The Kent News.

CHESTERTOWN, MD.....FEB. 11, 1893

PERSONAL MENTION.

Judge Joseph A. Wickes attended the funeral of Chief Justice Comegys in Dover. He reached home by rail from Baltimore last Tuesday.

Mrs. T. R. Hubbard spent the past week in Seaford and elsewhere.

Miss Julia Emory returned home Tuesday from a visit to Laurel, Del. While away from home she attended the wedding of her friend, Miss Minnie Wolf.

Mrs. C. H. Dugan and pretty daughter, Agnes, have been visiting friends in Broad Neck and Chestertown. She was looking remarkably well and has not lost any of her former beauty but is rather improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. F. Russell arrived home from their wedding trip Monday. They expect to be "at home" on Kent street next week.

Miss Bessie Price, of Centreville, is the guest of the Misses Baker, near Pomona.

Miss Lizzie Turner, of Smyrna, is visiting friends in Kent.

Miss Lizzie G. Clark, of Wilmington, is visiting her cousin Mrs. G. W. Harper in Still Pond.

Miss Blanche Gray, of near Galena, has been the guest of Miss Annie Hayes, of Georgetown, the past week.

Miss Mary Magruder, of Western Maryland, is the guest of the Misses Stewart, near town.

Mrs. John Warren, of Delaware City, is visiting at Mr. Harry A. Hyland's, in Chestertown.

Sheriff Plummer, while in Baltimore Wednesday, was presented with a magnificent meerschaum pipe by Mr. R. J. Fadgan and other friends of the Western district police force.

Postmaster Brown was the recipient of two mammoth lobsters yesterday by express.

A curiosity in the shape of a gold quarter was shown us yesterday by Mr. J. V. Crosby, received by him from California. It is dangerously small.

Mr. T. J. Burris, of near Melitota, is on a visit to close friends in Delaware.

E. P. Weller, son of Rev. A. Weller, of Chesterville, has been quite ill at his home in Cincinnati, Ohio, but we are pleased to hear that he is improving.

Robt. C. Young, purser of steamer H. L. Gaw, of the Ericsson line, spent a few days with his family at Betterton during the late freeze, the boats having been laid up on account of ice.

Mrs. Josiah Massey has been spending a month with friends in Baltimore.

Miss May Cavender, of Smyrna, has been the guest of Miss Clara Vandyke, near Kennedyville.

Mrs. Eugene Denny, of Royal Oak, is visiting her son, Hall, in Kent county.

Miss Carrie McIntyre, of Galena, expects to return home about the middle of February, after a visit of four months with relatives and friends in Chestertown, Worton and Pomona. While at Pomona Miss Bessie Miller, one of Worton's young ladies has been her guest. These ladies will no doubt be greatly missed when they return to their homes.

Cards have announced the marriage of Miss Ada M. Hudson, daughter of Mr. J. L. Hudson and Mr. Edw. O. Duyer, at Salem M. E. Church, Feb. 15th at 7.30 P.M. A reception following at the brides parents to which the "United Y" are invited. Reserved seats for all members, whom the ushers will recognize by the "White Ribbon."

J. Miller Thomas, of the *Peninsula Methodist*, and Miss Sallie A. Tyler, daughter of the late Dr. George C. Tyler, of Onancock, Va., are to be married in Trinity M. E. Church, Philadelphia, on Wednesday afternoon, February 15.

Miss Nora W. Cotton and W. F. Brown were married in Smyrna Wednesday evening. Miss Cotton has visited Chestertown on several occasions and was one of Smyrna's most popular ladies.

Worton Politics.

EDITORS KENT NEWS:

In the last issue of your valued paper a Worton correspondent undertook to speak for us on political matters. Looking at it from his own standpoint he was correct, of course; but there are other people in Worton beside himself, and some of them, at least, beg to differ from his conclusions.

In regard to the county commissioner we have not one word to say against Mr. Jos. R. Usilton personally. He is in every way a worthy gentleman himself, and an "honored son of a noble sire," but there is another gentleman named for that office, also, and he—Mr. Ray Bowers—is one of the most active and useful Democrats in the District. He is not asking a nomination, but his friends are for him, because they believe him to be the man for the times, and in every way qualified; he will carry his district certain if his friends stand by him.

And, in regard to the Legislature also, What's the matter with Sheriff Plummer? Who could more efficiently represent us in the Legislature than he? Who is more popular? His numerous friends have put him in the field, and Worton, his old district will give him a hearty endorsement.

WORTON.

Will They Confess Now?

Baltimore Morning Herald.

Governor Frank Brown before many days may be within the walls of the Maryland Penitentiary. He is going there to court an interview with Charles Emory, Lewis Benson, Henry Hurtt and Joshua Baynard, the four colored boys whose sentences he commuted to imprisonment for life after they had been doomed to the gallows for complicity in the murder of Dr. Hill, of Kent county.

Since the hanging of the four other men the Governor has had a desire to talk with the boys whom he saved from death by the rope.

This desire is prompted somewhat by the remarkable coincidence of each of the four condemned men being sent into eternity without a word of confession from either. A statement from at least one of the men at the last moment, it was thought, would be made, but as all four went to death with sealed lips the Governor is anxious to talk to the living participants in the crime.

His idea is to first try to make the boys understand the debt of obligation they owe him as their savior, and to impress them with the fact that the law has taken its course in the matter. He will show them that even though they confess their guilt no further punishment could be accorded them.

Governor Brown will then press them for a confession, and in this he hopes to succeed. The Governor is anxious to get a story of the crime from the boys for his own satisfaction.

While he does not think there is any doubt of the guilt of the men hung, nor those doomed to spend the rest of their lives in toil for the State, it will be a source of satisfaction for him to know the exact part played by each in the tragedy.

The boys when first taken to the Penitentiary were in good spirits over their escape, but they, like the rest of the convicts, find little to be thankful for in their present surroundings. They do their work like others because they have to, but do not view their tasks with the same joyous indifference they did when they entered the institution. Emory expresses the sentiment of all, however, when he says he'd rather be a live convict than a dead murderer.

A GAME of base ball was played in Double Creek last Wednesday between two clubs representing McGinnes and Jimtown, resulting in the score of 7 to 9 in favor of the former.

A POPULAR COUPLE!

'Mid Beautiful Surroundings They Unite for Life!

The sweet sounding music of the wedding bells rang out on the clear and frosted air again on Thursday and two more of Chestertown's popular young people were joined in holy wedlock. It was the wedding of Mr. WM. BRADFORD COPPER and Miss SALLIE CARROLL. Christ M. P. Church was the scene of the wedding and the beauty of the edifice was heightened by tasty decorations of holly, ferns, lillies, palms, hyacinths and other blooming flowers. As the hands of the clock pointed to 12.30 o'clock the wedding party entered the church and in well-measured time approached the altar to the wedding march played by Miss Clara B. Usilton. The bridal couple were preceded by the ushers, Dr. H. L. Dodd, Fred G. Usilton, Clinton W. Wroth, and R. W. Copper, of Pocomoke city, and little Miss Ethel Bacchus, a niece of the bride. The ceremony was performed by Rev. D. L. Greenfield, pastor of Christ Church and Rev. J. W. Easley, pastor of the M. E. Church.

The bride was attired in a stylish tailor-made dark green broadcloth dress with coat and hat to match and carried a bouquet of bride's roses. She is the handsome daughter of Mr. A. P. Carroll and a lady of many friends in Chestortown and elsewhere.

The groom wore a black cutaway suit with a white bud boutoniere and stood the ordeal with his usual stateliness and nerve. Mr. Copper is the cashier of the Second National Bank and has the esteem and confidence of a wide circle of friends. It was truly a popular couple.

Little Ethel, the flower girl, was just as cute as possible, prettily dressed in white India silk and carried a basket of beautiful flowers.

The Church and Sunday school room were both filled with friends and relatives and chairs had to be placed in the aisles to accommodate the people.

After the ceremony the couple boarded the train for a short trip to Philadelphia and Washington.

They will reside in the pretty residence lately built on Washington avenue. The presents were numerous, useful and ornamental. Included in the list is a handsome service of silver, the gift of the bank directors; and a beautiful onyx clock embellished with gold from the M. E. Church Sunday school.

Social Maelstrom.

A party of young people gave Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Trimble a complete surprise Thursday night, Feb. 2nd. The greater number of the party wore masks, and among them were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Trimble, Mr. and Mrs. Pere Biggs, Misses Rachel Biggs, Mattie Taylor, May Usilton, Louisa Myres, Ida and Mamie Walker, Messrs. Will Willis, Harry, Walter, Sam, and P. H. Taylor, James Adams, Edward Smith, Will Shuster, Edwin Myres, Harry Trimble and others. Games of many kinds, also plenty of music were enjoyed, and to all a light and pleasant shock of electricity was given and very much enjoyed. All retired at a late hour leaving their host and hostess with regrets.

A grand masquerade party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John P. Hendrickson Friday evening. About seventy persons were present and some very novel suits were worn. Refreshments were abundantly served and a very pleasant evening enjoyed.

HOW THEY HAVE FARED.

"One half of the world does not know how the other half lives," is certainly a true saying, and it might be of the inhabitants of Chestertown that one-half does not know how the other half survive. To give our readers an idea as to how the colored people have struggled through the recent cold spell we have interviewed a number of persons and append the result.

Rev. F. S. Dennis, pastor of A. M. E. Church, Chestertown, says: "This has been an extremely severe winter and especially hard among the poor of the town, owing to the ill constructed houses in which they are compelled to live. They have been unable to furnish sufficient fuel to keep them comfortable during the most rigid weather." His church with others have done much to relieve suffering humanity.

Rev. B. A. Queeley, pastor of Janes M. E. Church says, "Most persons say within their recollection this is the hardest winter for many a long year. Some people do not feel its severity as much as others, but there is no class that suffers more than the poor colored people who have very little opportunity for work at the best time and none whatever at this time. Yet they have around them many little children with pinched face and pinching hunger, no food to eat, no clothes to wear and no fire to keep their insufficiently clad bodies warm. Such has been the scene presented to my view from time to time as I have made my rounds."

John Ringgold—The suffering has been very intense this winter. Many families have been without food and fuel, but have found friends among the whites who have in many cases relieved suffering.

Marshal Pitman—We have not had one call for help this winter in our church but heretofore we have always had calls which would mean that the colored people have fared better than usual. Whether this is a fact or not I would not pretend to say.

Bailiff Kelley—Never to my knowledge have the colored people of Chestertown been more needy than at present. Some have almost frozen, while others came near starving. I think this month will be severer than any on them.

J. D. Bacchus, coal merchant, says he has received repeated calls from persons in need of fuel, but he knows of no case where the parties were really suffering.

Wm. S. Culp, coal dealer, says to his knowledge there are but few families that are in need and he has seen but very little begging.

George B. Twilley, coal dealer, says he has received some appeals for help but as a whole the suffering among the colored people has been very small.

Henry Thompson, butcher, said he had several persons to call at shop and say that they were too proud to beg and could not steal but were forced to ask aid by hunger. One of these men was a local preacher in a church in the country. But as to the extent of suffering he could not say. As far as he has learned the colored folks are faring none too well.

James E. Thompson, butcher—Beggars have been numerous with me this winter, especially among the colored race. No real suffering to my knowledge has been noticed.

This office has been besieged by more persons asking aid than we have ever known before, and we took the trouble to find out that each one was worthy of aid. One of the applicants was an honest colored man with no work and could not get any. He had *eight* small children, some of whom were sick, and nothing in the house to eat. Another was an elderly colored woman who was sick, while at home several children were shivering from cold and crying for something to eat! She stated that she had put off begging as long as she could but that now everything was gone and she was compelled to start out.

Among the white people in town there is suffering but where it is known it is quickly alleviated by the different churches and societies.

MR. JOHN W. WRIGHT wants the readers of the NEWS to know that the Chestertown New Roller Mills is now furnishing first class flour, and some of the best families in town are using the same. Call at his store, formerly Dr. Cooper's office.

FAIRLEE LOCALS.

Missionary Anniversary—Good Man for Legislature—Postoffice Applicants—Personals, Etc.

A very interesting missionary service was held in Salem (Fairlee) M. E. Church last Sunday evening, under the auspices of the missionary society of the Sunday-school. Mr. J. A. Greenwood is president; Mrs. Wm. Kline, vice-president; and Mr. William Keyser, treasurer, of this society. The exercises of each meeting are arranged by a committee of the following ladies: Mrs. Walter F. Sparks, Mrs. B. L. Legg and Miss Carrie I. Smyth. The children, Miss Hattie Lewis, with her opening recitation; Miss Bacon, daughter of Capt. John Bacon, of Buck Neck, with an address on "China;" Miss Maud Hasson, on "India;" and Miss Ida More Hudson, with her "Missionary Hen," did finely. Miss Hope Greenwood and Masters Arthur Greenwood, Oliver Payne, Howard Jones and Little Captain Bacon did admirably well. Miss Minnie Smyth gave a most excellent reading in her usual impressive manner. The music was pleasing and well rendered. Mrs. Walter F. Sparks presided at the organ. The banner was awarded the infant class, taught by Mrs. Wm. Kline. The presentation was made by Mrs. B. L. Legg, with some very timely remarks.

Rev. C. S. York preached a very effective sermon in the morning to an appreciative audience.

Mr. Walter Sparks has put a machine in his mill-house for grinding meal, also a saw for cutting out brackets and scroll-work. He is grinding a good deal of chop-stuff and is sawing quite a lot of lumber. Mr. Wm. E. Keyser has a big lot of white oak logs at the mill to be sawed into wheel-wright lumber.

Mr. Griffin, the efficient wheelwright, employed by Mr. Keyser, had the misfortune to cut the end off of one finger while scribing with a penknife last Monday.

I do not hear of any political aspirants in our village, but allow me to suggest a name that would challenge competition in the race for legislative honors, and that is Mr. John P. Nicholson. I do not suppose such an idea has ever entered the mind of Mr. Nicholson, yet he is a representative citizen, and one well qualified as a delegate, generally known and popular.

Who shall be postmaster? is under agitation, slightly, here. We hear of several. Mr. John L. Lewis is favorably spoken of. He is merchandising in the Rogers' store-room, and some years ago the postoffice was in this store, and known as "Rogers' Store," afterwards it was changed to its present name "Fairlee." This office, by the statement of one who knows, "averages during the year about $15.00 per month." The duties are arduous, so it is not much of a plum. The office in this store would be centrally located.

The sight of Mr. Lewis' eye is about gone and he suffers very much with it. A piece of steel, as the NEWS stated some time ago, broken from a chisel while cutting a nail, flew into his eye.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Miss Ada M. Hudson, daughter of John L. Hudson, of this village, and Mr. Edward O. Duyer, on Wednesday evening, Feb. 15, at 7.30 P. M., at Salem (Fairlee) Church.

WEST END.

Millington Briefs.

While washing, Mrs. Martha A. Thorington, fell from the tub, and died instantly. The deceased was widely known as a nurse in the first District. She was about 82 years of age, died from an overflow of blood at the head.

Mr. Walter Truit is suffering a severe attack of Inflammatory Rheumatism and hasn't been out of the house since the 25th November, 1892. He is a little better now under the treatment of Lippicott.

TAX CONGRESS DELEGATES.

Governor Brown Completes the List.

Governor Brown has completed the list of delegates to the convention which will meet in Baltimore to discuss a system of taxation for Maryland. The Governor says he has been assisted in the selection of delegates from the counties by the State Senators and other citizens. The delegates from Baltimore city have been named by the respective organizations and the delegates at large have been selected by the Governor personally. They are principally members of the bar, his object being to have a general discussion of the constitutional and legal questions which are likely to arise.

Nearly all the delegates from the counties have been named without their knowledge and without any knowledge on the part of the Governor as to their views on the question of taxation.

From the Counties.

Allegany county—Lloyd Lowndes, Moses R. Wilson.

Anne Arundel county—Wm. A. Shipley, Benjamin Watkins.

Baltimore county—George W. Yellott, Edward S. Choate, William B. Graves and John Crout.

Calvert county—David Carcaud, Wm. H. Hellen.

Dorchester county—Dr. J. H. Houston, Levi Travers.

Frederick county—Joseph D. Baker, Wm. H. Lakin.

Harford county—John A. Russell, Nathan Grafton.

Caroline county—Philip W. Downes, G. M. Russum.

Carroll county—Granville S. Haines, J. O. Wadlow, George P. Buckey.

Cecil county—Thomas J. Cleaver, Frank S. Everist.

Charles county—Wm. McKenny Burroughs, Marshall Chapman.

Howard county—Henry O. Devries, Samuel K. George.

Garrett county—Daniel Offutt, Elijah M. Friend.

Kent county—Wm. S. Walker, James S. Harris.

Montgomery country—Asa Stabler, Wm. E. Muncaster.

Prince George's county—Charles Claggett, J. H. Rallston.

Queen Anne's county—Wm McKenney, Dr. Wm. H. DeCourcey.

Saint Mary's county—Richard H. Garner, Thomas H. Bond.

Washington county—John H. Rohrer, John W. Stonebraker.

Worcester county—Stephen Mason, Edward White, F. Jenkins Purnell.

Talbot county—Wm. R. Martin, Robert B. Dickson.

Somerset county—Wm. S. McMaster, Clarence P. Lankford.

Wicomico county—John W. Willing, Thos. H. Williams.

There is also named one delegate at large from each county and a number from the city—Hon. Thomas G. Hayes heading the latter. From the Eastern Shore counties the following are named:

Kent—James Alfred Pearce.

Cecil—John S. Wirt.

Queen Anne's—Edwin H. Brown.

Dorchester—John R. Patterson.

Talbot—Wm. A. Stewart.

Worcester—Clayton J. Purnell.

Somerset—Joshua W. Miles, Thomas S. Hodson.

Wicomico—Wm. J. Leonard.

The convention will likely meet at Sutro's Hall on the evening of the 21st instant. The actual traveling expenses and hotel bills of the delegates from the counties will be defrayed by voluntary contributions on the part of representative citizens of the State.

THREE HUNDRED VESSELS are ice-bound at Cambridge harbor. Over $100,000 of capital, represented by vessel property—locked up, at a time when its earning power is greatest.

GALENA LOCALS.

After the Barn Burner—Politics—The Road Question—Creamery—Personals.

William H. Pennington died in Fredericktown on Friday, 3d instant, aged 55 years. He was only confined to his house about four days. He was buried on Sunday, 6th inst., at Bethel Cemetery, Cecil county, in the family lot, Rev. Mr. Nelson officiating at the funeral.

Mr. F. H. Ruth has been laid up for several days, threatened with pneumonia, but is somewhat better at this writing.

Constable Vosnell and Mr. Rich'd Lockwood were busy all last week searching for the barn burner, George Matthews. Word was sent to the constable that he was in the vicinity of Lambson's one day last week, but after thoroughly searching the neighborhood they failed to find him. In the vicinity of Masseys one man spent the whole night watching three houses as he was sure Matthews was in one of them, and he thought he was certain of the $50 reward as soon as daylight appeared. It was one of those bitter cold nights too, and after the exposure of the night and when morning came he he found he was not there and had not been there; he saw that he was wrongly informed.

We have occasionally some animated disscusions as to how nominations should be made this year for the different offices. It seems to be the general opinion that the people should vote directly for the candidate, and they—the successful ones—select a delegation of five from each district.

Another matter that seems to engage the people's thoughts a good bit is the manner of keeping the roads in repair. I have heard one responsible man say he could keep the roads in good repair for $10 or $12 per mile, clear of the bridges. Another, and a worthy one at that, said he would guarantee to keep the roads in first-class order in this district for $2,000 a year, which would be a great saving over the present. The only way to remedy the whole matter of county expenses is to re elect the present board of county commissioners, or elect a board equally as good and pay them a good salary, for we have not got to that perfection yet that we could expect a set of men to attend to the business of the county free of charge.

Our creamery is getting a large quantity of milk for this cold winter. The creamery company is enlarging their well just now, the old one did not give a sufficient quantity of water for their purposes. The Galena and Sassafras creameries have entered into a new contract to the advantage of both.

The supply of coal here is getting short, and the price of the article is going up correspondingly. P.

DRAWING JURORS—A $1200 FEE.

Judge Stump Gives a Set Back to Tyler in Talbot.

Judge Stump presided at the February term of the Circuit Court for Talbot county and on last Tuesday the counsel for William Preston Tyler, now serving a sentence in the penitentiary for man-slaughter under a judgement entered at the November term, moved to strike out the judgement on the ground that the grand jury which indicted Tyler and the petit jury which convicted him were not legally constituted, as laid down, by the Court of Appeals in the recent decision in the Avirett case, appealed from Alleganey county. Judge Stump dismissed the motion. He said that the Alleganey county case the the jury array was challenged at the time and a plea of abatement made at the time the man was on trial. The Court of Appeals passed on this especial case, with its legal surroundings, which were not about the case on the motion before him. Tyler had accepted the jury panel without objection as drawn in Talbot County and Avirett did not as drawn in Alleganey. Tyler's case was ended. Mr. Russum, of Tyler's counsel, gave notice of appeal.

Judge Stump took the poll-books and the list of taxpayers and himself made out the list of 150 names from which he subsequently drew the jury panel for the May term.

Messrs. Russum and Lewis, two of the counsel in the Tyler Shaw murder case tried at the last November term of the circuit for Talbot county, have issued a foreign attachment and levied the same on the farm of George M. Tyler for the payment of $1,250, a balance due for services rendered as attorney for the defence.

School Averages.

The following averages were attained the past month by pupils of Kennedyville school: Seventh grade—Nellie Barwick, 95; Jennie Meredith, 95. Second sixth—Susie Johnson, 97; Carry Hessner, 97; Clara Redmile, 97; Katie Hessner, 97; Dora Pennington, 96; Frank Hill, 95. First sixth—Jess Medders, 80; Katie Weer, 80. Fifth—Frank Johnson, 83; Emma Hessner, 82; Lilly Redmile, 82; Will Lipscomb, 82; Harry Kennedy, 80; Oscar Lane, 80. Fourth—Rob Kennedy, 83; Webster Hill, 82; Will Startt, 81; Charles Quigley, 81; Samuel Shuck, 80; George Johnson, 80; Nathoniel Johnson, 80. Harry Hill, 81; Annie Shuck, 85. Third grade—Emma Shafer, 96; John Hessner, 93; Fred Jarrell, 87; Purnell Newcomb, 77. Second grade—Harry Lipscomb, 99; Harry Johnson, 75; John Newcomb, 77; John Whitely, 77; Mamie Kennedy, 76. First grade—Lizzie Hessner, 84; Mollie Roberts, 87; Stella Lane, 81.

WORTON SCHOOL.

Seventh grade—Lucy Crew, 93. Sixth—Hope Wallis, 94; Bruce Crew, 91; Samuel Loller, 91; Charles Lambert, 89; Harry Crew, 73. Fifth—Carroll Loller, 84; Agnes Cooper, 83; Harry Williams, 71. Fourth—Delma Carter, 96; Hallie Crew, 89; Mary Wallis, 87; Arthur Loller, 87; Isaac Dwyer, 73. Third—Harry Ivens, 100; Vennetta Noblette, 99¾; Roe Pote, 99; Addie Meekins, 98; Lester Carter, 95. Second—Lewis Parsons, 99; Josie Porter, 96; John Dwyer 96; Katie Zenker, 94; Willie Dwyer, 94; Charlie Miller, 93; Tommy Silcox, 89; Mattie Geyser, 87; Jennie Meekins, 83. First—Maggie Wallis, 98; Harper Carter, 97; Harry Cooper, 96; Tommy Lambert, 96; Elsie Silcox, 93; Alice Lecompt, 93; George Williams, 93; Frank Ivens, 93; Addie Fowler, 93; Arthur Lambert, 89; Horton Silcox, 86.

HOPEWELL SSCHOOL.

Frank C. Robinson, 98.8; Spencer Biddle, 92.8; Stanley Matthews, 92; Mamie Newcomb, 92; Thomas Anderson, 90; Hubert Massey, 89.3; Hallie Biddle, 87.1; Janie Anderson, 86.6; Hylie Crew, 85.8; Erwin Morris, 82.3.

NATIONAL HOTEL SOLD.—Alex. P. Maxwell, who is known far and near among the traveling public, has disposed of the National Hotel, Middletown, over whose destinies he has so long presided, to Mr. De Ballenger, who keeps the old Willis place opposite the Wilmington station. Mr. Maxwell will remove to his home now occupied by Mrs. Parvis. The price paid it is stated is $21,000.

FROSTED feet are numerous now. Here are four remedies that are said to be good: Raw onions sliced and bound upon the sore spots; oil of peppermint well rubbed in; tincture of iodine applied with a feather or camel's hair brush; and saltpetre dissolved in whiskey.

THE Chestertown foundry has been running at full blast recently much of the work being for the paper mill. Mr. Harry Hyland, the proprietor, understands this business and is turning out good work.

ROCK HALL LOCALS.

The steamer Gratitude, accompanied by the ice breaker as convoy, arrived here on Tuesday, much to the gratification of merchants and many others dependant upon them. It was a novel sight and many persons hastened to various points commanding a good view, to witness the manoeuvering of the steamers as they battled with the ice. The ice boat left the Gratitude below Huntingfield Point, but the gallant little steamer soon became wedged in the ice and was compelled to blow for assistance, when the ice boat steamed up and relieved her.

On Wednesday morning, the day having dawned bright and clear, the whole shore line presented a picturesque view. The heavy northwest wind of the day before having driven the ice from the western side of the bay to this side, completely blockading the shore for a mile out. Many ice mountains from 10 to 20 feet high had formed. Persons after scaling them had a clear view of the entire bay. Quite a number of our oystermen were seen gliding among the ice floes in the open spaces catching oysters and shooting fowl. The ice seemed to be piled up around Love Point Light House nearly as high as the house itself.

The first mishap to the skaters of this section, happened on Wednesday. Sam'l Keating skated into a tract that had been between Grey's Inn wharf and Mr. Satterfield's shore, on the Wilkins farm. Young Keating saw the tract and fell down to avoid going in, but was unable to prevent himself from the ducking; however his presence of mind served him well, as by the dexterous use of his arms he was no doubt saved from serious results.

The oystermen, a few of them, succeeded in getting in a small day's work on Wednesday. The prices received were 70 and 75 cents per bushel. The fishermen have been much disappointed this winter, having gone to considerable expense to fit out for sink net fishing, in anticipation of an abundant catch, owing to the good work of last winter. They have not had an opportunity thus far to give the fish tribe a trial, but they are still hoping for good results ere the spring closes.

Capt. Collison has just completed a very fine bateau, the "Blue Bird" for the shad season. Capt. D. who came near having trouble some time ago in Baltimore from the fact that his bugeye, the "Carroll" had neither name or hailing port displayed, has been quite busy during the week borrowing paint, brushes, and artizan with which to place the name of his boat in a conspicious place, so that in the future he many with the boldness of a Yanker "Skipper" pilot his vessel into the Monumental harbor without fear of molestation from the harbor master. D. also believes in showing his colors, therefore, the mysterious emblems of the various organizations to which he belongs are also affixed to his vessel.

Capt. Thos. Hogan got a complete ducking Thursday, by breaking through the ice on Grey's Inn creek while skating.

KENNEDYVILLE NOTES.

Church Matters—Temperance—Politics, &c.

The worthy pastor of the M. P. Church, Rev. R. L. Lewis, had a very flattering "seal to his ministry"—or, rather, evidence of his worth as a pastor—recently by the visit of a donation party numbering over a hundred persons, loading the parsonage larder with good things and gladdening its occupants by this evidence of esteem. We heard Mr. Lewis say that his family would long remember this as a bright spot in his history, and ever hold dear the repeated manifestations of regard he has received from his people.

The supper last week by the ladies of Kennedyville M. P. Church was a grand success socially, and financially netted over seventy dollars.

The Sunday school at the Presbyterian Church was reorganized Sunday week and started out for the year with bright hopes for pleasent and successful work.

The Juvenile Temperance Society, composed of the children of the town and vicinity are practicing for an exhibition to be held Feb. 22. It will no doubt be an interesting affair and will draw a crowd.

Our streets still remain in good condition, thanks to the shell so judiciously used some time ago.

You were about correct in diagnosing the political situation here. We have no candidates for anything just now, though the gentlemen mentioned in your paper as having been spoken of are everything desired for the positions named.

Mr. James E. Weer and wife, J. P. Hendrickson and wife, and Mr. Jesse Copper and mother attended the wedding of Mr. W. B. Copper in Chestertown Thursday.

The Messrs. Baldwin have contracted with some of our farmers to buy tomatoes for $6 per ton. OCCASIONAL.

THE Mite Society of Union M. E. Church, Queen Anne's, held its regular meeting at the residence of Mr. Geo. H. Snitcher last Wednesday evening. Mrs. Snitcher and her daughter, Miss Lizzie, received the numerous company, which included, among others, Rev. and Mrs. Watkins, Capt. Jester and wife, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jefferson. The Mite Society is steadily growing four new members having come in the past week, and the library for the Union Sunday School is now an assured fact.

Baltimore City Market.

The following quotations are from the Baltimore papers of yesterday:

Wheat, Longberry	76c.@79c.
" Fultz	74c.@78c.
Corn, White	50c.@53c.
" Yellow	50c.@52c.
Oats	38c.@42c.
Eggs	26c.@28c. per doz.
Butter	25c.@33c. per lb.

Court News.

Orphans' Court.—Present, Judges Harris, Moffett and Burgess. The last will and testments of James A. Toulson, was admitted to probate. Willard Melvin, administrator of Ann Rebecca Wickes, past first and final administration account. Letters Testmentary on the personal estate of James A. Toulson, were granted to Hope H. Barroll, and Wm. S. Busick and Garrett Foxwell were appointed to appraise said estate. The appraisement of the real estate of George Maslin was filed.

County Commissioners' Court, Tuesday Feb. 7. 1893.—Full board present. Clarence S. Hurlock, treasurer, presented his official report for January, which was examined, accepted and filed by order of the board. Wm. J. Scoone presented his application and recommendation for appointment to the office of constable for Kent county in and for the fourth election district thereof, and ordered thereupon the said Wm. S. Scoone be and he is hereby appointed to said office for two years. He thereupon presented his bond as such, which was examined, approved and directed to be filed with the clerk of the circuit court for record by order of the board. The board was further engaged in examining, approving and passing accounts for levy in 1893, and for payment by orders on levies provided.

ONE of the younger pupils in the Chestertown public school was asked recently if he knew who was president of the United States. "Of course I do," said he, "it is Corbett, anybody knows that!"

STILL POND NOTES.

We read in the NEWS of the social times enjoyed in many of our towns. Now Still Pond must not be forgotten in this line, for she ranks we believe, among the first. This winter we have had one or two fine hops; many thanks to our young men, and with pride, we mention the brilliant Leap Year ball, beside these the sleighing, coasting and skating must not be forgotten. Now the masquerade parties are all the go. We find it a bad go over our $25,000 roads, but we manage to get there just the same. Mr. Wm. D. Pennington entertained a number of masqueraders Tuesday evening. Among those present were Mrs. E. C. Bowers, Irish girl; Mrs. J. B. Hossinger, dudeen; Misses Lizzie Hepbron, colored woman; Mollie Clemens, washer woman; Alice Roseberry, gypsy; Lillian Busick, ghost; Maggie Harper, quaker woman; Marian Pennington, Japanese; Amy Barnard, servant girl; Ida Crowding, old maid; Josephine Jones, sister charity; Daisy Moffett, ghost; Myra Crew, grandmother; Eddie Hepbron, Japanese; Delie Crossley, sister charity; Laura Webb, phantom; Maude Kempt, phantom; Eva Busick, Martha Washington; Messrs. E. C. Bowers, Chinaman; Walter Hill, farmers wife; Mr. Hayden, Maud Muller; Hunter Davis, Virginia farmer; Louis Hepbron, violin man; Ben Krusen, Kent county farmer; Frank Hepbron, clown; Harris Crew, tambourinest.

Sassafras Lodge No. 120 K. of P. is in a flourishing condition with a membership of thirty-five and candidates are still being initiated. On the 10th of March, 1893, it will celebrate its first birthday. Mr. Alex. Mair was elected delegate to represent this lodge at the meeting of the Grand Lodge which will be held in Baltimore next week.

Mr. Louis Lambourn was home on a visit to his family last Sunday.

Rev. J. D. Kemp is preaching a series of sermons on the "Prodigal Son." They are very interesting, especially to the young people. Then why not have a full house Sunday evenings. BONNIE.

PINEY NECK NEWS.

Deep Well—Boat Crushed—The Measles About—Fox Hunting, &c.

Edgar Strong, as many know, lives on a beautiful place situated at the mouth of Lankford Bay, consisting of about six hundred acres of land, three hundred of which is wooded. The wood is mostly that of pine and oak of which the writer was told, there has been three hundred cords cut during the winter. On a near approach to the dwelling, one is almost entranced with admiration. It is located on a beautiful hill, surrounded by many, and various trees, and affords an observatory for the grand view of the restless waters of Lankford Bay, and the Chester river, which are forever flowing by. Mr. Strong is an active, as well as an ingenious man, which has been proven by his presistence to find a well of pure and wholesome water. He begun digging wells several years ago, and has of late completed the twenty-fifth well, which is at the foot of a hill, and is 145 ft. deep, this is the best of water, and flows abundantly as it does from all other artesian wells.

The oystermen are still necessitated to stay ashore, on account of the ice, which bears in many places in the coves.

One day, not long ago, a man had his boat crushed between two blocks of ice, destroying the boat, and the man just managed to save himself by leaping out upon the floating ice.

It is predicted that it will take two more weeks, such as the last two, to break up the ice in the creeks sufficiently to let the sailboats out.

The measels, which have been raging in this vicinity for the last two months, have disappeared, leaving many glad mothers and pleasant youthful faces.

Postmaster Crosby has completed the painting of his sleigh, and is looking with great anxiety for an opportunity to ride.

The Columbian Anniversary pole is still standing at the school house, awaiting the celebration of coming anniversaries. W.

We had quite an interesting fox hunt a few days ago at Grey's Inn Creek. The hounds and riders ran the fox at least three miles, backward and forwards, across the ice, and at last the hounds caught the fox. Mr. John Brice's hound got in the ice and in getting him out Johnny broke in too and got wet.

The people of this vicinity are anxious for our pastor, Rev. Mr. Lister, to be returned to us again.

As we were walking through Cliff City woods the other day we came upon a saw mill. It looked like it ought to have an owner for it. He got up steam a few days ago to let the people known he is alive.

Mr. E. H. Strong lost about fifty bushels of white potatoes during the last cold spell.

Mr. Emory Crouch in driving around from Queen Anne's last week found the snow banked in the road for two miles.

Charles Lindsey, colored, caught a large snapping turtle last week, weighing 15 lbs. He said to the old woman, "we are gwine to have soup out dat turtle."

Fishermen went out Long Cove last Wednesday and down the river as far as Eastern Neck Island, but they did not succeed in catching any fish. E.

Betterton Items.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph R. Owens, of Coleman, gave a delightful supper at their residence Thursday evening, Feb. 2d, to a number of their friends, after which they participated in different games. The couple that proved victorious in most of the games were those that occupied the sofa. The games were followed by a dance which was kept up until a late hour. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas G. Lockwood, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wilkins, Mrs. Anna B. Harrison, Messrs. G. R. Crew, W. B. Greenwood, Clarence Greenwood, Emmit Taylor, C. W. Harris, Wm. Rabin, Misses Susie Crew, Katie Crew, Mary Greenwood, Sadie Bostic and Cecilia Taylor.

Messrs. Thos. G. Lockwood and G. B. Crew spent last Sunday at the seashore.

Mrs. Wilmor is pushing her house to completion, which will be a beauty when finished. NERO.

THE REPUBLICANS LOSE ANOTHER SENATOR.—The election last Tuesday in Nebraska of Judge W. V. Allen, populist, to succeed United States Senator Algernon S. Paddock lowers the republican strength in the Upper House by one more vote and destroys their plurality. At the beginning of the second session of the present Congress there were in the Senate 39 democrats, 47 republicans and populists. The result of recent elections has been to give the democrats a gain of one each in New York, Wisconsin, California and Kansas. This increases the democratic strength to 43 and reduces the republican strength to 43. The election of Allen, populist, in Nebraska decreases the republican strength to 42. Whether it increases the democratic strength by one vote depends upon the line the newly elected Senator will take. It has been stated that his leanings are democratic. The votes that secured his election to the United States Senate were democratic votes. He is certain, it is believed, to oppose the republican policy in respect to the tariff and other like matters. Wyoming and Montana have yet to choose Senators. The democrats have a chance to gain at least one more Senator from these States. In any event the republicans will not after March 4 have a majority or even a plurality in the Senate. Having 43 Senators and the Vice-President, the democrats will want but little help from the populists to control the Senate fully.

THE GOSSIP OF POLITICS.

Every Office-Seeker Evidently Watching His Neighbor.

Baltimore American.

Those who occupy somewhat humble positions in the ranks of the Democratic party are somewhat mystified by the absence of the usual rush for positions at the incoming governmental table. Has the slate been already fixed, or are the leaders keeping hungry ones quiet in order to catch the first faint whisperings from Lakewood? Surely a $7,000 custom-house, a $6,000 postoffice and a half dozen other remunerative and eminently pleasant berths are not to be allowed to go by default. Marylanders and Baltimoreans, as a rule, are prosperous and happy; they live in a section blessed by nature and favored by providence, yet it is beyond human nature to turn down what is termed in street parlance "snaps." Consequently, the marked absence of any rush for the numerous comfortable federal positions has caused considerable comment among those who are on the outside, and therefore can only guess at coming events. In the rural districts it is the general opinion that Congressman Hon. John B. Brown is slated for Collector Marine's chair, while in the city the prevailing opinion drifts toward Mr. Murray Vandiver. One thing is certain, the Eastern Shore statesman and his friends are no longer the outspoken opponents and critics of Senator Gorman they once were. In other words, they show a disposition to get in out of the cold. Time was when John B. Brown's name across the bay—and throughout the state, for that matter—stood for everything that was "anti-ring" and anti-Gorman, but this is true no longer. The First district congressman is creeping closer and closer under the shadow of those wings which have sheltered those who have been wise in their day and generation for the past decade and a-half.