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LOCAL MATTERS.

A Pertinent Question.—The Somerset *Journal* says: "Mr. Frank Jones, manager of the James Dennis farm in the Princess Anne suburbs, has raised this year 1280 bushels of corn on eleven acres of land. Oh, ye up-the-shoreians, trot out your man to beat it!" "Ye up-the-shoreians" would respectfully ask "who measured the acres and the corn?"

On Another Voyage—Captain Louis K. Stam shipped yesterday from Baltimore, on the four-mast coasting schooner, Vanlie Black, for Charleston, South Carolina. After making the trip to Charleston and return, Capt. Stam will go with his vessel to the West Indies. The Wanderer, the small boat in which he set sail for Cuba, is safely harbored on Kent Island.

Gone to Queen Anne.—Mr. Joseph Rasin and family have moved from their old home near Lankford and are now settled in their handsome Paca's Island home. This is one of the finest estates on the Eastern Shore, and is more desirable now as a residence than ever before. Mr. Rasin has established a private ferry which brings his family within seven miles of Easton; he has a private wharf within one eighth of a mile of the residence, and taken all in all, it is an ideal country home.

Scott's Point Porkers—The citizens of Scott's Point celebrated their annual hog killing last week and fully sustained their reputation for fine porkers. The following weights were recorded: Richard Jones 405, 345; R. Blake 160, 258; James Chambers 270, 345, 280; George Gardner 295, 90; Ann Starling 222; Mitchell Bell 207, 526, 200; H. Jenkins 215, 225, 130; J. Jones 213; Nelson Reed 455, 430; P. Bently 200; E. Miller 275; S. Cann 185, 64; G. Yorker 140; Robson 66, 80, 129; F. Nichols 297, 323, 311.

A Horrible Accident.—News was received in Chestertown yesterday of the fatal shooting of a young girl at Edesville. The bearer of the sad intelligence was not in possession of the details of the shooting, but stated that the victim was a Miss Elburn, aged thirteen years. It seems that a cousin had been out gunning, and upon his return laid the loaded gun on a table in the room in which the unfortunate girl was. By some unexplained accident the weapon was discharged, the entire load taking effect in the abdoman of the girl. After the most intense suffering death came as a gracious relief yesterday morning.

No We Can't Beat This.—In the inspiring phraseology, of Editor Aker, of the Queenstown *News*, "We can not beat this." This is the way the Milton *Times* reports a happening down in Delaware: "A farmer living west of Milton, hung his vest on the fence in the barnyard; a calf chewed one of the pockets out of the garment, in which was contained a gold watch. Last week an animal, a staid old milch cow, was butchered for beef, and the timepiece was found in such a position between the lungs, of the cow, that the process of respiration, the closing and filling of the lungs kept the stem-winder wound up, and the watch had lost but four minutes in seven years."

Miss Crew Won.—Miss Lillie Crew, daughter of Mr. Alexander Crew, won in her damage case against Dr. C. W. Reid. The suit was watched with an unusual degree of interest throughout Kent. The case occupied three days and was given to the jury on Friday. After being out about two hours a verdict was brought in awarding Miss Crew $600. This throws the cost of the two removals, first to Centreville and thence to Easton, and the one continuance at Easton, on the defendant, Dr. Reid. The case was one of the heaviest legal battles before the Easton court in years. Messrs. Vickers and Hynson, for Miss Crew, and Mr. Smith, and Edwin H. Brown, Esq., of Centreville, for Dr. Reid, fought every point involved with consummate skill and great stubbornness.

For Comparison Only.—Now that Christmas dainties and Christmas prices are on, a comparison of Chestertown prices and prices at some other points of the globe doubtless will be of interest It is not necessary to give Kent county's price list, for every good housewife either know's or will know that figures are down to the bed-rock basis. Now here are some of the early fall prices at Dawson City, in the Klondyke, the fancy Christmas prices not having as yet arrived: Flour is selling at $16 per 100; cornmeal, 25 cents per pound; bacon, 35 to 50 cents per pound; beans, 15 cents per pound; rice, 25 cents per pound; evaporated fruits, 35 cents per pound; baking powder, $1 per pound; can butter, $1.50 per pound; milk, $1 per pint can; beefsteak, 75 cents to $1 per pound; moose meat, 60 cents per pound; sugar, 35 cents per pound; potatoes 50 cents per pound; green apples, 25 cents each; watermelons, $25 each; cranberry and custard pies $1 each and Heaven help the poor fellow that has to eat them. Tobacco is now selling at $2.50 per pound. There are only two milk cows in Dawson, and, although feed is high, hay being $400 per ton, the owner is coining money. The two cows were brought down the Yukon on a scow, and the owner was offered $500 each for them before they were landed.

PULPIT AND PEW.

An artistically painted, shield-shaped board has been placed in front of the M. E. Church, on which are registered in gold letters all the services of the church and the hours they begin. At the top of the board is the cordial statement: "Everybody, to all services, welcome." Our fellow-townsman, D. P. Jones, did the painting, and the work is equal to that of a city artist.

The quarterly conference, held in the M. E. Church last Monday afternoon, was one of interest, and evidenced that the church is in splendid condition in all its departments. The quarterly meeting religious services on Sunday were not largely attended because of the storm.

The reading circle, which holds its weekly meetings on Tuesday nights, was largely attended last Tuesday. Investment of Influence, by Hugh Hillis; Supremacy of Law, by Bishop Newman; Young People's Problems, by Geo. Miller, and Evolution or Revelation—Which? by Lutter Townsend, were the books which were partly reviewed. Beside this Dr. Hall gave a very interesting lecture on "The Lower Form of Animal Life." Dr. Grise announced that he desired to place good reading within reach of everybody in Chestertown, and that he would furnish a book to any one who will read it. Only two conditions are imperative; the person desiring a book must have it registered on the secretary's book, and no book can be kept out longer than two weeks without a renewal of registry. This is done to keep trace of the books. No charge is made. The plan is open to everybody.

The Sunday school at Union, in Queen Anne, has selected "The Herald Star" programme for Christmas, and is busy practicing it. Thomas Smith is superintendent.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

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

† The Tolchester Company will run special before-Christmas excursions on December 10th, 17th, 24th and 31st, giving full four hours in the city.

† Monday morning brought the highest tide of the year. Water was banked up on the Chestertown public landing and well up to Water street.

† During the high wind of Monday morning a letter belonging to Miss Helen Shaw took an unusual trip. It was blown from her hand in front of J. K. Aldridge & Co.'s store, lodged in the top of a tree overhead, was then taken on the roof of Charles S. Smith's store, again set sail and after fluttering around over the centre of town settled in the court house green and was captured.

† Father McSweeny braved the storm from Rock Hall to Chestertown on Sunday afternoon and states that it was the roughest experience he has ever had.

† Mr. William Jones, an old and estimable citizen, died at the home of his son-in-law, Edward Robinson, yesterday morning. Mr. Jones was 82 years of age and had a vast number of friends.

† The 240-feet high, coast survey tower which stood near Still Pond, was blown over by the storm. The lumber was splintered and to a great extent rendered useless. Fortunately it did not fall across the road.

† The front page of this issue offers articles of more than usual interest to its vast army of weekly readers.

† The future of the Keiffer pear is as promising as ever was that of the luscious peach. It is to be sincerely hoped that planting will not be overdone.

† Capt. R. S. Emory, Dr. W. S. Maxwell, James S. Harris and T. J. Shallcross will have fine specimens of fruit on exhibition at the meeting of the Peninsula Horticultural Society in January.

† The horrible condition of the driveway on Washington avenue will be improved just as soon as the road is in condition to be worked.

† Church congregations were wonderfully small on Sunday. Scarcely large enough to make a "fair" collection.

† Dr. Hall, of Washington College, is delivering a series of lectures on evolution to the reading circle of the Methodist Episcopal church. Some of the members are so deeply interested that they have no objection to the descent from the Darwinian monkey, one gentleman goes so far as to prefer being descended from a monkey rather than from some 19th century creatures claiming to be of a higher order.

† It would be the toss of a penny, so far as name is concerned, as between Mr. George's trotter, "Peaches," and Register C. S. Hurlock's Free Silver, in Kent, as both are popular, but on other grounds it would be money that Free Silver, the Kent countian would win.

† It would be interesting to hear from the man who can take the heavy hog championship belt from Mr. L. C. Hayes, of Galena. Mr. Hayes butchered twelve hogs which averaged in weight 340 pounds. The heaviest porker weighed 398 pounds. Who can beat this?

† The TRANSCRIPT editors extend thanks to Mrs. William Vansant for some of the finest celery ever seen in the local market. The stalks were twenty-six inches in length, nine inches in circumference and of the Golden Heart variety. It was crisp, tender and of fine flavor, and best of all is, that Mrs. Vansant has an abundant supply.

† The final appropriation of $1,200 for deepening the channel of Chester river above Crumpton was exhausted last week and the dredge machine started on Sunday for Denton, but was forced to lie over at Indiantown because of the storm. The channel is dredged to within a mile and a half of Millington.

† The work of repairing the old Unicorn Woolen Mill property, near Millington, is being pushed to completion, and it is now expected that the spindles of the new mill will be in operation about February first.

† Mr. W. C. A. Thompson killed two fine wild geese on Friday morning. Mr. Samuel Hicks also has one goose to his credit this season.

† Officer George Dill on Friday brought George Garrett from Baltimore and lodged him in jail upon a charge of having stolen and disposed of a horse and carriage valued at $100 the property of Mr. Samuel Webb, of near Kennedyville. Young Garrett was given a hearing before Justice Wilkins on Tuesday night and held in $800 bond for the action of the grand jury. Clarence W. Perkins, Esq., of the Baltimore bar appeared for the accused.

† Rev. Irl Hicks, the weather prophet predicts a quickened storm period for Christmas day.

† The handsome Christmas display of Mr. M. A. Toulson will be examined at night under the searching rays of an arc electric light, in addition to the incandescent lights already in.

† Messrs. Victor Hendickson, B. F. Rash and Clay Lusby were running twenty-two teams yesterday in hauling corn to the Chester River steam boat wharf, Chestertown. "There was a boom at the wharf" said Supt. J. R. Clements.

† Mr. Marcus Ascher has sold his Blackway property, corner High street and College avenue, to Mr. W. E. Ringgold for $700. It is understood that Mr. Ringgold will erect a comfortable home and store building at that point next year.

CHESTERVILLE HAPS.

"Occasional" Sends Joyous Greeting of the Hog-killing Season and Poetises Thereof

Hog killing has been for a week or so the chief industry that has engaged the attention of our farmers. Mr. T. F. Hurlock and Mr. Alday Clements, we hear, slaughtered some thirty or more each. Mr. John D. Burris killed nine averaging three hundred and fifteen lbs. and has several more very fine ones. All around us we see "*grease*, but lying *grease* no more." Our worthy neighbor, Mr. John W. Stephenson, is an expert at disemboweling and his valuable services have been in constant demand.

However strictly local option may be enforced, judging by the boisterous demonstrations in our streets a few nights ago, it seems the "ardent is accessible somehow or somewhere," and the cup that cheers and inebriates alike was freely partaken of. Alas! as somebody says, "men will let in a thief at the mouth to steal away their brains."

We have heard that Mr. Geo. Rouse was in Millington last week supplying the merchants with oil, but for some cause unknown he failed to give us a call. Perhaps Mr. R. can throw some *light* on this matter. Our tanks are empty.

Miss Ethel M. Solloway, the efficient teacher of Mill Branch school, is temporarily boarding at Mr. Garrett Ruth's to be more convenient to her school whilst the roads are in such bad condition.

A goodly number have recently joined the Emmanuel church. Its pastor, the Rev. J. Edgar Wilson, is a faithful laborer in his Master's vineyard, on eloquent advocate of all things pure and holy.

Mr. John Carey, of near Centreville, has been on a visit to his sister, Mrs. J. W. Jarman.

TOWN TAKES ELECTRIC LIGHTS.

The Locations of the Lights Determined Upon and Work Will Commence at Once.

After years of figuring and poorly lighted streets, the dim-eyed, far-between gasolene and coal oil lamps of Chestertown are to be supplanted by eighty, thirty-two candle power incandescent lamps, for the sum of twelve dollars and fifty cents per year each, or $1,000. The lights to be operated on the conventional moonlight schedule and to be operated all night. Lamps to be situated on poles now in position in such parts of the town in which a line is now in operation and on the line poles erected for the purpose in all other parts of the town.

Messrs. Wright and Tracy have formally accepted the town's offer and said yesterday that just as soon as the extra poles can be gotten into position the work of getting ready for lighting the town by electricity will be under way. It is expected that the new system of lighting will be ready by about the first of February.

The town commissioners and Messrs. Wright and Tracy on Tuesday decided upon the location of the lights. The lights will be distributed as follows, one light at each point: On High street—At steamboat wharf, Dr. C. R. Twilley's corner, W. R. Aldridge's residence, D. A. Bacchus' corner, Miss Marshall's corner, Chestertown National Bank, Stam's corner, in front of court house gate, Second National Bank, Emmanuel Protestant Episcopal Church, T. S. Bordley's corner, in front of J. F. Thompson's store, along market house square, S. Frank Smith's, W. L. Fowler's store, front of M. E. Church, Mrs. Constable's corner, at Christ M. P. Church, near residence of John N. Dodd, N. C. Crow's corner, Samuel Shuster's corner, Catholic Church, at express office, Blackway's corner, Lynchburgh avenue.

Water street—Scott's Point, Mrs. Ringgold's corner, in front Hotel Brown, M. M. Brown's residence, Dr. Hine's corner, B. N. S. Wilkins' residence.

Queen street—Riverside Terrace and Queen st., M. P. parsonage, Mr. Westcott's residence.

Cross street—Cannon and Cross, opposite Vandegrift's barber shop, Rock Well corner, at Armstrong House, Mrs. Matthews' corner.

Spring avenue—M. E. parsonage, corner Spring avenue and Market House square, at residence of the Misses Reed, and at TRANSCRIPT corner.

Washington avenue—In front of water works, at Mr. James Brice's, W. B. Copper's corner, two in that square, and one at end of street at college campus.

At Mill and Cannan, between Cannon and High, at H. L. Boyd's corner, and one below; at Kent and Cannon, at Kent and Calvert, at College and Cannan, College and Calvert, in front of W. W. Hubbard's row of new houses on Calvert, Lynchburg and Calvert, and one at Prospect Terrace, in Lynchburg.

Four lights remain to be located. The town is now poorly lighted by eighty-six gasolene and coal oil lamps. It may be stated without fear of contradiction that when the new system is put in operation Chestertown will be one of the best lighted towns in the State.

Messrs. Wright and Tracy are hustlers, and that they have the matter in charge is a guarantee that the very best possible service will be given.

CONSIDERING THE PURCHASE

The Committee of Conference Appointed to Act With the Town Commissioners Relative to the Purchase of the Water Works.

The board of town commissioners at a meeting on Saturday night determined upon the following gentlemen who should be invited to act as a committee of conference relative to the purchase of the Chestertown Water Works: John H. Simpers, James S. Bradley, George C. Atkinson, Eben F. Perkins, Thomas W. Eliason, John K. Aldridge and James W. Lambert. Mr. Perkins was made chairman, and M. Wilbur Thomas, secretary.

All of the gentlemen accepted and a meeting of the committee, at which Messrs. Brice and Dodd, representing the commissioner's board, were present, was held on Tuesday evening in Mr. Westcott's office. The commissioners have unrestricted admission to all meetings of the board but shall have no vote. The committee organized by the appointment of a chairman and secretary, and at once proceeded to discuss the business in hand. First of all it was decided by an almost unanimous vote of the committee that the purchase of the water plant is desired, the price to be determined upon later. It was also decided upon unanimously, that the first duty of the gentlemen composing the committee shall act with an eye single to the best interests of the tax-payers of Chestertown. The appointment of an expert or experts by the commissioners was determined upon, having in view a thorough examination of the condition of the property, as a basis upon which to establish an equitable valuation. The expert or experts, however, shall be approved by the advisory committee.

The work of the committee was divided into sub-committees. One committee will investigate the books and accounts of the company, another the charter, and still another the contracts and leases. When the work has been finally completed the publication of a full and detailed account is contemplated for the information of the public. The date of the next meeting remains subject to the call of the chairman.

WITH THE HUNTSMEN.

Ladies Participate in the Chase—A New Club for Chestertown.

Not since ye old colonial days when ye Father of his Country and all ye many sons and daughters honored the chase by their presence, has the field of sport opened so auspiciously in Kent and Queen Anne.

For several weeks past huntsmen have been in the saddle, but it was not until Friday that the young ladies graced the chase. The fine pack of thirteen dogs belonging to Mr. George Brice furnished the music for the occasion. A fox was started in Quaker Neck and after a fine run was earthed. The ladies on the chase were: Miss Helen Shaw, and her guest, Miss Smart, of New York; Miss Beulah Hayes, and her guest, Miss Solomon, of Riverton, New Jersey; Misses Jennie Vickers and Sallie Beck. Messrs. Lewin W. Wickes, William W. Beck, C. H. B. Massey, John H. Aldridge, George Vickers, Wilbur Eliason and J. G. Usilton.

Messrs. J. K. Aldridge, George Brice, L. W. Wickes, W. W. Beck, C. H. B. Massey and George Vickers, now contemplate the organization of a fox-hunting club in Chestertown. Each of the gentlemen will have dogs, suitable kennels will be built and a man will be placed in charge. A meeting will be held at an early date and the organization perfected.

Mr. Everett, who now tenaciously holds the handsome gold medal offered by a Philadelphia gentleman for the dog belonging to a member of the Pine Tree Hunting Club, having the greatest number of fine points, will find it a difficult task to hold his trophy this year. There are a number of fine dogs owned in the club and each member is a contestant for the honor of holding the medal.

THE BIG STORM.

The Gratitude's Rough Experience—Local Storm Notes.

Only one boat ventured out from Light Street wharf on Sunday afternoon. Just before the storm broke in the climax of its fury, and that was the trim Chester River liner Gratitude, Capt. Wm. J. Taylor. She made her way bravely on one of the roughest tides she ever weathered and ran well until she passed North Point. There the gale struck her and her captain and crew, as well as the four passengers aboard, soon saw that the Gratitude was taking big chances to go against the gale. When the worst of the blow came the Gratitude was driven toward shore and one of her bulkheads was stove in. Her veteran captain and the crew ran her back into port safely. She tied up to her mooring, at Pier 7, and a force of men from Skinner's shipyard were soon aboard fixing up the damaged bulkhead.

The schooner Bertha Reeder, belonging to Captain E. W. Emory, of Quaker Neck, Captain Creamer in command, had a thrilling experience on the bay on Sunday afternoon. The captain set sail from home in the teeth of the storm, and would have weathered it through, but for the carrying away of his jib. The staunch vessel behaved splendidly but the captain considered it advisable to seek harbor and ran back into Rock Creek. The boat was loaded with phosphate materials consigned to Messrs. T. R. Hubbard & Son, Chestertown.

Mr. J. P. Rollison, living on the farm adjoining that of Captain P. Brinsfield, had an upleasant experience. The storm swept over his place with cyclonic force. A shop was completely overturned, the bolts and braces from his door were forced and it was more than two strong men could do to hold the door in place and keep out the storm. Window shutters were torn from their places in spite of Mr. Rollison's efforts to keep them on.

The windmill at the home of Mr. Victor Hendrickson was so badly wrecked that Mr. Hendrickson will be forced to repair it with a new mill.

It would be safe to say that more than half the homes in Chestertown leaked during Sunday's great storm, which according to the record of the weather man was the most severe since April 3d, 1879 when the wind reached a velocity of sixty miles per hour.

AT ROCK HALL.

The TRANSCRIPTS Rock Hall correspondent says:—"On last Sunday the wind blew and the rain fell here as at other places, which is saying much. Trees swayed, houses rocked, the water was lashed into foam, and people spoke in awed tones of the men "who go down to the sea in ships."

"The steamer Gratitude started across the bay from Baltimore, but by the time she reached Seven Foot Knoll the gale had increased to a hurricane, the seas were sweeping unobstructed through the main deck, and the passengers, who had been driven to the upper deck, were fainting with fear. The steamer turned and headed for Baltimore city, which was reached in safety at 5. P. M. One officer declared that had they continued to force their way into the open bay they must have foundered in ten minutes. Workmen were summoned to repair damages and the steamer reached Rock Hall at 8 A. M. Monday ready for her daily trip. Capt. Taylor and the others will receive more praise for their considerate kindness than they would for reckless daring.

AT CLIFF CITY.

From Cliff City we hear:—The storm of Sunday played havoc for a while at the Cliffs. Every tonger's boat from deep point to ebb point filled except two. Quite a number were seriously damaged, all more or less so. The shore is strewn to-day (Monday) with sails, oars, etc. Two boats dragged their anchors and went on a visit to Queen Anne's, but both were brought back to-day in slightly worse condition than when they left. Several boats are yet out in the water sunk and will probably be recovered on low water to-morrow. The tide was the highest we have had for several years, in fact since the big storm which demolished the Cliff wharf. The same old boat which was wrecked against the Cliff wharf at that time, was again upset, she, or rather he, as the name is the Joe Coburn, has been propped up ashore awaiting such time as the owner shall meet with such financial success as to enable him to have it rebuilt.

AT CHESTERVILLE.

Chesterville correspondent says:—Our neighborhood like all others along the Atlantic coast, felt the effects of last Sunday's storm. Mr. Samuel G. Coppage had a shed blown down and a cow servorely, and it is reported, fatally injured. A large willow in front of Mr. Thomas S. Clements' residence was blown down and his porch slightly damaged. Mr. J. W. Jarman had severel sheds blown over. Mr. W. E. Jarrell's apple orchard was almost entirely uprooted. A mulberry on the premises of Mr. Charley Wallace, in this village, was split in twain. Several panels of fencing on the premises of Mrs. E. A. Crittenden were laid low. Mr. Harry Curlett, in attempting to go from Kent Island to Crumpton, had his mainsail blown away and had to return. Fears were entertained for Harry's safety, but we are pleased to see that he had not gone like McGinty "to the bottom of the Sea."

STORM AT GALENA.

The storm was very severe at and near Galena. One of the tenant houses on the farm of Mr. B. J. McCauley was blown down and demolished. Of another only the frame work was left. One gentleman reports the storm as an "80-mile per hour cyclone" which swept across the upper end of the second district. On Davis' Hill two houses were blown down, one a new, two-story building belonging to George Davis, colored, in course of erection. Trees were uprooted. At Mr. B. J. McCauley's a large willow was blown over just barely escaping Mr. McCauley's residence but wrecked the poultry house, fencing, etc. A farm wagon was blown one hundred feet. The top of eight chimney's in all had bricks blown off. A great number of apple and other trees were blown down.

FROM WORTON

Mr. Harvey Brice, of Betterton, is the guest of Mr. Walter Hickman.

Miss Nellie Silcox, of Still Pond, has been visiting Miss Blanche Duyer, of Worton.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Stevens spent part of last week with relatives in Queen Anne.

Farmers around here are killing hogs and shipping their corn. [A very proper thing to do. EDS.]

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Porter were given a pleasant surprise party at their home in Worton, on Tuesday evening.

Owing to the inclemency of the weather the meetings at the Union have not been very well attended.

Miss Addie Cooper has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. E. J. Rouse.

The little ones have commenced to think of "Old Kris."

Miss Annie Herbert has been visiting friends and relatives around here.

Mrs. A. M. Startt, paid a visit to friends in Baltimore last week. [MADGE.

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL.

Mr. E. C. Reiche, the well-known undertaker, has rented the house, until recently occupied by Officer Amos B. Kelley, corner Market Space and Spring avenue. Mr. Reiche left his pleasant Washington avenue home for his new residence on Monday.

Mr. Atlee H. Tracy returned from a pleasant business trip to New York, on Monday. He attended the annual dance at Vassar College while away.

Miss Rose Frazier, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Murray Frazier, was married on Tuesday evening of last week to Mr. William Merrick Coulter, of Baltimore. The wedding was quiet, only a few friends of the contracting parties being present. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. Joseph E. Smith, in the Central Presbyterian Church, Baltimore. Mrs. Coulter is extremely popular in Chestertown and is one of the most accomplished musicians in the county. Mr. Coulter has a lucrative position in a large wholesale house in the city. The bridal couple spent Sunday at the home of the bride's parents. Their future home will be in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur W. Hubbard, will be guests of Baltimore friends during the next ten days.

Mrs. Glasscock, of Baltimore, has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Eliason.

Miss Sue Lambert is spending several weeks with Baltimore friends.

Miss Rosa McIntyre has returned home, having resigned her position as trained nurse at the Sheppard and Pratt Asylum, Baltimore county.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. M. Coulter spent Sunday at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Murray Frazier, Mill street.

Dr. H. B. Simmons visited Port Deposit last week. He brought a fine driving horse home with him.

Mrs. Dr. Walter R. Graham and son, Newell, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. John N. Dodd.

Mr. T. Waters Russell was, on last Tuesday, reappointed clerk to the county commissioners.

FROM ROCK HALL.

A Hero from Cuba Gives His Experiences.

Rock Hall is enjoying a sensation, and a very pleasurable one. A young soldier has returned from the war in Cuba bringing with him a medal bestowed for bravery. Mr. Elmer Stevens, son of the late Capt. John Stevens, and brother of Capt. Frank Stevens, of the government vessel, Anna B. Smith, enlisted in the navy last February, before the destruction of the Maine.

After that event and the declaration of war by the United States, his regiment was ordered south, and Mr. Stevens was sent ashore at Guantanamo to fight the Spanish bush-whackers. They kept the Spaniards at bay and established Fort McCalla, but brought only three hundred and eighteen of their brave men home. Mr. Stevens spent the 21st anniversary of his birthday, June 22nd, in a hard fight, from which there seemed little hope that he would ever emerge alive. They were in constant danger for ten days before the main body of men landed. When asked what they had to eat, he quickly responded; "old salt horse," a general laugh followed, and one merrily asked if it tasted good when he was hungry? "Indeed it did," was the earnest reply, "why once we had *nothing* to eat for ninety-two hours."

But he fared better when they brought some prisoners of war to New Hampshire and were once more in the waters of Uncle Sam. Ladies brought baskets daily to the private soldiers, much to the disgust of the officers, and the dainty eatables taken therefrom were sufficient cause to make a man wish to be a hero just returned from the war.

But there are draw-backs to every distinction. On July 4th, Mr. Stevens was severely kicked by a Cuban general's horse, and while in quarters on the Minneapolis during the Peace Jubilee in Philadelphia he was required to march on military day from 9 A. M. until night, though he fell three times from exhaustion. The daily practice and the dull life in the camps are so wearying that Mr. Stevens said "I would rather be in battle than in barracks." Because a large part of the army is disbanding, Mr. Stevens asked to be released from his five year contract and received honorable discharge.

Dr. Selby has been confined to his home for two weeks with malarial fever. Sick and well have missed him greatly and count it good news that he is better. We hope soon to see him attending to his usual duties.

The brightness of last Friday brought Mr. Durding into his yard. His bones and muscles are still sore, but he said: "I am much better than I ever expected to be again."

The young girls gave a necktie and apron social at Miss Eva Downey's on Monday evening and invited the gentlemen to assist. The "Circle" is not always so kind and usually holds its sessions with closed doors.

Mr. John Dickinson and family will remove to their new home near Centreville next Friday. While loath to break old associations, they hope soon to be quite content with their residence, and Mr. D. at least is quite enthusiastic at the prospect before him. May their every wish be gratified.

Two Pointed Questions Answed.

What is the use of making a better article than your competitor if you can not get a better price for it?

Ans.—As there is no difference in the price the public will buy only the better so that while our profits may be smaller on a single sale they will be much greater in the aggregate.

How can you get the public to know your make is the best?

If both articles are brought prominently before the public both are certain to be tried and the public will very quickly pass judgment on them and use only the better one.

This explains the large sale on Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. The people have been using it for years and have found that it can always be depended upon. They may occasionally take up with some fashionable novelty put forth with exaggerated claims, but are certain to return to the one remedy that they know to be reliable, and for coughs, colds and croup there is nothing equal to Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. For sale by M. A. Toulson, druggist.

No. 1320.

Order Nisi.

John E. Hadaway, Committee,
vs.
William U. Scoone.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County, in Equity

ORDERED, this 22d day of November, 1898, by the Circuit Court for Kent county, in equity, that the sale of the mortgaged real estate made and reported by Hope H. Barroll, attorney and trustee named in mortgage, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 27th day of January next: Provided, a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Kent county, once in each of three successive weeks before the 27th day of December next.

The report states the amount of sales to be $300.00.

JAMES T. DIXON, Clerk.

True Copy—Test:
JAMES T. DIXON, Clerk.

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FOR RENT.

The seven room dwelling on East Queen street, formerly occupied by Mr. William Morris. Water in the kitchen. Possession given Jan. 1st, '98.
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PROTECTION AGAINST FIRE.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—In your issue of November 17th you call the attention of the property holders of Chestertown to the inefficiency of our water works to protect our town from fire, and you suggested a gasoline engine. Now, you say that the present engine when running has sufficient force to throw water to the top of our houses, which is sufficient protection. Then, instead of getting more apparatus, would in not be more economical to use what we have? It seems to me it would cost much less to get some one to keep up steam during the night, when fires most frequently occur, and bank the fires, if they must be banked, during the day? The cost of keeping steam up at night would be a nominal expense, as the engine would not be required to run even should the town pumping be continued during the day as at present and the fires banked at night. The principle point intended to be emphasized is the necessity of having a man on hand at the engine house during the night.

These of course are matters which must be adjusted between the town commissioners and the owners of the water works.

A Tax Payer.

Cliff City News.

Philamon Dickinson and John W. Dickenson, have traded places—John trades his place at Cliffs for Phil's place on Lankfords bay. They move this week.

Bedford Titter moves in the house on the Comegy's Brown farm, and Robt. Kirby moves into the house vacated by Titter, on Cliff road.

Henry Porter has rented his farm to Mr. Woodmender and Porter moves on Cliff road in the house formerly occupied by Kirby.

Rayworth Start gives up farming, being interested in the oyster trafic, and young Mr. Woodmender moves on the Startt farm.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Mrs. S. A. Hurlock's Christmas Announcement.

Mrs. S. A. Hurlock, to meet the growing demand among her patrons and friends for a high-grade of tailor-made suits, has made all the necessary arrangements. By great care and personal supervision to her dress-making department, she has built up a most substantial patronage. Refer to her advertisement in this issue. It will interest you.

DIED.

ALLEN—Calvin E. Allen at his late residence 405 S. Heald St., Wilmington, Del. Interment at Chester Cemetery, Chestertown, Md., Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock, 8th inst.

In Memoriam.

MRS. LOUISE BORDLEY.

Our church has been again called upon to mourn the death of one of its faithful members. Mrs. Louise Bordley, wife of John Bordley, passed into rest early Monday morning of last week. Sister Bordley was the oldest member of our church in Chestertown, i. e. had been a member longer than any one else now living. She was an exemplary christian woman, always true to every opportunity for work for the Master, and ready to make any sacrifice necessary for her beloved church. During her last illness she evidenced the same Christ-like patience, in enduring her sufferings, which had been characteristic through her life. Her suffering was intense, but her patience and resignation were more than equal, and she went into the glorious rest, more than conqueror. The morning before she left us, a life long lady friend came to her bedside, and suggested that she would stay with her. "No," said Sister Bordley, "go to church, and come afterward." This circumstance indicates the fidelity with which she regarded her church. We all mourn, and yet know that she is so delightfully free from pain and sorrow, and that she has joined her dear brother, A. J. Cahall, who left us only a few months ago. Brother Cahall, was one of the saints on earth, as was then said in his obituary, and these two are doubtless now together in eternal joy.

Bro. John Bordley, and the family of step children, all grown, sit in the shadow, but conscious that they did all that could be done to relieve the excruciating suffering of a beloved wife and devoted mother. Their sorrow is radiant with purest hope.

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