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KENT COUNTY OFFICIALS have been in correspondence with Treasurer Whitby. Kent wants to adopt an auditing system and may apply Caroline's law. Our statute is very satisfactory to the taxpayers. By it the most scrupulous care is exacted of public officials in the handling of public funds, and the publication in a most comprehensive form of the details of the public fiscal business is clearly provided for. —Denton Journal.

THE JURY after deliberating about three hours, brought in a verdict of "not guilty" in the case of Elmer Collins tried at Georgetown, Del., for wife murder. The case has attracted wide-spread attention and has been the subject of much outside discussion. Public opinion has been divided with regard to the guilt of the accused husband, but everybody decided that the state had not made out a very strong case against the young farmer, and the verdict was accordingly not unexpected. The tangle of the murder is, of course, still unraveled, and it looks now as if it will go to swell the long list of crimes which the perpetrators thereof have successfully surrounded with impenetrable mystery.

The Race Question in the North.

Last week they had a Republican primary election in the town of Larchmont, New York, containing about three hundred Republican voters. The principal office for which a nomination was to be made was that of Collector of Taxes, for which Harris, a colored Republican, early announced himself as a candidate. Harris owns the principal livery stable in the town, and by all accounts is a very respectable man. At least nothing was urged against his character or capacity. But the Republican yachtsmen and other gentlemen of leisure who hardly take the trouble to attend a delegate election on ordinary occasions rallied this time in full force to assert the privilege of color, and the poor negro was beaten in the house of his friends.

It is pretty much the same way all over the country, certainly in Kent county. Whilst the Republicans of the North denounce the white people of the South for objecting to negro postmasters and custom house collectors, they have themselves no political use for the black man except for his vote. The Larchmonts are everywhere. But the colored voters are not so obtuse as to understand the fact, and they are showing their independence of the Republican party by voting the Democratic ticket. This is what caused Secretary Root to exclaim that "negro suffrage is a failure."

THE TOMATO CANNING-INDUSTRY.

An article recently contributed to the *American Agriculturist* by Mr. A. N. Brown, of Kent county, Del., on the "Ins and Outs of Tomato Canning," speaks of the conditions prevailing last season. The short crop caused the price of tomatoes to soar skyward, with the result that non-contract goods found ready sale at \$9 to \$24 per ton. Many farmers jumped their contracts, and packers in many instances suffered severe loss by their inability to fill their agreements. The result of this, the writer thinks, will be that farmers will not contract unless the contract price is considerably higher than it ever has been, and packers will only contract with thoroughly reliable growers. The report that packers have a black-list and will not contract for or receive tomatoes from growers whose names are upon this list, does not worry the grower who is listed, adds Mr. Brown, for he knows that at every shipping point there stands a fruit broker ready and anxious to take his goods. The present condition between packer and grower, asserts the writer, is almost wholly due to the fault of the packer himself. The system of docking weights was the bone of contention, and this system grew until it became intolerable. Another matter that caused trouble was the delay in unloading teams, and the culmination of the detrimental features to an amicable relation between grower and packer, Mr. Brown thinks, is the 4th clause of the Peninsula Packers' contract, which provides that in case of fire, explosion, strike, or breaking down of machinery the packer may terminate the contract.

Grip Remedies in Great Demand.

When colds and grip are prevalent the quickest and surest remedies are in great demand. Mr. Joseph D. Williams, of McDuff, Va., says that he was cured of a very deep and lasting attack of la grippe by using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy after trying several other preparations with no effect. For sale by M. A. Tolson, druggist.

CONSOLIDATION OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Address by Mr. A. S. Cook, a Prominent Educator, Before the Woman's Club of Baltimore.

Mr. A. S. Cook, secretary of the Baltimore County School Board delivered on Thursday an address before the Woman's Club of Roland Park on "The Consolidation of the Rural Schools." He said: "The most important educational problem before America today is the rural school problem. Great progress has been made in building country schoolhouses, in furnishing libraries, text-books, suitable apparatus and better trained teachers during the last quarter of a century, but rural school advancement has not kept pace with the progress in city schools and State universities. This is due to the natural ultra-conservatism of our rural population, to the abandonment for the city and the West of farms in the East, and to conditions inherent in the isolated one-room school-house itself, where organization and graduation is almost impossible, where nepotism and personal favoritism on the part of local school trustees too often prevent efficient and continued effort by the teacher, and where the environment is too narrow to broaden the intellectual horizon of the pupil by active rivalry and keen intellectual competition with others in his class.

"The advocate of consolidation no longer occupies debatable ground in a body of schoolmen. It is conceded by State and county superintendents and other administrative school officers everywhere that the most rational solution of the country school problem lies in combining the small, isolated school units into larger ones, and transporting the pupils to and from schools at the public expense."

Mr. Cook then discussed the causes which turned attention to consolidation, among them the high cost of maintaining separate schools, decrease in rural population, especially in New England, and the great increase in the number of small schools, the large farms of the Middle West and the consequent large area of thinly populated districts. Mr. Cook showed the results of consolidation by an illustration in Ohio, and then discussed on the advantages, among them better grading and classification and greater efficiency.

OF INTEREST TO OYSTERMEN.

Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollar Catch in One Day.

Several days ago Cornelius Thomas, of St. Michaels, a Miles River tongeman, struck a rich find of oysters in twenty feet of water off Bennett's Point. The honest oystermen who catch and the dredgers who steal had never struck this acre of virgin oysters. Mr. Thomas made a big catch of the finest oysters. Those who saw them at the oyster house were surprised that such oysters could be found anywhere in Miles river. Two or three tongemen, however, who were in the river helping James Bryan put down his fish weirs had noticed Neil Thomas working alone on the find and took shore bearings as to the place.

Next morning a number of tongemen went off early to watch Neil's goings. He saw it. There is not a brighter man in his business in St. Michaels than Cornelius Thomas. He led them a race over the Bennett's Point find and on to Bugby's.

Meanwhile, the tongemen with the shore locating marks secured the day before, had got on to the Thomas find and with twenty-four foot rakes were pulling from twenty feet of water the best oysters obtained from Miles river in many years. And Neil was at Bugby's, a mile away. He took in the situation at a glance and after the effervescence of his anger which in words resounded up and down the river, he tooted his horn—a kind of callop—and brought every tongeman with in its sound to the Bennett's point find. Yet result—forty canoes averaging thirty bushels of oysters each, which brought fifty cents a bushel.

BETTERTON ITEMS.

The young ladies of Betterton are putting forth every effort to make Easter Monday a gala day for entertainment. The comedy-drama "Diamonds and Hearts," and several accompanying selections will be presented to the public in the evening, after which the performers will treat the audience to a dance. It is hoped a large crowd will be present to greet this cast, for it is an assured success. They will spare no time or trouble to make the play a success and the dance a pleasure to all who come to participate. The event will make the opening of the new hall, which is over Messrs. Owens and Company's new store. They expect to have fine music and the floor cannot be surpassed by any in the county, as it was built exclusively for the purpose of dancing during the summer season. Every kindness and attention will be shown those who attend our drama and remain for the dance. We courteously extend a greeting that goes forth and bids welcome to all who seek an evening's pleasure.

Danger of Colds and Grip.

The greatest danger from colds and grip is their resulting in pneumonia. If reasonable care is used, however, and Chamberlain's Cough Remedy taken, all danger will be avoided. Among the tens of thousands who have used this remedy for these diseases we have yet to learn of a single case having resulted in pneumonia, which shows conclusively that it is a certain preventive of that dangerous disease. It will cure a cold or an attack of grip in less time than any other treatment. It is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by M. A. Tolson, druggist.

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CHURCH NOTES.

Miss Julia Thompson delighted the congregation of Christ M. P. Church, Sunday evening with the solo "Just For To-day."

Mr. M. Wilbur Thomas was in attendance at the M. E. Conference Saturday and Sunday. He was appointed a member of the visiting committee to Wilmington Conference Academy, Dover Del. Memorial services respecting those who have died during the past conference year will be held at Christ M. P. Church next Sunday morning at 9:30 o'clock.

A Japanese Social for the benefit of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society will be held at the home of Mrs. James Brice, Washington avenue, next Wednesday evening, April 1st. The public is cordially invited.

Rev. Henry B. Martin, D. D., rector of Emmanuel P. E. Church, will preach a special sermon before Chester Lodge A. F. and A. M., and the Masonic fraternity generally, Friday evening, April 10th, Good Friday, at 7:30 o'clock. Dr. Martin is a past master of Susquehanna Lodge, 130, of Havre de Grace.

The Junior Christian Endeavorers of Christ M. P. Church gave a delightful musical last Friday evening, under the direction of Miss Clara Usliton. The following program was rendered:

Duet, Jocus Polka, Strauss—Nellie Nicholson and Anna Smith.
Piano Solo, G. Czerny, Anna Smith.
Vocal Solo, "Don't Answer Unkindly," Gladys Aldridge.
Guitar Solo, My Old New Hampshire Home, Agnes Estes.

Duet, Home to You Mountain (11 Trovatore) Harold Matthews and James Bacchus.
Piano Solo, Camp of the Gypsies, James Bacchus.
Vocal Solo, Down Where the Cotton Blossoms Grow, Eva Hurluck.
Guitar Zither, Near, My God, to Thee, Agnes Estes.

Vocal Solo, God Protect My Little Sweet Heart, Lullaby, Edith Fallowfield.
Piano Solo, Caprice, G. Ladiwe, Nellie Nicholson.
Duet, The Sleigh Ride, Anna Smith and James Bacchus.

Preaching tomorrow at Westminster Presbyterian Church at 10:30 A. M., and at Grace Presbyterian Church at 3 P. M., and at Worton Presbyterian Church at 7:30 P. M.

The Presbytery of New Castle will hold its next meeting on April 31st, 1903, in the Manokin Presbyterian Church at Princess Anne, Md.

The Rev. William A. Toolen, S. T. B., was unable to fulfill his engagement at the church of the Sacred Heart on Tuesday evening last, having been unavoidably detained in Baltimore. He will come to Chestertown, next week, however, and preach on Wednesday evening. The services will begin at half past seven o'clock.

STILL POND ITEMS.

Mrs. Musselman is visiting her daughter in Shamokin, Pa.

Mr. Heiman Gale is visiting Mrs. Edna Wroth.

Mrs. Sadie Severson, our up-to-date milliner, has been in Baltimore a week buying her spring goods. Mrs. Severson will have her spring opening Saturday.

We are glad to say our pastor, Rev. Thomas Beauchamp has returned to spend another year with us. We hope him a very successful year.

Mr. William Severson, of Philadelphia, spent a few days with his father, Mr. James Severson.

Mr. Howard Kinsey, of Philadelphia, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kinsey.

Mrs. J. R. Bennett, of Kennedyville, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. William Krusen.

Mr. and Mrs. Krusen are visiting their son Mr. Gus Krusen, of Vineland, N. J.

Mrs. A. Crew, of Chestertown, has been visiting Mrs. Atkinson.

Miss Lillie Taylor, of Betterton, is visiting Miss Daisy Severson.

A surprise party was given Miss Alyce Hackett by her friends Tuesday night.

W. C. T. U. NOTES.

The county W. C. T. U. met in executive session on Tuesday, March 25, at the home of Mrs. A. E. Vannort. Treasury report showed Fairlee Union had sent promptly its donation for State work in response to the needs of the winter months. This union, with others, has contributed to the kindergarten at State headquarters. Interesting Willard services were reported from Fairlee, Kennedyville and Chestertown. Some time was spent in a general survey of the field and plans discussed for advancing the work. Mrs. Shafer, State superintendent of narcotics, reported much interest in the crusade against cigarettes, beginning March 1st, and many pledge cards ordered. In the county there had been a good many signed and the effort made by some of the churches to combat this great evil was encouraging. The progressive steps taken by the late Wilmington Conference for temperance and morality are some of the signs that the church at large is awakening to its responsibility for a practical religion.

Press Supp.

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PUBLIC SALE OF VALUABLE Town Property.

BY reason of the erection of the new public school building in Chestertown, Md., the undersigned will offer at public sale in front of the Court House Door in Chestertown, Md.,

On Tuesday, April 21, 1903,
between the hours of twelve and one o'clock P. M., the

Old Public School Property,

situated on Cross and Cannon streets in Chestertown, Md. This property has a frontage of 240 feet on Cross street, and a depth of 56 feet on Cannon street, and is improved by

Two Brick Buildings,

one on the corner of Cross and Cannon streets, with a frontage on Cross street of 38 feet and a depth of 55 feet, and is two stories high. The other building has a frontage of 80 feet on Cross street, and twenty-five feet of this building is two stories high, the remainder of the building is one story.

This property will first be offered in three lots:

Lot No. 1

is situated on the corner of Cross and Cannon streets with a frontage on Cross street of 89½ feet, and is improved by the above-described

Brick Building.

Lot No. 2

adjoins lot No. 1, and has a frontage of 100 feet 6 inches on said Cross street, and is improved by the above-described

Brick Building,

which has a frontage of 90 feet.

Lot No. 3

adjoins lot No. 2, and has a frontage of 50 feet on said Cross street, and is not improved by any buildings, but will make a desirable building lot.

The property will then be offered as a whole and will be sold the way it brings the most money.

This property adjoins the new depot of the Pennsylvania R. R. and will make desirable Residences, Stores or an excellent property for Manufacturing purposes.

The frame building between the two brick buildings is reserved, with the right to go on the property and remove it.

TERMS OF SALE.

One-fourth cash on day of sale, balance in three equal installments, payable in 6, 12, and 18 months, from day of sale, secured by bonds or notes of purchaser, or all cash on day of sale. All unpaid purchase money to bear interest from day of sale. Title papers at cost of purchaser.

W. FRANK HINES,
J. THOMAS PENNINGTON,
C. C. BROWN,
School Commissioners.

JOSEPH PETERSON, Secretary.

WILLIAM W. BECK, Attorney.

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Trustee's Sale

Two Valuable Farms,

Situated Near Lynch's, in the Third Election District of Kent Co., Md.

UNDER and by virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court for Kent county, Maryland, passed in Chancery Cause No. 148, entitled Gideon Frank Clark, et al., vs. Mary A. Clark Howard, et al., appointing Hope H. Barroll trustee to sell the real estate in said cause mentioned, the undersigned will offer at public sale in front of the Court House Door, in Chestertown, Kent county, Maryland, on

Wednesday, April 7, 1903,
between the hours of 11 o'clock A. M., and 12 o'clock noon, all the following

Valuable Real Estate,

of which the late John Z. Clark died seized and possessed:

FARM NO. 1
consists of all that farm called or known by the name of

"The Trulock" or "Kilpatrick Farm," and contains

211 Acres, 1 Road & 4 Perches

of land, more or less. The soil is from a light to medium sandy loam, of good natural quality, and is easily improved. The land will grow good crops of grain of all kinds, and is especially adapted to the growth of all kinds of fruit. The tenant

HOUSE

is in fair condition, ample for the purposes of the farm. The Barn and Stable are in excellent condition, and the farm under good fencing. There are about

1000 PEAR TREES.

The Kilpatrick Farm is offered with the express understanding that the right of way from said Kilpatrick farm shall begin where the west line of the Miller farm intersects the Kilpatrick farm on the North, and at a point where the lines of the Jeremiah Miller farm intersect both Kilpatrick farm and the farm now occupied by Clara B. Rees, known as the Miller farm, and the right-of-way shall extend in a southerly direction following the line of the public road leading from Worton station to Lynch's, following the westerly line of the said Clark to the said farm now occupied by Clara B. Rees, an even width of 25 feet throughout, and if the purchaser of the Kilpatrick farm should desire he may fence off said 25 foot road, but if he be not fenced off, then whenever any of the fields on the farm of the said Clara B. Rees, as now occupied by her shall be in pasture he shall keep closed the gates on such pasture field or fields.

FARM NO. 2.
This farm is known as

The "Home Farm,"

And Contains 182 Acres and 35 Perches of Land.

more or less, and is the same farm whereon John Z. Clark lived at the time of his death. The land is a medium loam, in a high state of cultivation, and yields fine crops. It lies on the west side of the public road leading from Lynch's to Coleman's, about 11 acres lying on the side of said public road, of which 11 acres, 5 are arable, and the balance is well set in Chestnut and Oak. The farm has a

Frame Dwelling

large and commodious, in excellent condition. The stable is ample for the purposes of the farm. The barn is large and ample, and each of these buildings is in excellent condition. The farm is well fenced, in a high state of cultivation, and is tenanted by Mr. Henry Clark.

There is a fine stream of water, with hard bottom, running through them, affording abundance of water for stock. Every field on "The Kilpatrick Farm" and on "The Home Farm" is watered by this stream. This sale will afford a most excellent opportunity for any one desiring land on which to raise stock to secure a desirable place for such purpose. The land of each farm being especially well adapted to the growth of all grasses and "crazing." Each of the farms is well wooded with fine Chestnut and Oak timber, ample for the purposes of the farm. In a few years much of the chestnut will be a size sufficient to place upon the market, thus adding a valuable asset to each farm.

Each of these farms lies convenient to Villages, Churches, Schools, Post Office, mile from Railroad. This land affords a most desirable opportunity for one desiring a home or a safe and profitable investment. It is seldom that such fine estates have been placed on the market in Kent.

TERMS OF SALE.—One-third of the purchase money cash on the day of sale, and the residue in two equal installments payable in one and two years from the day of sale. All unpaid purchase money to be secured by the note or notes of the purchaser or purchasers, to the satisfaction of the trustee. All title papers at the cost of the purchaser or purchasers.

The wheat crop will be reserved. The purchaser will be entitled to the landlord's share of the corn crop, and the tomato crop upon the payment of the fertilizer bill used on each of said farms. The purchaser is entitled to possession January 1st, 1904.

HOPE H. BARROLL, Trustee.

Any intending purchaser can make satisfactory terms by arranging with the undersigned for assistance in compliance with the terms of sale.

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