Kent News.

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THE President has approved the bill appropriating $400,000 for arming and equipping the militia of the several States. Of this sum Maryland gets $7,516.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN plead guilty of prize-fighting at Purvis, Miss., on Tuesday, and was fined $500. Kilrain served a term of imprisonment for the same offense.

A. RANDOLPH WEEDON, Esq., of Queen Anne's county, is strongly recommended by a correspondent of the Centreville *Observer* as a suitable candidate for the Democratic congressional nomination.

THE International Sunday School Convention met at Pittsburg on Wednesday. About fifteen hundred delegates were present from all parts of this country and Europe. Governor Beaver, of Pennsylvania, and Hon. A. H. Colquitt, of Georgia, were among the first day's speakers. The convention will be in session four days.

STATE'S ATTORNEY MARION DEKALB SMITH, of Kent county, refused to sign the recommendation for the pardon of the two oyster dredgers now serving out sentences of a year each in the penitentiary for firing on the State boat Helen Baughman. We commend Mr. Smith for this resolution; and hope Governor Jackson will be equally as resolute.—*Easton Ledger.*

THE Republican State Convention of Pennsylvania met at Harrisburg on Wednesday and nominated the following ticket: Governor, George W. Delamater, of Crawford county; Lieutenant-Governor, Louis A. Watres, of Lackawanna county; Secretary of Internal Affairs, Thomas J. Stewart, of Montgomery county.

HON. BARNES COMPTON has been appointed chairman of the Democratic State central committee. No better selection could have been made. Mr. Compton's long experience in the politics of Maryland has given him every requisite equipment for efficient service in the position. He expects to be in Baltimore on Monday, when he will arrange for calling a meeting of the committee.

THE Baltimore County *Union*, one of the staunchest and most conservative republican journals in Maryland, comments upon the action of the Tennessee republicans in refusing to endorse the administration because of unpopular appointments, thus: "Perhaps the 'rank and file' in some other States will do a bit of kicking after awhile for the same reason. The impression seems to be growing that the grandson of his grandfather is not quite large enough to wear the old gentleman's hat."

JUDGE JAMES LAWRENSON, the oldest attache of the United States postal service, died at his home 1413 Lafayette avenue, Baltimore, last Monday morning. He was eighty-seven years old, and since his sixteenth year had been in the postal service, first in Baltimore and then in the department at Washington. One of the many noteworthy events of this venerable postal veteran's career is that he had sworn in every postmaster general since the administration of President Jackson. He leaves a record which has not and will not likely be eclipsed—seventy-one years of almost unbroken service.

THE population of Baltimore is 432,095. This is a gain, in round numbers, of 100,000 since 1880, when the population was 332,190. Baltimore was formerly the seventh city in population in the country. It now stands close to a tie for fifth place with St. Louis. It will be some days before the Missouri city will know whether it is fifth or sixth. It claims 435,000, but it is thought that this estimate will be cut down. The population of the largest cities so far reported is as follows:

New York	1,672,227
Philadelphia	1,040,449
Brooklyn	930,671

The Lottery People Win.

Amid great excitement the Louisiana House of Representatives on Wednesday passed the bill amending the constitution granting a re-charter to the Louisiana State Lottery Company for a period of twenty-five years, in consideration of a yearly payment of $1,000,000 into the State treasury for schools, charities and levees, by a vote of 66 yeas to 29 nays, three absent. Two millions of this amount is to become available in 1890 and 1891, without interest. The bill will now go to the Senate. The Senate is composed of thirty-six members, twenty-three of whom are outspoken in favor of granting the charter, and several on the fence. As it will only be necessary to capture one of these votes to secure the requisite two-thirds to pass the bill, the same difficulty will not be experienced as in the House. As all amendments to the constitution have to be ratified by the people, the proposition will be passed upon in the general election of 1892.

THE RIVALRY BETWEEN WESTERN CITIES—*Great Frauds Charged.*—There is great rivalry between the cities of St. Paul and Minneapolis, only a few miles apart, with regard to population. The result of the census in those cities has been awaited with interest by the citizens, and a close watch was placed on the movements of the enumerators. The result has been the arrest of seven of the Minneapolis enumerators on a warrant sworn out by Mr. Wm. Pitt Murray, ex-city attorney of St. Paul, who charges them with collusion in padding the Minneapolis returns. If Mr. Murray's charges are true, they exhibit most discreditable proceedings. A wagon load of evidence has been captured, which indicates that at least 25,000 names have been criminally added to the list. How this was done is shown by the testimony of one of the detectives engaged in ferreting out the alleged frauds. "Over a month prior to the beginning of the census enumeration," says the detective, "a Minneapolis citizens' committee was organized for a preparatory survey of the field. Canvassers were sent over the entire city and the location of every empty house, the character of the tenants of every dwelling, and the situation of every lot was duly reported and enrolled. Lists of names were prepared in the foreign languages most likely to be met with. With these sheets it was a matter of ease to create a fictitious personage, supply him with a wife, and if necessary a family. With the list of vacant houses and unoccupied rooms it was a matter of trifling moment to furnish him a home. Lists of laborers in various parts of the State were obtained from the pay rolls of lumbermen and from the records of employment agencies. They were provided with a home in Minneapolis, and located at some of the vacant houses or on some of the empty lots. Names were also openly copied from the directories of other cities in the effort to add to Minneapolis's population." If these charges are substantiated the effect will be to increase the distrust of the general correctness of the census enumeration.

THE Westminster *Advocate* says there are eight new churches now building in Carroll county.

WASHINGTON COLLEGE.

Commencement Week a Big Event—The Oratorical Contest—Athletic Sports—Graduates—The Alumni—The Ball.

The commencement exercises of Washington College, Chestertown, began Sunday morning with the baccalaureate sermon. This was preached by Rev. J. H. Eccleston, D. D., of Baltimore, in Immanuel Church to a large audience. His theme was well-chosen, appropriate and timely: By service and not by power is success attained. He spoke for thirty-two minutes and held the closest attention of his hearers with his clear and instructive discourse. He was assisted in the service by Rev. Mr. Roberts. The music was beautiful, especially the psalm, in which the low base of Prof. Clarke, the rich soprano of Miss Hallie Beck and the sweet alto of Miss Mary Beck were so prominent in solos. Messrs. Will and Sam Beck were also in the choir and helped swell the chorus. Miss Mary Hurtt presided at the organ.

In the evening Rev. W. R. Graham preached the sermon before the Y. M. C. A., in Christ M. P. Church. The church was filled and for an hour the reverend gentleman with his rich voice and grand oratorical powers held his audience. He chose for his subject Self Command and Self Surrender, and did justice to himself and to the association. Stirring music was rendered by the choir, led by Mr. W. W. Chapman; an anthem "Praise the Lord" was especially sublime. The solo in it was sweetly rendered by Miss Julia Thompson.

The Declamation Contest.

Monday evening the declamation contest took place, the following being the contestants and their subjects:

Mr. E. A. Robinson, Sharptown, Md., "A Western Lawyer's Plea against the Facts." Mr. M. S. Harper, Golden Hill, Md., "Shall We Give up the Union." Mr. R. F. Duer, Princess Anne, Md., "The New South" by H. W. Grady. Mr. Wm. H. Stewart, Jr., Chestertown, Md., "The Ship of Faith." Mr. W. B. Usilton, Jr., Chestertown, Md., "The Red Jacket." Mr. Thos. D. Bowers, Chestertown, Md., "Clay's Valedictory to the U. S. Senate." Mr. J. H. Geoghegan, Taylor's Island, Md., "Extract from H. W. Grady's Address at University of Virginia." Mr. C. P. Hammond, Royal Oak, Md., "A Reply of William Pitt." Mr. C. W. Perkins, Chestertown, Md., "The Minority." Messrs. Robinson and Stewart selected comical pieces and provoked much laughter of the audience. The prize offered was $25 to be divided between first and second. It was offered by Mr. A. H Reid, of Philadelphia, who has made the same offer for next year, his purpose being to make it an annual feature of the commencement exercises. Some good speaking was heard from the young men, it being hard to decide the winners. Each had his admirers and when the judges, James A. Pearce, Esq., Rev. Dr. Willey and H. W. Vickers, Esq., announced the winner of the prizes of course there were some who thought differently, but the decision gave general satisfaction. Mr. Jos. H. Geoghegan carried off the first prize, $15, and Mr. Thos. D. Bowers, the second, $10. After the contest the winners gave their competitors a treat of ice-cream.

Field Sports.

A new feature of the commencement exercises of Washington College was added this year. It was a day devoted to athletic sports and was under the supervision of Prof. Clarke. The whole affair was a great success and Prof. Clarke is to be congratulated for arranging such creditable contests. More than fifty teams were present besides about three hundred on foot. A most excellent place for viewing the races was found on the hill, while the races took place on the terrace. Weber's band was present and enthused the boys and added very much to the occasion. The judges were M. deK. Smith, Mr. Wm. L. Condon, of Cecil, and Mr. Wm. W. Beck.

The first race was the hurdle, in which the following entered: Geo. A. Bunting, W. G. Smyth, Geo. Brice, R. Earle Fisher and C. P. Hammond. Brice made a pretty run and won with ease the medal given by M. deK. Smith, Esq.

100yds. dash (16 yrs.)—W. E. Hill, D. B. Ford, H. Norman Perkins, Samuel Beck and Charles Turner. Hill and Turner fell and the race was won by Beck in 14 seconds, closely followed by Perkins. The prize was two fine books given by J. A. Pearce, Esq.

100yds. dash (all ages)—W. S. Stevens, T. D. Bowers, W. G. Smyth, Wm. B. Usilton, Jr., G. A. Brice. Usilton won the medal offered by Prof. R. Watts; Smyth, second; time, 12 seconds.

Potato race—Robt. Emory, Tom Perkins, Clarence Greenwood, W. E. Hill, Charley, Turner and David Ford. Each boy had a row of 18 potatoes at the end of which was a basket. The object was to see who would get the potatoes in the basket first putting one in at a time. Perkins got the lead and kept it, winning the gold pen with ebony holder offered by Hope H. Barroll, Esq., but was followed closely by Greenwood and Emory who were beaten by one potato.

The tug of war between the seniors and juniors was easily won by the former. The pull between seniors and juniors against sophs. and fresh. was very amusing. When the word was given each side set back on the rope and in a moment they were throwing up their heels, for the rope broke, giving nearly all a fall. A new rope was obtained and the sophs. and fresh. easily beat their opponents, pulling one of their number ten or twelve yards on his stomach.

Standing long jump—Wm. S. Stevens, Clarence Perkins, George Brice, Robt. F. Duer, G. A. Bunting. Brice won the silver cup offered by Mr. Colin F. Stam by jumping 9 feet 5½ inches; Perkins, 9 feet 3 in.

Running high jump—G. A. Brice, W. S. Stevens, G. A. Bunting and W. G. Smyth. Stevens cleared the rope at 4 feet 9 inches and won the pretty medal offered by Mr. Wm. B. Usilton.

Hammer throwing—Bunting, Ringgold and Porter. Bunting threw the farthest and won the medal given by Judge Joseph A. Wickes.

Pole vaulting—C. Perkins, G. Brice, G. A. Bunting. This was a pretty exhibition and Perkins made some good leaps, Brice drew out after getting over 6½ feet; Bunting, 7 feet. Perkins vaulted eight feet, barely touching the line. The Princeton record is eight feet clear. The prize was a gold pen given by Dr. W. F. Hines. Mr. Coudon vaulted the rope at ten feet.

3 legged race—Duer and Stevens, Catlin and Beck, Usilton and Fisher, Twilley and Ringgold, Brice and Smyth. Two boys have four legs and by tieing one leg of each boy together they have to run as if on three legs. It is necessary to run together, if not then they fall. All of them ran to the end of the course and it was won by Brice and Smyth, the prizes being two gold pens given by C. T. Westcott and Wm. M. Slay, Esqs.

Throwing baseball—Fred. Porter, W. S. Stevens, L. L. Bounds, George Brice. Stevens won, the prize being a silver cup offered by H. W. Vickers, Esq.

Mile run (15yrs.)—David Ford, Spencer Hurtt and W. Hill. Hurtt took the lead and kept it until the last round when Ford passed him and won the race and gold medal given by Prof. Micou. Hill dropped out on the last round.

Mile race (all ages)—Wm. T. Henry, Charley Twilley, Wm. H. Stewart, Jr., C. P. Hammond and G. A. Bunting. Stewart followed Henry closely until the last round when in trying to pass him he was taken with the cramp and had to give up. Henry won the medal offered by Dr. Reid with ease. Time not given.

Mr. Wilson L. Coudon, of North East, Cecil county, was present at the sports. He is the champion amateur hammer thrower of the United States and Canada, and his presence on this occasion was highly appreciated. He is engaged in making fire-brick, and is part owner of a large establishment in Cecil county. He is thirty-two years of age, weighs 215 lbs., and has not a pound of superfluous flesh. His best record at hammer throwing was made at Elkton, October 9, 1889, when he threw the 16-pound hammer 121 feet, 11¼ inches. It was on the college terrace last Tuesday that his record was broken and a throw of 124 feet 11 inches made. The hammer at this throw struck several limbs of trees, and would have gone several feet further but for this hindrance. He stood in a seven-foot circle and threw with one hand, the previous record having been made with two hands.

He put the 56-pound weight 30 feet 4 inches, beating the world's record 3 inches and his best previous record nearly three feet. He threw the 12-pound hammer 143 feet 3 inches, his previous best record being 140 feet 7 inches. Mr. Coudon was presented with a beautiful gold medal from the Athletic Association. He stated to us that on Saturday last he hurt his finger playing ball and would have made even a better record had he been able to use it. The Athletic Association of Washington College feel highly honored in having the record of the world beaten on their grounds and under the auspices of their association.

Tuesday evening the hall was filled to hear the address of O. C. Warfield, Esq., before the Mt. Vernon Literary Society. The able genleman spoke for one hour and a-half on education and held the attention of his audience during the whole time.

The Graduates' Addresses.

Commencement proper took place in Stam's Hall Wednesday morning.

Mr. W. S. Stevens, of Worcester, delivered the Latin Salutatory, followed by Mr. Joseph H. Geoghegan, of Dorchester, who chose for his subject "Christian Civilization the Highest and Ultimate Culture of Mankind." Mr. W. T. Henry, of Talbot, spoke on "The Scholar's Triumph; Mr. T. D. Bowers, Chestertown, on "The Shylocks of the Nineteenth Century" and Mr. W. G. Smyth, Fairlee, on "Looking Backward." The valedictory was delivered by Mr. L. L. Bounds, of Quantico, Wicomico. The addresses were all highly appreciated and were the more enjoyable because of the masterly manner in which they were delivered. No notes were used, each one having committed his part to memory. The valedictory was out of the regular style but was of unusual merit. The salutatory was a happy and welcome greeting; the addresses were full of sense and indicated a strong mind as the author. Degrees were conferred upon the graduates by Dr. Reid, president of the college. He highly commended the graduates both as to their ability and good conduct and deeply regretted the absence of Judge Wickes, president of the board of visitors. He spoke well of the whole school, three-fourths of whom had not received a demerit. All in the junior and sophomore class received over 90 and about twelve others received this good average. Mr. Porter, of Caroline, received the gold medal given by the board of visitors and governors to the junior student most proficient in his studies.

The following is a list of the twenty-three students in the college and preparatory department who obtained a general average of over ninety in all the studies during the year, arranged in the order of their merit:

L. L. Bounds, 98.3; E. A. Robinson, 97.6; T. Breerwood, 97.2; G. Knotts, 96.7; W. S. Stevens, 96.6; C. C. Brown, 96.2; C. P. Hammond, 96.1; R. E. Fisher, 95.9; J. H. Geoghegan, 95.4; Joseph Kendall, 94.7; W. T. Henry, 94.6; T. D. Bowers, 94.4; B. F. Perkins, 94.3; W. B. Usilton, 94.3; J. T. Morris, 93.3; A. M. Merritt, 92.5; J. W. Chapman, 92.3; A. M. Hanna, 92.2; W. G. Smyth, 92; N. Perkins, 91.7; H. Catlin, 91.2; W. C. Copper, 91; W. D. Gould, 90.4.

The Alumni Association.

After the commencement addresses J as. E. Ellegood, Esq, of Salisbury, addressed the audience in an eloquent speech. He deplored the fact that the friends of the graduates seemed inclined to set them up in housekeeping rather than to send flowers. He exhibited some ribbons that were around the bouquets he received in 1863. The speech could not have been more appropriate.

After the address by Mr. Ellegood the association adjourned to meet at 2 o'clock P. M. At that hour quite a number of the alumni met and proceeded to the election of members and officers. Quite a number of new members were proposed and elected. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Chas. T. Westcott, Esq., (66); 1st vice-president, Colin F. Stam, (63); 2d. vice-pres., Thomas Perry, Esq., (78) Salisbury; 3rd vice-pres., Dr. A. C. Crothers, (83), Port Deposit; recording secretary, M. Wilbur Thomas, (84); corresponding sec., Prof. Rowland Watts, (86); treasurer, Dr. J. Harry Dodd, (85). The president appointed the following executive committee, M. deK. Smith, (70) Kent county, R. C. Thackery, (70) Cecil co., Wm. Janvier, (78) Kent, Rev. Geo E Wood, (85) Queen Anne's, Reuben Garey, Esq, (86) Caroline county, E R Jump, (86) Talbot, J E Ellegood, Esq, (63) Wicomico, R W Mobray, Esq, (85) Dorchester county, Wm T Dickerson, Esq, (76) Worcester, Rev. Oliver H. Murphy, (78) Somerset county, Col. W. R. Johnson, (73) of Delaware, John David Urie, (81) Kent county, Dr. Wm. J. Wroth, (49) Baltimore.

The association then adjourned to the Voshell House and partook of the splendid banquet prepared for them. The long tables were so joined that the president, Mr. Westcott, could be at the head of all the tables. The menu, prepared by Hurtt & Co., was grand and proved the good reputation of the Voshell House under the present management. Mr. Smith, the retiring president, had appointed Mr. Westcott toast-master and he returned the compliment by having Mr Smith assist him in giving the toasts. In absence of Judge Wickes, who is at Atlantic City recuperating his health, James A Pearce, Esq, responded in a forcible speech to "The Board of Visitors and Governors." Mr Pearce said th at while we might not compete with Princeton, Yale or other well endowed institutions, we could still do much more, and that the future looked bright. Mr. Pearce while not unduly praising the Board thought some praise due their careful management of the limited means of the college.

Dr. Reid responded to "The Faculty." He paid a high tribute to the faculty and explained the plans for the building up of the college in numbers. The doctor has sanguine hopes of running the number up to 100 this year.

Thomas Perry, Esq, responded to "The Alumni." He said he did not want the college to do anything as the western hen which tried to set on fifty eggs merely to spread herself, but he was glad to see his alma mater upon the upward move. Mr Perry told some very amusing things of the alumni. One member of his class, he said, could never study unless he had a chew of tobacco, and when he had the tobacco he could not study for chewing. He gave Dr Hessey, a member of the class who sat at his left, several good natured digs.

Harrison W. Vickers, Esq, responded to "The Good Old Times." They were good old times. He told some good ones on Mr Pearce. We are sorry limited space will not permit mention to be made of the many good things that were said. The flow of wit was in keeping with the occasion. Who are jollier than college boys?

The College Ball.

The warm weather did not prevent the hall from being filled on Wednesday evening with a gay assembly. It was the annual college ball, and although many from this county were detained at home, about seventy-five couples danced the whole evening. The ladies looked lovely, and with the fine music made a pretty scene. Among those present we noticed the following:

From Baltimore—Misses Lela Bash, Grace Gundry, Nannie Nichols, Belle Frame, May Mathiot, —— Johnson, Nina Quinlan, Becky Bird, Edith Hines, Mamie Davidson; Messrs. Edward P Duer, Edw L Hall, R Lloyd Nichols, Jr, William Hines, George A Popline, Emory Barry, Irving T. Nichols, Frank H. Wright, Horace Johnson, I Freeman Rasin, Albert Rivers, Cadet L Goldsborough, Laird Z Goldsborough, Dr Wise, William Sloan.

From Centreville—Misses Hattie McKenny, Ada Roberts, Bessie and Mattie Keating, Nellie Feddeman, Retta Dodd; Messrs. Clinton Roberts, Frank Keating, Joseph Brown, J Fletcher Rolph, Hopper Gibson, Frank Hopper, Madison Brown, P B Hopper, Bert and Louis Evans, Capt R C Adkinson, of the yacht "Hesperas," T Brown, Clayton Wright.

From Kent—J T DeCorse and wife, W H McFeely and wife, Joseph Rasin and wife, Misses Emma Gilpin, Morgan Beasten, Mary Camp, Madge Mecteer, Viya Perkins, May, Anna and Daisy Carvill, Nannie and Daisy Brice, Mrs Phil Brooks, Eunice, Mamie and Sallie Gemmill, Mamie Catlin, Florence Burgess, Grace Turner, Belle Aldridge, Lillie and Bertha Hynson, Sue, Fannie and Jennie Wilkins, Julia and Belle Emory, May Parrott, Annie Price, Anna Cacy; Messrs. Harry Catlin, Daisy Davis, R F Duer, W W Beck, C C Perkins, Simon Wickes, Will and Sam Beck, L W Wickes, H Clay Brown, C C Hopper, Prof. F O Elmore, R H Collins, Horace Constable, Heber Crane, Harry Blackiston, Robert G Ringgold, R F Duer, Fred Porter, L L Bounds, Dr T H Cooper, W S Stevens.

Miss V Rose Duer, of Princess Anne; Miss Virdie Sudler, of Sudlersville; Miss Isabella Paegels, Ohio; Miss Amy Jones, Parksley, Va; Miss Mattie Smith, Camden, N. J.; Miss Alice Platt, Cecil.

Refreshments were served at midnight, and the company partook freely of the cool draughts. It was 4 o'clock when the music ceased.

THE OPERETTA.

A treat was afforded the people of Chestertown on Friday night in the rendition of "The Dairy Maid's Operetta," by local talent. The opening performance was a grand march, in which forty-eight young ladies, in white dresses trimmed with roses, went through some beautiful manœuvres. Stars, hearts, squares, pyramids, etc., were formed without an error, and all with correct step and soldierly bearing. This was followed by a comic quartette in costume, by Misses Marian Lusby and Clare Vannort, and Messrs. James W. Chapman, Jr., and Fred. G. Usilton. A most lovely tableau in the shape of a rose was formed by placing fourteen pretty little girls on a graded turn-table, and as the light was turned on and the rose revolved several little girls sang "The Lovely Rose."

Preceding the advent of the dairy maids and milk boys Miss Lizzie Quelett, a wee little girl, sang "The Cows are in the Corn" grandly, and called forth hearty applause. She reached G on upper staff with ease and held it well. She was the prima donna of the evening. Then came the dairy maids with stools and boys with buckets, all dressed in appropriate costumes, skipping and singing. A drill with stools and buckets was exhibited, and proved very interesting. After this the farmer and his wife—Mr. W. B. Usilton, Jr., and Miss Mollie Parks; the cans, Messrs. Hydie Thompson and Fred. G. Usilton; the chalk, Messrs. James W. Chapman, Jr., and the pump, Mr. T. D. Bowers, all made their appearance dressed to represent their respective characters, and sang some pretty airs. Prof. F. O. Elmore and Miss Mary Chapman, pianists.

The whole affair was enjoyable, and was under the entire supervision of Mrs. Col. William J. Vannort, to whom the credit is due for its success. She labored earnestly to produce this pretty operetta, and her labor was not in vain, for pecuniarily and in every other respect it was a success. The juvenile band, under Prof. Orrell, rendered most excellent music and are a credit to our town.

AN ADVENTURE.—Willie Bell and sister, Miss Maggie, son and daughter of Mr. John Bell, living near Washington College, were hurrying home from town on Sunday night to escape the approaching storm, and in the darkness ran against a hitching post at the corner of Queen street and Maple avenue, breaking the cross-bar of the carriage and throwing the young lady to the ground, without, however, sustaining serious injury. The driver, who clung to the reins, was dragged over the dash-board and somewhat injured about the face. Miss Maggie went to the home of a young lady friend and spent the night, while her brother continued his journey homeward on horseback, but in ascending the hill near the residence of Mr. L. K. Stam the horse shied at a bunch of brush in the road and ran upon the board walk and fell, throwing the rider upon his face, cutting his lip and loosening several teeth. The horse rolled into the ditch and was with difficulty extricated from his uncomfortable position, but Willie finally worked his way home and Dr. Catlin was sent for and dressed his wounds. A sufficiently varied experience surely for one night.

A SEA TURTLE CAUGHT IN CHESTER RIVER.—A five-foot sea turtle was recently caught in Chester river and taken to Baltimore on the steamer Emma A. Ford. It is thought to have wandered up the bay from the coast and got lost. Several fishermen caught it by putting a rope around one of its floppers and hauling it from a fish reservation it had entered. The monster weighed about four hundred pounds.

THE steamer Corsica has been put on the Chester River line to accommodate shippers. See her schedule in another column.

Declare It Free on the 4th!

A joint meeting of the two boards of county commissioners for Kent and Queen Anne's was held last Thursday for the purpose of in specting Chester river bridge, to determine the necessary expenditure for keeping it in repair during the ensuing year, and make levy therefor. The members of the Queen Anne's board stated that they were ready to pay their half of the purchase money; Kent is also ready. The bridge may therefore be declared free by the 4th of July;—it certainly will be if the bridge company is ready, as the delay seems to be entirely on the part of the latter.

No more appropriate time could be found for the consummation of this long desired public improvement. Let it be done on Independence Day, and let the celebration on that day be appropriate to the event.

The members of the two boards, accompanied by Mr. Robt. N. Boston, an expert bridge builder, made a thorough examination of the structure on Thursday morning, using a boat and going from pier to pier under the bridge. As was expected, many of the timbers were found rotten and it will require a considerable outlay to put it in good repair.

Remedy for Hydrophobia.

T. J. Shallcross, Esq., president of the board of Kent county commissioners, when a boy, was bitten in the hand by a mad dog. A Mrs. Goodman, who lived in the neighborhood, at once prescribed her favorite remedy; it was taken and no injurious results followed. The treatment was as follows: The root of the herb known as ellecampane—one ounce to a quart of milk boiled down to a pint—taken in three doses all in one day, and eating very little of anything. Follow this up the second and third day. This is a very simple remedy, but Judge Shallcross has the utmost confidence in it and says it certainly saved him from that most horrible of deaths, hydrophobia. He says there was not the slightest doubt about the dog being mad which bit him, and that his teeth inflicted a wound upon his hand which shows its mark to this day. He keeps a supply of the herb growing in his garden. Its flower is somewhat similar to the "sunflower" though very much smaller. Mrs. Goodman claimed the remedy to be infallible and cured a number of cases during her life. It would at least do no harm to try it in such a fearful contingency, and we advise persons to cut this out or preserve this paper.

WHEAT THRESHING has been commenced in this county and small quantities have already been shipped. The Baltimore *Sun* of Thursday says: The receipts of new wheat yesterday were 3,318 bushels, and the quality showed considerable improvement. Some of the parcels were plump and fine. Sales were made up to 95 cents per bushel, that price being paid for choice lots. The *Daily Produce Report* said of these arrivals of new wheat: "Our remarks on Tuesday referred to the early arrivals of tidewater grain, which have been disappointing. To-day's arrivals show better quality and yield than heretofore, and reports from up-country are very brilliant. A sample of 75 acres grown within the city limits not ready for the thresher was shown and regarded as especially handsome.

MONEY FOUND AND RETURNED.—A few days ago Major B. B. Wroth picked up two five-dollar notes at the court-house door. His first impression, he says, was to pay a visit to his daughter, Mrs. Wm. T. Wright, at Hampton, Va., but on second thought he came to the conclusion to make known the fact that he had found the money, which he did, and if no owner put in an appearance, within a reasonable time, then to make the aforesaid visit. It was not long, however, before a gentleman announced that he had lost the amount above named, and after a few interrogatories it was restored to him by the Major, the loser rewarding him for his honesty.

THE FIRST FROM KENT.—A box of Hale's Early peaches was shipped to Baltimore from Harris' wharf, Still Pond Neck, on Friday of last week. T. Romie Strong, Esq., register of wills, in Piney Neck, made his first shipment of seven boxes of early fruit to Baltimore on Monday. Mr. M. Ascher also sent several boxes the same day. The crops of both these gentlemen will be confined to early varieties, and not very extensive at that. We have had on exhibition in the NEWS office this week *one* fine, large, luscious peach of the Amsden June variety, which comprised the *whole crop* of a grower near Chestertown, who has a thrifty orchard of five thousand trees!

CONTRACTS AWARDED.—The Board of Visitors awarded the contracts for building two dwellings for professors of Washington College last Thursday evening—No. 1 to R. K. Pippin, for $2,730, and No. 2 to Duyer Brothers, for $2,258, these being the lowest bids for the two buildings respectively. Duyer's bid for No. 1 was $2,735, and Pippin's bid for No. 2 was $2,290—pretty close figuring. The board appointed the following building committee to have charge of the improvements, namely: William S. Walker, Charles T. Westcott, Marion deK. Smith, James A. Pearce, Colin F. Stam.

PROPERTY SOLD.—John D. Urie, Esq., mortgagee, sold on Saturday last the Rasin dwelling house, owned by Thomas Lusby, to Wm. T. Matthews, for $1,500.

The old frame building on the lot recently purchased by the Second National Bank, adjoining the store of Mr. J. K. Aldridge, was sold on Tuesday to Edw. Lambert for $41.50. The new banking house will be commenced as soon as the preliminary arrangements can be made.

THE GLORIOUS FOURTH.—Arrangements have been inaugurated to celebrate the approaching Fourth of July in Chestertown on even a grander scale than last year. A subscription list can be found at Stam's drug store, and all patriotic citizens are solicited to contribute towards the expenses. A meeting to further the project will be held at ten o'clock this morning at the office of H. H. Barroll, Esq., and all interested are requested to be present.

MAD DOGS ABOUT.—There are said to be many mad dogs at large in the upper section of Kent and in Cecil county at this time. Mr. C. S. Hurlock, near Masseys, killed one of these animals on the porch of his dwelling last Sunday morning. "Cad" is well supplied with dogs, being an ardent fox-hunter, and had to kill a number of his own hounds and secure the balance.

FUN AT WORTON MANOR BEACH.—There will be a wheelbarrow race, clay pigeon shooting, a boat race and other amusements at Gale's new resort—Worton Manor Beach—on the Fourth. Ample accommodation for all who may attend.

THE GREAT WILD WEST SHOW opens today at Tolchester.

Personal Mention.

Pof. E. J. Clarke, of Washington College, has received the degree of A. M. from St. John's College, Annapolis. An honor worthily conferred.

Mr. J. Alfred Perkins, of Philadelphia, son of Dr. J. A. Perkins, is spending his vacation with his parents.

Charles F. Harper, son of Mr. George W. Harper, of Still Pond; Mr. R. C. Leaverton, son of Mr. I. R. Leaverton, of Lankford; and Mr. Wm. Watts, Jr., son of Mr. Wm. Watts, of Still Pond, pupils of the Conference Academy, Dover, Del., are at home for the summer vacation. All of them made creditable addresses at the commencement last week.

Miss Amy Jones, of Parksley, Va., was one of the belles at the hop Wednesday night. She is the guest of Mrs. Postmistress Brown.

Mr. Merritt M. Beck and children, of St. Louis, Mo., is visiting Dr. Samuel Beck.

Prof. E. J. Clarke left yesterday for his home at Pocomoke city, where he will enjoy a needed rest. Profs. Reid, Micou and Watts will make the college their home this summer.

Mr. Geo. Tarre, of Crisfield, has been on a visit to Mr. I. Frank Vandegrift, Chestertown.

Miss Lucy Robertson, a teacher in St. Hilda's School, Pa., and a very popular young lady in Chestertown, will spend her vacation in Kent.

Mr. Harry Willis, of Worton, went out to view the West a short time ago with a view to locating, but returned home last week. He found no place like Kent.

Mr. Albert Rivers and Dr. Rivers, sons of Prof. W. J. Rivers, have been on a visit home this week.

Mr. Thos. Perry, editor of the Salisbury *Advertiser*, and James E. Ellegood, Esq., of Salisbury, were present at the college commencement this week.

Mrs. S. A. Dodd is enjoying a respite from the cares of household duties among the hills of Pennsylvania with Rev. John S. Bates.

Mr. Benj. Collins, son of Mr. John W. Collins, of Baltimore, is in town, engaged at work painting a large advertisement board 100 feet long for Mr. John S. Vandegrift, which will be located at the Queen Anne's end of Chester bridge. Ben has traveled through twenty States and the Indian territory painting signs for Hood's Sarsaparilla Co. during the past two years.

Mr. Adam Jones, of Easton, spent several days in town this week, the guest of Mr. Samuel Hicks.

Mr. George Rouse, of this county, has been appointed policeman in Baltimore city, and is now wearing the blue.

Rev. J. S. Bowers, of Stewartstown, Pa., attended the commencement exercises this week.

Messrs. Howard Hubbard and Frank Willis, of Easton, has been visiting at Mr. T. R. Hubbard's.

Mrs. Kate Howard and children, of Chestertown, have returned home from a pleasant visit to Rehoboth.

Mr. P. T. McFeely and family, of Baltimore, are visiting at their paternal homes.

Mr. A. H. Reid, of Philadelphia, spent several days at the college this week with his brother, Dr. Reid.

Prof. W. Claude Schuyler and wife, M. Rosalie Schuyler *nee* Mitchell, of Phila., were in town this week.

Albert Constable, Jr., of Elkton passed a successful examination at Princeton, and will enter that institution in September.

Misses Annie and Gussie Carville, of Chestertown, are visiting at the residence of Mrs. C. C. Harper, near Centreville.

Mr. Charles Estes suffered greatly during the first part of the week with bladder trouble. He is not yet entirely relieved, though much better.

Col. H. C. Mullikin, of Easton, a prominent Republican politician and lawyer—and the gentleman who unraveled the post-office entanglements of that town by accepting the appointment of postmaster himself—was in Chestertown last Thursday on business.

Mr. Benj. F. Flounders, of Cecil, spent several days with Mr. Wm. F. Russell this week.

THE coroner's jury investigating the responsibility for Hiram Dugan's death at Wilmington finally adjourned without ascertaining the facts. A resolution was adopted requesting the proper authorities to continue the investigation and bring, if possible, the guilty parties to justice.

THE Democrat contest announced to be held at Bond M. E. Church on the 26th instant, has been postponed until Tuesday evening, July 1, at 8 o'clock. Fairlee Grange choir will furnish the music. Seats free and all invited.

DURING the storm of Monday night the lightning struck the dwelling of Louis Everhart, in Sassafras, and damaged the building considerably, but did not seriously injure any one.

CHARGE OF LARCENY.—Joe Davis, colored, of Chestertown, was before Justice Johnson yesterday charged by John Hamilton, colored, of Stulltown, with the larceny of a buggy and harness. Committed for a further hearing.

MARRIED.

At Abingdon, Harford county, Md., May 28, 1890, by the Rev. Mr. German, FRED. S. RINGGOLD, of Kent Island, and SUSIE A. WILLIAMS, of Harford county, Md.

DIED.

At his residence in Quaker Neck, on the 17th of June, 1890, of dropsy, JAMES STOOPS, aged 73 yrs.

In Quaker Neck, June 20, 1890, CLARENCE OLIVER, infant son of Wm. H. and Mary Hickey, aged 3 months.

In Chestertown, June 26, 1890, CLIFFORD, infant son of S. James and Anna D. Hallett, aged 5 months and 20 days.

CHRIST CHURCH.—Sabbath Services: 10½ A. M., "A Coronet of Brilliants;" 8 P. M., summer series, "A Night Vision."

M. E. CHURCH.—Rev. H. C. TURNER, of Dickinson College, will preach in the morning, and DR. WILLEY'S subject for the evening will be "Our National Possibilities and Dangers."

RELIGIOUS SERVICES at St. Andrew's Church, Galena, Sunday (tomorrow) at 10½ o'clock A. M., and at Shrewsbury Church 7½ P. M.
REV. J. MARTIN.

—GRAND—

Annual Picnic

July 2, 1890,

At McCauley's Woods, near Lambson's.

Benefit of St. Dennis' Church, Galena, Md. Grand Music by the Middletown Band. If the weather should prove unfavorable the Picnic will be held on the first fair day thereafter.

j21-2t. J. A. MURPHY, Pastor.

New Summer Resort!

I HAVE MY PLACE ON WORTON CREEK ALL READY NOW FOR

Sunday-Schools, Picnics,

Fishing Parties and the Public generally.

BOARDERS will be accommodated during the summer on reasonable terms.

Parties wishing their Horses Fed and taken care of will be accommodated.

j21-3t JOHN GALE.

CLERK WANTED:

A YOUNG MAN of some experience and who can come well recommended is wanted to clerk in my Dry Goods and Grocery Store.
A. J. CAHALL,
j28-3t. Chestertown, Md.

FESTIVAL.

The Children of the Kennedyville Public School will hold a FESTIVAL on the School Green, FRIDAY and SATURDAY Evenings, June 27 and 28. Proceeds for the benefit of the school. The public is cordially invited to attend.
j21-2t. L. J. SMYTH, Teacher.

CAUTION TO TRESPASSERS.

All persons are hereby cautioned against fishing, crabbing, bathing or otherwise trespassing on the wharf on my premises, formerly known as "Radcliffe" or "Spencer's Wharf." The law will be enforced against all disrespecting this notice.
j28-3t. A. M. BROWN.

Oh, My! Oh, Me! Oh, Me! Oh, My!

THE SECOND ANNUAL GREAT

Combination Excursion!

From CHESTERTOWN and points on Chester River to BAY RIDGE!

On TUESDAY, 8th of July, 1890,

ON THE NEW AND MAGNIFICENT

Steamer 'Tockwogh,'

the Flyer of the Chesapeake, capacity 1,100.

BOAT WILL LEAVE:

Chestertown	6.30 A. M.	Queenstown	8.30 A. M.
Rolph's	6.50 "	Kent Island	9.00 "
Booker's	7.20 "	Rock Hall	9.44 "
Quaker Neck	7.30 "		

arriving at Bay Ridge 12 o'clock noon, will leave at 5 P. M., giving five hours to enjoy the beauty and attractions of this beautiful and attractive resort.

The School