The Kent News

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MARYLAND LEGISLATURE.

CHESTER RIVER BRIDGE.

In the Senate Monday night Mr. Brown introduced the bill to provide for the purchase of Chester river bridge by Kent and Queen Anne's counties, and to make said bridge free.

TO DESTROY PEACH YELLOWS.

President J. W. Kerr, of the Peninsula Horticultural Society, at the solicitation of many Peninsula fruit growers, has had prepared a bill "to prevent the spread of the contagious disease commonly known as the 'yellows,' in peach orchards in the State of Maryland." The bill provides that the owner of any peach orchard, upon information being given him in writing that the yellows are in his orchard, and the trees thus affected being pointed out to him, shall, within ten days, dig up and burn them, and upon his failure to do so within the time specified, any constable of the county in which said trees are located, upon the same being pointed out to him, shall dig up and burn them, and shall receive for every tree so dug up and burned the sum of $1, to be paid by the owner of the trees, the said sum to be collected in the same manner as any other fines in the State of Maryland. It is also provided that neither the constable nor the informer shall be held a trespasser in discharging the duties thus imposed, and any constable failing to discharge them shall be subject to be indicted by the grand jury, and upon conviction shall be subject to a fine of not less than $500. Mr. Kerr and other prominent fruit growers who have investigated the matter say that something must soon be done in order to preserve the valuable Eastern Shore orchards from the blight.

Mr. Brice, of Kent, introduced the above bill in the House on Wednesday.

HUSBAND AND WIFE.

Senator Edelen's bill repealing the act relating to husband and wife provides that the property, real and personal, belonging to a woman at the time of her marriage, and all property which she may acquire, become entitled to, earn, recover or receive after her marriage in any way whatsoever, shall be protected from the debts of her husband and shall not in any manner be liable for the payment thereof, nor be in any way subject to his disposal or control; but no acquisition of property passing in any shape from the husband to the wife after marriage shall be valid as against the rights of his then subsisting creditors if the same be made or granted to her in prejudice of their rights, provided proceedings to impeach or amend such acquisition be taken before the said property shall be sold by the wife to a bona fide purchaser for value without notice. Married women shall hold all their property for their separate use as fully as if they were unmarried, and shall have all the power to dispose thereof by deed, will or any other instrument that husbands have to dispose of their property, and no more. They shall have power to contract and engage in any business and to sue upon their contracts, and also to sue for the recovery, security or protection of their property as fully as if they were unmarried. They may also be sued separately upon their contracts, whether made before or during marriage. A widow shall be entitled to dower in lands held by equitable title in the husband at any time during the coverture, whether held by him at the time of his death or not, but such right of dower shall not operate to the prejudice of any claim for the purchase money of such lands.—The husband shall acquire by virtue of his marriage an estate for his life in one-third of the lands held or owned by his wife at any time during the marriage, whether by legal or equitable title, and whether held by her at the time of her death or not. A married woman may relinquish her dower in any real estate by the joint deed of herself and husband or by separate deed. No husband shall be liable for any debts of his wife contracted for any claims arising prior to marriage, but she and her property shall remain liable therefore in the same manner as if the marriage had not taken place. Nothing in the law shall be construed to relieve the husband from liability for the debts, contracts or engagements which the wife may incur or enter into upon the credit of her husband, or as his agent, or for necessaries for herself or children.

GROUNDS RENTS.

The bill to make ground rents hereafter created redeemable after 5 years at 6 per cent. was unanimously passed in the House. It will now go to the Senate.

TAXATION OF MORTGAGES.

The bill for the taxation of mortgages being under discussion on Tuesday, Mr. Brattan submitted an amendment providing for the taxation of all mortgages and the deducting of the amount of the mortgage from the assessment of the property. Lost by a vote of 10 to 13, the yeas being Messrs. President, Bennett, Brattan, Browning, Burchinal, Lindsay, McKaig, Stake, Toadvin, Wentz. Nays—Messrs. Brown, Colton, Dean, Dennis, Edelin, Goldsborough, Goodwin, Johnson, McCullough, Peter of Howard, Randall, Sappington, Tunis, Urner.

VOTE SELLING.

In the Senate on Wednesday Mr. Brown introduced a bill to punish parties who sell their votes. This bill does not provide for the punishment of the purchaser, and makes him a competent witness. This seems to be a practical movement against bribery.

FOR A RETURN OF STATE FLAGS.

Mr. Burchinal in the Senate on Wednesday presented the following joint resolutions:

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, 1. That the Adjutant General of this State be and he is hereby directed to procure from the Secretary of War of the United States all the standards, flags and colors borne by regiments and battalions and batteries from this State in the army of the United States during the war of 1812, the Mexican war, and the war between the States, and our Senators and Representatives in Congress are requested to assist the Adjutant General in securing the same for this State.

2. The Adjutant General is further directed to collect such flags and colors as were borne by regiments, battalions or batteries from this State in the service of the Confederate States during the war between the States.

3. He shall cause to be prepared a brief history of each and every flag so procured by him, Union and Confederate, and record the same in the records of his office, as part of the archives of the State; provided, that he shall not procure or collect any flags that were captured by either side.

4. He shall cause all such standards, flags and colors as he shall procure and collect to be displayed in a proper manner in the State House, at Annapolis, there to be forever exhibited, and preserved, as a perpetual memorial of the valor, courage and fortitude of the sons of Maryland, in order that the renown won by them may be preserved and perpetuated, as the common heritage of all the people of Maryland, to the last syllable of recorded time.

MISCELLANEOUS.

It is believed that there will not be time to mature a proper reassessment law, and that matter is likely to go over till the next session. The indications are that the Senate cannot pass any bill taxing mortgages. It is also thought that the bill to redistrict the congressional districts of Maryland could not be passed, and the assurance is given that there is no probability of its being the subject of a party caucus.

Mr. S. S. Baker appeared before the Educational Committee Wednesday morning, and spoke in favor of the resolutions instructing the Maryland representatives in Congress to support the Blair bill.

The legislature will adjourn by constitutional limitation on Monday, April 2, at midnight.

MARYLAND ADVANCES TO BE REFUNDED.—The Washington correspondent of the Baltimore *Sun* says:

The bill to refund to Maryland and Virginia the advances they made to the government in 1790-'91 for the purpose of erecting public buildings at the national capital will soon be reached on the calendar, and favorable action is anticipated by the House. Maryland advanced $70,000, which, with interest from 1844, when repayment was first demanded, will amount to $270,000. Maryland is also interested in another bill now pending in the House—the bill to refund to the States the direct tax levied by the government in 1861. The bill appropriates $15,000,000, of which Maryland's portion will be $400,000. It has passed the Senate, and will soon come up in the House.

THE friends of General Hancock, who have been active in their efforts to raise sufficient money to purchase a house in Washington for Mrs. Hancock, have met with complete success. The house is a large three-story brown and white stone structure, and is located at the southeast corner of Twenty-first and R streets northwest. The house will be formally presented to Mrs. Hancock about April 1st.

LAST Sunday was President Cleveland's 51st birthday. Besides Cleveland, Polk, Fillmore, Pierce, Grant and Arthur each became 51 years of age while president.

Letter from Fairlee.

The Weather—The Schools—The Church—Rumored Shooting Case—Disappointed Folks.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—There is one topic on which your correspondent has no need to dwell. The *weather* tells its own story better than the types. It may, however, be excusable to say that the rain-storm of Tuesday had the effect of diminishing the attendance at Fairlee Grange Hall to witness the excellent entertainment prepared and given on the evening of that day by the children of schools Nos. 9 and 10. The most elaborate preparations had been made in the way of costumes and the little girls and boys presented a picture of rare beauty. A tableau of Grecian statuary, devised by the Misses Cleaver and executed by them, assisted by Miss Lottie Hulme and Miss Clara Keyser, was of itself worth the price of admission. There were two good pantomimes, a species of drama not easily performed so as to be understood by a promiscuous audience. In the one entitled "Love in Ambush" it is no exaggeration to say that the lovers, Clarence Greenwood and Miss Lida Crosby, could not have been surpassed, while the irate father,—— Hubbard, was equally well performed. Little Frankie Rambo, the rejected suitor, acted his part remarkably well. The love-making scenes were done to the life. Why does the thing come naturally? It is impossible to particularize all that was good, but a solo sung by Mrs. T. A. Hulme, "The Ivy Leaf," was very fine. Mrs. H. has a very sweet voice, which Shakespeare says "is an excellent thing in woman," and her appearance is always welcomed by the audience. Miss Laura Greenwood also appeared as the Flower Girl and sang "Buy My Flowers" very sweetly indeed. The children's singing was under the direction of Miss Minnie M. Smyth, who played the accompaniment for them. An orchestra of two violins, bass viol and organ, Messrs. Eugene Willson, C. B. Lamb, Jas. L. Beck and L. Alrich being the performers, rendered music for the evening. The drama of "My Turn Next" was repeated from the former entertainment by the schools, and was even better than before. W. G. Smyth, as "Taraxacum Twitters," and Miss Minnie as "Peggy," his maid servant, could not be better represented, while "Tim" as chief clerk, butler and man-of-all-work, as personated by E. H. Skirven, inimitable. Miss Mollie Lamb, the much married widow of Green, Brown, White and Black, was calm and dignified, as it became her to be.

Mr. Lindale was expected to preach at Salem on Sunday last and a fair congregation gathered, but were disappointed, the minister failing to put in an appearance.

The rumored shooting of a negro by Mr. W. G. Skirven was an exaggeration. He was neither killed nor wounded, only shot at and frightened. He was stealing corn from the crib, and will probably not try again. His name is said to be Shuster.

SIMON SHARP.

Kent County Agricultural Society.

CLUB ROOM, March 17, 1888.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—To-day the sun shines very prettily, the air balmy and the roads very bad indeed; but notwithstanding the condition of the roads we had a good turn-out, about thirty present, and the meeting was a very interesting one.

This is the first meeting we have had since the election of officers, so the newly elected President took the chair and made his inaugural address. The remarks were well-timed and contained some very whole-some advice, which I hope will be taken and carried out by all the members.

The auditing committee made their report, after examining the books and accounts of the treasurer, and found that there was some little balance in the treasury, but not enough to liquidate all of the indebtedness of the society. That we are in debt is a fact that cannot be denied, nor do we wish to deny it. Our last fair was considered by all a success as to exhibits, but as to finances it was almost a failure. We had to make some extensive improvements, which were very necessary and at the same time expensive, and the meagre receipts during the fair has caused an indebtedness that we were not able to meet. But arrangements are being made to secure the means by which to liquidate all outstanding claims.

Next Monday we propose to discuss the advisability of holding a fair the coming fall. This is a question that interests every farmer, yea, every citizen of Kent county, and all are invited to attend that meeting—everybody, whether they are members of the society or not, and take part in the discussion. I hope the invitation is broad enough for every one to understand, so let there be a full house upon that occasion.

J. Alfred Pearce, Esq., a prominent lawyer of your town, presented, through our President, some old and very interesting and valuable books on agriculture, which were gratefully accepted and tendered the gentleman a vote of thanks. We have a small library with some very useful books, which are taken out by our members, who, I am sorry to say, often forget to bring them back. Let me say to such bring them next Monday.

After the regular meeting is over it is expected to consider the outlook for a cannery at Worton Station. A number of farmers in the vicinity are anxious to have one, and I believe the object of the meeting is to ascertain the prospect of raising stuff enough to justify the establishment of one here. It is thought if one could be sustained that there is no doubt that one would be started. X.

Edesville and Vicinity.

EDITORS KENT NEWS:—The "sociable" met last week at Mrs. W. W. Coleman's, and notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather quite a large number were present. It was one of the most interesting that has been held during its existence. The readings of Miss Lillie Cosden, Miss Anna Strong, Miss Edith Richards and Miss Bella Coleman were superior in their character in its many forms. The remainder of the programme, including the instrumental solo, the letter, the singing, &c., were important factors towards advancement commensurate with the needs and acquirements held in view. The next meeting will be Friday evening, March 30, instant, of which we will endeavor to write you in full. We owe and herewith extend an apology to one estimable young lady for omitting the mention of her name in our last for the important part she rendered.

The musicale and supper, under the auspices of Rev. R. L. Lewis and others given at the hall last Wednesday and Thursday evenings, also deserves special mention. As we have stated in former communications, there is that talent in Wesley Chapel congregation that cannot be surpassed by any country church within our observation. The participants in the music, dramas, &c., were those whose names have time and again, by us, been mentioned in entertainments held by said church and perchance to some have become quite a monotony. Such talent, however, together with Miss Lillie Shaw and Prof. Shewell, who are not directly identified with the church, will insure success on any occasion.

Mr. Edwin H. Stevens, of Philadelphia, is visiting his uncle, Wm. Stevens, Esq.

Messrs. Greenwood and Stavely have newly painted the interior of the store room of Burgess Bros., also the whole interior of the handsome and commodious dwelling of Prof. L. R. Shewell. The style of the latter being elaborate and rich.

The continued depredations upon our oyster bars is daily topic. OBSERVER.

WHAT HE KNEW ABOUT RAILROADING.—Cyrus W. Field had a chance to show what he knew about railroading on the morning of the day that brought the famous blizzard. He had spent Sunday at the Laurel House, Lakewood, N. J., and on Monday morning went with quite a party to the station to return to New York. Mr. Field gave one look at the sky and another at the track, and then said he guessed he didn't care much about getting to New York any way, and quietly returned to the hotel. The wiliness of Mr. Field is emphasized by the fact that those of the party that stuck to the train reached New York on Thursday night, after over eighty hours in the cars.—*New York Sun.*

THE Annapolis and Baltimore short line railroad is in court again, an application for a receiver having been made. We believe this is the same road that our Baltimore and Eastern Shore railroad, of which Gen. Seth is president, was to tie to. It seems to be in a bad way to help our road to jump across the bay.—*Easton Star.*

LIGHTNING IN THE CAPITOL!

A Bolt Descends and Alarms Senators and Representatives.

A Washington dispatch says: At 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon a flash of electricity, followed by a terrific peal of thunder, struck the big dome of the Capitol, lighted up the face of the bronze statue of the Goddess of Liberty, glided down the iron sides of the dome, and scattered itself all over the interior of the building, creating great excitement among the statesmen. In the Senate the shock played havoc with its dignity. The clerk stopped reading as though he had been shot and looked up; so did all the Senators. Senator Stanford leaped from his chair, and, placing his hand over his heart, gasped for breath. Mr. Edmunds quickly put on his silk cap to cover his bald head. President Ingalls nervously fingered his ivory gavel for a moment, then called Mr. Dolph to the chair and went out. Nearly every man in the chamber showed signs of nervousness, but when the shock was passed smiled knowingly at each other. Senator Vance actually started to run, and stopped suddenly, saying: "The wicked flee when no man pursueth." After running around the roof for a moment the ball of fire entered the press gallery, and burned every telegraph wire. In the lobby of the press gallery a ball of fire dropped from each chandelier to the floor. In the sub-basement an engineer was knocked off his chair. A cab horse outside was knocked down.

In the House the members had been engaged in an unseemly wrangle all day over the Eight-hour bill when the stroke came. "Balls of blue fire" played about the corridors, and each occupant of the House or of the committee rooms seemed to think he was the especial object of attack. The crash led some members of the House to the belief that the roof was tumbling in. Electric lights in some parts of the wing were next extinguished. Lane, of Illinois, who was speaking, sank into his seat in alarm, and no man spoke. Not even Tom Reed could think of a witty thing to say. Mr. Cox, who was standing in the aisle, jumped clear off his feet. Speaker Carlisle, forgetting himself, rapped for order, but it was not necessary. The lightning had made every member docile as a lamb, and for the remainder of the day all turbulence was subdued. Members who had assailed each other in the most bitter language shook hands, apologized and buried the hatchet. For an hour after the shock not an unkind word was spoken. As in the Senate, big sparks of fire from the numerous electric wires rolled about overhead and smashed all the telegraph wires.

A DREDGER'S TERRIBLE EXPERIENCE.

Submerged for 36 Hours in the Hold of a Capsized Vessel—His Companions Drowned.

The following is sent from Cambridge, Md., to the Baltimore *Sun* under date March 19th: Capt. Geo. H. White, of Lower Hooper's Island, Dorchester county, who passed through Cambridge this afternoon on his way to Baltimore, reports great damage in the neighborhood by the late storm. He also brought intelligence of the drowning of two dredgers and the almost miraculous escape of another from the capsizing of one of his own vessels, the Pinkney Whyte, on the Sunday evening of the gale. The vessel was moored near the island, having the three dredgers on board. Soon after the storm burst on her the masts of the Whyte were broken off, and during the night she capsized. At the time the vessel went over two of the sailors were on deck and the third in the hold, between decks. The snow was falling thick, and the weather was terribly cold. The two men on deck climbed by aid of the rigging, fastened to the broken mast, to the top of the vessel, but were soon numbed by the cold, washed off and drowned. The third man, who was in the hold, after being for a time completely submerged by the rushing waters, found himself standing in a watery dungeon, his body to the neck being under water, and his head the vacuum between the surface of the water and the bottom of the upturned vessel. Thus imprisoned in the darkness and with a scant supply of air, the sailor clung to the vessel's bottom while she was tossed about at the mercy of the waves. He remained in his perilous position for 36 hours. More than once, the man states, he felt all the terrors of death and depairs. The vessel was driven towards the shore and the broken stubs of the mast took hold in the sand. The tide receded and gave the sailor room to move about and more air to breathe, but afterwards the tide rising up to his neck, threatened him with death by a slow process of drowning. After the storm subsided Captain White, who had viewed the vessel from shore, felt satisfied that all the men were drowned, but on going with a party to discover her condition, heard groans preceding from the wreck. Axes were procured and a hole cut in the bottom of the vessel and the prisoner released.

GEN. ADAM BADEAU has brought suit against Mrs. Gen. Grant for alleged services in assisting Gen. Grant in the preparation of "Gen. Grant's Memoirs of the late War." Mrs. Grant has refused to pay Gen. Badeau the amount that he claims. It is reported that Gen. Badeau has alleged that he, and not Gen. Grant, wrote the memoirs. It is hinted that should the case be tried in court Gen. Badeau will endeavor to show the part that he took in the preparation of the famous book. It is understood that Gen. Badeau is suing Mrs. Grant for $35,000

TWO EASTERN SHORE TOWNS.—The following questions and answers we find in the Baltimore *American:*

Which, at the present time, has the greater population, Cambridge or Chestertown? Which has the best financial standing? Which is the most enterprising? SUBSCRIBER.

According to the census of 1880, Chestertown was the larger place, but we believe that Cambridge has the most inhabitants to-day. Both places are full of enterprise. It is possible that Chestertown contains the most wealth, proportionately.

A COUNTY TO BE ABOLISHED.—Owing to the bloody warfare in Rowan county, a committee of the Kentucky Legislature has for some time been engaged in investigating its condition. The committee has recommended the abolition of the county and apportionment among the counties from which it was formed thirty years ago. The committee began its work of investigation of Rowan county affairs on February 8, and finds that the only solution of the difficulty is to abolish the county, for the reason that there are not enough law-abiding citizens in it to preserve order.

DESTRUCTION TO OYSTERS BY THE STORM.—A letter from St. Michaels to the Baltimore *Sun* says:

Besides the great damage done to the shipping interests by the late gale the loss of oysters is incalculable. The bars and flats in all the rivers and creeks in Talbot county, whose beds were covered with oysters, suffered to a greater or less extent. In many instances the oysters destroyed were of the finest quality, being plants. The continuous heavy winds blew all the water off the beds and kept it off, leaving the oysters exposed for several days. The result was that the oysters all froze and are a total loss. The amount of the losses from this source will reach far into the thousands.

THE new Bay Ridge excursion steamer Columbia arrived at Baltimore on Monday. She is said to be the second largest excursion steamer in the world, and is 275 feet long, 39 feet moulded and 68 feet extreme beam, with 20 feet depth of hold. She has three commodious decks and will carry 3,500 passengers with ease on nine feet draft of water. Her engines are 66 inches diameter of cylinder and 11 feet stroke of piston. She formerly ran between New York and Rockaway, and is comparatively a new vessel.

PROPOSED MONUMENT TO MR. CORCORAN.—Mrs. V. C. Clopton, of Alabama, has addressed a letter to the ladies of the South, in which she appeals to the women of that section to build a monument in Washington as a testimony of their gratitude to the late W. W. Corcoran. The suggestion comes from Bishop Williams, of Alabama, and it is at his call that Mrs. Clopton, who knew and loved Mr. Corcoran, assumes to call her countrywomen to her aid in this undertaking.

COL. CLEMENT SULLIVANE, of Cambridge, been appointed pension examiner, and is now in Washington awaiting orders.

Y. M. C. A. LEAP-YEAR BAZAR.

Attractive Features Promised at the Coming Art Entertainment.

The grand leap-year bazar and art entertainment to be held during Easter week by the Young Men's Christian Association in their building, Charles and Saratoga streets, Baltimore, promises to be a great success and a very novel and interesting affair. One of the features will be that young, live business men will have charge of it, backed by such of our wealthy and influential citizens as W. W. Spence, who is president of the bazar; Hamilton Easter, Joshua Levering, George S. Brown, Daniel Holliday, German H. Hunt. Indeed, almost all the different rooms will be used for the entertainment, and there will be in all 12 departments, or booths, representing the months of the year. Each one will be presided over by a chairman and committee, and it is hardly necessary to say that each committeeman will try to have his booth the most attractive and taking of them all. For instance, May will represent the flower booth, and here you'll find all the lovely flowers that "bloom in the spring," &c. Then the February booth will be one showing the "Power of the Press," and here you will find papers on sale from every State in the Union, from Maine to California, each paper containing an account of the bazar. Then, too, in this booth you will find one of the most approved printing presses, run by electricity and printing on the spot, there before your eyes, the evening paper, *The Power of the Press*, which will be issued each evening and will contain all of interest concerning the bazar. Here, too, you will have an opportunity to buy visiting cards with your name printed on them while you wait, and there you will be able to buy all sorts of books and papers, the work of that great factor in these times, the printing press, and so on; then another month will represent a grocery store and a glass store, &c., &c. Then the art loan exhibit in the hands of such men as John McKim, Faris Pitt, and Mr. Spence and Mr. Brooks will be splendid. The funds to be raised are for the furnishing, refitting, &c., &c., in nineteenth-century style and comfort the rooms of our Young Men's Christian Association. We wish the venture entire success.

THE discovery of very rich tin mines in the far West, notably in the Black Hills of Dakota, is manifestly credited in England. With their usual enterprise in all such matters, British capitalists sent out exploring expeditions under the guidance and instruction of an expert, and now the claim is made that the United States need no longer depend upon any foreign country for a supply of tin. The specimen blocks of ore shipped abroad for analysis have proved more than satisfactory, and we are led to believe that a vast industry, of universal importance, will ere long be transferred from the Old to the New World. This would be a saving of about $30,000,000 annually for this country for home demands, and in case the deposit proved enormous, as the account has it, a new era is about to dawn for a section now little known or appreciated at the East.

ESCAPED FROM JAIL.—When Deputy Sheriff Sparks went into the jail corridor last Wednesday to lock the prisoners in their cells he was pushed down by Samuel Stinson, colored, held for larceny of clothing from H. D. Godwin. Before Deputy Sparks could recover Stinson made his escape into the rear yard of the jail and to the street. All day Thursday parties were out looking for him but he was securely stowed away by friends. Sheriff Seney offers $20 reward for his capture and return to jail. Stinson was committed just after adjournment of the November term last fall. He could not have selected a more opportune time to run the gauntlet of the town.—*Centreville Record.*

A NATIONAL HUNTING GROUND—A plan is on foot for converting about 5,000 acres of land in Twiggs county, Ga., belonging to the Tarver estate, into a national hunting ground. Gov. Gordon and other well known men are interested in the scheme. It is proposed to inclose this large tract of land with suitable fencing and stock it with all kind of game, such as deer, turkeys, partridges, rabbits, &c., and make it the great hunting ground of the United States, to which sportsmen will repair from all sections of the country. It is proposed to build a hotel, club-house, &c., and make it a place of national reputation.

STORM HUMOR.—Major Edwards, editor of the Fargo (Dak.) Argus, on reading the account of Hon. Roscoe Conkling's narrow escape, at once sent the following pithy telegram to him: "Dakota robbins sitting on orange-blossoming trees join in thanks for your safe delivery from New York's snow-drifts. Here in the Tribune office all join with me in congratulation to you, and say, 'Come to the banana belt, where every man is your well-wisher.'"

KILLED BY A BEE'S STING.—Lewis Read, aged eighteen years, died at his home at Corrigansville, near Cumberland, Md., last Tuesday, from being stung by a bee last summer. The swelling in the face from the sting never went out from that time until his death, disfiguring him greatly. He suffered the most intense agony the entire time.

A HUNDRED THOUSAND LIVES LOST.—Latest reports from the scene of the Yellow river (China) floods place the number of lives lost at one hundred thousand, and the total number of sufferers from the inundation will reach between a million and a half and two millions.

MRS. PARVIS, the widow of Dr. John H. Parvis who was killed on the railroad near Middletown recently, contemplates bringing suit against the railroad company for damages. She has engaged Judge Fisher and Col. E. T. Cooper, of Dover, to examine into the merits of the case.

THESE were the last words of Engineer Gardner, who died at his locomotive throttle in the Huntingdon (Pa.) accident:

"None of the passengers killed? That's good; lay me down; good-bye, boys!"

They are brave enough to become historic.

THE new word "blizzardized" is one of the unhappy results of the late terrible storm.

BALTIMORE MARKET.—The Baltimore papers of yesterday quote as follows:

WHEAT—Pults, 88c @94c. for fair to good; Longberry, 92c.@96c. CORN—White, prime, 55c.@56c. Yellow, 54c.@55c. OATS—40c.

A CALL FOR A CONVENTION

—OF—

FARMERS and FRUIT GROWERS

IN these days of trusts, combinations and monopolies, it is imperatively necessary, if farmers would guard their interests, that they organize and co-operate in order to secure economy in transit and sale of their productions. The methods practiced in the past in performing this important service have well nigh stripped them of living profits, while others have received the reward of their labors. Extravagant freights, cartage, commissions and other contingent expenses have almost ruined our business. When the millions of young peach trees, recently planted and contiguous to the waters of the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries come into bearing, the gluts and confusion will be complete. We must have method. The advantages gained by the adoption of some system are incalculable, and we need but to organize and co-operate to secure them. A location adapted to our purposes has been selected. Farmers we need your help, your wisdom and your judgment in organizing this grand movement.

Therefore, we, whose names are hereunto subscribed, in behalf and by authority of the respective organizations we represent, do hereby call a convention of the farmers of the State of Maryland and the East Baltimore Business Men's Association, to meet in Baltimore, at the White Hall Building, Bank street, near Broadway, on the 2d day of April, 1888, at 2 o'clock P. M., and continue in session until the business of the convention shall have been concluded.

N. BARNARD,
President Still Pond Agricultural Association.

JAMES BATES,
President East Baltimore Business Men's Association.

H. O. DEVRIES, Agent,
By order of the Maryland State Grange.

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March 10, 1888—tm.

—THE—

Thoroughbred Kentucky Jack, Nimrod

Will travel the Spring Season of 1888 in Kent county. This is one of the finest and largest animals of his kind ever brought to this county. As a proof of his success his numerous valuable mule colts can be seen this coming summer, being the result of the brief chance he had last spring. Those desiring his services should apply early as his number is limited. Communications by mail answered promptly. First call, first served. TERMS—Absolutely insured ($15.00) fifteen dollars; 25 cents to groom in each case. Season commences March 15th and closes June 25th.

mar10-6t. M. ASCHER, Rock Hall.

DIED.

In Chestertown, after a long illness, first of measles and then of pneumonia, WRIXHEM M. BARNETT, son of H. S. and Norah Barnett, aged 4 yrs. & 9 days.

At his residence near Lambson's Station, on the 18th instant, MOSES LAMBSON, aged about 71 yrs.

At the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. Thomas A. Jacobs, near Sassafras, on the 18th inst., Mrs. MARY E. STEWART, aged about 76 years.

Just at sunset the emancipated spirit of Mary P. Stewart, wife of the late D. B. Stewart, took its flight into the realms of eternal light. Mrs. Stewart, who bore the maiden name of Mary Perry, was a native of Sussex county, Del., but had been a resident of Kent county, Md., some 40 years. Here she reared a large family of children, who in the main survive her, and have become influential citizens of this and other States. In the 76th year of her age she passed away, lamented by all who were privileged to know her. She was a faithful Christian, a pattern of industry, a good mother.

At her residence, near Sassafras, on the 18th inst., Mrs. ELIZA S. JACOBS, wife of Mr. Thomas A. Jacobs, aged about 50 years.

This most estimable woman, the devoted wife of Mr. T. A. Jacobs, of Sassafras, Md., passed to her heavenly home. Scarcely an hour and a-half after the death of her loved mother, Mrs. Mary P. Stewart (in an adjoining room) her gentle spirit took its flight through the "gates ajar" into the presence of the Glorified. Truly in death mother and daughter were not divided. Words seem inadequate to express the esteem in which we held this loving Christian wife and mother. So patient, so self-sacrificing, so gentle, alike at home and abroad. Well did she rivet the chains of love about the hearts of those who knew her. The first in church work, generous in gifts. Verily she was to us a "Mother in Israel." With a ripe Christian experience, her counsels were eagerly sought and lovingly given. Early in her beautiful life she placed her heart in her Saviour's keeping, and for thirty-five years her Christian activities have been well known. A charter member of Westminster Church, Georgetown, for the past 16 years, she served the Master there in whatever sphere called with *marked* fidelity. Nothing can better illustrate her sincere piety than a remark she recently made to her eldest daughter, to whom she said, "Many, many of my days are Sabbath days of Christian enjoyment." Her life was truly fragrant with good deeds, and the remembrance of her loving Christian example will be perpetually embalmed in the memory of the friends who survive her.

The funeral services of mother and daughter were held on Wednesday, at 10 o'clock A. M., at the residence of Mr. Jacobs. Interment at Forest Cemetery, Middletown, Del. OBSERVER.

At Worton Station, March 18, 1888, Mrs. ANNIE M. LONG, aged 67 years, 7 months and 8 days.

Weep not for me, my husband dear;
I am at rest, so dry your tears;
I could with you no longer stay,
Therefore, prepare to follow me. HUSBAND.

Past all suffering, past all pain,
Cease to weep, for tears are vain;
Calm the tumult of your breast,
For she who suffered is at rest. DAUGHTER.

Near Rock Hall, March 15, 1888, of whooping-cough, AMELIA VIVIAN, aged 3 years and 2 weeks; and on March 16 CARRIE OLIVE, aged 2 months and 1 week, daughters of John T. and Emma A. Coleman.

So the birds of our bosom fluttered up to the dawn,
A window was opened—our darling's were gone;
A truant from time, from tears and from sin,
For the angel's above took our wanderers in.

Such little breaks in the sod,
So tiny be the graves;
Oh, how can we render so soon to God
The beautiful gifts He gave.
Safe in the arms of Jesus,
Safe on His gentle breast;
There by His love over-shadowed,
Sweetly our children rest. J. W. B.

At the residence of his parents, at Green Point, March 1, 1888, CHARLES S. HIGGS, in the 20th year of his age. Farewell, farewell! dear brother. Never more shall we behold thee. In the dark, lone grave thy form is laid, to mingle with the earth. We meet no more while life's warm currents flow. So fare thee well! BROTHER.

Farewell, farewell!
Dear brother, 'tis a solemn word.
That thrills thro' every heart;
But it is the will of God
That dearest ones should part.

But in that heaven so bright and fair we hope to meet you, where sorrow, pain nor death can never enter there. SISTER.

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March 17, 1887—2m. AGENT.

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2d dam TRUSTY.....by MARLBOROUGH. Dam of Deucalion, 2:22 (sire of Nina, 2:20); Scotland Maid, 2:28¾; John Love, 2:28¾, and Lucia (dam of Day Dream, 2:21¾). Thoroughbred son of imported Trustee (sire of John Nelson, sire of Norna, 2:23¾; Aurora, 2:27; Gov'nor Stanford 2:27¼; Nemo, 2:30, and dam of Albert W. 2:20.)

3d dam HUYLER MARE...by HENRY DUROC. Thoroughbred son of Essex, by Henry.

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