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HOUSE AND LOT FOR RENT.

HOUSE AND LOT for rent at Betterton Md. Refer
n23-3t TRANSCRIPT OFFICE.

TRESPASS NOTICE.

Persons are forbidden to trespass in any manner on my property at Betterton.
MRS. C. H. SCHUYLER,
n23 3t Betterton, Md.

SEWING MACHINES.

If there is any make of Sewing Machine in Kent county not in repair, or not giving satisfaction to its owner, please address
MR. A. H. SUPLEE,
Betterton, Md.
Do not exchange or buy a new Sewing Machine until he has advised you. n23-3m.

COMMISSIONS RECEIVED.

THE Newly Elected Officers are hereby notified that their Commissions have been received, and the law requires that they must qualify within 30 days from Nov. 16. 1901.
James T. DIXON,
n23-4t. Clerk.

YOUNG MULES

FOR SALE!

I will sell in Chestertown, on
TUESDAY NEXT,
at the Armstrong Hotel Stables, 30 Head of Fine 2-Year-Old Mules, commencing at 1 o'clock, P. M. These are fine size, carefully picked Young Missouri Mules.
A credit of 12 months will be given with approved security.
n30-1t. Worland Bros. & Richardson.

Auditor's Notice.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County.

No. 1415 Chancery.

Marion deK. Smith and Hope H. Barroll, Receivers and Assignees,
vs.
Mary E. Ming, Alonzo Ming.

The creditors interested in the distribution of the fund in this case are hereby notified to file their claims, properly authenticated, with the Clerk of the Circuit Court, within sixty days from the first date of this notice, after which an account will be stated.
By order of Court,
EBEN F. PERKINS,
n30-4t. Auditor.

NEW SHAVING PARLORS

I WISH to notify the public that I have opened a BARBERING and HAIR-CUTTING PARLOR in the NEW PIPPIN HOTEL. I have had SEVEN YEARS EXPERIENCE, my equipment is of the very best and I feel confident of giving the public entire satisfaction in every department of my work. A Pleasant Shave, an up-to-date Hair-cut and a Shampoo, are all in my line.
The patronage of the public is earnestly solicited.
HARRY W. FALLOWFIELD,
PIPPIN'S HOTEL,
n23-4t. Chestertown, Md.

NOTICE TO TEACHERS!

THE attention of teachers is called to the following motion passed by the School Board at their meeting Nov. 19, 1901:
"The general prevalence of Small-pox makes it the duty of all school officials to take every precaution against the spread of the disease through the schools of the county. And in every instance, before receiving a child into school, the teacher shall require a certificate from a physician, certifying that the child was vaccinated by him on a certain day, and that such vaccination has been successful."
Notice is also given that November 28th and 29th inst., will be holiday.
JOSEPH PETERSON,
n23. Secretary.

ESTRAY CALF.

Estrayed from the farm of the undersigned on November 12, one Yellow and White Bull Calf about six months old. Any information leading to the recovery of the calf will be thankfully received.
n16-3t THOMAS MASSEY,
Chestertown Md.

TRESPASS NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that trespassing with dog or gun will not be allowed, under penalty of law, on the lands of the undersigned.
JESSE R. COPPER,
WILLIAM H. BONWILL,
WILLIAM D. SHINN,
n16-4t. JOSEPH B. HOSSINGER.

ARMOUR'S
Poultry Food

MAKE HENS LAY,
Make Eggs in Winter Time.

MEAT, MEAL,
MEAT and BONE,
CRUSHED BONE,
OYSTER SHELL.

Free Egg Record Card and Feeding Formula on application.

PERCY G. SKIRVEN,
Long Distance 'Phone. Arlington 151. ARLINGTON, MD.

—CHOICE—
NURSERY STOCK.

I have for delivery this fall a fine lot of
Apple, Peach, Pear and Plum Trees.
Also a limited number of
OPALESCENT APPLE TREES,
the most wonderful apple of the century.
OUR KEIFFERS
Are Unusually Fine.
HARRY L. BOYD,
s23-11t. Chestertown, Md

Loss of Life and Property.

Thousands of Dollars Lost to Kent County Oystermen by Recent Gales—2¼ Inches of Rain Fell in 12 Hours.

Saturday Night's Great Storm.

The United States Hotel was wrecked and the Iron Pier at Long Branch, N. J., was broken.

Atlantic City's Boardwalk was washed out in places and the yachtmens' wharf d maged.

Highest tide seen in many years in New York harbor.

The steamer Flottbek was blown ashore on Monmouth Beach, N. J., and tug Haddon pounded to pieces on the Long Branch pier.

The wind blew 70 miles an hour at Asbury Park, N. J., unroofed the Metropolitan Hotel and damaged many cottages.

At Seabright, N. J., the South Railroad was washed away for a quarter of a mile.

The highest tide ever known on the north shore of Long Island caused a number of minor wrecks and damage to cottages, hotels and piers.

A deep, new inlet from the ocean to Shrewsbery river was formed near Navesink.

The storm extended from Delaware to the coasts of Connecticut and Massachusetts.

Many lives were lost and vessels wrecked. Reports of disaster and death have continued to come in during the entire week.

The rain came as a boon to Kent county farmers. The great wheat acreage of the county was considered by many conservative and representative farmers to be "suffering for rain." This being the case the great downpour of Saturday and Sunday night was welcomed in every section. To compute its value, even approximately in dollars and cents, is an impossibility.

During Saturday night the storm reached clyclonic proportions. Rain fell in torrents driven by a terrific gale.

M. deK. Smith, Esq., who kept an accurate registry of the rainfall states that between 8 o'clock on Saturday night and 8 o'clock on Sunday morning the total rainfall was 2¼ inches.

So far as learned no damage was done to shipping or other property in the county.

The loss to the great army of oystermen, however, during the past weeks of furious gales has been very great. That some idea may be formed of just what a week of storm means to the people of Rock Hall, the following figures are given by gentlemen fully posted on the subject. The number of tonging boats at Rock Hall and nearby harbors is placed at 300, the average catch per day under favorable weather conditions is estimated at ten bushels per boat, or a total daily catch of 3000 bushels of marketable oysters. At an average of forty-five cents per bushel, this would mean a total daily income to the Rock Hall oystermen of **$1,350**. This multiplied by six working days of one week gives the splendid total of $7,100, withdrawn from the arteries of trade in the village in one week as a result of stormy weather such as has recently prevailed.

Carring out the figures to include the entire county, Clerk Dixon has issued up to date 778 tonging licenses. Applying the same figures as are estimated for Rock Hall, the loss has been enormous. The loss to the oystermen of the county may be safely placed at from $15,000 to $20,000 during the past three weeks.

No Word of Mr. Moffett's Team.—The valuable horse, carriage and robes belonging to Mr. J.H. Moffett, which were stolen from Still Pond church three weeks ago, have not as yet been found. Every effort to find a trace of the team has proven fruitless. About ten days ago Mr. Moffett was notified that in one of the lower peninsula counties there was a strange team answering the discription of his property. A trip of investigation disclosed the fact that while the horse was marked strikingly like the one stolen from Still Pond, it was not the same animal. A young lady in Still Pond is confident that she saw the men who took the team. She was standing on a porch in the village when two men drove up in an open buggy. One of them got out and examined a horse which was hitched nearby, and with the remark that "the one we are after is larger than that," drove off toward the church from which Mr. Moffett's team was taken.

KENT'S NEW OFFICIALS.

Short Sketches of the Men who Assumed the Responsibilities of Office on Tuesday

Messrs. Louis C. Ayres and Perry B. Rasin qualified and were duly sworn in as members of the Commissioners Board of Kent county, on Tuesday morning. Mr. Ayres is a democrat and succeeds Mr. Thomas J. Fletcher, also a democrat. Mr. Rasin is a republican and succeeds Mr. Joseph R. Usilton, a democrat. Mr. Ayres is the only democratic member of the present board. The terms of Messrs Daniel Hill, Geo. M. Hadaway and Louis P. Atwell, all republicans, will expire in 1903.

LOUIS C. AYRES.

Louis C. Ayres, is 51 years of age and is the son of the late John C. Ayres, of Rock Hall. He was born near Rock Hall, since young manhood has been engaged in agricultural persuits, and is one of the representative farmers of the fifth district. He has been on the farm where he now lives for twenty years and is considered one of the successful croppers of his section of the county.

Socially and in business affairs he has the entire esteem and confidence of all who know him.

Though an unwavering and life-long democrat, Mr. Ayres had never before been a candidate for political office. As an official that high standard of honesty which has characterized the every transaction of his life in the past will doubtless be conspicuous in the discharge of his public trust.

His family consists of a wife, Miss Maggie Beck, before marriage, and two interestering children, a boy and a girl.

SHERIFF T. J. FLETCHER.

Thomas J. Fletcher, who on Tuesday succeeded John C. Davis, as High Sheriff of Kent county, is one of the comparatively young but one of the strong figures in local democratic politics.

He was born in Broad Neck in the latter fifties and is a son of the late W.J. Fletcher. Educated at the public school near his country home, as a young man he worked on the farm, but later adopted the trade of his father and became a carpenter. About fifteen years ago he accepted a position at Tolchester Beach under Supt. George E. Noland, continuing to work at his trade when not on duty at the Beach. He was a candidate for the sheriffalty nomination in 1895, but was defeated. With his loyalty to party unabated and an abiding faith in the wisdom of the majority, he threw himself into the heat of the contest of that year and worked with a will for the election of the whole ticket. When defeat came and the future looked most unpromising, he remained at his post with an earnestness which commended itself to the members of the party of which he was a member and in 1897 he was singled out as one of the men best calculated to lead the democracy to sure success. His campaign was a revelation to his friends and his home district honored him with the magnificent majority of 130.

As a member of the board of county commissioners he was conservative, painstaking and manly. His record was such that in selecting the strongest and best men for the ticket of the present year, the name of Thomas J. Fletcher at once became conspicuous.

The TRANSCRIPT's political forecast is that Kent county has never had a more ideal sheriff than will be found in Sheriff Thomas J. Fletcher. He is unmarried and with a devotion worthy the highest type of manhood has remained a shield and protector to an aged and widowed mother who will come to Chestertown with him.

Sheriff Fletcher bonded in the sum of $40,000 with the following sureties: R. D. Hynson, Wm. M. Slay, Harrison W. Vickers, M. deK. Smith and Wm. B. Usilton.

DEPUTY SHERIFF STARTT.

Sheriff Fletcher has selected as his peputy Mr S. E. T. Startt, of Quaker Neck. Mr. Startt is about twenty-four years of age and is unmarried. His entire life has been spent on the farm and his exit into political life comes as somewhat of a surprise. His father was a republican, yet the son decided that the best interests of his county and State lay with democratic success and came out openly for the ticket in 1895 when he cast his first vote. He is a young man of temperate habits along all lines and for this reason was selected for the responsible position to which he qualified on Tuesday.

PERRY B. RASIN.

Mr. Perry B. Rasin, is a son of the late Dulaney Rasin, and is about 40 years old. All of his life has been spent as a successful and aggressive agricul turist. He is now on the fine William B. Stephens farm, near Melitota. He is one of the widely known citizens of his district and has a large circle of friends. In politics he had always been an active and energetic worker within the ranks of the Democratic party, but several years ago gave evidences of a decided weakening in his loyalty to his party organization, and this fall came out as a full-fledged republican, and accepted a candidacy on the Republican ticket and won. His wife was before marriage a Miss Bacon, daughter of Capt. George Bacon.

WAS HE A CRIMINAL?

The Man Drowned in Worton Creek Thought to Have Been a Fugitive From Justice.

As stated in last week's TRANSCRIPT, a colored man was drowned from an oyster dredge boat in Worton Creek during the gale of last week. Later developments are of rather an interesting character.

Capt. William O. Turner, of the bugeye Lucy Walker, which arrived in Baltimore this week reported the drowning of Ben Howard, colored, one of his crew, while dredging off Worton Creek Tuesday of last week.

Captain Turner also said that Howard had told one of the crew that he had killed a man down South and that his accomplice was hanged on Friday, November 15, for the crime. From what Howard said, the member of the crew to whom he talked understood that he stabbed the man and then handed his revolver to the other man, who finished the work by shooting the victim. No names were mentioned; neither did Howard state where the crime was commited.

Captain Turner accordingly had Howard's effects overhauled and in the pocket of one of his coats a number of letters were found from friends and relatives in Dillon, S. C., and Wilmington, N. C.

They were poorly written with a lead pencil and the writing had become blurred, but it appears that he was a fugitive for some cause, as one of the letters stated that it was not much use to keep in hiding, as the 'scharf' (sheriff) knew about where he was, and he had better go farther.

Another letter was apparently from his father, who wrote that he was sorry he had gotten into trouble, but that he would have to make the best of it. Several letters were from his mother and sister, in which they pleaded with him to come home and be a good boy.

Howard is described as having been about 23 years old, heavily built, 5 feet 8 inches in height, and weighed 160 or 170 pounds. He was light brown in color and had a smooth face. The body was not recovered.

Patrolman John Wilkinson, of the Eastern district, to whom the captain stated the affair, has reported the case to Captain League, who is investigating it.

A STRANGE ACCIDENT.

Frank Rasin's Knife Slipped Inflicting a Wouud From Which he Died.

A sad and unusual accident occurred to Frank Rasin, a Still Pond boy, in Philadelphia, on Monday. The boy, who was seventeen years old, left Still Pond about two weeks ago to take a position in the Acme Tea Store, 2250 N. Front street, Philadelphia. Letters from him stated that he was pleased with his place and was getting along nicely.

On Monday he was engaged in cutting a heavy piece of rope with a knife. The rope was difficult to cut and the unfortunate boy was making vigorous efforts to cut it when the knife slipped, the blade inflicting an ugly wound in the side. Medical aid was at once summoned but death soon resulted from internal bleeding which could not be arrested.

He was a son of Thomas Rasin, of Delany, but made his home with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bradley, where his mother also lived, at Still Pond. He was well-known in the village, and was known in Chestertown, having clerked for several weeks for Mr. James S. Bradley several years ago.

His mother is a daughter of Mr. Daniel E. Jewell.

Hunting Wild Hogs.—Mr. John B. Parrott enjoyed the novelty of a wild-hog hunt last week. Mr. Parrott had a number of shoats and hogs in a wood and around a mill pond which to all intents and purposes became wild. Hounds were employed in hunting the hogs. Five of the fifteen shoats were killed in effecting a capture of the hogs.

BOTH SIDES WILL CONTEST.

Republicans Think They Have Something to Gain and the Democrats Feel Confident That They Have All to Gain and Nothing to Lose.

The present week has been one of unusual activity within the ranks of Kent county Republicans. Captain Stevens, Captain Davis and Mr. Robert R. Hill, the defeated candidates, were in town on Tuesday, and preliminary steps were taken looking to a recount of the ballots cast on November 5.

Mr. Robert R. Hill, the Republican candidate for county treasurer, was returned defeated by Jesse R. Copper, Democrat, by 72 votes; Henry Davis, Republican, was returned defeated for sheriff by Thomas J. Fletcher by 28 votes; James Stevens, Republican, was returned defeated for county commissioner by Lewis C. Ayres by 34 votes.

George R. Gaither, a prominent Baltimore lawyer, has been engaged, and assisted by Mr. John David Urie, will prosecute the contest.

The Democrats, on the other hand, will institute a contest of the election of Messrs. Azariah M. Kendall, Republican, who was returned by the election officials as elected over Mr. William T. Nicholson by 36 votes, and Thomas W. Trew, who was returned elected over Mr. S. J. Johnson by 6 votes.

The State Legislature is the sole arbiter in contests of its members and the seats of Messrs. Kendall and Trew will be contested before a Democratic Legislature. The other recounts will be made before the circuit court.

Some prominent Republicans declare the recount as useless and promising no benefits to their party, with a strong probability of losing one member of their legislative licket.

The Democrats are confident and feel sure of gaining at least one member of the Legislature and probably one other of their candidates.

As yet no notice of contest has been served on any of the candidates. The time for the service of notice will expire at 12 o'clock at night on December 5.

CHURCH NOTES.

Thanksgiving was observed in Chestertown by a general suspension of business. The Methodist Episcopal Church and Christ M. P. Church held union services in the Methodist Episcopal Church. Dr. David L. Greenfield preached an eloquent sermon emphasizing the great subject of Thanksgiving. The floral decorations were beautiful.

Dr. Henry B. Martin, rector of Emmanuel Protestant Episcopal Church, preached a fine sermon on the Thanksgiving spirit, emphasizing the fact that none were so poor or so humble that there was not cause for thanksgiving to the Giver of all good.

Rev. H. S. Dulaney has been unanimously invited to return to Asbury M. E. church, Wilmington.

Presiding Elder W. F. Corkran will occupy the pulpit of the Chestertown M. E. church to-morrow evening.

Rev. B. F. Jester, a member of the Maryland Conference Methodist Protestant Church, has withdrawn from that conference and will join the Wilmington M. E. Conference. He will be assigned a charge on Salisbury Circuit.

Revival meetings are being successfully conducted at Worton M. E. church, by Rev. J. M. Arters; at St. James M. P. church, by Rev. E. C. McKosky; at Bond M. E. church, by Rev. A. H. Covey; at Millington M. E. church, by Rev. E. C. Sunfield; and at Piney Neck M. E church, by Rev. C. K. Morris.

Rev. W. B. Coleman preached at Piney Neck church last Sunday evening to a large congregation.

Miss Anna G. Lambert, organist of the Chestertown M. E. church, gave an organ recital at St. Paul's M. E. church, Odessa, Del., on last Thursday evening week.

Preaching at Morgnec church, Sunday Dec. 1st., at 2.30 P. M. Subject, "The Heavenly Orator." Miss Sillitoe will assist Rev. W. B. Coleman in his revival meetings beginning Dec. 8.

An effort is being made to have the Fairlee parsonage ready for occupancy by January 1. The plastering is now being done.

As recently stated in the TRANSCRIPT Rev. Alfred Smith engaged a brigade of the Salvation Army to assist him in revival services in his church in Dover. A remarkable revival meeting was conducted in the Dover Jail Thursday by a brigade of the Salvation Army. Adjutant J. Kemp, who is assisting in a revival at Wesley Church, addressed the prisoners from the corridor and the Jones sisters sang. Seven prisoners professed conversion and many others asked for prayers.

† The terms of office of both Constables George Dill and Charles L. Gill expired at 12 o'clock midnight on Thursday. No appointments were made in their places.

A KENT COUNTIAN'S FEAT.

Escapes From Asylum, Appropriates A Bicycle and Goes Riding.

William Ashley, 23 years old, an insane patient at Spring Grove Asylum, Catonsville, Baltimore county, escaped Wednesday evening, went to the city, stole a bicycle and was enjoying a ride over various streets when recaptured by Sergeant Kirby, at Baltimore and South streets about 2.30 o'clock on Thursday morning.

That an insane man was wandering through the streets, elbowing his way through crowds, cutting corners and looking at Christmas displays in store windows no one seemed even to suspect. Ashley behaved well, but for his fondness for bicycle riding probably shortened his time of liberty. As he strolled along Baltimore street a bicycle in front of the office of the Postal Telegraph and Cable Company, at Calvert street, which belonged to one of the company's messenger boys, attracted his attention. He was about to mount it when several of the boys ran out and took it away from him. He appeared to be not in the least offended.

At the electric lighting plant of the United Electric Light and Power Company, Monument and Constitution streets, one of the linemen who uses a bicycle in making his rounds to repair lamps had left his wheel outside. Ashley drifted that way, saw the bicycle, mounted it and rode off undiscovered with the agility of an experinced rider. He prefered well-lighted thoroughfares and took in Charles street. On the way to Baltimore street he met a policeman, dismounted and asked to be directed to the Frederick road, apparently with confused ideas of riding back to the asylum. His manner did not excite misgiving, and after getting the desired information and thanking the officer he rode on.

In the meantime Lieutienant Cole, at the Central Police Station, received a message from the asylum telling of Ashley's escape. He was described as wearing a golf cap, sweater and black trousers. Sergeant Kirby soon afterward saw Ashley riding east on Baltimore street. The sergeant stopped him and readily persuaded him to go along to the station house. There he gave his real name and told Lieutenant Cole he had purchased the wheel for $16, but would sell it for $5.

"I told them at the asylum that I would escape, and I did it, so you see I tell the truth," said Ashley.

He was meek and obedient and did not object to being locked up. A charge against him of stealing the wheel from John L. Busey, the lineman, was dismissed by Justice Fechtig and he was taken back to the institution by Michael O'Brien, one of the attendants.

Dr. J. Percy Wade, superintendent of the asylum, said Ashley's home is in Kent county and that he has been at the institution about four years. The Doctor says he has circular insanity and is harmless. At times he is depressed and quiet and again in an exultant state of mind, when he imagines all sorts of things. Occasionally he is allowed to visit his home in Kent county. He had been put out on the farm at the asylum to do some work when he escaped from one of the attendants. He is unmarried.

A CELEBRATED QUEEN ANNE'S HORSE.

A Winner in the Chicago, Boston, Philadelphia and New York Horse Shows.

The *Horse Review*, published in Chicago, a journal devoted to the interest of horse owners, contained an account of Allie Nun, which won the Speedway Cup at the Chicago Horse Show. The *Review* spoke as follows:

"In the light harness class the beautiful bay mare Allie Nun, in the stable of Mr. E. T. Stotesbury, of Philadelphia, was the bright particular star. Though without a record, such was her beauty, action and style that she won the Speedway Cup for trotters over such turf performers as Captor, 2.09¼, and Joymaker 2.15¼. Allie Nun is, it may truly be said, as near the ideal type of the American trotting roadster as has ever been seen in a tan-bark arena. Her breeding is also gilt-edged. Allie Wilkes, 2.15, son of Red Wilkes, her sire, is one of the best of the second generation of Wilkes horses, being the sire of Jube, 2.07½; Arlington, 2.06¼ (pacing) and many others. Her dam is Nun, by Nutwood, 2.18¾; grandam Laytham Lass (dam of Issaqueena, 2.21¼, and the famous show horse Don Cossack, 2.28), by Alexander's Abdallah."

The Centreville *Observer* says: "Mr. James merrick, Jr., sold this mare last February to Mr. Stotesbury for $1,500, and he now has a 2-year-old filly out of her by "Advance," 2.22¼, that is very promising. She has a fine style, size and beauty, and has shown a 2.20 gait trotting on Mr. Clough's track.

"Allie Nun also won first prize at Philadelphia and Boston for beauty and action. Word has just been received that she has also taken the first prize in her class at the New York Horse Show now being held."

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