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LOCAL MATTERS.

A New Store.—Mrs. C. S. Hurlock has rented the store-room until recently occupied by Mr. M. A. Toulson as a drug store. Mrs. Hurlock will devote this new room entirely to a large and varied line of dry goods and notions. The old quarters at the corner of High and Queen street will be used for groceries and domestic goods.

Busy Scott's Point.—The Scott's Point factory of Messrs. Crane & Trenchard Brothers, will close a most satisfactory run on berry cups and crates, this week. Large orders have been received from different sections of the country. On Monday next their full force will be put at work on the accummulated orders for peach and tomato baskets.

Kent Leads—Mr. W. R. Cochran drove from Middletown to Kennedyville several days ago and examined nineteen fields of wheat along the route, and states that Mr. John H. Clendaniel holds the palm. Sheriff Bedford Roe, is declared to have the straightest rows and some of the finest work in his corn field to be found in the county.

Daily Round Trips.—Commencing on Thursday next, June first, the steamer Emma A. Ford will start her round trips, leaving Chestertown at 7 o'clock A. M., stopping at all the river landings and at Queenstown. On return, will leave Baltimore at 2.45 o'clock p. m. same day. The steamer Gratitude will leave Centreville at 7 o'clock daily, on June first, making all the landings on the Corsica river, Jackson's creek and Rock Hall. Will leave Baltimore at 3 o'clock same day.

The Old Engine House.—The old engine house, which has stood for so long an object of questionable beauty, has become a white elephant to perplex the ladies of the Chestertown Improvement Association, and the commissioners who are disposed to do everything possible to aid in the work of beautifying the town. The trouble is that no convenient site for the old house can be found. The county commissioners have offered to allow the building to be placed back of the court house, but the board of town commissioners at their meeting on Tuesday night did not accept the offer, because of the fact that the location is not sufficiently accessible, a very important consideration.

Its First Anniversary.—To-day, May 25th, one year ago, electric lighting was first introduced in Chestertown. This, the first anniversary of this great improvement finds the new enterprise in a most satisfactory condition. When the light was first turned on Messrs. John Vandergrift and Frank R. McWhorter were the only patrons of the electric plant, one having four and the other three lights. To-day nearly every office and business place in Chestertown is illuminated by electricity, aggregating five hundred lights. Several private residences have adopted the new light, and Messrs. Wright & Tracy report that the outlook for a more general introduction of the light into private homes is bright. The light is now furnished all night and special prices are given for light in residences. That the new system is a splendid success is abundantly proved.

BETTERTON WHARF SOLD.

New Company Will Improve and Manage the Property.

The Betterton wharf property, owned by Turner & Son, Betterton, Md., has been sold to the Betterton Wharf and Improvement Company of Kent County. The new company will include the Sassafras River Steamboat Company, the Port Deposit and Havre de Grace Steamboat Company and Turner & Son. The Ericsson Line has also been invited to become a stockholder in the new company. One of the new features that will be introduced by this company will be free wharfage to the public. Especially during fruit season this will mean the saving of considerable money to the farmers. The rate of freight will be lower than in former years, and other improvements will be made at the wharf for the benefit of the public. Turner & Son will look after the business of the new company and act as agents.

Betterton wharf was built by R. T. Turner, Sr., in 1854, and has since been the outlet for large shipments of freight and fruit from this section of the county. At present three lines of steamers stop at Betterton, giving six boats daily. The three lines include the Sassafras River Line, the Port Deposit and Havre de Grace Line and the Ericsson Line. Probably no other town on the Eastern Shore has better shipping facilities to Baltimore, Philadelphia and other points.

BETTERTON NEWS.

Betterton public school will give an entertainment on the evening of Thursday, 25th inst., at the new Chesapeake Hotel for the benefit of the school. The program will consist of vocal and instrumental music, readings, recitations, dialogues, etc. Judging from the character of past entertainments given by this school we may predict for the approaching one a grand success. Under the able and efficient management of Misses Goodhand and Haddaway, teachers, the pupils of the school are thoroughly drilled and prepared to give an enjoyable entertainment.

The Ericsson Steam Boat Company have a large force now employed cutting a road to the new wharf which they propose building at once.

It is reported that Betterton will shortly have a public hall. Several of our most enterprising citizens have taken the matter in hand.

The Chesapeake House is rapidly nearing completion and will be ready for the accommodation of guests about the first of next month. This house when completed will be one of the finest hostelries on the peninsula.

Mr. James Crew, of Hotel Betterton, is now erecting a twelve-room addition to his hotel.

An exhaustedcarrier pigeon alighted in the yard of Mr. Robert Moore a few days since. There was a silver band on its right leg marked, No. 160.

New Advertisements.

The ladies and members of St. James M. P. Church advertise a festival for Thursday and Friday evenings, June 1st and 2d.

The ladies of St. Paul's P. E. Church will give one of their delightful suppers and festivals on Thursday evening, June 1st, 1899.

Lewin W. Wickes, trustee, advertises in this issue the store goods and fixtures belonging to George H. Harrison, at Fairlee.

Worton "Y." will hold a strawberry and ice cream festival on the lawn of Mr. George Biddle, near Chestertown, on Friday evening next. Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

A Vicious Horse.—William Jenkens, a colored man living with Mr. Alfred Stauffer, near Locust Grove, was seriously injured by a horse which he was driving, on Monday. Jenkens drove to Chestertown and hitched his horse on Calvert street. The animal afterward broke away and when the man approached and caught its bridle, it is stated that the animal attacked him, striking viciously with his front feet. The horse rushed at the man, knocked him down and as he passed over the prostrate form kicked him in the head. Eye witnesses say that the horse was really frantic; turned and again attacked the man, kicking furiously. It was at first thought that Jenkens' wounds on the head would prove fatal, but Dr. Dodd states that he has regained consciousness and is now improving. As a result of this accident the rumor was soon given currency that the horse was suffering with hydrophobia and had bitten the man.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

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

† The general grass crop of the county is very short.

† The crop of wheat straw is somewhat short, but the outlook is good for a fair crop.

† The tongueless monstrosity at Mr. Charles Crowding's, was a colt and not a calf, as reported.

† A heavy white frost was noticable on Monday morning. No material damage to fruit.

† Town Officer A. B. Frazier has resigned. His successor will be selected at the next meeting of the board.

† Reports from different sections of the county are to the effect that serious damage is being done by the cut-worm.

† Mr. C. H. Hurlock has sold at private sale for Hope H. Barroll, Esq., his handsome Alcantell gelding, to Mr. John P. Nicholson.

† Messrs. W. H. Kelley & Son, on Saturday bought the Locust Grove Creamery plant at mortgagee's sale. The price paid was $950.

† The June drop has been at work in the peach orchards for two weeks past. Mr. William Hendrix, who had a fine prospect, says that the drop has resulted in a great fall of the fruit. Other growers give similar reports.

† The work of arranging the walks and getting the basin ready for the handsome fountain which is to be donated by a lady, as yet not known to the public, is rapidly progressing. The cement walks and the fountain circle are expected to be completed in less than ten days.

† Mr. Vincent Cohee, an aged citizen, was run into several days ago by a bicyclist and painfully hurt. Mr. Cohee was walking on the cinder walk leading to the paper mill when he was struck, knocked to the roadway and cut about the face.

† Col. W. P. Howard has on exhibition at the paint store of Mr. William L. Fowler, two fine specimens of his handiwork, in the form of two ball pieces. They are a combination mirror and hat-rack. The hooks are highly polished steers' horns, one at each of the four corners of a square bevel-glass mirror. These are the finest samples Mr. Howard has ever shown of his work.

† The Washington College base-ball team played a game with the Maryland Athletic Association in Baltimore yesterday, and will cross bats with the Mt. St. Mary's team to-day, at Emmittsburg.

† The ladies of the Town Improvement Association, will hold a festival on the public square as soon as the walks are completed, for the benefit of the improvement fund.

STILL POND NOTES.

ESTELLA BRADLEY.

Death invaded the household of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas P. Bradley last Thursday morning and claimed for its own their only child, Estella, who was in her thirteenth year. This was a peculiarly sad death inasmuch as she was the only child and a long and patient sufferer. The disease first made its appearance last August, yet in September she started to school, but upon the advice of her physician she discontinued school the last of October. She then began to improve in health until just six weeks ago she was taken with gastric fever, and was ill from the first, but everything that medical skill, loving parents and kind friends could do was done, but of no avail, when on Thursday morning at eleven o'clock the spirit of the little suffer left its tenement of clay and took its upward flight to heaven to be at home with its Maker. Estella was a bright, cheerful, sweet little girl. At the public school she was an exemplary scholar, studious, always standing high in her classes, having a kind word and a pleasant smile for teachers and school-mates. She was a regular attendant at the Sunday school when well, and she so often during her illness would mention how glad she would be when she recovered in health so far as to be able to attend, and meet her teacher and class in the Sunday school. Teachers, scholars, and the whole community extend their tenderest sympathies to the bereaved parents in this their hour of gloom and sadness, and say with the poet:

"To those who for her loss are grieved,
This consolation is given,
She's from a world of woe relieved
And blooms a rose in heaven."

Funeral services were held at her late home on Sunday afternoon at two o'clock, conducted by Rev. E. P. Roberts, of Still Pond. The following acted as bearers, being schoolmates of the deceased: Frank Rasin, Walter T. Rasin, A. J. Hackett, Jr., and Howard M. Rasin. It was one of the most largely attended funerals ever seen in Still Pond. Interment took place in the cemetery. Wm. H. Krusen had charge of the funeral arrangements. The floral offerings were beautiful, among them being a lovely mound by the Sunday school, crosses, wreaths and sickles.

Rev. E. P. Roberts on last Sunday morning preached an eloquent sermon, his theme being the "Desecration of the Sabbath."

The ladies of the M. E. Church are completing arrangements for their festival and supper to be held on the church green.

Children's Day services will be held about the first Sunday in June.

Mrs. Geo. W. Harper, of Brooklyn, N. Y., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. William Medders.

Misses Mattie and Emma Davis, students of Washington College, accompanied by lady friends of the same institution, spent Saturday and Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Davis.

Miss Ruth Wood has been visiting Miss Bessie Miller, of Rock Hall.

Miss Beula Thompson is the guest of Chestertown friends.

Mrs. Wm. Medders spent several days last week in Washington D. C. She was accompanied by her friend, Miss McFarland, of Brooklyn, N. Y.

Miss D. A. Crossley and Master Holton Parr, spent part of last week in Baltimore.

Mr. Ernest Perry, of Centreville, Md., representing the Deering Binder, Co. has been busy for several days past putting up binders in this section.

OCCASIONAL.

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL.

Mrs. Erskine, mother of Mr. Alexander Erskine, Jr., is the guest of her son at the Watts House.

Miss Susie Belle Culp has returned from a pleasant visit to friends in the country.

Mrs. Joseph A. Wickes has been visiting Baltimore friends.

Mrs. N. Lieberman and child, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Rasin.

Mr. John R. Gill, of Swedesboro, N. J., is visiting his sister, Mrs. James S. Bradley. Mr. Gill is father of Deputy Sheriff Charles L. Gill. Mr. Gill left Kent in 1884, and was for many years one of the most successful and aggressive farmers of the county.

Prof. T. Howard Fowler, of Johns Hopkins University, spent Sunday in town with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewin S. Fowler.

Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Hubbard returned home Saturday after a pleasant visit with friends in Delaware and elsewhere.

Master Ralph McFeely, son of Mr. Percy T. McFeely, of Philadelphia, is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. B. Usilton.

Messrs. Earle Simpers and Rudolph Tull spent last Sunday in Elkton. They started on their wheels but broke down and had to board the train.

A quiet but pretty home wedding took place last night at the residence of Mr. Henry Hill, High street, Rev. John M. Gill officiating. The contracting parties were Mr. Harry K. Stout, of Dover, Delaware, and Miss Ollie Hill. Mr. Stout is engaged in journalistic work in Wilmington, Del., where he will take his bride.

Senator Charles T. Westcott has been named as a member of the board of directors of the Maryland Telephone Company, of Baltimore.

Mr. Atlee Tracy, will set sail for Europe on June 7th, to attend the wedding of his cousin, Mr. Hoffman, president of the Chestertown Electric Light Company. Mr. Hoffman will wed an English lady. Mr. Tracy had engaged a berth on the ill-fated Paris, which was wrecked off the coast of Cornwall, several days ago, but had changed the date of his departure before learning of the accident.

Mr. L. A. Davis, the old base-ball hero of the Washington College team, is visiting friends in Chestertown. Mr. Davis has been teaching in West Virginia, and is now recuperating as his school has closed for the summer.

Miss Katie Duckett was the guest of Miss Mary Hurtt several days last week.

Miss Bertha Hynson is the guest of New York friends.

Dr. Bartus Trew, has been elected first-vice president, and Dr. Barrett C. Catlin, recording secretary of the Maryland State Homoepathic Medical Society. Both gentlemen are honored sons of Kent.

Miss Mary Elliott is visiting friends in Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Head, of Baltimore, has been visiting Miss Kate Green, in town.

Miss Florence Green is visiting friends in Baltimore, and Washington D. C.

Mr. Harry Dadds left last Friday for Wilmington, Del., to seek employment.

Mrs. Annie Rosstine, of Baltimore, spent last week the guest of Miss Katie Wheatly, High St.

Mrs. Keller and daughter of Baltimore, have been visiting Rev. J. M. Gill.

Mr. Harry Taylor, the expert jeweler with Mr. J. H. Sides, is on a visit at his home in Pittsburg, Pa.

Mr. Lewin Skirven was gored by an infuriated bull on Thursday and injured in the side. His injuries are fortunately not serious.

Mr. James Rasin left Chestertown last week for Philadelphia, where he has secured a responsible position in a large laundry.

Miss May Ireland has been named as the delegate from the Emmanuel branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, to the convention to meet in Easton.

Mrs. Charles Warren and little daughter, are the guests of Mrs. Wm. M. Wallis, near Kennedyville.

Miss Addie Boulter and Mr. Wm. J. Scott, both of Eastern Neck Island, were quietly married by Rev. J. M. Gill at the M. P. Parsonage, Chestertown, last Thursday afternoon.

The wedding of Miss Ellen Janvier Porter, the pretty daughter of Mr. Jos. Porter, of Worton, to Mr. James W. Ivens, Jr., took place at the home of the bride's parents, Thursday evening, Rev. Kent M. Bull officiating.

Masters Robert and Wilbur Simpers sons of Mr. E. W. F. Simpers, of North East, are visiting their aunts, the Misses Wilkins, on Spring Avenue.

Miss Elizabeth E. Quelet, daughter of Mr. George L. Quelet, of Chestertown, and Mr. J. W. Smith, a young business man of New York, were married in the latter city on Tuesday, May 9th.

In The Churches.

Grace Presbyterian Church, Kennedyville, will observe Children's Day next Sunday, May 28, at 3 P. M.

First Presbyterian Church, of Worton, Rev. K. M. Bull, pastor—Sunday School at 10 A. M. Song service and preaching at 8 P. M. Children's Day will be observed Sunday, June 4th, at 8 P. M.

Rev. A. D. Melvin, president of the Maryland conference, will preach in Christ M. P. church, Chestertown, next Sunday morning.

Rev. E. C. Atkins, of Centreville, president of Easton District Epworth League, delivered an address before the Chestertown League on Tuesday evening. The subject of his lecture was "The Evolution of a Girl."

Mr. Wm S. Walker has been elected the delegate from Chester Parish to the 31st annual convention of the Diocese of Easton, which meets in Christ church, Easton, Tuesday, June 9th, 1899.

The tenth anniversary of the Chestertown Epworth League was celebrated on Sunday evening with a most interestingly arranged programme. The following was the pleasant order of exercises:

Organ Voluntary, Miss Anna G. Lambert; chorus, congregational singing; prayer, Rev. Julius Dodd; chorus; remarks by Mr. M. W. Thomas, president of the League; report of Spiritual Work department, Prof. L. J. Smyth, chairman, read by Mr. Lynch, of Washington College; report of Mercy and Help department, Mrs. W. E. Ringgold, chairman, read by Miss Ethel Coleman; report of Literary department, Miss Lillie Bramble, chairman; congregational singing of League Rally Song, written by Mr. W. C. Poole, of Washington College and dedicated to the Chestertown League; address of the evening, Rev. O. W. Devenish, of Clayton, Del.; chorus; collection; report of entertainment department, Miss Estelle Simmons; report of finance department, by Mr. R. S. Thomas; congregational singing; benediction. The Sunday school orchestra, composed of Miss Anna G. Lambert, organist; W. E. Ringgold, flute; Jacob F. Thompson and L. B. Russell, cornets; John C. Cannan, tenor and D. P. Jones, basso, assisted in the musical selections.

I have been a sufferer from chronic diarrhoea ever since the war and have used all kinds of medicines for it. At last I found one remedy that has been a success as a cure, and that is Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.—P. E. GRISHAM, Gears Mills, La. For sale by M. A. Toulson, druggist.

CAPT. BURCHINAL DEAD.

Succumbs to the Inroads of a Serious Complication.

FOR YEARS THE MOST PROMINENT REPUBLICAN OF THE EASTERN SHORE.

After an illness dating from February 16th, Captain William D. Burchinal died of softening of the brain at half-past four o'clock on Thursday morning at his home on Front street, in the 67th year of his age. After a business visit to the home of Harrison W. Vickers, Esq., on February 16, he was seized with apoplexy and fell, striking his head and inflicting wounds from which he never recovered. He became somewhat better, and about three weeks ago was able to be on the street, but the improved conditions were only temporary, and for several weeks past the naturally vigorous constitution continued to give way, until the end came on Thursday morning, after intense suffering.

Captain Burchinal had for years been identified with the business advancement of his town, and along the water front spent thousands of dollars in improving valuable wharf property. Owning some of the most beautiful farming land in the suburbs of Chestertown, he had been no less intimately identified with agricultural pursuits. Ratcliffe, his estate, is one of the finest properties in the county. His contributions to charity were large, and by his largeness of heart he had bound to him a large circle of abiding friends among the masses.

Possibly no man has ever been so intimately associated with the republican party in Kent county. He was even more than leader, and for years was virtually the local organization.

His paternal ancestors came from England with the first colonies with Lord Baltimore, and one branch settled on the Eastern Shore of Maryland, the other in the State of Delaware. Captain Wm. D. Burchinal was born in Dover, Del., October 4, 1832, and resided in that town until he was seven years of age. He then went with his parents to a farm in Queen Anne county. He afterwards went with his father to head of Sassafras in the mercantile business. Between 1844 and 1847 he spent in Odessa, Del., and in 1848 and in 1849 resided in Salem, New Jersey, conducting a mercantile business. After a temporary residence in Millington, at the head of Chester River, he came to Chestertown. Since 1854 he was identified with the development of public enterprises. About 1858 he took a clerkship in the store of Thomas W. Eliason, which position he resigned upon the breaking out of the war.

December 21, 1861, he enlisted in Company D. Second Eastern Shore Maryland Infantry. At first he was second lieutenant, but was soon promoted to be an adjutant of the regiment, and finally, rose to the rank of captain, which position he held until the regiment went out of service, October 28, 1864. In the spring of 1865 he was appointed quartermaster of the Eleventh Maryland Infantry, under Colonel John Johannes, and served until July, 1865.

After peace was declared Captain Burchinal returned to Chestertown and engaged in the real estate business. In 1869 he was made inspector of customs of the port of Baltimore, under John L. Thomas, Jr., and afterward became assistant cashier of customs, holding the position until 1872, when he resigned and returned to Chestertown. Upon his appointment as deputy collector of customs, he, in 1876, returned to Baltimore filling the position during the administration of President Hayes. He returned to agriculture on his beautiful farm, near Chestertown, in 1881. In 1883, after a hotly-contested campaign, he was elected to the State Senate from Kent, and served four years, and was reelected in 1887 for his second term. He was appointed surveyor of the port of Baltimore in 1890, filling the position for four years. Returning to Kent, he was elected county treasurer for a term of two years.

He took a profound interest in State and national politics, and was one of the most aggressive politicians which Kent has ever had. He possessed a dash which impressed many and gave an effectiveness to his work possessed by no member of his party in Kent.

May 13, 1868, he married Mrs. Margaret A., widow of Captain William H. Brown, of Chestertown. Mrs. Burchinal died June 29, 1894, leaving no children. Capt. Burchinal was a member of the national convention of his party which met in Chicago in 1868, and nominated General Grant for the presidency. Again in 1888 he was a member of the convention which nominated President Harrison as his party's national standard-bearer.

There has probably been no county convention for thirty years of which Captain Burchinal has not been the acknowledged leader. He was a warm personal and political friend of Senator Westcott.

Funeral services were held at his late home on Front street, at 3 o'clock on Saturday afternoon, conducted by Rev. Julius Dodd, assisted by Dr. S. C. Roberts. The pall-bearers were: Charles T. Westcott, Col. Wm. J. Vannort, M. deK. Smith, Wm. B. Usilton, Harrison W. Vickers and John F. Howard. Interment in Chester cemetery.

Mrs. Marion deK. Smith is a sister of the deceased.

RICHARD LLOYD NICOLS DEAD.

A Gentleman of the Old School.

Richard L. Nicols died of apoplexy on Tuesday morning, at the home of Mr. R. B. Willson, in his eighty-first year. Mr. and Mrs. Nicols came over from Baltimore about three weeks ago on a visit to his old friend, Mr. Willson, and others in the county. On Saturday, May 6th, he was stricken with apoplexy, which finally resulted in death. Mr. Nicols was a son of Jeremiah Nicols, and was born in the old Pearce Mansion, in Chestertown, now the residence of Mr. Jervis Spencer, in April 1819. His mother was a Miss Elizabeth Hackett, of Queen Anne county, before marriage. The elder Nicols who was a merchant in Chestertown, moved to what is still known as the Nicols farm, in Quaker Neck, where he died in the year 1841. At his father's death, young Richard assumed control of the farm. In 1869 or 1870 he purchased Huntingfield, the fine estate on the Chesapeake bay, near Rock Hall, now owned by Mrs. Carolene Hynson. Financial reverses followed this assumption of a heavy indebtedness and he only lived here about three years. For a short time he sailed a boat out of Fairlee creek. He afterward moved to Baltimore, where he has since lived.

Mr. Nicols was a gentleman of the old school,—gallant, generous and affable. When the glory of Kent socially was at her zenith, Mr. Nicols and his friends were conspicuous in her social history.

A wife, Miss Nellie Wright, before marriage, of Queen Anne county, survives him, as also three sons as follows: Harry Nicols, of Kent, and Messrs. G. Wright and George Nicols, of Baltimore.

The interment took place at St. Pauls, at 3.30 o'clock, yesterday afternoon.

ANNUAL CONVENTION.

Temperance Women Discuss their Work in the County.

The fourteenth annual convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, of Kent county, met in Stam's Hall on Friday. The morning session, after singing and scripture quotations, was opened by prayer by Rev. Julius Dodd, of Chestertown Methodist Episcopal church. Roll call of officers and the naming of committees was followed by the most satisfactory reports from superintendents of the different branches of work. The cause was shown to be in excellent condition. Col. William J. Vannort delivered the address of welcome:

Madam President, Delegates of the W. C. T. U., Ladies and Gentlemen:—You are surrounded by friends whose every sympathy and heart throb beat in unison with thine, whose sincere and heart-felt prayer is that ere long the damning, withering and blighting influences of intemperence and rumtraffic shall be forever banished from this fair land of ours. We are with you. We speak for Chestertown, whose great big sympathetic heart throws open wide the portals of her hospitable homes and with extended hands tenders you an hearty, cordial welcome. The mission in which you are engaged calls forth our earnest and hearty approval; it is as far-reaching as time, as boundless as eternity. The events and happenings of the past few months may not appear to the careless and superficial observer to be in strict accord with sentiments just uttered; to the observant, careful, thoughtful thinker there are many evidences of a strong undertow of loyal and aggressive temperance sentiment setting in among the people of this community, promising grand results in the near future. The weak and passive have become strong and aggressive, and to-day are brave and fearless champions of temperance. Your influence has a far greater and soul-reaching power than in days of yore. Never has the cause of temperance been so bright or fraught with such vital and burning interest as now. You have contributed in no mean degree to the results thus accomplished. You have wrought into the history of your soul a chapter shadowed by self-sacrifice and devotion rarely equaled, never excelled—enduring as the everlasting hills—a blessed heritage to those who follow after you—when old age creeps on apace—when the fire of energy no longer lights your eye—your forms bent by increasing infirmities, your step halting, feeble and uncertain, traveling down life's declining way, looking back upon a well-spent life as it passes in panoramic view before you. No services rendered, no sacrifices made, no page of life's calendar will be so resplendant with noble deeds accomplished, as the one upon which is emblazoned, with such bright and beautiful coloring those acts of heroism and devotion so consistently and persistently displayed in the chapter to which I refer. The crusade against intemperance was not of our own chosing. The mighty hand of an over-ruling providence shaped its epoch and its end, leading our devoted band of willing women workers as by pillars of fire to an issue, that was down in His plan, for the uplifting of humanity, and the upbuilding of the glorious cause of temperance. From the snow-clad hills of Maine came the first bugle call for volunteers in the temperance cause, led by that untiring and relentless foe of intemperance, Neal Dow.

Nobly have the women responded to that call; as the vibrations are heard along the hillside, the mountain, the valley and the plain, that handful of temperance workers increased in volume and velocity until it has attained its grand and magnificent proportions of today, and, through its powerful influence the wail and cry of want, misery, desolation and suffering of wife and children, widow and orphan are no longer heard in many communities of our beautiful and beloved land, nor the muttered imprecations of the inebriate as he reels and staggers along life's pathway to his ultimate destiny, a drunkard's grave, unhonored and unwept. The influence of the W. C. T. U. is a wonderful lever for good, and to the deep and abiding interest manifested by its members is due the great revolution of popular feeling and sentiment recently developed in this county, and is destined to accomplish great good in the name of temperance. The evidence of increasing interest in the cause of temperance is abroad in the county, giving the pleasant assurance to the W. C. T. U. that their efforts have not been in vain. The number of willing workers is largely on the increase, and hope soon to banish forever from our beloved land, the pest-houses, speakeasies and every species of vice and immorality which are the legitimate offspring of the damning and blighting influence of the drink habit, and every other kindred vice. Our prayer is that the circling years, as they come and go, may bring us nearer and nearer to the consummation of our hope and desire; that the whole world shall be one grand Temperance Union. To that end let our every energy be bent, and leave the result with God. We again welcome you.

Mrs. C. S. Hurlock responded as follows:

It doubtless seems much out of place for a member of Chestertown Union to respond to a welcome from the town, but no one can quite understand how very much one feels out of place when attempting to fill the position of another, unless it be from actual experience. In recalling the royal welcome given us at Still Pond a few years since, I am sure you have read with pleasure the name of Mrs. Margaret Harris upon our program, and regret with me her inability to comply. On learning the welcome was to be extended in behalf of the town, and in view of my longer association with unions outside of Chestertown, feel I can safely speak for them in grateful terms for the warm welcome and words of encouragement given to the Woman's Christian Temperance Union by an official representative of the town. I well remember how we used to feel, that from its being a central point, Chestertown was the place to hold a convention, and that except the burden it brings to a local union, we would have oftener accepted the invitation so kindly given. By reason of an increased membership and the ready aid always given by those outside our ranks, the Co. Ex. decided not to consider ourselves the guests of the local union but simply to share as much as possible the burden and responsibility of another convention in Chestertown. Coming as a self-invited body, it gives us unlooked-for pleasure to be welcomed for the first time in our history by a town official. Possibly we have not deserved this before, and are late in learning that when we are found practically on the side of the *town*, the *town* will be on *our side*. The bow of ribbon white is a silent witness on the side of God and Home and Native Land, and while thanking you for this hearty welcome and words of cheer, we also thank God for the brothers who honor the Woman's Christian Temperance Union enough to wear its emblem. It is not alone encouragement that inspires one to action, but criticisms, friendly or otherwise, open up unseen opportunities, and we take courage and press on as we realize the holy cause is getting nearer our hearts and homes. We desire to extend our thanks beyond these words of welcome, for the hearty co-operation of many of the best citizens of the town and county in our recent efforts for the better protection of both. Our women are learning to be brave and true to our pledge, and if we have or shall in the future accomplish aught for the advancement of good morals, we are deeply grateful for any and all influences that hasten or help on our work for the Master.

Then followed routine work until noon, when an elegant dinner was partaken of in the supper room of the hall.

Interesting reports and detail work was followed at 3.30 o'clock by a discussion of "Practical Temperance Work in Kent." The participants were Miss Anne Rothwell Stewart, who urged concert of action, eternal vigilence and persistent action; Mrs T. E W. Crew, advocated keeping the young mind pure and sweet in noble aspirations, as the best means of shunning the danger of strong drink; James H. Baker took advanced ground and recognized in an enlightened and healthy public sentiment, the great safeguard against violations of law and a life of sobriety and usefulness.

Rev. Kent M. Bull, spoke upon "Our Recent Experience in Court." Mr. Bull while vigorous and full in his treatment of his visit to the recent session of court, considered the matter in a most practical and conservative way, declaring that he was far from being discouraged; on the contrary he was encouraged to greater effort than ever before.

Rev. John M. Gill, gave a timely and interesting talk and was followed by State's Attorney John D. Urie, who urged the efficacy of local option, and declared it to be a necessity in Kent. Rev. E. C. MaKosky treated the subject: "The Young People as a Factor in Temperance Reform," in an interesting manner.

Misses McKnett, VanDyke and Lambert added greatly to the interest of the programme by their sweet musical renditions. Lack of space prevents a more detailed account.

The full list of officers of last year were re-elected as follows:

President.....Mrs. L. M. Corey
Cor. Sec.....Mrs. S. M. Usilton
Rec. Sec.....Mrs. L. M. C. Smyth
Treasurer.....Mrs. C. M. Lucas
Vice-pres.....Mrs. Tilghman Shafer

Superintendents were appointed as follows:

Sunday Schools.....Mrs. V. Skirven
Sabbath Observance.....Mrs. H. B. Simmons
Scientific Temper. Inst.....Mrs. Nicholson
Young Woman's Work.....Miss Clara Biddle
Literature.....Mrs. M. E. Brown
L. T. L.....Mrs. Acca Crew
Almshouse.....Mrs. Leaverton
Parlor meeting.....Mrs. Avis Vannort
Flower Mission.....Miss Gussie Cannan
State Paper.....Miss Florence Jewell
Evangelistic.....Mrs. Julius Dodd
Unfermented Wine.....Mrs. Usilton
Franchise.....Mrs. Pennington
Prison and Jail.....Mrs. Brice
Press.....Mrs. Hurlock
Colored Work.....Mrs. Lucas
Purity Work.....Mrs. S. Vannort, Mrs. Usilton, Mrs. Legg.
Narcotics.....Mrs. Shafer
Contests.....Mrs. Acca Crew

WHIT MONDAY SPORT.

Races, Fun Over the Traps and Base Ball Enjoyed.

The Whit Monday holiday was generally enjoyed in Kent. Horse racing, clay-pigeon shooting and other sports were enjoyed.

AT COBURN'S TRACK.

At the track of Mr. Benjamin Coburn, near Rock Hall, some good trotting was witnessed by about three hundred persons. It was proposed to have three contests but it was afterward decided to have but two.

In the 3.30 race were Alonzo Stevens' b. h., Frank E. Stevens black h., Lev. Gale's Hudson horse; Louis Engle, b. h.; L. C. Ayres, b. m.

The contest was two best in three. Alonzo Stevens won two straight, with Frank Stevens second and Lev Gale, third. Best time 2.43.

In the second race were F. A. Coleman's b. h., George Walbert's roan horse, Wilbur T. Gale's b. h., Fleetwood. Coleman came in first with Walbert second. Best time 3.08.

Politics and politicians were of course in evidence.

Mr. Coburn, while deeply interested in the sport, of course dropped a good word occasionally in reference to "Sheriff Coburn." Mr. Kelley was on hand too, and was not idle.

PINEY PLAIN TRACK.

About two hundred persons enjoyed some first-rate sport at the Piney Plain track, in charge of that veteran horseman, J. B. Pennington. Of those present, a large number were ladies, and they thoroughly enjoyed the contests.

The results were:

3.00 CLASS.

Wm. Stevens, g. h. Bryon	1	1	1
John Price, b. s. Grover S	2	2	2
James Walls, b. m. Little Belle	3	4	dr
Fred Kenney, b. m. Queen	4	3	3

3.00 CLASS.

M. Haley, sr. m	1	2	1 1
Wm. Bonwell, blk. h	2	3	2 2
Mr. Simmons, b. h. Harry	3	1	3 3

FREE FOR ALL.

Wm. Stevens, b. m. Bessie M	1	1	1
Geo. Jones, b. m. Henrietta	2	2	2

AT WORTON.

A number of persons enjoyed a clay-pigeon shoot at Worton Station. Some good work was done. Messrs. Boyles, Newcomb and Carter were the winners.

AT POMONA.

The Little Potatoes of Chestertown, administered a goose egg to the Pomona players at Pomona. The following is the score:

LITTLE POTATO CLUB.

	R
Westcott	4
Burke	4
Hines	3
C. Kibler	4
Bramble	4
Dodd	2
T. Kibler	4
Loud	3
Coleman	1

POMONA CLUB.

Bramble	0
Brown	0
R. Groves	0
D. Groves	0
J. Davis	0
Lester Ford	0
H. Davis	0
Peterson	0
Roilson	0

L. P. Struck out 10, Pomona 1.
Base on Balls—Pomona 7, L. P. 2.

FROM WORTON.

Misses Clara Mann, of Lynch's, and Ellen Bacon, of Flatland, have been the guests of Mrs. George Cooper, of this village.

Miss Katie Parsons, of Rock Hall, spent the holiday at home in Worton.

Miss May Roe, of Masseys, has been the guest of the Misses Cooper, near here.

Miss Ada Barnett, of Chestertown, spent part of last week with Miss Blanche Duyer.

Miss Luella Kastendike, of Baltimore, is the guest of Miss Nellie Silcox, near this place.

Miss Lou Jewell, of Baltimore, spent Sunday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Jewell, of this place.

Mrs. Edw. Newsome and Miss Adelaide Howard, of Chestertown, spent the latter part of last week with Mrs. S. A. Anderson, Mrs. N.'s mother, in this village.

We are sorry to report that Mr. Jos. Gilpin, who is so very ill, is but little improved.

Rev. and Mrs. Geo. R. Ellis, of Kenton, Del., visited at the home of Mrs. Matthews, last week.

The festival held by the ladies of the Presbyterian Church, in Kiker's Hall, on last Friday and Saturday evenings, was a decided success. About eighty-five dollars were cleared. It was advertised in the TRANSCRIPT.

Base-ball is the order of the day. Several accidents have been the result. On Saturday afternoon Mr. Isaac Duyer had his ankle dislocated, and on Monday our constable had a thrown ball to hit him on the head. Mr. Boyles says he heard the knock and thought that the victim was killed as he fell to the ground. This is a dangerous exercise.

Children's Day will be observed in the Presbyterian Church the first Sunday night in June. A good programme is being arranged.

Miss Mary R. Cooper and Miss Blanche Duyer, were delegates from the Sunday school and church of this village, to the W. C. T. U. county convention which met in Chestertown on Friday last,

A great many of our young folk attended St. James Church on Sunday evening, and fully enjoyed Mrs. Lake's address.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Sheats, of Melitota, spent the latter part of last week with Mr. and Mrs. James Sheats, of Worton.

Miss Louisa Myres, of Hanesville, has returned home after a pleasant visit to Mrs. Jos. Duyer, of this place.

MADGE.

A Book of the Dog.

We have received from the Associated Fanciers', 237 South Eighth Street, Philadelphia; a copy of their Dog Buyers' Guide. It contains a finely executed colored frontispiece; well drawn engravings of nearly every breed of dog, and all kinds of dog furnishing goods. We should judge that the book cost to produce a great deal more than the price asked—15 cents—and would advise all our readers who are interested in dogs to send for the book.

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