The Kent News

[illegible] TOWN, MD., - - DEC. 29, 1894

YESTERDAY was the coldest of the season. Our thermometer stood at 15° at 8 A. M., which is just 17° below the freezing point. The river was frozen across with a thin skim of ice.

SALE OF A MILL.—Charles T. Westcott, Esq., sold at public sale Tuesday all that mill, mill seat, etc., known as Riley's mill, Goose Hill, to John D. Urie, Esq., for $910. The tract includes a small farm of 30 acres, 30 acres of woodland and the mill. This property some years ago was worth over $4,000.

MOVED ON WHEELS.—Mr. Wm. Scoone who said he was going to Baltimore and keep a saloon *right*, seems to have changed his mind. He removed his store building Saturday to Rock Hall where he "intends to build a house and use the store as a back building." The building was placed on wheels and required twelve horses to pull it. It attracted considerable attention as it moved along the public road.

Mr. Horace Garner removed his fishing shanty this week from the bay-shore to his lot in Still Pond. Two horses were used in removing the building.

GALENA NEWS.

The public school had an entertainment on Friday afternoon last. All the scholars were made happy as each was given a bag of good things to remind them of their teachers' good will towards them during the Xmas holidays.

The stores did a thriving business on Xmas eve.

The day passed quietly, there being no drunkenness on the streets as in times past. The boys made noise enough with their fire crackers.

Father Connelly had two services on Xmas morning. Though he has been quite sick for two weeks past with a very bad cold and threatened with pneumonia still he conducted his services. Dr. Latimer has been attending him.

Rev. Mr. Nelson had service in the M. E. Church at 6 o'clock A. M. There was a small congregation out at that early hour. The evening exercises of the Sunday school of the M. E. Church were good. The church was neatly trimmed with evergreens. The program was as follows:

Song "Christmas Joy is Everywhere".....School.
A Christmas Prayer in co ncert.
Scripture Reading.....Rev. E. H. Nelson.
Hymn "Joy to the Worl".....Congregation.
Recitation.....God's Gift to us."
Solo, Quartette and Chorus.....School.
Wonderful Gift of Mercy.
The Christmas Gift.....11 little girls.
Song "Christmas Bees".....School.
Gifts for Jesus.....Exercise 10 small children.
Song "Christmas all the year".....School.

The children missed the Xmas tree with its load of good things. I suppose the hard times interfered with that as Mr. N. only asked the large congregation present for the modest sum of $2.50 to meet some little expenses for printing, etc.

Thos. H. Horsey, while playing with a foot ball with some comrades last Saturday afternoon, ran against the hitching rack in front of F. H. Ruth's store, cutting his upper lip badly. The poor little fellow's mouth was swollen very much the next day, but he is getting along very well and will soon be all right again.

Mr. Parr, wife and two children, of Still Pond, Harry Todd, wife and daughter, of Fairlee, spent Xmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Parr. It has been the custom and is still kept up for Mr. P. to have as many of his children with him at Xmas as he can get home.

Horse Notes.

Mr. George H. Watts, of Quaker Neck, who is one of our best farmers, states that he has lost twenty-two head of horses within the past eight years from disease. In most cases the animals were young. Mr. Watts does not think that any of them were injured by the use of damaged corn as he has never fed them with anything but sound food, but is under the impression that in nearly every case the disease was caused by eating some poisonour weed or grass in the lowlands of the farm. Most of the animals were sick for months and some were over a year before dying. They seemed gradually to lose flesh and strength though continuing to eat and apparently to relish their food up to the very day of death.

A good joke is told on one of our good-natured and fair horse-traders. He had bought a gray horse from a Queen Anne's gentleman and it died. He afterward made another trade and got a gray horse with a bob tail. Mr. —— had cut the tail off the dead gray horse and fixed it perfectly on the short tailed horse. A few days ago the last trader came in for another trade and Mr. —— swapped the same gray horse with the remark, "now this horse can either be used as a carriage horse or you can detach his flowing tail and have and an English fox hunter. The fellow who received his horse back was so amused at the idea of getting his own horse again with a *long* tail that he shook hands with Mr. —— and congratulated him on his Yankee trick.

A 12 year-old-horse sold for $305 Monday, but it was purchased by the owner and this is how he raised her price. He notified *three* of his friends to bid her in at any price. One he told to bid as high as $300, another a little less and another at any price.

Church Notes at Golt's Station.

Church work on this charge seems to be on the advance all the time. We have had quite a number of conversions; two at the altar Sunday night. We hold our fourth quarterly conference on Saturday, 22d. Brother Smith, P. E., was with us and preached on Sunday at Sassafras; the preacher and people on this charge seem to be in harmony. The people at all points have been showing their appreciation by substantial donations. The good people at Masseys on Thursday, 12th inst., surprised us with a splendid donation, and on Thursday night, 20th, while the pastor and his wife were at church, some of the sisters found their way into the parsonage, and when we returned home there was quite a number to receive us, with table loaded with good things, and provisions enough to last the family quite awhile; also, filled up the corn bin with food for the horse, and made the pastor a present of a nice robe, and his wife a nice parlor lamp. We think this charge is made up of a kind, benevolent people.

A festival will be held at Masseys on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 27th, 28th 29th. W. N. CONWAY.

Golt's Station, Dec. 26, 1894.

Baltimore City Market.

The following quotations are from the Baltimore papers of yesterday:

Wheat, Lougberry	57c @62c
Corn, White	44c.@47c
" Yellow	48c.@49c
Oats	35c.@38c
Butter	22c.@25c
Eggs	20c.@22c

In Memoriam—MARY JANE DODD.

On Wednesday at the stroke of ten in the morning, occurred the demise of one of our most estimable and widely-known citizens, MRS. MARY JANE DODD. She had been dying all of Xmas day, and it was supposed that as the tide of joy swelled highest in neighboring homes, the floods of deepest travail would roll inward upon this one. Mrs. Dodd had anticipated this herself, and having connected the Christmas-tide with her death, assembled her relatives at her bed-side and imparted to them her last counsels and affection. But although dying, death did not occur until the morning of the following day, when nature asserted its final privilege and the strong spirit of the aged saint gave way, vanquished and submissive.

The life of Mrs. Dodd possesses more than ordinary interest to this community. She would have rounded out 80 years of earthly activity Jan. 30th next, and yet her eye had not dimmed, though indeed her physical force had somewhat abated. In clearness and vigor of mind, in the ability to discharge all the affairs of her household, in resoluteness of will, in the administration of her financial interests, she was still the same that she had been in the happy years of the past. Age restrained her bodily force but laid no spoiling hand upon the citadel of her mind, and her senses together with her intellect passed on untouched until the fatal stroke came to which the strongest of all must bow.

Her history and all her ambition were bound up with our town. No one ever loved the village more than she loved it, and few as well. The ancestral home witnessed her childhood's dreams, saw her profoundest joys, shared her maturer trials, sympathized with her bereavements, and sheltered her lifeless clay ere the shroud and funeral pall became the expressive symbols of a past relation to this world. Living thus all her life in the town, except 6 years at Melitota where she was born, and in the home from which she was buried, she had more than ordinary attachment to our community, and in her eyes it had more attractiveness and charm and sterling merit than our wealthiest capitals or most beautiful metropolis. Hence she always spoke of it with pride, and in enlarged view of its importance, and rebuked the speech which minified its dignity or its ability to reach the widest demand of its residents. This noble adjustment of life to its environment is one of the finest traits of patriotism. Love for country should include zeal for locality. For thus is generated that character by which communities prosper as they cannot in mere bigness or financial increase. Local patriotism is a kind of religion by which the younger generations are taught to reverence past history, and assume upon their desires the virtues that have made the land rich in citizenship and in righteousness.

And if she loved her village and was more than content within its boundaries, she loved not less her Church, and lived to see it grow out of the first painful formative efforts of her girlhood days into the elastic and expansive present stage amid the recognized denominations of our land. The unhappy era of strife in the Methodist Church of 1820-28 resulted in the excision of a body of communicants from that denomination by Quarterly Conference and Annual Conference actions, and when certain parties were cut off from membership in the old church, where the Transcript office now stands, Mrs. Dodd in sympathy with her friends entered the Methodist Protestant Church. Those were the days of darkness and bitterness and contumely among Christians. But, happily, they are no more, and harmony now reigns in our village which once gave itself to reviling.

In the new Church Mrs. Dodd became conspicuous, and her home was early and forever holy ground to the itinerant who administered the offices of religion. Here class-meetings were held until her husband passed to his reward, and here were sheltered the families of the itinerant who so often were dependent upon this Christian hospitality. Here many a one grew happy in the testimonies of a pious aspiration, and here were given those Godly admonitions which were intended for comfort and gentle reproof. Such homes lay whole churches under obligation, and such living interprets the design of a Divine beneficence. No other home and household in all this Church has such a history, nor so fine an example of that hospitality which the Scriptures commend and demand of Christians.

The last hours of Mrs. Dodd were profoundly pathetic. On Xmas day, in the early morning, she imparted her last counsels to her children and grandchildren. Briefly and with effort she told them what she had done for them, how she had prayed and longed and striven for their highest happiness, and above all how she had dedicated them to God and yearned for their salvation. Then she expressed her sorrow at leaving them, and at the breaking up of the old home which had been the ark of rest to her and to them all. Then in that solicitude, too sacred to go beyond the home, she entreated that if they had seen any virtue in her life to emulate that, and afterward meet her in heaven. Taking up individual names she recited the endearing relations of the past, paid tribute to the attentions she had received, and thus like Jacob, blessed all her children and "fell on sleep."

Holding the hands of their dying mother and grand-mother they knelt about her bed, as the spirit struggled for its release.

But the end was not yet. Light came and went, and on the morrow at 9.30 resulted the inevitable decline, the feeble breathing, the sweet, soft ending of painless though weary sickness, which at ten was finally and forever over.

And so has closed an epoch in our annals. Thus has another landmark been removed. An insignificant hamlet has grown into a stately village in these 80 years past, and on the flood of its memorable tides is borne away the history of a remarkable life to the ocean of wider events beyond.

The funeral services took place yesterday afternoon at the old home in the presence of numerous friends and neighbors and the grief-stricken family. Rev. Dr. John J. Murray, now stationed at Union Bridge, Carroll county, who was one of the closest and among the best loved of all the old pastors of the deceased, could not come through the storms and cold to pay the last tribute of affection to the dear departed which he so much desired to do. Rev. Thomas O. Crouse, of Chatsworth, Baltimore, with his wife, who have been as children of the family, were present.

Rev. Dr. S. Reese Murray, the pastor of Christ Church, and son of Dr. J. J. Murray, performed the simple but touching and sad funeral rites. His references to the scenes of the past and the personal kindnesses administered to himself by the dear old "Grand-ma," were couched in such beautiful and tender language, that all hearts felt the thrill of emotion and a wave of sorrow swept through the thronged precincts of the sacred old home. An impressive prayer closed the services at the house, and the long funeral procession then moved out to Chester Cemetery where the sacred dust was deposited, to await the resurrection morn. Magnificent floral tributes were sent from Baltimore and elsewhere.

The following were the pall-bearers:—Active, the six grandsons of the deceased: Rev. J. S. Bowers, Thomas D. Bowers, Thomas S., Chas. L. and Harry L. Dodd and Wm. R. Aldridge. Honorary, Wm. B. Usilton, Wm. J. Vannort, Samuel Vannort, S. F. Smith, Jas. W. Lambert, Willard Melvin, J. K. Aldridge, T. Waters Russell, John F. Howard, Dr. James A. Perkins.

Some of the Persons You Know.

The wedding of Miss Daisy T. Brice to Mr. John D. Welch is announced to take place in Chestertown P. E. Church, on Wednesday, January 9th at 12.30 o'clock. No cards.

Master Frank Hines' name was unintentionally left from the list of meritorius students by the professor who reported the marks to the NEWS. He received considerably over 80.

J. Henry Baker, Esq., was admitted to the bar after a creditable examination Saturday. He will practice in Baltimore courts for the present. His card will be found elsewhere.

Mr. J. M. J. Byron has been on Mr. Pearce's farm, near town, for twenty years and never, says he, has anything been stolen from him until last Monday night week, when thieves stole Mr. Morris' hams, as reported in the NEWS. Mr. Morris is to tenant the farm next year and had moved his meat. He says the parties *picked* the largest hams but did not touch the sausage, although it hung immediately over their heads!

Mr. James Greenwood, son of Mr. John H. Greenwood, spent Christmas with his parents.

Mr. George Perkins, of Philadelphia, and Clarence W. Perkins, Esq., of Baltimore, were home this week.

Messrs. Wilbur and Eldridge Eliason, sons of Mr. Wilbur Eliason; Messrs. Blackiston, Walter, David, Benjamin and Norman, sons of Dr. J. A. Perkins, were home this week.

Messrs. Daniel Reed and James L. Russell, of Washington, D. C., spent the week with their parents in town.

Misses Annie Deford and Mamie Patterson, of the Normal School, are home this week.

Mr. James W. Chapman, Jr., of Johns Hopkins University, is at home for the holidays.

Prof. T. D. Bowers, of Rising Sun, arrived home Saturday for the holidays.

Miss Grace Wilkins spent her holiday at home near Chestertown.

Dr. Marion Twilley and wife, of Dover, Del., have been guests of Dr. J. T. Twilley and wife this week.

Mr. Thomas J. Davis, wife and child drove to Port Deposit last Saturday to spend Christmas with Mr. D.'s parents. The distance is sixty miles.

Mr. McIlvaine, of Del., spent Christmas at Mr. Barnett's.

Messrs. Vernon, Ralph, Harry and Miss Ada Barnett spent Christmas with their grandmother in Delaware.

"Dr." Tommy McWhorter, of Philadelphia, and Mr. Frank Cooper, of Baltimore, have been the guests at Mr. T. J. McWhorter's this week.

Prof. Marion J. Woodford, of Centreville, has composed an exceptionally pretty march which he has dedicated to the "Good-Will Fire Company," of Centreville. It has elicited from critics of the highest standing praises of the most flattering nature. Prof. Woodford was presented on Sunday last with a handsome gold watch by the congregation of the M. P. Church.

Mrs. P. A. M. Brooks and Miss Minnie Massey gave a delightful reception on Thursday evening to a number of friends. The receiving party consisted of Mrs. Brooks, Mrs. Dr. Hines, Miss Massey and Miss May Ireland.

Miss Bertha Hynson, the attractive daughter of Mr. A. J. Hynson, returned Saturday from a protracted visit to friends in New York.

Mr. Harry Mallalieu, of Philadelphia, spent Christmas at his parents' home in Millington.

Mr. and Mrs. George Lease, of Smyrna, spent Xmas Day at the maternal home in Millington.

Miss Bessie Hughes, of Mt. Washington, and Mattie Constable are visiting the Misses Beck on Front street.

Miss Mamie Carroll is at home from the State Normal School for the holidays.

John A. Crane and wife spent Christmas with Mrs. A. E. Crane in Millington.

Master Charley Sweeny spent Christmas with his grandma in town.

T. B. Meginniss and wife, of Wilmington, spent Xmas with Mrs. M.'s parents in Millington.

Mrs. Wyatt has retired from store-keeping in Millington, Mr. Woodall taking the store. Mrs. W. moves into the house vacated by Mr. Woodall.

Mr. Harry Hurtt, of Smyrna, spent Tuesday with his father at the Voshell House.

Capt. Thomas Trenchard, of the Princeton foot ball team, has been in Wilmington for a week or two under the charge of Dr. Brumbach who is treating him for dry socket in his right shoulder. The captain expects to play base ball next season, and he is trying to have his shoulder all right before the season opens.

We understand from good authority that Mr. Dunbar Gould is studying for the ministry. Dunbar is a graduate of of Washington College and was one of the brightest members of his class.

Master George Latherman, son of Mr. Enoch Latherman, was awarded the silver medal given by Eben F. Perkins, Esq., for the scholar receiving the highest average in the second grade at the Chestertown public school.

Miss Mayme Jones and Elsie Mann, of near Lynch's, are visiting Mr. J. Hynson, of Church Hill.

Miss Ada Geekie, from Baltimore, is on a visit to her friends, Mrs. Duyer and sister, at Fairlee.

Mr. Owen Smith, of Baltimore, spent the past week with his parents in Chestertown.

Mr. Wm. McIntyre is at home for ten days. His company starts South Jan. 10th.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Fitzpatrick and daughter, of Baltimore, are guests at Mr. E. Reiche's.

Prof. A. N. Ebaugh and wife, of Baltimore, are guests at Mr. and Mrs. I. R. Leaverton's.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles R. Twilley gave a reception last night at their home near Chester river.

Miss Etta Grey, of Bridgeville, N. J., is a guest at the "Maples," near town.

J. EDWARD RICE, living on the T. T. Martin farm near Easton, killed a hog last week which had in its maw the following articles; 50 8-penny nails, 2 pieces of glass one inch square, and two large pieces of lead. The hog was fat and weighed well. —*Easton Democrat.*

Matrimonial.

Mr. L. Rod Vansant, the efficient operator and agent at Lambson's Station, was married Thursday, to Miss Emma Hyland, daughter of ex-Judge Wm. A. Hyland, and one of the most pleasant and popular young ladies in Galena. The ceremony took place in the M. E. Church, Galena, Rev. E. H. Nelson performing the ceremony. Precisely at two the bridal party entered the church in time with the march played by Miss Pauline Nelson. The ushers were Mr. Warren Vansant and Mr. Jesse Ireland. The bride was neatly dressed in a green cloth traveling suit and carried a bouquet of bride's roses. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Vansant drove to Middletown, where they boarded the train for points North.

Union M. E. Church, near Chester bridge, was packed with people Wednesday night, the occasion being the wedding of Miss Lena Jester to Mr. Henry Anderson, two popular young people of our neighboring county. The church was artistically trimmed with holly and evergreen. Rev. E. E. White performed the ceremony. Miss Pippin skillfully played the wedding march. The ushers were Messrs. Anderson, Jester, Nickerson and Snitcher. The pretty bride wore pink mohair and looked handsome indeed. A reception was held at the bride's parents' home. The bridal couple will reside on one of the Ford farms, near this town.

Hon. W. Laird Henry, representative in Congress from this district, and Mrs. Mattie H. Henry were married at 1.30 o'clock last Thursday afternoon in Christ Protestant Episcopal Church, Cambridge. The church was packed with friends and relatives.

Religious Notes.

Sunday-school scholars are having a grand time at the various treats in Worton, Millington, Rock Hall, Still Pond and in every church in the county.

Prof. Arlington Judefind, the popular superintendent of Wesley Chapel Sunday-school, has accepted a position in St. Peter's P. E. Choir, Baltimore, and has resigned as leader of the singing at Wesley Chapel and also as superintendent. He is attending the Peabody Institute, Baltimore. He will be sorely missed, and his place will be difficult to fill.

The Sunday-school treat at Wesley Chapel has been postponed until next Monday evening, at 7.30. The church has been beautifully trimmed and a grand, good time is expected.

A most delightful sunrise service was held in the Chestertown M. E. Church Tuesday morning, lead by Mr. M. Wilber Thomas. About seventy-five persons were present and one of the brethren says they all received a Christmas gift.

Rev. G. W. Burke will commence his extra meetings in Millington M. E. Church next Tuesday night. The treat will be held Monday night and we may look for some more *newsy rhymes* or puns.

The Junior Society of Christian Endeavor held one of the most interesting services ever held in the church Sunday evening in the place of the regular preaching. About thirty little folks occupied the pulpit, and under the superintendence of Dr. S. R. Murray, the pastor, and their leader, Mrs. Barnett, they presented a program in fine style. Master Earle Simpers was the leader for the evening, and announced the features of the program. Little Misses Ethel Bacchus and Augusta Aldridge took their parts beautifully, while Masters Glenn Howard, Howard Dodd, Milton Peregoy, Gleaves Frazier, Carl Russell, Frank Greenwood and Misses Lizzie Quelette, Bessie Wheatley, Benia Dill, Fannie Smith Maud Kelley, Louise Usilton, Maud Thompson, Ollie Hill, Ona Murray, May Cannan, Blanche Elliott and others spoke and sang in fine style. One of the young speakers made quite an impression by his manly talk to his audience. He said in substance that what his parent were he would try to be. "You do right and we will follow you. As you live so we will. You cannot expect us to be better than you are." A large quantity of provisions was collected by the little folks and distributed by the relief committee, composed of Mrs. Avis Vannort and Mrs. H. S. Barnett on Monday. The sum of $8.41 was raised and turned over to the Relief Association.

Charity Illustrated.

The following letter was received last Thursday in the Philadelphia mail. It contained a clipping from our Christmas editorial of last week:

MESSRS. WM. B. USILTON & SON:

GENTS—Reading the enclosed, which I cut from your valuable paper under date of December 22, 1894, its wording is so beautifully portrayed in the following narrative, that I think it my duty to give it to you, which when you know the angel in disguise is a Kent county girl, will make it doubly interesting to you.

In the early part of December, 1894, I was in Chicago, and was destitute; I could not get employment at anything; I was hungry and footsore and so utterly dejected I was on the verge of committing suicide when the idea occurred to me to jump a freight train and go East. I went down to the freight yards and found that a train was being made up for Philadelphia at 11 o'clock that night; as we started out my thoughts were the most gloomiest; I did not know a single person in the city to which I was going, and thoughts of being arrested filled my mind. After three long, weary days of suffering from the intense cold and hunger (for I had only had a few apples to eat in four days) we pulled up in Philadelphia. I was more dead than alive and was so weak from the privations I had to endure, I could scarcely walk. I wandered about until daylight in the western part of the city, and at last made up my mind to knock at some back door to get something to eat, but I was told to go away—they said it in more forcible language than I would like to repeat. I walked along a little way farther, and thought I will try this one and if I fail I will go to the police station. I knocked timidly at the back door and it was opened by a nice-looking young woman with a baby on her arm. "Please give me a bit of something to eat, for I am starving," are the words I greeted her with. After a few moments of hesitation she bade me enter. I told her my tale of woe while she busied herself getting me a hearty meal, which, I think, was the best meal I ever ate in my life. My appetite appeased she made me take a good wash, and gave me a list of places to call, where I would be most likely to find employment, and gave me 30c. in money to get another meal when I was hungry, at the same time telling me her husband was a very charitable man, and that when he came home she would explain my case to him, and that if I did not obtain employment to come back at 7 o'clock in the evening. I met with no success, so in the evening wended my way to 3424 Mount Vernon Street. I met Mr. Howard, the lady's husband, and while eating supper he told me he would give me a home until after New Year, and help me to get employment, which he did, with the Adams Express Company, where I hope to remain until I have worked myself into a better position.

Such is charity, Mr. Editors, it ought to be written in letters of burnished gold instead of lead pencil. They are only poor working people. Her name was Mary Clark, and she comes from some village near Chestertown, and you ought to be proud of her. I have just finished eating a hearty Xmas dinner, am in their cozy parlor writing this. Every now and then I hear their merry laugh in the kitchen, which sounds to me like so much music. God bless them. I hope He will spare me to show them the true gratitude I feel in my heart for them. Good-bye, Messrs. Editors, for they are coming to sit in the parlor, so I must close.

Yours truly, DOUGLASS WATTS,
3424 Mt. Vernon Street, West Phila.

Accidentally Shot.

The five-year-old son of Mr. Joshua Hendrix, near Chester bridge, was painfully wounded by the accidental discharge of a pistol in the hands of one of Mr. Hendrix's men, Christmas night.

The ball was of large calibre and entered the right side below the back, close to the spinal column. Dr. W. F. Hines was called and dressed the wound, and, assisted by Dr. Perkins, removed the ball. It is believed that the little fellow will recover provided he meets with no accident.

Removals in Town and Vicinity.

Mr. Frank Gilpin has removed from the Gilpin House to the Baker farm near Fairlee. Mr. Jos. E. Gilpin will reside with his son. The Armstrong House is for rent.

Mr. Kendall, of the Rockwell House, will return to Queen Anne's. This house is for rent.

Mr. Robert H. Wright has removed to Baltimore and Mrs. John Hall will hereafter conduct the hotel of that name.

Mr. Jos. N. Wheatley removes to the new house on Maple avenue belonging to Mr. H. Rickey. Mrs. W. G. Fallowfield will reside in the house vacated by Mr. W.

Mr. John N. Dodd has removed to his home adjoining Mr. John F. Howard, Mr. James W. Crouch occupying the Dodd house. Mr. George Rouse, of Chestertown, has rented the Fowler house vacated by Mr. Crouch.

Mr. Reybold Wilson has rented the Hudgins store-room for next year.

Mr. Wm. McCaig, the cobbler, has removed to Baltimore. His shop will be transformed into an office.

Col. W. P. Howard has rented the Darrell store-room for next year.

Mr. Frank Duyer has rented the M. P. parsonage property, the house attached to Mr. G. Brice's store from which Mr. D. removes being for rent.

Mr. C. C. Perkins has removed from the Sparks house on Maple avenue to Baltimore; Mrs. Houston has moved into this house.

Mr. J. M. J. Byron has removed from Mr. Pearce's farm to town, the house on Queen street formerly occupied by Mr. Wm. Rose.

Mr. Thomas Davis, the new express messenger from Smyrna, expects to occupy the dwelling adjoining Mr. Wm. B. Usilton, the former tenant, Mr. A. I. Dugan, having removed to Baltimore.

Mr. Horace W. Beck has moved into his new home on Front street, the house from which he removed on Maple avenue being occupied by Mr. D. P. Jones.

Mr. J. W. Wright will remove from the Chestertown mill to Kent street; the mill, we believe has not yet been rented.

Mr. John Brice will remove to Queen street near W. M. Slay, Esq., and Capt. W. D. Burchinal will occupy his home vacated by Mr. Brice.

Mr. Jervis Spencer and wife will occupy the Ringgold homestead on corner of Cannon and Front Streets and will conduct a first-class boarding house. The house vacated by Mr. Spencer will be occupied by Mr. James T. Dixon.

The Adams Express office will be removed to corner of Cannon and Front Sts. where Mr. B. F. Fleming will conduct a coal and wood yard.

"They" say that the Barroll house on the avenue is rented to one of our young merchants. Now, who can it be?

Mr. Fitten takes the house vacated by Mr. D. P. Jones.

Mr. Harry Chew will remove from the Bordley building to the store-room adjoining Mr. Frank Smith.

Capt. James Thompson has removed from Cannon street to Quaker Neck, Mr. Ambros P. Frazier taking the house vacated by him.

Mr. Harry Blakeney expects to discontinue house-keeping and will therefore remove from Kent street.

Fourteen different families in Chestertown and neighborhood were prevented from moving during the good weather by *one* farmer. The latter was not quite ready and expected to move on Thursday, but the weather that day was simply awful, so that he and all "dependents" had to trust to luck for favorable weather and if none comes, to move on New Years day—good or bad. That one farmer was not to blame of course, as he had no thought of inconveniencing his neighbors and certainly none to distress himself. It is only another illustration of the fact that "a man liveth not to himself alone."

STILL POND NEWS.

Still Pond M. E. Sunday school celebrated Xmas night with an entertainment for the children. The church was beautifully trimmed and extending across the platform was a bank of snow, made of sheets and covered with cotton and diamond dust, while at the left end of the platform stood a magnificent tree trimmed with snow balls and candles. Before the school rendered the last selection Old Kris made his appearance drawn by two reindeers through the bank of snow, and to the delight of the little ones treated old and young of the school to a bag of candy and an orange and when the onslaught of time rolls around and brings to us the Xmas of '95 may Old Kriss and his reindeers greet us again. The following program was rendered by the school being instructed by our worthy superintendent, Joseph W. Harper.

Voluntary while school is marching in.
Singing, "Glory to God in the Highest".....School.
Prayer.....Pastor
Scripture Reading.
Singing, "The Glad New Song".....Choir.
Recitation, "Merry Christmas".....May Pennington.
Singing, "Hope of Israel".....School.
Recitation, "Christmas in the Heart"....Jessie Crew.
Singing, "The Chrismas Time is Coming"....School.
Exercise, "Hope of Israel".....Infant Class.
Singing.....Quartette.
Recitation.....'"The True Christmas Spirit" by Delia Ford.
Singing, "The Children's King".....School.
Address, "The Introdction of Old Kriss".....Pastor.
Singing, "The Glorious Christmas Time".....School.
Benediction.

Miss Sallie Jones has returned from a visit to friends in Dover Del.

Messrs. Pearce and Maxwell Starkey are spending the holidays in Sudlersville.

Mrs. Jos. C. Rasin is now in Clayton.

Miss Mary Thomas is spending Xmas with the Misses Burgess.

Harry Roseberry, son of Dr. Benj. Roseberry, of Lacon, Illinois, and a student of the University of Virginia, is spending his Xmas holiday with his uncle, Mr. C. H. Price.

Roy Roseberry, of St. John's College, Annapolis, is at home for Christmas.

Mr. Bert. Medders, of Baltimore, is visiting his son, Wm. Medders.

Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Barnard and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Alston, of Middletown, Del., spent Christmas with their father, Mr. Geo. W. Covington.

Henry C. Turner and James R. Turner, of Philadelphia, arrived home Sunday for Christmas.

Miss Daisy Moffett, of the State Normal School, is at home for the holidays.

Harris Crewe, a student at the Drexel Institute, Philadelphia, is at home.

Miss Katherine Howard has returned from an extended trip to Brooklyn.

The young ladies and gentlemen of this place intend giving a dramatic entertainment in the town hall some time in January.

B. Quimby, of Millington, spent Xmas with his sister, Mrs. Joseph Bowers.

Quite a number of the many friends of Miss Daisy Moffett, spent pleasant time at the residence of Mr. Wilmer Ford, on Wednesday evening. FRIEND.

Scraps of News from Fairlee.

Sunday, the 23d, was a lovely day, and the churches of our neighborhood were well filled. This seemed to inspire the ministers and able sermons were preached.

Christmas day came and is gone. With us it passed away right cheerfully. As the years roll by we are brought to reflection, and think but *few people* are *qualified* to be old, *yet*, we, by the annual return of Christmas, are being schooled to take this degree in life. "The crutch of time does more than the *club* of Hercules," so, therefore, let us be charitable, and always "dip the pen of the tongue into the ink of a pure heart."

Quite a number of our villiagers spent Christmas away from our midst.

Mrs. Hepbron, of Baltimore, daughter of Rev. J. B. Merritt, spent Christmas at the paternal home. She was accompanied by her two sons.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Staats, and their little son, Master Wilbert, left home Monday noon to enjoy Christmas with their parents, relatives and friends in Middletown, Del.

Mr. L. J. Keyser and family, migrated to the home of Mrs. Keyser's parents, and partook of their hospitality.

Well, I am not a friend to the canine species, indeed, with me apathy has always existed, and upon many occasions I have denounced the dog as a nuisance. A gentleman was standing on the sidewalk the other evening, interested in conversation, not thinking of dogs, until one with unappreciated familiarity, made his presence known by rubbing against him. Well sir, he thought he was an impediment in the path of a rabid dog, and hardly knew but what he was bitten. I see he is surviving, however. On Sunday evening, as Minnie A. Smyth was returning home from church she was attacked by a worthless cur that viciously clung to her clothing. She was very much shocked, and no wonder, when we think of the number of dogs that have been exposed to the attack of those afflicted with hydrophobia. A dog supposed to be thus affected, was killed in front of Mr. Baker's store Christmas Eve. The dog came very nigh snapping Mr. Wm. Diehl. He was coming along the street and did not know the dog was mad. He was prostrated by the shock, and had to go to bed. It even grabbed his boot leg, it is so reported. Still the dogs run at large, and I claim it is utterly preposterous.

Mr. Walter B. Strong, by extensive repairs at Lankford is giving to that village a very different appearance. Only a few years ago the Trappe, as it was called, seemed dead from a business standpoint, but now every house is rented. Mr. J. V. Kilbourne has a large store, and the wheelwright and blacksmith shops have been rented for 1895 by a gentleman of Delaware, we hear.

While tearing down a building, on Friday last, to remove it from one site to another, the building collapsed. Six or seven men were employed. Luckily they were all on the outside, save Mr. Strong and Mr. A. M. Kendall, who were superintending the work. They made a very narrow escape. Mr. K. jumped through an open window, and Mr. S. through an open space where the weather-boarding was off. Had it not been for these two open spaces, and the presence of mind in each to fly to separate outlets they would have been crushed.

Mr. Amos Crouch, near Tolchester, had a hog, supposed by some to have been mad, died a few days since. Amos thinks it had the toothache, and says it was one of those crazy kinds of pigs, anyway. WEST END.

Among the Dancers.

A very pleasant dance was tendered the young ladies of the town Thursday evening. Stam's Hall was brilliantly lighted for the occasion and splendid music furnished by an orchestra from Baltimore made the affair quite enjoyable. A number of guests from a distance added charm to the event and it was not until near two o'clock that the gay party dispersed.

Much credit is due Messrs. Thomas W. Perkins and Spencer Hurtt for the successful arrangements and in the selection of skilled musicians

A dance was held in Worton Hall Thursday night, but owing to the extreme cold weather the dance was not continued far into the night.

Reduced Rates for Christmas and New Years.

The B. & O. R. R. Co. announces that excursion tickets will be sold between all the stations on its lines east of the Ohio river during Christmas and New Year holidays, at reduced rates, for all trains December 22, 23, 24, 29, 30, 31, and January 1, 1875, valid for return passage until January 3, 1895, inclusive.

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Dec. 15, 1894. DRUGGIST.

PUBLIC NOTICE OF

County Commissioners

OF KENT COUNTY.

ALL PERSONS who have lately trimmed their hedges or mowed down the weeds, etc., along the public roads, are hereby notified to REMOVE THE CUTTINGS, etc., at once. Persons disregarding this notice are liable to presentment to the grand jury.

T. J. SHALLCROSS, PRES'T,
ROBERT C. MORGAN,
GEO. W. RODENHISER,
JOHN A. GROVES,
HORACE A. WILLSON,
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

ATTEST:—T. WATERS RUSSELL, Clerk. a4-tf.

Kennedyville Notes.

A large number of people were present at the M. P. Church, Tuesday evening, to witness the Christmas entertainment by the Sunday school. Though but little time was given to the preparation of the program, the participants acquitted themselves, as usual, with much credit. The most noted features of the program were as follows:

Instrumental solo.....Miss Lulu Boggs
Singing, "Praise His Name".....School
Reading, Isaiah 55th chapter.....Responsive
Gloria Patria.
Prayer.
Scripture Reading.....Superintendent
Singing, "Glad Tidings".....School
Address.....Kent KeKnett
Reading.....Kent McKnett
Reading.....Miss Nellie Barwick
Singing, "Christmas Bells".....School
Recitation.....Miss Annie Toulson
Recitation.....John Hessner
Singing, "Childhood Days".....School
Recitation.....Jesse Medders
Recitation.....Bessie Webb
Solo, "A Christmas Carole".....Miss Lulu Boggs
Recitation.....Lillie Redmile
Recitation.....Nellie Stoufer
Singing, "Song of the Pines".....Little Children
Recitation.....Miss Clara Redmile
Recitation.....Grace McKnett
Singing, "Call His Name Jesus,".....School
Recitation.....Katie Weer
Recitation.....Annie Shuch
Duet.....Misses S. B. and Mary McKnett
Recitation.....Miss Eita Rose
Recitation.....Lizzie Jones
Address.....Superintendent

Then followed the distribution of children's treat and gifts. The school presented the superintendent, Mr. W. T. Hague with a preacher's bible. The church presented Miss S. B. McKnett, the organist, with a very nice copy of "Tribute of Praise."

Among those who were home during the week we note as follows: Dr. G. I. Barwick, of Calverton; Miss Laura McKnett, of Baltimore: Mr. John N. Bennett, of Wilmington; Mr. Wm. Dewees, of Philadelphia; Mr. Walter Hill, of Baltimore; Miss Katie Vandyke, of Conference Academy, Dover, Del.; Miss Nellie Barwick, of State Normal School; Mr. J. Oscar Jarrel and Master George Medders, of Bryant & Stratton's College Baltimore.

Mr. Tilghman Shafer and family spent part of the week in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Kennedy are visiting Mr. John G. Gill, Swcedesboro, N. J.

Mrs. Geo. Dewees and son Ralph, of Brenford, Del., spent part of the week with her father in law, Mr. D. U. Dewees.

Mr. George M. Glenn, left Wednesday for the northern part of New York State, where he expects to accept a position.

Samuel Shuch met with a painful accident Wednesday morning as a result of carelessly handling a revolver. The weapon was accidently discharged, the ball passed entirely through one hand, entering at the palm.

Mr. W. E. Sanders, of Kennedyville, spent Xmas day at his home in Greensboro, Md. X.

DIED.

At Green Point, Dec. 6, 1894, AMOR CAMPBELL, aged 40 years. He leaves a wife and three children.

Fell suddenly asleep in Jesus, on Sunday, Dec. 23, 1894, JIMMIE, only child of George A. and Mary A. Spear, aged 9 years, 1 month and 21 days.

'Tis hard to break the tender tie,
When love has bound the heart;
'Tis hard, so hard, to speak the word,
We must forever part.

Dearest loved one, we lay Thee
In the grave's cold embrace,
But thy memory will be cherished,
Till we see thy heavenly face.

We lay thee in thy silent tomb,
Sweet blossom of a day;
We'd just begun to view thy bloom,
When thou was't called away.

At length relieved of all thy pain,
Our darling sweetly sleeps;
How calm and peaceful thy repose,
While Christ thy soul doth keep.—PARENTS.

WORTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH—Preaching Sabbath evening, Dec. 21st, 1894, by REV. KENT M. BULL, at 7 o'clock. Come and hear a good Gospel sermon. The Sabbath-school is preparing for their Christmas Entertainment to be held on the evening of December 31st, 1894.

SACRED HEART CHURCH, Chestertown—Services on the 1st, 3d and 5th Sundays, at 10.30 A. M. Evening services at 7.30 P. M., with sermon and benediction. On the 1st Sun