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LOCAL MATTERS.

Now an Expert.—In a letter to a Chestertown friend, Prof. Tinsley, formerly of Washington College, states that he is delightfully situated at Albuquerque, New Mexico. Prof. Tinsley holds the chair of sciences in a large educational institution and has been called in as an expert in a number of important cases in the courts, and in two cases criminals were sent to the penitentiary for twenty years largely upon his testimony.

Played Havoc With Sheep.—Dogs played havoc with sheep in the vicinity of Fairlee last week. Several fine ewes were killed for Mr. Beachamp Lecompt, ten for Mr. Joseph Reed, on the Wm. E. Keyser farm, and eight for Mr. James Groves. None of the dogs have been killed thus far. This should be a warning to the farmers to pen their sheep at night. Or would it not be better to try a dog law in the county.

Services Offered to "Uncle Sam."—The members of Still Pond Council No. 182, Jr. Order U. A. M., at a meeting on Monday evening decided to offer their services to the United States in the event of war between this country and Spain. The matter was thoroughly discussed, and Secretary John Sutton was ordered to notify the Secretary of War of the action of the Still Pond Council, and the gentlemen will now prepare to be ready for the summons to arms should it come.

Died of Joy—The death several days ago of Ellen Frisby, an aged colored woman of Chestertown, may be traced directly to joy. The woman was eighty years of age and on Saturday a granddaughter and several friends from Baltimore came over to see her. One of the visitors walked ahead of the others and went in and spoke to the aged woman who expressed her joy at seeing her. She then asked where "the other girls" were, and upon being told that they had come over and were on their way to the house, the next moment, with a smile of joy on her face her head fell forward on her breast and the woman was dead.

The New Steamer Susquehanna.—This handsome vessel now being built by Reeder & Sons, at Baltimore, for the Port Deposit and Havre de Grace Line, will be launched on Saturday, April 30, at 1 P. M. The steamer is built of iron and steel and will be, when completed, one of the finest of Baltimore's fleet of fine vessels. She will be ready to go into commission about June 5th. The steamer Emma Giles makes an excursion from Tolchester on April 30th, leaving at 9 A. M. and returning leave Baltimore at 3.30 P. M., giving one hour longer in the city than usual, so that excursionists can see the launch, or spend the time shopping.

Answers Solicited--Don't all Speak at Once.—An answer is challenged to the following simple apple problem: Three boys had a number of apples. They threw one away and then divided the number remaining in three parts, A. taking one part. They put the balance together, threw one away and then divided them in three parts, B. taking one part. They placed the balance together, threw one away, divided them in three parts, C. taking one part. They then threw the balance together, threw one away, then divided them in three parts, A. taking one part, B. one, and C. the other. How many apples had they at first and how many had A. how many B. and how many C.?

Sam Jones to Lecture Here.—Rev. Sam Jones, who will lecture in Stam's hall under the auspices of the Chestertown M. E. Church, on April the tenth, is one of the most picturesque and interesting characters on the lecture platform of this country. As rugged as the oak in his way of stating truths, his thoughts are as clear as crystal, and many of them soul-stirring and beautiful. He tells the following interesting incident of his lecture experiences; "An old colored woman who once said to me: 'God bless you, you preaches more like a nigger than any white preacher I ever heard; you've got a white skin, but, thank God you have got a black heart.'"

Will Ring Out the Alarm.—Mr. John S. Vandegrift has made arrangements with the Baltimore *American* to have the news telegraphed to him just as soon as war has been declared between the United States and Spain. He will announce the event by the ringing of the bell on Stam's Hall. In war or peace Mr. Vandegrift is a hustler, and he has had a suitable carriage made by Contractor Walter R. Pippin, and to-day at two o'clock the historic Caulk's Field cannon will be mounted in front of his place on Cross street, "ready," as Mr. Vandegrift expresses it, "to sweep the Spaniards out of existence if they land here." He further says: "General John Brice will direct the movements of the artillery. Gunner, John N. Dodd. On General Brice's staff will be Jervis Spencer, Josiah Massey and John Dodd."

To-day's Big Game.—The great baseball game of the year will take place on the Washington College campus this afternoon. The Washington College giants with but one game this season, and that a rousing victory, will cross bats with the strong team of Harvard University. This team is just closing a series of games through the south and have not only had the benefit of much practice but of many victories as well. These facts will not do away with a necessity on their part to watch the Washington College men who know what it means to play strong teams and to put up "fast ball" if the occasion demands. It is stated that the train will leave Chestertown immediately after the game, which will call about three o'clock, and will give any who may wish to witness the game a pleasant opportunity to do so.

Kent's Smallest Man Dead.—Millington was both surprised and shocked on Saturday morning to learn of the death of Enos Jones, the smallest man in Kent. Enos was out on Thursday, but complained of feeling tired. Friday morning he was unable to go out, and his mother began ministering to his relief, but seeing that he was getting no better summoned Dr. J. C. Hackett who staid with him until his death, about nine o'clock that night. Our correspondent writes: "Enos will be greatly missed as he was a favorite with every one who knew him, and while he was small and went about the town alone, every one had an eye that no harm should befall him and that he did not get into danger. Enos was about thirty inches tall, weighed between fifty and sixty pounds, and was in the thirtieth year of his age. He was a son of the late Clayton Jones, of this town. His funeral took place Monday afternoon. Services in the M. E. Church South, conducted by Rev. Edgar Wilson; interment in the Millington cemetery. His pall bearers were: Messrs. Harry Talbot, James Scotten, Walter Greenwood and Raymond Waddell. The funeral was in charge of Mr. T. M. Britton."

New Physicians.—Dr. H. B. Simmons, of Ohio, has rented the residence on High street formerly occupied by Dr. T. H. Cooper, and will commence at once the practice of medicine in Chestertown. His goods and family are now on the way to their new home. Miss Elizabeth Wickes, who occupied a portion of the building has moved into the handsome new store of Thomas Stockton Wickes, where she will continue her dress-making parlors. Dr. Colley, who has a fine practice in Sudlersville, has rented the house on Market Space vacated by Mr. and Mrs. W. O. B. Knight, and will come to Chestertown to practice his profession. Both physicians come highly recommended. Mrs. Colley is a graduate in dentistry and will practice her profession.

Two Heavy Damage Suits.—Whiteley Johnson, who trades as R. Thompson, on Friday last sued The Chestertown Water Co. for $15,000, and the Commissioners of Chestertown for a like sum. The cases were docketed through Hope H. Barroll, his attorney. It will be remembered that on Feb. 27th. last, Mr. Thompson's fine property together with his entire stock of goods, which had been recently largely increased by the addition of a new department to his store, was destroyed by fire. His total loss on the store, dwelling and stock was between $12,000 and $15,000. Mr. Johnson claims that the Water Company did not keep a sufficient head of water in accordance with the contract with tax-payers of Chestertown; that the town should have seen that the Water Works carried out their contract, and for disregard of its duty the town is liable. Mr. Johnson claims his taxes have been large and he has paid them regularly, and for default of duty on the part of the Water Company and of the Town Commissioners he should be reimbursed. He states that he would unquestionably have met with little or no loss if the fire could have been approached with a sufficient force of water to have subdued the flame when it was first discovered. The case will present many novel and interesting points, and is one of extreme interest to all persons living in country towns. One result may be that our town commissioners, and the commissioners of other towns are compelled to see that all appliances for extinguishing fires are always in proper condition. If this be the ultimate result then our town and other towns will derive a lesson which many think is one better learned late than not at all.

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL.

Miss Bertha Coursey, of Winchester, Queen Anne's county, and Mr. William B. DeCoursey, of Rock Hall, Kent county, were married on Thursday evening, at the Winchester Methodist Church by Rev. E. S. Fooks. The bride was attired in a gown of tan whipcord, trimmings, hat and gloves to match. The ushers were Mr. Archie Coursey, brother of the bride; Mr. Henry Vansant, of Baltimore; Mr. John Boyles, of Queenstown, and Mr. John McConner, of Centreville. Mrs. E. L. Thomas was the organist.

One of the most delightful social occasions of the season was the christening at Mr. Jesse Usilton's on Thursday. The handsome little son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Willis were christened, and the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Usilton was christined Ralph Hines Usilton, in honor of Dr. W. Frank Hines. Ralph is a splendid specimen of finely developed babyhood. Dr. J. L. Mills officiated. An elegant dinner was served. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. John P. Nicholson, Mr. and Mrs. William T. Nicholson, Mr. and Mrs. Walter T. Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Wash G. Skirven, Mr. and Mrs. J. Walter Skirven, Dr. J. L. Mills and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John E. Morris, Mr. and Mrs. S. Vannort, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph R. Usilton, Mr. and Mrs. Romie Skirvin, Miss Blanche Smyth, and Mr. Murray Smyth, Mrs. Loud, Messrs. L. J. Usilton and Lou Alrich.

Ex-representative Charles H. Daugherty, an uncle of Dr. G. Allen Jarman, is a personal friend and ardent admirer of W. J. Bryan, and was among his callers during his recent visit to Philadelphia.

Mrs. R. Bergen, and her new milliner, have been in Philadelphia and New York this week, and selected a large stock of millinery of the latest styles.

Miss E. Marshall has spent the present week in New York and other cities selecting gems of fashion for her spring and summer millinery. Her stock will be, as it has been, a thing of beauty and a joy forever, for her customers.

Invitations have been issued by Mr. and Mrs. John H. Simpers, to their silver wedding or the twenty-fifth anniversary of their marriage, on April the twenty-ninth, from 8 to 11 o'clock.

The approaching marriage of Miss Nannie Nichols and Mr. Spencer G. Newnam, at Centreville, in June, promises to be one of the most brilliant and important social events in many seasons. Both Miss Nichols and Mr. Newnam are widely known in Kent, where they have a wide circle of warm personal friends.

CHURCH AND PEW.

Pleasant Social Occasions in the Routine of Church Work.

The "Mothers Sewing Circle" of Emmanuel P. E. Church, closed this year's work on Friday last. The ladies in charge of the work are, Mrs. S. C. Roberts, Mrs. Eben F. Perkins and Miss Rebecca Wickes. The meetings are held every Friday afternoon, after an opening service of song and prayer the time is devoted to reading and sewing, each member receiving as many garments as she makes. During the past winter there were one hundred and thirty-seven pieces donated. The last meeting was the tenth anniversary, and was the occasion by a delightful supper served in the Sunday school room by the lady managers, for the "Mothers," whose only duty was to enjoy themselves. At the close of the evening each guest was presented with a pretty shirt waist.

On Saturday afternoon the "Girls Friendly Society" closed with a feast of ices and cake. The favors on this occasion were lovely blooming plants. Handkerchiefs were also given to each member. The girls showed their appreciation of the pleasure planned for them by presenting their teachers with pretty growing ferns. The ladies in charge of the "Friendly" are Mrs. S. C. Roberts, Mrs. George Brice, Miss Mary Beck and Miss May Ireland. These societies are not sectarian in their benefits, but are open to those to whom they can be of the most use.

By request, "Queen Esther" will be the subject of the sermon at the M. E. Church next Sunday night. The choir will render part of the Queen Esther Cantata music. Everybody welcome.

Friends of Rev. W. P. Compton, at Port Deposit, report that gentleman as doing a splendid work at Tome Memorial Church. After his faithful stewardship the demand for his recall was practically unanimous both by his people and the officials of his church. The numerous friends of Mr. and Mrs. Compton in Kent, while not surprised, will be glad to receive such pleasant reports from them in their present field of labor.

Large congregations are attending the Sunday services in St. Denis' Church, Galena. Next Sunday, the rector, Father McManus, will lecture on the "Confessional." Services begin at 10.30 A. M. Seats free.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

Bits of News and Gossip Gathered Here, There and Everywhere.

† Leonard Rawleigh, the little cripple so well-known to every one in Chestertown, now sells the Baltimore *American* for Mr. John S. Vandegrift, and is given the total profits on the papers he sells.

† Mr. John H. Aldridge had rather an exciting experience with a monster black snake on Sunday. He was out walking and came suddenly upon two large snakes, one of which attacked him. A stick was secured and Mr. Aldridge came out victorious.

† Messrs. Chapman & Lambert have built one of the finest milk wagons ever seen in Kent for Mr. Walter T. Morris. The wagon is prettily lettered, "Locust Hill Dairy."

† The days of the glory of the peach have not yet passed. Mr. William Biggs is planting out 10,000 trees, 4000 on the Smith farm and 6000 on the Howard Stevens farm, not far from Millington.

† A prominent Double Creek peach and vegetable grower gives out the following as a result of close observation for years: "I have never known a failure of the peach crop when the blossoms came out on the light of the moon. The buds came out just right this year, and in my judgment we will have a big fruit crop."

† Four bunches of asparagus shipped by Mr. Serick Shallcross on Monday morning, from Shallcross' wharf was the first shipment from that point this year. Several shipments were made by the Chester river steamers the same day.

† Mr. Wm. T. Slagle still holds the honor position among Queen Anne early corn planters. He finished up early last week in lead of the procession.

† Mr. William Culp on Monday broke ground for a pretty cottage residence on Washington avenue. The new building, which is being built by Contractor A. M. Culp, will be on the lot between the residence of Dr. G. Allen Jarman and Mr. W. S. Culp. The new residence just across the street is rapidly nearing completion.

† Mr. Joseph Edwards moved into his handsome new harness store on Thursday of last week. This is almost a record-breaker. The building was burned on February 27th, the work of preparing for the foundation commenced on the following Wednesday, and now the veteran harness man and his son are busily at work in their new building.

† Work in the court house green has been completed. Mr. R. G. Nicholson has planted 37 handsome maples, and he and Mr. Robert N. Boston have removed 8 of the old stumps left by the republican commissioners' board. The stumps of the trees sawed off were filled with saltpetre to hasten their decay.

† Engineer Enoch N. Roland met with painful injuries at the straw board mill on Saturday. While wiping off the engine his hand was caught in the machinery, one finger was torn off and two other fingers badly injured. During Mr. Roland's temporary disability Mr. John Harris is filling his place as engineer.

† Mr. Jester, of Edesville, had a thirty pound snapping turtle in town last week. He was a monster, and a man weighing one hundred and fifty pounds standing on the turtle's back failed to force his under shell to the ground. Mr. Jester estimated his age at 75 years.

APRIL TERM OF COURT.

A Long and Interesting Session the Outlook—Three Murder and Several Cases to Occupy the Attention of the Court.

The April term of the Circuit Court for Kent county convened on Monday morning with Chief Judge James A. Pearce on the bench. The January docket was called and after some unimportant business the term was adjourned and the April term officially opened.

The following jurors were drawn:

GRAND JURORS.

4. W. S. Walker, foreman;	2. Jos. W. Harper,
2. W. G. Rasin,	2. W. T. Crow,
7. George Beck,	1. J. F. M. Woodall,
1. Frank P. Cochran,	2. W. H. Bowers,
2. Wm. Janvier,	1. Theo. Dempsey,
2. John H. Clendaniel,	2. J. W. Rogers,
7. J. Walter Skirven,	6. Thos. W. Skirven,
5. T. Romie Strong,	1. John McGuigan,
3. Wm. D. Pennington,	4. J. H. Simpers,
4. J. D. Bacchus,	1. W. H. Spry,
2. C. S. Hill,	3. J. G. Harris,
	5. John Dickinson.

PETIT JURORS.

2. John Medders,	5. F. E. Stevens,
5. W. Thomas of Wm.,*	2. J. R. Copper,
6. H. C. Willis,	5. A. A. Casey,
5. W. H. Hadaway,	4. W. D. Burchinal,
1. W. E. Jarrell,	2. Garrett Foxwell,*
3. J. B. Crowding,	1. W. T. Hicks,
5. Geo. W. Atwell,	2. D. J. Nowland,*
7. A. C. Loud,	5. C. C. Wood,
4. J. K. Aldridge,	1. J. T. Matthews,
2. W. A. Kennedy,	3. Ellsworth Bowers,
4. R. K. Pippin,	7. H. C. Lusby,
4. T. E. Hayes,	1. D. J. Hall.
5. J. H. Ruth,	

* Excused.

The case of the State of Maryland against Samnel Schofield was ordered continued by the State's attorney.

The court room was literally crowded on Monday morning to see Chief Judge Pearce preside for the first time at a jury term in his own county. Judge Martin joined him at noon and the judicial machine moved along smoothly and with as little friction as it were possible. Judge Pearce's charge to the grand jury was one of the most comprehensive and faultless charges ever delivered in a Kent county court. Judge Stump appeared on the bench for the first time this term yesterday.

Clerk James T. Dixon was completely broken into official harness on Monday and stood the severe test in a way to disarm criticism. He showed an astonishing familiarity with the complicated routine of the court, knew all of the oaths and charges and was equipped for his official duties.

Deputy Frank Greenwood was, as might have been expected, perfectly at home in his old office as deputy.

Sheriff Bedford Roe passed through his first court experience on Monday, and fulfilled every duty of his office with the ease and dispatch of a veteran. A stranger would have supposed that he and his deputy, Mr. Gill, had been raised in their present office. The right men are certainly in the right place.

The first case called was the appeal from Justice Beck in the case of the State against Samuel Carter, charged with larceny. Jury trial. Verdict not guilty.

TUESDAY.

Judges Pearce and Martin on the bench. Judge Stump arrived at noon. In the case of Ramey against Vannort the court decided that Ramey was not a citizen.

Grand Jury brought in presentments against Joseph Wallace for murder, Joseph Wright for murder, William White, larceny.

Case of J. P. Hatcherson vs. T. E. W. Crew, appeal from Justice Beck, Jury trial. Verdict for Crew.

WEDNESDAY.

Day was taken up principally with appeals from Justices of the Peace. Grand Jury brought in presentment against Harry Latham, charged with breaking into warehouse at Shallcross' wharf.

Wm. T. Whitely *vs.* John N. Dood appeal from Justice Wilkins. Judgment reversed, and judgment for Dodd, $40. Each to pay costs.

Dodd vs. Whitely appeal from Justice Wright, Judgment reversed, costs above and below.

James Cummins vs. State, continued. Appeal from Justice Wright, not guilty.

W. A. Brady naturalized.

Grand Jury brought in indictments against Joseph Wallace, true bill. Jas. Wright, true bill.

Grand Jury presented Harry Latham for breaking into warehouse of T. J. Shallcross and larceny of ambrosia.

Grand Jury have brought in true bill against William White. James Thompson presented for the murder of William Hynson. Benjamin Carter presented as accessory to the murder. Wm. Deaver presented for larceny.

A Y. CONFERENCE.

A Pleasant and Profitable Occasion at Worton on Thursday.

A GREAT WORK.

In spite of the inclemency of the weather, the Y. Conference held in the Worton Presbyterian Church on Wednesday, was well attended and was pronounced by all a splendid success. Because of the rain the morning session was merged into the afternoon meeting, when a fairly large attendance was vouchsafed by a number of earnest temperance women and a few gentlemen.

Miss Anne R. Stewart, Mrs. L. M. Corey, Miss Florence Jewell and others read interesting papers and gave practical talks relative to the great work of temperance reform in Kent and throughout the world.

Mrs. Ella Boole gave a charming impromptu talk during the afternoon, and C. C. Hopper spoke on Temperance Through the Press.

At night the attendance was large and the exercises of a most interesting nature. Mrs. Boole, in her own gentle, convincing way, took in the entire field of temperance work.

It is needless to say that all present were delighted. The Chapman Quartett, Messrs. David B. Ford, Warren Hurlock, James Shuster and Arthur Hurlock, delighted the audience with their selections of sweet music.

But for the fact that we have been disappointed in receiving a promised report in detail, the account of Thursday's exercises would have gladly received at our hands the thoroughness of treatment which their importance and interest demands. A magnificent work is being done by many noble, zealous women in Kent, seeds are being sown which the future will see ripened into an abundant harvest of golden grain. On with the work, and may success crown it.

MILLINGTON MATTERS.

The Millington Council Jr. O. U. A. M. had a flag raising on Saturday afternoon. In the evening they held a public meeting in the town hall. Several prominent speakers were present who addressed the audience.

Dr. N. Comegys and wife, were called to the bed-side of their daughter, Miss Rose, who was taken very sick while on a visit to friends in Easton, Md.

Mrs. Howard Marshall and daughter have returned to their home in Wilmington, after spending two weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Bailey.

Mr. Bradford Dudley, of Church Hill, spent Sunday with friends in town.

Mr. J. T. Power started for New York last Thursday, to join his wife, who has been visiting his sister, Mrs. Wm. DuHamel. They will return this week.

Mr. B. F. Vansant, attended the Great Council of Jr. O. U. A. M. held at Saulsbury, this week. He was a delegate from the Millington Council.

Mr. J. H. Hurtt and Miss Alice Austin, of Chestertown, spent Sunday with relatives in town.

Mrs. L. Gardner, accompanied by her son, Dr. Frank Gardner, have returned to their home in Leipsic, Del., after visiting Mrs. Gardner's sister-in-law, Mrs. Harriett Moffett.

Miss Cora Hynson, who has been acting as substitute for Miss Vic Power, has returned to her home in Chestertown.

Mr. Harry Jones and Miss Eva Whittington, were quietly married at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Mary Whittington, Friday evening, April 15, by Dr. D. F. Waddell.

Miss Tabitha Grier, of Frederica, Del., is visiting Mrs. James L. Wharton.

Mrs. J. W. Duling and grand-daughter, have returned from visiting friends in Baltimore and Centreville.

Dr. E. G. Clark and family have returned home from Baltimore, where they have been spending the winter during the doctor's term in the House of Delegates, Annapolis, Md.

FAIRLEE ITEMS.

A Beautiful Arbor Day Exercise—Flag Presentation.

Editors TRANSCRIPT:—Last Friday being Arbor Day, special exercises were prepared for our public schools, and notwithstanding the inclement weather there were quite a number present for the occasion. The exercises commenced with singing America, recitation, "We Have Come," Hattie Lewis; recitation, "Plant a Tree," 1st Grade; instrumental music, Mabel Nicholson; "Thoughts About Trees," five boys; chorus, "Little Blossoms"; recitation, "The Oak," Floyd Ward; duet, Alice and Thomas Kendall; quotations, by 1st and 2nd grade; singing, "Look Above You," Nannie Gale and Florence Nicholson; instrumental music, "Royal Two-step," Hattie Lewis; dialogue, "The Arbor Day Queen;" recitation, "The River," Agnes Lewis and Fannie Ward; singing, "Never Say Fail," school-music; "Pet of the Household," Alice Kendall; recitation, "Gladness of Nature," Fannie Godwin; recitation, "Forward March," four girls; chorus, "The Little Red School House;" reading, "The American Flag," Georgie Lee; Patriotic Quotations, by school; instrumental music, Edgar Miller; singing, "Columbia the Gem of the Ocean," school, after which a beautiful American Flag six by ten feet was presented to the school by the Fairlee Council Jr. O. U. A. M. The presentation address was made by Professor Archibald Ramage, also an address by Mr. A. M. Kendall in which he thanked the Order in behalf of the trustees, for their gift. We were then favored with a beautiful address by our much loved and efficient teacher, Miss Carrie I. Smyth. She also expressed her thanks for herself and school for the present. She fully explained the meaning of each color of the flag and impressed upon her pupil's minds the true value of the American ensign.

Special exercises were also held at the Melitota School, Miss Sadie Nickerson, teacher. That school will also be the recipient of a flag from our Council very soon.

There was a case of *Scarletina* in our village last week and not *Scarlet Fever* as reported. The little patient is now out and running around.

Mr. S. D. Leaverton's youngest child is dangerously ill at this writing.

Mrs. Joseph Leaverton is sufficiently recovered to be out again.

Mr. and Mrs. Alcott, of Chestertown, have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hague, near Melitota.

Mrs. Annie Crow has been very sick for a fortnight.

Mr. R. A. Smyth continues to improve slowly.

The I. O. H. S. held their regular semi-monthly meeting last monday night.

The death of Mrs. Susanna Diehl was quite a shock to her many friends in this community.

A great many of our farmers are planting corn this week. EAST END.

DIED.

BOONE.—James Pembroke, one of the twin babies of Mr. and Mrs. James R. Boone, died last Thursday, aged two months and fourteen days.

DEIHL.—Mrs. S. R. Deihl died at her home in Mill street early Sunday morning, aged 62 years. The deceased leaves five children, viz Wm. E. Parsons, J. L. Parsons, Miss Ella Parsons, Mrs. Frank W. Fowler and Mrs. Thomas Nugent. Funeral services were held from her late residence, Monday afternoon.

ARBOR DAY EXERCISES.

Pleasant Programme at Chestertown and Pine Neck.

The following enjoyable programme was carried out at Chestertown public school:

Instrumental solo, G. A. R. March, Ada Barnett; recitation, The Daisy, Dovie Connelly; The Doll Show, pupils of 2nd grade; The Three Trees, nine boys of 3rd grade; reading, Leaves and What They do, May Cannan; What Girls Love to do, five girls of 4th grade; recitation, The Butterfly, Louise Carroll; song, My Bonny Bird, girls of 2-6 grade; concert recitation, pupils of 2nd grade; reading, The Origin of Children's Day, Jennie Hines; The Coming of the Birds, pupils of 1st grade; Our Choice of Trees, pupils of 3rd grade; essay, Our Flower Calendar, Nora Boston; recitation, The Secret, Leon Boston; Dialogue, Aunt Polly's Lesson, four girls of 5th grade; recitation, A Little Boy's Speech, Paul Jones; Recitation, Growth, Merle Dadds; recitation, The Elf Child, Mary Whaland; song, Swinging Neath the Old Apple Tree, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grades.

AT PINEY NECK.

Arbor Day was celebrated at Piney Neck school on Friday last by a very interesting literary and musical programme. The exercises opened at 2 P. M., and notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather the school room was packed to its utmost capacity.

The program as prepared and rendered by teachers and pupils was of a very interesting character and met the hearty approval of all present. The singing and speaking, which were exceptionally good, proved the marked ability of our teachers, Miss Betty T. Wallis and Miss Clara B. Van Dyke, as it also showed the earnest efforts put forth by the pupils. The school-room was beautifully decorated with evergreen and flowers, while American flags both large and small added greatly to the attractions of the occasion. The order of exercises given was as follows:

Chorus, "Happy Greeting," by the school; "Welcome Address," Stella Frazier; "Salutation," Percy Strong; recitation, "Arbor Day," Marie Heinefeld; recitation, "No Time to Lose," Mattie Higgins; chorus, "Keeping Time," six little girls; reading, "Forestry," Fairy Edwards; chorus, "Proud Flag of the Free," by school; recitation, "If I Were You," John Grant; dialogue, "The Coming Woman," by 7 girls; solo, "Plant blossoms," by Hattie Beck; recitation, "Dare to Say No," Richard Grant; reading, "Aunt Melissi on Boys," Mary Hodges; chorus, "Our Pleasant School," by 7 second grade pupils; recitation, "Mary's Leetle Lamb," Oliver Frazier; solo and chorus, "My Bonnie Bird," Nora Crouch and 8 girls; recitation, "My Best Friend," Mary Staats; recitation, "The Old Tree's Story," Lizzie Heinefeld; motion dialogue, "Little Housekeepers," 5 girls; recitation, "As his Mother, etc.," by Helen Strong; duet, "Summer Morning," by Miss Clara B. Van Dyke and Mamie Crouch; recitation, "Mother," Mary Strong; recitation, "Help Yourself," John Capel; dialogue, solo and chorus, "Flag of Freedom," by 18 pupils; recitation, "Which One," Nora Crouch; chorus, "Cock-a-doodle-do," by 2nd grade; recitation, "A Man," James Burgess; recitation, "Artie's Amen," Mamie Crouch; recitation, "Arnold or Washington," Minnie Merse; recitation, "A Bad Beginning But a Good Ending," Hattie Beck; acrostic, "Arbor Day," 8 boys and girls; chorus, "I Love the Little White School House," by the school; recitation, "Be Polite," James Grant.

All the pupils in both departments of the school so rendered their pieces as to reflect credit upon their teachers and themselves. Miss Wallis who conducted the exercises proved herself equal for the occasion, and Miss Van Dyke who presided at the organ, performed her part in a manner which was pleasing to all present. While the entire program was highly appreciated, yet some deserve especial mention. "Aunt Melissi on Boys," by Miss Mary Hodges, received hearty applause, especially by the juvenile as they well knew that it represented their antics to perfection. The recitation "Mary's Leetle Lamb," by Oliver Frazier, also excited much laughter owing to the comical way in which it was delivered. "The Little Housekeepers," a dialogue, by Rilla Wood, Mary Leary, Elma Price, Hattie Beck and Annie Jones, should here be mentioned, as they gave us such a glowing description of what they would become in future years. And the last of which we speak, but by no means the least was, "The Flag of Freedom," by 18 pupils. While Miss Van Dyke played a beautiful march each boy and girl appeared upon the stage with an American flag in their hand. Appropriate verses were recited in defense of the flag, after which was sung a beautiful solo with chorus. The manner in which the little flag-bearers waved and saluted the "Stars and Stripes" was truly inspiring, and awakened a spirit of intense enthusiasm and true patriotism in the hearts of all present. Several other interesting recitations and songs were given, after which the audience was dismissed. After the planting of trees in commemoration of the day every one retired to their homes feeling highly pleased and greatly benefitted by the pleasant hours thus spent.

ONE PRESENT.

AT SCHOOL NO. 5.

The day was delightfully observed at School No. 5, second district, and the following program presented:

Song, "Merry We Go," school; "The Little Runaways," Nellie Watts, Hepbron Gill, Edwin Bennett, Ella Faulkner, Elwood Bramble, Nellie Cleaver, Alice Hepbron, Frank Quigly, Beulah Archibald; reading, "Woodman Spare that Tree," by Raymond Price; "The Crowning of the Forest King," John Price, Lewin Usilton, Harper Webb, Raymond Price, Nellie Watts, Nellie Cleaver, Alice Hepbron, Ella Faulkner, Julia Anthony, Della Bramble; reading, "Pine Tree Academy," by Harper Webb; recitation, "The Robin," by Edwin Bennett; "Motion song", by school; reading, "Three Trees," by Lewin Usilton; "Salute to the Flag," school; song, "Columbia, the Gem of the Ocean," school.

Ten trees were planted and received the names of Henry W. Longfellow, Isaac Watts, Alice Cary, Phoebe Cary, Pocahontas, Fitz-Hugh Lee, Frances Willard, George Washingotn, Duke of Wellington and General Wolfe.

The next instalment of C. A. Dana's "Reminiscences" (in the April McClure's) will give Mr. Dana's impressions of Lincoln and the several members of the Lincoln cabinet—particularly Seward and Chase—as Mr. Dana saw the officially and socially, day and night, during the most exciting part of the war. The paper will be illustrated with portraits from the Government Collection of War Photographs.

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