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THE TRIPLE REFORM.

The Practical and the Non-Practical —Fallacious Ballot Methods.

The Baltimore Sun devotes pages of its Wednesday and Thursday issues to letters from prominent Marylanders upon the question of ballot reform, tariff reform and civil service reform. The letters are in response to queries from the Sun. Among those from the Eastern Shore are letters from Mr. Pearce, of Kent; Senator Brown, of Queen Anne's, and President of the Senate, Brattan, of Somerset. We give Mr. Pearce's letter in full:

James Alfred Pearce, of Kent.

Messrs. A. S. Abell & Co.:—The Democratic party of Maryland is pledged to effective ballot reform, and its rank and file mean to do all in their power to redeem the pledge. Bribery and intimidation are the twin evils which threaten to destroy the freedom of the ballot and to transfer the control of elections from the people to the machine politicians. "Manhood suffrage without a pure ballot means nothing more nor less than that the masses are to be the tools of the classes at elections." If we cannot restore the purity of the ballot and the independence of the voter we may well tremble for the future of the country. The official ballot of the Australian system strikes at the root of bribery and corruption, and its compulsory secrecy unnerves the arm of intimidation, while the admission upon the ballot of the names of citizens' candidates well as those of organized parties deals a heavy blow to machine nominations, and offers the highest inducements to contending parties to put forward their best men in order to avoid the danger of the independent vote.

I am a party man, and I believe the Democratic party has nothing to fear from any election law which promotes personal independence of thought and action. The good of the country, however, is above party interests, and if a conflict arises party should yield until the conflict is passed, and it can reassert its rule. I therefore favor reform on the Australian plan, not only for the city of Baltimore, but for the counties also, because bribery and corruption exist there also to an alarming extent, and uniformity of operation is of almost inestimable value to any system of suffrage.

It goes almost withoutsaying that the Democratic party in Maryland favors tariff reform. I am with my party in this issue on historical grounds, from personal conviction on the abstract merits of the question, and on the concrete results I believe to be apparent in the unequal distribution of wealth in the country. All but the protected classes are impoverished by a high tariff.

Civil service reform is in line with the early practice of the country, and has the emphatic authority of some of the greatest statesmen of that period. Its principles were revised and enacted into law through the efforts of a distinguished Democratic Senator of recent years, and no Democrat need be ashamed nor afraid to espouse its fundamental principles. Honestly administered within its proper sphere, it must, in my judgment, prove a powerful auxiliary to pure elections, and a blessing to senators, representatives and public men of every grade, which, once realized, they would never willingly relinquish. I am, therefore, prepared to enlist under the Cleveland standard. JAMES A. PEARCE.

All that Mr. Pearce says about the evils now existing are patent to every observer, and his conclusion on this point is well put: "If we cannot restore the purity of the ballot and the independence of the voter we may well tremble for the future of the country." The object is certainly worthy the effort of every good citizen and we shall continue in this direction, but it must be admitted that the peculiar character of a large proportion of our present voting population discourages the prospect for this millennium-like 'restoration.' We also agree with Mr. Pearce that the Democratic party has nothing to fear from an election law that "promotes personal independence of thought and action," and while we might agree with him in the further statement that as a rule "the good of the country is above party interests," we cannot subscribe to that doctrine *in this special matter*. We think the good of the party is the good of the country. Especially is this so with this particular section of the country. The interest of the one is the interest of the other, and any conflict that arises to destroy the Democratic party will at the same time sound the death knell of the vital principles of reform which we so heartily unite with Mr. Pearce in contending for.

Civil Service reform is a grand good thing in theory, and we hope to live long enough to see a practical exemplification of the principle. But as at present existing it is a very great humbug. We seriously question whether the thing is really practical at all as proposed. It is certainly little less than a burlesque now, not only in the hands of the Republicans but with the Democrats as well. The only practical Civil Service law in this country is one that recognizes the PARTY as well as the State—not party above the State, but party as a factor in the government of the State.—Ours is a government of the people, for the people; the people are divided into parties and these parties are sure to look after party interests. *They must do it or die.* Not that party life is wholly in a system of spoils, but, in part, rather in the better idea that (political) "virtue will have its reward."—When we become a monarchy then we may expect to see successful a non-partisan, self-perpetuating, life-tenuring civil service system. Not before!

Upon the tariff reform question all Democrats should heartily unite, and under no more appropriate banner could this be done than under Cleveland.

SENATOR BRATTAN, in his letter, presents the civil service idea exactly according to our view. He says:

As to civil service, I favor it to a certain extent. The government should be administered under the directions of the majority party of the country. Yet party service alone should not be the prerequisite to official position. All the qualifications necessary to make a capable officer should be well known and determined by the appointing power, and when they are to be found in the party that controls the country I think there can be no good reason for not appointing them. R. F. BRATTAN.

Hon. John B. Brown, of Queen Anne's.

We regret not having space for Senator Brown's letter in full. We give the following closing paragraphs:

In my section of the State intimidation of voters prevails only with the colored voters, who, as a general rule, are afraid to vote any other than the Republican ticket. A great many of them, however, under our present system, do manage, under adverse circumstances, to vote the Democratic ticket, and this disposition is on the increase. A pertinent and disturbing question with some is, if these colored voters, being in considerable proportion illiterate, are to be instructed in the preparation of their ballots under the Australian system, (and this provision of the law seems to be necessary to avoid constitutional complications), will not this intimidation prevail to a much greater extent than now, and will not the Australian system, if adopted, increase one of the evils it is intended to destroy? Under the supervision of a republican ballot clerk, shut up in a voting stall or booth to themselves, will not the colored voter consider himself compelled to vote the republican ticket, while the white voter, separated from the kindly counsel and advice of friends, illiterate and proud or independent, not versed in the English language or not governed by any well-defined political principles, will be free to vote according to his wishes or money, refrain from voting at all, or be misled by ignorance?

These are some of the considerations and arguments which are addressed to those who conceive it to be their duty to protect the colored voter from Republican intimidation, and at the same time protect the white man from the effects of his illiteracy on the one hand, and his want of political principle or sentiment on the other. The adoption of the Australian ballot system, in other words, is looked upon by some as a leap in the dark. They would rather endure the evils of the present system than rush into those of some other system which they know not of. It must be acknowledged that there is a principle of conservatism in the opposition to the Australian ballot system. At all events there are fairly two sides to the question of its adoption, and it rests on debatable ground. JOHN B. BROWN.

Senator Brown touches the very point of vital objection to the ballot law proposed for this State, and he clearly expresses the views and the apprehensions of the Democrats of the counties. We have referred to this before. We have insisted and do still insist that a ballot law with clerks or inspectors to "aid" illiterate voters will prove simply *a cement to mend the broken ranks of the Republican columns in this State.* It will have the reverse effect from that intended. Instead of preventing or discouraging bribery *it will perfect a system of this great evil!* Why honest men—clear-headed and distinguished men like the Baltimore Business Men's Association, for instance—should insist upon forcing such a measure, especially upon communities where the evils referred to are so sure to follow, is a mystery!

The counties are not opposed to ballot reform. Certainly we are not. We should hail a proper measure as a God-send to the people. And the *purely secret ballot* is the only proper measure. The measure proposed by some of our city friends is no remedy at all. The physic is worse than the disease.

A Peep at the Law Makers.

We had the pleasure of looking in upon the Maryland Legislature last week. Both in the Senate and House of Delegates there was a business-like appearance of things that indicates good results to the State in the way of legislation. One of the most gratifying things apparent was the poor field for the lobbyist. He was conspicuously absent.

The Senate is above the average in ability. The president, Hon. R. F. Brattan, of Somerset, makes one of the best presiding officers that has ever graced that exalted position. He is quick and courteous in discharging its responsibilities and never fails to cast his vote on the right side. Senator Brattan is one of the honored graduates of Washington College and has a lively recollection of his student life in Chestertown.

Senator Burchinal was in his seat and prompt to vote, always, of course, on party questions, with his party. He is industrious and painstaking and conscientiously strives to look after the interests of his county. His most formidable opponent for the Baltimore collectorship, Senator Urner, of Frederick, sits directly opposite—on the other side of the chamber. It is doubtless well they are far apart! A little tilt occurred last Tuesday. In the proposition to vote upon the redistricting bill—

Mr. Burchinal said that he saw no cause for delay. The bill had been examined and it was harmless.

Mr. Urner said the Senator from Kent might be willing to vote on the bill because "somebody" had examined it, but that *he* wanted a reasonable time to examine it.

When it came to vote they were both together again.

Senator John B. Brown, of Queen Anne's, has very great influence in the body. As a speaker he is undemonstrative in manner, but a clear reasoner and logical in argument. Senator Poe, of Baltimore city, is another very forcible speaker, and Hon. J. Walter Smith, of Worcester, is one of the busiest workers.

In the House we found Messrs. Vannort and Taylor in their seats. They are practical, clear-headed business men, and will faithfully serve their county and honor the State in their representative capacity. Mr. Vannort's health has greatly improved, and he may now be said to be himself again. The oyster interests of Kent as well as her agricultural, and all other interests, will surely be cared for if attention to business on the part of her representatives will insure it.

There is much talent in the House as well as in the Senate. Speaker Hubner is a Baltimore county man, and makes a most excellent presiding officer. Our sister county, Queen Anne's, has a first-class delegation — Messrs. Busteed, Temple and Thompson—all of them intelligent business men and industrious. The interests of that county also are certainly safe in the hands of her delegation.

EDITOR HADDAWAY, of the Easton *Ledger*, has immortalized the Peninsula. He has proven that both McGinty and "Atlas," who holds up the world, are Eastern Shoremen!

MORE THAN TWENTY THOUSAND.—The subscriptions to the fund for the erection of a monument in Atlanta, Ga., to the late Henry W. Grady have passed the $20,000 mark.

THE friends of William Henry Legg, Deputy Naval Officer of the port of Baltimore, are urging him for the position of Commander of the Oyster Navy, now held by Jacob Plowman.

THE Legislature is now upon the right track in the Poe-Shaw bills to lease the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal to the Washington and Cumberland Railroad. This disposition of the big ditch will take it out of politics and prove a financial relief to the State.

THE Baltimore city "high license" bill is gradually scaling down in the various measures offered for the consideration of the Legislature. The first made the maxium rate $1,000. The last makes it $150. The outcome is likely to be the old rate possibly *cheapened* a little. The city seems determined to have cheap whiskey any way!

A Luncheon Given to Mrs. C. H Gibson.

Mrs. Governor Jackson gave an elegant luncheon last Wednesday at ten o'clock in the Executive Mansion, in honor of Mrs. Charles H. Gibson. The floral decorations were in pink, which, with white tapers in silver candelabras under pink shades gave a beautiful glow to the table, its contents, and surroundings. The collation included terrapin, champagne, beautiful ices, served in the forms of fruits and flowers. Each lady received a bouquet of pink and white flowers, and a silken sachet as souvenirs.

HON. A. K. MCCLURE writes from Washington to his paper thus: "I have not met one considerate Republican leader, and I have seen many of them, who does not fear that Speaker Reed is showing dragon's teeth which will ripen in a fearful harvest of profligacy, demoralization and disaster." It is no longer a secret that we are on the eve of a floodtide of national profligacy.

THE twenty-second annual session of the Grand Lodge of Knights of Pythias of Maryland was opened Tuesday afternoon at Castle Hall, on North Gay street, Baltimore. Mr. Joseph H. Ryan represented Chesapeake Lodge, at Rock Hall, which is the only lodge of the order now in this county.

HORSES LOST.—Ex-Sheriff Seney of Queen Anne's has lately lost three valuable horses from a disease which has been pronounced a form of pneumonia. The *Observer* says that the disease is something peculiar in that locality.

THE COLLECTORSHIP.

The fight for the collectorship of the port of Baltimore now waxes warm. Chas. T Westcott, Esq., of this county, heartily espouses the cause of Senator Burchinal and is in Washington this week with Col. W. J. Vannort, F. H. Harper, C. M. Lucas, Jos. Turner, and other prominent Kent Republicans in his interest. Some persons think that the contest now is between Capt. Burchinal and J. Morrison Harris for the place, but we still incline to the opinion that Mr. Urner is Capt. Burchinal's most formidable opponent.

Strong delegations of grand army men were in Washington on Wednesday in behalf of Capt. Burchinal and called upon Secretary Windom and President Harrison. Col. John D. Goodmandson presented the claims of Capt. Burchinal to both the President and Secretary Windom. Secretary Windom in his reply spoke of Capt. Burchinal's excellent qualities, which, he said, he had already had frequent occasion to learn and appreciate. He promised that Mr. Burchinal's claims shall have fair and equitable consideration. Mr. Harrison, in his reply, told the delegation that he would never forget the soldier in his appointments. The delegation, after its interviews with the Secretary and the President, filed a petition signed by 1,000 members of the G. A. R. and endorsed by the department commander and staff. The colored delegation called at the Treasury and filed with the Secretary strong papers from the colored posts in Mr. Burchinal's behalf.

Bishop Wayman and other colored ministers also called on the President and advocated Capt. Burchinal's appointment.

The members of the delegation said after their interviews that they believe Mr. Burchinal's strongest claim is his soldier record. They point to the fact that none of the federal appointments in Maryland have so far recognized the Union veteran.

Senator Urner was in the appointment office of the Treasury, filing some additional papers in his case, when the Burchinal delegation was with the Secretary.

THE prohibitionists were out in force last Tuesday. The meeting in Chestertown was largely attended, and some of the anti-high-license men were, to use the phrase of a prominent Sassafras gentleman, red hot! The proceedings will be found in another column.

A LARGE SALE.—Mr. Wm. Archibald's sale, near Fairlee, was attended last Monday by about five hundred people! Nearly everything was sold and brought good prices.

WITHDRAWN.—After to-day the steamer B. S. Ford will discontinue her trips and lay off for repairs. The Emma A. Ford will continue to run according to the published schedule.

A SURE CURE FOR HYDROPHOBIA.—Dr. Bo Kai, a professor of Kiausenburg University Austria, claims to have discovered an absolutely certain antiseptic remedy for hydrophobia destroying the virus at the seat of bite. It consists of a solution of chlorine bromine sulphurous acid and penmanganate of potash, with oil of eucalyptue.

CONTROLLING INTEREST IN A STEAMBOAT CO.—The Baltimore Sun of Wednesday stated that President Warfield of the Chester River Steamboat Company has purchased a controlling interest in the Centreville and Corsica River Steamboat Company, including the steamer Gratitude. The rights, franchises and wharf property are also included. The Gratitude is now undergoing repairs and will be put in service as soon as completed.

THE FUNERAL OF MRS. ROSANNAH ELLIOTT, wife of Prof. Wm. Elliott, Jr., took place in Baltimore Wednesday morning, and was largely attended. The services were conducted by the Rev. Dr. John F. Goucher, of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, of which Mrs. Elliott was a member. He was assisted by the Rev. J. J. G. Webster, of Madison Avenue M. E. Church, and the Rev. Dr. John B. Van Meter. The faculty of the Baltimore City College were represented at the funeral by Prof. J. Newman Hank and Prof. Wm. Elliott, and sent as floral tributes a basket and mound of roses. The Bancroft and Carrolton Literary Associations each sent a floral tribute. The remains were placed in the mausoleum of Greenmount Cemetery. Mrs. H. W. Vickers, of this town, attended the funeral. Miss Rose Elliott, daughter of deceased, is a frequent and highly esteemed visitor at Mr. Vickers'.

An Enjoyable Sociable.

A most enjoyable, as well as highly interesting social, was tendered Mr. and Mrs. Wm. R. Gale at their residence on West Mulberry St., on the evening of Wednesday, the 12th inst. The social was given under the auspices of the "Friends of the Community," and a good time was had by all. Among those present were Miss Ida Stephens, of Kent; Mr. Wm. Rasin, Cincinnati, Ohio; Mr. Elmore Skirven and Miss Janie Skirven, of Baltimore; Mr. Kingsley, Annapolis; Misses Jennie, May and Carrie Francis, Prof. Wm. H. Alger, Mr. Frank Holton and sister Jennie, Mr. and Mrs. Brewer, of Baltimore, besides many others. The evening passed away most pleasantly, and it seemed but a minute's duration before all parted for their respective homes with best wishes that they might meet soon again on a similar occasion.

HORSES AND HORSEMEN.

Radical Changes Contemplated in the Trotting Rules.

It will interest local horsemen to know that some radical changes are to be proposed at the annual meeting of the National Trotting Association, which will be held in Buffalo. As all the trotting associations of this peninsula are members of the national trotting association, the latter's decisions will be binding on the trotting races to be held during the fairs next fall.

The most radical change proposed is to shorten the trotting race to three heats absolutely by awarding first money to the horse which wins the first heat. The winning horse then retires from the race. The winning horse of the second heat gets second money and then retires, while the horse winning the third heat captures third money. Of the remaining horses in the race, the one making the best showing for all the heats secures fourth money. This contemplated innovation is intended to lessen the chances of "jockeying" by the drivers and insure fairer speed contests, while it prevents a single race from stringing out interminably. On the other hand, it would materially decrease the interest in a race in which there were few starters and the jockeys could still manipulate their little "combines" and dupe the smartest judges. Other radical changes in the rules are to be discussed.

MISS JANE M. BANCROFT, a leader in home missionary work of the M. E. Church, says that Baltimore is the most thoroughly foreign city in the United States. In Boston, the seat of culture and learning, 75 per cent. of the population are foreigners, and in New York 91 per cent., and in Chicago 91 to 95 per cent.

To Be Held In Chestertown.

The next session of the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church will be held in Chestertown beginning on the first Wednesday in April, 1890. This will be a most interesting local event. The membership, including ministerial and lay, numbers about two hundred. The last conference, having so large a ministerial representation, which met here was that of the Wilmington Methodist Episcopal Conference, held March 14, 1878, Bishop Foster presiding. The first meeting of the Md. M. P. Conference in Chestertown was April 4, 1838, Rev. Isaac Webster president; other meetings here were March 27, 1850, Rev. Wm. Collier president; March 12, 1862, Rev. J. K. Nichols president; March 15, 1871, Rev. D. E. Reese president. So that it has now been nineteen years since the last session of this body was held in Chestertown, and twelve years since the meeting of the Wilmington Conference here.

A daily newspaper will be issued from the office of the KENT NEWS, giving full reports of the proceedings, with the homes of the ministers and delegates, incidents of the session, etc. A number of illustrations of churches, schools and prominent individuals will also be given. The DAILY NEWS will contain twenty-four columns, and the subscription price will be 25 cents for the seven issues. A few advertisements will be received at reasonable rates.

New Postoffice Building.

The following petition, which has been signed by a few of our citizens, may be found at Mr. C. F. Stam's drug store:

TO THE HON. CHARLES H. GIBSON, member of Congress for the First Congressional District of the State of Maryland: We, the undersigned, citizens of Chestertown and Kent county, respectfully urge upon you the adoption of such means as may be necessary for securing from the General Government an appropriation for the erection of a Postoffice Building in this town. And in this connection would state that one of the public-spirited citizens of this place has offered to donate an eligible site near the centre of the business portion of the town, and worth about $5,000, for the uses of the Government for this purpose. Your petitioners show that Chestertown is a city of about 3,500 inhabitants, a place of large commercial importance, and the postoffice here is a point for the distribution for many postoffices in the surrounding country. Your action in the premises will be highly appreciated by your constituents.

It is evident that if anything is to be accomplished in the above direction our citizens generally must take hold of the project and push it with a will. The lot referred to is offered contingently, and in case it could not be utilized for the purpose, another equally desirable could be secured in the business portion of the town.

ANNIVERSARY OF THE W. F. M. S.—The first anniversary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of Chestertown was held in the M. E. Church last Sunday evening and was addressed by Mrs. E. B. Stevens, of Baltimore, State secretary. She spoke about an hour to a large audience and recited many interesting incidents connected with the workings of the society. A collection was taken at the close of the address.

RELIGIOUS REVIVAL.—The revival services at Christ M. P. Church have been continued during the present week with gratifying results. Rev. W. R. Graham, the pastor, added to his other good qualities, is a successful revivalist. The meeting will be continued to-morrow, Sunday.

At the M. E. Church also extra meetings have been held during the week with beneficial results.

THE Acme Dramatic Co., from Baltimore, will appear next Tuesday evening in Stam's Hall in Washington Irving's attractive legend of Rip Van Winkle. The company will be supported by eminent artists and the play will be rendered superior to any ever given in Stam's Hall. New and beautiful scenery and costumes will be an attractive feature. A pleasant evening, an attractive play and fine acting is guaranteed by the company. *

REV. MR. FOSNOCHT, Galena, writes: The hour of service for Locust Grove has been changed from 11 A. M. to 2½ P. M. and regular preaching services will be held at Galena every Sabbath at 10½ A. M., and 7½ P. M. A gracious revival of religion is now in progress—church is fully awaking and seven have sought and five found the pearl of greatest price. Five have united with the church, others to follow. Attendance large, interest increasing, spiritual tide rising. We intend to make it a difficult matter for these Galena sinners to be lost. Subject for Sunday (to-morrow) A. M., "Be Ready in the Morning," P. M., "Divine Alternative."

The Demorest Medal Contest at Fairlee.

The first elocutionary contest for the Demorest silver medal was held at Salem Church, Fairlee, on the 5th inst. It was held under the management of the Pomona, Fairlee and Hanesville unions, and presided over by Mrs. J. W. Corey, county president of the W. C. T. U. Rev. S. B. Tredway opened with prayer. There was appropriate singing by the choir, with Miss Lizzie Corey as organist. Of the eight contestants, six girls were present, and gave recitations selected from "Temperance Recitations," furnished by W. Jennings Demorest, specially for the contest. The contestants were Misses Mamie Hatcherson, Mary Hurlock, Rachel Biggs, Minnie Hudson, Martha B. Stephens, Ida Bramble. The judge awarded the silver medal to Martha B. Stephens. It was presented by Mrs. J. W. Corey with encouraging remarks and good wishes. Mrs. Corey then explained the origin and purpose of the contest, how the competitors could win first the silver, and then the gold, grand gold and finally the diamond medals. These contests have become popular thoughout the country, especially in the Southern states, the young people of North Carolina alone having won five hundred and sixty medals. The only diamond medal awarded was at the national convention in Chicago last November. It is hoped that classes will be formed throughout the county. Rev. H. C. Turner then made a few remarks in aid of the great reform—and the collection. Good music and appropriate temperance songs were given throughout the exercises.

ORPHANS' COURT, Tuesday, Feb. 11.—Present, Judges Walker, Fisher and Moffett.

Letters of administration c. t. a. upon the personal estate of Mrs. K. H. Morrison, were granted to James Roy Micou.

Letters of administration upon the personal estate of Ann Rebecca Wickes were granted unto Willard Melvin.

Colin F. Stam, guardian to John C. and Ann R. Wickes, passed his final guardian accounts.

AN interesting communication from a member of Fairlee Grange and also the letter of our Edesville correspondent, crowded out of this issue, will be published next week.

A DISPATCH from Washington states that Maryland Republicans are indignant almost to the boiling point at the appointment of Col. J. Fenner Lee, a Democrat of very pronounced type, to a nice fat diplomatic position, when so many active members of the party in power have been denied. Meantime Colonel Lee is complacent. If the Republicans are willing to give him a good office, he seems willing to accept.

Personal Mention.

Marion deK. Smith, Esq., visited Annapolis this week.

States Attorney P. B. Hopper, of Centreville, and Hon. Philip W. Downes, of Denton, were in town on business last Monday.

R. D. Hynson, Esq., attended the last meeting of the House of Correction board. It was his first meeting since his appointment as a member of the board.

Mr. M. A. Toulson's physicians reported him yesterday as still improving and are very sanguine of his ultimate recovery.

Mr. W. W. Chapman, teller in the Chestertown National Bank, left yesterday for a ten days' vacation.

Ex-postmaster Fowler has removed to his new dwelling this week.

Mr. Jas. F. M. Woodall has been appointed postmaster at Georgetown, this county, vice A. H. Woodall, resigned; Mr. J. C. Davis, at Pomona, vice E. Y. O'Meara.

Mr. T. R. Hubbard returned last Thursday from a two weeks trip down the shore.

Mr. B. C. Catlin, of Baltimore, spent the past week in town, recuperating his health.

Master Harvey Culp, of Chestertown, has secured a situation in a machine shop in Baltimore.

Mr. John E. Crew, of this county, has obtained a position as conductor on the street cars in Philadelphia and will remove his family there.

Mrs. Sallie Elliott has just returned from a visit to friends in Sudlersville.

Miss Helen Hayes, of Locust Grove, returned from a pleasent trip to Baltimore and other points last Saturday and spent Sunday in Chestertown.

Miss Mamie Walraven, of Queen Anne's, is the guest of relatives on Maple Ave.

Miss Julia Elliott is visiting friends in Philadelphia.

Miss Mary Sudler, of Sudlersville, is the guest of the Misses Wilkins, near town.

Mr. James H. Toulson, of Salem, N. J., is visiting his mother (Mrs. George C. Adkinson) and other relatives in Chestertown. He is carrying on the harness-making business at Salem and is doing well.

The tongmen of Rock Hall and vicinity have presented Capt. J. H. Horney, of the State police schooner Helen M. Baughman, with a handsome gold watch as a token of their appreciation of his untiring efforts to protect the oyster beds of his territory from the depredations of dredgers.

Col. J. W. Bryant has been appointed receiver for the Parks Guano Company of Baltimore. The receiver gave bond for $30,000.

Col. Ed. Roberts was the lowest bidder for the contract to build Hotel Avon, Easton. His price is $26,487.

Senator Gorman had a severe attack of the "grippe" the first of this week. Several members of his family are also afflicted with it.

DIED RATHER THAN MARRY WITHOUT LOVE.—The motive of Miss Charlotte Dunlap, aged 20, of Susquehanna, Pa., who committed suicide at Binghamton, N. Y., by taking poison Monday night, has been discovered. She was engaged to be married on next Wednesday to a young man whom her parents favored, but her affections had been given to another. She left a note requesting to be buried in her wedding dress, stating that she would rather die than marry a man whom she did not love.

MARRIED.

At the M. E. parsonage, Chestertown, on Thursday, Feb. 13, 1890, by the pastor, Rev. R. W. Todd, WM. H. ALLEN and MS. ELIZABETH GARRETT, all of this county.

At the parsonage of Wesley Chapel, near Edesville, on Wednesday evening, February 12, 1890, by the pastor, Rev. B. F. Benson, CHARLES H. DAVIS, JR., and Miss AVARILLA GREENWOOD, all of this county.

On January 10, 1890, at Holy Innocents P. E. Church, Baltimore, by the Rev. J. H. Logie, GEORGE E. SUTTON to MARY S. BROWN.

DIED.

At Melitota, Feb. 7, after a lingering illness of Bright's disease and dropsy, ENOCH, son of Samuel and Sophronia Latherman, aged 14 years, 2 months and 11 days.

At the residence of Mr. B. L. Legg, near Fairlee, on Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 12, 1890, DAVID LAMB, aged about 55 years. Baltimore papers will please copy.

At the Church Home, Baltimore, Friday morning, February 7, 1890, ANNA PETERKIN, aged 35 years, wife of Capt. Wm. C. Spencer, and daughter of Dr. Edward A. and the late Ellen A. Marls.

[This lady, with her husband, spent the most of last summer in Chestertown, at the boarding house of Col. Voshell, and made the acquaintance of many of our citizens, by whom her demise will be deeply lamented.]

LOST OR MISLAID, on February 1st, 1890, in Chestertown, a large leather POCKET-BOOK containing several Notes and other papers, valuable only to the subscriber. It has the name of J. C. Johnson on the inside of the lap. The finder will be suitably rewarded on returning it to me, or leaving it where I can get it. B. F. HENLEY.

FOR SALE:

AT POMONA STOCK FARM, one REGISTERED BULL, Rex strain. Also, fresh COWS and HEIFERS—thoroughbred and registered. Bred for milking qualities. Prices reasonable. JAS. H. BAKER, fe15-4t.* POMONA, MD.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county letters of administration on the personal estate in Kent county, Maryland, of

MATILDA C. PEARCE,

late of Kent county, Maryland, deceased.

All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned, on or before the 19th day of August, 1890, otherwise they may be excluded by law from all benefit of said estate. All indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the subscriber. Given under my hand this 11th day of February, 1890.

MARY C. RINGGOLD, Administratrix.

Feb. 15, 1890—4t.

Order of Publication.

Morgan Brown, vs. James Brown and others.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County, in Equity, No. 34.

THE object of the petition of Elizabeth D. Hines, filed in the above case against Richard D. Hynson, Florence M. Rasin, William J. Rasin, Blanche F. Rasin, Fannie C. Rasin, Rosa S. Rasin Nettie V. Rasin, William O. Dugan, Blanche Dugan, Edna Dugan, William A. Biscoe, Annie G. Biscoe, Harry B. Rhodes, Lizzie R. Rhodes, Charles N. Benjamin, Emma T. Benjamin, Thomas C. Benjamin and Katie B. Benjamin, is to procure an order or decree for the substitution of Elizabeth D. Hines as purchaser in the place and stead of Joseph O. Rasin and David A. Benjamin, deceased, of the real estate sold in the above entitled case by Richard Hynson, trustee, and to direct and command Richard D. Hynson, new trustee, to execute and deliver to the said petitioner a deed for the same.

The petition states that on the 29th day of September, 1863, the said Richard Hynson, trustee, sold the real estate mentioned in said petition, which is more particularly described in the bill of complaint and trustee's report of sale filed in above case, to Joseph O. Rasin and David A. Benjamin for one thousand and fifty dollars; that the said Rasin and Benjamin sold the same to one Barney DeCorse, neither of said parties having paid the purchase money or any part thereof, and the said Barney DeCorse and wife sold and conveyed said real estate to Joshua Simmonds, by deed dated the 5th day of April 1870, who paid to the said trustee, Richard Hynson, the purchase money therefor by and with the consent of the said Joseph O. Rasin, David A. Benjamin and Barney DeCorse; and the said Joshua Simmonds and wife sold and conveyed said real estate to said petitioner, Elizabeth D. Hines, who paid the purchase money in full, by deed dated on or about the 15th day of December, 1875. That the said Richard Hynson, trustee, never executed a deed for said real estate to said Rasin and Benjamin, and the said Rasin and Benjamin's deed to the said Barney DeCorse cannot be found.

That the said William A. Biscoe, Annie G. Biscoe, Harry B. Rhodes, Lizzie R. Rhodes, Charles N. Benjamin, Emma T. Benjamin, Thomas C. Benjamin and Katie B. Benjamin are non-residents.

It is thereupon, this 11th day of February, 1890, ordered by the Circuit Court for Kent county, in equity, that the petitioner, Elizabeth D. Hines, by causing a copy of this order to be inserted in some newspaper, printed and published in Kent county, once in each of four successive weeks before the 10th day of March, 1890, give notice to the said absent defendants of the object and substance of this petition, and warning them to appear in this court in person or by solicitor on or before the 25th day of March, next, to show cause, if any they have, why an order or decree ought not to be passed as prayed.

SAMUEL BECK, Clerk.

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Feb. 15, 1890—4t. SAMUEL BECK, Clerk.

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All That Part or Parcel of Land,

lying and situated in Kent county, Maryland, on the north side of the public road leading from Millington to Smyrna, and described as follows: Commencing at a stone in said road at the southeast corner of said lot adjoining the lands of Robert Butcher and running westerly with said road one hundred and twenty feet by and with the lands of Thomas R. Quimby and Chas. P. Luper, a northerly direction to the lands of Levi Boyer, thence by and with the land of said Levi Boyer one hundred and twenty feet in an easterly direction, thence in a southerly direction by and with the lands of said Robert Butcher to the aforesaid road and place of beginning as will be seen in Liber J. K. H., No. 12, Folio 295,

And I hereby give notice that

On TUESDAY, 4th of March, 1890,

at 11 o'clock A. M., in front of the Court House, in Chestertown, I will offer for sale at public auction said property so seized and taken in execution to the highest bidder for cash, to pay and satisfy said writ, interest and costs due and to become due.

JAMES A. CASEY, LATE SHERIFF.

B. B. WROTH, ATT'Y. feb8-ts.

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Feb. 1, 1890—3t.

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