The Curbstone Diplomat

BY WILLIAM S. COLLINS

The State Conservation Commission has sent out an S. O. S. to feed the birds, as the snow has covered over their natural feeding grounds.

Sure, remember the birds and every yachtman should remember his kingfisher. Send him a Xmas card as he is down south.

In the city it is to be hoped that the janitors of some of the large buildings will look after their pigeons. The comradeship between janitors and pigeons is pitiful. Remember the birds.

The Lancer's first hunting story originated in the mind of Mr. Walter Strong. Having been bit by several of the old gent's fishing stories, I am beginning to believe he should have been a novelist.

Mr. Walls, editor of the Centreville Observer in contemplating running in his paper, a diary of a Queen Anne's bootlegger. All he wants is somebody to ask him to do it.

Sure, go ahead and let's have it. Of course we are surprised and shocked to learn that Queen Annes county has a bootlegger (?), but as long as the information is to be given out, let us know who has the best aged rye, the strongest corn, the clearest wine, the best applejack the best flavored homebrew, and gin made of high grade alcohol.

Some say the new post-office will be built where Bibbs Inn now stands.

Many have suggested the park. The federal government owns part of the land anyhow. The town could sell them the rest for nine thousand, which the town might be able to use. No doubt the government would keep the grounds in excellent shape. We would have a well kept park then.

Three or four years ago people were a little ashamed if they were what you call "real poor." Today however it seems to be the fad to talk poor and brag about how really poor you are. At last the style has caught me and I am just about the most stylish in "these here" parts.

This one is not about a young fellow who just went to work in a drug store, but is about a young fellow who works in a chain grocery store right in the old home town. The other day a lady came in and asked for sweet-bread. The boy went to the bread shelf and after a good look told the lady they did not have it, and asked if any other kind of bread would do.

Now some of his co-workers with whom he is popular, asked me to write a letter to Santa Claus for the young man, mentioning the fact that he could not get a pair of galoshes in town large enough for him.

Well this fellow is rather a nice chap and his feet are probably no larger than mine. We all pull dumb ones and as this fellow is larger than I am, it looks to me like a good chance to lay off.

For a real Xmas message read "Furrows" by Josiah Allen Weatherby on page 6. The old fellow has paused about common sense politics and has given a real local Christmas message.

The legalized loan sharks have been leaving their trail around town again this week. Again I warn the people, their advertised legal rates are as high at forty-two per cent. Their literature is very inviting and I understand they are doing quite a business here on the Eastern Shore. Pay your bills if possible without paying any such outrageous rate of interest.

WILL GIVE BAND CONCERT

The Chestertown Volunteer Fire Company Band are preparing to give a concert in January. The concert will be given for the benefit of some worthy cause but at the present time it has not been determined for what cause it will be given.

The band will appreciate suggestions as to what worthy organization the concert should be given for, the benefactor to sponsor the concert.

—The Literary Society of the Chestertown High School held their annual Christmas party Thursday afternoon.

The good will of our Patrons and Friends is one of our most valuable assets. The spirit of the season brings to us renewed appreciation of old associates and of the value of new friends. May your Xmas be happy and success attend your New Year, is the cordial wish of

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On Thursday, December 15, we packed a barrel and a box of good, warm, second-hand clothes, and other articles, and sent them to the miners and their families in Tennessee. We also collected $28.00 from the pupils and teachers of both high and elementary schools and sent the money to the "Save The Children Fund" in Livingston, Tenn. I know we are going to miss our gay Christmas party, but we are feeling very happy to think that our small sacrifice will help in saving lives of some of the less fortunate.

The freshmen have had a very exciting time. Tillie Logan and Bill Ward chose sides for an English "bee." All of those on Tillie's side have fallen down on various questions, but Bill still has Flossie Jones to help him out, so both of them are up against Tillie. This is as interesting as going to a horse race. Here's luck to the best team!

I heard some one say that we, the juniors and seniors, were to have a match in history. I think it will be fun and at the same time educational.

The chemistry class is laboring over the principles of chemical arithmetic. I, for one, think it is very difficult! The biology class has turned to the study of man, naturally a very interesting subject.

Well you know we have to save our money now because old Santa will soon be here, and only a few could afford to attend the movie on Wednesday. More will probably go next time.

I believe Miss Ware has as good a Latin Class as she has ever had, and the pupils all seem to like Latin.

While visiting the elementary school a few days ago, I found a good many little tots wearing bags. Some of the high school students have gone "dippy" over them, too and it's a temptation to work on them in school as well as out. Miss Hoyle, of course, is the originator of these attractive little bags. What she can't think of, isn't worth bothering about!

Oh, ye gods and little fishes! Will we ever learn anything about "style" in English composition? The long, slow moving, leisurely, sentence as contrasted with the short, terse one. When and where and how to use each, that's the question. I'll be glad when we graduate from "style," and get into something with more action and life. Don't you think, judging from my "style" in these notes, that I'm about ready to graduate.

Covington Scotten, whose hardest work is done in trying to get out of work, has found, that in order to save leg power, and at the same time get a ride to and from school with Miss Ferguson, that he must carry books. He is seen loaded with books now. Maybe he studies and maybe he doesn't. Suppose Edgar Copper should stop acting like a monkey? ? ?

KENNEDYVILLE

Mrs. Walls, of Golt, spent Wednesday with her daughter, Mrs. Joseph Garey.

Mr. Thomas Robinson left on Sunday to accept a position with the U. S. Mail during the Christmas rush. His route is from Salisbury to Cape Charles.

The M. P. Sunday School Christmas entertainment will be held next Tuesday evening.

Quite a number of our young folks have enjoyed the sleighing and sledding.

Mrs. James Archibald and Mrs. Rachiel Hill spent Wednesday in Wilmington.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Starr left last week for Florida, cards from them report sleet and snow making traveling slow and dangerous.

There will be no service in Grace Presbyterian church next Sunday.

Miss Sue Johnston and Miss Annie Weer are spending the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. James Weer.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Johnston are spending some time with Mr. and Mrs. George Johnston.

School closed on Thursday for holidays; a visit from Old Santa was very much enjoyed by the children.

Mrs. George Glenn, Miss Catherine Atwell and Anna Oliff are on the sick list.

There were no services at either church on Sunday as the snow storm on Saturday made traveling very bad.

Miss Marian Pennington left on Saturday to spend sometime with relatives in Still Pond.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Redmile and Mr. and Mrs. Lin Redmile spent Thursday in Wilmington.

Mrs. Ida Scotten and Miss Blanche Redmile are spending sometime with Mr. and Mrs. James Groves.

Mr. Baynard Harper and son spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hill; they were unable to reach their home in Still Pond on account of the snow storm.

Mr. and Mrs. Jester and Mr. Harry Meredith, of Baltimore, were week end guests of Mr. Richard Haggerty.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Johnston and Mrs. George Johnston spent Friday in Wilmington and Chester.

Mr. and Mrs. Umliff, of Wilmington, visited relatives here the past week.

Mrs. Rodger Kennedy returned home on Sunday from the Church Home very much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Dawson, of Wilmington, visited Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Ford on Saturday.

MILLINGTON

May this be a happy Christmas for the editors of this paper.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Slaughter and Mr. and Mrs. Millard Slaughter, of Elkton, were Sunday guest of Mrs. Kate Garton.

A King Heralds Band for boys of 8 to 14 years of age has been organized under the leadership of Mrs. C. S. Church. They had their first meeting on Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Church.

Mr. Richard Comegys, of Baltimore, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Comegys.

Mrs. Mark Rogers, of Crumpton, and Mrs. Raymond Edwards and daughter, Margaret spent Thursday of last week in Wilmington.

Mr. and Mrs. James D. Moore spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. William Palmatory at Massey.

George Church of Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, is pe nding the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Church.

Mis Arline Gale, of Washington College, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Leo Gale.

Mrs. Noah Walker and Mrs. Louise Brice spent Friday of last week in Baltimore.

The Ladies of Holy Cross Chapel held a bake in the Community House on Saturday last and in spite of the snow storm they realized a nice little sum.

The fire alarm was sounded in the middle of the night on Tuesday night but there was no fire. Our town watchman happened to come upon two men who were in the act of breaking into the store of I. Hollins and used this method of calling assistance to help him capture the robbers, one of whom he recognized and knowing as a bad actor, took this precaution to get help. They are now in jail.

Master Franklin Thompson, of Annapolis, is visiting friends and relatives in town.

Miss Mary E. Numbers, of Northampton, Mass., and Julian C. Numbers, of Albany, N. Y., are visiting their father, Fred C. Numbers.

Miss Mabel Comegys, of Annapolis, and Miss Pauline Comegys, of Westminster, Md., are guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Comegys.

The Rev. William J. Scott, pastor emeritus of St. Joseph's Church-on-the Brandywine, former pastor of Queen Annes ounty Catholic Churches and the oldest priest in years of service in the Wilmington diocese, died at his home 414 West Twenty-eighth St., Wilmington, last Saturday morning. Death was due to the infirmities of age.





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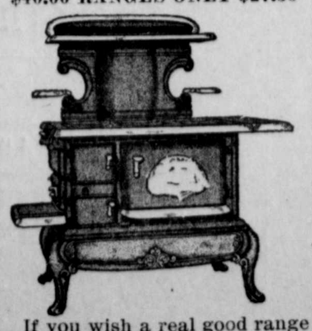
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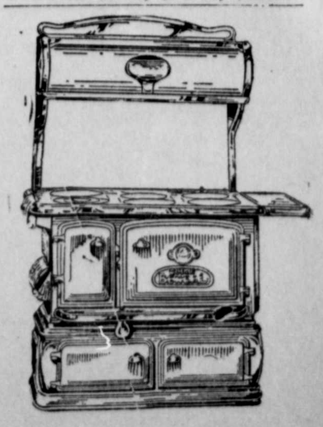


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