Agnes Green, Anna Trenchard, Nellie Valliant, Helen Brown.
Millington—Misses Nan and Eva Comegys, Mary Hazell.
Still Pond—Misses Rebecca and Mattie Hepbron.
Easton—Miss Lelia Wooters.
Edesville—The Misses Strong, Annie Willson, Louise Price, Mrs. Dr. W. O. Selby.
Newark, Del.—Miss Pie.
Quaker Neck—Miss Maslin.
Florida—Miss England.
Chestertown and other towns of the State—Misses Mary, Sallie and Isabel Beck, Sophia Beck, Nannie and Annie Brice, Minnie Massey, Helen and Amye Shaw, Ettie Maslin, Beulah Hayes, Sara Gemmill, Olevia Wilkins, Hallie Westcott, Mrs. R. D. Hynson, Mrs. A. J. Hynson, Mrs. J. D. Welch, Mrs. W. F. Hines, Mrs. J. A. Pearce, Mrs. Hallie Goodin, Mrs. B. N. S. Wilkins; Messrs. C. and P. Comegys, Wm. Hepbron, Henry Brown, Ellwood and Page Strong, Bedford Dudley, Wm. Brierly, Edwin Valiant, James Earle, Palmer Keating, Wm. Earl, R. D. Hynson, W. W. Beck, Lewin W. Wickes, Wm. Bell, Frank and Harry Simpers, Horace Constable, Jos. Brice, Sam'l and Turbert Greenwood, Geo. Vickers, Arthur Bradley, Gordon Gilpin, Guy Groff, Ambrose Carroll, Henry Deaver, Thomas and Eben Perkins, Dr. C. P. Gilpin, Dr. W. F. Hines, and others.

One of the most charming social functions enjoyed in Chestertown in years was a Progressive Character Party given by Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur W. Hubbard, at their beautiful home on Washington avenue, on Friday evening. The plan of the entertainment was all the more delightful because of its newness. Seven tables were arranged, on each of which were the likenesses of men prominent in literature, war and statesmanship. Each picture was numbered, and on dainty cards on each table were corresponding numbers. A tiny pencil, tied with pink ribbon, was attached to each card. The parties at table No. 1 were given a limited time to recognize and put down the names of the persons represented by the cards on that table. Then the hostess rang a silver bell and the occupants of each table passed to another table, until the list was completed. This through, Mrs. Hubbard read the correct list of names; for instance, No. 1 Admiral Dewey; 23, Prince of Wales; 33, Robert Browning; 52, Weir Mitchell, etc. Two prizes were offered, one to the lady and one to the gentleman getting the greatest number correct. Mrs. Morrison won the ladies' prize, a bunch of beautiful bride roses; and Mr. Hopper the gentleman's prize, a very pretty silver shaving brush. Following this portion of the evening's pleasures a course supper of terrapin, salads, coffee and confectionery was served. Those present were Judge and Mrs. Jas. A. Pearce, Prof. and Mrs. J. R. Micou, and their guest, Mrs. Morrison, of Virginia; Mr. and Mrs. Hope H. Barroll, Dr. and Mrs. W. F. Hines, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Collins, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hopper, Mrs. Hallie Goodin, Mrs. H. M. Brown, Mrs. Rich'd D. Hynson and Mrs. Allan A. Harris.

Miss Sophia Beck entertained at a terrapin supper in honor of her friend, Miss Wooters, of Easton, on Friday evening. Dancing was enjoyed during the evening. Among those present were Miss Wooters, of Easton; Miss Ethel Wright, of Baltimore; Mr. and Mrs. John D. Welch, Misses Nannie and Annie Brice, Marie Westcott and Emma Beck; Messrs. P. B. Hollis, Robert Shaw, Geo. Vickers, Frank Simpers, Arthur Bradley, Joseph Brice, Horace Constable and Thomas Massey.

Misses Cora Emory and Jennie Hines entertained a number of friends most pleasantly at their Front street home on Tuesday evening. Among those present were Misses Mary Rogers, Adele France, Grace Wilkins, Olevia Wilkins and sister, Sallie and Isabel Beck; Messrs. Wilbur, Eldridge and John Eliason, Geo. and Harrison Vickers, M. deK. Smith, Jr., and W. Frank Hines, Jr.

A dance will be given in Edesville hall this Thursday evening. The committee are Messrs. W. B. Strong, John Brice, Jr., J. T. DeCorse and Eugene Willson. Dancing at 8.30.

Mrs. W. B. Copper entertained her Sunday-school class most pleasantly on Wednesday evening. The flow of enjoyment was unrestrained until the wee sma' hours. Among those present were: Mrs. John S. Vandegrift, Misses Lillie and May Crow, May Fallowfield, Palmer Carroll, Anna Cosden, Flora Wheatley, Messrs. George B. Twilley, Walter Bennett, Herbert Pennington, Harry Fallowfield, Robert and Charles McWhorter, Harry Hodgkin and Harry Taylor.

Little Miss Nellie McWhorter entertained her friends on Thursday evening in honor of her guest, little Miss Marian Tucker. Miss Nellie was a dainty hostess and the occasion was a brilliant success. Among those present were: Frank and Etta Jarman, Anna and Blackiston Wroth, Donald and Lillian Stam, Paul, Nellie and Preston Jones, Edith Frasier and Raymond Moody.

In spite of snow, the entertainment given by Mr. M. W. Thomas to the Epworth League cabinet and friends, on Saturday evening, was fully enjoyed. Mr. Thomas is president of the League. Those present were: Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Grise, Mrs. C. M. Lucas, Mrs. Marcie Burchinal, Mrs. Wm. B. Copper, Mrs. J. R. Blements, Misses Fannie and Bessie Stuart, Annie G. Lambert, Lillie Bramble, Mary, Julia and Anna Burchinal, Cora Massey, Palmer Carroll, Messrs. R. S. Thomas, George Perkins and others.

Mrs. John S. Vandegrift held a reception at her home on Friday evening. Among her guests were: Mrs. Chas. S. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Copper, Misses Annie and Sue Lambert, May Fallowfield, Carrie Reiche, Josephine and Clara Thompson, Messrs. John Toulson, Geo. B. Twilley, Eugene Lucas, Harry Hodgkin, Harry Taylor, Robert and Charles McWhorter.

Miss Amye Shaw on Saturday evening gave a delightful New Year's card party.

Mr. Josiah Massey entertained a number of friend at a terrapin supper on Tuesday evening.

How to Prevent Pneumonia.

You are perhaps aware that pneumonia always results from a cold or from an attack of la grippe. During the epidemic of la grippe a few years ago when so many cases resulted in pneumonia, it was observed that the attack was never followed by that disease when Chamberlain's Cough Remedy was used. It counteracts any tendency of a cold or la grippe to result in that dangerous disease. It is the best remedy in the world for bad colds and la grippe. Every bottle warranted. For sale by M. A. Toulson, druggist.

Subscription to the Transcript $100 per year.

WITH THE SPORTSMEN.

Fun Over the Traps—A Carnival on the Snow.

An old-time, live-bird shooting-match took place at Meginnis, on Thursday, when 200 pigeons were thrown from the traps. It was a battle royal between Crumpton crack-shots, represented by Messrs. Robert and Jerry Goodwin, and Sudlersville, with Commissioner John E. George as one of its champions. There were three traps, thirty yards rise and fifty yards limit, double shots. Mr. Robert Godwin won first money, Mr. Louis Booker second, and Mr. Jerry Godwin third. Mr. George failed to make a strong score, though Col. Sam Wallen says, he had the advantage of smokeless powder, and a fine gun. Col. Sam says, with single shots and smokeless powder, he can beat the crowd. It was a great day at Meginnis and a crowd of sportsmen were present.

A live-pigeon shooting-match will take place at Galena to-day for a set of harness. Between seventy-five and one hundred birds will be thrown from the traps, and some of the crack-shots of the county will participate.

Whenever Capt. George Tarbutton is ashore, Galena is assured of being kept awake. Capt. Tarbutton last week had his annual cob round-up. He measured off 100 yards, placed cobs one yard apart and offered a dollar to any one who would pick the cobs up one at a time and place them in a basket at the end of the row. Edward Cannan undertook the task and completed it in just 57 minutes, having walked and run over five miles to accomplish the feat. Phil Ireland won the money last year in 58 minutes.

Capt. Tarbutton has also had the Galena boys diving into a tub of water trying to fish up nickles from the bottom with their teeth. It is stated that some of the boys have worked so industriously to capture the captain's coin that they have bills like mosquitoes, with hooks on the end.

Not for five years past have Chestertown owners of fine horses enjoyed such sport as was afforded by the snow of the present week. On Monday and Tuesday sleighing on High street was very fine, though it was somewhat worn out on Tuesday afternoon. In addition to the Chestertown sleighers, a number from the country came in, and some fine contests of speed took place. Who led the procession? Well, T. E. Hayes was chief of the procession, with Samuel Hicks a good second, and may be best of the two had they met in a contest. Both of these gentlemen have as fine teams as can be found on the Eastern Shore. James G. Beck's nag was a paralyzer for ugliness, but when he settled down to work with a reach of about forty feet, he was no slouch, and sometimes took the pole and threw snow in the eyes of the best of them. J. K. Aldridge's new black is as fine as the finest and gave some splendid bursts of speed. J. H. O. Stokes came in town with one of the best on the track. Though never before to a sleigh, the animal was one of the most generally admired horses of the bunch. Then too, P. G. Wilmer set up fast company for the leaders, and had a good one. Burt De Corse, as usual, had one of the best, but was not fast enough for the Hayes-Hicks procession. M. W. Thomas was one of the gay deceivers of the occasion, and his nag blew his breath near enough in the rear of the good ones to keep the drivers' ears from becoming frost-bitten. W. W. Hubbard's black and T. G. Wroth's bay did some good work and were close seconds to the best of the procession.

George W. Hatcherson pulled the reins over a good one and sent the mercury up to the hundred mark when he bunched up with the boys. George Vickers got some excellent work from his gray. C. S. Hurlock did some fine driving. M. deK. Smith had one of the best on the track, and kept his weather eye on Mr. Hicks and would accept no slow company.

Among others who enjoyed the sport were: Dr. W. F. Hines, R. D. Hynson, J. H. Hurtt, George S. Biddle, W. G. Smyth, Herbert Lusby, Mr. Benton, S. Constable, T. W. Trew, Eldridge Eliason, Meeteer Wallis, Mr. Erskine, Hope H. Barroll, William Usilton and others.

Among the lady drivers were: Mrs. Hope H. Barroll, Miss Irma Eliason, Miss Katie Smith, and Miss Clare Vannort, than whom there was no more expert driver on the snow Miss Beulah Hayes and others.

There were some notable absentees in the trotting list. A. J. Hynson and the trim little Sailor Girl, Col. W. J. Vannort and his sterling little grey; H. M. Brown was out with a good one, but Mr. Brown in a sleighing carnival without the magnificent Dexter, is like a political campaign without candidates—there is something lacking. Dr. G. Allen Jarman and Alcantell were absent, and Black Smuggler only jogged down the course with the ribbons in the hands of his new owner, Dr. C. R. Twilley, in striking contrast to his splendid work in the hands of the late Dr. T. H. Cooper, He was in no condition for fast work. That veteran horseman, William Stephens, and Grover C., one of the best horses Kent ever produced, were missed. It was impossible to keep from missing these brilliant lights of the track of a few years ago. John Startt, too, who can come as near getting speed out of a back-log as any man who lives, was not seen in the gay throng. George Stevens, the former owner of the incomparable Victor B., jogged over the track in his buggy and left town. William McKee, always on hand in the past, was absent, though Maryland Russell would have done credit to the best company on the course.

MARRIED.

CREW—ATWELL.—Miss Anna Elizabeth Atwell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Atwell, and Mr. Alfred A. Crew, were married at the home of the bride's parents, near Still Pond, on Tuesday evening.

SMITH—RINGGOLD.—Mr. Joel H. Smith and Miss Harmeline Ringgold were married on Tuesday evening, at St. Paul's rectory by Rev. C. T. Denroche The bride is a daughter of the late Thomas Ringgold. After the ceremony the happy couple were tendered a wedding supper by Mrs. Denroche, a sister of the bride.

KENSEY—BIGGERS.—Mr. Harry Kensey, of Lynch's, and Miss May Biggers, of near Chestertown, were married at the St. James parsonage last Wednesday evening by Rev. E. C. Makoskey.

DIED.

GOUGH—Mrs. Pearl Gough, wife of Harry Gough, died at Betterton on Saturday afternoon, aged 23 years A husband, and infant boy, several days old, survive her. Mrs. Gough was of Baltimore and a most estimable lady.

PENNINGTON—Mr. R. O. Pennington died at his home in Fredericktown on Thursday at 10 o'clock, aged 63 years. Mr. Pennington kept hotel for years in Galena, and was one of the most widely known hotel men on the Eastern shore. He leaves a wife and six children. Interment in Galena cemetery. Bearers were: Capt Woolley, J. P. Cochran, H. C. Gray, Capt. Cohee, Capt. Nat. Scotten and James Woodall.

PENNINGTON—Little Alice Pennington, the 9 year-old daughter of Mr. John Pennington, died at her home in Galena on Thursday. Alice was one of the brightest and most lovable children in the village, and took a conspicuous part in the closing exercises of her school for the Christmas holiday.

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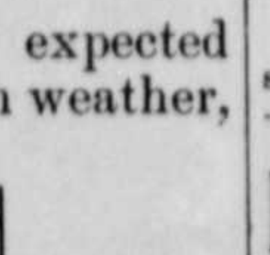
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