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Kent News.

SATURDAY.....JAN. 17, 1891.

FARMERS will find encouragement by reading "Good News for Farmers" on our first page.

EXCURSION RATES.—We are requested to say that tickets will be sold at excursion rates to the meeting of the Peninsula Horticultural Society at Easton next week from all stations on the B. & D. B. R. R.

A THUNDER STORM IN MID-WINTER.—This section was visited about nine o'clock last Sunday evening with a regular old-time summer gust. There was thunder and lightning, and rain fell in torrents for some time.

THE international glove fight between Jack Dempsey, the Nonpareil, of Portland, Ore., and Bob Fitzsimmons, of New Zealand, for $12,000 and the middle-weight championship of America and Australia, at New Orleans, Wednesday night, was won by Fitzsimmons in the thirteenth round.

MEDAL CONTEST.—A silver medal contest was held in Betterton church, Friday evening, Jan. 2. The contestants were Misses Katie Crew, Lizzie Rasin, Lenora Wheeler, Mina Crew; Anna Wheeler, Mabel Rasin and Lizzie Bertin. The judges were Mrs. Richard Turner, Sr., Mr. Norris Barnard and Mr. G. B. Kruzen, Jr., decided in favor of Miss Bertin. There was a large audience and all of the contestants did very well. The choir furnished very sweet music. There will be another contest at Betterton, Thursday 19th, of Feb., 1891.

ORPHANS' COURT, January 13, 1891. C. J. Scott, executor of John F. Watts, passed his first and final administration account. Mary C. Wilson, administratrix of William Wilson, passed her first and final administration account. Mary G. Young, administratrix of James Young, passed her first and final administration account. In pursuance of notice of vacancy in Washington College of scholarship for Kent county the following young gentlemen applied for the said scholarship: Carole C. Perkins, Wm. Boggs, J. Roy Roseberry, Hope C. Copper, Walter Hill and C. C. Brown. The award will be made at the next session of the court.

The court on Thursday awarded the scholarship to Mr. Hope C. Copper.

A GOOD CROP ANTICIPATED.—A recent letter from Wilmington, Del., says: Peach-growers throughout the State predict a good crop during the coming season. They contend that the cold weather is favorable, as it retards premature development. Growers who have not had crops of peaches since 1888, and some of them longer, say they feel reasonably certain that the 1891 yield will be large.

The Farmers' Alliance in Caroline.

The Farmers' Alliance is stronger in Caroline than in any other county in the State. It now numbers about eight hundred members. The Denton *Journal* says "we do not believe the alliance will develop into a new political party for it is evident that such a step would impair the usefulness and influence of the order." A large meeting was held in Denton on Tuesday week and resolutions were passed favoring the Australian ballot system and a new public road system. The sub-treasury bill, authorizing the lending of money to the people at two per cent. and the abolition of the national banking system, was also endor[sed]. A committee appointed to notify Congressman-elect Page thereof, requesting that he give his support to that measure whenever it may be brought before the House of Representatives.

COMMITTED SUICIDE.—Wm. Green, 45 years of age, a prominent citizen of Middletown, Del., and son in-law of ex-Governor John P. Cochran, committed suicide by shooting himself through the head at 7.30 o'clock Tuesday night. The deceased had been ill for several months and was for some time under the care of a physician in Philadelphia. His health was apparently improved, and he was able to walk about the streets. It is said that his mind had been affected for some time. He was a lawyer and operated a large farm near Middletown. He leaves a widow and eight children. The suicide was a most deliberate one. Green entered his home early in the evening and going to his own room unobserved by his wife, who is deaf and was not able to hear ordinary noises, locked the door and deliberately arranged for his self-murder. He sat down in a chair and leaning back in a comfortable position sent a bullet from a heavy army pistol into his right temple and out at the rear of his skull.

COMMANDER SETH AND THE OYSTER PACKERS.—At their request, Commander Seth, of the State fishery force, met a number of the oyster packers from the Canton Exchange at the Carrollton Hotel on Tuesday to discuss the existing oyster culling law. The packers thought the law was being violated, and urged the commander to use vigorous efforts to have it enforced, as the destruction of small oysters now works a great injury to the future growth of the beds. Commander Seth explained to the meeting what had been done since he assumed control of the force. He said he had worked hard to familiarize himself with the needs of the oyster industry in the State, and had given particular attention to the culling feature of the law. Within the next sixty days, he said, the oyster planters from the North will be coming into the Maryland waters, purchasing stock to replant. As small oysters are especially desirable for the purpose, extra precautions will have to be taken to prevent even greater violations of this feature of the law. It is his intention, he said, to use vigorous measures to guard the beds during the period in which these purchases are made. To this end he will ask the board of rublic works to allow him to employ one or two extra hands on each of the oyster police boats during the next sixty days. Should this be granted, he will be enabled to leave one man from the force on the vessels buying plants to see that no oysters below the required size are sold and carried out of the State. The present force, he says, makes it impossible to adopt this policy, as it frequently happens that one police boat has as many as 600 or 800 dredgers to watch. No suggestions were offered by the packers, but they promised their co-operation in the enforcement of the present law.

WOLVES INVADE VILLAGES IN SEARCH OF FOOD.—A cablegram from Berlin says: The severity of the weather is causing wolves to become dangerously hungry, especially those which infest the woo[ds], near many villages in the northern pa[rt] of Hungary. It is not now an infrequent occurrence for wolves to invade these villages in quest of sheep or anything in the shape of food which they can get hold of. Bears have [ap]peared in the Styrian mountains, and [the] sportsmen in that part of Austria an[ti]cipate some good hunting so soon as the weather moderates.

[HALL] NEWS.

The N[ew] Road—Store Robbery—Gun Shots —S[ocial] Festivities—News from N. C.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—We desire to apologize for the intimation in our letter of last week that the public road through Allen's Lane was a failure. We find after having a conversation with friend Dickinson that work will commence as soon as practicable in the spring, everything pertaining thereto having been satisfactorily established. Our friend, the captain, has been duly notified of the result of the commission. The time for him to reply to that notice having expired there is, therefore, no other impediment to the construction of the road for which all concerned are truly thankful.

Rented to Two Men.

The peace and good-fellowship of our community was somewhat disturbed some days ago. Wm. Stevens, Esq., rented to Mr. John Scoone the tenant property at Humphrey's Point for the current year. Mr. McIntire, manager for Mr. Stevens, supposing the property was only rented to Mr. Scoone for the last two months of 1890, had also rented said property to Mr. Wheat for the present year. Mr. W., thinking everything all right, moved his goods down on New Year's day only to find Mr. Scoone still in possession. Mr. W. with a force of seven or eight men proceeded forthwith to eject Mr. Scoone, but found him and his plucky little wife more than a match for them. The trouble culminated in a suit before Judge Wilkins' court on Saturday last, resulting in the conviction of the whole belligerent party, who were fined from $1 and costs to $5 and costs, the whole amount aggregating to about $50, it is said.

Social Notes and Personals.

A social gathering took place at the residence of friend U.'s the other day, composed of old-timers. After spending a short time conversing about ye olden days, they repaired to the dining room to partake of the bounteous repast there awaiting them, consisting principally of a la coon and johnnycake with coffee. Friend Nick, who was one of the party, was so affected by the remembrance of the happy days of yore, that his appetite became ravenous; so much so, our informant tells us, that he partook of the whole port side of the coon, and twelve jonnycakes. Immagine his feeling after dinner, when he was compelled to make several attempts, to induce his indulgence to submit to the digestive power of the man. We doubt whether this non-submissiveness was so much the cause of over indulgence as it was the thought of the mishap with the buzzard on Swan Point a few days previous.

A large dead cherry tree was felled on the Haven the other day, in the top of which was a bunch of onions, whose tops were about twelve inches long. Quite a curiosity.

Capt. Chas. Stevens has been placed in charge of the pungy Wm. Nelson which has been floated off the shore in Durden's creek. It belongs to a Baltimore firm.

Mr. Benj. Melvin, of Queen Anne's, is visiting Mr. Frank Satterfield at Rock Hall.

Mr. Walter Dickinson has returned home from a pleasant visit to friends and relatives in Baltimore.

Mrs. Ballard, the genial proprietor of the Chesapeake House, has gone to Baltimore for the winter. Her place will be filled by Mrs. Satterfield, who lives adjoining, until her return.

Good News from N. C.

The boys who went to North Carolina some time ago report encouraging intelligence. Oysters are plentiful; they are catching, with only two men in a boat, fro[m] 75 to 100 bushels a day, and selling [at] a piece of red [per bush.]. They are coming home in a few weeks to make preparations for planting oysters during the summer in North Carolina waters. They report the place to be just what the young oystermen of this section are looking for. From present indications North Carolina is the coming oystering section for tongers; the water is shoal, and the oysters are growing right along the marshes. As it now appears that the culling law for Maryland is only a question of a very few years when the oysters shall become extinct here; so it is thought that the younger men engaged in the business better go south and grow with the industry there, which, there is no doubt, many will do the coming season.

Store Robbed of $190.

On Friday night the store under Pythian [Hall], kept by Dashiel & Bro., was robbed of about $190 in cash and three bags of flour and five packages of coffee. The supposition is that the thief was locked up in the store at closing time as the indications point that way. No clue has been obtained thus far as to who the thief is. One arrest on suspicion has been made.

The Intruder Escaped.

Last Sunday night Mr. James Baker living near the village heard some one hoist a window and move a chair in his dwelling. Supposing [it] to be the chief, Mr. [Baker] went down stairs just in time to see a retreating figure leaving the house. Mr. B. discharged both barrels of his gun in the direction of the fugitive, but without effect. There has been a cessation of burglaries about a set of misdreams its absence every now and then [for] some time, seem to be so sly at work. [We] to find them out.

Crowded.

A deal of trouble and wrangling of their [own] sted parties has been caused by a piece of red [tape] of the roosters, a lot of [hens] for which there was a [great] deal resorted to. [Last] we saw Ben [Ford] bird in hand, [and] the trouble that all fur[nished]. R.

NOTES FROM GALENA.

Opening of the New Creamery—Pretty Gifts —Donation—New Rector Welcome.

The congregation of St. Dennis' Catholic Church in this place was presented with a beautiful pair of statues by the late rector, Father Murphy, as a Xmas offering—one of the Virgin Mary and the other of St. Joseph. They are beautiful in design and workmanship, and cost $250. Father Murphy held a high place in the hearts of his people. The congregation, not to be outdone by their former pastor, paid off the present rector's three months' salary and raised a purse of over $50 as a Xmas gift for Father Connelly's private use.

Our creamery is moving along rather slowly on account of getting the machinery in. They do not expect to commence operations now before the 1st of February, at which time they expect everything to be in first-class order. The stockholders propose to inaugurate the event by a grand supper, where all the good things of the season will be served. They have not fixed on the date as yet for the supper.

Revival services still continue in the M. E. Church. Rev. Mr. Nelson is untiring in his efforts to increase the spiritual condition of his congregation.

Mr. Lewis H. Dreka, of Sassafras, started for Florida on Monday last to stay a month or two.

Mrs. Phelps, widow of the late Dr. Phelps, is stopping with Mrs. Rodgers. She intends spending most of the winter here.

Miss Nellie Solloway, of Wilmington, Del., is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Hicks.

The congregations of Shrewsbury and St. Andrew's, of Galena, propose giving their new rector an old time reception and donation, which you may suppose will be a surprise to a Northern minister, as such things rarely happen in the North. Mr. Farrar coming from the North will thus be ushered into Southern hospitality at once. P.

THE OYSTER INTEREST.

EDITORS KENT NEWS:—In your editorial in the last issue of the NEWS on "Our Oyster Interests" we recognized a manifest care for this industry. There should be a fair and elaborate discussion of the mutual benefit of all; hence the disposition of the writer to give expression to his views. For many years Chester river and Swan Point bars have been rich with this delicious bivalve, but, recently, these riches are too rapidly vanishing. It is not questioned by any that this wide spread interest is narrowing; that the aforesaid bars or beds do not supply the abundance as in the years agone. It is one thing to know the nature of an oyster theoretically, and another to understand it practically; hence one may theorize a decade on this very important subject and fail utterly.

A few years ago it was no uncommon thing for a good oysterman to catch 25 or 30 bushels as his day's work, and realize 18 to 30 cents per bushel, that is, for home market. About the same quantity could be caught in the time given of the smaller oysters in the spring or after our Baltimore houses had closed for the season, these being disposed of to non-residents at the nominal sum of 8 and 10 cents, to be used as plants. A close observance of the nature of the bivalve reveals to us the fact that they do not issue a spat until quite 2 years old, and for that reason as well as lessening the number, the State ought never to have enacted the law to permit its sale. It is not, however, our disposition to proclaim the State laws wholly responsible in this matter of depletion. The natural yielding of these bars have been immense, but, the laws governing the oyster's nature have been badly abused by oystermen themselves, as well also the laws of the State whose purpose I have not the least doubt has always been to enhance this great industry. If at or during the period when oystermen were allowed by law to catch the large oysters for home or Baltimore market, and at the same time the smaller ones for non-residents, the law had prohibited the catch of the latter, all these beds would in my opinion have replenished themselves with the spat issued by these smaller or two years' old oysters. It would therefore appear evident to any one that those bars on which the oyster grew the fastest, the supply would decrease the more rapid, for the reason that many would be caught before arriving to that age when they would spat; but the adjacent bars, if let alone as above desired would supply the deficiency.

The present culling law does not in our judgment meet the necessities of the case, for the reason that most of the oysters of sufficient age to issue a spat for their continued propagation have been caught up by virtue of this wholesale double robbery of the beds. No doubt exists in our mind, as to the efficacy of a similar law, if the oyster were as plentiful and with the same age as they were to be found on the bars 8 or 10 years ago, inasmuch as the supply would meet the demand of our city market without disturbing the smaller which will do the spatting for the next season. They must be two years or older for that purpose. Very many two year old oysters however will measure the required length, and therefore can be marketed under the present law. Instead of the measurement being 2½ inches it should be 3 full inches. Capt. Horny, the efficient officer that he is, ought to inspect at the runboats instead of the small boats on the bars, as they have not at that time offered their catch for sale, nor even left the bars, on which the law says all culling shall be done.

The great scarcity of oysters is to be regretted, and many hundreds of persons directly and indirectly interested, are anxiously looking for some one to solve the problem of their restoration.

We quite fully agree with you in the hope as expressed that this interest may never be subjected to the control of the capitalist, for his influence is most potent for self [and] many of the great industrial interest of the country and would be in this.

OYSTERMAN.

A COSTLY OFFICIAL.—The figures furnished in reply to a resolution recently offered in the United States Senate by Mr. Morgan, of Alabama, show that John L. Davenport, chief supervisor of elections for the southern district of New York, is an exceedingly costly official. Since 1872 Mr. Davenport has drawn for his individual services $110,491, whilst in the same time the supervisors of election in the same district have drawn $317,024. In 1875, 1877, 1883 and 1887 Mr. Davenport failed to put in a bill for his valuable services. Leaving out these four years, his average pay has been at the rate of more than $14,000 a year, whilst the entire supervision has cost nearly $37,000 a year. With such figures to whet their appetites, it is no wonder that violent republican partisans, hopeful of becoming supervisors, are shouting themselves hoarse for the passage of the odious force bill now before the Senate.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, Jan. 13, 1891.—The petition of sundry citizens of 3d district to straighten and widen road from Coleman's to Fishing Creek, a distance of 40 feet, was filed. Board was further engaged in examining, approving and passing

STILL POND NEWS.

Ice Harvest—Removals—Society Notes—Her Husband Killed—Minstrel Show, etc.

Those having ice-houses took advantage of the late freeze and filled them. The ice was in splendid condition, clear and clean, and about four inches in thickness.

Travel Interrupted.

The Sassafras River boats have stopped running, and the boats on the Ericsson line were unable to reach our wharf for about a week, on account of the ice, but are now making their regular stops.

In Social Circles.

The "Social Club," consisting of ladies and gentlemen from Still Pond and Worton, hold their meetings weekly and are having a most enjoyable time. They met at Mr. Percy Skirven's on Tuesday evening last, and will meet at Miss May Price's on Monday evening of next week. Dancing, card-playing and Tiddley-winks are the pastimes of the evening.

Minstrel Troupe.

The gentlemen of Still Pond, have organized a "Minstrel Troupe," and propose to give an entertainment in the near future. We feel no hesitancy in promising an evening of entertainment to all who may attend.

A New Preacher.

Rev. J. D. C. Hanna, of Wilmington, will preach in Still Pond M. E. Church next Sunday, 18th inst. His ability and popularity as a preacher will insure him a large audience.

Personals.

Master Harry Busick, who clerks for Mr. Wroth of your town, is at home on account of sickness.

Mr. Stephen J. Fowler, who was burnt out in Christmas, has been very generously assisted by his friends and solicits the privilege of returning, through your correspondent, his very sincere thanks therefor.

Husband Killed.

Mrs. Geo. E. McGee, from Wilmington, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Kate Price of this place, received a telegram Wednesday, through Dr. Maxwell, stating that her husband had been killed. No particulars were given. R.

[He was struck by train No. 59 on the P. W. & B. railroad, near Landlith station, about 11.30 o'clock Wednesday morning, and instantly killed. He stepped off the west-bound track to avoid an approaching train and was caught by an engine coming in the opposite direction and hurled to his death. He was 47 years old and has a daughter living in Philabelphia, and a son in the lower part of this state.—EDS.]

COMMANDER SETH'S REPORT.

He Says the Result of the Labors of the Fishery Force is Discouraging.

Gen. Joseph B. Seth, commander of the State fishery force, has made his report to Governor Jackson and the board of public works, covering the period from the commander's appointment in October, down to December 31, 1890. He says:

"I find the police boats commanded in the main by efficient men and believe the force as at present constituted to be a credit to the State, and able to perform the duties of guarding the bars from illegal dredging, a few cases of which have been reported this season. I have gone in person, immediately upon the receipt of complaints, and find that they may have been greatly exaggerated and that in general they are the outgrowth of some local jealousy by factional scramble for place. The law assigns the sailing vessels to particular districts, and I have divided the bay into two districts for the steamers. The bars the present season requiring the most attention and the most difficult to guard are the Anne Arundel shores and Eastern bay. The local commanders on these boats are as good as any in the force, but the sailing vessel is called upon to go to the end of her district [and] lingers immediately go in on the other.

"The culling law of the last legislature is now about the only law which tends at all to relieve the bars from exhaustion, but like all bills of recognized merit that show no prospect of a certainty of enactment, this bill had a rider put on it that has about broken it down. The amendment is section 20, "A," of article 72, and provides for the ascertainment of the quantity of marketable oysters in a cargo by dumping one bushel in every fifty, and in the end culling this dump and finding the percentage of shells and small oysters, and then deducting this percentage from the cargo. This percentage is never taken out, but, on the contrary, goes to the packers and clear gain. The culls have amounted in some instances to 300 bushels in a cargo of 1,200. As a result, packers will not co-operate with the officers of the law, but, on the contrary, connive at its breach, and often deny the fishery force access to their bins, and claim that all their oysters have come from Virginia. I find all classes agreeing that the law should be enforced, and all as unanimous in both violating it and in trying to screen violators from arrest. It is impossible to have the force inspect one-tenth of the oysters caught, and the only place where they can be overlooked to any considerable degree is the place where they are marketed. The law failed to make special provision for withdrawing members of the fishery force from the places assigned them.

"I wrote to your board asking that you direct general measurers of oysters to report all violations of the culling law to the civil authorities, and wrote to the police commissioners of Baltimore requesting their force to look after its observance. I have never heard of an arrest by the civil authorities. The result of our labors is most unsatisfactory. It is hard to labor for the benefit of a people when they are constantly beseeching you to let them alone. There was a disposition at first to listen to our appeals for their future interests, and some attention was paid to the law, but this has rapidly disappeared, and now when we visit a town doors are locked, hatches are closed and new and distinctly-pained signs, 'No Admittance,' meet our gaze. Then come letters beseeching us to go elsewhere, as we will destroy the whole trade of their town." Commander Seth appends letters from Baltimore, Oxford and Crisfield showing that packers at each place either encourage a strict enforcement at places other than their own or complain that a more lenient enforcement is the rule at other places than those from which the etters are written.

A SIGNIFICANT RULING.—Vice-President Morton's ruling that an appeal from his decision on a point of order is debatable appears to have been important as respects Mr. Sherman's little plan for suppressing debate in the Senate. The sly Sen. from Ohio had looked up precedents made by himself and others, and fancied, apparently, that he could lure Mr. Morton into a ruling fatal to the opponents of the force bill. But the Vice-President was too wide awake to be lured. He ruled that an appeal is debatable, which means that the opposition can, if they chose, protract discussion of appeals till March next. The Vice-President is a republican, but he is not a bigoted partisan.

A Correction.

OFFICE CHESTER RIVER STEAMBOAT CO., BALTIMORE, Jan. 12, 1891.

MESSRS. PLUMMER & USILTON:—In the items of news from your Rock Hall and Edesville correspondents your paper of last Saturday was made to say that this company had decided to withdraw the steamer from Rock Hall, etc. There has been no warrant for such report. The idea of withdrawing steamer from Rock Hall has not suggested itself to the management of the company. The boats will continue to run as scheduled while navigation will permit. Please make correction in next issue of your paper. Yours respectfully,

GEORGE WARFIELD, President.

CLEVELAND ON TRUE DEMOCRACY.—The speech of ex-President Cleveland at the gathering of Jacksonian democrats in Philadelphia on Thursday evening of last week was in his best vein. Responding to a toast eulogizing "the principles of true democracy," the ex-President undertook to demonstrate the proposition that "they are enduring because they are right and invincible because they are just." Much wonder is expressed at times by students of our political history at the staying qualities of the democratic party. Its record goes back almost to the foundation of the federal government. It has outlived a number of its competitors and promises to outlive its present competitor. It has encountered phenomenal disasters. Its opponents have several times pronounced it dead. But adversity seems to quicken it. After defeat it soon reappears in the field, hopeful and vigorous to renew the fight and "down" its adversary. What is the secret of this perennial vitality and spirit? Mr. Cleveland finds it in the identity of the traditional principles of the democratic party with the interests of the masses of the people. As understood by the ex-President, "these comprise equal and exact justice to all men; peace, commerce and honest friendship with all nations—entangling alliance with none; the support of the State governments in all their rights, the preservation of the general government in its whole constitutional vigor; a jealous care of the right of election by the people; absolute acquiescence in the decisions of the majority; the supremacy of the civil over the military authority; economy in the public expenses; the honest payment of our debts and sacred preservation of the public faith; the encouragement of agriculture, and commerce as its handmaid, and freedom of religion, freedom of the press and freedom of the person." The party tenet, "justice to all, favors to none," is at the bottom of its opposition to the present protective tariff. Its respect for the constitution as a sacred compact explains its opposition to many fanciful schemes which are advocated by persons indifferent to the fundamental law. Mr. Cleveland sees in his party the true friend of the farmer, whose interest lies in just and economical government. The force bill and debauchery of the ballot spring, in his view, from one and the same vicious political source. It is the duty of good democrats to fight both. The recent elections demonstrated, in Mr. Cleveland's view, the fact that the public conscience is now awake. Right and justice today have a hearing in the land. Sophistry and chicane are at a discount. The democracy, as the party of fight and justice, has every reason, he thinks, to rejoice that such is now the case.

THE VALUE OF THE LYMPH.—It was natural that the public should get an exaggerated idea of the power of the Koch lymph, for most people jumped to the belief that it was a marvelous remedy that would accomplish miracles, and it was so accepted by those who neglected to read the real facts about it. Gradually a reasonable estimate of its value is finding its way to the public comprehension. Professor Koch himself never claimed for it a fraction that some enthusiasts have predicted, and people are slowly finding out that its values and its limitations are yet to be determined by accurate statistical evidence. In this respect the observations and conclusions of Dr. Abbott, whom the Johns Hopkins Hospital sent to Berlin, will have a wide usefulness and a very general interest. His conclusions are these: "1. That the outlook in surgical cases of tubercular nature is good, particularly in those most superficially affected. 2. In the lung cases the outlook seems to be fair if the cases are treated sufficiently early. For advanced cases I think it would be premature to do more than speculate in view of existing evidence. 3. The intestinal cases, so far as they have been observed, are unpromising." Of course, the point of greatest interest is the value of the lymph to consumptives. That value, it seems, yet remains to be established by statistics. No cases of absolute cures are yet furnished, although the outlook, as Dr. Abbot says, is fair. We shall, however, continue to hope for the best possible results.

THE NEW JOHNSTOWN.—A correspondent of the Philadeldhia *Inquirer* states that the casual visitor who ploughed through the mud-buried streets of Johnstown, Pa., a year ago would fail to recognize the city as it stands rejuvinated today. Many hundreds of dwellings of every degree of beauty and cost, and a large number of handsome brick business blocks have gone up during the past year; the debris and mud have been cleared out of the streets, new bridges have been built over the Conemaugh to replace the ones demolished by the waters and the hand of improvement has made itself visible everywhere. Judging by the results to be seen in every part of the city, the *Inquirer's* correspondent claims that, apart from the awful loss of human life, the flood was a good thing for Johnstown.

THE Middletown *New Era* says: The champion partridge shot hereabouts is undoubtedly Mr. Edward V. Wilson. He has bagged during the season about 650 birds, some 150 rabbits. He is a most successful hunter and an unerring shot, some of his feats with the gun being almost beyond belief. To kill two birds flying in opposite directions is nothing. He has during the season bagged his 35th bird on his 33d shot, which is hard to beat, and has frequently returned from gunning expedition of two or three days bringing more than a hundred birds—on one of which he secured 127 birds.

GOVERNOR JACKSON and family have located in Annapolis for the winter.

HOLLIDAY GOODS!

MY CHRISTMAS STOCK is now open and ready for inspection and friends. Any I will be glad to see my patrons one wishing anything in my line will do well to call and get my prices before purchasing elsewhere as I have MARKED THEM TO SUIT THE DULL TIMES, notwithstanding the advance in Gold and Silver. I have a nice line of

WALTHAM AND ELGIN GOLD WATCHES

FOR LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

which I will sell at a very small profit. Also a beautiful assortment of JEWELRY, SILVERWARE, CLOCKS, &c.

M. LUCAS,

High St., Chestertown.

SALT by the Sack for sale by WESTCOTT & DODD.

MARRIED.

On Jan. 7, 1891, at the parsonage on Chesapeake Circuit, by Rev. B. F. Benson, JAMES R. JOINER and CATHERINE M. COSDEN.

In Baltimore, on Monday, Jan. 12, 1891, by Rev. W. R. Stricklen, CHARLES W. CROUCH to GRACE F. BLACKSTONE, both of Kent county.

Wednesday, Jan. 7, 1891, in Middletown, Del., Miss ADDIE MERRITT, of Middletown, and Mr. M. C. C. STAATS, of near Sassafras.

The Local Market.

For country produce the stores here were dealing yesterday as follows:

Dressed turkey hens	15c. per lb.
" gobblers	12½c. "
" ducks and chickens	12½ "
" geese	10c. "
Country sausage	10c. "
Country butter	20c. "
Eggs	22c. a doz.

Local corn buyers are paying 40 and 42 cents on the cob and from 50 to 52 cents shelled.

BALTIMORE MARKET.—The Baltimore papers of yesterday quote as follows:

WHEAT—Longberry, good to prime, 99c@$1.03.
CORN—White and Yellow, 54@58c.
OATS—48@51½c.

A Splendid Opportunity

—TO SECURE—

CLOTHING!

—BELOW—

Wholesale Prices

Over $5,000 Worth of Fine and Medium Grade Suits and Overcoats to be Sold Below Cost, During Dec. and Jan.

I can't help but realize the fact that nearly, if not quite *all* the money spent for Clothing this winter will be spent during the month of December, and, therefore, nearly all the stock not sold before Jan. 1, will have to be carried over till next winter. In order to avoid the carrying over of stock, and to rapidly close out all my Winter Goods, I have determined to offer

EVERYTHING AT COST

while people are buying, and not wait till everybody is supplied before I make the offer. I have the Largest and Most Complete Stock of Men's, Youth's, Boys' and Children's

SUITS and OVERCOATS

ever shown in Chestertown, in fact have entirely too many goods, and adopt this method of getting rid of them. It is impossible to enumerate one-half of the Bardains I am offering, but will try to give you some idea of what you can get if you call early:

1st—I will sell you an ALL WOOL OVER COAT, size 34 to 42, perfectly made and trimmed, for only **$4.50,** this coat was bought to sell for $6.50.

2d—An ALL WOOL HEAVY WEIGHT OVERCOAT, satin-faced, silk sleeve lining, for only **$7.50,** this coat was bought to sell for $11.00.

3d—An ENGLISH KERSEY OVERCOAT, splendidly made and perfect fitting, for only **$8.50,** bought to sell for $12.00.

4th—The FINEST KERSEY OVERCOAT on the market, lined with satin throughout, and retailed everywhere for $20.00, I will sell for **$14.00.** In fact, have 500 Overcoats which I cannot describe here, for prices so astonishingly low as to convince you at once that they are offered below clost.

In the Suit Goods Department I have such an array that it is impossible to describe them. Over Two Hundred Suits for **$8.50,** these sold for $10, $11 and $12 The Finest Line of BLACK CHEVIOTS in town, Single-Breasted, Double-Breasted, Square Cut and Round Cut, Sack and Cutaway, beginning at the low price of $7.50 and running up to $16.00 for English Goods. All will be offered BELOW COST.

I have a splendid lot of

Children's Suits and Overcoats!

which I am selling for **$1.25** each, many of which sold for $3.00 and $3.50 each. For **$3.00** I will give you the choice of over One Hundred Styles, ranging in price from $3.50 to $6.00 The only reason I offer for this Sweeping Reduction is that I need money more than I need my stock. It will not cost you one penny to call and see these surprisingly Low Prices, and if you are not thoroughly convinced then don't buy. Resp'y, &c.,

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Nov. 29, 1890. BORDLEY'S CORNER.

W. H. LAMBERT, JR. A. M. BROWN.

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BREAKWATER CHURN

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IN FROM ONE TO FIVE MINUTES EVERY TIME, AND

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Manufacturers and Sole Agents for Kent, Queen Anne's, Talbot and Caroline counties, Md.

New Store--Old Stand!

Mrs. D. GRUBER

HAS thoroughly renewed and refitted her business property up town and is now better able than ever heretofore to supply the public with

Fresh Bread, Buns, Cakes and Pies

and indeed everything in the Bakery Line. Long experience, the best material, and personal attention to the business enables her to give the very best goods for the least money.

CONFECTIONERY.—I have also added to my stock a line of confectionery, such as Fresh Candy, Nuts, &c., to which I invite attention. Give me a call. MRS. D. GRUBER,
sep3-y. Up Town

BROK[EN]

—IN—

MEN'S, YOUTHS' and CHILDR[EN'S]

WE HAVE had a good trade right along this season, no room to complain, consequently we naturally conclude that Honest, Well-made Garments, at Low and Square Prices, are appreciated every time. Now, as trade commenced early with us, necessarily leaves a good many Broken Lots, 36x40 of one kind, 35x37 of another, &c., which we can afford to close at a Small Margin Above First Cost, as no middleman gets a slice of our stock; they come direct from the manufacturer to us. We have sold a great many suits and the broken assortments we have bunched together and marked them down.

IN OVERCOATS

our trade has been correspondingly large and the remnants will be closed at the same reductions. Having a nice line of these goods, all new this season (as we carry no goods over) and not expecting margins to be made in sixty days, we can and will put a price on them that they must go. We have been selling goods in Chestertown so long now that the trade is fully aware of our full assortment without enumerating kinds, and the close price at which we sell these goods has never been more fully appreciated than this season. We can please you in style, quality and price.

Nice Line of Furnishing Goods as Usual!

BOOTS and SHOES!

What we have left in Boots we will close at Cost, for instance: A Man's First Quality Kip Boot for $2.00, Good Solid one for $1.65; 22-inch Leg, Double Upper, Three Sole Oyster Boot $2.25; Boys' and Youths' in like proportion. We can save you 20 per cent. on these goods as we don't intend to carry one single pair over. In Men's Fine Shoes we are selling a great many and carry the Most Complete Line in Town. We are also getting up a nice trade on Custom Goods. Make any style to measure and guarantee a job in every case. Men's Rivited $2.75, Boys' Rivited $2.50. Embrace the opportunity is the invitation extended by

A. FRIEDMAN,

Opposite Stam's Hall. *Chestertown's Leading Clothier.*

NEW-YEAR '91 ANNOUNCEMENT!

WE are ENDEAVORING to PLACE OUR GOODS BEFORE THE PUBLIC AT THE

LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICE!

Call and See How Well We Have Succeeded.

Recent purchases have made our lines complete for the Holiday Season.

NEW YEAR NOVELTIES!

in Great Variety and Abundance.

FRANK H. HARPER.

December 13, 1890.

REMOVAL!

R. BERGEN

WHO HAS BEEN OCCUPYING THE CORNER STORE in the BURCHINAL BUILDING, now belonging to Charless S. Smith, has REMOVED to the

Store-Room Adjoining,

formerly occupied by W. T. Wright, where can be found a LARGE and VARIED assortment of

Dry Goods, Notions, and Millinery.

Spring opening of Silks, Henriettas, Serges, Cashmeres, Cloths and flannels. Also a Beautiful line of

Trimming Silks!

to match all shades of Dress Goods. Also a complete line of

Notions and Fashionable Millinery.

Remember, I have removed NEXT DOOR to the store I did occupy.

R. BERGEN.

April 12, 1890 CHESTERTOWN, MD.

J. HERMAN IRELAND,

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GRAIN,

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—and all kinds of—

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A full line of CARRIAGES, DAYTONS and ROAD CARTS always on hand. Also, the celebrated ROSS FEED CUTTERS, the STAVER BUCKEYE CORN and COB MILLS, MARSEILLES ADAMS POWER SHELLERS.

I AM PREPARED TO BUY

NEW WHEAT, in any Quantity!

Having removed from Locust Grove, I thank my friends for their patronage and solicit a continuance of the same. J. HERMAN IRELAND,
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WM. T. SUTTON

is now prepared to do any work in the Plumbing Line, such as putting in

Bath-Tubs and Water Fixtures Generally,

Also Hydrants and Sprinklers when[ever] ...ired,

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Toilet Articles! Toilet Articles!

The VERY BEST, and EVERYTHING that is kep in a well furnished Drug Store.

PRESCRIPTION DEPARTMENT!

This is under my individual supervision.

Very respectfully,

M. A. TOULSON.

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FIRE!—LIGHTNING!—TORNADO!
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Gentlemen, [Ladies] and Children's Shoes
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We keep [the] LEA & SONS' FLOUR for sale by the [barrel] or [sack], we think as cheap as you can get [it] in the city, and we think their flour has no superior. Come and see us and be convinced that our goods are good and cheap. Country produce wanted

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