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IN THE SOCIAL WHIRL.

Little Miss Mabel Toulson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Toulson, gave a birthday tea party to her young friends Wednesday afternoon. It was in celebration of Miss Mabel's eighth year birthday and the thirty-three little folks present will no doubt keep the happy occasion in fond remembrance. The party was held between 4 and 6. Refreshments were served and of course heartily enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Davis celebrated the fortieth anniversary of their marriage a few weeks since. The guests began to arrive about 6 o'clock and filled the rooms rapidly. Games and plays were enjoyed by all until a late hour, when all were invited to a table laden with good things. The presents were numerous and handsome. Among them we notice a centre table, by Mrs. Charles Kerr; washstand, Mrs. Whaland, Mrs. Scoon, Mrs. Stevens, Mrs. Boyer, Mrs. Sewell, Mrs. J. Davis; pair fruit stands, Mrs. Alexander and daughter; set casters, Mrs. W. T. Miller; large glass pitcher, Mrs. McCollison; handsome photograph album, Mr. and Mrs. Maslin; glass fruit stand, Miss Bessie Miller; lettuce dishes, smoking tobacco and pipe, Mr. J. C. Davis; dessert stand, Mrs. Boyer; butter dish, Jackson Davis; pair of plush mantel easles, Mr. Charles Porter and Miss Nellie Kerr; two gross matches, Mr. W. and S. Porter; coffee and sugar, Mr. Merritt Miller; pickle dish and cheese plate, Miss Rachel Porter; washing soap, Bradley Kerr; set silver-plated teaspoons and three handkerchiefs, Mrs. Proctor; glass pitcher, Mr. Joiner; coffee and sugar, Frank Kerr; preserve dish, Mrs. Joiner; cake stands, the Misses Reynolds; plug tobacco, Charlie Kerr; towels, Mr. Will Davis; brush and blacking, Mr. George Maslin; muslin, Mrs. Amelia Davis; plush dressing case, Mrs. Charles Kerr; silver dessert spoon, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Russell; tidy, Minnie and Daisy Sewell; wedding cake, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Reiche. A pleasant evening was spent and all retired wishing their host and hostess many more years of wedded bliss. ANON.

A complete surprise was given Miss Ida Tarbutton, daughter of Wm. J. Tarbutton, last Friday evening. The surprisers arrived soon after seven, and included Misses Ida and Minnie Hudson, Jennie Rile, Sallie Plummer, Etta Edwards, Bessie and Lottie Roeder, Jessie Fogwell, Annie Schriver, Minnie Copper, Jessie Cooper, Irene Gooding, Ida and Mamie Crew, Mrs. W. T. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. George Bacon, Messrs. David Ford, Wm. Barnes, Clarence Greenwood, Charles Burris, George Cooper, Edward and Will Jewell, Tom Plummer, George and Percy Hendrickson, James Lucas, Merritt Miller, Charles and Clarence Crew. Games of various kinds were played and refreshments served in abundance.

The United "Y" met at Miss Hallie Usilton's last Monday evening, and about fifty persons were present. The president, Miss Ida Crew, being absent on account of sickness, Mrs. W. G. Skirven presided. The program consisted of a solo, by Miss Ada Hudson; reading, "Bingen on the Rhine," Mr. Corrie Cleaver; music, Arthur Hurlock, Wm. Barnes, Miss Hallie Usilton; reading, Miss Caddie Rash; trio, Miss Annie Willis, Messrs. Jessie Usilton and Romie Skirven. The meeting next Monday night will be held in St. James' Church, to which the public are invited.

Mr. and Mrs. David Stewart celebrated their 25th anniversary Thursday evening, Jan. 25th, at their home, on Mt. Vernon street, Smyrna. The bride and groom received the congratulations of their many friends during the early part of the evening, and their house and hearts being open for the full enjoyment of the occasion, many pleasentries were indulged in. They were the recipients of many valuable and useful presents. Among those present were: Rev. C. C. Adams and wife, Rev. Mr. Wiley, of Belfast, Ireland; Wm. Davis, of Cecilton, Md.; Arnold Stewart, Misses Linda and Hettie Jacobs, B. F. H. Caulk and wife, of Sassafras, Md.; Wm. Stewart and Miss Annie Stewart, of Chestertown.

Mr. Wm. Fox, near Church Hill gave a big dance to his friends last Wednesday evening.

Matrimonial.

HACKETT — MACBETH.

At St. Andrew's Church in Queen Anne's on Thursday evening, of last week an attractive wedding took place, the bridal party hailing from Crumpton. The groom, Dr. JOHN C. HACKETT, is well known in our county, and the bride, Miss JESSIE MACBETH, is a successful teacher and has been principal of Crumpton school for some time. The chapel was beautifully decorated and a marriage bell hung over the altar. At 7.20 o'clock Miss Nannie Pierce commenced Mendelssohn's wedding march and all eyes turned to behold the bridal party. The ushers—Messrs. C. J. Sudler, John Hendricks, Woodlin Hackett and Julian Power—led the way. They stepped under the bell, and Rev. Mr. Batte made them man and wife. After the beautiful marriage ceremony the organ sounded Lohengrin's march, to which they marched out. The bride was dressed in a rich green silk and the groom in black. They will reside at Crumpton, where the Doctor has a lucrative practice.

One of the chief society events of the season in Seaford was the marriage, on Wednesday afternoon, of Miss HATTIE DARBEE, daughter of J. E. Darbee, to Col. WM. H. COULBOURN, of Gov. Reynolds' staff. Miss Darbee it will be remembered is the charming lady who visited Miss Anna Hubbard on several occasions and made such a favorable impression on some of our professional gentlemen.

RIPE AGES.—In the NEWS of last week three deaths were announced, as follows: William Cacy, aged 79 years; James Kelly, 79 years; Thomas S. Wilmer, aged 83 years; total, 241 years; average, 80 years.

Kennedyville Locals.

Wedding bells could again be heard in our little village last Wednesday afternoon, the contracting parties being Miss RACHEL ARCHIBALD, daughter of the late Wm. Archibald, and Mr. HARRY F. HILL, a prominent young farmer living near Still Pond, and son of Mr. Samuel Hill, near Locust Grove. Just as the clock struck one the bridal couple marched into the parlor, which had been most beautifully and tastefully trimmed with evergreens, ferns and flowers, to the beautiful strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march, performed by Miss Celie McCauley. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Mr. Fitzsimon, of the Presbyterian Church. After the ceremony was performed the company walked out into the dining room, where the table was filled with a handsome collation of those things which are good for the inner man. After sumptuously partaking of the good things the bridal couple drove to Masseys and took the train for New York and Philadelphia, where they expect to visit during their wedding trip. The bride was attired in steel faille silk and carried a bouquet of lillies and hyacinths. The groom wore the conventional black. The bridal pair received a large number of beautiful presents, some of which are: Mr. and Mrs. Dan. Hill, pair blankets; Miss Jennie Hill, flower basket; J. Herman Ireland, carving knife and fork in case; Mrs. Wm. J. Kelley sachet bag; Mrs. Archibald, mother of the bride, furnishings for bed room and beautiful dinner and tea service; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hill, cake basket; Mr. Wm. Archibald, silver casters and fruit dish; Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hurlock, pickle castor and silver pitcher; Mrs. Holden, butter knife; Miss Hettie Bennett, butter knife; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hurlock, butter dish; Mr. L. C. Justis, E. E. Hudson and Dr. Jacobs, handsome clock; Mr. and Mrs. Bolton, carving knife and fork; Miss Minnie Hessner, sugar spoon; Mr. and Mrs. Sam. Hill, family Bible; C. B. Warren, sugar spoon; Dr. J. H. Hill and wife, table cloth and napkins; Mrs. Minner, glass pitcher; Mr. and Mrs. John Archibald, pickle caster; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Speakman, silver jewelry case; Miss Nettie Hill, glass fruit dish; Mr. and Mrs. Shafer, carving knife and fork; Miss Maggie Hill, table cloth; Mr. and Mrs. James Archibald, silver cake dish; little Miss Reba Bennett, a pretty bottle of cologne.

The Rev. Mr. Fitzsimon held special services Wednesday evening in the Presbyterian Church. His subject was "The Prodigal Son," which was very ably discoursed upon. On Sunday, February 7, he will administer the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper and take in any new members who wish to join the church.

Rev. Mr. Strayer was here Friday evening and christened seven children. Quite a number more were to have been baptized, but owing to the bad weather they were not able to come out. Mr. Strayer left for Chestertown Saturday morning on the train.

Mr. Leonard Pennington is quite sick. His son William is helping to nurse him.

Rock Hall Locals.

The oystermen enjoyed the boon of a few days oystering this week, which greatly changed the entire surroundings of the village and vicinity in appearance and making a picturesque view of the harbor. Oysters sold for 60 and 75 cents per bushel. Many of the oystermen are suffering with sore hands in consequence of their work after so long a holiday.

The first mishap of the re-opened season was on Monday evening. Mr. Oscar Faucett, after a hard day's work, fell overboard. Beyond a good ducking he suffered no inconvenience.

The revival services still continue with as much vim as ever, over thirty having professed conversion. Pastor Roe holds out with a tenacity that few men enjoy, and his people generally are standing by him.

There is much amusement here regarding the Edesville writer's reply to the R. H. man, in the use of the following byword: "The pot calling the kettle black." The R. H. writer lays little claims to honesty, for he has frequently said in public and elsewhere that there didn't live an honest man any further than opportunity allowed. But really had the reply in last week's NEWS been writteu by some *one* whose *record* could stand a better *test*, it would have had a better effect in favor of the cause for which he fights; some of the adventist's followers, who are as noble and as good friends to the R. H. man as ever drew the breath of life, denounce him. The Rock Hall writer promised you, Messrs. Editors, to say no more about the Seventh Day Adventist or their doctrines, and in view of that fact and at the earnest solicitation of friends of both sides, he proposes to keep that promise; but he would call the attention of Bro. Hep. to an article in the *Peninsula Methodist*, published in the NEWS last week, and also to one in the *American Methodist* of the following week, and then let all come together and vow eternal friendship.

There are a number of cases of scarlet fever in our neighborhood, and the sick list enlarged considerably since the warm spell set in.

Public School Work.

The following pupils received an average of 80 per cent. or more at the recent intermediate examination at the Chestertown public school:

EIGHTH GRADE.	
Howard Fowler.....93	Bessie Stuart.....89
Violet Beck.....89	Minnie Maslin.....87
Mary Anthony.....89	Vevia Hendrickson..87
SEVENTH GRADE.	
Anna DeFord.....88	Mamie Patterson....83
Maud Bramble.....86	Tillie Reiche.....80
SECOND-SIXTH GRADE.	
Mamie Thompson....95	Minnie Peregoy.....87
Mamie Carroll.....94	Foster Perkins.....86
Amie Russell.....90	Harry Rickey.....85
Tannie Willis.....88	Julia Elliott.....82
FIRST-SIXTH GRADE.	
Lillie Crow.....95	Marion Smith.....86
May Hill.....91	Dora Staats.....86
Georgia Thompson..91	Bessie Cannan.....85
Harry Anthony.....89	Maggie Joiner.....84
Florence Melvin....89	Frank Simpers.....82
Mamie Kirby.....88	Frank McWhorter..82
Emma Greenwood...88	Clara Downey.....81
Allie Wright.....87	Carrie Reiche.....81
Rose Frazier.....87	Sallie Beck.....81
SECOND-FIFTH GRADE.	
Grace Whaland.....95	Waters Russell.....87
Frank Smith.....93	Harry Fallowfield..85
George McFeely....90	Owen Crow.....84
John Toulson.....90	Jose. Pennington...83
Susie Culp.....89	Susie Ford.....82
Annie Brice.....88	Sadie Hendrickson..82
FIRST-FIFTH GRADE.	
Sophie Rose.....90	Mary Brown.....83
Charlie Pippin.....85	Raymond Simpers..82
Lemont Thompson...84	Mamie Barnes.....82
FOURTH GRADE.	
Mattie Storke.....99	Frank Hines.....88
Zoa Elliott.....96	Phillip Lewis.....87
Hallie Toulson.....96	Earle Joiner.....87
Lucy Fogwell.....95	Ollie Hill.....86
Lizzie Willis.....95	Harry Barnes.....86
May Crow.....94	Ralph Coleman.....85
Dollie McWhorter...94	Bennie Greenwood..83
Barbara Anthony....92	Wilkins Elliott.....83
Glenn Howard.....92	Florence Green.....82
Bessie Coleman.....91	Walter Wright.....82
Hayward Meeks.....89	Carlie Smart.....81
Walter B. Sappington.89	Harry York.....81
Linda Lewis.....88	Dora Thompson.....80
THIRD GRADE.	
Hallie Fogwell.....97	George Perkins.....90
Nora Boston.....97	Carl Russell.....90
Maude Melvin.....96	Fannie Smith.....88
Robenia Dill.....95	Charles Whaland...88
Staunton Brown.....95	Gleaves Frazier....87
Ada Barnett.....93	Maud Thompson....87
Pearl Hendrickson...92	Charles Frazier....83
John Reed.....91	Blanch Dugan.....83
SECOND-SECOND GRADE.	
Gussie Friedman....99	George Pennington.91
Ethel Coleman.....98	Jessie Willis.....89
May Jones.....98	Godfrey Westcott..87
Chester Melvin.....94	Blanche Elliott.....85
Lillie Greenwood....94	Bessie Twilley.....84
FIRST-SECOND GRADE.	
Polk Bramble.....97	Frank Duyer.....84
Earle Barnes.....96	John Morgan.....82
Slator Blackiston...93	Tony Bell.....81
Iris Anthony.....91	Ida Downey.....80
THIRD-FIRST GRADE.	
Jennie Hines.....88	Arnold Dugan.....82
Elsie Fallowfield...87	Lottie Rose.....80
Ned Westcott.....86	Maggie Chilcutt....80
SECOND-FIRST GRADE.	
Charlie Hines.....89	Frank Greenwood..85
Bennie Boston.....89	

The Religious World.

Rev. Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Kilgore celebrated their silver wedding at Lisbon, Howard county, on January 22nd. Dr. Kilgore has been the pastor of Lisbon Methodist Protestant Circuit for a number of years past, and has become well known in Maryland and Delaware from his long service as an itinerant minister.

Wilmington M. E. Conference at the next annual session most likely will have six vacant pastorates to fill. Since the last annual session three members have died, Revs. Thos. O. Ayres, T. R. Creamer and S. J. Baker. Rev. J. D. Rigg has taken a superannuated relation, and it is thought that at the next annual session Revs. J. H. Caldwell, D. D., and Charles Hill will be given such a relation. Mr. Hill, owing to illness, has been obliged to stop preaching and during the ensuing two months his pulpit, at Elkton, will be filled by ministers of Wilmington district. It is unlikely that Rev. R. C. Jones will be able to resume pastoral duty next conference year.

Mr. C. S. York was unable to fill his pulpit at Salem last Sunday on account of sickness. The services were conducted by Rev. A. T. Melvin.

Special missionary services were held at St. James and Lynch's Churches last Sunday, Rev. F. T. Tagg preached at both places and the children took part in the program.

At Salem Church the hour of preaching has been changed to 11 o'clock A. M. instead of 10.30. In addition to the official board published in the NEWS the name of Mrs. Benj. L. Legg was unintentionally omitted. She is one of the most active members of the board.

Spurgeon, the great London preacher, died in Mentone, England, Sunday night, aged 57. He commenced to preach at the age of 16. He is compared to Martin Luther, and was a great, fearless and faithful minister.

The Bethel A. M. E. Church have in their present pastor, Rev. F. S. Dennis, an energetic and able preacher and a man who is building up that Church. He will no doubt be asked to return by the quarterly conference.

Rev. F. T. Tagg, corresponding secretary of the board foreign missions, preached in Christ M. P. Church Sunday night to a large audience. His theme was foreign missions and well did he portray the necessities of the heathen. He succeeded in raising about $80 for foreign missions.

Rev. T. H. Lewis, D. D., president of Western Maryland College, who has been traveling through Japan and the Holy Land, will sail for home from Liverpool on February 10. In a letter to his church paper he says:

At Nagoya, I found Miss Hirata, in whom so many of our people are interested. She is as bright as ever, and I believe thoroughly consecerated to the work. At her house I was introduced to a company of Japanese ladies one afternoon at a social call. Whenever you enter a Japanese house, you are served with tea, probably cake also. I went once to a large art establishment and was served with tea and cake on the first floor; we went above and here came the inevitable tea and cake; another story and you may believe it or not, but there it was again. Of course then we had first of all tea. The stove was then passed around and all who were chilled warmed themselves and passed it on. A Japanese warms his hands and he thinks he is warm all over. All he needs for this purpose is a hibaehi, a box or jar, with two small pieces of charcoal in it, if the weather is particularly severe, three pieces are put in, but I never saw four pieces in at one time, even during the snow storm. After we were all in a glow, refreshments began to be passed and pictures were brought out and games and you can't imagine how beautiful and how funny it all was. We sat on the floor of course. Miss Hirata provided a chair for me, but I declined it. It positively seems boorish to sit on a chair in a Japanese house; and so the afternoon passed delightfully to me at least although it must have been a trial to those ladies.

In one day I had *Cha no yu*; a Japanese reception concert and a social evening party. I shall never forget that day, because I sat on my feet for six mortal hours and when I started home I went everywhere. *Cha no yu* is the ceremonial tea-drinking. The formalities observed are more elaborate than either a wedding or a funeral. From the making of the fire to the placing of the cup to the lips every movement is directed by rigid rules. It is really a very graceful performance and when one has an hour to throw away quite interesting. I was honored with the ceremony twice, the second time by a professional. The tea itself has to be taken in moderation or serious headaches follow: The reception took place at Miss Hirata's and was provided under the direction of the wife of one of the army officers. Eight professional missionaries gave selections on the different Japanese instruments and the selections were elaborate.

I regarded myself extremely fortunate in having so good an opportunity to hear the best Japanese music, but my judgement of it must be of course worth very little. The strains are all minor and although they played six or eight instruments at once, no orchestral effect was produced. I should judge they have little notion of harmony, The melody is always sweet, rather, plaintive and sometimes wild. This is especially so in their airs. The national hymn, which I heard on several occasions, being at the climax little more than a shout of angry defiance. It is hard to put the Japanese in a place where they will not find enjoyment and where circumstances are favoarble, they are hilarious.

Of course all regular work in Nagoya came to a stand-still with the earthquake, but God will doubtless use the event to his glory. The missionaries busied themselves in collecting and distributing relief to the sufferers, they are not attempting to do anything else. It is a work of pure, practical charity.

Brother Van Dyke and wife, I saw little of owing to the serious nature of their injuries which made it unwise for them to see any one for some time. I had the pleasure, however, before I left of seeing both very much improved and enjoyed several pleasant talks with them. Brother Albright was alone for the time, his wife making a short trip to Yokohama, and he was kind enough to give me much of his time and counsel. I also enjoyed the hospitality of Miss Forest, of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and Brother Albright, who were joining forces temporarily in housekeeping as he had been shaken out of his quarters by the earthquake. It was here that we all came together to eat Thanksgiving dinner.

Court News.

Board of county commissioners met on Tuesday with a full board present. W. B. Usilton, treasurer for Kent county, presented his report for January, which was accepted and filed by order of the board. Receipt from Maryland hospital for the remittance for support, etc., of James H. Hadaway, for the year 1891, received and filed. Order was passed abating assessment on furniture of T. J. Bayard.

Orphans' Court, Feb. 2, 1892. Present judges Harris, Moffett and Burgess. J. Charles Wheatley one of the administrators of A. J. Rees filed an account of sales of his decedent. The will of Perry Brown, Sr., was probated. Colin F. Stam filed release from Joseph E. and Mellissa B. N. Gresimer. The will of James Kelley was filed for probate. The last will and testament of Sarah C. Rogers was probated. Samuel Merritt was appointed guardian to A. R. Merritt. Letters of administration on the personal estate of Thomas S. Wilmer were granted to James Brice, who filed his bond in the sum of $3000, and E. J. Watson and W. F. Melvin were appointed as appraisers. Letters of administration were granted to John D. Urie on the personal estate of George Maslin.

GOSSIP OF POLITICS.

Republican Factions Sharpening Their Razors.

From the Sunday Herald.

The Maryland Republican party, or, to to be more precise, what is left of it since the drubbing it received in the city and State last fall, is beginning to concern itself considerably about the national convention. The various elements of the party never fail to exhibit a wonderfully aggressive spirit when about to wage war against each other in their own "primaries." Unfortunately for them they expend all their vitality in these internecine strifes. When the general election arrives their nerve has been exhausted, and the Democrats wallop them with painful regularity.

No fight in the ranks of the Republican "machine" in Maryland compares, as a usual thing, with that incident to the election of delegates to the national convention. The Republicans know what little chance they have of capturing the city or State government. So they think it best to direct all their energies toward securing the federal "pap" allotted to Maryland. Past experience has shown that the delegates who are sent to the Republican National Convention, provided they get into the "combination" that names the candidate for the Presidency, are the men who are consulted at Washington when the loaves and fishes are to be distributed. Most of the men who went to Chicago four years ago either got "soft snaps" themselves or helped get them for their friends.

The same struggle to secure places in the delegation to Minneapolis may be expected this time. Evidences that the struggle has already begun in dead earnest are numerous and convincing. It has already been intimated that an understanding between President Harrison and Mr. Blaine must preclude any drawing of lines between the Blaine forces and the Harrison forces. The fight will, it is believed, be simply over the personnel of the delegation.

Circumstances have so shaped themselves as to array against each other as rivals for the party leadership in this State James A. Gary and Ex-Congressman McComas. Mr. Gary is now the member from Maryland on the National Republican committee, selected four years ago. No doubt he desires to retain this honor. Mr. McComas, it is said, also wishes to be resuscitated politically by being substituted on that committee for Mr. Gary, so that he may secure another nomination for Congress in the Sixth district.

With Mr. McComas may be classed Collector Marine, Postmaster Johnson, Marshal Airey, District Attorney Ensor, Ex-Congressman Mudd and Colonel W. J. Vannort, while Mr. Gary has co-operating with him men like Internal Revenue Collector Hill, Surveyor Burchinal, Colonel Hodson, Sub-Treasurer Wellington, Dr. Tuck, State Senators Posey, Wilkinson and Coffin, George M. Russum, Cecil J. Karsner, Chairman Clabaugh of the state committee, and others.

Republican politics in Maryland, however, is so kaleidoscopic that you can never tell where a man may be to-morrow or what old "combination" he may break at a moment's notice to form a new one with an erstwhile enemy. The "combinations" indicated above only represent the present situation. Neither is guaranteed as being copper fastened. Sometimes it doesn't take much to knock out a river.

The anti-Gary element wants to send as the four delegates-at-large to the national convention Colonel Vannort, General Agnus, Mr. Mudd and Mr. McComas. Colonel Vannort is being opposed in his county—Kent—by Captain Burchinal, who says that if Kent is to be represented it should be by Charles T. Westcott. General Agnus' success will depend much upon what Postmaster Johnson and Marshal Airey can do for him. He is handicapped by the complaint that he is not running a Republican newspaper, although he is an applicant for Republican honors. Mr. McComas' recent defeat has given him a set-back, while Mr. Mudd is accused of playing the inconsistent role of a blatant Blaine man while soliciting and securing favors from the Harrison administration at Washington.

It must be confessed that the anti-Gary people have the better of the situation in one respect—that is, they control two of the biggest sources of patronage—Post-office and Custom-house. The Sub-treasurer and Surveyor have little or no "pap" for "the boys," and the only patronage of any proportions in the hands of the Gary men is the Internal Revenue Office. Patronage, however, has not always proved the greatest benefit to a faction in the Republican party involved in a fight. There are always more "outs" than "ins," and if the Gary element can consolidate the bulk of the "outs" with those friends who are "in" they may be in position to make a winning fight, inspired by the hope that if the next President is a Republican friends of Mr. Gary will be Postmaster and Collector.

The present indications are that the Gary people are in very good shape, and the prospect is quite encouraging for them. They control the State committee, and, if that is any evidence of what they will do at the primaries, it is difficult to see how they can fail to control the State convention. Local interests will play a large part in controlling the six district conventions, each of which elects two district delegates to Minneapolis.

Yet what is fame, after all? Only a day or two ago Postmaster Tuck, of Annapolis, the veteran Anne Arundel Republican leader, had a "special delivery" letter addressed to Mr. Rasin. Dr. Tuck went to the State-house to hunt Mr. Rasin, but couldn't find him. He approached one of the doorkeepers of the House of Delegates—a man who had been appointed no doubt because he is a big politician in his own district.

"Where's Free Rasin?" asked Dr. Tuck familiarly addressing the Democratic doorkeeper.

"Free who?" responded the latter.

"Free Rasin, of Baltimore."

"Is he a member of the Legislature?"

"Thunder, no!" said Dr. Tuck. "Don't you know who Free Rasin is? He's the boss of the Democratic party—your boss. Don't you know him?" asked the doctor in utter amazement.

"Never heard of him to my knowledge," was the reply of the doorkeeper. And Dr. Tuck turned away chuckling to himself with the remark that if this was a Republican Legislature and he was as big a man in that party as Mr. Rasin is in the Democratic he would soon have a new man keeping that doorway.

BALTIMORE MARKET.—The Baltimore paper yesterday quote as follows:

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DIVINE SERVICES at Salem M. E. Church Sunday, Feb. 7. 11 A. M., communion. 7.30 P. M., preaching. Rev. A. T. MELVIN will conduct the services.

CHRIST METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH—Rev. D. L. GREENFIELD, pastor. Public worship 10½ A. M. and 7½ P. M. Evening theme: "The wreck of the Steamship Elder." Sunday-school 10½ A. M. and 2 P. M.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH—Rev. R. IRVING WATKINS, pastor. Sabbath services: 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Morning, Sacramental Services. Evening: "The Present Aspect of the Sabbath Question," the last of the Sunday series. Sabbath-school 2.15 P. M.—Missionary Day. Epworth League 6.45 P. M.

A WEEK'S CONFERENCE ABOUT PRAYER.—CHRIST M. P. CHURCH, Feb. 8—12.
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Tuesday—Its Condition. The Pastor;
Wednesday—Why Ineffective. Rev. R. Irving Watkins.
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RATIFICATION NOTICE.

Wm. H. Coleman, Late Collector of Taxes,
versus
Thomas Kelley.

Tax Collector's Sale. In the Circuit Court for Kent co., Md.

THE within report of sale and the proceedings had by the collector having been examined by this court, and the same appearing to be regular and the provisions of law in relation to sales by tax collectors appearing to have been complied with, it is hereby ordered by the Circuit Court for Kent county, Md., that notice be given by advertisement, which shall be published in some newspaper published in Kent county once a week for three successive weeks before the 8th day of March next warning all persons interested in the real estate sold as appears by the collector's report, to be and appear in this court on or before the 18th day of April, 1892, to show cause, if any they have, why said sale shall not be ratified and confirmed.

JOSEPH A. WICKES.
True Copy—Test:
SAMUEL G. FISHER, Clerk.
Feb. 6, 1892—4t.

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and Fireplace Heaters in endless variety at prices that defy competition. The Excelsior and Niagara Cook Stoves have no superior. The Splendid and New Royal Ranges are Perfect Bakers. The Victor Cook needs no recommendation. Our Gauze Door Cooks and Ranges have earned the highest praise. Our Golden Sun and Splendid Fireplace Heaters give perfect satisfaction and have no equals for superior construction and wonderful heating capacity. Our Dome Radiator, Magnet, Marvel, Rupert, Regal, Garnet, Vulcan and Crystal Heating Stoves are all guaranteed

GUNNERS AND SPORTSMEN, LOOK!

A large assortment of Breech and Muzzle Loading Shot Guns, will be sold cheap. Loaded Shells, Empty Shells, Shot, all sizes: Powder, 3 grades; Wads, Gunning Coats, Hats and Vests, all going at bottom prices.

We handle the largest stock of Enterprise Meat Cutters and Stuffers, Axes, Lard Cans, Nails, Hinges, Locks, &c., and guarantee our prices. Don't forget our Christmas Goods, Wooden Wedding Goods and Tin Wedding Goods. Give us a call and we will do you good. Tinware, all kinds, and Stoves Repaired at short notice.

Respectfully,
J. K. ALDRIDGE & CO.,
Nov. 28, 1891. CHESTERTOWN, Md.

Established 1876.

E. T. COMEGYS,

DEALER IN GRAIN,

KENNEDYVILLE - MARYLAND,

Wanted--All the New Wheat and Corn

I can buy, delivered at any station on the railroad, Farmers look to your interest and allow me to make an offer on your grain before you sell. *As I am buying direct for the manufacturer, with a low rate of freight to Wilmington, it is reasonable* to suppose I can PAY MORE for grain than those who buy to sell again.
E. T. COMEGYS.

LADIES use the GILT EDGE SHOE POLISH, the best Shoe Polish made that contains oil. It will not crack or break the leather, and always gives a nice gloss. For sale by
n8. WM. R. ALDRDIGE.

THE latest styles in Stiff and Soft HATS, also a nice line of CAPS. Call and see them.
n8. WM. R. ALDRIDGE.

"STRUCK BOTTOM!"

OUR GREAT REDUCTION SALE HAS BEEN SUCH A DECIDED SUCCESS THAT I HAVE

Made a Still Lower Figure,

on the balance of my Winter Stock, in order to close out entirely every Heavy and Medium Weight Garment in the House. COME EARLY WHILE ASSORTMENT LASTS, and get a Man's, Boy's or Child's Suit or Overcoat at Wholesale Prices. I have a very good line yet, but they certainly cannot last long at the Prices I Have Put on the Remainder. Single Pants go likewise.

Finest Line of Best Made Suits in the County.

ALL NEW GOODS.

Respectfully,
W. E. MOODY.
Feb. 6, 1892. Few Doors Below Postoffice.

THE GREATEST OFFER YET!

THOMAS S. BORDLEY

Has determined to begin the greatest Overcoat Sale, as far as Price is concerned, that has ever been offered to the public. Upon actual count, he finds that he has still on hand nearly Two Hundred Fine, Perfect Fitting and Handsomely Made Overcoats, many of which have been ready sellers for $12.00, $15.00, $16.00 and $18.00. To dispose of the whole of them and to turn them into Ready Money I will from to-day sell the

Choice of Entire Lot only $8.99

This is the most unparalleled offer ever made in Chestertown! Even if you don't need an Overcoat, it will pay you to buy at this price and keep it till you do need it.

THOMAS S. BORDLEY.

DURING THE YEAR 1892,

---to the---

Persons Guessing Nearest the Number of Beans

in a GLASS JAR, I will award:

1st—A New Parlor Stove,
2d—Nice Oak Centre Table,
3d--Fine 16th Century Oak Rocker.

All of these presents are on exhibition at my store. One guess with every pair of shoes sold.

T. G. WROTH,
Jan. 9, 1892. UNDER STAM'S HALL

—THE—

New York Life Insurance Co.

Begs leave to announce that its Twenty-Year Tontine Policies, issued in 1872, are now maturing with the following Result:

I.

1. Ordinary Life Policies are returning from 20 to 52 per cent. in excess of their cash cost, according to age of insured. (See example below.)
2. Twenty-Year Endowment Policies are returning from 58 to 71 per cent. in excess of their cash cost, according to age of insured. (See example below.)
3. Limited-Payment Life Policies are returning from 43 to 141 per cent. in excess of their cash cost, according to age of insured. (See example below.)

EXAMPLES OF MATURING POLICIES:

	COST.	CASH VALUE.
1. Policy taken at age 40 $ 2,000,	$1,402,	$ 1,757.76.
2. Policy taken at age 30 5,000,	4,853,	8,238.45.
3. Policy taken at age 37, 10,000,	7,166,	10,338.40.

These returns are made to members after the company has carried the insurance on the respective policies for twenty years.

II.

1. Persons insured under Ordinary Life Policies may IN LIEU OF THE ABOVE CASH VALUE, continue their insurance, at ORIGINAL RATES, and receive CASH DIVIDENDS of from 71 to 115 per cent. of all premiums that have been paid, and Annual Dividends hereafter as they accrue. (See example below.)
2. Persons insured under Limited Payment Life Policies may IN LIEU OF ABOVE CASH VALUE continue their insurance, WITHOUT FURTHER PAYMENTS, and receive CASH DIVIDENDS of from 67 to 165 per cent. of all premiums that have been paid, and Annual Dividends hereafter as they accrue. (See example below.)

EXAMPLES OF DIVIDENDS:

1. Policy (see above) may be continued for the original amount at original rates with actual dividends, amounting to $980.62 may be withdrawn in cash.
2. Policy (see above) may be continued without further payments receiving annual dividends and the accumulated dividends, amounting to $4,820.30 may be withdrawn in cash.

Persons desiring to see results on policies issued at their present age, and further particulars as to options in settlement, will please ADDRESS THE COMPANY OR ITS AGENTS, GIVING DATE OF BIRTH.

III.

The Management of the Company further announces that:
1. The Company's New Business for 1891 exceeded $150,000,000.
2. Its Income Exceeded that of 1890.
3. Its Assets and Insurance in Force were both largely increased.
4. Its Mortality Rate was much below that called for by the Mortality Table.
5. A Detailed Statement of the Year's Business will be published after Annual Report is completed.

WILLIAM H. BEERS, President. HENRY TUCK, Vice-President.
ARCHIBALD H. WELSH, 2d Vice-Pres't. RUFUS W. WEEKS, Actuary.
346 and 348 Broadway, New York.

J. E. JACOBS, General Manager,
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W. H. GIBSON, Centreville, Md.,
General Agent for Eastern Shore of Maryland.

BALTO. 1864 SADLER'S BRYANT AND STRATTON COLLEGE

FOUNDED 1864 by the present executive—Occupies four buildings—Unrivalled in facilities for educating YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN for success in life. The outlook for the New Year is most favorable for business opportunities. The demand for our graduates is unprecedented. No vacation; pupils can enter at any time with equal advantage. Never attend a school because the tuition is cheap, for CHEAP is very dear; it means cheap surroundings, inferior facilities, and offers NO opportunities for securing POSITIONS for its pupils and graduates. This school, owing to its HIGH standard of excellence, has placed in business more young men and women from Md., Va., N. C., S. C. and Ga. than all similar institutions combined. Catalogue and particulars mailed. W. H. SADLER, PRES.,—F. A. SADLER, SEC'Y, BALTIMORE, MD.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

Phila., Wilmington & Baltimore R. R.

DELAWARE DIVISION.

On and after January 18th, 1892, trains will leave as follows:

SOUTHWARD.

	EXP. P. M.	PASS A. M.	EXP. A. M.	PASS P. M.	MAIL P. M.	MAIL P. M.
Philadelphia	‖11.16	§7.27	§10.