Kent News.

SATURDAY.....FEB. 8, 1890

THE FARMERS of Wicomico county favor a poll tax and have so petitioned the Legislature. A great many people in Kent are likewise inclined.

THE Westminster *Democratic Advocate* earnestly and logically argues in favor of mortgage taxation. The Cecil *Democrat* devotes about two columns of editorial in opposition. Doctors differ!

R. STOCKETT MATHEWS, a leading member of the Baltimore bar and a prominent Republican politician, died suddenly of heart disease on a street car on North Howard street last Saturday afternoon. He was sixty-four years of age.

THE Washington National *Democrat* well says: "Speaker Reed and his crowd, in their high-handed measures, do not seem to be aware that the country is looking at their proceedings with disgust, and that if they proceed as they are going the Democratic majority in the next House is more likely to be 50 than 25."

THE Salisbury *Advertiser* publishes the petition of the farmers of Wicomico in favor of a poll tax to improve public roads, and says:

"We think you are on the wrong track, friends. Discuss the question of having *fewer* roads. That's the point."

You are certainly on the wrong track, Bro. Perry. If "fewer roads" is not a step backwards in Wicomico, then that county differs from this section.

THE sympathies of the people of this nation flow out to Secretary Blaine and wife in their deep affliction. Mrs. Col. J. J. Coppinger, the eldest daughter of Mr. Blaine, died last Sunday morning at her father's residence in Washington. Her death was occasioned by a relapse from the prevailing epidemic. Following so soon after the death of Mr. Walker Blaine, the death of his daughter is a heavy blow to the Secretary, and the utmost sympathy is expressed on every side for the bereaved family.

MARYLAND LEGISLATURE.

PENS OR PIERS AT BETTERTON.

Mr. Vannort presented a petition from James R. Crew and 25 others for the building of pens or piers at the landing at Betterton in this county.

POUND NETS IN SASSAFRAS RIVER.

Mr. Taylor has introduced a bill to permit fishing by pound nets in Sassafras river in Kent county.

TO HOLD REAL ESTATE.

Senator Burchinal has introduced a bill to enable the trustees of the Methodist Episcopal church in Chestertown to hold certain real estate.

CHESTER RIVER BRIDGE.

Senator Brown's bill providing for the issuing of bonds by Kent and Queen Anne's counties to pay for the Chester river bridge has passed the Senate.

GENERAL OYSTER BILL.

Mr. Cecil, of St. Mary's county, will introduce a general oyster bill. It provides that the dredging season shall be restricted from November 1 to March 1. The tonnage tax is fixed at $2.40 per ton. Punishment is provided for non-residents. The season for tonging is to be from September 1 to March 16.

MORTGAGE TAXATION.

The House adopted an order requesting the attorney-general to give his opinion regarding the constitutionality of the act exempting mortgages from taxation.

FALSE PRETENSES.

Senator Poe has a bill relating to false pretenses. It provides that any person who shall make any false representation in writing, signed by him as to his own pecuniary responsibility, wealth or mercantile connection, or who shall cause or procure another to make any false representation in writing signed by person making the same, as to the pecuniary responsibility, wealth or mercantile connection of the person who shall so cause or procure such false representation to be made, and shall thereby obtain any loan of money or valuable security or securities from any person, persons, copartnership or corporation shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof shall be sentenced to return the money or the property so fraudulently obtained, if it can be done, and shall be fined not exceeding two thousand dollars, or shall be confined in the jail of the county or city of Baltimore, as the case may be, not exceeding one year, or shall be both fined and imprisoned as aforesaid, in the discretion of the court.

FOR A POLL-TAX LAW.

The farmers of Wicomico county lately held a large convention and formulated a petition to Senator Toadvin in favor of a poll-tax law. The petition asks for fair and equal imposition of taxes upon all who are protected in life and property by the laws of the State and who enjoy the privileges of citizenship and are possessed of the title to use the public highways for pleasure or convenience. In the remedy sought for no remedy, says the petitioners, seems adequate but the passage of a law imposing a poll tax, as the time has long passed in Maryland when such a law would be grevious or oppressive, and the petitioners believe that it would be acceptable to the people of the whole State.

LEVIN L. WATERS, ESQ., of Somerset has written a strong letter in favor of mortgage taxation, from which we make the following extract:

From the moment the Government of the United States reduced the interest on its bonds to four and to three per cent. the non taxation of mortgages bearing six per cent. could be no longer held to be necessary as a measure of relief to the debtor class, and this the only argument for its adoption which had ever found lodgment in the minds of any except capitalists seeking to avoid taxation, was silenced absolutely and its repeal should have been made by the first Legislature which assembled afterwards.

It is estimated that by this law of exemption *over one hundred millions* worth of the safest and best paying personalty in the State has been stricken from the levy list and thus escape taxation.

Now, if this estimate be correct you can see the advantage given to capitalists, and the wrong done to those who have by reason of this loss through exemption, to bear the increased burdens of taxation. If this two hundred millions were added to the taxable property of the State, the basis of taxation would be increased nearly *thirty per cent.* and the rate of tax levies proportionally decreased. By the adoption of this policy, which I believe to be thoroughly sound, the saving to the present taxpayers of the State, would amount to about *two hundred thousand dollars* on the State levy and nearly *three times this much* on the levy made in the city and counties. And there is no good reason why it should not be done.

WOMEN AS FARMERS.

What is it a woman can't do? We find her creditably filling nearly every position occupied by man. She can flourish a pen, preach a sermon, prescribe for a patient, manage a college or run a boat. One thing she can't do—which of course she naturally would like to do, because it is the only one—and that is vote!

One of the occupations, among the many in which woman can make her mark, is farming. Farmers who find the business profitable owe much of their success to the good management of their wives. It is conceded by all that a farmer without a wife who is a good home manager cannot expect to make money. As a general thing farmers' wives are as skillful managers as their husbands, notwithstanding the latter to the contrary sometimes, and share almost equally with them the burdens and privations of farm life. A woman who has been reared in the country finds pleasure and health in overseeing the dairy, the garden, and the poultry yard, as well as looking after her household duties. The farmer with such a helpmate can devote his entire time to his general farm work, and the profit at the end of the year will be well nigh doubled.

We notice that some of our Kent ladies are members of our agricultural societies, and their views are given much weight. Kent has some extensive women farmers and they have made money out of the business, many of them being as skilled in the work as the men. A young lady, who was brought up on the farm, speaking on this subject a few days ago, remarked that successful and enjoyable farming depends largely upon the home management by the wife. She would have the wife be a helpmate to the husband in all things; not a slave to work, but a woman who takes an interest in the affairs of the farm and manages the home so as to increase the husband's profits. She thinks the country home is, or should be, the ideal one.

Whales in the Bay.

Capt. Hall of the oyster schooner Joseph Allen had a thrilling experience with whales in Chesapeake Bay on Sunday evening. The schooner was loaded with oysters from Pocomoke and en route to Norfolk. When off Wolf's Trap a whale was noticed spouting far off to the westward, and as monsters of this species are rarely seen in the bay, all glasses aboard were levelled where the huge fish was navigating.

All of a sudden, and while those on board were intently gazing at the first whale, there was a splashing of the waters about thirty feet ahead of the schooner and on the starboard, and another whale was seen to throw his tail out of the water. Those on board were considerably alarmed at seeing a whale within such short range, but their alarm was greatly increased when his whaleship commenced spouting great streams high in the air. The vessel hove to, and as many as fifteen different whales were counted. At one time there were two on both the starboard and port sides of the frail craft, and the fierce way in which they lashed the waters caused her to rock considerably. The mate of the vessel wanted to shoot one of the largest of the whales, but those on board stoutly objected, fearing disastrous results if he were only wounded.

PREDICTIONS.

Mr. J. W. Kerr, of Caroline county, the president of the Horticultural Society for the past year, is sure of an immense peach crop this year. He says that while many of the more sensitive varieties, in orchards situated on the light sandy soils, have advanced sufficiently in the development of their blossoms as to expose the embryo peaches to the air, and thus their destruction is assured; yet there are countless millions of buds, more conservative and which are yet in condition to withstand severe changes of temperature, and safely reach that point in the ramified transmutation incident to peach life that will gladden the hearts of our growers. In brief, unless something still unforseen, but destructive to peach interest occurs, there will be an immense crop on the Peninsula; at least the northern half of it.

T. J. Shallcross, Esq., president of the county commissioners' board, and a well versed grower, agrees with Mr. John A. Groves, that there is no cause to fear. Our growers would be glad to agree with these gentlemen, but many of them cannot.

This is the Kind of Farming that Pays.

The following account of a lady farmer's ride from Mississippi to Delaware in a freight car is from the Seaford *Review*:

On the freight train, which went through to Federalsburg, Caroline County, Md., a few days ago, was attached a car which contained Mrs. C. A. M. Anderson with household goods and stock. Mrs. Anderson informed a reporter of the *Review* that she had come through from West Point, Clay County, Miss., and had made the whole trip in the car with stock attached to freight trains. In the car with Mrs. Anderson were three cows, two calves, one horse, 115 chickens, two Berkshire hogs, 70 turkeys, ducks, geese and other poultry, besides numerous household articles. Her destination was Federalsburg, where her husband has purchased a farm. She was in good spirits but seemed very tired. She was a woman of middle age, and was of English parentage. She said "that between Baltimore and Wilmington one of her calves got loose and while trying to secure it the other broke its bonds, and that she had to throw one and sit on it while she tied the unruly animal. We think Mrs. Anderson a woman of great fortitude to endure the hardships of a two weeks travel in a freight car, loaded with stock and household goods. She was very economical, too, travelling in a stock car she was not required to pay any passenger fare. She simply paid so much for a car to come through to Federalsburg, and as there was room for her in it she concluded to get in herself and save the expense of passenger coach fare. It was a rough passage and no doubt she earned all the money she saved by her novel experiment.

LARGE PRICE FOR A COLT.—Mr. R. C. Church, of the North Elkhorn (Kentucky) Breeding Establishment, sold to D. Conkling, of New York, his bay colt Elkhorn for $10,000 cash. The colt is by Enward, (2.25¼) first dam Long Lane by Long Island Patchen. His two-years-old record is 2.18¾.

CRAZY ON PROHIBITION.—David Alexander, who tried to kill Bishop Whittaker by shooting at him while officiating in Philadelphia recently, has given as the reason for his act, that "the Bishop was an opponent of prohibition!" He said he proposed to kill another clergyman, whom he named, for the same reason.

THE New York presbytery on Monday, after an animated discussion extending through several days, voted in favor of the revision of the Westminster confession of faith—yeas 93, nays 43. The Chicago presbytery, on the same day, also voted almost unanimously in favor of revision.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

The following deeds for record have been filed in the office of the clerk of the circuit court for Kent county during the month of January:

Wm. W. Jacques and Kate S. Jacques to B. Howard Haman. Two pieces of land called "Suffolk" and "Green Forest," containing 242 acres and 156 acres, 2 roods and 20 perches. Consideration, $5,000, subject to mortgage for $8,000.

Isaac Freeman and Annie E. Freeman to Jos. Turner; lot in Chestertown for $1.

Angeline Venable and Jos. Venable to John W. Corey; lot of land between Caulk's Field and Fairlee, containing two acres for $75.

Henry Wright and wife to Jacob Freeman; lot of 2 roods and 20 perches near Willis' X Roads for $40.

Ebenezer Crew and wife to county school commissioners; 40 square perches of land for $50.

Thos. L. Brannock and wife to John W. Beachamp. One acre of land in 5th election district for $86.33.

John D. Urie and wife to Ellenora Newton. House and lot on road between Chestertown and strawboard mill for $800.

Wm. D. Burchinal and other commissioners to Harriett L. Hill, certain real estate of the late G. B. Westcott.

Chas. D. Brown and Eliza C. Brown to John Till Robertson; farm in Quaker Neck for $1,000.

Geo. Butler to Millie Broxson. Lot of land in Butlertown for $5.

Pere J. Freeman and wife to Susan Anderson; land in 3d district for $250.

Annie E. Crane to Thomas Numbers. Lot of land in Millington; consideration, $250.

Wm. W. Stephens and wife to Henry Wright; lot of land, 2 acres, for $80.

Dominick K. Ayers and wife to Mary E. Durding; lot in Rock Hall.

A. P. Sharp and wife to Mary E. Durding. Lot in Rock Hall for $20.

Obituary.—Mrs. Robina Narcross, aged 90 years, died of old age at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. John Hall, on Queen street, last Saturday morning, and was buried from the Episcopal Church on Wednesday morning, at 10 o'clock, Rev. S. C. Roberts, officiating. Mrs. Narcross was a French lady, but in her infancy removed to Scotland, where she was given the advantage of a thorough education. After finishing her education she went to England, where she married. She was always a devoted Episcopalian, having joined the church in England seventy-five years ago. She was paralyzed about eight years ago, since which time she has been constantly confined to her home.

Deborah Brown, colored, daughter of Horace Brown, sexton of the Episcopal Church, of Chestertown, died suddenly in the kitchen of Mr. C. F. Stam, where she was employed as cook, last Saturday evening. She complained of a severe pain in the head, and shortly thereafter was discovered on the floor and expired in a few minutes. Death is supposed to have resulted from heart disease or apoplexy.

William Rasin, aged 30 years, son of the late J. O. Rasin, of Centreville, died suddenly in Baltimore, on Tuesday night. He went to Werner's Hotel on Light street about four o'clock in the afternoon feeling unwell and laid down, but his condition was not considered serious until a few minutes before his death, which was due to heart failure. He has been in business in Baltimore since December 24.

Mrs. Isabel Earle, wife of Dr. S. T. Earle, formerly a resident physician of Centreville, but now of Baltimore, Maryland, died of heart disease last Saturday morning at the residence of her husband, and was buried at St. Paul's Church, in this county, on Monday afternoon, at 1 o'clock. She was a daughter of the late Thomas W. Ringgold, of this county.

Dr. John Chew Gibson, one of the oldest practicing physicians in Talbot county, died January 31, at his residence in St. Michael's.

John N. McQuay, father of Rev. N. McQuay, Rock Hall, died at his residence in St. Michael's, last Saturday.

Mr. William Cooke Tilghman, son of the late William Cooke Tilghman, of Queen Anne's county, and afterwards of Baltimore, died of consumption at the residence of his cousin, Dr. Thomas Emory, at Syracuse, N. Y. Mr. Tilghman was about forty years of age. He spent some time in China in business, and in recent years has lived in New York, occasionally visiting Baltimore, where he had relatives and friends. He was buried at "The Hermitage," the old Tilghman homestead, in Queen Anne's county, on Thursday.

College Notes.

Dr. Reid was confined to his bed on Wednesday and Thursday by a slight attack of malarial fever. He conducted his recitation however on Friday and is steadily improving.

The examinations closed on Tuesday. Owing to Dr. Reed's illness and several inavoidable delays the marks of the meritorious students cannot be published this week.

Dr. Reid took advantage of an off day on Friday, 31st Jan., and made a flying trip to his former home at St. John's College, Annapolis, Md.

The Shakespeare club met on Saturday evening last and accomplished two acts of Julius Caesar. The weather interfered somewhat with the attendance. Another meeting was appointed for this evening, when the play will be finished.

Mr. R. J. Nicholson of Chestertown, took advantage of the commencement of the second term and matriculated on Wednesday; others are expected next week.

The students are beginning to think of base ball and these warm days have induced some of them to go on the field for a little preliminary practice.

It is to be hoped the board of visitors will not forget the sad condition of the college bell and replace the old one with a better sounding article.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.—The following marriage licenses were issued by the county clerk during the month of January:

WHITE.

John Ward and Ella C. Ashley.
Stewart R. Matthews Annie E. Beck.
E. H. Schwatka and Annie M. Erskine.
Joseph Sewell and Mary N. Ashley.
Chas. H. Whitney and Annie Crouch.
G. Allen Jarman and Emma McWhorter.
E. C. Bowers and Ida M. Hepbron.
George J. Smith and Dora Galaway.
Thos. O'Neil and Elizabeth O. Pearce.
John P. Gettshall and Annie L. Bennett.

COLORED.

Sam'l J. Wilson and Martha Hemsley.
Frank Turner and Annie Bowser.
Geo. W. Hynson and Ida Tannar.
Perry C. Frisby and Annie White.
Henry Hamilton and Mary Page.
Joseph Davis and Sarah Spencer.
Wm. White and Emma Scott.

PEACH GROWERS are specially invited to read the advertisement in another column of T. R. Hubbard & Son. It will certainly pay to fertilize peach trees, provided you get a good fertilizer. The Messrs. Hubbard claim that theirs is the best on the market. Read what several prominent peach growers have to say about it.

AT HYMEN'S ALTAR.

SEWELL—ASHLEY.

The Methodist Episcopal Church in Rock Hall was the scene of a very pretty marriage on the evening of Jan. 29. The bride was Miss MARY ASHLEY, daughter of P. G. Ashley, and the groom Mr. JOSEPH SEWELL. The building was well lighted and handsomely decorated with evergreen. A white ribbon suspended from the large chandelier on the upper part of the aisle was carried across the church on either side and attached to the wall designated the portion reserved for the immediate family and a favored few, while all available space in the remainder of the edifice was thronged with interested spectators. The bride was handsomely attired in a gown of cream rep silk, made en train and garnished with lace. She wore white flowers in her hair and carried in her hand a lovely bouquet of the same. The groom wore the conventional black and looked consciously happy. They were preceded to the altar by six ushers and the bride's sister as maid of honor. Rev. N. McQuay performed the ceremony, and immediately afterwards they drove to the residence of the bride's parents and held a reception of their numerous friends.

CARMAN—GAILLARD.

Feb. 4th, 1890, by Rev. Forest Drager, of Holy Trinity P. E. Church, at the residence of Dr. Edward Gaillard, 1101 Montgomery avenue, Philadelphia, Mr. WM. H. CARMAN to CLARA, daughter of Dr. Edward Gaillard. The bride was given away by her father, and was dressed in white satin en train, with pearl passementerie and lace and diamond ornaments, and carried la France roses in her hand. Over three hundred presents were received, one being a house on West Spruce street, from the bride's mother and father, and also a check from the groom's parents for $50,000, and service of silver from George B. Taulane, uncle of the bride; silver dish and spoon from Alice R. Rouse, of Baltimore. The happy couple, after partaking of refreshments, took the train south for Monticello, Florida and other points, and will return and hold their reception at their new home about March 10.

HART—FINLY.

A very quiet yet pretty wedding took place at Townsend, Del., Jan. 22nd, at the residence of Mrs. A. Quillen. The contracting parties were Mr. WALTER E. HART, a native of Kent county and now one of Townsend's enterprising young business men, and Miss GULIE FINLY. At 3 o'clock the bride and groom entered the parlor to the beautiful strains of Mendelsshon's wedding march rendered by Miss Mabel Parvis, of Middletown, niece of the groom. The room was tastefully decorated, the windows being banked with cut flowers while in the centre of the parlor stood an arch of evergreen at the base of which were pots of blooming flowers; from the arch was suspended a horse shoe composed of white flowers. The bride, a pretty blonde, was attired in cream Henrietta and cream faille francaise; she carried a large bouquet of white hyacinths and roses and looked perfectly charming. The groom was dressed in the conventional black and looked as self possessed as a groom could look. The ceremony was performed by Rev. S. M. Morgan, of the M. E. Church. After congratulations the whole party repaired to a sumptuous supper and refreshments. The bride was the recipient of many handsome and useful presents. One of the pretty features of the evening was the congratulation of pretty little Gracie Parvis, the four-year-old niece of the groom, which was truly nice in the language of one who was present, "looking so sweet and cute." The happy couple have the best wishes of a host of friends for a long, prosperous and happy life.

MERRY MAKING.

The home of Mrs. Harriet M. Usilton, in Worton, was the scene of a joyous occasion on Thursday night. The large company assembled were the invited guests of Misses Hallie and Daisy Usilton. Each one was requested to come masked, and nearly all disguised themselves completely. "Susan" even got out of her carriage and walked across the field, went up the kitchen stairs, and came down and had to be disrobed in order to find her out; and so with "Miss Patti" and many others. Among the many masked we noticed the following: McGinty, Dr. Wm. Turner; Mrs. Frances Cleveland, Miss Nellie Cleaver; Gypsy girl, Miss Lizzie Corey; night, Miss Annie Stewart; star of the evening, Miss Linda Watson; Mrs. Grundy, D. A. Bacchus; Mrs. McGinty, Miss Gertie Lusby; Time, Mr. Richard Diehl; Sissy, Miss Annie Willis; Susan, Mr. Walter Skirven; Negro Bob, Mr. Harry Willis; colored waiter, Mr. Wm. Smyth; soldier, Mr. Norman Massey; Patti, Mr. Romie Skirven; clown, Mr. John Gale; Norseman, Mr. Chas. L. Dodd; dude, Mr. Wm. Stewart; Mrs. Jas. Crouch, Misses Nellie Willis, Mollie Alrich, Hallie Usilton and Mr. Arthur Hurlock were also masked. About fifty guests were present and enjoyed the sociable features and also the collation that was served at midnight.

A very pleasant and enjoyable party was given on Wednesday evening by Mr. Geo. S. Richards in Morgan's Creek Neck. About twenty-five young ladies and gentlemen were present, fifteen of whom were from Chestertown. A sumptuous supper was served at midnight consisting of turkey, salads, etc., to which Herman and Sam say ample justice was done.

Mrs. J. M. J. Byron gave a party last night in honor of her guest, Miss Watkins, of Baltimore. Twenty or more young people were present and a delightful evening spent in various amusements. A rich collation was served consisting of confections of all kinds, and mirth and gladness were all around.

A very pleasant dance was given by the Misses Carvills Friday night of last week to a few of their young friends from town. Dancing was kept up until a late hour.

AN INTERESTING BOOK.—"Wonders of the Tropics" is the title of an interesting book now on sale in Chestertown by a young lady agent. In it are graphically depicted the wonderful discoveries and thrilling adventures of the world's greatest explorer, Henry M. Stanley. Price per volume, $2 50 and $3.50.

GOOD NEWS.—One of our leading mechanics says the prospect for new work this spring is very encouraging. Several new residences and other buildings, besides repairing, etc., are in prospect.

THE Wilmington annual conference of the M. E. Church will meet in Milford, Del., the 26th of March, just one year exactly from the day of its last meeting in Easton.

MESSRS. T. R. HUBBARD & SON have recently fitted up their office in a comfortable manner. A private office has been petitioned off by figured glass, and the whole room papered and carpeted. Mr. Jesse Dwyer, carpenter.

THE Julian Opera Co. is billed for Still Pond Hall Feb. 13, 14, 15.

Dwelling Burned.

About half-past nine o'clock Thursday morning the frame dwelling on the Plum Point farm, belonging to Mr. Adam Diehl, was totally destroyed by fire. The farm is carried on this year by Mr. Eddie Corey, last year by Mr. Burris. Fire was first discovered by hands in the field, who seeing smoke issuing from the roof and sides of the house, hurried to the residence and informed Mr. Corey of the fact. Mr. C. had detected the smell of smoke but paid no attention to it, and summoning his wife hurried out of the house. The fire burned very slowly, thus enabling them to secure all their household goods, etc., and it is thought that if the pump had not been so far off the house also might have been saved. It is situated on the water and hemmed in by a woods, thus preventing the neighbors from seeing anything of it. Mr. Corey removed his goods to Mr. Percy Skirven's and he and his newly married wife took up quarters with Mr. J. R. Usilton. The dwelling was insured in the Kent Mutual for $2,000, which will fully cover the loss.

Ice Manufactory.

Messrs. R. G. & Wm. T. Nicholson have determined to go into the business of ice manufacturing. They will require a large quantity in their creamery operations and as the season has so far advanced without any prospect of securing a supply of the "Jack Frost" article, this firm will at once arrange to put in a machine which will enable them to turn out artificial ice at the rate of five to ten tons every twenty-four hours. This will be an abundant capacity to supply the whole community as well as their own creamery. This artificial ice is said to be even better than the regular ice and can be furnished cheaper.

A CRAZE FOR CUTTING.—The colored folks of Quaker Neck and vicinity gave an entertainment, near Pomona, in the settlement known as Tolchester No. 2, Friday night of last week. Four teams from Chestertown attended the concert, and when their occupants were about to start home holes in the tops and sides of the carriages had been cut. Two of the carriages were nearly new, and belonged to Mr. George B. McWhorter, one to Mr. R. H. Wright and the other to one of our town carters, "Pollie" Bentley. Beverly, one of the attendants, having inquired around, found that a colored man named Samuel Turner was the culprit. Constable T. V. Simpson was put on the track and in company with Constable Clough, of Church Hill, on Monday arrested T. as he came out of a woods near Church Hill in Queen Anne's. The prisoner was given a hearing before 'Squire Dodd on Wednesday and held for court. He gave no reason for his devilish actions except that he was drunk. A pistol and dirk knife were found upon him, showing evidently he was prepared for a row.

THE POSTOFFICE CHANGES HANDS.—The commission of Mr. Hiram Brown, the new postmaster at Chestertown, was received on Monday and he took charge of the office yesterday. He has rented and fitted up the room adjoining the store of Mr. J. S. Bradley, a few doors above the old stand, where postal matter will hereafter be dispensed. The bond is for $16,000, and Messrs. Wm. T. and Arthur M. Brown, brothers, and Messrs. Hiram M. and H. Clay Brown, cousins of the new postmaster, are his sureties. It is understood that Mr. Brown will have the assistance of Postmaster Fowler until he becomes familiar with the workings of the office.

FOUND DEAD.—Richard Brookins, a colored man, was found dead by his brother-in-law, Simon Smith, on Tuesday morning at the former's residence, near the road gate of Mr. W. H. Coleman, on the Edesville road. Brookins for many years has suffered with that dread disease consumption, but the seemingly immediate cause of death was hemorrhage. When Smith approached the house he saw him lying at the front door with a considerable pool of blood that had evidently flowed from his mouth. He was then dead, and no one could determine how long he had been. Brookins was well known and said to be a good man.

FARMS SOLD.—Marion deK. Smith, Esq., assignee of mortgage, sold on Tuesday last the S. W. Aldridge farm, near Chesterville, containing 204 acres of land, for $6,100 cash. It was purchased by Col. R. C. Johnson, of Masseys.

Mr. John Clark has sold the "Step ney" in Broad Neck, which he recently bought of Mr. Geo. E. Lambert for $5,500, to Mr. T. W. Eliason, Jr., for $3,000. It contains about 120 acres. Mr. Clark will sell his personalty and return to Baltimore.

A RARITY.—Strawberries were on sale in Chestertown on Saturday at thirty-five cents per quart. They were brought from Baltimore and tasted natural with exception of being very sour. Just to think of eating strawberries in February with snow on the ground. One need not go to Florida this winter.

GALENA M. E. CHURCH.—A note received from Galena says that extra meetings are in progress there and are increasing in interest. On Wednesday night there was one conversion and two seekers. At Locust Grove on Sunday morning Rev. I. G. Fosnocht will preach on "Our Departed Saved in Heaven;" at Galena, 7 P. M., "The Two Houses."

MORE BAPTIZING.—Five colored women and one colored man were immersed in Chester river at this place last Sunday and formally received into the Baptist church. The scene was witnessed by a large number of persons. The weather was quite cold but all the parties underwent the ordeal without faltering.

RECOVERED.—The horses taken from the stable of Mrs. Martha Godwin on the night of the 28th ult., were found the next morning on the "Travilla Farm" half way between home and Chestertown. It is supposed they had been ridden off and then turned loose.

PURCHASE OF A SPLENDID COLT.—Mr. Alday Clements has purchased of the Brookhaven stock farm the three-year-old trotting bred stallion Edgar Dudley, 7940, sire Ion, 4044,, by Belmont, 64; dam Heiress, by Administrator, 2.29½. This, he says, is *the colt* of the period.

PROTRACTED MEETINGS have been held in both of the Methodist churches of Chestertown this week. The meetings have been spiritual and enjoyable, but so far not much has been accomplished in the way of conversions. There are, however, indications of success, and the meetings at both churches will be continued next week.

THE hill on the river road at Sanders branch near Spry's gate is said to be in a terrible condition and needs repairing at once.

THE "ground hog" last Sunday said that winter has come to an end. When did it begin?

Personal Mention.

Mr. M. A. Toulson is improving, but is still very weak. Prof. J. W. Chambers, of Baltimore, was in consultation on Tuesday and pronounced his case "very hopeful." Major Gray is also better and able to sit up in his room.

Mr. S. Vannort left here last Monday for Annapolis, after a long and tedious illness, and was in his seat at the evening session of the House on that day.

Miss Bessie Keating, of Centreville, is visiting at Mr. Wm. H. McFeely's.

Rev. J. W. Trout's numerous friends in Kent will be pleased to hear of his success at Easton. He writes us that he is now in the midst of a good meeting and still getting better.

Mr. George M. Stevenson and wife, of Smyrna, are visiting friends in Chesterville.

Miss Marie Parsons, of Worton, is spending the winter with her relatives in Pennsylvania. Miss Marie is a popular and useful lady in Worton, and her friends wish her a pleasant visit.

Mr. Wm. S. Walker, Jr., left last Monday for St. Louis, Mo., to accept a business engagement there.

Albert Constable, Esq., of Elkton, was in Chestertown last Tuesday on legal business.

Mr. Benj. D. Barnett, brakeman on the B. and O. between Baltimore and Washington, spent Sunday with his parents in Chestertown.

Mr. Josias Ringgold states that three farm hands he employed last year at $11 per month demand $12 per month for the present year.

Mrs. William A. Cleaver, of Fairlee, attended the marriage of her niece at Port Penn, Del., this week.

Miss Jennie Dugan, of Wilmington, is visiting her uncle, Mr. A. I. Dugan, in Chestertown.

Miss Florence Watkins, of Baltimore, is the guest of Mrs. J. M. J. Byron.

Mrs. Ellen B. Corson, of Baltimore, is visiting her sister, Mrs. William A. Cleaver, near Fairlee.

Mr. Wm. H. Bixley, ship-builder, of Baltimore, was in Chestertown on Tuesday.

RELIGIOUS.—There will be services at St. Paul's Church, on Sunday afternoon, Feb. 9, at 3 o'cl'k.

RELIGIOUS.—REV. J. H. GEOGHEGAN will preach at Morgan's Creek school-house to-morrow (Sunday) afternoon at 3 o'clock.

RELIGIOUS.—The REV. ARTHUR FOLSOM will preach in the Presbyterian Church, at Worton next Sabbath (tomorrow) morning and evening, and at the Presbytesian Chapel, Church Hill, at 3 P. M.

THE ANNIVERSARY MEETING OF THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY will be held in the M. E. Church Chestertown, Sunday, Feb. 9. Mrs. E. B. STEVENS, of Baltimore, will be present and conduct the services, both morning and evening. Public cordially invited.

WANTED.

A WHITE GIRL, about 12 years old, of good character, can secure a good home by applying at the NEWS office. f8-3t.

HOMES WANTED with good, responsible people, for the following persons (all white) now at the Kent County Almshouse. One woman and child; one girl 9 years and one 4 years old; two boys, one 4 and one 6 years old.
f8-2t. Apply at ALMSHOUSE.

REWARD.

A reward of Ten Dollars will be given by the Board of County School Commissioners for such evidence as will secure the conviction of the party or parties who have broken the pump at Oak Grove Public School. By order,
feb8-3t. EBEN F. PERKINS, SEC'Y.

MONEY TO LOAN.

$1,000, $2,000, $3,000, $5,000 and $10,000, on Real Estate at 6 per cent.
MARION DEK. SMITH, ATTORNEY.
f8-3t.

MONEY TO LOAN on MORTGAGES.

$2,500, $2,000, $1,500 and $1,000 on Mortgages at 6 per cent.
HOPE H. BARROLL, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW, Chestertown, Md.
f8-3t.

TYPE WRITER COPYING.

Persons desiring neat and prompt work on the Type Writer can have it done by applying to me. Legal papers a specialty. Correspondence solicited, or see me in person at the office of H. H. Barroll, Esq.
WILL. ROSE, Chestertown, Md.
f8-3t.

FOR SALE:

ONE YOUNG HORSE, good for farm or road; SIX SHOATS and THREE WYANDOTTE COCKRELS. All will be sold at a bargain. Apply to W. FLETCHER MELVIN, near Chestertown.
f8-3t.*

FOR SALE:

A CHOICE LOT of PURE BRED PLYMOUTH ROCK COCKPRELS. Price, $1 each.
ALDAY CLEMENTS, Crumpton, Md.
f8-3t.

DRIFT LOGS.

A number of DRIFT LOGS are upon my shore on Chester River. The owner is notified to come forward, prove property, pay charges and take them away. JAMES MCCLUSKEY, Broad Neck.
j25-3t.*

FOR RENT:

TWO OFFICES in the Masonic Hall Building, under the KENT NEWS office.
Apply to WM. M. SLAY, ATTORNEY.
f1-3t.

FOR SALE:

TERRACE COTTAGE, in the village of Still Pond. House nearly new, containing seven rooms, painted and papered, with porch front and back. Lot contains more than ½ of an acre, well drained, neat iron railing front, all well built. If sold now will be sold cheap, if not sold by May 1st will be for rent for the balance of the year from that date. Call on or address
G. B. KRUSEN, OWNER, Still Pond, Kent co., Md.
f1-3t.

FOR RENT:

A VERY DESIRABLE DWELLING, in Chestertown, for the balance of the year.
Apply to J. D. URIE, ATT'Y.
j25-3t.

STORE ROOM FOR RENT.

One of the best stands in town for almost any kind of business. On Main street, opposite the Court House. For rent for the present year. Apply to
J. LLOYD MCFEELEY, Chestertown, Md.
j25-3t.

FOR RENT for the year 1890:

The VOSHELL HOUSE STABLES. These are the most convenient stables in town. Also, for sale, FOUR HORSES and MARES.
d28-tf. WM. D. BURCHINAL.

FOR RENT for 1890:

The very desirable two-story DWELLING HOUSE, garden, Carriage House, and Stable, on Queen street, Chestertown, formerly the Benjamin property. It has all been put in first-class repair, well located and may be rented cheap. The dwelling and stable separately if desired.
J4-tf. WM. M. SLAY, Att'y.

FOR SALE or RENT.

A comfortable, nearly new DWELLING HOUSE in Chestertown, on the corner of Maple Avenue and Spring Avenue, adjoining residence of T. S. Bordley. It will be rented for 1890, and is for sale on liberal terms. Apply to
MARION DEK. SMITH, Att'y for Chester Loan Association.
d28-tf.

FOR RENT for 1890.

A STORE HOUSE at LYNCH'S, Kent county—an excellent stand for a general store and drug store, on moderate terms. Apply to
R. D. HYNSON, ATT'Y, Chestertown, or to JULIA A. HOSSINGER, Lynch's.
a17-6m.

SCHOOL NOTICE.

PUPILS will not be admitted to the FIRST GRADE of any Public School where the average attendance exceeds fifteen, except during the FIRST TEN DAYS in September and February of each year. Where the average does not exceed fifteen, pupils may be admitted to these grades in the discretion of the teacher.
EBEN. F. PERKINS, SEC.
Feb. 1, 1890—3t.

SUPPER!

THE LADIES OF THE M. P. CHURCH KENNEDYVILLE, WILL HOLD A SUPPER for the benefit of the church, on
Thursday, Friday and Saturday Evn'gs, Feb. 6th, 7th and 8th, 1890.
Friends and the public cordially invited. j25.

GRAND SUPPER!

—Benefit of—

St. John's Catholic Church, Rock Hall

—AT DOWNEY'S HALL—

TUESDAY EVENING, February 11, 1890,

SUPPER TICKETS 40 CENTS.
fl-2t. J. A. MURPHY, Pastor.

GRINDSTONES and FIXTURES at J. LLOYD MCEEELY & CO.'S.

PEACH GROWERS!

TRADE MARK

IT HAS BEEN POSITIVELY PROVEN

That in order to have your Trees feed you, it is necessary that you feed them, and experience has also proven that the Best Peach Manure Ever Offered is OUR FRUIT GROWER. It contains all the elements that are necessary to give life and vigor to the crop and trees. Give us one fair trial and we are sure you'll be convinced.

Pomona, Kent Co., Md., Feb. 4, 1890.
MESSRS. T. R. HUBBARD & SON—Gentlemen: The six consecutive years' use of your Fruit Grower has thoroughly convinced me as to its merits. Years ago when Col. Wilkins lived and we farmed together, we used almost everything as a peach manure, but your O. B. is the best I ever tried. On the Island farm, where the 15 tons of Fruit grower was used in '88, on two-year-old trees, we had last year 6,000 baskets, on the other farm we only had peaches where the trees had been fed. I invariably had fruit in the past by fertilizing my trees, and I believe in order to have fruit, that is the way to do it, and will use between 30 and 40 tons of your goods this spring.
Very truly yours, JOHN A. GROVES.

Crumpton, January 2, 1890.
Gentlemen:—In 1886 I noticed my Orchard did not look like it ought, and in 1887 the leaves were twisted up and by no means in a flourishing condition. Hearing of your Fruit Grower I bought 3 tons and put it at the rate of 200 lbs. per acre on my young trees and on a few old trees that were in a particularly bad condition, I put 300 lbs. or over. The result was I had a fine crop of peaches in 1888, and in 1889 another that exceeded my expectations on both the old and young trees, having altogether 3,500 baskets, and got as high as $1.50 per basket for some. The trees are today in better condition but want to use it again. You can therefore ship me four tons this spring.
JAMES M. VANDYKE.

Anne's, Hermitage Q. A. Co., Nov. 11, '89.
Gentlemen:—Replying to your query concerning my experience with your Fruit Grower. In the spring of 1887 we had an old Orchard which had not borne for several years and which the tenant was anxious to dig up. I said give it another year's trial. We used your Peach Tree Fertilizer, about 225 lbs. to the acre. That year the Orchard netted us about $1.00 per tree. We had a fair crop and got as high as $3.00 per box for some of them. We used your goods on the same Orchard in 1888 and got a very full crop. We used it again last spring, applying about 250 lbs. to the acre, and for the third successive year got a fair crop and the fruit was generally of fine quality. The Orchard will be 17 years old next spring, and it now looks healthier and more vigorous than it did five years ago.
Very truly, CASPER G. WOODALL.

MR. ROBT. WICKES, East Neck Island.
Said he put the Fruit Gower across his varieties and could tell the difference in the half of the tree where it went.

MR. W. H. FAULKNER, near