The Kent News

...ERTOWN, MD., - - - MAY 26, 1894.

Strawberry Festivals to Take Place.

The "King's Daughters" of the P. E. Church in Chestertown next Monday evening.
St. James M. P. Church—May 25 and 26 on Church Green.
Union M. E. Church — May 25 and 26 in Worton Canning House.
Rock Hall M. E. Church—May 25 and 26.
Wesley Chapel M. P. Church—May 30.
Salem M. E. Church—June 1st and 2d.
Christ Church, Chestertown—May 31, June 1 and 2.
Knights of Pythias, Kennedyville—June 7, 8 and 9.
Morguec M. E. Church—June 1 and 2.
Worton Pres. Church—June 1 and 2.

Public Sale Record !

Saturday, May 6—Shops and lots in Still Pond by H. H. Barroll, trustee.
Tuesday, May 29—Real estate in Locust Grove, by H. H. Barroll, trustee.
Tuesday, June 5—Farm in Worton, by H. W. Vickers, attorney for Mrs. S. J. Gears.
Saturday, June 9—Farm in Eastern Neck, by R. D. Hynson, attorney for John H. Lowe, attorney named in mortgage.
Tuesday, June 12—Real estate in Millington, by T. S. Dodd, sheriff.
Saturday, June 2—Sheriff's sales for taxes.
Thursday, June 14—"Kennard's Point," by Phil H. Tuck, attorney.

At a meeting of the town commissioners held Wednesday night, Mr. M. Wilbur Thomas was made secretary to the board and collector of town taxes.

CREAMERY PRICES. — The Chestertown creamery paid 75 cents for milk last month Still Pond, 70 cents; Kennedyville, 80 cts; Galena, 85 cents, and not 80 as heretofore stated; Fairlee, 80 cts.

BONDED.—Capt. Hyland was in town Tuesday and bonded before Judge Jos. A. Wickes in the sum of $3,000. He and his men are now overhauling the "Anna B. Smith."

LICHTNING'S FREAKS.

Barn and Stables Burned—House and Barn Struck—Other Casualties.

The storm of last Friday evening was one of tremendous strength and vivid flashes of lightning drove many persons to their hiding places. About six o'clock a bolt of lightning struck Mr. James H. Baker's barn and in a few moments the whole roof appeared to be on fire. Some of the hands in the kitchen first noticed the blaze. Efforts were mode to get the horses out of the stable, which was successfully accomplished. Fifty head of cattle were also driven from the barn yard, but before any thing more could be saved; the men then tried to save the carriage house, which, assisted by the shifting wind, was saved. The large barn 60x20 feet was burned, also 100 feet of shedding, 400 bushels of corn, 30 bushels of wheat, 1½ tons of hay, corn sheller, wheat fan, etc. Six hogs were killed outright while one other was stunned. About 45 pigs and shotes, which were also huddled up near the barn, escaped. Mr. Baker had his barn insured in the Kent Mutual for $666, and also his implements and corn. His total loss will amount to about $2,000, partly covered by insurance. He expects to rebuild at once.

Five telephone poles near Fancy school house were struck by lightning; several split in half and one torn to pieces. A big tree at Lankford was shattered by the lightning and in several other sections poles and trees were struck and damaged.

A singular freak happened near Crumpton same evening. A bolt of lightning made its way into the interior of a barn and burned a peach basket which was in the middle of the floor without doing any further damage.

During the severe thunder storm last Friday evening a bolt of electricity in the shape of a ball came obliquely from the clouds and when within a short distance of Mr. Ed. L. Beck's house in Pine Neck, seemed to burst into hundreds of pieces, the main one striking Mr. Beck's house midway the front and below the rook, tearing the weather-boarding off to the ground and damaging the plastering to ...e extent. Mr. Lanahan and a little ... year old child were in the house at the time, but felt the effects from the lightning but the plastering and white-wash scattered over them. Mrs. D. W. Crosby and two children were going home from the store at the same time and were within less than one hundred feet of Mr. Beck's house when the ball burst. She saw the sprangle coming directly towards her and the children but was so frightened that she could not call to her children to stop; after the blinding sensation passed off she found the lightning had struck the ground between the two children and within *five* feet of one of them. There were quite a number at the post office at the time and all feet the shock but no one was hurt.

VICTORY NO. 4.

The Washington College team played like professionals Wednesday, their opponents being the Y. M. C. A. Grays, of Baltimore Burris was in fine form while the "old reliable" Zearfoss was equally so. Burris struck out thirteen men in eight innings and not a single hit was made off him! Owens made a long drive to centre field which should have been caught and with this exception not a semblance to a hit was made. Blackiston and Holloway saved the game at several times by catching long flies. Gould was an addition to the team and played a good game. Brice and Polk played an errorless game and Woodruff's one error was not costly. Armstrong, although knocked out for awhile made two pretty hits and was invaluable in his old position. The visitors at one time had two men on bases and one man out but Burris struck out the next two men retiring the side. The visitors were not slow by any means. "Pete" Woodruff pitched too hard for Wilson and his place was taken by "Fatty" Bartlett and had this been done sooner several runs would have been saved. "Pete" struck out four men and was hit eight times. Mahaffy and Owens played a good game at first and third and Loud at left field took in several fly balls. In the sixth inning Blackiston and Armstrong got on first and second bases, when Gould came to bat and knocked a hot fly ball which looked impossible for the second baseman to get. But he caught it, put his foot on second and threw to first thus making a triple play. The visitors were very gentlemanly and the audience enjoyed the game very much. It was a model game of ball and by such playing the home team is assured of the support of the people.

The Chestertown team defeated Church Hill on their own grounds last Saturday by a score of 8 to 5.

Where is Our Commissioner ?

FIFTH DISTRICT, May 22, 1894.

EDITORS OF KENT NEWS:

Gentlemen:—We people of the lower ...d of Kent county are slow to anger ...d not given to contention," but really the time seems to have arrived when "patience ceases to be a virtue," and we are compelled to cry aloud to the commissioner of the 5th district to have compassion on us, and view the road leading from Fairlee Lane to Eagle Hill. We have thought that the object of mending roads was to make them better for public travel; but it appears we are away behind the times. This is the second year that this road has tried the patience of all who traveled on it. The gentlemen who *repaired* this road, plowed on both sides (but in many places not out to the ditch) and scooped the loose dirt into the middle of the road, making a ridge from ten to twelve inches high, and from one to two feet wide; leaving the sides of the road at an angle of 46 degrees, (more or less) on which we have to drive, as no team can travel on the middle of the road. We suppose the *repairer* thought he was doing a first class job; and maybe he was. But we cannot *see it*. That is the reason we want the commissioner to view it; and if he says it is a good job, we will have to submit to his better judgement and acknowledge that we don't know a good road when we *do see it*. A few years back when the road mender tried how much time he could do, this road was always in fair condition *so we thought*. TAX PAYER.

SENATOR GORMAN SPEAKS.

The Tariff Virtually Settled !—A Test Vote 38 to 28 !

A full Senate listened with breathless interest last Wednesday to a great speech from Senator ARTHUR P. GORMAN, of Maryland, on the tariff. A Washington telegram to the Baltimore *Herald*—which paper is certainly no particular friend of the senator—states that the scene in the Senate was one never to be forgotten; Democrat and Republicans alike seemed anxious to hear every word; the galleries were crowded and the occupants leaned forward to catch the lowest tone. At its close the Democratic Senators crowded around Senator Gorman with heartiest congratulations, while the applause in the galleries was so great that the Vice President found it difficult for some time to restore order.

Then followed a most significant incident. Aldrich, Allison, Manderson, Hoar and other Republican Senators, essayed to break the force of the speech, but their arguments were of the time-worn variety that have already wearied the public. They referred to the Chicago platform, criticised the pending bill as not in accord with that, sought to twit Senator Gorman for having taken his inspiration and built his tarriff structure on the lines laid down by the President, and got off some puny "humor" by speaking of Senator Gorman and the President as having their arms around each other. But in no single instance was any utterance or declaration of the Maryland Senator assailed in the way of sensitule, argument and Senator Teller tossed another bomb into the ranks of his Republican associates by moving to lay the tariff bill on the table. The motion was defeated by a vote of 38 to 28. Every Democrat, including Senator Hill and all three of the Populists, voted no.

This vote virtually settles the tariff bill, and Senator Gorman is very properly given the credit for the decided result.

We regret that we have not room this week for this timely speech of Senator Gorman. The following few sentences will indicate its high character:

"We have met the situation by the introduction of a Democratic measure of tariff reform, which merits, and, I believe, will receive every Democratic vote in this body, the endorsement of a Democratic House, the signature of a Democratic President, and the approval of the Democratic party.

Our friends on the other side seem very anxious to learn upon what theory this bill was constructed. I will tell them. It was constructed upon the Democratic theory of a tariff for revenue, with such incidental protection as can be given consistently to the industries of the country. It follows strictly the course marked out by President Cleveland in his letter of acceptance, in these words:

"Tariff reform is still our purpose. Though we oppose the theory that tariff laws may be passed having for their object the granting of discriminating and unfair governmental aid to private ventures, we wage no exterminating war against any American interests. We believe a readjustment can be accomplished in accordance with the principles we profess without disaster or demolition. We believe that the advantages of freer raw materials should be accorded to manufacturers, and we contemplate a fair and careful distribution of necessary tariff burdens rather than the precipitation of free trade."

It is upon this utterance, this platform of his own making, that Mr. Cleveland was re-elected President, and the Democratic party was intrusted with full power. If there had been the slightest apprehension in the public mind of a radical overturning of our industrial affairs Mr. Cleveland would not have been elected, and he could not now in honor attach his signature to a bill which would have that effect.

If our Republican friends will examine the bill under consideration with a sincere desire to find an answer for their question, they will discover that its provisions conform precisely with this declaration of Mr. Cleveland and that its passage will be as complete fulfillment of the policy thus enunciated as the people desire or would approve under existing circumstances.

It is not a free-trade measure, but it is a longer step in that direction than either the Mills bill or the tariff of 1893. It is not a protection act for the sake of protection, but it does discriminate between raw materials and manufactured articles to the full extent of the difference between European and American wages. It is not a deficit-creating bill, such as either the present law has proven to be or as the bill which passed the House was certain to be if enacted.

It is Democratic, because it reduces taxation to the actual requirements of the government. It is just, because it eliminates the favoritism of the present law and lessons the burdens upon the great majority of the people. It is wise, because it makes possible the quick revivial of business activity so sadly needed and universally desired. It is business-like, because it provides sufficient revenue to meet necessary expenditures without further issue of bonds. It is patriotic, because whatever of discrimination it contains is in favor of American citizens. It is prudent, because it does not attempt to ignore facts in bearing out a theory.

I do not unsist, Mr. President, that this is a perfect measure. I do not doubt that many minor flaws will be found. But, sir, I do say—and I do not hesitate to stake whatever reputation I may have for ordinary business sagacity upon the assertion—that, in my judgement, it is the most fair, most broad, most timely, and will prove to be the most advantageous tariff legislation enacted since the Republican party sprang into existence.

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Patience, forbearance, courage. The shadow is not that of the horizon. Now, of all times, the sun of Democracy is at the meridian. Before the second year of responsibility shall have ended the cloud before it will have rolled away, and its radiance will rest on a land blest with peace and plenty, and upon a people prosperous and happy in the knowledge that, after thirty years in the wilderness, they have at last come into their own."

A Modern Sociable.

The social committee of the Y. P. S. C. E., of Wesley Chapel M. P. Church, held another sociable in Edesville Hall, on Monday evening last. Notwithstanding the threatening, stormy evening, the occasion was largely attended. The hall was beautifully decorated with wreathes and boquettes of fragrant flowers, tastefully arranged by the ladies of the committee. The stage represented a parlor, and brightened by Bro. T. E. W. C.'s large boquetts of beautiful flowers brought for the ladies, looked cheerful indeed. As the guests entered they were each heartily welcomed and ushered to the dressing rooms by the receiving committee. As an aid in making the evening an interesting, as well as a pleasant one, the committee had prepared the following program, which was commenced at eight o'clock thirty minutes.

I will pass over you.....Singing by Society.
Prayer.....Rev. A. L. Judefind.
Like as a Father Pitieth His Children .....Double Quartette.
Sociability and Socials.....Address, Prof. Wm. B. Judefind.
Entreat me not to leave Thee..... Solo, Miss Eva Gresham
Signing the Pledge.....Drama, Six Young Boys.
Solo.....Miss Edith Stevend.
Reading.....Mr. J. Frank Wheatley.
Solo.....M. Miller.
Recitation.....Miss Julia Burgess.
Solo.....Prof. A. L. Judefind.
Recitation.....Mr. Jas. E. Blackiston.

Thus concluded the program at ten o'clock fifteen minutes after which, we were nicely entertained by the committee on refreshments. Cake and lemonade were served in abundance. In looking over the number present the writer noticed that all seemed as though they were of one family, having a harmless, sociable time together; Friendship and Love being the ruling powers. Should not this be so in our every day life as well as on certain few occasions? If so, why will we let trifles keep us from enjoying so grand a privilege? We think these socials are the best means known in helping to advance true sociability: and as practice makes perfect let us continue, at last we shall arrive at perfection. The speaker, (Our Professor) in addressing us on socials and sociability did himself as well as the subject on which he addressed us great credit. His remarks were plain and to the point, telling of the many advantages of socials and sociability: also of the disadvantages apt to follow at neglecting these, our studies. The Society of Christian Endeavor represented on this occasion is certainly doing a good work. The active members now numbering in the thirties are earnestly working for good, and we know that success shall crown our efforts if we continue faithful to the end.

ROCK HALL LOCALS

Young Men Erecting Homes—Fire—Accidents, and other Live Items.

Notwithstanding the fact that business generally is at a standstill and finances much confused, a rainbow of promise appears to rise over the horizon of despair to the vision of our young men of South Rock Hall. In their buoyancy as they fondly anticipate an early fulfillment of that promise, they look upon the hard times with perfect equanimity while they hustle to prepare for the happiness and comfort of those whom cupid has decreed shall be their future better half. One of these young men, Mr. James Davis, has his new dwelling on the "Davis Homestead" well advanced toward completion, and rumor has it that Wm. G. Davis will begin the erection of a dwelling on his lot adjoining that of James in a few days, while Frank and Jack will——— well, as they are so sly in their doings as to the future, we will defer comments to a future time.

Friend Smith says he had hoped for something more substantial than that of "Dog Constableship" but as that may be the paving of the way to something better he will accept the position and has given notice that he will see that the "game law" is strictly enforced and intends to make a raid among the dogs that are running at large. Good for Smith.

A fire occurred here Sunday morning in the house of a colored man, which owing to the high wind at the time, might have caused considerable damage to surrounding property, but for the timely discovery of the same and prompt action. As it was, very little damage was done. The fire resulted from a defective flue.

Miss Belle Coleman, our efficient teacher of the public school at "Brice's Gate," has been quite sick necessitating the closing of the school for several days, but is now able to be at her post of duty, much to the gratification of her pupils.

The Knights of Pythias have granted to Mr. R. S. Crew, the wide awake merchant, permission to place two bow windows in front of his store-room and he now has Messrs. Judefind & Son doing the work, which is a neat piece of mechanism.

The late easterly storm has interfered considerably with the crabbers and eelers of this place. It has also impeded the progress of the strawberry growers.

The fine gray horse of Mr. S. J. Davis ran away with a cultivator attached to him a few days ago doing damage to himself and implement. He ran about a half mile and the wonder is that he was not crippled beyond remedy as well as other damage, as the route he took was the public road from James Davis' to Grey's Inn wharf.

This place can boast of a soft crab eating family from way back, who ate at one meal the other day 8½ dozen soft crabs.

The Knights of Pythias are talking of having an anniversary set-out in the near future. So may it be for this is as it should be. The more of such set-outs the better for all concerned. Talk it up, boys, the girls are with you and let the next entertainment be the best in the experience of the lodge.

Our watermen have been watching very closely the result of the damage on the Susquehanna river, not that they rejoice in the loss of those people, but if any logs or lumber should come this way, they want to secure as much of it as possible, for whatever there may be in it for them in the way of salvage, or in the material itself. Six tug boats and other vessels have been busily engaged gathering up the logs as they pass down the western side of the bay.

Some apprehension is felt for the safety of the oysters on account of the muddy water, but we don't think it is quite late enough for any injury to our oyster bars. We hope for the best. K.

KENT BUSINESS HOUSES.

Dr. S. G. Fisher, clerk of the circuit court for Kent county, has issued the following traders' license in Kent to date from May 1:

CHESTERTOWN.			
W C A Thompson	$ 2,500	Elizabeth Wickes	$ 500
J H Sidek	1,500	M. A. Toulson	2,200
Kate B. Johnson	500	R. Bergen	6,000
Mary A. Kirby	500	Mary Vandegrift	500
G. O. Wroth	6,000	C. Crow	1,000
P. T. McFeely	2,500	W. S. McDonnell	1,000
Smith & Clements	1,000	E. W. F. Simpers	4,000
Laura B. Layman	500	H. V. Vernon	500
J. W. Milvin	1,000	J. H. Simpers	6,000
J. K. Aldridge & Co	8,000	T. S. Bordley	4,000
John Hartley	1,000	Moody DeLeary	2,500
J. W. Edwards	1,000	F. D. Leary	1,000
Westcott & Dodd	6,000	H. L. Chew	1,500
P. B. Darrel	1,000	Alice McWhorter	500
Doratha Gruber	500	A. D. Williamson	1,000
G. R. Rouse	1,000	G. E. Sappington	500
Sarah Blackway	500	T. W. Ellason	15,000
A. J. Cahall	4,000	J. F. Howard	1,000
Phœbe A. Maul	500	Cora, Hattie Reed	1,500
W. S. Culp	1,000	J. S. Bradley	1,000
R. F. Parks	8,000	C. S. Smith	2,500
A. Friedman	4,000	Brice & Son	1,000
S. F. Smith	1,500	T. J. Shuster	500
		ROCK HALL.	
J. F. Leary	$ 1,500	M. M. Greenwood	$ 1,000
J. A. Casey	1,000	W. S. Maslin	4,000
Frank Hogans	1,000	Maggie V. Hersch	500
Mary L. Lambert	500	J. H. Calloway	1,000
Sarah Hardesty	500	W. R. Coleman	1,000
G. E. Leary & Son	1,500	A. Casey	1,000
R. S. Crew	4,000	Martha Komer	500
S. J. Wickes	2,500	Annie T. Durding	500
		GALENA.	
W. A. Whitaker	$ 2,500	Thos. H. Horsey	$ 6,000
Anna E. Ireland	1,000	Jesse Ash	1,000
R. H. Hicks	1,000	F. H. Ruth	1,500
Ella E. Parr	500	G. C. Walls	1,000
Henry Parr	1,000		
		MILLINGTON.	
J. C. Hoore	$ 1,000	J. E. Hurlock	$ 1,000
Maggie Jones	500	M. E. Blackiston	500
T. J. McWhorter	1,000	S. W. Cole	1,000
		GEORGETOWN.	
Andrew Woodall	$ 8,000	Julia P. Harris	$ 500
J. F. M. Woodall	1,000	Ida Ellison	500
		STILL POND.	
Medders & Co	$ 8,000	Delilah A. Crossley	$ 500
F. H. Harper & Son	10,000	William Parr	1,000
		KENNEDYVILLE.	
J. H. Weet, agent	$ 1,000	George Jones	$ 1,000
T. E. Hayes	4,000	E. E. Hudson	4,000
		COLEMAN'S.	
W. C. Coleman	$ 1,000	J. H. Warren	$ 1,000
Joseph Bloom	1,000		
		LANKFORD.	
L. A. Thomas	$ 1,000	J. V. Kilbourne	$ 1,000
Mary A. Maslin	500		
		LOCUST GROVE.	
Bottie W. Hayes	$ 500	Ida M. Jones	$ 500
Annie Chrisfield	500		
		MELITOTA.	
Ida H. Beck	$ 500	Ida S. Thompson	$ 500
M. M. Rasin	4,000		
		GOLT'S.	
M. V. Davis	$ 1,000	J. M. Connor	$ 1,000
Ida Stiffe	500		
		FAIRLEE.	
Mrs. John Lewis	$ 500	Justina Makell	$ 500
		HANESVILLE.	
Margaret Myers	$ 500	Augusta Wilson	$ 500
		MORGNEC.	
Catharine McKee	$ 500	Mary E. Chrisfield	500
		STILL POND RIVER.	
J. E. Dorrity	$ 1,000	Catharine Copper	$ 500
		LYNCH'S.	
F. R. Hepbron	$ 1,000	Indiana M. Lusby	$ 500
		EDESVILLE.	
Burgess & Bro	$ 1,000	P. Jump	$ 2,500
		BETTERTON.	
Turner & Son	$ 4,000	Crew & Owens	$ 1,000
Howard Turner	2,500		
A. M. Malsberger		Massey's	$ 2,500
Mary C. Crouch		Cliff City	500
G. M. Haddaway		Quaker Neck	2,500
Mary A. Jones		Quaker Neck Wharf	500
Penelope Brock		Quaker Lane	500
Mary Ella Sanders		Broad Neck	500
Anna M. Startt		Worton	500
R. F. Rouse		Worton Station	1,000
J. H. Ruth		Bogle's Wharf	1,000
T. C. Maslin		Grey's Inn	1,000
Sarah C. Howard		Betterton	500
N. Morgolius, peddler		Kent County	100
W. R. Coleman		Piney Neck	1,000
J. H. Ringgold		Big Woods	1,000
J. C. Sutton, Jr		Black's	1,000
Rosa Cohen		Sandy Bottom	500
Annie E. Dill		Chesterville	500
Tolchester Beach Imp. Co.		Tolchester Beach	1,000
Elizabeth Clark		Crumpton	500
Annie R. Woodall		Sandy Bottom	500
Ethanela Walker		Kennard's Corner	500
Adam Huey		Massey's	4 000

AMONG those who will assist in the concert to be given by Prof. Judefind in Still Pond hall, next Wednesday evening, May 29th, are Misses Ethel Covington, Anna Roeder, Myra Crewe, Katherine Howard, Lilian and Eva Busick, Mabel Rasin, Mollie Parks, Miss Boggs, Misses Moffett, Miss Lulu Boggs, Messrs. McKnett, Sam'l Roseberry, Louis Alrich, Jacob Crowding, Edgar Pennington and over a dozen others. The Professor has gone to a great amount of trouble and hard work and we are sure by the names of those who are to assist, that it will be well worth your money.

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FIGHTING THE FOE !

A GREAT GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

Enthusiastic Workers for the Cause of Temperance Meet in Stam's Hall—Bright Addresses—Happy Young Recruits.

Although Wednesday's sky was o'er shadowed with clouds, and the rain came down in torrents, the ardor of the temperance people was not in the least diminished thereby, and the ninth annual convention was held which equalled any of the previous gatherings, both in atttendance, enthusiasm, and interest. The morning session was occupied in reading reports, letters, election of officers, etc. The following committees were appointed, viz: Finance, Mrs. C. M. Lucas and Mrs M. A. Toulson; credentials, Mrs. Legg and Mrs. S. M. Usilton; resolutions, Miss Elizabeth Caulk, Mrs. T. Shafer, Mrs. E. B. Pennington, Mrs. Edw. Davis, Mrs. S. A. Hurlock, Mrs. Avis Vannort Mrs. S. L. Corey, Misses Ida C. Crew and Etta Trew. Letters of regret were read from Miss Jennie Smith and Mrs. Baldwin of their inability to be present. Superintendents of the various departments reported and nearly all were encouraging. The report of Miss Annie Roeder, superintendent of juvenile work, was specially good. She reported seven societies in the county, viz: Miss Acca Vandyke, Lankford, 35 members; Mrs. J. P. Nicholson, Fairlee, 30; Mrs. Emma C. Ayres, Rock Hall, 46; Miss Ellen Busick, Kennedyville, 44; Miss Lida Price, Locust Grove, 22; Miss Annie Roeder, Still Pond, 30; Miss Hettie Hadaway, 20; Mrs. S. L. Corey, Melitota, 25. The president's address Mrs. J. W. Corey, was the feature of the morning session and was listened to attentively. We are glad to be able to give her address in full.

MRS. J. W. COREY'S ADDRESS.

I have but few suggestions to make at this time, and in what I may say am liable to be accused of repeating the same or similar ideas only in different form. I am reminded of a preacher of whom I read who preached his first sermon at a new appointment, giving great satisfaction to his audience, but when he repeated the same for several successive Sabbaths and was interrogated upon the subject, replied he would preach another when they had practiced all of that. Though we have not been able to accomplish all we hope and believe we may; so much the more must we show a united and determined resistance to the foe. Our enemy is strongly entrenched, boldy aggressive, wealthy, extensively organized, but as Patrick Henry said in his speech for American Independence: The battle is not to the strong alone, it is to the vigilant; the active, the brave; and bravery is as much needed in waging our peaceful warfare as ever it was in the war of independence; but with right on our side and God as our guide and helper we need never be discouraged. Were it not for the right arm of the service (the Y's) we might sometimes get disheartened but with this interest and enthusiasm in the work, outnumbering the older organizations and their flourishing Union meeting every week; they furnish an incentive for our work in the hope for the immediate future, when they shall take our places.

The wealthy class of ladies in our country have seemed the hardest to interest in temperance work, but they are coming over to our side and with their influence and money doing great good. John G. Wootey, who next to Geo. G. Bain, is the greatest orator of the prohibition ranks, spoke in N. Y. City in the very "heart of swelldom" and they unanimously invited him to come again, and appointed Sunday night latest from him to speak. We have much to encourage us in reports from various parts of our own country and from foreign countries, of growth of sentiment and bravery in action, in adopting and enforcing prohibition laws. In Canada no man is eligible to office, who sells in any way any intoxicant. A Mayor of Toronto, Can., refused to attend an antiprohibition convention of liquor-sellers and said rather than bid such visitors welcome, he would resign his mayoralty. Would there were more like him! A new organization has been formed among the men, called the "Men's Christian Prohibition Union." In their declaration of purposes they affirm in the most unequivocal language that liquor men and their supporters should not receive the commerical patronage, or the suffrages of Christian men, and denounces license as wrong in principle and impotant for good.

Their final statement is "we do not presome ta dictate the political conduct of our people, but we do record our judgement that no political party has a right to expect nor ought to receive support of Christian men so long as it stands committed to the license policy or refuses to put itself on record as in open hostility to the saloon." Thus we see the Christian manhood is at last coming over to the ground the Womans Christian Temp. Union has so long advocated. When the Christian voters of the land see as do the members of the W. C. T. U. that the most important issue of the times, greater even than the tariff or the silver question and the one which if not soon decided right will overthrow the free institutions of our country and substitute anarchy, barbarism or brute force for law and order, then the Christian and intelligent voters will combine and vanquish the greatest curse, the greatest slavery of the world—the organized, legalized, liquor power.

The question has been asked what has the W. C. T. U. accomplished in this land where the crusade was first planted? Mrs. Clara Hoffman, often styled the "Missouri Cyclone" in reply, says, "See more than 14,000,000 of children learning in the public schools all that science can teach of the dire effects of alchohol and narcotic poison of the human system; all the Sunday schools with quarterly instruction in the same lime; churches one by one bannishing the ensnaring poison from their masters table. These are laying foundations broad and deep. Look into our great city police stations and see the motherly hearted matron receiving erring girls and women. Talk with soldiers and sailors, miners and lumbermen, cowboys on the western plains; they will all tell you "white ribboners care for us." The reason the W. C. T. U. has accomplished so much, is because we never give up, we have been accused of not knowing when we are beaten. WE ARE NOT BEATEN! we *never* will be beaten! we have the assurance that we shall reap if we faint not. That the right shall prevail. "This is the victory that overcometh, even our faith." We are all busy women and find it extremely difficult oftimes to leave our home cares and duties and stand in our places. Our work is a labor of love, with the exception of a very few of the highest officials, who spend their entire time nearly in the work, we pay no salaries, but upon the united littles of each one of us depends the result, success or failure of our plans. It is a pity we have no pecuniary influence to help us along, for oft times we could obtain helpers that would be invaluable if we could pay a little to enable an efficient woman to hire her sewing or part of her housework done and spend the time so saved in working for some of the departments of our many-sided reform. The harvest never was so plentiful, but truly the laborers are few. Nothing is troublesome that we do willingly. An important part of our life-work consists in making sacrifices of time, strength and money." Let us then bear in mind that none of us liveth to himself alone, and none dieth to himself, but all have a duty to perform in the seed sowing for the future and prayerfully do the duty that liest next us, regardless of our own individual preferences, shrinking not from disagreeable or uncongenial requirements, so that the need and the duty is apparent; remembering that the reaping of the harvest "bye and bye" is in the hands of the great master. Work among the children is the most encouraging part of our duty. The result seems so apparent and the future so sure to the eye of faith. We have great reason for hopefulness in the largely increased interest in the Loyal Temperance Legion departments, several new and interesting Legions being in active operation. "Seek ye first the temperance education of the children and all other temperance blessings shall be added unto you."

"If we save the children to-day we have saved the nation to-morrow." We who have no young children should mother all the young so far as to sow diligently among them the seeds of temperance knowledge, which with the dew and sunshine of Scientific Temperance Instruction in the schools of the land, will with the blessing of our Heavenly Father bring forth the fruit of holy lives crystalizing in ballot, and laws for the annihilation of the saloon which can "no more live without boys to feed on than a saw mill can do without logs." I have called attention in former years to the habit of using narcotics and fear it is more neglected in our own work than other departments of like importance. Every one seems ready to condemn the use of opium in all its forms, but little is said against the most common habit of narcotic poison by the use of tobacco, although many a drunkard owes the habit of alcoholic drink to enervating effects of nicotine the poison of tobacco. This state has passed a law forbidding the selling or giving tobacco to miners. New York and Conn., passed an additional law punishing the boy who breaks the law by smoking.

In some States also a man who gets drunk is punished as well as the seller who tempts him to drink. If all law abiding citizens would see that the laws we have against the use of tobacco and strong drink were enforced it would result in the greatest good for our State and community. A Senator from South Dakota who lectured at the State Temperance Alliance in Baltimore, a few days ago, said that the laws against the liquor traffic was as easy to enforce as any other law; that the law against murder did not entirely prevent murder nor the law against theft or other crimes, but in S. Dakota prohibition laws did prohibit. One who sold liquor was an outlaw, was so considered by everybody and treated accordingly. The Alliance appeared more enthusiastic this year than ever before, not in sentiment merely but in their determination to destroy the saloon; they called upon all orders and organizations to unite with them and formulate a plan for immediate action.

Neal Dow says, when the Christian people of the land say "go," and vote "go," the liquor traffic will go. Since God is God, right the day MUST WIN, to *doubt* would be *disloyalty*; to falter, would be sin.

Delegates Prasent.

Salem M. E. Church—Misses G. Hatcherson, Bessie Miller, Mrs. L. J. Legg.
Union M. E. Church—Miss Sadie Smith, Mr. Hyland Smith, Miss Kate Wood.
St. James M. P. Church—Mrs. Wm. Vansant.
Still Pond M. E. Church—Mrs. Wm. Bowers, Mrs. Joseph Webb.
Guiding Star Lodge—J. B. Krusen.
Rock Hall M. E. Church—Ida Ayres, Mrs. Mattie E. Davis, Mrs. Emma Ayres, Miss Belle Davis.
Zion M. E. Church—Mollie L. and W. H. Minner.
Fairlee Union—Mrs. L. Skirven Mrs. L. M. Corey.
Rock Hall W. C. T. U.—Mrs. Kate Casey, Mattie Crew.
Still Pond Union—Mrs. M. E. Turner.
Kennedyville Union—Mrs. Emma Shafer.
Chestertown Union—Mrs. T. R. Hubbard.
United Y—Miss Minnie Hudson.
State Sec'y Y. W. C. T. U.—Miss Annie R. Stewart.
Chestertown "Y"—Miss Carrie Anderson.
County W. C. T. U.—Mrs. J. P. Nicholson, Mrs. S. A. Hurlock.
Superintendents—Mrs. Mary E. Brown, Mrs. S. M. Usilton, Mrs. E. A. Nicholson, Mrs. Edw. Davis, Miss Bertha Stiles, Mrs. E. D. Pennington, Mrs. S. E. Stewart, Mrs. James Brice, Miss Annie Busick, Mrs. V. Skirven, Mrs. Emma Shafer, Mrs. James Harris, Mrs. Kate Crew, Mrs. C. W. Reid, Mrs. S. A. Hurlock, Miss Ida Crew, Miss Annie Roeder.
Rock Hall, Burdette Lodge—Miss Clara Middleton, Bessie Satterfield.

The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. S. L. Corey; cor. secretary, Mrs. J. N. Usilton; rec., Miss Ida Crew; superintendent of literature, colored work, almshouse and prison work, Mrs. Mary Brown; evangelistic work, Mrs. Edw. Davis; flower mission Miss Bertha Stiles; franchise, Mrs. W. D. Pennington; *Herald and Blade*, Mrs. Mary Turner; health, Mrs. Tilghman Shafer; juvenile work, Miss Annie Busick; legislation, Mrs. Vergie Skirven; narcotics, Mrs. T. Shafer; organization, Mrs. J. S. Harris; peace and arbitration, Mrs. Kate Crew; parlor meetings, Mrs. C. W. Reid; Sabbath Observance Mrs. C. H. Hurlock; sacramental wine, Mrs. S. M. Usilton; social purity, Mrs. M. E. Brown; scientific temperance instruction, Mrs. J. P. Nicholson; *Union Signal*, Mrs. James Brice; Y. W. C. T. U., Miss Lizzie Caulk; 1st vice president from M. P. Church, Mrs. Emma Shafer; Presbyterian Church, Miss Hettie Jacobs; P. E. Church, Mrs. S. M. Usilton; M. E. Church Mrs. Marcelene Lucas; Contests, Miss Ida Crew; Loyal Temperance Legion, Miss Annie Roeder. The noon hour prayer was made by Mrs. M. A. Lake after which the meeting adjourned for dinner.

Afternoon Session.

The afternoon session was largely attended and was opened with singing by Prof. Wheatley, of Baltimore. One of the most pleasing features of the evening was the exercises by the Loyal Legions under the direction of Misses Annie Roeder and Annie Busick. Nearly *one hundred* school children ranging from six to twelve years of age sang temperance songs, promptly answered questions from the president that would puzzle many older persons, and gave evidence of their good training in temperance principles. As one looked out upon this noble company of soldiers, he could not help but be encouraged, and see the dawning of the promised overthrow of alcohol. It was inspiring to hear them repeat their pledge and their allegiance to the temperance cause.

Addresses were made by Masters Willie Beck, John Lusby, Maxwell Starkey, Miss Hersch and Miss Kate Weer. Messrs. Max. Starkey and John Lusby each received lovely bouquets from some of their friends and well deserved them, as did each of the speakers. The most *practical* address of the day was that made by little Miss Addie Hurlock, who, with her little basket made an appeal to the audience for funds, after which a collection was taken and the little speaker's basket made heavy with the jingling coin.

This was followed by the reading of prize essays and awarding of prizes. For the first class prize, ten dollars, ther ewere nine contestants, the winner being Miss Minnie Peregoy, but the judges stated that Mr. George Medders of Kennedyville, was within a very small fraction of Miss Minnie and to him was due a place of honor. The judges for this class were: Mrs. Emma Shafer, Mrs. E. B. Pennington, Rev. R. L. Lewis. The second class prize, $8, was contested for by nine essayists, the winner being Miss Bessie Nicholson. The judges were Mrs. C. M. Lucas, Mrs. C. W. Reid, Miss Bertha M. Stiles. For the third class prize, $5, there were eight contestants and was won by Miss Emma Shafer. The judges were Mrs. S. A. Hurlock, Rev. J. L. Mills, and wife. The prizes were awarded by Mrs. J. P. Nicholson in appropriate terms. These three essays were of a very high standard and were indeed creditable to the composer, their instructors and the cause represented. The subjects: "How should a temperance girl show her principles?" "What is the effect of intemperance on health and morals?" "The effect of alcohol on the mind and body?"

The committee on resolutions reported the following which were unanimously adopted:

Recognizing the value of the Demorest Contests—*Resolved*, That we recommend and urge every union to hold at least one contest every year, and that union appoint a superintendent of the same. We suggest that whenever possible they be held in the public schools.

Resolved, That we endorse and circulate the petitions presented by our superintendent of Scientific Temperance Instruction and to forward them to the school board at as early a date as possible.

Resolved, That a petition be circulated and sent to the Tolchester Company, asking that the resort be closed on Sunday.

Resolved, That we continue to protest against the traffic in liquor, and violations of law prevailing in the county, and ask those in authority to continue the investigations begun at our late term of court, and that we ask our county commissioners to appoint inspectors of such packages as there may be good reason to believe contain intoxicating liquors.

Resolved, That our citizens should be as brave and active in enforcing our laws as the law breakers are in violating them