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LOCAL MATTERS.

No Institute.—The Farmers' Institutes booked for Kennedyville on Friday and Saturday last did not take place because of the storm. Director Amoss and his speakers did not arrive, and too, the audiences were absent. It is supposed that the sessions will be held at some date early in the spring.

A Painful Wound—Mr. George Brice met with a painful but not serious accident on Saturday. While handling a cartrifle cartridge the apparently harmless bit of metal was accidently discharged, the small ball taking effect in the fleshy portion of the hand. The wound has been extremely painful, and kept Mr. Brice confined to the house all of the following day.

Case to Come Up To-day.—Messrs. Greenwood, Cosden and Bramble, summoned last week as witnesses in the $10,000 damage case against the Tolchester Company, left for Baltimore yesterday to testify, the case having been set for to-day. It seems that the man drowned walked off the wharf, and though every possible effort was made to rescue him they were unavailing. Suit is brought by the relatives claiming negligence on the part of the company.

Work Delayed.—Messrs. Wright and Tracey on Monday morning commenced vigorous operations in wiring and other preliminary work in getting ready to turn the electric lights on the streets of Chestertown. The contract with the town calls for a completion of the work by March 1st, but the great storm rendered a strict fulfillment of the contract impossible. It is stated, however, that unless something entirely unexpected occurs, the new illuminating system will be in operation by March 3rd or 4th.

Sale of Real Estate.—Mr. Edward J. Kennard was in town on Saturday perfecting the necessary papers for the transfer of the Rock Point farm belonging to Mr. Edward J. Plummer, recently sold to the Metropolitan Bank, of Baltimore. This is the farm on which the great Hyer—Sullivan prize fight took place in 1849, and is one of the most beautiful situations on the Chesapeake. Ex-Sheriff Plummer is now conducting an eating house on one of the prominent driveways on the suburbs of Baltimore

Won $5,000 Suit.—Col. James P. Trainor, at present located in Chestertown, last week received a telegram from his attorneys in Philadelphia, stating that he had won in a $5,000 suit before the Pennsylvania court of appeals. This suit was on a note given by Col. Trainor. He claims that by some fraudulent transactions much valuable property was sacrificed. He brought suit and lost in the lower court but in the Appellate court the lower tribunal was reversed. Other suits, it is expected, will result from this decision.

Heptasophs Good Time.—Chestertown Conclave Improved Order Heptasophs 371, is arranging a delightful musical treat for its next meeting, Thursday evening, March 2d. The programme will consist of quartettes, solos and duets. Prof. R. K. Pippin has the musical department in charge and will be assisted by Mrs. William Smith, Mrs. Horace Reed, Mr. James P. Parrott and others. Dr. C. A. Grise will deliver an address and has selected the order of Heptasophs as his subject. All Heptasophs of the county and their wives are invited to be present.

Our Curious Names.—The Baltimore *News* says that it is not without profit, let alone interest, that one takes up the county papers of Maryland for an excursion through familiar highways and byways of the State. In doing so one will discover many things out of the ordinary and usual. He will find Wild Duck the name of a community in Cecil. Hero Kelley is a Kent farmer, and Kit Carson has recently returned to Chestertown after a thrilling war experience in Cuba. Queen Anne's boasts of Hen's Point, Dorchester has its Hawkeye, Unit Horsey and Talley Foreman are citizens of the Peninsula with picturesque names, and Still Pond is described as a village both alive and awake and always astir.

Capt. Burchinal's Fall.—The friends of Capt. William D. Burchinal will be glad to learn that the wounds received in his fall on Thursday last, though of a most serious and startling character, are healing satisfactorily and it is hoped that the patient in the course of ten day's will be able to leave his room. Capt. Burchinal had been to see H. W. Vickers, Esq., at his home, on a matter of business. While in Mr. Vickers office a rain and sleet had set in making the walk very slippery. The visitor had just left the door and when about half way across the pavement slipped, falling with his full weight on his forehead and upper portion of his breast. An ugly triangular wound was made above the left eye just in front of the temple. Dr. Catlin was summoned and several stitches were taken in the wound. The sufferer was at times unconscious for several days.

Narrow Escapee from Fire.—But for the coolness under trying circumstances of Miss Susie Belle Culp on Saturday evening, a disastrous fire might have resulted on Washington Avenue. Miss Culp accidentally set fire to a table cover and a quantity of papers. The flame reached nearly to the ceiling. With a presence of mind born of desperation the burning cover was thrown from the window and the papers flooded with water. The fire was extinguished without arousing the family. Washington College had two fire scares on Wednesday evening of last week. Mr. W. L. Wheatley left his stove door closed while he went to dinner. The stove became overheated, ignited the coal box and in turn two curtains caught fire. The box was burned, the window casing and curtains were entirely destroyed, and what is most remarkable, the fire went out of its own accord. At 7.30 o'clock the chimney of Normal Hall caught fire and gave the lady students a scare. No damage was done.

The Fruit Outlook.—Without meaning to be sensational or chronically apprehensive, the Kent county fruit grower is fully justified in considering the effect of the recent extreme weather upon the fruit outlook. Messrs. James S. Harris, Carson Harris, Dr. W. S. Maxwell, and other prominent Still Pond authorities consider that the peach crop "is about wiped out." The Messrs. Harris think that pears are unhurt, while Dr. Maxwell considers that the Duchess variety has suffered considerable damage. A prominent peach grower examined buds in the orchard of Mr. John Fowler on Tuesday and found nearly all of the buds alive, while on the contary he found many buds in his own orchard dead. Mr. George Saitcher, of Queen Anne, says that his fruit is badly injured, some varieties almost totally destroyed. Col. Wallen, of the same section says that he finds many live buds in the top of his trees but nearly all of the buds on the [illegible] are gone. These expressions embody the prevailing opinion [illegible] representative growers.

Snow Bills Coming In.—The board of county commissioners held a short session on Tuesday afternoon. Commissioner Fletcher was late in arriving and Mr. Todd came down on the train at noon. The short session was taken up principally in examining snow bills which were presented to the amount of $560.77, $144.86 from the first and $415.91 from the second district. The bills were as follows: First district, Alfred T. Meginnes, $32,50; Thos. Nickerson, $112.36; second district, Wattie McKnett, $191.50; Charles King, $115; John McKee, $81.25, and Edward Faulkner, $28.16. This work was done on the order of Messrs. Todd and Hill in the two districts. Messrs. Hatcherson, Usilton and Fletcher refused to assume the authority of ordering the roads opened in their districts and no bills were presented. It was decided that as all of the bills for this work were not in, no action should be taken relative to their payment. While many persons thought that the county should have the roads opened, many were opposed to the increased expense, and as no official authority had been given by the board it is thought that some opposition to the payment of the bills will be met with in the board when all of the bills are in.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

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

| Not within its entire history has Chestertown had so near an absolute state of local option as during last week. The supply was completely out.

| In spite of zero weather Mr. H. L. Boyd's specimen Keiffer pear tree in his office is in full leaf and has a decidedly springlike appearance.

| The American strawboard mill, which has been closed down for over a week on account of the shortage of a coal supply, reopened yesterday.

| The Uncle Tom's Cabin troupe which was to have performed at Stam's Hall on Monday evening of last week, were snowed in at Greensboro, where they remained until Friday.

| Four beeves were driven from Mr. Alday Clements' place to Chestertown, a distance of about ten miles, on Monday. They had a desperate battle with the snow banks, but enabled Butcher Lofland to relieve the partial beef famine.

| The ice boat City of Annapolis came in the river Tuesday and broke the track as far up as the mouth of Queenstown creek for the Eastern Shore Railroad Co.'s boat. The Chester River boat is expected on her route to-day, Mr. Joel R. Clements receiving a postal card in yesterday's mail from James Taylor, Esq., stating that their boat would leave Baltimore this morning at 7 A. M. for Chestertown.

OBITUARY.

MRS. LILLIAN DICKERSON.

Mrs. Lillian Dickerson, wife of Mr. John M. Dickerson, died at the residence of her husband in Quaker Neck, Wednesday, Feb. 15th, 1899, aged 23 years, leaving two small childred. Owing to the storm it was impossible for the doctor to get to Mr. Dickrson's to see his sick wife on Monday and Tuesday and when near the house on Wednesday was told that she was dead. Her funeral took place on Monday, Feb. 20th, it being impossible for undertaker Dodd to get to the house sooner on account of the snow blockade. He relates a terrible experience in getting there even then, stating that his horses broke several traces and the bolts in the single trees. It took him three and a half hours to make the nine miles.

Funeral services were conducted at the house by Rev. T. R. Vandyke. The pall bearers were: W. E. Brown, M. B. Haddaway, F. Whiteley, F. Stoops, E. Crouch and C. C. Brown. Interment at Bond Chapel cemetery.

SAMUEL E. T. STARTT.

Samuel E. T. Startt died at his residence in Broad Neck Sunday night last of consumption, aged 55 years. Bearers: Samuel J. Vickers, J. Henry Thompson, Hurbert Fletcher, James Fletcher, D. P. Leary, Wm. Glenn. Interment Tuesday at Kessely Chapel.

IN THE CHURCHES.

The protracted services being held at Christ M. P. Church have continued with unabated interest since the great storm, by which they were interrupted. So great has been the interest that services were held on Saturday evening.

The fourth quarterly conference for Chestertown M. E. Church was held last Friday.

Dr. J. T. Twilley, T. W. Eliason, J. R. Clements, James Brice, M. A. Toulson, W. B. Copper, C. W. Reid, T. S. Bordley, M. W. Thomas, C. H. Jefferson, P. C. Jester, T. J. Tucker and S. Dewberry, were elected stewards for another year.

W. C. Poole was licensed to preach, and recommended to the elder as a suitable man for itinerant work.

Dr. Twilley, W. B. Coleman and W. D. Lloyd were relicensed exhorters.

Committees were appointed as follows:

Missions.—Harry Anthony, John Toulson, Charles Pippin, Eugene Lucas, Miss May Crow.

Church Extension.—W. B. Coleman, W. R. Pippin, W. T. Lloyd.

Sunday Schools.—Prof. L. J. Smyth, Owen Crow, Harry C. Taylor, J. T. Crossley, Edward Jester.

Tracts.—Misses Mary Burchinal, Gussie Rockwell, Mrs. Annie Ringgold.

Temperance.—W. C. Peregoy, M. A. Toulson, Capt. J. T. Brice.

Education.—T. W. Eliason, Dr. Hall, Miss Fannie Stuart.

Church Records.—Geo. C. Perkins, Allie Thomas, Henry Jefferson.

To look after the parsonage.—The Ladies Aid Society.

Church Music.—R. S. Thomas, Walter Pippin, Geo. Mussleman, Dr. Charles Twilley.

Resolutions highly commending the pastorate of Dr. Grise, and asking his return for another year were unanimously passed.

Rev. Dr. Waddell, of Millington, was snowbound in Centreville last week. He went down on Saturday to preach in the Centreville church, but because of the inclemency of the weather there was no congregation, and Dr. Waddell did not get back home until Friday.

The Sunday *American* of February 12th contained the pictures of a number of the popular ladies of some of the Eastern Shore towns. The representatives were: Miss Bertha Hynson, Chestertown; Misses Mamie Dab and Bessie Broughton, Pocomoke City; Miss Anna Turpin, Centreville, and Miss Anita Henry, Cambridge.

New Advertisements.

Mr. Joseph Guest, the pioneer of the wire farm fences and steel roofs introduction into Kent county, Md., is announcing in this issue that he will continue to supply the farmers of Kent and adjoining county with fencing materials as heretofore; also steel roofing of all kinds. He calls special attention to his Asbestine water paint. See his advertisements elsewhere. Mr. Guest thanks the people generally for past patronage, and hopes to merit a continuance of same. Mr. Guest is a reliable and up-to-date business man, and aims to keep in touch with the needs of the farmers.

THE BLOCKADE BROKEN.

The Great Mail Famine Ended on Monday Morning With a Mighty Surfeit of News.

As stated in last week's TRANSCRIPT the local snow blockade began to raise on Wednesday of last week when representatives from Worton, Lankford, Fairlee and Pomona arrived in town in teams, and many persons on horseback. By Saturday the people were getting back into their old ruts, and threatened coal and food famines were being gradually relieved. Kent had indeed been snowed in from one end to the other and all connection with the outside world cut off except by a telegraph system which worked poorly.

THE MAILS COME IN.

Of all the serious inconveniences of the great blizzard blockade, none were felt more seriously than the absence of mails.

The last mail received in the county was distributed at the Chestertown office on Saturday evening, February 11th. The great fight made to open the mail routes constitutes one of the most interesting chapters in the history of the memorable storm of the present year.

The work of opening up the Baltimore and Delaware Bay Railroad continued until Monday morning when the first mail in nine days reached the Chestertown office at 7.30 o'clock. The work of Postmaster Wheatley and his efficient assistant, Miss Katie Wheatley, was almost phenomenal. In just one hour and a half the thirty-nine sacks and pouches of mail matter were opened and were being distributed to the patrons of the office.

Postal Clerk Musselman left Clayton with one hundred and forty-nine pouches and bags of mail matter.

Mr. Scoone, of the Rock Hall route, made repeated efforts to get through to Chestertown, but not until Thursday was he successful. His trip was a most hazardous one. Several times his horses were taken from the sleigh, and dug out of banks, and as many times he was forced to lift his sleigh over or through thorn-hedges.

Contractor Armstrong made his first trip to and from Prices Station with the mails on Saturday. His trip was beset with hardships and dangers.

THRILLING EXPERIENCES.

Mrs. J. Biddle Hossenger on Tuesday of last week endeavored to force her way through the snow drifts on horseback. The horse became hopelessly stuck in a snow bank and Mrs. Hossenger was forced to stand on his back for three-quarters of an hour while he was being dug out.

Dr. C. A. Grise and Presiding Elder W. F. Corkran left Chestertown on Sunday afternoon for Union Church, in Queen Anne, about two miles from Chester bridge. The roads were obstructed with snow, and several upsets took place. Finally, the reverned gentlemen were thrown out and the horse dashed off at full speed without a driver. The animal, however, finally became stuck in a snow bank and was recaptured and dug out by the two ministers, who then proceeded on their way, and the presiding elder preached one of his finest sermons.

Mr. William E. DeFord, gave an unusual exhibition of horsemanship and daring on Saturday evening. Mr. DeFord and Mr. W. R. Clough were leaving town on horseback about 7.30 o'clock. When at Crow's corner they met the horse of Mr. Robert Hatcherson dashing through town at full speed attached to a sleigh. The horse was unattended by a driver and Mr. DeFord gave chase. After a desperate race he succeeded in grabbing the rein of the runaway animal at Stam's corner, but not until in front of the residence of Mr. J. R. Clements could the animal be stopped. Mr. DeFord lost one stirrup which he afterward found.

Rev. Mr. McCaslin, while on his way to preach a funeral on Tuesday was upset in his carriage near Hynson's chapel and forced to return to his home.

Mr. Charles Kennard, of Baltimore, was the first one to raise the Chestertown blockade. Mr. Kennard rode over from Prices Station on Saturday on horseback, reaching Chestertown about 12.30 o'clock. He brought with him a daily paper which was such a curiosity that it was handed from hand to hand and hastily scanned by news-seeker.

NAVIGATION TO OPEN.

The ice in upper Chester river commenced to move on Tuesday, and but for heavy drift ice in the bay and in the mouth of the river, navigation was practically open then. This pack ice in the mouth of the Chester may delay the Ford until Saturday, though some are hopeful that she will try her trip to-day.

The steamer Favorite tried to make the trip to Queenstown on Monday but after a six hours battle in reaching the mouth of the Patapsco, returned to her Light street wharf.

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL.

Miss Helen Shaw was the guest of friends in New Ycrk city during the recent blizzard.

Messrs. Frank P. and John P. Cochran, of Galena, have been visiting their brother, R. E. Cochran, in New York city. They were present at the annual banquet of the Delaware Society of the City of New York, held at the Waldorf-Astoria, on February 16th. About seventy-five sons of Delaware now residing in New York, attended.

Mr. Stephen Lecates, one of Kent's oldest and most highly esteemed citizens, is reported ill with pneumonia at the home of his son in Morgan Creek Neck.

Mr. Frank Wilkins, formerly of Kent county, but for several years past a resident of Baltimore city, and an employe in the Custom House, was last week promoted to a position paying $1400 a year.

Kennedyville W. C. T. U.

The Kennedyville W. C. T. U. held a concert and social on Friday, February 10th, in the town hall. The hall was crowded. The program which was very interesting, was as follows:

1. Greeting Song.....Choir.
2. Prayer.....Rev. K. M. Bull.
3. Chorus.....Home, Sweet Home.
4. Apostrophe to the Home.....Katie Weer, May Jones, Lillie Redmile.
5. Recitation...."How my Boy went Down," Miss May Sanders.
6. Solo....."Homeless Waif," Miss Blanche McKnett.
7. Apostrophe to the Saloon.....Robert Kennedy, Webb Hill and Jesse Medders.
8. Solo..... ...."Don't Cross the Line, Boys," Miss Clara Vandyke.
9. Quartette by Misses Lula and Clara Vandyke, Messrs. Davis and Hague.
10. Recitation....."If it was not for Drink," Miss Katie Weer.
11. Recitation....."What will you take for your Boys," Miss Katie Vandyke.
12. Song....."The Merry Children," by five little girls.
13. Recitation....."The Drunkard's Home," Mr. Will Hague.
14. Reading.....by Mrs. Rachel Hill.

After the programme refreshments were served. To our president, Mrs. T. Shafer and her earnest assistants, Miss Lula and Mr. Geo. Vandyke, are due many thanks for their untiring efforts to make the members and friends enjoy a pleasant evening. Several new names were added to the membership roll.

WASHINGTON COLLEGE CELEBRATES.

Washington College, celebrated the 22nd of Feb. by a suspension of all recitations, and by some interesting exercises in the college chapel. Dr. Reid was in charge of affairs, and after reading of the scriptures and a prayer by Dr. Grise, of the M. E. Church, Chestertown, Mr. J. Hall Anderson, of Milford Del., a student and Philomathean, declaimed in a natural, easy, style, Daniel Webster's celebrated appeal for the U. S. Republic. This was followed by a duett by Miss Mary Beck, alto, and Mr. Thomas Perkins, tenor, with Miss Mary Hurtt as organist. The well-known quality of the two voices is a guarantee of intense enjoyment of anything they attempt. Their selection was entitled "Come With Me," and it was finely rendered.

Hon. Marion deK. Smith was next introduced, and he, in a speech of about twenty minutes, gave some reminiscences of his college life, branching off into the life and history of George Washington. The speaker stated that when he was at Washington College, the 22d of February was not a holiday. He also mentioned the fact that his class, '70, was the last that received their diplomas in the college hall, subsequent classes going to the court house, and afterward to Stam's Hall. The speaker closed with some good advice to the students, emphasizing specially an avoidance of all selfishness in their career.

The college quartette, consisting of Messrs. Goldsborough, tenor; Wheatley, 2nd bass; Ward, treble, and McDorman 1st bass, rendered in a very creditable manner, "I'm Gwine back to Dixie." These gentlemen should keep up this good work. Mr. J. Wilson Sutton, of Mt. Vernon Literary Society, followed with a declamation entitled, "Senator Vest on Cuba," after which the students, led by Dr. Hall, with Miss Deane as organist, sang "Excelsior." Miss Adele France, of the Pieria Literary Society, then gave a humorous declamation entitled "A Rural Sparking." "America" was then sung after which Dr. Reid called on Dr. J. F. Hines, who was on the platform, for a speech. Dr. Hines excused himself on the ground of ill health and non-preparation. But he did advise the students to inaugurate a series of lectures, and offered his services which were appreciated. Mr. Smith then turned the tables on Dr. Reid and requested him to make a speech. The doctor declined, and then the exercises took on an informal aspect and speeches were called for from every member of the faculty, all of whom excused themselves. Every one enjoyed the occasion, and hereafter a more elaborate programme may be expected.

FROM ROCK HALL.

How glad our little town was last Saturday to receive the mail with its small budget of letters and the county papers. Many eyes had watched anxiously to see if it would come and Mr. Scoone has been highly praised for his efforts to supply us with the mail.

On Monday the horses looked jaded by their trip from town with the almost bursting mail bags. We do not wish to miss our mail another week even for the beautiful snow, which brings pleasure to so many and misery to the few. It is a pleasure; we all love to see the earth with all its winter barrenness and ugliness hidden by the pure white snow with its wreaths and curves and mounds, yet there was little regret when a warm rain aided materially in taking it away.

A boat was seen to-day, Tuesday, breaking ice to enter the mouth of Chester river, and hopes are entertained that it will open Rock Hall harbor and permit the steamers to resume their trips tomorrow.

The revival services at the M. E. Church were closed last Sunday night. Much good has resulted from the nightly meetings, and the membership of the church has been greatly augmented.

A meeting was called for 6 P. M. Sunday, and the Epworth League was reorganized with Mr. Edgar Davis as president.

About fifty of the young people of the church called on Rev. Thomas Jones at Rev. Mr. Outtin's Tuesday evening, surprising the gentlemen, though Mrs. Outten was fully aware of their coming. The evening was pleasantly passed with music and games, and refreshments were served at ten o'clock.

Mr. Marion Downey has been confined to his home for a week with the grip.

FROM WORTON.

Death in Our Midst—Mid-Winter Visitor, Etc.,—One Young Man Falls Down the Cellar.

Death came into our midst one day last week and took the infant of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Latham. It was buried Saturday at the Union burying ground.

Mr. Jos. Duyer is the guest of his uncle, Mr. T. J. Parsons, of Edesville.

Miss Florence Jewell, our popular school teacher, has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. George Rouse, of Chestertown.

Miss Essie Gears is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Jas. Middleton, near Worton Manor Beach.

Miss Mary Cooper has been visiting Miss Janie Anderson, near Chestertown.

Mr. Theodore Jewell, of Still Pond, has been visiting his cousin, Mr. Harry Jewell, of this place.

Misses Clara and Elsie Mann, of near this village, are visiting friends and relatives in Philadelphia and Wilmington.

Mrs. John Fogwell, who has been quite sick, we are glad to say is improving.

We also hear that Dr. Hessey has been laid up for some time.

Mrs. Turner, who is visiting her son, has been quite sick, as also is Mr. Turners son, Frank. Dr. Catlin is attending them.

Master Rasin and little Mabel Gears, are improving.

Mr. Norman Massey is visiting at the home of Mr. S. F. Cooper.

Mr. Jos. Gilpin and Mrs. Frank Gilpin, who have been quite sick, are improving.

Madge begs to thank you, Messrs. Editors, for the compliment bestowed upon her in last week's issue of your paper.

Master Ben Herbert fell down the cellar one day last week, hurting himself very badly. At this writing he is much improved.

The weather, the first of the week reminded us of spring. How about the first of last week? Did it remind us of spring?

Conference is drawing near and we begin to think whether we will have a change or not. Bro. Ellis is a gentleman greatly esteemed and beliked by all, and all would be very sorry to lose him. We hope to have him again next year as we could not be better suited.

Owing to the inclemency of the weather we have had no services in either church for several Sundays.

Mr. John Duyer is suffering from neuralgia. MADGE.

An Honest Medicine for La Grippe. George W. Woitt of South Gardiner, Me., says: "I have had the worst cough, cold, chills and grip and have taken lots of trash of no account but profit to the vendor. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the only thing that has done any good whatever. I have used one 50-cent bottle and the chills, cold and grip have all left me. I congratulate the manufacturers of an honest medicine." For sale by M. A. Toulson, druggist.

STILL POND NOTES.

Thrilling Experience of a Funeral Procession.

The great blizzard of 1899 will be recorded as one of the severest for a number of years, and one which the residents of, in and around Still Pond will not soon forget. On last Monday, the 13th, even the brave and stout-hearted would not venture out in the face of the storm. Long before noon the pavements became impassable for pedestrians, and the streets were fast filling with drifts of appalling depth. Truly, we were in the midst of a storm of which even our oldest resident knew no equal. Tuesday morning dawned beautiful and clear, and the drifts presented a striking, yet sublime appearance. Surely, our little town had its appropriate name, *Still Pond*, for some hours after the sun had risen we were as still as a mouse. The tracks through the village had to be broken by persons on horseback. Messrs. Howard Turner and James Robinson, with about fifteen others, broke the tracks down to Betterton and out to Hepbron Station, followed by four-horse wagons. So far as can be ascertained but very little if any suffering existed during the week.

A report that one of our nearby prominent farmers was caught without fuel, and had to tear down sheds for wood, was entirely erroneous and without foundation, as it is said, besides having a large supply of coal in, he also had a rick of about twenty cords of wood on his wood pile. There was a general suspension of business with our merchants for several days.

Two of our teachers in the public school, Miss S. E. Burgess and Mr. W. C. Copper, were caught in Chestertown, and were unable to get here until Saturday noon. Mrs. L. B. Hepbron, fortunately, was here, and held school in her department every day except Monday. She got to the building that day, but the drifts were so immense she was unable to reach the door.

We did not receive any down mail until Monday morning about 7.30 o'clock, that being the ninth day without the daily papers or mail. The first up mail, including the county papers, reached here Saturday morning at 11 o'clock.

Undertaker Wm. H. Krusen had two burials which had to be postponed, one five days and the other three days, owing to the condition and blockade of the roads. On Saturday morning he started for Betterton assisted by Mr. Daniel Jones, to bury a lady. Everything was progressing very well until about a mile from Still Pond Cemetery with the corpse when the king bolt of the hearse came out which come near upsetting the vehicle in the snow bank, but the bearers come to his assistance and he managed to reach the cemetery without any further mishap.

Now, since the rain and the thaw has set in some portions of the town are almost impassable.

Mr. Theodore Jewell, bookkeeper for Messrs. Harper & Son, was blockaded down in Worton, and had to remain for several days.

Mr. Wm. Medders and bride returned from their bridal tour on Monday. They visited a number of interesting and historical points all through the south.

Mr. Lewis Atwell, a student at Washington College was visiting his parents at the time of the blizzard and could not return until monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward W. Hepbron returned a few days before the storm from an extended visit to Mr. H's brother, Rev. Sewell Hepbron, of Hanover county, Va.

OCCASIONAL.

FROM CLIFF CITY.

Recalled by a Writer when Whiskey was Sold by the Pound.

You might as well mark this, "delayed in transmission," it will come in good about the 4th of July, i. e., if it reaches you by that time. Everything here is white enough to suit a lily white repub. Snowed in by land, froze in by water, grub running low, the Cliff road from Hyland's to Carter's gate has six feet of snow in it, and no knowing when it will be open, as it is shaded on the east by Vickers' woods. The oldest inhabitant is not in this, but tries mighty hard, and says the nearest he can remember anything like it was when a shopkeeper at the Cliffs took the head out of a barrel of whiskey and cut it out in chunks and sold it by the pound. I told him that was ancient lore, and I had heard of it from infancy. He said he was not an ancient liar, and could prove it happened if some fellows wasn't dead. I don't know anything about the thermometer, as I didn't go out to look, but I do know that we could have got more recruits for Cuba than for Klondyke.

We expected something when the ground hog came up to Bogle's wharf then returned to Baltimore. Don't know whether it was the E. A. Ford or Gratitude. The B. S. stopped at Cliff wharf all night Friday, 10th, after making her trip to Centreville, and the E. A. Ford came to Bogle's Saturday and returned to Baltimore. We expected a freeze up, but did not look for a snow-in also. We are doing the best we can. Come down and see us. HIVER.

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