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LOCAL MATTERS.

Sassafras River Line. — "Cut out Sassafras River ad.in this week's issue."
W. C. Eliason.

The above telegram was received from Capt. Eliason yesterday. The Sassafras River schedule having been printed on the front page it was impossible to comply with the request made in the telegram. This should be sufficient notice to the traveling public.

Heavy Porkers Still. — Reports of heavy porkers continue to come to the front. Mr. John H. Crew, of Betterton, butchered four big fellows on Monday which weighed as follows: 538, 536, 480 and 360 pounds, or a total of 1914 pounds. Mr. Jos. C. Kendall, Rock Hall, killed two which weighed respectively, 443 and 495 pounds.

Forest Fire Near Tolchester — A somewhat destructive and very inconvenient forest fire occurred near Tolchester lane on Monday afternoon and night. A fire was started by several boys near the school house, the flames spread into the forest nearby and raged until a late hour on Monday night. The smoke at the home of Mr. James L. Beck and other homes in the vicinity was almost blinding.

Chestertown Drinking Water.— Health Physician Dr. W. Frank Hines, states that while no official report has been received from the State chemist, he has been notified that the drinking water of Chestertown is in as satisfactory condition as it has been for several years past. It is hoped that an official report will be duly forwarded from the chemist in charge of the examination of the sample of water.

Some Fine Sport —Betterton sportsmen are enjoying rare sport shooting wild geese and swan. Here are a few of the unusual records reported: Wm. Lykes killed three geese and a canvass-back duck at one shot; Thos. and Ewel Wilmer, brought down eight geese with their four barrels; Wm. Warran and C. Trott, killed three geese during the week; Messrs. Crew and Owens killed two swan and a goose, and several other fine bags have been captured.

Danger from Open Fires.—The danger of an open fireplace was demonstrated last week at the home of Lorinne Stevens, on East Neck Island. The husband had built a big log fire in the open hearth and went away while the wife was at her duties in another part of the house. Upon her return to the dining-room she found the mantel and molding ablaze. One of the logs had rolled from the fire and had ignited the wood. Help was called and the flames were subdued.

Kris' Letters.—Good Old Santa Claus wishes us to state that he will be ready to receive letters from the boys and girls of Kent by Transcript next week. This will give him ample time to respond to all letters, and he wishes the little folk of the county to let him know just what they want. This will prevent his bringing the wrong thing to the right girl and the right thing to the wrong boy. All Kris' mail must be received at the Transcript office by Tuesday of next week. The full budget will be printed in next issue.

With Our Advertisers.—All of the Transcript's advertisers announce in this issue magnificent lines of Christmas goods. J. H. Sides, M. A. Toulson, Brice & Welch, J. F. Thompson, R. Bergen, Stam Drug Company, Mrs. S. R. Hurlock, R. F. Parks, Westcott & Dodd, the Misses Reed, Moody & Lusby, Mrs. D. Gruber, W. S. McDonnell, all have fine assortments of goods from which to make suitable holiday purchases. The monster ad. of Miller Bros., Rock Hall, still speaks for that section, while William Medders & Co. and Miss Delia Crossley, continue to boom at Still Pond.

Local Appointments.—Mr. Charles P. Norris, representative-elect in the State Legislature, presented his resignation as a trustee of the poor and the board of county commissioners on Tuesday appointed Mr. George L. Bowers to fill out the unexpired term, which will end in April. Upon application, Mr. Wm. A. Burke was appointed wharf-master at Chestertown to succeed Capt. James W. Thompson. The wharf master receives fifty per cent of the receipts, which meant to Capt. Thompson last year $34.38. Capt. Thompson resigned and will make his future home in Philadelphia.

Maryland Harbors.—The report of Major Smith of the United States Engineers about Queenstown harbor has been transmitted to Congress. It commends increasing the dimensions of the channel from 8½ feet deep by 100 wide to 10 feet deep by 200 wide. The cost is estimated at $23,100. Mr. Smith also recommends that Rock Hall harbor be improved by dredging a channel through Swan Point bar 150 by 12 feet, or 190 by 12 feet, and inner harbor improvements. The first channel is estimated to cost $23,925 and the second $31,515. The inner harbor improvements will cost in either case $19,140, with $8,320 for biennial maintenance for the outer and $880 for the inner channel. He says the channel is worthy of improvement.

Sale of Fine Mill Property.

Philemon B. Hopper, Esq., as attorney named in mortgage, will offer at public sale in Centreville on Tuesday, December 19th, at 1 o'clock P. M., the valuable milling property of the Centreville Manufacturing Company. This is one of the most valuable plants on the peninsula. As will be found by consulting the advertisement in another column, the equipment is complete and of the most up-to-date kind; the transportation facilities are exceptionally good by both rail and water, and the section in which the property is located is unsurpassed in the entire country for fertility and beauty. This is a rare opportunity to secure a fine flouring plant.

FROM GALENA.

Mr. Hyland a Candidate.

Mr. William A. Hyland, that staunch old democratic veteran, is reported as in the field for election supervisor and has strong backing. William Steel, the pump and windmill man would not turn his back upon the responsibilities of this place.

The valuable horse belonging to Rev. A. P. Prettyman was seriously injured by being cut by a piece of glass. Dr. Jarman was called in and the animal is improving.

Mrs. Dr. Phelps, died at the home of her sister, in Milford, last week.

Capt. Andrew Woodall has butchered three porkers which weighed 1392 pounds.

Mr. Robert A. Wilson is running his saw mill at full blast.

Miss Mollie Wilson is very sick at this writing; also Mrs. R. A. Wilson and Miss Jennie Stevens. News.

Urging a Holiday Limit.—A timely caution to the convivially inclined person has been issued by the Maryland State Temperance League in view of the approaching holidays, when a jolly feeling of good fellowship is likely to cause headaches next day. An appeal has been sent out signed by the president, the Rev. Henry Branch, and the secretary, Mr. J. J. Cornell. It says: "The Maryland State Temperance League urges upon all to exert their influence, especially during the holidays, for temperance and sobriety. It respectfully asks the clergy, teachers, heads of families and citizens generally to emphasize this appeal. Life, health, happiness and the round of wholesome festivities are enjoyed by thousands without intoxicating drinks. The dispensing of intoxicating liquors,treating and moderate drinking exert an insidious and hurtful influence. They are fraught with great danger. In abstinence only there is safety. Will you not lend your influence, make it emphatic by your example, and so protect the young, the innocent, the helpless and the erring from these temptations? Come, crown the glad season and the New Year with joy undimmed by tears and sorrow. Make them fragrant with deeds for the happiness of the home, the well-being of society and the uplifting of humanity.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

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

† The two lines of rusty rails running from Chestertown, Md., to Bombay Hook, Del., and dignified by the name of the Baltimore & Delaware Bay railroad, will soon be, it is rumored, under the control of the Pennsylvania railroad. —*Baltimore World.*

† Hon. James E. Kirwin, of Kent Island, killed a 700-pound hog last week. Another islander killed a porker which was so vicious that it was necessary to choke it with a rope and then beat it to death with clubs.

† Dr. Percy Kemp, a Kent Island physician will use a horse-less carriage in his practice.

† Ice covered the Chester river flats on Thursday morning. The thermometer registered 20°

† Mr. W. F. Blyman, baggage master on the B. & D. B. R. R. had his hand painfully mashed while attending to some routine duties at Clayton, on Monday.

† Harry Taylor, an orphan boy of Chestertown, aged about 12 years, was bitten through the ear and on the arm Thursday while playing with a large hound. Officer Cooper shot the dog.

† A rush of corn is now on from Chestertown. But one lot has as yet graded better than steamer.

IN MEMORIAM.

In Memory of the Late Rev. Stephen C. Roberts, D. D.

(BY S. L. KALBFUS.)

A Stranger's Tribute.

Rest, sainted dead!
Thy bier is strewn
With love, well won
In faithful service,
E'en from sun to sun.

Thy words of wisdom,
And thy words of holy cheer,
Have brightened homes,
Through many a happy year!

The tears, thou sheddest
For other's woe or grief,
Were balm to many
A saddened heart,
And sure relief!

Thy words of warning,
And of faith sublime,
Will ne'er forgotten be;
E'en though thou tread'st
No more the halls of time!

Thy sure reward, blest soul!
Thy Maker's verdict, "Good!
Enter thou into the joy
Of thy dear Lord!"

Baltimore, Dec. 4th, 1899.

Resolutions of Respect.

At a meeting of Amicable Lodge I. O. O. F., the following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, An Allwise and Inscrutable Providence has removed from our midst a valued friend and active member of this order, therefore be it

Resolved, That in the death of Rev. Stephen C. Roberts, Amicable Lodge No. 117, I. O. O. F., has lost a member wise in counsel and faithful in service: in his unblemished life as a christian and worker for the salvation of others, he exemplified as few men have ever done the beautiful principles of our beloved order, Friendship, Love and Truth. Duty was the polar star of his consecrated life, and none ever asked of his spiritual or temporal bounty without receiving of his store in the hour of distress. Beside the bed of sickness, or in the home where great sorrow brooded, he was the same faithful, abiding friend and loyal christian. No danger appalled and no labor turned his feet from the path of duty.

Resolved, That these expressions of sympathy of this order be extended to the bereaved family, be entered upon the minutes of the lodge and be published in our county papers.

Respectfully submitted,
J. W. Chapman,
F. D. Leary,
J. R. Rollison, Committee.
H. M. Wallis,
Chas. J. Reiche.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

Elections Held Last Week.

Chestertown Conclave I. O.H.,371, on Thursday last elected the following officers: Frank Blyman, Archon; J. B. McIntyre, Provost; Stewart Matthews, Prelate; R. H. Collins, secretary; C. C. Hopper, financier; J. E. Matthews, treasurer; G. T. Musselman, inspector; Herman Gruber, Warden; Joseph N. Wheatley, sentinel; Jos. N. Wheatley, Herman Gruber and W. R. Pippin, trustees.

Kent Lodge No. 74, I. O. O. F., of Galena, on last Wednesday night elected the following officers: N. G., G. W. Jacoby; V. G., S. J. Comly; Sec., Henry Parr; Treas., B. F. J. Sparks; Chaplain, T. Shafer; Mar., G. C. Walls; Trustees, Henry Parr, G. W. Jacoby, L. C. Hayes; Rep. to G. L., G. C. Walls. This lodge has been instituted nearly fifty years.

Amicable Lodge, I. O. O. F., Chestertown, on last Monday night elected the following officers for the ensuing six months: N. G., Cyrus G. Howard; V. G., Frank H. Howard; Sec., John R. Rollison; Treas., James W. Chapman; Chaplain, Samuel Mann; Marshal, Wm. M. Culp; Trustees, Wm. M. Culp, Frank M. Miller and Chas. J. Reiche.

Church Notes.

The Baltimore *Hearld* has offered a fine aeolean to the minister of the State who shall receive the greatest number of votes by midnight of December 22nd. Rev. John M. Gill, of Christ M. P. Church is so far the only minister of Kent in the contest. Mr. Gill has received 126 votes. Rev. I. C. Burke, of Third English Lutheran church leads the voting with 3,862.

Rev. L R. Randall, pastor of Kennedyville M. P. Church, was given a delightful surprise by his congregation on Monday evening. The larders in the pastor's household were left stocked to overflowing.

A sociable will be held at the home of Mrs. Tenie Melvin, in Morgnec, on Wednesday next, December 20th.

At the recent quarterly conference of Union M. E. church, Presiding Elder Corkran made the highly complimentary statement, that he had never known Union financially so well fixed. This compliment was extended from the pulpit also.

A delightful missionary anniversary will be held at Union M. E. Church on Thursday evening, December 21st. The exercises will be of a most pleasing character. No charge will be made, only a silver offering at the door. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

A most inspiring feature of the session of the Sunday school of the Chestertown M. E. Church on Sunday afternoon, was the conversion of eight of the scholars. Rev. E. C. Sunfield is burning with a righteous zeal to reap a glorious harvest during the interest which he has awakened during his revivals, and conceived the idea that a golden opportunity was offered within the ranks of his splendid Sunday school. His expectations were more than realized.

THE RAILROAD DEAL.

Will the Pennsylvania Get the Baltimore & Delaware Bay Road is the Interesting Question?

The Baltimore & Delaware Bay Railroad running from Chestertown, Md., to the Delaware State line, which is said to have passed into the control of the Pennsylvania Rairoad, has had a decidedly checkered career for such an apparently unimportant line. Originally chartered in 1869 as the Kent County Railroad, it was intended to form a link in a chain of roads whereby Jay Gould attempted to establish a through line from New York to Baltimore and Washington in opposition to the Pennsylvania. It was opened in 1870, and shortly after that Jay Gould, by means of the Jersey Central, New Jersey Southern, Smyrna & Delaware Bay and the new line sought to establish his own route to Baltimore. The first mentioned three roads gave him a direct line from New York across the State of New Jersey to Bay Ridge, on the Delaware Bay. From that point it was proposed to ferry the trains across the bay to Pierson's Cove, on the opposite side, where connection was to be made with the Smyrna and Delaware Bay Railroad to Massey, and thence by the Kent County road to Chestertown and the bay where another ferry line on the Chesapeake was to carry trains to Baltimore.

The project was never brought to a successful conclusion, although Mr. Gould is said to have reaped a very substantial profit out of the scheme. The Kent County road, now the Baltimore and Delaware Bay, was finally sold under foreclosure in 1877 and reorganized in the interests of the New Jersey Southern, and finally with that road passed into the control of the Central Railroad of New Jersey. Subsequently Colonel Fred Gerker, a well-known Philadelphian, who was a director at one time in the company and general manager of the road, secured a ten-years' lease of it at a yearly rental of one dollar.

When the Philadelphia & Reading Railroad leased the Central Railroad of New Jersey in 1882 this road, with others passed under its control. Strange as it may appear, the Reading had been in possession of the leased property an entire year or more before its officials discovered that the Kent County line was included in the lease. When the discovery was made Assistant Chief Engineer Hunter was dispatched early in 1884 to look up the road and report. Mr. Hunter's investigation showed that Colonel Gerker was in possession and operating the road under a ten-year lease at the rental of $1 a year. Before the Reading could gain possession of it the lease of the Central Railroad of New Jersey was terminated. Colonel Gerker operated the road with a single engine and a few cars, carrying freight, passengers and mail, and actually made money out of it.

A Pennsylvania Railroad official said on Friday that his company would not take the little road unless they could secure it for practically nothing, in payment of an old claim against the Central Railroad of New Jersey.

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL.

Mr. John Bordley celebrated the anniversary of his seventy-fifth birthday, on Wednesday of last week. He is as hale and hearty as many men not near so old, and resides in the same house in which he has lived for forty-six years. Mr. Bordley did the honors at a birthday dinner consisting of wild-duck, turkey and oysters.

Mr. John Toulson, son of Mr. M. A. Toulson, celebrated his twenty-first birthday on Sunday. Mr. Toulson was the recipient of a handsome gold watch from his mother and father in honor of the occasion.

Dr. E. J. Watson, of Philadelphia, who has been the efficient clerk in the drug store of Mr. M. A. Toulson for some months past, on next Monday will take the required examination for the position of assistant surgeon in the United States army. He left town yesterday, and Mr. J. Ben Prog, of Cambridge, has taken his place in Mr. Toulson's store.

A first-rate picture of Mr. James S. Harris, president of the Maryland Horticultural Society, was given in Thursday's Baltimore *American.*

Rev. C. S. Jones, pastor of Union M. E. Church, has moved nearer his church, and is now boarding at Mr. Samuel Cooper's.

Mr. James Roe, of Chestertown, suffered a slight stroke of paralysis last week. One leg is affected.

Messrs. R. S Emory, H. L. Crew, Carson W. Harris and Robert G. Nicholson, represented Kent at the meeting of horticulturists, in Baltimore, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harrison Carey, returned to Chestertown on Saturday from their pleasant bridal trip. Mr. and Mrs. Carey have rooms at the Watts Hotel.

Mrs. Louisa Houston will spend the winter in Baltimore city.

Thomas Hines, Jr., grand-son of Ex-Judge Joseph A. Wickes, is extremely ill of typhoid fever, at his home in Baltimore. Miss Josephine Wickes is assisting her sister in nursing the patient.

Mrs. Samuel Nickerson, on Monday moved from Morgnec into the Kemp house on Washington Avenue.

Mrs. Gambell yesterday moved from the home which she has been occupying on High street, preparatory to moving to Baltimore.

Mr. John C. Bradley has obtained employment at Sparrows Point.

Miss Mabel Graham, of Westminster, is visiting at the home of her aunt, Mrs. John N. Dodd.

Mrs. Frank W. Fowler, of Baltimore, was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Chas. H. Davis, over Sunday.

Rev. J. S. Bowers and wife, of Baltimore, spent several days last week visiting relatives in Chestertown.

Mrs. Robert Shaw, of New York, has been visiting at the home of Mrs. Helen K. Shaw, near town.

Mr. Linwood W. Sparks, of Pocomoke City, is spending a few days in town. He rode over from Denton, on Monday, on his bicycle.

Mr. J. F. Snodgrass and his bride returned to Chestertown on Tuesday. Mr. Snodgrass has taken a suite of rooms at the Armstrong House.

Mrs. Elizabeth Meier, of Galena, has issued cards announcing the wedding on December 21st, of her daughter, Mattie, to Mr. Wm. K. Thornton.

The announcement is made of the wedding, on January 3rd, of Miss Ida McIntyre, of Galena, and Mr. Raymond Thornley, of Sassafras.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Miss Annie Louise, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William S. McMaster, of Princess Anne, and Mr. Robert F. Duer, secretary and treasurer to the Board of School Commissioners of Somerset county. The ceremony will take place on Tuesday, Dec. 19th. Mr. Duer is a graduate of Washington College and has many warm friends in this community.

Miss Nellie Barwick, one of the teachers in Rock Hall public school, has resigned and accepted the appointment of teacher of Urieville school, vice Miss Blanche McKnett, resigned.

Mr. Theodore H. Jewell and Miss Kate A. Smith, were married by Rev. J. B. Merritt, at the maternal home of the bride, yesterday evening, at 8 o'clock. Mr. Jewell is clerk to the board of county commissioners and will reside on Cannon street.

DISCUSSED THEIR WORK.

Fifth Annual Convention of Kent County Sunday School Warkers.

The fifth annual convention of the Kent County Sunday School Union, met at the M. E. Church, in Millington, on Thursday and Friday of last week. The first session of the convention opened with devotional exercises by Mr. J. H. Weist, after which Mr. W. B. Copper, president of the Union, called the convention to order.

Representing the church and voicing the sentiment of the hospitable people of Millington, the pastor, Rev. D. F. Waddell, heartily welcomed the convention. Response was made by Rev. Geo. H. Nock, of Baltimore.

Committees were appointed and the election of officers resulted as follows: president, John H. Weist; vice-president, Sam'l. Vannort; sec. and treas., W. E. Sanders; executive committee, W. B. Copper, Jas. H. Baker, J. W. Harper, Sam'l Vannort, Mrs. C. M. Hurtt, Mrs. L. J. Legg.

The first topic of the day, "The Purpose of the Sunday School," was ably discussed by Rev. John M. Arters, Rev. G. H. Nock, Mr. Gilbert Taylor.

The afternoon session opened with song and prayer service led by Mr. W. E. Sanders, followed by reports from Sunday schools. The topic—"The Superintendent and the Teacher—Their Mutual Relations and Work," was well set forth by an interesting paper by Mr. W. K. Gale.

The evening session was devoted to music and a Sunday School experience meeting led by Rev. Geo. H. Nock.

Friday morning session opened with devotional exercises by Mr. W. E Sanders followed with an interesting discussion of the topic—"Relation of the Sunday School to the Temperance Cause," by Mr. Sam'l Vannort and Rev. Geo. H. Nock. Interesting papers were also read from Mrs. C. H. Hurlock and Mrs. Emma Shafer. The next topic of the morning,—"How Can the Punctual Attendance of our Scholars be Secured," was very interestingly discussed by Rev. E. C. Sunfield, Rev. Louis Randall, Rev. Geo. H. Nock and Mr. Gilbert Taylor.

The afternoon session opened with the usual devotional exercises led by Mr. J. H. Weist.—"How to Enlist the Membership of the Church" was the topic of the afternoon and was forcibly put by Rev. Louis Randall, Rev. D. F. Waddell and Mr. Sam'l Vannort. The evening session being the last session of the convention, was given to Rev. George H. Nock, who spoke on "General Sunday School Work." The convention closed after an interesting and profitable session. The officers and delegates present were as follows: Rev. Geo. H. Nock, entertained by Mr. H. Tonkin; Mr. W. B. Copper and wife, Rev. E. C. Sunfield, by Rev. D. F. Waddell; Rev. J. M. Arters, W. E. Beck, Miss Emma Hessner, by H. S. Cook; Mr. Sam'l Vannort, Mr. C. H. Hurlock, by Mr. F. Collins; Mrs. Hiram Brown, Mrs. J. S. Vandegrift, Mrs. M. E. Brown, by Mrs. M. E. B. Mallalieu; Mr. H. C. Jarrell, W. T. Hague, W. E. Sanders, by Mr. F. S. Smith; Mr. B. F. Phillips, by Mr. John H. Weist; Miss Laura Knabb, Mr. W. R. Gale, Rev. E. F. Makosky, by Mr. C. M. Hurtt; Mr. Frank Truitt, by Mr. L. S. Price; Rev. Louis Randall, Miss Blanche Duyer, by Mr. J. L. Smith; Mr. B. F. Rash, by Mr. F. S. Bottomly; Miss Lillie Boyd, by Dr. Comegys; Miss Rhoda Mulford, by Mr. C. M. Hurtt; Mr. Ralph Barnett, Hotel.

The following schools made no report: Chestertown M. P., Rock Hall M. E, Betterton M. E., Still Pond M. E., Sassafras M. P., Georgetown Presbyterian, Chesterville M. E. South, Millington M. E. South.

SOCIAL PLEASURES.

The Season for Winter Pleasures Now at its Height.

The Friday Evening Club, was daintily entertained by Miss Irma Eliason, last week. A pleasant feature of the occasion was a guessing contest. A number of packages, each one numbered, were passed around, the members registered their guesses on a card and at the close of the contest the results were made known. The dozen carnations, offered as a prize to the one correctly guessing the contents of the greatest number of packages, was won by Mr. Rudolf Tull, of Washington College. A toy mule and cart, offered as a booby prize, was, after a spirited contest, won by Mr. George C. Perkins.

The Misses Carolene and Helen Hynson entertained a number of their little friends at a birthday party from 3 to 6 o'clock on Friday afternoon. Miss Carolene is 7 years old and Miss Helen 5, both being December girls, the interesting young ladies held their reception together. Both made charming hostesses and the occasion was a charming success. Dainty refreshments were served to the guests.

The dance given by the young gentlemen at Edesville Hall on Friday evening, was one of the most pleasant events of the year. Four pieces of the Rock Hall band furnished fine music for the dancers. Messrs. George Camp and Bert DeCorse were the floor committee. Those present from Chestertown were: Misses Olevia and Helen Wilkins, J. Waters Russell, Ambrose Carroll, Joseph Brice, Turbert Greenwood and Earle Nicholson.

The young men of Chestertown are arranging for a Christmas ball on the evening of December 28th.

The gentlemen of Centreville will give their annual Christmas hop on December 27th.

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REPELANT CLOTHS, 54 inches wide, worth 65c. our price to close at 50c. yd.

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Boots of Every Style and Lower.

Carpets and Rugs. We represent more styles in this department than you can find elsewhere.

We respectfully invite the public and our host of friends, and we will show you Christmas bargains and presents that will make you happy by the buying, the receiver happier, and us grateful, for your so generous patronage. Wishing all a Happy Christmas and a welcome to our Department Store. Respectfully,

Westcott & Dodd.

Have sold 2100 lbs. Buckwheat. What do you think of it? And just received to-day 1000 lbs., making a total of 3,100 lbs for this season. Such sales as this speaks volumes for us, showing that the best is always the most satisfactory, which is our motto—selling the best article in all lines for the least money.

☞ Still pay the highet Market Price for Eggs.

Sheriff's Tax Sale.

By virtue of authority vested in me, as Sheriff of Kent county, by Act of Assembly creating a County Treasurer, and providing for the collection of State and county taxes the undersigned will sell at Public Sale, on

Tuesday, January 2, 1900,

between the hours of two and three o'clock P. M., at the Court House Door, in Chestertown, Maryland,

All that Lot or Parcel of Land,

containing One-Quarter Acre, more or less, with Improvements thereon, and assessed to Alexander Ford, colored, situate and lying on the left side of the public road leading from Hanesville to Buck Neck, in the Sixth Election District of Kent county, Md., and adjoining the lands of Mrs. Nicholson, Rachel Perkins, and others.

The sale will be made to pay and satisfy taxes due on said property for the year 1898, as follows:

County Taxes.................$1.27.
State Taxes.................. 24c.

together with interest and all costs due and to become due thereon.

d7-ts. BEDFORD ROE, Sheriff.

SHERIFF'S TAX SALE.

By virtue of authority vested in me, as Sheriff of Kent county, by Act of Assembly creating a County Treasurer, and providing for the collection of State and county taxes, the undersigned will sell at Public Sale,

On Tuesday, Dec. 26, 1899,

between the hours of two and three o'clock P. M., at the Court House Door, in Chestertown, Maryland,

All that Lot or Parcel of Land,

containing 2 ACRES, more or less, and improved by a ONE STORY HOUSE, and assessed to Gilbert H. Robinson, situate and lying in the First Election District of Kent County, Md., on the left hand side of the public road leading from Millington to Smyrna, and adjoining the lands of Howard Hines, and others.

The sale will be made to pay and satisfy taxes due on said property for the year 1898, as follows:

County Taxes..................95c.
State Taxes....................18c.

together with interest and all costs due and to become due thereon

n30-ts BEDFORD ROE, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Tax Sale.

By virtue of authority vested in me, as Sheriff of Kent county, by Act of Assembly creating a County Treasurer, and providing for the collection of State and county taxes, the undersigned will sell at Public Sale,

On Tuesday, January 2, 1900,

between the hours of two and three o'clock P. M., at the Court House Door, in Chestertown, Maryland,

All that Lot or Parcel of Land,

containing One-Half Acre, more or less, with Improvements, and assessed to Samuel K. Boyer, colored, situate and lying in Castle Town, in the Sixth Election District of Kent county, Maryland, adjoining the lands of Samuel Thompson, Isaac Johnson and others.

The sale will be made to pay and satisfy taxes due on said property for the year 1898, as follows:

County Taxes.................$1.05.
State Taxes................... 20c.

together with interest and all costs due and to become due thereon.

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By virtue of authority vested in me, as Sheriff of Kent county, by Act of Assembly creating a County Treasurer, and providing for the collection of State and county taxes, the undersigned will sell at Public Sale,

On Tuesday, Dec. 26, 1899,

between the hours of two and three o'clock P. M., at the Court House Door, in Chestertown Maryland,

All that LOT or Parcel of Land,

Containing 13 Acres, more or less, improved by a One-Story Frame Dwelling House, and assessed to Alexander and Jane Butler and Annie Johnson, situated and lying in Dutchtown, near Still Pond, in the Second Election District of Kent county, Md., adjoining the lands of Jacob B. Crowding, Richard T. Turner, Jr., and others.

The sale will be made to pay and satisfy taxes due on said property for the year 1898, as follows:

County Taxes...................$3.90.
State Taxes....................... 73c.

together with interest and all costs due and to become due thereon.

n30-ts. BEDFORD ROE, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Tax Sale.

By virtue of authority vested in me, as Sheriff of Kent county, by Act of Assembly creating a County Treasurer, and providing for the collection of State and county taxes, the undersigned will sell at Public Sale,

On Tuesday, January 2, 1900,

between the hours of two and three o'clock P. M., at the Court House Door, in Chestertown Maryland,

All that Lot or Parcel of Land,

containing Four Acres, more or less, with Improvements, and assessed to Risdon Tillison, colored, situate and lying in the Third Election District of Kent county, Md., on the south side of the public road known as the Manor Road, and adjoining the lands of Nathaniel Tilghman and others, and which was devised to the said Risdon Tillison by deed dated April 13th, 1875, and recorded in Liber D. C. B., No. 2, folio 285, etc., one of the Land Record Books for Kent county, Md.

The sale will be made to pay and satisfy taxes due on said property for the year 1898, as follows:

County Taxes..................$1.85.
State Taxes........................ 35c.

together with interest and all costs due and to become due thereon.

d7-ts. BEDFORD ROE, Sheriff.

SHERIFF'S TAX SALE.

By virtue of authority vested in me, as Sheriff of Kent county, by Act of Assembly creating a County Treasurer, and providing for the collection of State and county taxes, the undersigned will sell at Public Sale,

On Tuesday, Dec. 26, 1899,

between the hours of two and three o'clock P. M., at the Court House Door, in Chestertown, Maryland,

All that Farm or Tract of Land,

situated in the Second Election District of Kent county, Md., near Chesterville, and known as the "Comegys Mann Farm" containing 102 Acres of land, more or less, together with the improvements thereon, and adjoining the lands of Thomas Clements, and others, and assessed to John J. Lockwood and wife, and recorded in Liber S. B. No 7, folios 77, etc., one of the land record books of Kent county, Md. Also

SIX HEAD OF HORSES.

The sale will be made to pay and satisfy taxes due on said property for the year 1898, as follows:

County Taxes..................$49.16.
State Taxes........................$9.19.
$58.35
Credit by cash...................... 24.50
$33.85

together with interest and all costs due and to become due thereon.

n30-ts. BEDFORD ROE, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Tax Sale.

By virtue of authority vested in me, as Sheriff of Kent county, by Act of Assembly creating a County Treasurer, and providing for the collection of State and county taxes, the undersigned will sell at Public Sale,

On Tuesday, January 2, 1900,

between the hours of two and three o'clock P. M., at the Court House Door, in Chestertown, Maryland,

All that Lot or Parcel of Land,

containing Three and One-Half Acres, more or less, and Improvements, and assessed to William Payne, situate and lying in the Sixth Election District of Kent county, Md., in the village of Melitota, on the north side of the public road leading from the said village to the public school house and adjoining the lands formerly owned by the late William W. Stephens and others, and conveyed to the said William Payne by Marian G. Skirven, administrator, by deed dated the 27th day of January, 1897, and recorded in Liber J. T. D. No. 1, folios 9, etc., one of the Land Record Books for Kent county, Md.

The sale will be made to pay and satisfy taxes due on said property for the year 1898, as follows:

County Taxes.................$2.14
State Taxes...................... 40c.

together with interest and all costs due and to become due thereon.

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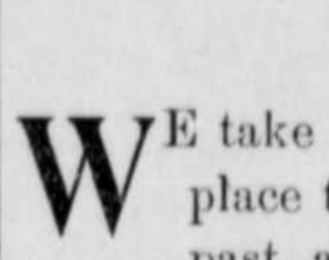
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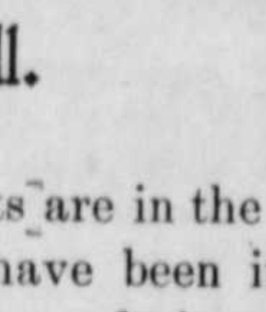
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We take it for granted that your hearts are in the right place this year, just as they always have been in the past, and that you feel the same generous desire to remember those you love with appropriate and desirable Xmas gifts this season as heretofore.

We are pleased to announce that we are better prepared to meet your wants this season than ever before, having a much larger stock and greater variety to select from.

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We are going to be the people's Santa Claus this season by selling you Xmas gifts at the lowest scale of prices ever known to honest trade.

We are going to make your money far-reaching and profitable in the exchange for Xmas gifts.

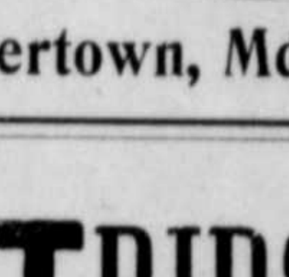
Our Jewelry Department is stocked with almost everything desirable, and don't fail to look through our fine display of Silverwares.

Clocks, Kodaks and fine Leather Goods, Sterling Silver Novelties, etc.

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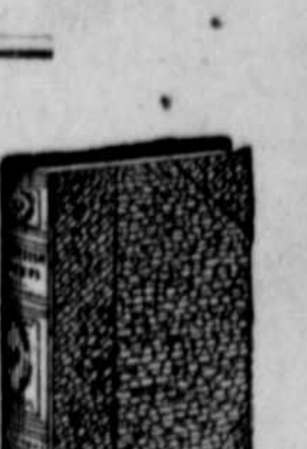


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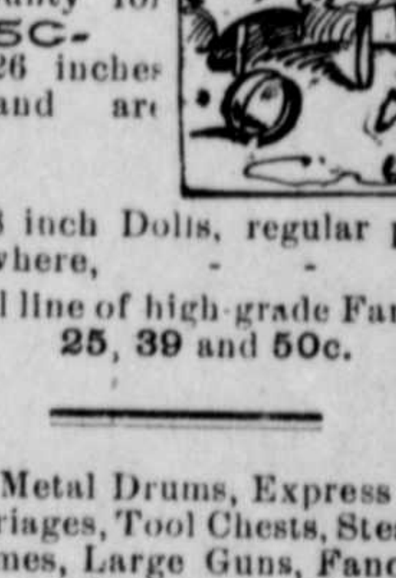


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