The Kent News

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PERSONAL.

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ON Thursday next Mr. E. E. Marsh, Warwick, will have a large sale of Holstein cattle. This will offer a rare chance for farmers and all others interested in good milkers and butter making to get some splendid animals at reasonable prices.

GATHERING ICE.—The recent cold snap has enabled persons having ice houses to fill them with good ice, about 5 inchis thick. Messrs. H. W. Vickers and Wilbur Eliason have filled their ice houses, while Messrs. G. S. Biddle and J. F. Newcomb have filled several houses for George D. Lofland. Mr. John Shuster says he can buy ice cheaper from the creamery, therefore he is not getting ice from the pond. Fifteen teams or more have been hauling ice from the pond near Fairlee.

CLOSE GUESSING.—Mr. J. H. Sides, jeweler, offered a gold watch to the person guessing nearest to the number of hours elapsed before the watch would run down. There were 705 guessers, and the guesses ranged from 4 to 329 hours. Mr. Harry T. Hoyle, blacksmith at Chapman & Lambert's shops, was awarded the watch. The actual time that the watch would run was 38 hours, 11 minutes and 11 seconds, and Mr. Hoyle's guess was 38 hours, 10 minutes, 43 seconds. Among other close guesses were R. F. Rouse, 38, 10, 3; Miss Cora Hynson, 38, 10; Dr. C. W. Whaland, 38, 9, 7; Mrs. James Willis, 38, 8, 3; Mrs. Thos. Topping, 38, 8, 2; Raymond Walbert, 38, 13, 32; Miss Lizzie Watts, 38, 7, 10; Mrs. W. F. Hines, 38, 16, 25.

Grand Skating!

The young folks have enjoyed a skating carnival on Whaland's mill pond this week. On Tuesday over a hundred persons were on the slippery surface cutting stars, etc., while the same scene could be seen every day this week. Rev. W. P. Compton had the pleasure of enjoying a bicycle ride on the ice Wednesday. He made excellent progress until the boys "caught on" and then he came down with considerable force but he did not receive any serious injury. John Vandegrift and Col. Howard were on the ice and evidently have not forgotten their skill at skating. Many of our older citizens stood by the fire and watched the skaters. Many young ladies are on the ice daily and skate very graceful, among the number were Mrs. J. B. Hossinger, Mrs. George Brice, Mrs. John D. Urie, Misses Mary Hurtt, Annie and Daisy Brice, Misses Russell, Fannie Baker, Susie Culp, the Misses Downey, the Misses Beck, Palmer Cockroll, Clara Usilton, Marion Lusby, the Misses Lambert, Mamie Thompson, Alice Thompson, Maggie Plummer, Ethel Crisfield, Misses Stam, Marie Westcott, Hallie Toulson, Katie Smith, Emma McFeely, Bessie Cannon, Lillie Crow, Miss Brannock, Lillie Fowler, Julia Thompson, Janie Cooper, Mary Willie Cavendar, Pearl Shuster, Annie DeFord, Mrs. Micou, Mrs. Thomas Bordley, Mrs. Horace Beck.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Various Organizations Elect New Officers for the New Year.

The Chestertown Epworth League held its annual election Tuesday evening the following officers being elected: President, M. Wilbur Thomas; second vice-president, Department of Mercy and Help, Miss Anna G. Lambert; 3rd vice-president, Department of Literary Work, Mrs. T. S. Bordley; 4th vice-president, Department of Social Work, Miss Fannie Stuart; secretary, Miss Bessie Stuart; treasurer, Miss Anna M. Downey; superintendent of Junior League Work, Miss Mary Vickers. Reports were read from the various departments all of which showed marked progress and were very encouraging.

The Kent Lodge K. of P., Kennedyville, elected the following officers Monday evening: C. C., Jas. E. Weer, V. C., Wattie McKnett, P., L. J. Smith, M. of W., W. T. Money; K. of R. and S., J. H. Weer, M. of F., H. S. Redmile, M. of E., W. S. Hurlock.

The Chestertown Cycle Club held its annual election of officers last Teesday night, the following having been chosen: President, H. Rickey; vice-president, M. A. Toulson; Captain, W. W. Chapman; 1st lieut., D. A. Bacchus; 2nd lieut., Sereck Shallcross; secretary, Edward Lambert; treas., R. S. Thomas; surgeon, C. F. Stam; color bearer, Harry Hodgkins; bugler, Alwyn Culp. The Club paid all its indebtedness and starts the new year under favorable auspices.

STAND HIGH IN THEIR CLASSES.—The students at Western Maryland College from this county, numbering seven, and those at Washington College, also seven in number, have taken positions in their classes which are not only gratifying to their families, but also very flattering to our local pride. They are all in competition with bright and active young minds from all parts of the State and elsewhere, and are showing ability to keep in the front ranks of their classmates and fellow students. At Western Maryland College, Miss Ida N. Dodd stands third, and Miss Nannie P. Keating fourth in the female junior class, composed of twenty-one members, the class led by Miss Mary Kemp, of Talbot, with an average of 95 4.5; Miss Dodd's average is 95 and Miss Keating's is 94 4 5; Mr. Thomas R. Woodford leads the freshmen class, numbering fifty-four, and Mr. Howard Benson stands next to him; Messrs. E. Sterling Price and Chas. Q. Snyder both high grade in the freshman class; Mr. Albert Smith stands third in the sophomore class. At Washington College, Mr. Charles W. Easley leads the junior class; Mr. W. E. S. Thomas the sophomore class and Mr. J. S. Elliott Pardee the freshman class; Mr. S. Chester Coursey stands third in his classes in the preparatory departm ent.—*Centreville Record*

Legalized Whiskey.

Queenstown News

We have five stores and one hotel here selling liquors on Christmas eve. They were all busy dealing out the juices of the vine of corn, wheat and rye. A large crowd of people were in town and not a single disturbance occured during the day or evening. Can the local option towns beat this record?

Queenstown district is the one section of our neighboring county where the sale of liquor is licensed and other sections so there for the "ardent." The "jug business" between Baltimore and the local option districts of Kent and Queen Anne's was larger than ever before known during the Christmas holidays. What does that signify?

Personal Mention.

Jas. A. Pearce and Hope H. Barroll, Esqs., are in Brooklyn, New York, this week, to investigate the damages and cause of the fire that occurred in the store there belonging to the estate of the late Thos. H. Horsey, of Galena.

Miss Laura E. Hague, of Lynch's, is visiting her sister Lydia, and other friends in Philadelphia.

Misses Blanche Gundersdorff and Mollie Schroeder, of Baltimore, spent Christmas holiday with Mrs. John Gale at Worton Manor Beach.

The marriage of Leonora, fourth daughter of the late Henry Bramble, Esq, to Bartus Wilkins, son of Bartus J. Wilkins, all of Kent county, is announced to take place in Salem M. E Church Jan. 16, at 6.30 P. M. No cards.

Master Earle Latherman requests us say that *he* won the silver medal at the Chestertown public school, and we do so with pleasure. "Honor to whom honor is due."

Mr. J. V. Crowding on "Buckingham farm" lost a very valuable cow last Saturday morning. She was found dead in the pound Sunday morning with nothing to indicate the cause of death.

Mr. Jos. Clark and Miss Minnie McCleary were married at the home of the bride's father, Mr. Nehemiah Clark, in Morgan Creek Neck Wednesday night, the ceremony being performed by Rev. W. P. Compton and Rev. C. S. York. The bride looked specially pretty.

Miss Janie Skirven and Miss Campbell, of Baltimore, are guests of Mrs. F. C. Crow, near Fairlee.

Miss Sadie Stevens, of Baltimore, is visiting the Misses Ford, near Chestertown.

Capt. George Moore and wife, of Betterton, are visiting friends in Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bacon and Mrs. John Shuster are visiting friends in Philadelphia.

Mr. Wm. Cohen, of New York; Dr. L. Cohen, of University Hospital; Miss Etta Goodman, Master Max Alexander, Balto., have returned home after spending the Christmas holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Alexander.

Capt. Thos. Moore, Capt. Geo. W. Moore, Robert H. Crew and others have come home to spend the winter on account of ice.

Mr. Chas. H. Davis has been awarded the contract for carrying the mail from the Chestertown depot to the postoffice.

The young people of Centreville held a New Year dance Tuesday evening at which there were a number from Kent including Misses Mary Beck, Mamie Patterson, Nannie Brice, Belle Emory, Mamie Catlin, Minnie Massey; Messrs. Henry W. Catlin, Cecil Atkinson, Carle Westcott, James Beck and others.

Mr. J. Frank Bryan, a student of Westminster Theological Seminary, spent the "holidays" with his parents, near Lankford, but did not have as enjoyable a time as was contemplated, for he was very sick the greater part of the time.

Misses Emma McFeely and Palmer Carroll returned Tuesday from a pleasant visit to Baltimore.

Quite a number of school teachers returned from visits to friends in Baltimore Tuesday, including Miss Johnson, Misses Helen Link, May Price, Bertha Price, Carrie Meredith, Ollie Price, Miss Wallis, Miss Pippin and others.

Benjamin A. Bryan and his sister, Ida, of Baltimore, spent their holidays at home.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles R. Twilley are enjoying a visit to Mrs. T.'s home in Balto.

Dr. C. P. Gilpin spent the past week with his brother in Elkton.

Mr. W. H. McFeely has removed into the office adjoining Mr. T. W. Eliason. Mr. Hiram Brown may also be found there.

Mr. B. F. Fleming requests us to say that he has removed the express office to the Hudgins store room on Cross Street.

Capt. Reeves, of the Sassafras, is visiting relatives in Centreville.

W. A. Hyland, Jr., of Galena, is attending college in New York. Will is a big boy and could "knock out" most of the fellows in Galena. Mr. Allie Hyland has secured him attendance into a Brooklyn college and we wish our young friend success.

Another young man of Galena, Mr. Unit R. Horsey, and also well-known in Chestertown, left this week for St. George's College. Unit was a member of the C. C. C. all of whom wish him prosperity.

Mr. S. G. Bennett is at home for a short time, the government steamer on which he is employed having been laid up.

The wedding of Mr. George R. Rouse, of Chestertown, and Miss Ida Jewell, of Worton, is announced to take place at the home of the bride near Worton Station, next Thursday evening.

Cards have been issued to the marriage of Miss Lizzie A. Hayes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis C. Hayes, of Locust Grove, to Mr. Wm. T. Money, of Galena, Wednesday, January 9, at 3 P. M, in Mt. Olivet M. E. Church, Galena.

Miss Eva Busick, recently of Still Pond, has entered Whatcoat M. E. Church, Baltimore, and is taking an active part in the Loyal Legion there. She was received with open arms.

Mrs. La Bronx, of Baltimore, is visiting Capt. Percy Benny at the Cliffs.

August Weike, the Galena barber, ran off Thursday night, leaving some of his furniture piled up in a neighboring field. He took his horse and dearborn with him, together with everything he could carry. He left some to mourn his loss as he owed several little bills, he was not much behind in his rent and why he should run off is a mystery. While there he seemed to be a very industrious fellow.

Mr. E. B. Pennington, Jr., of Kennedyville, has been named as one of the candidates for West Point. Success to you, Ed.

Mr. Henry C. Layman, a Kent county hustler, is now connected with the Swift Provision Co., of Baltimore. This is a branch of the Swift Packing Co., of Chicago. He will remove his family from Still Pond to Baltimore. This is a long step forward for Mr. Layman and the NEWS extends congratulations.

William R. Martin, Esq., of the Easton bar, has been appointed attorney for the Baltimore, and Chesapeake Railway Company. The position was tendered Mr. Martin last week. The company has very large interest on the peninsula, hence the position of attorney is one of considerable importance. Mr. Martin accepted the position a few days after it was tendered him.—*Easton Star.*

THE reduction made in the tariff upon woolen goods by the Wilson bill, goes into effect January 1st. It will be followed by a correspo nding reduction in the price to the consumers of blankets, flannels, shawls, cloths, carpets, underwear, hosiery and all other articles manufactured from wool. Under the McKinley tariff the duty on many of these articles exceeded 100 per cent., or in other words the consumer was made to pay $10.00 for what he may now buy for from $5 to $7.50. A five-dollar pair of blankets for three dollars is no inconsiderable reduction, and the decrease in the price of flannels and general underwear will allow many poor people to substitute warm woolen underclothing for the cheap cotton stuff some of them have been forced to wear, and shoddy will give way to genuine wool. Surely the people will be so greatly benefitted by this reduction will realize how much better for them is the Democratic idea of tariff than the robber McKinleyism. Will they give credit to whom credit is due?—*Cecil Dem.*

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION!

Pretty Young Ladies in a Good Cause—Singing—Toasts—Banquet, Etc.

The United Y celebrated its fifth anniversary in a most delightful manner Thursday evening. Fairlee hall was filled with merry young people, whose bright eyes gave evidence of the joy that reigned in the heart, while the hundred or more invited guests drank heartily of the cup of gladness which was offered by the hosts and hostesses of the evening. At the door the guests were met by Messrs. Joseph Watson and Clarence Crew, who presented them to the receiving party, consisting of Miss Ida C. Crew, handsomely dressed in green silk, velvet trimmings and passementerie; Miss Clara Keyser, white, with pretty lace trimmings; May Hurlock, pink silk, with lace; Minnie Hudson, old rose silk, lace; Grace Hatcherson, a pretty brown novelty; Messrs. Stockton Startt, Whittier Copper, Arthur Hurlock, David Ford, Charles Skirven. In the rear of the receiving party stood Misses Sue Ford, Bessie Miller, Emma Knight, Clara Biddle, Ada Skirven, Carrie Smith, Maggie Hendrickson, Alanche Smith, other members of the Y.

The literary program opened with singing by the society, followed with prayer by Mr. Azariah Kendall, after which Madam President, Miss Ida Crew, introduced Mr. Stockton Startt thus:

"All things must have a beginning, and as we are now ready to start we hope to merit your approval of our selection of a party whom we have ever found capable and ready."

Mr. Startt made a beautiful address, in which he likened the Y to a ship with a strong crew, with her sails set with the breeze of earnestness, speeding onward to the haven of purity, sobriety and righteousness. Then came a beautiful duet by Miss Annie Lambert and Mr. Edward Lambert. Then Mr. Fred. G. Usilton was introduced thus:

We have discovered that one of our guests is ill; but do not be alarmed; he is not in danger, for he still claims a ton, and is with us to have a pleasant time; but, like a bad boy, he has come to school without "learning his lesson."

Mr. Usilton congratulated the society upon their persistent effort in elevating society, etc., and endeavored to impress his auditors with the grand lesson taught by the faithful, plodding weaver. He was followed by a comical solo, "The Cat Came Back," by Mr. Charles Skirven, after which Miss Bessie Miller gave a pathetic reading, being introduced as the real miller who so conducted the grinding of the machinery that we ever hear sweet strains. Then came an anthem by the choir, followed by a reading by Miss Acca Vandyke, in response to the following:

"On occasions like these one is usually dyked in their best apparel, but we think it a rare occurrence that the whole van should have done likewise."

The Chestertown Glee Club, consisting of Missess Annie Lambert, Julia Thompson, Clara Usilton, Messrs. Alwyn Culp, Edw. Lambert and Fred. G. Usilton, then rendered "The Old Kentucky Home," Misses Lambert and Thompson singing the verses. Mrs. F. C. Crow gave a most appropriate reading in answer to the following:

Some have thought that we are progressing, and even say that we fly. I can't contradict this remark, for we own some of the winged tribe—Mrs. Annie Crow.

Miss Ida Bramble has a sweet voice, and it showed itself in the rendition of "Promise Me," after which Dr. T. H. Cooper was introduced thus:

We have long felt the need of a Cooper, not only to manage in a proper manner the various barrels of coal oil, vinegar, etc., which come to our shores, but one with brain, will and skill to assist human beings to overcome appetites which are coopering them.

The doctor stated that science had discovered a cure for all appetites; that when a man was cured of the drink habit he always returned to the normal condition that he would have sought had he never touched liquor. He said that the barrel had always had a long swing, but that the Cooper was lessening this vibration somewhat. In closing he stated that he was in some respects like the Y—he was a ship without a first mate or a crew. Some one whispered to him, "Why don't you aspire to get a Crew for a first mate?" Mr. Alwyn Culp followed with a beautiful cornet solo, after which Mrs. L. M. Corey made a unique address lauding the Loyal League and wishing God-speed the prohibition ship. Mrs. B. L. Legg, the grandmother of the Y, expressed her gratification at the success of the Y, and Mrs. John P. Nicholson also spoke encouragingly of the organization. The program closed with a well rendered solo by Miss M. Julia Thompson, after which the company were invited to the dining room, where a sumptuous supper was served, Miss Ida Bramble in charge, with a coterie of pretty girl waiters.

Among the invited guests present were the following: Mr. J. W. Corey and wife, J. P. Nicholson and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Todd, Mr. and Mrs. A. Kendall, Mr. and Mrs. Staats, E. J. Watson and wife, Thos. Blackiston and wife, B. L. Legg and wife, John E. Norris and wife, George Bell and wife, Chas. Reiche and wife, F. C. Crow and wife, Mrs. O. Keyser, Mrs. C. H. Hurlock, Mrs. A. L. Corey, Mrs. W. T. Miller, Mrs. Melvin, Mrs. Frank Wheatley, Mrs. G. E. Noland, Mrs. Wm. Anderson, Mrs. Edw. Duyer, Mrs. Rasin, Mrs. Loud, Wm. T. Nicholson and wife. Misses Carrie McIntyre, May Reese, Acca Vandyke, Janie Skirven, Miss Campbell, Becky Henry, Misses Blanche and Carrie Smyth, Sadie Stevens, Carrie Anderson, Nettie Cosden, Clara Keyser, Ada Skirven, Lizzie Corey, Cassie Henry, Bessie Miller, Florence Shepherd, Mamie Hatcherson, Janie Anderson, Ida Tarbutton, Grace Hatcherson, Maggie and Sadie Hendrickson, Emma Knight, May Hurlock, Mattie Henry, Minnie Hudson, Zadie Lee, Annie Copper, the Miss Ringgolds, the Misses Bramble, Sue Ford, Clara Biddle, Belle and Minnie Smyth. Messrs. J. H. Sides, David Ford, S. Startt, Chas. Crew, F. Crew, F. Wheatley, Ray Bowers, J. Welch Crew, Walter Reese, Murray Smyth, Mr. Porter, Dr. Thos. H. Cooper, Willie Bell, James Lucas, Charles Skirven, W. G. Smyth, Arthur Hurlock, Whittier Copper, Percy Hendrickson, H. Nicholson, Thos. Anderson, Wm. Knight, Merritt Miller, Jos. Watson, Wm. Keyser, Sutton Tarbutton, Warren Hurlock, Frank Skirven, Raymond Walbert, and many others.

Baltimore City Market.

The following quotations are from the Baltimore papers of yesterday:

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

In the Churches.

Mr. Joe Massey impersonated Old Kris Tuesday night at the sacred Heart Church and all the little folks got candy.

Christ Church Sunday school held its annual treat Wednesday evening and the children were all well pleased with the many gifts. Mr. Charles S. York, Jr., made a most excellent Santa Claus and brought his *little* son, Mr. Harry Cannan, along with him.

Rev. S. C. Roberts was unable to attend services Sunday on account of sickness. He has been confined to his bed all the week.

A largely attended and a most interesting sunrise meeting was held in Christ Church Tuesday morning, Dr. S. R. Murray in charge. About sixty persons were present.

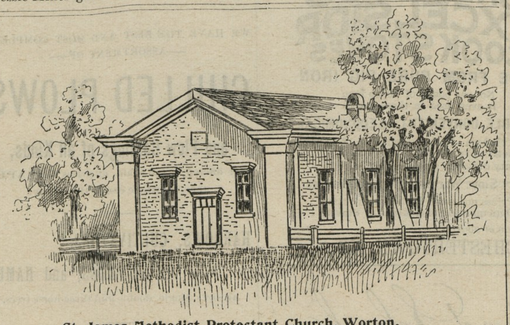
Watch night services were held in the M. E. Church and they were well attended Rev. W. P. Compton was in charge. The New Year was welcomed with a hearty hand shaking and the congregation dispersed with praises and glad hearts.

The Epworth League, of Chestertown gave a reception last night to the official board of the M. E. Church and to Presiding elder Alfred Smith.

The Northern convocation of the Diocese of Easton, which includes the Protestant Episcopal Churches in Cecil and Kent counties, met in Trinity Church Elkton, Tuesday. The session continued three days. Bishop W. T. Adams being unable to be present, the meeting was presided over by Giles B. Cooke, of Northeast dean Rev. Dr. S. R. Barret, of Washington, D. C., was introduced and addressed the convocation on the subject of "Parochial Missions." Rev. C. T. Denroche, of St. Paul's parish, Kent county, also made an address. Among the clergymen in attendance were Rev. T. S. Ackford, Port Deposit; Rev. N. H. Burnham, Chesapeake City; Rev. Thomas Duncan, Earleville; Giles B. Cook, North East; Rev. J. T. Chambers, Galena; Rev. Sam'l Edson, Denton. Bishop Coleman, of Delaware, was present and delivered an address on temperance.

Rev. Kent M. Bull, who has been pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Nottingham, close to the Maryland line, for a number of years past, has tendered his resignation to the congregation, and accepted the call to Worton Station.

THE article on "Chestertown Fifty Years Ago" is in type, but crowded out of this issue. It will be inserted next week.



St. James Methodist Protestant Church, Worton.

On our first page, in a column of church histories, we give a short sketch of St. James M. P. Church, Worton; above will be found a well-drawn picture of this building.

"Holly Social" at St. James.

Christian Endeavor Society of St. James held a holly social on Friday, Dec. 28, at the parsonage. The address of welcome by Mr. Joseph Mills, and the response by Miss Blanche Gundersdorff, of Baltimore were short and to the point. A musical and literary program was arranged by the social committee, Mrs. Mills, chairman. Charades and other games were another pleasant feature of the evening. The dining room and tables were most beautifully decorated with holly, each guest receiving a twig of the crimson and green ornament of the forest as a souvenier. Notwithstanding the slippery roads and bitter night many endeavorers came out, and feel very grateful to the social committee for their interesting and faithful efforts in furnishing such a pleasant evening. Among those present were Dr. and Mrs. Mills, Mr. and Mrs. Trimble, Misses Annie Willis, Sadie Morris, Mollie Schroder, Blanche Gundersdorff, of Baltimore, Katie Parsons, of Worton, May Hurlock, Gussie and Cornnie Mathiot, Marie Mills, Isabel Frame and May Willis. Messrs. Joseph, Will and Bibb Mills, Will Willis, Harry Taylor, R. G. Nicholson, Bert, Harry and Horace Nicholson, Arthur and Warren Hurlock, Romie Skirven, Walter Gale and Herman Gale.

Christmas Entertainment at Worton.

The entertainment given by the Sunday school of the Worton Presbyterian Church on New Year's Eve, in the church, was a grand success. Old Santa Claus, on account of the infirmities of old age, and a multitude of previous engagements, could not get to Worton Sunday school on Xmas, but sent presents for the school, notifying Supt. W. E. Beck by letter of his action in the matter. At least that is the way the story is told at Worton. So the Sunday school went to work and prepared the entertainment, after which Santa Claus' presents, consisting of a pretty box of candy and an orange for each scholar were distributed by the teachers as they were called out by Supt. Beck. Santa Clause and Supt. Beck must be good friends, judging from their correspondence and the special basket of goodies presented by the former to the latter. The success of the entertainment was largely due to the selections and drilling by Miss Mollie Roeder and Mr. George H. Phifer, and the excellent music rendered by the choir. Mr. John J. Roeder brought the Christmas tree, which was set up by strong men and prettily decorated by good women. Supt. Beck says that the Sunday school is larger than ever it was, numbering now 110 scholars. The church was filled with pleased listeners who expressed their pleasure by a liberal collection. The program was as follows:

Organ voluntary	Florence Jewell
Welcome Address	Bessie Ivens
Song	Children
Recitation	Addie Cooper
Recitation	Agnes Newcomb
Song	Choir
Recitation	Daisy Herbert
Solo	Julia Cooper
Recitation	Jonn Duyer
Recitation	Mary Cooper
Song	Choir
Recitation	Rebecca Tucker
Dialogue	Nancy Carter and 6 girls
Song	Choir
Recitation	Lester Carter
Duet	Mollie Parsons and Ida Beck
Recitation	Minnie Jones
Dialogue	Bessie Cooper and Nellie Ivens
Song	Choir
Recitation	Harry Ivens
Dialogue	Isaac and Joseph Duyer
Duet	Laura Jewell and Addie Parsons
Recitation	Addie Cooper
Recitation	Milcha Jones
Recitation	Blanche Duyer
Song	Choir
Recitation	Delma Carter
Duet	Mary and George Phifer
Recitation	Bessie Ivens
Address	Rev. K. M. Bull
Song	Choir
Closing Address	Mary Phifer.

LAND SALES.—John H. and Alex. Wilson, on Saturday last purchased of Mr. R. L. Usilton, agent for Louis Stewart, a lot of eight acres, at Smithville, for $330

Mr. Eugene M. Bonwill, of Still Pond, has sold the Spry farm which he purchased four years ago of C. T. Westcott, Esq., trustee, to Mr. Alday Clements, for $40 per acre—the same amount paid for it by Mr. Bonwill.

ROCK HALL LOCALS.

One of the prettiest weddings of the past year took place on Tuesday evening, the 18th ult., the contracting parties being Miss Emily Rodney and Mr. James Davis, a popular young couple of this place. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Edward Davis, of the M. E. Church. A splendid reception was held at the cozy home of the groom, at which numerous friends and relatives were present. The bridal presents were numerous, among which were the following:

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Harrison, preserve dish, pepper castor, cream pitcher, pair of towels; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. J. Reiche, set of tumblers; Frank Davis, set silver teaspoons; James Harrison, set of tumblers; William Porter, glass pitcher; Fannie Colyer, set castors; Mrs. Mary Golyer, pair of pickle dishes; Harry Hogan, pair of towels; Miss Sallie Hogan, set of napkins; Henry Colyer, set of casters; Miss Nellie Kerr, salt and pepper casters, set bone dishes; Josie Ryan, cake dish; Miss Clara Middleton, pickle dish; Miss Julia Middleton, pickle dish; Chas. Harrison, silver butter dish; Chas. Porter, glass pitcher; Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Wickes, lamp; Miss Edith House, glass pitcher, cake plate; Miss Minnie House, set of glasses; George Davis, pair of towels; Miss Mary Davis, set of table napkins; Thomas Harrison, set casters; Mrs. R. S. Crew, table cloth; Thomas Fogwell, towel; Damon Rollsion, pair of towels; Mr. and Mrs. Romie Fogwell, set table spoons; Lemmie Fogwell, syrup cup; Miss Rhoda Downey, set napkins, tidy; Miss Maggie Hersch, set napkins; Miss Nettie Hersch, set butter plates; Mr. James House, lamp, set dishes; Miss Alice House, pair of towels; Mr. Thomas Lusby, pair of dishes; Mrs. Mary Rodney, lamp; Miss Bessie Davis, chair tidy; Mrs. Rose Davis, table cover; Mr. John Colyer, set tumblers.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis start on the journey of connubial bliss with bright prospects and the best wishes of hosts of friends. May their joys be as lasting as eternity.

The cold snap having caused a cessation of hostilities between the tongers and Swan Point bar, those oystermen who purpose net fishing the coming spring are busily engaged rigging up their fishing apparatus; quite a number will engage in the fishing business and are looking forward with anticipations of a prosperous season.

There is, as usual, loud complaints about the depredations on Swan Point, not only is Capt. Hyland censured, but some of our best friends, in the service of their State, are having heaped upon them those things which are not by any means blessings. Now, if these reports be true would it not be best to take proper steps to lay them before the proper tribunal? It is a great injustice to the "Fishery Force" to have such complaints circulated far and near without having the same substantiated. "Let us come up with the proof or shut up."

The young people of both sexes in this section are having delightful skating parties during the freeze. The ice has been splendid for the purpose.

On Monday Mr. Charles Middleton met with a severe accident while skating by falling and splintering his leg.

The health of our neighborhood has never been better. It is exhilirating to see Dr. S. walking about with his hands in his pockets enjoying a series of idle days.

Ice house owners have filled their ice houses with good ice.

The Odd Fellows and Knights of P. having gone through the exciting scenes of their annual elections, have bidden adieu to disappointments and have buckled on for the fray of another year. Both societies are in a prosperous condition, financially and otherwise. Both lodges have about 80 members on their roster. As soon as "Miss Ada" and her aids, secure a "drum corps" you may expect to see as fine a body of men of the military branch of the Knights of Pythias of this place, as ever drew sword in defence of their country. The company now numbers 40 brave knights, all splendidly uniformed. R.

Still Pond Locals.

The Epworth League held its monthly meeting at the parsonage on New-Year's night. Officers were elected as follgws: President, Prof. Wm. Watts; first vice-president, Miss Nellie Krusen; second, Mrs. W. D. Pennington; third, Miss D. Crossley; fourth, Mrs. Joseph Harper; secretary, Jos. W. Harper, treasurer, Mrs. W. W. Rasin. The remainder of the evening was most pleasantly spent in vocal and instrumental music and in the partaking of a delightful repast of frozen custard and cake. A number of visitors were present. The members of the league are agitating the holding of a bazaar in the town hall some time in the month of February.

The young people of the village and vicinity are every day enjoying that most delightful and health-giving sport, skating. In wagons, the horses covered with bells, they hie them to the beautiful and picturesque Lloyd's creek, where the hour of sunset arrives all too soon for those on pleasure bent. Both the comfort and convenience of the skaters are enhanced by the kindness of Mr. John H. Harding, who gives them the privilege of using his fishing shanty and furnishes them with a fire also.

Mr. George W. Harper, of New York, has been visiting friends in Still Pond.

Mrs. Wm. G. Rasin is enjoying a trip to New York.

Messrs. Jennings and Mifflin Hood, students at the Drexel Institute, Philadelphia, are sojourning for a time in Still Pond.

Presiding Elder Smith will preach for us Sunday morning next, January 6. Rev. J. D. Kemp will lecture at the M. E. Church at Betterton on next Tuesday evening, January 8.

All having ice houses have succeeded in filling them with a fine quality of ice.

OUR "Record of Events of 1894" is crowded out of this issue. It will be published next week.

THE PUBLIC ROADS.

"A Word to the Wise is Sufficient."

MESSRS. EDITORS KENT NEWS:

As the time is near at hand when the County Commissioners will give out the contracts for repairing the roads, I desire to make a few suggestions looking to a more economical use of the money expended. These are times when every business man has to struggle to make receipts cover expenditures and I am sure our commissioners want to do the best thing for their constituents.

I think the board should not accept any bid for the roads that is above ten dollaas per mile. With the road machine that the county furnishes every supervisor, ten dollars is ample pay.

Three furrows on each side of a road can be scraped to the centre at the rate of a mile per day with six horses and two men. This amount of work ought not to cost more than six dollars; and four dollars per mile will do all little repairing.

The truth is a large percentage of our roads ought not to be plowed at all—merely scraped to fill up holes and even up the road bed. A great number of roads are traveled but little and are easy to keep in order. I think I can point out roads that have not cost half the money expended by the county.

Thorough drainage ought to be the first consideration of every supervisor. Dry roads are always in first class condition, while wet roads are never in good order. The ditches should be opened and *kept open all the year*. But some supervisors plow near the beaten track and scrape the sod in the middle leaving the road in worse condition than before they touched it. Again, this matter of EXTRAS has become quite a burden upon the shoulders of tax-payers. Some supervisors get about as much for doing extras as for the contract work. This is all wrong. If shells must be hauled upon the roads to repair them let them be hauled by the bushel, and not by the day. Because they are hauled in the shortest and the coldest days of the year when all good business farmers avoid having work done on account of the extra cost. They make but 3 or 4 loads per day, carrying only 20 or 30 busbels and sometimes not that much. I admit that shells make a good road for a time, but I doubt the advisibility of using them when their cost is considered. One cent a bushel ought to pay for hauling shells within two miles of landing; and their use ought not to be thought of beyond that distance. The building of some bridges or culverts by the day is a subject of criticism. A supervisor said to me "that it was a shame the way the commissioners were imposed upon by lazy indifferent mechanics." No private business man would put up with such imposition. Now if our commissioners would be as zealous to remedy these extravgances as they were at the commencement of their administration to get the basis of taxation increased by seeking out untaxed property, I think several thousand dollars would be saved to the tax-payers.

Perhaps I have written enough, but I do not think the subject exhausted by any means. Respectfully submitted,

OBSERVER.

EDESVILLE LOCALS.

A large crowd gathered at Wesley Chapel last Monday night to witness the entertainment given by the Sunday school. Although postponed from Wednesday evening, Dec. 26, on account of inclement weather it was a complete success, so freely did both large and small lend aid to the evening's pleasure that we may safely say it was one of our best. The program was well rendered, Christmas songs sung with such vim that the church rang with melody. Recitations were excellent, each one tried to excel the other to such an extent that really none can be specified unless it be Master Douglas Gresham in "Christmas Thoughts," which he gave to us in his inimitable, bright way, and at the close of which won all hearts by tossing a kiss to the audience. The concert recitation and song by the infant class, and the exercises; "Gifts of God," by eleven boys and girls, and "Gifts for Jesus," by ten girls, were beautifully done. The motion song was especially interesting. The school showed their love and appreciation of the superintendant's work by presenting to him a handsome gold watch chain, and the infant class a gold C. E. pin. The pastor's class gave to him an envelope containing the means wherewith a handsome overcoat may be purchased. And while presents were handed right and left, and so much pleasure abounded, running beneath the joyous surface was a vein of sadness, for the thought would intrude itself, no matter how firm the will, that this would be the last time our superintendent, Mr. A. L. Judefind, would be with us. He is loved by all, young and old, and as sheep without their shepherd, so does the school of Wesley Chapel feel without Mr. Judefind. Deeply do we regret his loss and yet wish him every success in the musical career he has marked out for himself. Our school is in a flourishing condition, and next Sunday is the time for reorganization, and we hope all will put their shoulder to the wheel that matters may move on as smoothly during the new year as they did in the past.

The C. E. held a Lemon Squeeze Social at Edesville Hall on Friday, Dec. 28th. It was quite a success, Miss Carrie Coleman winning 1st prize, a lemon squeezer, and Mrs. Wilhelm the booby prize, a stick of lemon candy. After the lemons followed a program opening with a solo by Miss Edith Stevens which was sung very sweetly, but could not be finished owing to a stick having wedged itself across the pedals of the organ and caused a rattling similar to that of dry bones. Next, two beautiful tableaux, "A Drunkard's Home" and the Drunkard Reformed," after which a dialogue, "Proposing by Proxy," was merrily received by the audience, all taking their characters so well they received great applause. The remainder of the programme was omitted, owing to the coldness of the hall. Refreshments were passed, and all hurried home to find the warmest spot; but we hope they left with pleasant thoughts of the C. E. add with awakening interest in the society, while all will be warmly welcomed in our spiritual meetings on Thursday evenings.

There was a full house at Wesley Chapel Tuesday evening to witness the marriage of Mr. Will Clark and Miss Bertha Whalen. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Jesse Shreeve. The bride was very prettily dressed in a dark cloth suit, with a dainty wreath of flowers twined in her hair.

Mrs. Jesse Shreeve is slowly recovering from a severe spell of sickness.

A very delightful skating party was given last Wednesday evening by a few of the young people around Edesville. The crowd went on the ice at 7 P. M. and skated until 9.30. A lovely fire aided comfort, and though the moon refused her light, lanterns shed a bright glow over the glassy floor. The snow beginning to fall, the folks adjourned to the home of Miss Edith Stevens, and there found a delicious oyster stew awaiting them. The party consisted of the Misses Coleman, Eva Gresham, Lulu Shreeve and Edith Stevens. Messrs. Frank and Tommie Stevens, F. Coleman, C. Miller and C. Wood.

MILLINGTON PICK-UPS.

This community was surprised New Year's day by the wedding of two of our most prominent citizens, Rev. Thomas Numbers and Mrs. Mary Matilda Talbott. The wedding was quietly solemnized at the home of the bride by Rev. G. W. Burke. A pleasant reception was given the happy twain at Massey's by the son of the groom, Mr. Fred. Numbers, agent at that station. These are two of the most estimable citizens of Millington and the entire community wishes them all the happiness they desire.

Rev. G. W. Burke, pastor of the M. E. Church here, had two weddings in October on "tick," the parties promising to pay at some future time.

A pleasant entertainment was given Saturday evening by ladies and gentlemen of the P. E. Church. The drama "Among the Breakers" was rendered in which the following persons too part: W. F. Collins, Clarence Hunter, Carroll Clark, Wm. Stevens, Dixey Evans, J. E. Hurlock, Jas. Vansant, Gus. Vansant, Paul Comegys and Irving Hurlock, Misses Lelia Reese, Rose Comegys, Miss Cooper, Etta Massey, Nannie Comegys. Misses Lillie and Marie Cacy rendered a beautiful duet. Owing to the weather, etc., the audience was not as large as it might have been.

Old Kris visited the children at the M. E. Church Monday night and oh, the fun the children had. Mr. Howard West made a good Kris and for a long time kept his name from the audience. A special program was prepared and the committee certainly deserve the congratulations of all. Price Vansant made a speech, Miss Ola McWnorter and Lula Bailey represented Kings Daughters. The wee little folks spoke charmingly among whom we noticed Marie Vansant, Lewin Spencer, Enna Hart, and Willie Wyatt.

A new copartnership has been formed by Mr. Thomas M. Britton and Mr. J. Wesley Moffett in the undertaking business. Mr. Moffett, the new partner, has the