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LOCAL MATTERS.

New Wharf at Fredericktown.—The piling for the new wharf of the Tolchester Company at Fredericktown, is now in place and so soon as weather conditions permit the wharf will be pushed to a rapid completion. Fredericktown will be the terminus of the Sassafras' route. Daily trips up the Sassafras will be resumed on March 18th.

Misnamed.—Sunnyside was a misnomer during the December cold spell. The spot bearing this sun-shiny name was 6° below zero while Chestertown's record was 9° above. It had more than a 20-inch snowfall in ten days while Chestertown had a fall of but one and a half inches. Sunnyside also enjoyed the distiction of having the greatest monthly precipitation, while Chestertown came in with the least daily range, 1° on the fifth eleventh. The greatest daily range was 43 at Sunnyside, which is in Garrett county.

Choice Mid-Winter Diet.—Andrew Smith and his wife, the old colored couple who spread a Christmas banquet for their friends at which watermelon, (fresh, luscious and juicy,) together with sliced tomatoes fresh from the vines, were served, several days ago presented the TRANSCRIPT editors with fresh new Irish potatoes. Andrew's wife has a secret (which she guards with jealous care) as to raising these summer dainties in mid-winter. She has received a letter from a party in West Virginia offering to pay handsomely for their fresh fruit secret.

Fine Dairy Record.—A correspondent to the *New Era* says: "The patrons of the Masseys branch of 'Middletown Farms,'—the creamery operated by Cook & Brady, of Middletown, were paid for their December milk on Wednesday last at the very high price of 28 cents per pound for butter fat. Mr. C. H. B. Massey had the highest test, 4.8 per cent., which made his milk bring him $1.34 per 100 lbs. The average price paid for December milk at Masseys was $1.09 per 100 lbs. Mr. S. J. Johnson, while having a herd of cattle, mostly composed of Holsteins, and not being among the highest tests, received the very *comfortable* amount of $58.18 for his December milk, after paying for bran, skim milk, &c. This is quite in contrast with the creamery conditions of Masseys for the last three or four years."

Not a Kent County Fox.—Several days ago John D. Kelley, the genial and long-whiskered proprietor of the Logan House, at the Middle Depot, Wilmington, received as a present from a friend in Maryland, a fine and frisky fox, which was enclosed in a wooden cage. Deeming the animal secure, the cage was deposited in the bar-room of the hotel, when all hands retired for the night. During the night the fox became animated with an eager desire to secure freedom. First he chewed the slats of his cage until he made an opening large enough to permit him to get out, and then he started on a prospecting tour. He jumped upon the bar, and then upon the shelving to the rear. Along this he took a walk, sweeping to the floor every bottle of liquor there arranged. Then he walked back, and his bushy tail swept off the bottles of liquor on the higher shelf. In all about $25 of the stuff was wrecked. The fox next chewed up a valuable picture, and ended by trying to cut through a steam pipe in the radiator.

Col. Bryan at Smyrna.—Hon. Wm. Jennings Bryan, the hero of the great free silver idea in America, and in all probability the next democratic candidate for the presidency of the United States, will speak in Smyrna, Del., on Friday, January 26th. Col. Bryan will arrive in Smyrna on the noon train and be met at the depot by a delegation of prominent citizens. After dinner at one of the hotels, he will then either make a speech in the Opera House, or, if the weather is favorable, the meeting will be held in the open air. The meeting will be called to order by Mr. Handy, and it is expected fully two thousand people will greet the speaker, should the afternoon be a fine one. Col. Stacey, to meet the demands of the occasion, proposes to give the admirers of the great free silver democrat in Kent an opportunity to hear him speak, and will run a special excursion over his road, the train to leave Chestertown at 10 o'clock A. M., and returning, leave Clayton at 4 o'clock P. M. The moderate charge of one fare for the round trip will be made.

Real Estate Sales.—Mr. John F. Copper, of Morgnec, has purchased the property known as Kentuck, of Mr. W. Harrison Newnam for $1,500. The property contains one hundred acres and is improved by a fairly good dwelling and outbuildings. Mr. Joel R. Clements has purchased the Statts property, on Chester river, near Chester bridge, for $700. The place is finely located on the river and contains 30 acres. H. H. Barroll, Esq., has sold the Primrose property of 340 acres, beautifully located on Chester river, opposite Chestertown. The purchaser is Mr. Skipper, of Yonkers, and the price paid is $3,500. Mrs. Skipper was before marriage a Miss Primrose, of Double Creek, and a desire to own property near her old home suggested the purchase. The bluff on which the residence is situated is one of the most beautiful sites on Chester river upon which Mr. Skipper will build a handsome summur residence for his son. The fram has been wonderfully improved by Mr. Samuel T. Moffett during his short tenancy, changing it from a forest into productive fields. Mr. Primrose was offered $34,000 for this farm about twenty-five years ago.

Robinson's Big Chestertown Store.—Mr. E. W. Scarborough, representing Isaac Robinson, the extensive packer, and farming implement and hardware dealer, has rented the two store rooms of Mr. Thomas Stockton Wickes, on High street, nearly opposite the TRANSCRIPT office. One of the rooms was formerly occupied by Mr. J. F. Thompson, the other has for some time been unoccupied. Mr. J. F. Snodgrass said yesterday that the interior will be remodeled and both rooms will be thrown into one large store room for shelf hardware. On the lot in the rear of the store, running through to Cannon street, it is proposed to erect a large building for the storage of farming implements of every kind and description, carriages, wagons, seeds, and all of the heavier class of goods needed by the farming community. The store-room proper will be repainted, papered and lighted by electricity, and Mr. Robinson's new store, conducted by Mr. Scarborough, assisted by Mr. Snodgrass, will be one of the largest, most thoroughly equipped and up-to-date establishments of the kind on the Eastern Shore of Maryland.

† Possibly the highest price ever received for a cow sold in Kent county was $400 received by Col. Wm. J. Vannort some years ago.

LITTLE LOCALS.

† The American Strawboard Company has received a cargo of western hay.

† Mrs. William Burgess died near Sudlersville, on Tuesday; interment at Crumpton on Thursday at 10 o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. Burgess owned valuable property in Kent, and lived for a number of years near Crumpton lane.

† Fifty-two carloads of corn shipped in two weeks, is the record at Kennedyville.

† Considerable ice was encountered at Cliff City by the steamer Ford on her Tuesday's trip to Chestertown.

† Mr. Alexander Crew has had some of his big corn on exhibition. The ears were monsters—worthy a western "harvest carnival."

† The big hotel at Betterton is now enclosed. The brick work was begun November 27th, building enclosed January 15th, will be ready to open June 1st.

† There is complaint that the streets in the pretty village of Still Pond are nearly impassable on Saturday nights because of throngs of colored people who block the way. Better police regulations are demanded by some of Still Pond's citizens.

† A Wednesday's Washington despatch stated that Marceline Lucas had been commissioned postmaster at Chestertown.

† D. D. G. M. Parr installed the officers of Kent Lodge I. O. O. F. last week.

† A county base-ball league is being discussed by members of the Kennedyville club. This club will be greatly strengthened by several new players during the coming season.

† The pretty store of Mr. J. F Thompson, High street, made a narrow escape from fire several evenings ago. The large light in the front window set fire to articles in the window. Mr. York's hands were badly burned in putting out the fire.

† Mr. W. W. Hubbard, the Kent representative of the Eastern Shore Telephone and Telegraph Company, attended a meeting held at Hotel Avon, Easton, on Thursday. It was decided to extend the system to all the principal towns of the Eastern Shore.

† The directors of the Second National Bank made a substantial increase in the salaries of Cashier W. B. Copper, Mr. E. F. Perkins, Jr., and Mr. Henry Deaver, this week.

COLLEGE NOTES.

The semi-annual examinations at Washington College began on Monday, January 29, and closed Tuesday, Feb. 6.

Student Moore, who returned to College on Monday last, having been absent since the commencement of Christmas holidays, was compelled to leave for home again next morning. Mr. Moore had been suffering from an attack of diphtheria, and the doctor was of the opinion that too short a time had elapsed since his recovery to make his association with the other students advisable.

The number of students at the college this year will probably be larger than at any time since the re-organization in '87. Dr. Reid will visit the Legislature soon to try the temper of the law-makers on the subject of an appropriation. The showing of the school this year should recommend it to the General Assembly.

The base-ball team this year has been materially weakened by the withdrawal from college of Catcher Marine. Any other position could be very well taken care of, but no one is prepared to go behind the bat. Strenuous efforts will be put forth to induce Marine to return.

The foot-ball team had their picture taken this week. Photographer South was the artist.

Work is progressing on the annual dramatic entertainment of the Athletic Association. "A Scrap of Paper" will be presented on Friday, February 23. This piece is one of the Baltimore Lyceum plays, and as the college is unusually fortunate in its dramatic material this year, the public may look for a splendid production of this popular comedy.

SUDDEN DEATH OF B. L. FLEMING.

Brother of Mr. Benjamin F. Fleming, of Chestertown, dies at Chester, Pa.

Mr. B. L. Fleming, a brother of Mr. Benjamin F. Fleming, of Chestertown, died under rather distressing circumstances, at Chester, Pa., on Tuesday last. The following details of Mr. Fleming's death were sent from Chester on Tuesday afternoon:

"A well-dressed, fine-looking man, apparently a man of means, died suddenly in a hack at Boothwyn this afternoon.

"He was unknown in this locality and this morning engaged a man named Wilson, at Likwood, to drive him over to Boothwyn, where he said he had an engagement to meet two friends. He chatted pleasantly with his companion about the horse and other subjects and was in the best of spirits, when he suddenly fell against the driver and expired. Apoplexy is supposed to have been the cause.

"The only thing to indicate the identity of the man was the name and address, 'B. L. Fleming, 217 Mount Royal avenue, Baltimore, Md.' inscribed on a satchel the stranger carried with him."

The TRANSCRIPT representative received a dispatch on Wednesday, which was prompty shown to Mr. B. F. Fleming. In referring to his brother's death, Mr. Fleming stated that the deceased, who was a son of Benjamin F. Fleming, of near Harrington, Del., was in his fifty-ninth year. He was born near Harrington and when about thirty years of age was made ticket and freight agent and telegraph operator at Easton. In 1891 he accepted the position as general freight and passenger agent with the Baltimore & Atlantic Railroad. He resigned this place in 1897, since which time he had been connected with the Nickerson Fertilizer Company, of Easton, in which company he held considerable stock at the time of his death.

His first wife was a Miss Emma Melvin, daughter of the late Riley Melvin, a prominent farmer of near Greensboro. Three children survive him by this marriage, Wm. A. Fleming, who for ten years has been train despatcher at Clayton, Del., and Misses Emma and Elma Fleming. His first wife died in 1870 and in 1876 he married a Miss Jarman, of near Easton. No children survive him from this marriage.

Mr. B. F. Fleming states that his brother had suffered with heart trouble for some time. Conductor John. D. Welch states that the deceased came down on his train to Kennedyville last week and was apparently in excellent health and spirits.

New Advertisements.

Mr. J. B. Sappington, the up-town flour king, has an advertisement in this issue of the TRANSCRIPT. Mr. Sappington states some facts in his advertisement worthy of the attention of all house keepers. Read, digest and weigh well what he tells you. The advertisement will be found on the second page.

Thanks Her Friends.

Mrs. J. W. Corey wishes to express her thanks and appreciation to her numerous friends and the members of the W. C. T. U. and Grange, who have so kindly extended to her their condolence and sympathy in the hour of her deep distress, by the death of her husband and only sister, and prays that the kind Father in heaven may bless and comfort them when trials come, as come they must, to us all.

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL.

One of Chestertown's popular clerks has been listed by Dame Rumor for matrimonial joys in the near future.

Chaperoned by Miss Mary Hurtt, the Misses Susan Edson, Nannie Dixon, Mabel Toulson, Estelle Crew and Mattie and Emma Davis, attended the Paderewski concert at Music Hall, Baltimore, on Monday evening. The ladies are all members of Miss Hurtt's music class and were delighted with the great pianist's performance. Paderewski received $3,400 for his 119 minutes work, after deducting all expenses. His American tour will extend over sixteen weeks, for which it is estimated his net income will be $200,000. This beats Kent county farming or poultry raising.

Miss Lillie Parrott, of Still Pond, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. James G. Beck, Queen street.

Miss Lula Homes, of Baltimore, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas G. Wroth, Washington avenue.

Miss Elma Rasin, who is spending the winter in Chestertown, is the proud possessor of a pug dog from Cuba.

Mrs. H. M. Brown has returned from a protracted but pleasant visit to Cecil county friends.

Mrs. Helen Kent Shaw and daughters, are spending the winter in New York. Miss Amye Shaw is pursuing a special course of study in New York city.

"The eternal fitness of things" was certainly not observed last week, when one of Chestertown's most confirmed old bachelors received a Mormon Bible, discipline and articles of faith. The literature has been handed to a married editor for elucidation.

A young lady from Chestertown recently visited the Hagenback animal show in Baltimore, and while there witnessed a desperate attack made by a vicious lioness upon its keeper. The brute was beaten off with heated iron spikes.

Mr. Seth A. Harley, who has a desirable position in a Baltimore printing house, has been a guest of his uncle, Mr. C. W. Kibler, Queen street.

Miss Lizzie McKee and Mr. H. D. McClary, were married at Sacred Heart Church at 7 o'clock on Wednesday evening, Father J. C. McSweeney officiating. The bride is a daughter of Mr. John McKee, of Morgnec. Mr. and Mrs. McClary took the Emma Ford immediately following the service, for Washington, D. C., where the honey-moon will be spent.

Mr. Edward P. Beck, the Kent county representative of the Prudential Insurance Company of America, will leave for Dover, Delaware, on Monday morning, to attend the annual dinner and reception on Monday evening, to be held at Hotel Richardson, Dover. The formal reception will be held from 7 to 8 o'clock, dinner at 8 o'clock. The reception and banquet are extended by Mr. D. Reinharz, superintendent for Dover, Delaware, district.

Rev. Peregrine Wroth, rector of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Messiah, Fayette and Gay streets, had a double celebration Saturday night at his home, 215 E. Preston St., Balto. He celebrated the twenty-fourth anniversary of his rectorship of the Church of the Messiah, and he and Mrs. Wroth celebrated the twentieth anniversary of their marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Wroth intended allowing the anniversary to pass by quietly, but some of the older members of the church agreeably surprised them by calling at their home Saturday night to offer congratulations. Mr. Wm. M. Pegram acted as spokesman and made a congratulatory address, to which Mr. Wroth responded. It being a linen-wedding anniversary, the members gave linen presents to their rector and his wife. Mrs. Wroth before her marriage was Miss Mary A. Counselman, a daughter of Mr. L. W. Counselman, formerly of Baltimore, but now of Smyrna, Del. Mr. and Mrs. Wroth have three sons. Mr. Wroth was born in this county, his father being Dr. Thomas G. Wroth. He was educated at the Virginia Theological Seminary, and ordained in 1872 by Bishop F. M. Whittle, of Virginia. His first parish was in Matthews county, Virginia, where he remained three years. Then he went to the Church of the Messiah, and on Saturday night he gave expression of his pleasant relations with the congregation. The church has a membership of about 500 and a Sunday-school of about 300 members.

A royal good time was enjoyed by the members of Kent Lodge I. O. O. F. of Galena, at their annual banquet on Wednesday evening. About seventy-five members and other guests honored the occasion. The table was a thing of beauty and was loaded with most tempting viands. Sassafras, Cecilton, Earleville, Galena, Fredericktown and Still Pond were represented at the banquet board.

Mrs. Theresa Shallcross spent part of last week with her uncle, Thomas J. Shallcross, of Locust Grove.

Mr. Anthony Johnson and Mrs. Laura Townsend spent Tuesday in Chestertown on a business trip.

Miss Nellie Shallcross, of Locust Grove, spent part of last week with her cousin, Jacob T. Shalleross, near Sassafras.

The Misses Mary and Sue Miller entertained their many little friends yesterday at an afternoon tea from 3 to 6 o'clock.

The friends of Mr. Arthur Bradley and Miss Copper, will be pleased to learn that their condition is more favorable.

Mr. C. A. Jessop entertained a few friends on Wednesday evening at a terrapin supper.

Mr. David Cooper, a brother of the late Dr. Thomas Cooper, of Chestertown, visited Kent this week. He was accompanied by Mr. Ellwood Dill, most pleasantly remembered here as one of the Chestertown base-ball heroes of a few years ago.

Mr. Robert W. Copper, of Philadelphia and Miss Emma Merrill Schoolfield, of Pocomoke City, were married at the home of the baide's parents, on Wednesday. Miss Jennie V. Copper, of Chestertown, a sister of the groom, was bridesmaid. Mr. Copper is a son of Mrs. S. A. Copper, of Chestertown, and fills a desirable position in Philadelphia. Mr. and Mrs. Copper are enjoying a bridal tour through the north.

Mr. and Mrs. Eben F. Perkins delightfully entertained a few friends at cards and Carom, on Thursday evening, at their Front street home.

Mr. Wilbur Eliason entertained a few friends at a duck supper on Thursday evening.

April Jurors.

Judge Pearce on last Saturday drew the following gentlemen to serve as jurors at the April term of the circuit court for Kent county:

A. Carroll Wilson,	5	Wm. T. Brice,	6
John E. Hadaway,	5	Harry Nicols,	4
Ellsworth Bowers,	2	Thos. W. Eliason,	4
G. W. Watkins,	5	John N. Dodd,	4
H. H. Gresham,	5	Wm. T. Hopkins,	2
Thos. W. Toulson,	7	Wm. Morris,	4
C. C. Wood,	5	Howard Turner,	3
Wm. A. Hyland,	1	Theodore E. Hayes,	4
Geo. S. Biddle,	3	T. Herbert Strong,	7
Richard W. Jones,	5	Wm. A. Kennedy,	2
Samuel J. Wickes,	5	Frank P. Cochran,	1
R. Heston Hicks,	1	George E. Parrott,	2
Wm. G. Trew,	7	W. Fletcher Melvin,	1
Robert R. Hill,	2	Charles England,	2
Charles H. Price,	2	Jefferson D. Ayres,	5
Joel R. Clements,	4	Thos. J. Vickers,	7
John W. Jarman,	2	Israel F. Walbert,	6
Samuel Mallalieu,	1	Walter B. Strong,	7
James E. Morris,	3	John H. Clendaniel,	2
Purnell Jump,	6	Thos. W. Skirven,	6
Alday Clements,	2	Harry C. Cacy,	3
John Bryan,	2	Columbus A. Leary,	3
Anthony H. Johnson,	1	Marion T. Miller,	5
Edward A. Corey,	3	Walter S. Trew,	7

The figures after the jurors' names indicate their district residence.

OBITUARY.

James E. Blackiston, one of Rock Hall's Best Citizens, has Passed Away.

JAMES E. BLACKISTON.

When the announcement was made on Thursday morning of the untimely death of Mr. James E. Blackiston, at about nine o'clock, the sad news spread rapidly and the members of the entire community, with grave faces gave expression to their sorrow for the loss of such an estimable, useful man, and their sympathy for the bereaved wife and mother. Though Mr. Blackiston had for months visited a physician in Baltimore almost daily, and it was well known that he was far from well, yet, when his indisposition increased less than two weeks ago, no one supposed that death was so near and all spoke hopefully of his soon being better. As gentle as a woman and at all times considerate of the feelings and interests of others, he drew around him a wide circle of devoted friends.

Mr. Blackiston passed his boyhood days in Rock Hall, but when a youth his mother married the late Rev. Geo. Leary, and James, her youngest child, lived with them at Edesville and studied the business of undertaking with his step-father. He had continued in the business until his death, carrying it on in connection with the mercantile business during the past several years. He removed to his old home at Rock Hall several years ago.

The J. O. U. A. Mechanics placed their flag at half-mast, and so it will remain until their brother is laid in his last resting place in beautiful Wesley Chapel cemetery next Sunday morning. The funeral services will be held in the church of which he has been an active member for many years. His age is about forty years. His wife is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Hudson, of Piney Neck. He has four children, Edith, Carrie, Willie and James. Mr. John J. Blackiston is his brother.

BY A FRIEND.

EDWARD BECK.

Mr. Edward Beck, one of the oldest and most favorably known merchants of Smyrna, Del., died at his home on Sunday morning. The deceased was a distant relative of Mr. Joel R. Clements, of Chestertown. He was also an own uncle of Mr. Wm. E. DuFord, who, accompanied by his wife, attended the funeral. He had been actively engaged in the mercantile business for fifty-eight years, with the exception of three years spent in farming. He was born near Church Hill, Md, October 17, 1828, and when thirteen years of age, went to Smyrna, having secured a position as clerk with the late ex-Governor Temple, who at that time conducted a store. He afterward acted in the capacity of a clerk for John Bewley and Jas. Clements, commencing business for himself in 1851.

Church Notes.

The annual election of officers of the Woman's Auxiliary of Emmanuel P. E. Church, was held on Saturday. The officers who served last year, were re-elected for the ensuing year: President, Miss Rebecca Wickes; vice-pres., Mrs. Jervis Spencer; rec. sec. Miss May Ireland; cor-sec., Miss Hallie Ireland; treasurer, Mrs. Hiram M. Brown. Mrs. Physic, who presided, will give an interesting paper on Missionary Work in Japan, at the February meeting.

St. Paul's Sewing Circle held one of the most pleasant meetings in its history, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Thomas Blackiston, on Thursday evening. An elegant supper was served, and delightful music was furnished during the evening by Messrs. David B. Ford, autoharp and organ; C. H. Hurlock and Harry Hurlock, violins. Autoharp and violin solos with a vocal solo by Mr. Ford, delighted those present. An interesting business session was also held.

The Sewing Circle of St. James Church met at Mr. John E. Morris' last night. The proceedings were of a most interesting nature.

The protracted services at Christ M.P. Church are progressing with increasing interest. Rev. J. M. Holmes, of Baltimore, is assisting the pastor, Rev. J. M. Gill, with the services.

SHOOTING MATCH AT BLACKS'.

A great number of lovers of sport with the gun, were at Blacks on Thursday and participated in a shooting match. The following are the participants and their records:

First match—Live birds. Purse, $10.00; Divided between Taylor and George. B. S. Sutton, 0 0 1 1 1; Jerry Godwin, 1 0 0; John George 0 1 1 1 1; G. W. Taylor, 0 1 1 1 1; L. R. Vansant, 1 0 0; R. D. Akins, 0 0; H. Knock, 0 0; Jas. Mulford, 0 0.

Second match—English Sparrows. For turkey. Won by B. S. Sutton. L. R. Vansant, 0 1 0; R. D. Akins, 1 0 0; Jas. Mulford, 1 0 1; Paul Pennington, 1 0 0; Jerry Godwin, 1 1 1 0; P. S. Sutton, 1 1 1 1; John George, 1 0; Mr. Painter, 0; Wm. Stradley, 0; Harry Minner, 0; R. A. Shallcross, 0; G. W. Taylor, 1 0; Chas. Brice, 0 1 1.

Third match—Live birds. Purse $10.00. Divided between Akins, Sutton and Taylor. H. Knock, 0; J. Godwin, 1 0; Wm. Stradley, 0; John George, 0 0; G. W. Taylor, 0 1 1; Mr. Painter, 0; B. S. Sutton, 0 1 1; James Archibald, 0; Henry Minner, 0; R. A. Shallcross, 0; Mike Burns, 0; Charles Brice, 0; Robie Toulson, 0; L. R. Vansant, 1 0; R. D. Akins, 0 1 1; W. H. Stradley, 0; James Mulford, 1 1 0.

Fourth match—Live birds. Purse $7.00. Divided between Vansant and Godwin. Jerry Godwin, 1 1; G. W. Taylor, 0; John George, 1 0; R. W. Akins, 0; James Mulford, 1 0; R. L. Vansant, 1 1; B. S. Sutton, 1 0.

Fifth match—Blue Rock. Purse $5.00. Won by Mulford. B. S. Sutton, 0 1 1 1 0; Henry Minner, 0 0 1 1 0; R. A. Shallcross, 1 1 0 0 0; Jerry Godwin, 1 1 1 0 1 1 0; Mr. Burns, 0 1 1 0 1; R. Toulson, 0 0 0 1 1; W. S. Stradley, 1 0 1 1 0; J. Mulford, 1 1 1 0 1 1 1; L. R. Vansant, 1 1 0 0; W. H. Stradley.

Sixth match—Blue Rocks. Purse $1.50. Won by Stradley. H. Minner, 0 1 1 1 0; W. S. Stradley, 1 1 1 0 1; R. Toulson, 1 1 1 0 0; J. Mulford, 0 1 1 0 0; B. S. Sutton, 1 1 1 0.

Coming Events.

The hustling new management of Stam's Hall has several rare treats in store for entertainment-lovers of Chestertown. Of the Weber Tableau Concert Company which will appear at the hall on Monday, January 29th, *the Nyack Evening Journal* says: "The Weber Tableau Company gave their fourth entertainment in the Y. M. C. A. course last evening, and a good-sized audience greeted them. The specialty of these ladies is the tableaux, which they present during their evening's entertainment, with calcium light effects which are very pleasing. The groupings were good, and the presentation of each subject was given with excellent taste and real artistic conception. The ladies are to be commended for their successful efforts to introduce this artistic feature of art in their entertainment." The popular Schuberts are also billed for the near feature.

A rare treat will be offered the lecture-loving citizens of Chestertown and community on next Thursday and Friday evenings. On Thursday evening at 7.30 o'clock, Miss Jessie Ackerman, the most distinguished traveler among women, will deliver at Stam's Hall, her popular lecture, "Eight Hundred Miles on Horseback Through Iceland." This lecture will be illustrated with stereoptican slides, the pictures having been taken by Miss Ackerman during her trip. On Friday evening, she will speak in the M. E. church, Chestertown. The Chicago Inter Ocean thus refers to this noted woman lecturer: "Her fund of humor, ready wit and graphic descriptions, captivate her audiences at once and carry them on the wings of thought amid scenes strange, grand, weired and wonderful. She is one of the most eloquent of speakers; to listen is to be charmed." Though considerable expense has been incurred no charge will be made, but any who may wish to contribute to the lecture fund will be given an opportunity to do so. This should be a rare treat to the college students and public school children.

FROM ROCK HALL.

Social Pleasurs and Incidents at the Bayside.

The revival at the M. E. Church is increasing in interest, and it is expected that the church and neighborhood will be much benefitted by the good resulting from the extra services. Among the many beautiful scenes witnessed was one on Monday evening, when the little son and daughter of Rev. Wm. Guthrie, the pastor, who is working so faithfully for the salvation of souls, knelt together at the altar to offer their hearts to God.

Much concern is felt at the extreme illness of Mr. James Blackiston, and the community at large sympathize with his family in the fears which they experience at this time.

The bell on the Knights of Pythias hall was placed in position on Monday, and its tongue now proclaims to the various societies the arrival of the hour for attendance.

Miss Eula Brown, of Baltimore, visited her aunt, Mrs. William Ashley, last week.

Mrs. M. K. Maslin spent several days in Baltimore this week, and attended the wedding of Mr. Louis K. Gough and Miss Mary M. Magruder.

Mr. Frank Lewis entertained a number of friends at an evening party on Tuesday evening. Amusing games were played; and since the house has the reputation "haunted" to be sustained, several ghosts appeared on the scene and created an unusual diversion. They were friendly ghosts and no one was frightened out of their wits by the sight. Those present were: Mr. Frank Lewis and mother, Mrs. John Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kendall, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Bramble, Misses Carrie Smyth, Laura Greenwood, Eugie Dill, Nettie Reynolds, Oneida Maslin, Ethel Taylor, Dollie Bramble and Clara and Hattie Lewis; Messrs. Robert Lewis, Wilmer Dill, Charlton Kidd, Johnnie Hudson, Alfred and Herman Bramble, Mahlon and Geo. Lee, Wright and Jack Calder and Albert Lewis.

CHESTERVILLE NOTES.

Mrs. P. F. Stevens has succeeded Mrs. E. S. Bratton as sexton of the M. E. Church South. She will doubtless give as efficient service as her predecessor.

Mrs. Wilson, wife of Rev. Wilson, is in a low state of health. We hope she may soon be restored.

Mr. Mark Rodgers, who was severely wounded several weeks ago by having a pitchfork thrust into his thigh, has well nigh recovered. He accidentally fell on the fork, and so deeply was it imbedded that when he arose the fork came to a horizontal position. Dr. Brattan, of Crumpton, doctored the wound.

Mr. Hunter P. Davis, who took from your town last August as a companion for life, one of Kent's most estimable young ladies, writes of the beauties of his present home in Cumberland, where he has charge of the notion department in a large dry goods store. The mountainous cliffs, snow-capped and glistening in the sunlight, presents an imposing spectacle.

Mrs. W. W. Baldwin will entertain some of her friends at a sumptuous dinner on the 18th, which she is reputed as knowing so well how to prepare.

Miss Anna M. Beall, who is well known in this county, having taught school here for a number of years, and whose contributions often appeared in the TRANSCRIPT, is now with her relatives in Allegany. Should her invalid brother improve in health, she may visit Kent, where she has hosts of friends. For the past five or six years she has been teaching in the "wild and wooly west."

That fox-hunters should grow indignant when a pack of hounds are in full cry and close upon reynard, that he should be killed there and then, is natural; that an industrious and thrifty farmer like the gentleman in Morgnec, should take that occasion to put an end to a future depredator on his poultry yard, is also natural. Let us, however, in the language of the late Gen. Grant, "have peace."

Prof. Topping is no doubt pursuing his present vocation with the same zeal and vim that marked his career as teacher. Possessed of keen discernment, resolute will and strict integrity, we believe success will crown his efforts. We knew him when a youth in Old Virginia.

Mr. John D. Burris is temporarily residing at Spry's Gate. Mr. Ben. Robinson succeeded him on the Burgess farm. When people speak ill of us, let us like the old man in ancient times, say, "I shall live so nobody will believe them."

OCCASIONAL.

KENNEDYVILLE NEWS

MESSRS. EDITORS:—Not having been heard from for so long a time through the columns of your valuable paper, we deign to ask for space in which to note a few passing events in and about our village.

On Tuesday evening of last week, the following were elected as officers for the M. P. Sunday school, to serve for the ensuing year: Supt. W. T. Hague; ass't. supt., W. E. Sanders; secretaries, Miss Katie Weer and Miss Lillie Redmile; treas., Mrs. M. E. Lane; librarians, Miss Clara Redmile, Mr. Norman Faulkner; organists, Miss Annie Shafer, Miss Nellie Barwick.

Kennedyville Council No. 178 Jr. O. U.A.M. has elected the following officers: C., C. L. King; v. c., J. C. Johnson; rec. sec., J. H. Weer; assistant, Wm. H. King; fin. sec., W. T. Hague; treas., W. E. Sanders; conductor, L. E. Grantlin; ward., O. H. Cleaver; in. sent., George Johnson; ot. sent., W. T. Stouffer; Jr. past council, T. A. Godwin; chaplain, J. H. Weer; trustees, J. E. Weer, J. H. Weer, W. H. King; rep. state council, T. A. Godwin, alternate, W. E. Sanders.

The following officers of Kent Lodge No. 125 K. of P. were installed at the regular meeting on Monday evening of last week. C.C., C.W. Nickerson; V. C., R. Haggerty; P., W. S. Hurlock; M. of W., Dr. G. I. Barwick; M. of E., Tilghman Shafer; M. of F., J. E. Weer; K. of R. and S., J. H. Weer; M. at A., W. H. King; I. G., H. E. Seney; O. G., John Medders; Rep. G. L., Dr. G. I. Barwick.

The Parsonage Aid Society, of the M. P. church held a very enjoyable meeting at the parsonage on Moday evening. After the regular routine of business and re election of the old officers, the pastor and his wife added much to the pleasure of the occasion, by introducing various interesting games which were indulged in until after ten o'clock.

The Mite Society of Grace Presbyterian church met at the home of Mrs. M. J. Archibald on Tuesday evening. The attendance was quite large and all present spent an enjoyable evening. Owing to sickness in the home of the president, Mrs. Rachel Hill, the meetings have not been held regularly. It is hoped that regular meetings will be held in the future. The societies of both churches promote sociability among the people and are substantial aids to the finance of the churches.

Mr. J. H. Clendaniel and Mr. H. Rawley have returned from an extended gunning trip in North Carolina.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Pote returned last week from their wedding tour and may now be found at home.

Mrs. S. M. Turner is critically ill at the home of her son, Mr. J. L. Turner.

The two children of Mr. J. S. Taylor who have been sick are much improved.

Mr. L. A. Pennington has returned with his family from Virginia to reside in our village.

Mr. Wattie McKnett has full charge of the Urieville Mills and is prepared to furnish his trade with the best of goods in his line.

Fox hunting and wild goose shooting are prevailing sports of the day.

The members of the M. P. Sunday school meet every Friday evening for the study of the lesson.

Prayer meeting on Tuesday evening and Christian Endeavor on Thursday evening at the M. P. Church, are both profitable meetings, to which all persons are invited.

"SCRIPT."

It has been demonstrated repeatedly in every state in the Union and in many foreign countries that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is a certain preventive and cure for croup. It has become the universal remedy for that disease. M. V. Fisher, of Liberty, W. Va., only repeats what has been said around the globe when he writes: "I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in my family for several years and always with perfect success. We believe that it is not only the best cough remedy, but that it is a sure cure for croup. It has saved the lives of our children a number of times." This remedy is for sale by M. A. Toulson, druggist.

FROM BETTERTON.

"B" at His Very Best as a Journalist—In Spite of Ice Dr. McDonald Came to Betterton and Claimed Miss Susie Crew as His Bride.

The steamer Sassafras, accompanied by the tug Baltimore, made her trip last Saturday touching at Tolchester and then at Gale's wharf, after heavy ice had been broken by the tug. Buck Neck could not be reached. Considerable freight and a number of passengers were landed. The steamer then proceeded to Betterton, at which point a large number of passengers and a lot of freight were delivered for the storekeepers of Still Pond, Coleman's and Betterton. This was the first shipment of Baltimore freight landed for about two weeks, the Ericsson steamer landing for the first time in two weeks on Saturday morning from Philadelphia. The steamer then proceeded as far as Georgetown, assisted by the tug and immediately thereafter started on her return for Baltimore, not waiting for Monday because of the heavy ice at the mouth of the Sassafras river and the danger of getting frozen up in the river with no tug to help her out. On the return trip Captain Cundiff again touched at Betterton for passengers and freight. The people are obliged to the genial captain for the effort he made in sending us the boat, and showed their appreciation on short notice by giving his steamer a good shipment of freight.

Very little ice is now in the bay, nearly all having gone off with the tide. The Ericsson steamers from Baltimore are stopping this week.

One of the most interested passengers on the steamer Sassafras, on Saturday, was Dr. A. W. MacDonald, of Baltimore, whose wedding day it was to be in the event that the steamer reached Betterton and the Doctor was not disappointed.

Dr. MacDonald is one of Baltimore's rising physicians and a member of the hospital staff and faculty at the college of Physicians and Surgeons, and came to wed Miss Susie Crew, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eben Crew, a popular and charming girl of our town. The wedding took place at the residence of Captain Harvey Brice immediately upon the arrival of the steamer, Dr. E. P. Roberts, pastor of Betterton M. E. Church, officiating. Only the immediate family were present. When the steamer Sassafras returned from her trip to Georgetown Dr. and Mrs. MacDonald took passage for Baltimore. The boys gave the happy couple a royal serenade and send-off amid showers of ice. As there were no passengers on board, the bridal party really had a private steamer for their trip to Baltimore, where a reception by the doctor's friends awaited them. Dr. and Mrs. MacDonald will make their future home in Baltimore. Annapolis despatch on Tuesday said: "Dr. A. W. MacDonald, demonstrator of nose, throat and chest diseases at the College of Physicians and Surgeons, was here today, the guest of Chairman Duncan, of the city delegation. He is a candidate for coroner in Baltimore City. Dr. MacDonald surprised his many friends by announcing that he had been married. The wedding took place at Betterton, January 13, the bride being Miss Susie M. Crew, daughter of Mr. Eben Crew. Without informing anyone of his intention he quietly left the city last Friday and the following day was married, the officiating minister being Rev. Mr. Roberts, of the M. E. Church, at Still Pond, Kent county. The wedding was very quiet, only the immediate family being present. After the ceremony he went to Baltimore, but kept his secret until today.

Mr. Joseph Turner, of Seattle, Washington, is visiting his brother, R. T. Turner, Jr. Mr. Turner is very much pleased with the changes at Betterton since last he was here—seven years ago.

As mentioned in the TRANSCRIPT of last week, our fishermen are very much interested in the purse net fishing down the bay. Fishing with what is known as the purse net is rapidly exterminating all the perch and small rock from the head of the bay and tributary rivers. The law existing at present permits the use of a style of net which not only catches the large perch, which is legitimate enough, but also catches the small fish which are of no use and are only thrown overboard to die. It is a settled fact that if this kind of fishing is permitted to continue, in a few years we will have no perch or rock fish at the head of the bay, as they will never reach here. Some legislation is needed on this subject and every man interested in propagating small fish should be interested.

We learn on good authority, since our letter of last week was published relating to the widening of Betterton road, that the county commissioners have decided to begin the widening of this end of the road as soon as weather permits.

Squire John H. Crew has sent to North Carolina for a coon dog. Coon hunting is the one sport the Squire won't deny himself. We hope the dog will be the real thing itself, and may bear no resemblance to another of North Carolina's specialties—the razor-back hog.

Our weather prophet