Kent News.

SATURDAY..... APRIL 27, 1889.

CIRCUIT COURT.

Proceedings continued from last week:

Robert T. Ford and Mary E. Ford vs. W. W. Hubbard, appeal from decision of Justice Dodd; trial before the Court; verdict for appellee for $66.50.

Hubbard sued Mrs. Ford, a married woman, under a covenant in lease, which covenant gave to Hubbard "the exclusive privilege of selecting the fertilizer to be used on his farm. Hubbard selected goods made by T. R. Hubbard & Son, and sued Mrs. Ford before a Justice of the Peace for goods so furnished. At trial below, justice gave judgment for Hubbard, from which Mrs. Ford appealed. Ford and wife both executed lease, and Court held that covenant gave Hubbard not only the right to select, but to purchase the fertilizer, clover seed, &c. Judgment of justice affirmed for $66.50 in favor of Hubbard."

Robert T. Ford and Mary E. Ford vs. T. R. Hubbard and Wilbur W. Hubbard; appeal from Justice Dodd; tried before the Court.

In the matter of the suggestion of Capt. Tawes under indictment for firing on the oyster police force, for removal of the case to another county for trial, application was refused.

Grand Jury returned indictments against John Chavis, George W. Sommers, Charles Mattee and George R. Reed, Jr., true bills; also present Washington Braxton for assault, with intent to kill; Jeff Wilson, Jim Brown, Tobe Mitchell and Frank Cooper for larceny.

Pennsylvania Railroad Co. vs. Hope H. Barroll; motion for *non pros* for want of jurisdiction; Russum for Railroad Co., J. A. Pearce for Barroll.

Court adjourned until Saturday, Friday being Good Friday and a legal holiday.

SATURDAY, April 20.—Upon the reassembling of the court the case of Pennsylvania Railroad Co., vs. Hope H. Barroll which was continued from Thursday was taken up and judgment for *non pros* rendered, the Court not having jurisdiction; Russum for Railroad Co., Pearce for H. H. Barroll.

Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad Co. vs. Edward J. Clarke; appeal from Justice Dodd, who gave damages to the amount of fifteen dollars to Prof. Clarke as damages for a failure of the railroad company to make connection with another train as per schedule; jury trial; verdict for Clarke in amount of $1.-63, each party to pay his own costs; Russum for Railroad Co., Barroll for Clarke.

William J. Vannort vs. Freeland P. Short, an appeal from C. W. C. Johnson, J. P. The case was for the recovery of damages for contract of labor, and involved a question of law, of interest both to employees and employers of labor, since the right of either party to deviate from the letter of the expressed contract was the point in controversy. Freeland P. Short hired to Vannort for eighteen dollars per month with certain specified requirements and conditions to be filled by each party; during the peach season of 1888, and while the peaches were rapidly ripening and hands were scarce, Short in direct opposition to the expressed wishes of his employer left the farm, claiming to have been discharged by Vannort. The point was a question of fact whether or not he had been discharged; tried before jury. Unfinished.

Mrs. Alice V. Short vs. William J. Vannort, for work and service done; appeal from C. W. C. Johnson, J. P., who allowed appellee $44; court trial; judgment reduced to $19.72; R. D. Hynson and J. D. Urie for Vannort; Barroll for Mrs. Short.

Grand Jury returned indictments against Washington Braxton, Jeff Wilson, Jim Brown, William H. Mitchell and Frank Cooper, true bills; also present John Waters for burglary and Capt. Jeff Davis for firing upon Capt. Charles Kerr.

MONDAY morning, April 22.—The case of Freeland P. Short against William J. Vannort continued from Saturday; judgment for appellee for $25 and interest and cost in both the lower and appellate courts.

William J. Vannort vs. Alice C. Short; Hynson and Urie for Vannort; Barroll for Mrs. Short. Unfinished.

Grand Jury presented Frank Jackson and Hamilton Frisby for assault with intent to kill; Henry Johnson for assault and battery; Matthew Williams for aiding prisoners to escape from the county jail, and Jeff Davis for firing on schooner Helen M. Baughman. Also return indictments against John Waters, Jeff Davis, two cases, Henry Johnson, Matthew Williams and Hamilton Frisby. True bills against Frank Jackson. Grand Jury made following report and were discharged with the thanks of the Court:

REPORT OF THE GRAND JURY.

To the Honorable Judge of the Circuit Court for Kent County, April Term, 1889:

The grand jury report that they have concluded their labors, after being in session six days, during which time they have examined 84 witnesses, made 31 presentments, found 22 true bills. They visited the jail and found it in a neat, cleanly and comfortable condition.

WM. B. USILTON, foreman.

Before being discharged the grand jury passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That the thanks of the members of the grand jury, spring term, 1889, be tendered our foreman, Wm. B. Usilton, for the fair, impartial and courteous manner in which he has discharged the arduous duties devolving upon him; to our efficient clerks, Stevenson Constable and Albert Medders, we also tender our thanks for the painstaking and careful manner in which they have fulfilled their duties.

LEWIS C. JUSTIS, JR.,
D. J. NOWLAND,
J. THOS. PENINGTON,
Committee.

On motion of M. deK. Smith, Esq., Jas. N. Todd, Esq., of Caroline county was admitted to membership of Kent county bar.

TUESDAY, April 23.—Criminal docket taken up. State vs. Frank Jackson, indicted for burglary. Plea of guilty. Smith for State, Barroll for prisoner. Sentenced to penitentiary for six years from date.

Bradley S. Johnson and Edw. D. Fitzgerald, Esqs., of Baltimore city, were on motion of M. deK. Smith, admitted to membership of this bar.

William J. Vannort vs. Alice C. Short; verdict for appellee for $19.72.

State vs. Frederick Watson, indicted for illegal dredging. Plea of *non cul.* Elected to be tried before the Court. Smith and Urie for State, Johnson and Fitzgerald for prisoner. Verdict guilty and sentenced to the House of Correction for 3 months.

State vs. Geo. B. Coleman, indicted for illegal dredging. Plea of *non cul.* Tried before the Court. Smith for State, Fitzgerald and Vickers for prisoner. Verdict not guilty.

State vs. Jas. B. Sandford, indicted for illegal dredging. Plea of *non cul.* Tried before the Court. Smith for State, Hynson for prisoner, Verdict not guilty.

State vs. Charles Mattee alias Charles Wilson, indicted for larceny. Plea of *non cul.* Tried before the Court. Smith for State, Slay for prisoner. Verdict guilty and sentenced to the House of Correction for 2 years from date.

WEDNESDAY, April 24.—The court was engaged in hearing oyster cases. The oyster case first taken up was that of State against Edward J. Howard, indicted for illegal dredging; the prisoner put in the plea of not guilty and elected to be tried before the Court; Smith for State; Hynson for Howard.

State against Joseph Cain, indicted for shooting at Capt. Charles R. Kerr, an officer of the State fishery force while in the discharge of his duties; plea entered of not guilty; elected to be tried before the Court.

State against Joseph Cain, indicted for shooting at the Helen M. Baughman; plea not guilty; elected to be tried before the Court; Smith for State; Hynson for Cain in both cases. The evidence in these cases is to the effect that the prisoners are recognized and were known to be in command of the boats which did the firing upon the police boat and her commander, Capt. Kerr. The defense is that the boats have not and never had any such arms on board as those by which it is claimed the shooting was done. Several of the dredgers who have been confined in jail appeared as witnesses for Capt. Cain.

THURSDAY.—The case of Capt. Kain was concluded. His honor, Judge Wickes, said the evidences of Kains' guilt were overwhelming, and proceeded to rehearse some of the striking facts. Sentenced to pay a fine of $100 and to be confined in the State penitentiary for four years.

State vs. John Chavis, for stealing clothing from J. C. Lawrence. Plea, guilty. Smith for State, Urie for defense. Sentenced to House Correction for two years.

Jeff Wilson and Jim Brown, for stealing chickens from B. F. Davis, were arraigned, and Chas. Berryman, a confederate, appeared as the principal witness against them. Smith for State, R. D. Hynson for defense. Before the court. Not guilty.

State vs. Wm. H. Mitchell, for stealing rubber belting from factory of Wm. H. Cacy. Jury trial. Smith for State, R. D. Hynson for defense. Not guilty.

Frank Cooper, for the same offense, was tried before the Court. Guilty. Judge Wickes stated his purpose to send the boy to some Reformatory institution. If Mitchell could be sent with him, together with the two little fellows who appeared as witnesses in the cases, it would be a happy riddance to the community.

State vs. Washington Braxton, for assault with intent to kill T. J. Parsons. Before the court. Smith for State, Pearce for defense. Guilty, and sentenced to penitentiary for two years.

State vs. Matthew Williams, for aiding prisoners to escape. Before the court. Smith for State; Westcott for defense.—Guilty—sentence: one year in the House of Correction.

Court will probably last nearly all next week. There was an extraordinary accumulation of criminal business this term, but the court has made such rapid progress that the criminal docket will be about cleaned up today, and the county jail nearly emptied of its numerous prisoners—to the great satisfaction of tax-payers.

NOTE—A CORRECTION.—We wish to correct an error inadvertently made last week in alluding to the proceedings of the Circuit Court. In referring to the appeal docket we stated, as we had understood to be the fact, that one case in which the amount claimed was two dollars, was on trial for two days and cost nearly two hundred dollars. The case we had in mind turns out to be not so lengthy as reported, though it did occupy part of two days. We have since learned that it was taken up about two o'clock one day and concluded about half-past ten o'clock the next day, thus occupying about two hours; and we are also informed that the only costs to which the county is subjected in the case is the proportion of the cost of the attendance of the jury which tried the case and of the balliffs for the time occupied, as the parties pay clerk's fees, sheriff's costs and witnesses. We think it proper to correct this mistake thus made.

A CAROLINE SENSATION.

Elopement of Prominent Characters — The Peace of Two Families Ruined.

Emmit Downes, whose sudden and mysterious disappearance from Denton, Md., was noticed in the NEWS of last week, and which has been the subject of widespread inquiry and remark, is now believed to have eloped with the young and beautiful wife of Charles H. Blackiston, of that town. The Baltimore Morning *Herald* has the following dispatch from Denton:

The rumor has been afloat for several days but few were willing to believe it. His (Downes's) continued absence, however, has caused his greatest supporters to be silent. Mrs. Blackiston left Denton on the same day that Downes left, and took the train at Harrington that connected at Clayton with the one which Downes had boarded at Greensborough.

Mrs. Blackiston told some friends that she was going to New York and others to Baltimore. Letters which were written to her at Baltimore by her husband, who is a travelling salesman, were returned to-day to Mr. Blackiston. Mrs. Blackiston is considered by many to be one of the most beautiful women in the county, and has been married about seven years. She has received a great deal of attention both from the gentlemen of this town and many travelling salesmen who visit here, so much so that it has been rumored that she was not as faithful to her marriage vows as her husband would have desired.

Downes's intimacy with her has been the cause of much comment, and it is generally believed that they are together. Nothing can be learned of their whereabouts and no efforts have been made to locate them. Mrs. Downes is stricken with grief at her husband's desertion, for she has been married about six years and has always showed the greatest effection for him. He leaves her with two children and no means of support, as he has took all the money he could raise with him.

Mr. Blackiston who was absent from here when his wife left, was dumbfounded when upon his arrival he found that she had deserted him. Downes and Mrs. Blackiston had an interview of an hour's length at the residence of a gentleman in town a short while before their departure. Mrs. Blackiston wrote her mother a few days after her departure a letter, in which she sent a number of her pictures, directing her to give one to her husband. The letter was from Baltimore, and she said she had a good boarding place on Sarotoga street, but gave no number.

Annapolis in Gay Attire.

The trades display and carrival at Annapolis on Tuesday is reported as a success in every sense of the word. Almost every house in the city was decorated and some of their literally covered with flags and bunting. The red, white and blue was seen in the greatest abundance, though the yellow and black, the Maryland colors, was almost as plentiful. In one case they were in the lead. This was at the old City Hotel where General Washington stopped when he went to Annapolis to resign his commission as general-in-chief of the American army. The old State banners, bearing the Maryland coat of arms, hung from the windows of the State House, and the flag which is only raised during sessions of the Legislature and on extraordinary occasions floated from the dome. All business was suspended and every body was bent on having a good time. Visitors were present from Baltimore, Washington, Hagerstown and Frederick. The parade was magnificent affair, the procession taking nearly three-quarters of an hour to pass a given point. At night two balls were given, one by the Governor's Guards to their guests from Frederick and Easton, and a general one gotten up by the committee of arrangements. The programme also comprised a display of fire-works.

The Talbot Guards, Capt. Edward Roberts, were in the parade and were accompained by some of the prominent citizens of Easton.

A DISTRESSING DEATH.—Last Friday afternoon, about five o'clock, May, the three year old daughter of Mr. Samuel Allen, a cigar manufacturer, met with a painful accident at the residence of its parents on lower Liberty street. The child with an older sister was having a tea-party, the mother, who was engaged in household duties in another room, having left them but a few minutes. The child, while eating a piece of meat, became choked and the sister, seeing her condition, became alarmed and ran after her mother. When Mrs. Allen reached the room the child was black in the face, and when she attempted to remove the meat was unable to do so, her hand being bitten in the attempt. A messenger was sent for a physician, and Dr. J. M. Corkran was summoned, but when he reached house the child was dead. The meat, which was about the size of an English walnut, lodged in the pharynx at the base of the tongue and the doctor thinks that death was instantaneous. The child was a bright, interesting one and the sad death was a great shock to its parents.—*Centreville Observer of Tuesday.*

FISHERMEN in the Susquehanna river say that there are more shad and herring now running than was ever known before at this early date. The gillers as well as the seine-haulers are happy, and the glut of herring is so great that a long seine with small meshes cannot be hauled. The seine-haulers have been obliged to take out their herring mesh so the herring may run through the net and leave the shad and rock captives.

JOHN BURK, who was sentenced to ten years and six months in the Maryland penitentiary for attempting to rob Geo. W. Parks in the Merchants' National Bank, October 2, 1886, made his escape on Monday through a sewer that leads from the penitentiary yard to Jones' fall, at Eager street, a distance of about six hundred feet, and at last accounts he had not been recaptured.

MATRIMONIAL.

A SERIES OF INTERESTING EVENTS.

STEVENSON—PLUMMER.

A quiet but very pretty marriage ceremony was celebrated at the residence of the bride's father, ex-Sheriff Edward Plummer, near Smithville, at nine o'clock on Wednesday morning, the contracting parties being WILLIAM D. STEVENSON, druggist, of 1500 South Ninth street, Philadelphia; and Miss MAGGIE V. PLUMMER. Frank S. Plummer, a brother of the bride, and Miss Tillie Lohmuller, of Baltimore, a pretty young friend of the bride, stood up with the happy couple. The Rev. S. B. Tredway, of St. James', performed the ceremony. The marriage was quiet on account of the recent death of a sister of the bride, there being only a few persons present besides the immediate family and friends, but these constituted quite a company. The groom is a handsome young man and was neatly clad in dress coat and light pants and vest, while the charming bride was handsomely attired in fawn cloth. The bride's presents were many and handsome, those of the groom being a fine gold watch and chain and a diamond ring.

After the ceremony they took the steamer from Worton creek for Baltimore en route for Washington. They will return to Philadelphia in a few days and will have a reception at home on Wednesday evening of next week.

EDWARDS—SMYTH.

A pretty home wedding took place at the residence of Mr. Richard C. Smyth, near Fairlee, last Wednesday evening, the parties to the interesting affair being Mr. Smyth's pretty daughter, WILLIE, and Mr. WILLIAM B. EDWARDS, of Chestertown. The nuptial knot was tied by Rev. S. B. Tredway, the popular pastor of St. James, in his usual pleasing manner, and the occasion was one of special delight. The bride carried in her hand a beautiful bouquet of Marechal Niel roses and was dressed in gray drap d'ete trimmed with Persian silk. Mrs. W. B. Stephens performed the wedding march in good time. A large company was present, consisting of intimate friends and relatives, and the presents were numerous and handsome, among which we noticed a plush clock, Mrs. H. M. Usilton; silver butter dish, Miss Gertie Lusby; pickle dish, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Nicholson; silver cake basket, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Vannort; set of cruets, Miss Venie Bowers; bisque plaque, Miss Hallie Usilton; large lamp, Mr. W. T. Nicholson; table cloth and napkins, Mr. Chas. L. Dodd; table cloth, Mr. Walter Morris; steel engraving, combined gift. A pleasant reception was held at the residence of the groom's parents on Thursday night.

VANDEGRIFT—DONNELLY.

A most delightful occasion and well conducted affair was the marriage of Mr. JOHN S. VANDEGRIFT, one of our most enterprising and popular young citizens, to Miss MARY G. DONNELLY, at the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. Clara Lambert No. 1409 Lafayette avenue, Baltimore. The bride is a most handsome and admired brunette and only recently moved from this county to Baltimore. She was becomingly attired in Henrietta cloth, trimmed with lace and carried in her hand a bouquet of Marechal Niel roses. The groom looked handsomer than ever in a stylish black suit of cloth. The Rev. Marion L. Firer performed the ceremony. About 9.30 caterer Sterk, a Parisian artist in this line, invited the company to the spacious dining room where a most pleasing and elaborate preparation met the guests. Fish moulds containing cream of all kinds and in various shapes, and chestnut burr moulds opening disclosed a rich treat. Confections and everything that one could desire were set before him and full justice was done it. In the centre sat the bride's cake decorated with assorted colors of icing and angel mounting. The presents were numerous, rich and useful, one room being reserved for their display. Among the many we noticed a parlor suit of six pieces covered with different colored plush, 141 pieces of china, cut glass, butter dishes, cake bakets, knives and forks, pictures, etc. The famous pitcher, Kilroy, honored John with a present, and other noted sports remembered him. The happy couple came to their future home on Water street, this town on Wednesday evening, the day after their marriage. They were serenaded last night by the Kent Military Band. Besides the many guests present from Baltimore and elsewhere, we noticed Mrs. Jos. W. Thompson, Miss Dora Hodgkin and Charles S. Smith, of Chestertown.

GIBSON—HOLLYDAY.

The marriage of Hon. Charles H. Gibson, Congressman from the first Maryland district, to Mrs. Marietta Powell Hollyday, of Easton, Md., took place at Louisville, Ky., on Tuesday. Every effort had been used to make the wedding a quiet one without ostentatious display, and such it proved, being characterized by the utmost taste and elegance. The ceremony was performed at Christ Church, the largest Episcopal church in that city, the Right Rev. Thomas U. Dudley, Bishop of Kentucky, officiating. Only a few friends had been invited to the ceremony. Prof. Frese presided at the organ, rendering the usual wedding marches.

Mr. Harvey Dudley, nephew of the Bishop, acted as usher. Mrs. Hollyday's gown was an exquisite creation, being made of pearl-colored faille silk. She wore a dainty bonnet of faille crepe, shot with silver of the same pearl shade, trimmed with pale pink roses, with gloves of the same tint. She carried a bouquet of Catherine Mermot roses.

Before leaving the church Mr. and Mrs. Gibson received the congratulations of their friends, among them ex-Congressman Willis who served in Congress with Mr. Gibson. They were then driven to the residence of the bride's son-in-law, Mr. Percy Semple, on Oak street, where a wedding luncheon wast set. Mr. and Mrs. Gibson left on the 7 P. M. train via the C. and O. for Washington. After a short stay at the capital Mr. Gibson will go with his bride to New York city, as he is a centennial commissioner from Maryland.

The object of having the marriage at Louisville was because that is the residence of Mrs. Gibson's son and daughter and because the bride was especially anxious to have her kinsman, Bishop Dudley, perform the ceremony.

CASTAWAYS FOR FOURTEEN MONTHS.—The British bark Wandering Minstrel, which sailed from Honolulu December 10, 1887, was driven ashore and wrecked on Midway Island February 3, 1888. The crew escaped to the island, where they found a man named Jorgenson, who was wrecked in the schooner General Seigel and left on the island by his shipmates because he was suspected of foul play in the death of two of the Siegel's crew. The men subsisted fourteen months on sea birds and fish, and were almost starved when taken off.

LEFT BLOOMING ALONE.—Nine years ago some 30 young women in Berlin formed an old maids' club, with a provision for a fine of 1,000 marks upon each member who married. Everything went merrily for awhile until an epidemic of marriage set in, and at the annual meeting this year only one member was left and she found herself called upon to dispose of 28,000 marks, the accumulation of the fines paid by the former members.

GALENA LOCALS.

EASTER DAY SERVICES in the different churches in this place were well attended. At the Episcopal Church there was service at 7½ A. M.; Roman Catholic and Methodist Churches at 10½ A. M. The Episcopal Church, which has been noted for its beautiful display of flowers at its Easter services in the past, had rather a poor display; the R. C. church had very few, if any, flowers, something very unusual in the churches above named; the Methodist Church was beautifully decorated with luxuriant foliage and rich blossoms. The ministers of each church preached eloquent and impressive sermons suitable to the occasion. The R. C. and M. E. Churches had services at night also, with very large congregations at both.

A COLORED BOY, living with Mr. Joseph Woodall, was kicked by a mule and his leg broken a few days ago. He was attended by Dr. Latimer, who set the limb, and the boy is doing as well as could be expected.

WE HAD quite a curiosity at the P. O. this week. The P. M. had a copy of the KENT NEWS of August 16, 1851, and a copy of the *Weekly Herald*, published in Chestertown June 14, 1851, both giving an account of the trial of the Cosden murderers, and the sentence by Judge Chambers.

THE RECTORY at Shrewsbury has become untenable. The rector, with his family, has moved out and boards with Mr. Beasten at Locust Grove, until he gets suited in a house. As we have several empty houses in this place, I presume he can soon get suited.

Mr. Venable is pushing the work right along at Sandyhook hill. He has a large force at work and expects the new road to be open for travel in the early fall. P.

STILL POND NOTES.

WORK has been re-commenced in widening the road running from Still Pond to Redding's Corner. Mr. W. A. Busick has charge thereof. It will be a great improvement when completed.

MR. J. S. CLARK is adding very much to the beauty of his fine residence by the grading and neat arrangement of the yard.

WE have had quite a chapter of driving accidents lately. Messrs. J. W. and H. M. Robinson had their wagon overturned last week. The face of the latter was badly cut and the former was severely injured about the back. He had to be carried home but is better at this writing. Mr. M. Jones and Dr. Maxwell in driving towards Lynch's, were run into by a carriage driven by one of Afric's sons on Monday night last. They had three wheels torn off and both shafts broken but no injury to themselves. The other team was not much injured. The colored man was asleep at the time of colliding. In driving down one of the steep hills on the Shrewsberry road on Sunday evening Mr. John Janvier's horse fell and broke his neck.

MR. JOHN WEBB was stricken with paralysis on Tuesday night at the residence of his niece, Mrs. Wm. T. Hepbron. He has since remained in an unconscious condition and little hope is entertained of his recovery. He is eighty-five. A little son of Mr. Wm. Vansant is dangerously ill.

A GAME of base ball was played last Monday between the Kennedyville and Still Pond nines on the grounds of the latter club. Score, 45 to 33 in favor of Still Pond. R.

[NOTE.—Mr. Webb died yesterday.]

WORTON NOTES.

THE Worton Literary Society met last Tuesday evening at the school house. The program consisted of solos by Harry Beck, Johnny Hudson and Mr. John Davis; also, reading by Miss Gracie Parsons, and a dialogue by Miss Janie Cooper, Messrs. Geo. Stephens and Tilden Cooper, was also very interesting to all. The next meeting will be later in the season, on account of the present short evenings. The society will give a fish fry on the farm of Mr. Geckie, Saturday, 27th,

MR. J. W. IVENS has two young foxes, one of which has become very tame. It also proves to be as playful as a kitten and a terror to all dogs, who leave at first sight. JOKER.

OF INTEREST TO FARMERS.—The McCormick Harvesting Machine Company, of Chicago, Ill., has succeeded in perfecting a very simple device to be quickly interchangeable with the Twine Knotter for binding grain, thus enabling the farmer to use either twine or wire on the same machine. In view of the present high prices of twine this is a big achievement, as it effectually protects the purchaser of a machine against exorbitant prices of twine, which are liable to occur hereafter in consequence of the enormous increase in consumption and the scarcity of fibres of which it is made. The device referred to is practically their old wide-famed wire binding device, simplified equal to the knotter of their new twine binder. It is purely "McCormick," and cannot be used by other binder manufacturers, as it is their own, and the double spool with its device for operating the continuous wire is the McCormick's, and covered by a patent.

The farmer buying one of these machines can feel that he is master of the situation, and is prepared for emergencies whenever they may come. Binder wire can be furnished farmers at 10 cents per pound with little probability of ever being higher in price, making binding material cost from 25 to 30 cents per acre, so that whenever twine is out of reach the wire can be resorted to. These attachments can be put on any of the McCormick Binders at any time at the small cost of $15.00 apiece.

A REMARKABLE COINCIDENCE in marriage was brought to light at the table of a gentleman during conference. In the course of conversation, the host alluded to the time of his marriage, and the ministerial guest expressed surprise and remarked that he was married at the same time, the same year, month, day and hour.—*Easton Star.*

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THE A. M. E. CONFERENCE.

Intelligent Body of Ministers—Four Bishops Present—Fred Douglas—Sunday Appointments—Adjournment, etc.

The Baltimore conference of the African M. E. Church met in Bethel Church Chestertown, on Wednesday morning. The seventy-second session is presided over by Bishop Campbell, who was assisted at the opening by Bishops Brown and Wayman. Fifty-eight of the eighty-two members were present. Bishop B. T. Tanner is also present. The following secretaries were elected: Chief secretary, Rev. O. D. Robinson, of Washington, D. C.; recording secretary, N. W. Travers, of Baltimore; statistical secretary, John H. Collett, of Baltimore. Rev. D. P. Seaton, of Baltimore, preached the annual sermon to the conference and the communion was administered by Bishop Tanner, of Philadelphia.

A handsome communion set was presented to the church by the female members of the church. Just before the sermon the pastor, Rev. L. H. Jackson, responded, acknowledging the gift. Committees were appointed and reports read. A number of interesting questions come before this conference. A committee was appointed to receive Hon. Fred. Douglass, also one for the observance of the 29th of April. The territory embraced by this conference is the State of Maryland and the District of Columbia, and it has 100 churches, with 82 ministers.

This body of ministers are fine-looking and intelligent, and the proceedings of their conference session are conducted in the utmost decorum and with dispatch. Among the distinguished men present, beside the four bishops above named, is Rev. J. L. Coppin, editor of the Philadelphia A. M. E. *Review*, who prides himself upon being an Eastern Shoreman; he is certainly a man of marked ability, though yet young in years.

The next session of this conference will be held in April, 1890, in Trinity Church, Baltimore.

A committee was appointed to receive and welcome Hon. Fred Douglas and invite him to address the conference. Bishop Wayman spoke of his pleasant personal relations with Mr. Douglas, and said he could talk of him to his brethren now as he might not have done after reading his first book, but his second book tells of conversion and faith in Christ, "and," said the bishop with impressive earnestness, "I would not be surprised if this great leader of our race were to spend his closing years in the ministry of the African M. E. Church. [Applause.]

SECOND DAY.—Conference met in Bethel Church at 9 A. M., Bishop J. R. Campbell presiding. The minutes of the preceding day read and adopted. Roll called, and many of the ministers who were absent on Tuesday answered to their names. Financial and statistical reports read by the following: Revs. John T. Lane, Augustus Rose, J. K. Platts, C. W. Morsell, S. C. Butler, L. S. Cassell, John R. Huey, S. N. Saunders. Dr. T. G. Steward read a report on the temperance department of Bethel A. M. E. Church, organized August, 1880. Transfer of Rev. Isaac E. Showells was read and adopted; also, of Thomas Muny. Report of the committee on second years' study, the following brothers passed examination and recommended for deacon's orders: D. G. Hill, F. J. Peck, Jr. The reports of Presiding Elders W. R. Arnold, of the Baltimore district, and W. H. Brown, of Harrisburg district.

Rev. R. W. Todd, of the M. E. Church, was introduced to the conference. Dr. Todd spoke of his book, "Methodism of the Peninsula." The Bishop called the attention of the conference to the financial condition of Metropolitan A. M. E. Church at Washington, D. C. He advised the conference to try and help her out of her debt. Disciplinary questions taken up and characters of the members of the conference passed. The Bishop said that there was no use for candidates to come up for admission or ordination for deacons or elders without having sustained at least 75 per cent. Dr. J. M. Cargill preached the annual missionary sermon at 4 P. M. from Daniel xii: 4.

The conference will probably close tomorrow (Sunday) night, when the appointments will be announced by the Bishop.

SUNDAY APPOINTMENTS.

At the Tabernacle, 11 A. M., J. A. Handy, D. D., the general financial secretary; 2 P. M., Bishop Tanner; 7½. Dr. J. T. Jenifer. Janes' M. E. Church, 11 A. M., Rev. M. W. Traverse; 2 P. M., Rev. C. W. Fitzhugh; 7½, Bishop A. W. Wayman. Butlertown M. E. Church, 11 o'clock service, Rev. S. H. Cooper; 2 P. M., Rev. D. J. Becket. Bethel, Chestertown, ordination services at 11 A. M.—sermon by Bishop J. M. Brown; 2 P. M., T. G. Stewart, D. D.; 7½, Rev. W. D. W. Shureman.

QUEEN ANNE'S ITEMS.—Messrs. Wm. H. Newman, Wm. Hurlock, John H. Evans and others give notice of application for a new road which will be of great convenience to travellers in their section.

After an unusally hard fight, Mr. John W. Tarman was appointed collector of taxes for the Third Election District last Tuesday week by the County Commissioners. As many as ten applications were made for the position, but the contest was between Messrs. J. W. Tarman and Wilmer Emory, with Messrs. W. J. Hopper and Barrett Green as possibly dark horse. Mr. Tarman was collector several years since and made an efficient officer. His many friends are highly elated at his success.

A bicycle, ridden by Mr. Frank Keating in the streets of Centreville, caused a runaway last Saturday which cut up the horse pretty badly, wrecked the carriage and seriously injured Mrs. Anna Bordley.

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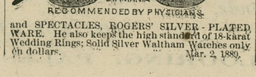

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Over 700 Souls Taken from a Sinking Steamer in Mid Ocean in Stormy Weather Without the Loss of a Single Soul.

The steamship Danmark, which belonged to the Thingvalla Line, left Christiansand, Denmark, March 30, for New York, with 660 passengers, mostly immigrants, making with the officers and crew over seven hundred souls. On the afternoon of April 4, in rather stormy weather, the shaft of the Danmark broke and stove a hole through the vessel and she began to sink. The steamship Missouri, Capt. Murrell, from London for Philadelphia and Baltimore, hove in sight the next afternoon and seeing signals of distress flying from the disabled steamer went to her assistance. How the Danmark was first taken in tow and her passengers afterwards rescued from a watery grave without the loss of a single soul, and that too when the sea was so rough that they had to be hoisted on board, and how room was made for their accommodation and their final disposition, is an intensely thrilling narrative, and is best told by Capt. Murrell himself:

"I sighted the unfortunate vessel," said he, "at twenty minutes past 1 o'clock on the afternoon of April 5. She was flying distress signals and informed me by signal that the tail end of her shaft was broken and asked that she be relieved of her passengers. We were then in latitude 46.16 N. longtitude, 38.35 W. The weather was threatening and I felt compelled to decline taking off so many passengers unless it became absolutely necessary.

"I offered, however, to tow him to the nearest port. Captain Knudsen gladly accepted my offer, and at 3.30 P. M. I put a tow rope on board and moved ahead slowly steering northwest for Newfoundland. There was a heavy blow all night and the sea ran very high. The next morning I found that no headway in a westerly direction could be made, as the wind was dead against me, and I could see quantities of ice in the distance. So, at half-past five o'clock I determined to change my course and steer for the Azores. Captain Knudsen agreed to this change and it was made, but at seven o'clock the Danmark signaled that she was leaking badly and had three feet of water in her after-hold, which was gaining rapidly.

ABANDONING THE SHIP.

"I asked what he wanted, and received the answer: 'Keep on towing.' At half past nine o'clock he again signaled: 'Must abandon the ship. Will you take passengers?' I, of course, consented, and at once cut the tow rope. The Danmark's chief officer, Mr. Glen, came on board and said his captain had decided to abandon the steamer, as he saw no chance of keeping her afloat, and could not afford to take chances on losing his passengers.

"Our two life-boats were at once lowered and First Officer Lucas and Second Officer Forsyth took charge of them. The Danmark's seven boats were also lowered, and though the sea was running very strong and it was exceedingly difficult to land passengers, we succeeded in transferring the six hundred and sixty-five passengers and the crew of sixty-nine men from the Danmark to the Missouri in exactly five hours and thirty minutes without accident of any kind. The steamers were hove to about half a mile apart and the swell was so strong that we were unable to put out a ladder, but had to pull the people aboard with ropes.

"Some provisions were transferred from the Danmark's stores but an examination revealed the fact that by very close economy we could make what food we had last three days and no more. I then resolved to steer for St. Michels, in the Azores, a distance from where we then were of about 720 miles. We were at that time in latitude 46.06 N. longitude, 39 W. The Danmark's stern was under water and she was apparently sinking very fast and at five o'clock that afternoon we left her to her fate.

"The weather was very dirty that night. A terrible gale was blowing dead against us and tremendous seas broke over the Missouri, drenching the passengers who were huddled all over the deck and almost smothering those who were below. Every available piece of canvas and tarpaulin was used to make shelter, but I was compelled in order to make the unfortunate people even partially comfortable to throw overboard about five hundred bales of rags and cotton waste that were stowed between decks.

"At half-past nine o'clock on the morning of the 10th we arrived at St. Michaels, where we landed Capt. Knudsen, most of his crew and three hundred passengers, and after taking on provisions we sailed for Philadelphia April 11 at 6 o'clock in the afternoon, with the remaining three hundred and sixty-five passengers. We brought over all the women and children that were in the Danmark and nearly all the married men. Our trip from St. Michaels was an exceedingly pleasant one. The weather was delightful and no one was sick, but I can assure you that when at ten o'clock Sunday night we were boarded outside the Delaware capes by Pilot Peter Chambers, I thought the terrible load had been lifted from my shoulders. I anchored inside the Breakwater Sunday night and steamed up the river at 7.30 this morning."

The Missouri reached Philadelphia shortly before 6 o'clock Monday afternoon. Captain Murrell was loud in his praise of the behavior of the rescued people. He said that they acted with remarkable coolness throughout their most trying ordeal, and that even the women in the party bravely stood the terrible passage in the open and crowded boats that transferred them from the sinking steamer to the Missouri. They were thoroughly grateful for the sparse attention he was able to give them, and seemed to appreciate their position.

Since his arrival at Philadelphia Captain Murrell has been honored by a public reception, presented with a gold medal by the Pennsylvania Humane Society, and a collection is being taken for him which will amount probably to several thousand dollars.

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