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The Oyster Meeting.

The mass meeting to discuss the oyster question, held at the Concordia Opera House in Baltimore last Thursday evening, was well attended. Kent was represented by numbers of her best citizens from Rock Hall, Chestertown and other points. Many other counties were also strongly represented. Speeches were made by Congressman Page, Colonel William Henry Legg, Thomas C. Weeks, State's Attorney Monroe, of Anne Arundel, and others. Mr. Pearce was advertised to speak, but could not be present on account of sickness. He had prepared a speech and the *Sun* applied to him for an advance copy, which was furnished, and this accounts for that journal's classing him with the speakers present. Resolutions were adopted protesting against the sale or lease of the oyster beds; in substance they proclaimed this platform: *No sale, no lease, but strict adherence to the culling law!*

Wise Counsel Prevails.

By the report of the secretary in another column it will be seen that "Chester Alliance," at its last meeting held on Thursday decided "that it was best not to place candidates in the field for the fall election." This action is only what was to be expected from such a body of sensible men. Any other course would be suicidal; it could have but one effect—the destruction of the order as as a beneficial farmers' organization, and its use simply as an instrument in the hands of Republicans to gain political ascendency in the county. It would have no power for good whatever, neither agriculturally or politically. As it is, it has the respect and favor of all, and its political power and influence is very great—commensurate with its growth in membership and their activity in the political affairs of the two parties now antagonizing each other in the county. Though, as above said, the wise action of Chester Alliance was to be expected, we commend the same as evidence of right motives and high aims by a membership uncontrolled by personal political ambitions.

So far as the Democratic party in this county is concerned, it is made up in great part by the farmers of the county; their voice in its counsels is predominating, and it is always desirable that they should exercise their fullest strength in the selection of its candidates.

The Republican party is different. Its members are largely of colored people, who are not particularly concerned for farming interests. Their success may well be feared by the agriculturalists. While independent action to prevent that might be desirable, such a course against the Democracy would be ruinous to the farmer's best interest, political and otherwise. This view is from a local standpoint. In the broader field of State and National politics, the argument is stronger still. The Republican and Democratic parties are in direct antagonism relative to the one great principle which is vitally affecting the farmer and keeping him under the heel of the monopolists—that is the onerous protective tariff with which the country is cursed, and which has caused such ruinous consequences to the agriculturist.

MANY Eastern Shore politicians were attracted to Baltimore last Thursday by the oyster meeting, and the *Sun* says the corridors of the Carrollton were crowded in the evening to discuss the "situation."

IT is now pretty well understood that President Harrison will be the next Republican standard-bearer. This is bad news for the "outs" in the Republican ranks, but they must grin and bear it!

INSPECTOR BYRNES thinks he has in custody New York's "Jack the Ripper." He is the prisoner known as "Frenchy No. 1."

About Senator Gorman.

The Augusta (Ga.) Chronicle, a leading Democratic journal, has gone so far as to ask a reliable Southern gentleman, who now lives in New York, to get it the following information:

Please wire the Chronicle a brief interview with ex-President Cleveland and Senator Calvin Brice about Senator Gorman's services to the Democratic party. Is he not in perfect accord with the party on tariff reform? Did he not render ex-President Cleveland loyal and effective service in the last campaign? Was he opposed to ex-President Cleveland's renomination?

He sought the two gentlemen, and from them secured, apparently, authorized statements. Mr. Brice said:

"You may answer every one of the Chronicle's questions, with all the emphasis you can command, in the affirmative, except one, and that, the one as to whether or not Mr. Gorman was opposed to Mr. Cleveland's renomination. In reply to that question I would simply say: Mr. Gorman has never been opposed to Mr. Cleveland, so far as I know. This general reply to the Chronicle's questions certainly covers the ground, and to elaborate in detail, it seems to me, would be to admit that there was some shadow of doubt."

Mr. Cleveland was not so explicit. He said:

"I do not see the wisdom of discussing the questions the Chronicle propounds. In my opinion, wherever Mr. Gorman is known, as he is throughout the South, such questions are almost idle, and answers to them unnecessary."

The Chronicle says that these statements settle "the charge against Senator Gorman's devotion and unswerving service to the party and to Mr. Cleveland."

What Do They Pay?

In some of the speeches made in Baltimore recently the speakers implied that the oystermen paid nothing for their privilege. Some of the Western Shore counties asked the same question and the NEWS answered for Kent county several weeks ago. The ten oyster-producing counties pay an enormous sum and no doubt our friends across the water are surprised at the following figures: During the oyster season just closed 8,120 tonging and scraping licenses were issued in the ten oyster-producing counties of Maryland, comprising Calvert, Anne Arundel, Talbot, Charles, St. Mary's, Dorchester, Kent, Queen Anne's Wicomico and Somerset. The receipts from these licenses, aggregating $39,860,29, will, in accordance with law, be distributed to the respective counties for the use of the public schools. The licenses issued and the amounts turned over, less the commissions of the court clerks, are reported to be as follows: Calvert county, 521 tonging licenses, $1,806; Anne Arundel, 645 tonging, $1976; Talbot, 1,337 tonging and scraping, $6,790; Charles, 142 tonging, $398,06; St. Mary's, 757 tonging, $2,182; Dorchester, 1,554 tonging and scraping, $10,048.74; Kent, 769 tonging, $3.075; Queen Anne's 1,103 tonging, $4,412; Wicomico, 304 tonging, $1,168.50; Somerset, 988 tonging and scraping, $7,945.

The receipts of the State oyster fund from October 1, 1890, to April 1, 1891, were $51,949.73. The disbursements for the same period were $33,130.93.

The Fruit Outlook.

OPINIONS OF SOME KENT GROWERS.

The past week has been a very trying one on the fruit, but happily the prospect is still encouraging. A heavy frost was noted Sunday morning and examinations since that time have been general.

Mr. James S. Harris, of near Still Pond, was in our office Tuesday and expressed the opinion that all things were favorable to an immense peach crop. The frost in his vicinity was lighter than further down the county. He thinks the heavy foliage and the caps being unbroken protected the fruit from harm. Mr. Harris is engaged largely in the raising of pears, as is also Dr. Maxwell, Mr. Barnard and others in that vicinity, and says the pear crop will be large. The new spraying machine is doing excellent work and others will be sent for. Mr. Samuel Coleman of the same vicinity says the fruit outlook is splendid.

Mr. John Hurlock, near Kennedyville, says the frost effects are very perciptible, but there are plenty of live peaches left.

Mr. E. B. Pennington, between Kennedyville and Chesterville, thinks the three frosts lately have knocked off about one-half, but the prospect is still good for a crop.

Mr. W. B. Price, Turner's Creek, is of opinion that the peach prospect has been materially injured by frosts.

Mr. Thos. C. Parsons thinks the "black frost" on the night of the 23d did his orchards great damage. The young peaches are falling badly, and those that remain don't look right—not plump, solid and growing as live peaches would be.

Mr. Wilbur Eliason says the frosts have damaged the peaches to some extent, but they are plentiful yet.

Mr. Arthur Brown, near town, thinks the frost has done serious damage as far as he has examined. It seems to have hurt the orchards along the edges and in spots. He, however, may have part of a crop if what are on the trees stay there. The caps are not yet off and it is difficult to tell accurately.

Mr. John Brice made a thorough examination of his orchards in Broad Neck yesterday. Found all his white varieties full, and all yellow varieties with a plentiful supply of healthy young peaches for a full crop, except the Foster and Smock. These two latter varieties two-thirds of a full crop. The Foster is always a shy bearer. His Crawford's, Bear's and Magnum Bonum are all full.

Mr. Brice visited Delaware on Thursday and went though orchards on Mr. Wm. M. Slay's farms, and thinks the prospect good for a fair crop. In low lands the fruit is injured, the trees being badly hurt by wet season, but on all high ground the trees are full.

Mr. Clifton Hurtt, of Locust Grove, says he examined the trees Thursday and finds the peaches plentiful and in a healthy condition. No serious damage has been done the fruit in that neighborhood.

Mr. James H. Groves, of the fifth district, says he examined his orchard recently and finds but few killed. He noticed the caps had begun to open and the peach could be plainly seen. He says if many do not fall off the trees can not possibly hold them.

Commissioner Shallcross says the frost has done but little or no damage and if the weather continues favorable a tremendous crop will result.

Mr. Stephen Lecates, one of our oldest fruit raisers, feels confident of a big crop. He says the report that many are falling off is true and many must drop if a crop is expected, for as it is now the trees can not hold half of them.

Mr. Geo. Snitcher, of Queen Anne's, says the frost has done but little harm in his section and the crop still promises to be a large one.

Mr. Hyson Dill, of the same county, says the mountain cherries are killed, but other fruit will be abundant.

Mr. Joseph R. Usilton, R. C. Smyth, John W. Carter, of Worton, say the frost has done some damage, but plenty are still left.

Mr. John Z. Clark, a resident of one of the best peach sections of Kent, thinks there is no cause for alarm. There has been some injury—on the tip ends of limbs where the wood is tender, many are killed, but there are plenty left.

Mr. Harrison I. Parsons, whose father was one of the original "peach kings" of the peninsula, and who is himself engaged in farming and fruit growing on his estate opposite the old homestead, thinks the crop is yet safe. The dry spell and the protecting cap have had much to do with saving the young peach from the frosts.

Messrs. Wm. Ford, E. N. Roland and V. Hendrickson all agree that there are plenty of young peaches yet on the trees in their neighborhood to give a good yield if saved from further injury.

Mr. H. W. Vickers, in the same section, thinks his orchards have been badly singed by the frost.

Messrs. J. H. Baker, Wm. G. Trew, Gustavus Startt and George H. Watts all acknowledge the effects of frosts on the orchards in their neighborhood, and think much harm has been done to both peaches and pears, but both crops yet promise well.

Messrs. J. K. Aldridge and Edw. Lusby find upon an examination of their orchards that great injury has been done, and some varieties will bear very few, but there are many left.

Messrs. George W. Hatcherson and W. W. Stephens report like results in their orchards. Reeves and Crawfords are hurt, but not so bad as some of the early varieties.

Mr. James M. J. Byron, near Chestertown, also discovers serious injury by the frosts, and thinks the crop generally will be short in his neighborhood. There are many good buds yet left however, and it remains to be seen what the future will develop.

Mr. Alday Clements expresses the opinion that the peaches in his vicinity are all right, but says he has heard that peaches in the lower counties are very much hurt because they were more exposed than our fruit.

Capt. R. S. Emory says he never had a better prospect for either peaches or pears. He ought to know.

Mr. T. D. France and his tenant, Mr. S. Brown, examined his orchard, and finds fearful effects of the frost—the yellow varieties suffering most.

Mr. F. H. Harper, Still Pond, has never expected a big crop for lack of buds. The frosts have badly injured the prospect in sections of his orchards. Mr. S. M. Bonwill is of the same opinion, that is, that much injury has been done, though they are not all dead by any means.

Mr. Samuel J. Coppage, of Chesteville, says, after 20 years experience in growing peaches, "I examined all my varieties and find them in a growing condition except Early Rivers, which is an open bloom. The frost of last Saturday night pinched them somewhat. Packing men, get your cans ready, so the growers can fill them."

Mr. Wm. W. Parks stated Thursday that although the frost had done some damage to the fruit there was still a fine outlook. Mr. R. G. Nicholson is of the same opinion. Mr. J. L. Walbert, near Lankford, says the frost nipped quite a number of buds, especially his Smock trees, but there are still left an abundance. He thinks his Smock are very seriously injured. Mr. Robert Catlin, of Queen Anne's, says the crop is very promising, although the frost has thinned them out somewhat. Mr. John Bell, who is engaged extensively in peach culture, says the frost did the peaches more good than harm as it thinned them out a little. "There is plenty yet."

The outlook for apples, strawberries, dewberries, quinces, cherries, raspberries, huckleberries, plums and other fruits is indeed promising.

The tendency of our fruit growers seems to be towards the shipment of fruit almost entirely in baskets. We have noticed this during the past five years. The fruit sells better and shows to better advantage in baskets. Owing to the general use of baskets we think it would be well for our steamboats to prepare for them. The old plan of piling baskets one on another will not answer. The top fruit is mashed and in many cases the sale of the fruit is hurt. Get ready for baskets before the peach season opens. Now is the time for fruit growers, transportation companies, basket makers and others to prepare for the crop and to work together for mutual benefit.

Mr. M. J. Voorhees, of Brooklyn, N. Y., who was a peach buyer in Chestertown three years ago, writes to know what the prospect is for peaches in Kent? Answer—first class.

The Smyrna *Times* says: Never in the history of the oldest inhabitant has the outlook for a fruit crop of all sorts been better in Kent county, Del. Peach growers around Wyoming expect to ship 600,000 baskets of peaches from that station alone this season.

The basket makers are getting ready for an early start.

The new Denton basket factory building is about completed, and the manufacture of baskets will begin in about two weeks. All sorts of baskets required for berries and fruits will be made in large quantities. On account of the encouraging prospect for berries and fruit extensive preparations will be made to supply the demand. The canmaking industry, recently started, is giving steady work to many laborers. The factory will not only supply its own cannery, but will furnish a large packing-house in Greensborough.

Ex-State Senator Cannon, who lives near Laurel, Del., remarked that he only looked for a one eighth crop. He was of the opinion that the buds had not been damaged by the frost, but rather that the unusual heat of the sun for several days had actually burned the buds. The sap had developed rapidly and the high temperature had heated it and done the damage. An examination of many trees showed that the buds had the appearance of having been scorched. In Mr. Cannon's own words "the orchards look as though a fire had run through them."

In view of the outlook for a large peach harvest this season, it is reported that the Pennsylvania railroad freight authorities are preparing 1,600 cars for the service. It is understood that 1,000 of them will be prepared in Wilmington and 600 at Altoona, Pa. These cars will be used for all the various berry crops also. Strawberries will be ready in May. Then comes the dewberry crop, followed by raspberries. The first Delaware peaches come in about simultaneously or before raspberries. Blackberries appear also after dewberries and continue in their different varieties until about September. The peach cars are furnished with grated doors at either end of the car for ventilating purposes. Shelving for the baskets in three or four lines is put up with aisles between for easy loading and unloading. On account of the needs of thorough ventilation for the fruit only about 350 baskets can be placed in a car. The cars are also furnished with patent couples and air-brakes. The berry train is one of the specialties of the Peninsula. It rushes along as fast as a passenger train and in some instances surpasses it in fast time.

Church Notes.

An addition has been made to the P. E. Sunday school library of fifty new books, necessitating new shelves, etc., which have been built this week.

A public meeting of Fairlee "Y" will be held in St. James M. P. Church next Monday evening. A rich program is being prepared.

Rev. J. D. Rigg has been very ill since the adjournment of conference, but late reports are to the effect that he is improving slowly.

Rev. W. R. Graham arrived in Chestertown, Tuesday and left with his family for Georgetown, D. C., yesterday morning.

Rev. D. L. Greenfield and sister were given a reception at the new parsonage on Queen street Thursday evening. The house formerly occupied by Mr. B. F. Fleming has been rented for a parsonage and during this week has been nicely furnished and fitted up by the ladies of the church. Coal was stored in the cellar, flour, sugar, lard, meat, etc., were placed in the pantry and a warm supper greeted the new pastor. He enters the pulpit of Christ M. P. Church with bright prospects.

Rev. Mr. Willey preached for the first time at Salem and Union Churches last Sunday.

Rev. W. L. Dolly's little 4-year-old boy fell head foremost in a cistern of rain water and was nearly drowned when rescued.—*Easton Ledger.*

The Delaware Annual Conference of the Union American M. E. Church adjourned in Wilmington Monday night. The conference decided to lease the camp-meeting grounds at Millington for the coming summer. Rev. Stephen Frisley was appointed to Millington.

The Baltimore A. M. E. Conference closed its labors Monday, and nearly all of the attending preachers left for home on the evening boat. After brief remarks upon the future work of the conference, Bishop Arnett announced the following appointments for Baltimore district:

James L. Morris, P. E.; Bethel Church, D. P. Seaton; Waters Chapel, T. G. Stewart; Long Green; W. W. Wilson; Port Deposit, J. H. Robinson; Havre-de-Grace, J. W. Diggs; Chesapeake, James Wooten; Elkton, T. W. Thurston; Cecilton, J. B. Warner; Butlertown, N. W. Brown; Chestertown, H. S. Dennis; Centreville, J. K. Plato; Easton, T. H. Cooper; Unionville, J. R. Henry; Denton, D. L. R. Sinkfield; Ridgely, J. W. Brantly; Ivytown, H. A. Seaton; Cambridge, Charles Bourne; Crisfield, G. W. Nichols; Fruitland, W. H. Williams; Pocomoke, E. E. Hughes; Darlington, P. H. Green; Vienna, John W. Brown; Tilghman, J. H. Ruffin; Barclay, John Wallace; Rineyneck, A. A. Minney; Salem Mission, Jacob Hall.

BODY RECOVERED.—The body of John Elburn was found Monday morning on the shore of Mr. William Lloyd Ford, Chester river, in Queen Anne's county. Capt. B. S. Evans discovered the body and, with Mr. Ford, towed it to Jackson's creek wharf and landed it. A jury of inquest was held by Coroner Emory with Mr. Charles O. Ford foreman. The jury decided that Elburn came to his death by accidental drowning in Chester river on April 1. The body has been in the river since that time and was much decomposed. As stated in the NEWS at the time he on April 1st left his home in Piney Neck for Queenstown, and thence started home and was seen by oystermen and others sailing up the river. The next morning his boat was found on the Kent shore, and although diligent search was made, the body could not be found.

THE Gratitude leaves Baltimore daily at 2.30 P. M., instead of 1.30 P. M., as heretofore published.

Additional School Facilities.

The board of school commissioners of Kent county met Tuesday. It was decided to make use of the old M. P. Church building for school purposes. It is proposed to make a two-story building of it with four rooms. A partition will be put in and new windows. The ceilings will be ten and nine feet high. The vestibule will be about the same as it is at present with a stairway on either side. The small chapel now occupied by Miss Stuart will be moved away and the building occupied by Miss Thompson will be placed in the centre of the lot. The large building will undergo some repairing also in the way of flooring, etc. Work will be begun about July 1st.

The board granted the request of the school for an hour and a-half recess at noon instead of two hours so as to dismiss at 4.30 o'clock instead of 5 o'clock, as formerly.

What Can be Done!

From Quaker Neck wharf, on Chester river, three thousand dollars' worth of butter is shipped annually by *nine* farmers in that neighborhood. It all goes to Baltimore and realizes on an average twenty-five cents per pound. Ten years ago there was not a single pound shipped from that point! The largest of the nine shippers averages about forty pounds per week. The butter is all made by these farmers' wives at their homes in small creameries, and only shows what can be done. This is the way for Kent farmers to make money. Give more attention to butter, to poultry, to stock raising, vegetables, &c. It is from little streams that rivers grow, and so is it from little industries that the farmer may not only make "both ends meet" but grow rich. Five or ten dollars per week for butter, as much more for poultry and eggs, and twice as much more from vegetables, berries and stock, will swell into a magnificent sum in the course of a year. It only requires intelligence, toil and patience to reach such results—and there is no reason why our farmers should not be amply endowed with all these qualities.

Town Election.

An election for a town commissioner took place in Chestertown Monday to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term of Mr. John F. Howard. It has been twelve years since the number of commissioners was changed to three and only persons who paid corporation taxes and residents of Chestertown could vote. It was, at the time of making this change, understood that as far as possible politics should be kept out of the contests for town commissioner, and the result was the selection of two Democrats and one Republican, and it has remained to this day. On Monday an effort was made to reverse things and Col. Wm. J. Vannort was in the field as a "Citizens" candidate, but clearly understood to be a Republican candidate, while Mr. Lewin S. Fowler's tickets were headed "People's ticket," but was recognized as a Democratic candidate. Party lines were drawn and a closely contested fight was kept up all day. In all fights for commissioner there is an effort made by some aspirant for bailiff to get his man in as commissioner. Mr. L. R. Hamilton worked hard for Mr. Vannort in the hope of being made bailiff, while Mr. Fowler was strongly urged by Mr. Amos B. Kelley. The colored voters stuck close to their party as usual and voted solidly for Vannort. Mr. Fowler received a number of Republican votes, and Mr. Vannort quite as many Democratic votes for local and personal reasons. The total vote was 194, the largest ever cast at a town election under the new law. Mr. Fowler received 117 votes and Mr. Vannort 77.

An election for bailiff and clerk will take place at the first meeting of the new board. Mr. Duyer, our present bailiff, states that he does not desire a second term and a new bailiff will be elected.

TENNIS CLUBS.—The Still Pond tennis club has elected the following officers: President, Howard Turner; vice-president, Miss Sadie Burgess; secretary, Miss Helen Covington; treasurer, Miss Gulie Parrott. The Board of Directors is composed of the officers, Dr. W. E. Barnard and Mr. Max Price. The grounds only affording room for two courts, the membership was limited to twenty-five. A committee to select name and colors for the club was appointed and the meeting adjourned to meet at the grounds on Wednesday, that being the day appointed for regular meetings. Accordingly on Wednesday afternoon quite a number of the members were present. A business meeting was held at which "Green Sward" was decided upon as a name and two shades of green as colors for the club. After the meeting was over tennis was engaged in. The day was perfect, the grounds in excellent order and the court beautifully laid off, and the interest of the players did not abate until the sun had sunk behind the western horizon and "night had drawn her sable curtain." The members are enthusiastic and interested and the club promises to be a success in every particular.

The Lyceum Tennis Club was reorganized Tuesday night. The court together with croquet grounds will be located at the Creamery Park. The membership numbers about twenty.

The Ivy Leaf Circle will have a court on the beautiful lawn in front of Mr. Arthur Brown's residence. The circle numbers about fifteen.

The outfit for a court alone is between $5 and $10. Rackets cost from $2 to $8.

AMATEUR PERFORMERS.—A very successful entertainment was given Friday night by a number of youths in the vacant store-room in the Westcott building. Those taking part were Misses Sue Ford, Anna Brice, Ada Francis, Grace Whaland, Mamie Patterson, Rose Frazier, Sallie Beck, Isabel Beck, Marie Westcott, Carrie Reiche and Master Eugene Lucas. The audience filled the room and were highly delighted at the baby piece, duets, solos, etc. Over five dollars was made.

"WHO ATE THE CORN?"—A curiosity in the shape of a bullet mold was on exhibition at Mr. J. K. Aldridge's hardware store this week. There are two rows of 36 molds, ranging in size from that of a bullet to large duck shot. On one side is an engraved brass plate on which is the name John Williamson and the date 1767. The handles have evidently been lost as on one is a corn cob which looks as if it had been in use some time. Mr. H. Deford remarked that the question was "Who ate the corn off the cob?" This relic was found in a mass of old junk iron at Betterton last week by Mr. Wm. Hepbron, of Still Pond. Mr. Wm. F. Wroth, teller in the Second National Bank, being present when it was found and a relic hunter, it was presented to him. Mr. Wroth has quite a collection of old relics of antiquities and this will be quite an acquisition.

THE Kent county Treasurer system works admirably and the citizens of that county are greatly pleased with it. Something similar is sorely needed in Queen Anne's as the present system of collecting and disbursing the taxes is both costly, and thoroughly and entirely unsatisfactory.—*Centreville Observer.*

Personal Mention.

Capt. P. S. McConner is able to be out.

J. A. Pearce, Esq., who has been housed with the fashionable disease, la grippe, for two weeks, is out again and was at his office yesterday.

James P. Gorter, Esq., of Baltimore, was in town this week on legal business.

Commissioner Groves, who has been confined to his house with the grippe for several weeks, is much better.

R. D. Jones, Esq., of Worcester county, is the guest of Mr. J. R. Franklin. Mr. Jones is a candidate for the Democratic nomination for State's Attorney.

Messrs. Wilbur Eliason, C. S. York and Dr. Joseph A. Catlin have been appointed delegates to the State convention of the Grand Lodge of Masons which meets in Baltimore May 6.

Mr. Meeteer Wallis arrived home Monday and employed at the paper mill.

Miss Gussie Cannan, of Chestertown has been appointed a teacher in the Locust Grove public school. Miss Cannan graduated last year at the Chestertown public school. Miss Mamie Moore is principal of the school at Locust Grove.

Mrs. Wm. Colescott, of Camden, N. J., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Price, near Lankford. She is accompanied by her little daughter, Edith.

Mr. L. R. Hamilton received a painful wound on his knee Wednesday night while sawing a piece of board. A nail penetrated the flesh some distance.

Mr. Rob't Massey was in town this week and has decided to spend several months in Chestertown. He has spent some time in Easton and says the girls of Easton are the most beautiful of any place he has yet visited. Wait until he has been here a short while and he will change his mind.

Mrs. R. H. Rouse, of Baltimore, has been the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Jones, in Kent county this week. She was looking remarkably well.

Mr. William Diehl, of near Fairlee, gave his daughter, Miss Mamie, a party Wednesday evening, it being the anniversary of her sixteenth birthday. A splendid supper consisting of shad, rock, chicken, etc., was served to about twenty guests. Organ music was furnished by Mrs. Frank Zenker.

Miss Ollie Price, of Galena, was the guest of Misses Nettie Gooding and Nellie Walters several days this week.

Miss C. Houston, of near Pocomoke city, is visiting her brother who is a student at the college.

Miss Ada France, daughter of Mr. T. D. France, was given a party Monday evening. Quite a number of the little folks were present and a very pleasant evening enjoyed.

Misses Eva Gresham, Mollie Nowland and Anna Everett, visited friends in town Saturday and Sunday, after attending teachers' meeting Friday.

Miss Gracie York, daughter of Mr. C. S. York, was given a delightful reception last night, it being her birthday. A box of good things was sent her from Baltimore.

Mr. Samuel A. Copper, a former clerk in the store of Rufus F. Parks, Chestertown, but at present a successful carpet dealer and upholsterer of Roanoke, Virginia, and Miss Lizzie M. Gardner, were married at Pittsburg, Pa., on Wednesday of last week by Father F. L. Tobin. Mr. Copper left Chestertown about seven years ago, and after having received a thorough education in his business in Baltimore, Washington and elsewhere, he opened a successful business in Roanoke about April 1, where their future home will be.

Miss Sadie Loller is the guest of Miss Hettie Greenwood.

Mr. Wright Chambers and mother, of Baltimore, attended the wedding of Mr. Wm. E. Brown and Miss Mary C. Stoops, in Quaker Neck Tuesday evening.

Miss Katie Greene, of Baltimore, is the guest of Mrs. Chas. S. Smith.

Mr. J. B. Sappington and family left Chestertown yesterday for their new home on Carrollton avenue, Baltimore.

Miss Maggie McKaig, of Chestertown, an employe of Armstrong, Cator & Co., in Baltimore, has been sent to North Carolina to engage in millinery work.

Mr. Walter Apsley, of Pomona, returned home last Saturday, after a ten days visit with friends in New York.

MILLINGTON NEWS.—Our correspondent at Millington sends the following: Miss Lillie Cacy is visiting friends in Philadelphia. John McWhorter, who has been visiting his daughter, near Roanoke, Va., for the past few weeks, has returned home.

T. R. Quimby, Esq., is improving very fast. He may be seen at his place of business as usual.

Miss Nannie Emory, of Centreville, is visiting Mr. Nat. Comegys.

Ex-Gov. B. T. Biggs paid us a visit on Monday last for the purpose of looking after peaches; he expects a full crop, but says they will be very short in Sussex.

Thomas Holliday now with Dr. Hill has secured a situation in Philadelphia.

THE Board of Trade met in Stam's Hall Monday night. Mr. Barroll made a report as chairman of the ways and means committee and it was decided to rent the supper room in Stam's Hall for a meeting place. After some other minor business the board adjourned to meet one year from date. The trustees will meet twice a month commencing with next Monday night. The treasurer reported $120 in the Treasury and a committee of three was appointed to collect the balance due from members amounting to over $450.

A MISSION IN NORTH KENT PARISH.—Rev. Lewis T. Wattson, of Kingston, N. Y., will hold a mission in North Kent Parish, of which the following is the scheme of services: At St. Clements Church Masseys, on Monday evening, May 11th, at 7.30 o'clock, and on Tuesday, Wednesdy and Thursday morning at 10.30.

At the chapel in Millington, on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evening at 7.80 o'clock and also Friday morning at 10.30.

REAL ESTATE SALE.—Mr. Columbus A. Leary has sold to Mr. James Bullock, of Baltimore, two tracts of land in the fifth district known as "Solomon's Temple" and "Beck's Content" or Legg property. The former adjoins T. A. Strong's and contains twenty-one acres, 1 rood and 16 perches, while the latter contains seven acres and adjoins Frisby Diehl's land. The price paid was $2500.

PHIL. H. TUCK, Esq., attorney, of Baltimore, has sold a valuable estate on Kent Island, in Queen Anne's, to J. B. Brown, Esq., for $11,600.

THE entertainment by the Chestertown "Y" will be held in Stam's Hall next Tuesday evening. Let everybody attend. "The only man in town" will be seen there and he is worth seeing as the ladies will all testify.

MR. HENRY THOMPSON has opened a butcher shop on corner of High and Kent streets, Chestertown.

D. T. WILLIAMSON, jeweler, comes to the front this week with a double column advertisement. Read it.

REV. WEBSTER M. STRAYER will preach at Kennedyville at 10½ A. M. tomorrow (Sunday;) at Lynch's 3 P. M.; St. James' 8 P. M.

PREACHING by MR. S. BEATTIE WYLIE, of Princeton, at Westminster Presbyterian Church, Georgetown, Md., tomorrow (Sunday) morning, at eleven o'clock, and evening at 8 and at Grace Church, Kennedyville, at 3 P. M.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.—REV. R. IRVING WATKINS, pastor. Sabbath Services 10.30 A. M. and 7.45 P. M. Morning: Sacramental services, "Dying Utterances of Christ." Evening: "A Personal Question." Sabbath school 2.15 P. M. Missionary Day.

CHRIST M. P. CHURCH, CHESTERTOWN: Sacramental services tomorrow (Sunday) morning. Preaching at 7.45 P. M. by the pastor, Rev. D. L. GREENFIELD. Sunday School at 9½ A. M., and 2 P. M.

LOST on the street in Chestertown, between C. S. Smith's corner and my residence, a small GOLD CHAIN with a gold dollar inscribed with monogram N. E. L. and the name ETHEL on clasp. The finder will be rewarded on leaving it with the owner.
m2-3t. J. D. BACCHUS.

TO THE PUBLIC:

My wife, Mary E. Meredith, was paralyzed a year ago and it has affected her mind and body ever since. I heard that she sent for her sons because she wanted to go home but I believe if she had been right in mind she would not have taken such a step. After living happily together for over 20 years and then to be separated by other people is a hard thing to bear. Some people don't like me because I tried to protect my shores from gunners and oystermen. Let us pray that she may regain her strength and return to her husband, who is constantly praying for her, and all will be given.
1t. S. G. MEREDITH.

A CARD.

CROSBY, April 28, 1891.
MESSRS. EDITORS "KENT NEWS:"—Having seen in the "KENT NEWS" of April 18th, a *Caution Notice*, over the signature of Samuel G. Meredith, forewarning all persons from harboring or trusting me on his account, as I had left *his bed and board* without just cause or provocation, I deem it due to myself and the public that I should make some reply. In the first place I have had just cause for leaving him. He treated me very unkindly and brutally almost from the time I married him, and I bore with his brutal treatment until I could bear with it no longer, and sought the home of my children, where I might pass what few days may be allotted me in my old age in peace and quiet, rather than remain with a brutal and unkind husband, and again I have not left *his* bed and board, I have been driven from *my own* home, which was mine before I married him. All the worldly goods Mr. Meredith possessed when I married him could have been brought to *my home* in a *gripsack*. Respectfully,
1t. MARY E. MEREDITH.

TO MONEY LENDERS!

MONEY WANTED ON FIRST MORTGAGE. INTEREST PROMPTLY PAID AND GUARANTEED ANNUALLY OR SEMI-ANNUALLY.
JOHN D. URIE, Attorney.
High street, Chestertown.

A CARD.

CHESTERTOWN, MD., April 27, 1891.
This to certify that I have received from the Agricultural Insurance Company of Watertown, N. Y., through L. B. RUSSELL, Agent, Chestertown, settlement in full for my two horses, which were killed by lightning April 18, 1891, and I take pleasure in recommending this old and reliable company for their prompt and satisfactory settlement.
1t. GEO. W. HATCHERSON.

ENTERTAINMENT!

The Y. W. C. T. U., of Chestertown,
WILL GIVE AN ENTERTAINMENT IN
STAM'S HALL, TUESDAY, MAY 5th.
Consisting of a Farce, Silhouette and Music. Doors open at usual time. Admission 25c.; no reserved seats. apr25-2t.

MATTINGS! MATTINGS!

We have the Largest, Cheapest and Prettiest
—Line of—
Matting Carpets, Oil-Cloth and Mattings,
(New and Exclusive Styles) in town.
m2. Very truly, R. F. PARKS.

EXAMINERS' ROAD NOTICE.

THE undersigned, examiners appointed by the County Commissioners of Kent county, to view and determine whether it is expedient to

CONDEMN AND WIDEN ROAD

leading from the Galena and Georgetown road by B. F. Moffett's Mill, and intersecting Galena and Sassafras road, at or near Mrs. Derringer's land, tenanted by I. N. Vansant, hereby give notice that they will meet

On WEDNESDAY, June 3d, 1891,

at 10 o'clock, A. M., at said mill to discharge the duties under their commission.
JAMES H. HURTT,
HARRY C. HENDRICKSON
ANTHONY H. JOHNSON,
May 2, 1891—1m. EXAMINERS.

Bridge Examiners' Notice!

THE undersigned, examiners appointed to examine and determine whether the public convenience requires the building of

A NEW BRIDGE

over the stream at Scott's Mill, on the road from Locust Grove to Galena, hereby give notice that they will meet

On WEDNESDAY, May 27th, 1891,

at 10½ o'clock A. M., at the said mill, to execute the duties of their commission.
CORNELIUS J. SCOTT,
WILLIAM H. SPRY,
SAMUEL A. MERRITT,
a25-3t. EXAMINERS.

FEED STABLE.

I have rented the C. C. B. Rasin Stables adjoining my hotel, the Armstrong House, and am prepared to entertain the public in general. JOHN C. VOSHELL,
a18-4t.* Chestertown.

STOCK DEALER.

Having discontinued farming, I am now engaged in the purchase and sale of SHEEP, MILCH COWS and CALVES. I give the selection of Sheep from the city pens my personal supervision, and get the best.
THOMAS J. F. SMITH,
oc11-tf. Millington, Md

FEED STABLES.

Having rented the VOSHELL HOUSE STABLES for 1891, I am now prepared to FEED and care for Horses, Teams, etc. There will always be a reliable representative in attendance, and the best of care for horses is assured. Trusting that my friends and the public will give me a fair share of their patronage.
I am most respectfully, JOHN W. STARTT,
fe7-3m. Chestertown, Md.

A CARD.

Having rented the track at Worton Fair Grounds I hereby notify my patrons and friends that after April 1st, 1891, I will BREED and TRAIN HORSES at the above-mentioned place (Worton Fair Grounds). I thank my friends for past favors and solicit a continuance of the same. W. T. LANE,
m14-3m. KENNEDYVILLE, MD.

FOR RENT for 1891:

The STORE ROOMS under STILL POND HALL. Apply to C. H. PRICE,
n1-tf. Treasurer.

Nursery Stock.

I AM NOW PREPARED TO FURNISH
NURSERY STOCK GENERALLY
in any quantity, and true to name, at very moderate prices. I will be thankful for the patronage of all my friends. WM. W. RASIN,
mh28. STILL POND.

HAY FOR SALE:

FIFTEEN TONS OF GOOD HAY, in building, part of it being baled Timothy.
Apply to L. C. JUSTIS, JR.,
or M. DEK. SMITH,
a25-3t. Chestertown, Md.

FULLY UP TO THE TIMES.

ROBERTSON & CARR, successors to Henry Allnutt, 10 E. Pratt street, Balto., offer leading styles and best wearing SHOES, HATS and UMBRELLAS, at lowest possible city prices. fe21-13t.

WANTED TO PURCHASE

Large or Small tracts of TIMBER LANDS; WHITE OAK and HICKORY a specialty. Also, Walnut, Gum, Ash and Elm.
Correspondence solicited.
C. T. COLLINS,
Chestertown, Kent county, Md.
Factory at Burchinal's Wharf.

CAUTION NOTICE.

MY WIFE, MARY E. MEREDITH, having left my bed and board without just cause or provocation, I hereby forewarn all persons from harboring or trusting her on my account as I will pay no debts of her contracting. S. G. MEREDITH,
a18-3t. Overton, Kent co., Md.

DIRECTORS' ELECTION NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the members of the MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY of KENT COUNTY for the election of DIRECTORS, will be held at their office on MONDAY, May 4, 1891.
a18-3t. GEO. B. WESTCOTT, SEC'Y.

A GOOD AGENT WANTED in every city to sell our Sub Rosa All Tobacco Cigarette to the trade only. Send 25 cents and we will mail you a full set of samples of cigarettes with instructions. Address M. S. PACHOLDER,
a18-3t. Sub Rosa Cigarette Factory, Balto., Md.

FOR SALE!

VALUABLE FARM of 140 ACRES,
In Kent County, Maryland,

BEING the farm that belonged to the late James H. Pennington; one mile from Millington, on the public road leading to Smyrna, Del. The soil is fine and in a high state of cultivation; suitable for grain, grass, fruit or trucking. Buildings are a Dwelling, with porch (nearly new), a Barn, 39x46 feet, two stories; Stabling and Shedding for Stock; location healthy and desirable.
Address JOHN H. PENNINGTON,
m2-ts. 804 N. Carrollton ave., Balto., Md.

Stock of Store Goods for Sale!

A BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY.

The undersigned will sell at private sale
THE STOCK OF GOODS of PHIFER & CO.
AT WORTON STATION,
on Reasonable terms to responsible parties.
JOHN F. GODWIN, Adm'r,
a18-3t. CHUR