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FESTIVAL!

The members of Providence M. P. Church, at McGinnes, will hold a FESTIVAL at that place on, SATURDAY NIGHTS, June 29th and July 6th. Proceeds to be used for repairing church. All are invited to attend. je22-3t.

PERCH and ROCK SUPPER and FESTIVAL at ROCK HALL

The ladies and friends of the Rock Hall M. E. Church will hold a FESTIVAL FRIDAY and SATURDAY, June 28th and 29th. PERCH and ROCK SUPPER on Saturday evening. je15-3t. COMMITTEE.

FESTIVAL!

The ladies of TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, Church Hill, will hold a FESTIVAL at Primrose's Grove, Chester Bridge, Queen Anne's side, SATURDAY EVENING, July 6th. Supper will be served with all the delicacies of the season. Music and other amusements will be at hand. The public are cordially invited to attend. Proceeds for the church. COMMITTEE.

FOR LADIES ONLY!

The LECTURE to be given in the Court House SATURDAY EVE., 8 o'clock. Subject: Health and Beauty. Mrs. MERRILL comes highly recommended and has invariably had large audiences in neighboring cities. "This Lecture is free. 1t.*

SINGING, PIANO, THEORY, ORGAN!

MR. HORTON CORBETT,

Assoc. Mus., Trin. Coll., London, Organist and Director St. Peters Epis. Church, Baltimore, desires to form a class for students in above, for six weeks, from middle of July. Thorough and artistic instruction. Would undertake church choir or organ. For terms apply HORTON CORBETT, j29-2t. 1706 McCulloh Street, Baltimore.

TO THE PUBLIC:

I take pleasure in informing you that I am now with JULIUS GUTMAN & CO., corner Park Avenue and Lexington Streets, where I shall be pleased to see you. Promising to give you best attention. We carry a complete stock of Dress Goods, Silks, Laces, Hosiery, Linen Goods, Bed Wear, Wrappers, Coats, Upholstery Goods, Gloves and Corsets, Ribbons, Domestics of every kind, Handkerchiefs, Neckwear. Our Linings Department is the most complete in the city. Personal attention given to all customers, and also solicit your mail orders, which will receive my supervision. Yours truly, je29-tf. JOSHUA HARVEY.

GRAND EXCURSION

—TO—

TOLCHESTER BEACH!

Galena and Locust Grove M. E. Churches will run an EXCURSION TO TOLCHESTER on the palatial STEAMER SASSAFRAS on THURSDAY, July 25th. Wait for us.

EXCURSION!

The FIRST GRAND FAMILY EXCURSION

—OF THE SEASON—

TO TOLCHESTER BEACH

under the auspices of the Westminster Presbyterian Church, of Georgetown, Kent county, Maryland, will be made

On WEDNESDAY JULY 17th.

Arrangements on the Steamer Sassafras have been made to accommodate our many friends, and we vouch for a good time to all. The Beach with its many new attractions is more lovely than ever. The elegant Steamer Sassafras will leave Georgetown 6.30, Fredericktown 6.35, Shallcross' 6.45, Cassidy's 7, Turner's Creek 7.15, Betterton 8, Buck Neck 9.15, Gale's Wharf 9.30. Will not stop at Turner's Creek on up trip. Fare, round trip, Adults, 60 cts; Children, 35 cents. By order, COMMITTEE.

NOTES DUE!

Notice is hereby given that the NOTES taken at the sales of the late Harry F. Hill, will be due JULY 22d and AUGUST 1st, and are payable at Second National Bank, Chestertown. All interested will govern themselves accordingly.

RACHEL HILL,
TILGHMAN SHAFER,
je29-3t. Administrators.

SITUATION WANTED

By a First-class ENGINEER; good machinest with tools. Reference furnished. Address SAMUEL EDWARDS, je29-2t. Lowery, Balto. county, Md.

WE ARE NOW READY FOR BUSINESS!

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Queen st., below Brice's Store., Chestertown.

JOS. CLEM, operator and proprietor. j15-tf.

NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS.

The ANNUAL MEETING of the Stockholders of the Kent County Savings Bank for the purpose of selecting Twelve Directors to manage the affairs of said bank for the ensuing year, will be held in their Banking House, in Chestertown, on TUESDAY, July 2d, 1895, at 10 o'clock A. M. By order of the Board, je15-tm. WM. F. RUSSELL, CASHIER.

C. H. B. MASSEY,

ATTORNEY AT-LAW,

je15. CHESTERTOWN, MD.

FOR SALE:

FINE FARM OF 125 ACRES,

on Lankford's Bay, has 9 room House, Meat-house, Storage-house, Barn, Cow-shed, Stable, Poultry-houses, Wagon-shed, Corn-house and new Tenant-house, 500 peach and pear trees each, 300 apple trees. Land in good heart Will sell at a bargain.

HYLAND P. STEWART,
j8-4t. Equitable Building, Balto., Md.

FOR RENT for 1896:

The HOUSE on Maple Ave., now tenanted by Mrs. A. L. Houston.

Apply to E. J. KENNARD, j8-tf. Lynch's, Md.

FOR RENT:

The DWELLING HOUSE, now occupied by C. M. Lucas, near the river. Possession given immediately.

Apply to C. M. LUCAS, j8-tf. Chestertown.

LOCAL FLASHES.

Doings of a Week In Town and County.

Kennedyville creamery paid 52 cents per hundred pounds for milk last month; Locust Grove, 55; Still Pond, 50; Crumpton, 52.

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The U. S. Naval Reserves, numbering 150 men, will be at Tolchester all next week on the battle ship Dale.

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Some of the most valuable real estate in Millington is advertised to be disposed of at public sale by R. Oscar Roe and Carrie B. Roe, admr's of the late E. F. Edwards.

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A valuable young horse belonging to Mr. J. R. Jarrell, was badly snagged in the side while running through an open gate, by a harrow tooth Monday. Dr. Jarman treated the animal.

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A peach basket war is on and a big cut in prices resulted. They started at $4.50 per hundred, but at the last reports $3.80 would buy the same quantity.

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Messrs. Washington G. and J. Walter Skirven met with an accident while driving from town last Saturday afternoon. They were driving a colt, which became frightened when near Carvill's hill, kicked and became unmanageable. Mr. Walter Skirven's hand was injured and Mr. Wash. was kicked in the breast. The dog-cart was badly wrecked and the gentlemen were compelled to go to Mr. Vickers for a team. At last reports the gentlemen were very sore, otherwise they were not injured. An amusing incident occured in connection with the runaway. A kitten had been placed in a rat trap when about to leave Mr. Aldridge's store, and the horse kicked the trap in the air causing it to open and the nuisance to escape, and now Stockton sings "and the cat came back."

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Mr. G. S. Griffith, president of the Maryland Prisoners' Aid Association, visited the Kent county jail and almshouse last week and reports thus:

Of late years our visits to the Kent county almshouse has been uniformly satisfactory. The farm is in charge of a practical farmer, so that the superintendent, relieved of this charge, can devote his entire time to looking after the buildings and inmates. The matron's proficiency, too, is apparent. The inmates looked clean and contented, and the apartments were all in good condition. The inmates numbered thirty-two. About one-half were colored people; they were also evenly divided as to sex. One inmate is a colored child.

There are only three prisoners in the Chestertown jail—one colored and two white men. The former was charged with disturbing public worship, and of the latter one was serving a jail sentence for keeping a gambling house, and the other for bribery. From what information we were able to gather in Chestertown, Kent county needs a more rigorous enforcement of the local option law.

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The new iron bridge over Morgan creek is completed, but the approaches thereto will not be finished for several weeks, although Contractor Stuart and his men are pushing the work.

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Capt. Jos. W. Thompson's vessel arrived last Friday with soft coal for the paper mill and about a dozen men were employed at ten cents per hour. Capt. Thompson was surprised a few days ago by a strike among his men, who demanded 15 cents per hour. He very quickly dismissed the crowd and hired other men.

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A letter from Mr. James Stewart, owner of the carrier pigeons liberated on the college campus a few weeks ago, says the birds arrived home safe, covering the distance in one hour and a half. But for the storm and high wind Jim thinks they would have made the flight in thirty minutes. Mr. Robert Ford had a pair of these birds, but just as early as they could fly they flew to their home in Baltimore. The only way to keep them is to raise them from the nest.

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The ice now being manufactured in Chestertown is clear and firm equaling the best ever put on the market here.

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A large lot of walnut logs and timber is being collected at Lambson's Station on the Kent railroad for shipment to England.

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A flash of lightning caused quite a scene in Mr. Dennis J. Rowland's wheat field Monday evening. The bolt struck a shock of wheat, scared the horses attached to the reaper, scared Mr. N.'s horse attached to the carriage and frightened the harvesters. The reaper was damaged to some extent, otherwise there was no harm done. The men ran to the house as if pursued.

Mr. Thomas Hill sailed for Europe Saturday. He intends to bring to the notice of English capitalists the great advantages of Baltimore as a residence and business city and manufacturing centre, and will especially call attention to the low prices of property in Kent and other places as compared with others. Mr. Hill will also visit the German provinces. where he has had extensive correspondence, and will try to stimulate the farmers of that country to settle on cheap lands in Maryland. He is accompanied by his family and expects to remain abroad several months.

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A terrible accident occurred to Mr. Edwin Chrisfield, on his farm near Galena Monday. He was kicked in the face by one of his horses, and cheek bone badly shattered. Dr. E. A. Scott attended the sufferer and states that he is very badly hurt. He is doing as well as can be expected.

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The "Hail" or "Hell Point" farm and ducking shore, containing 150 acres, offerred at public sale by R. D. Hynson, as attorney for owners, on Tuesday, was held up on a bid of $1,200.

The two farms of Mrs. Annie E. Crane were withdrawn for want of a sufficient bid therefor and are held at private sale. For the Queen Anne's farm a bid of $23 per acre was made. The places can be purchased of Hope H. Barroll, attorney for the owner, at private sale.

Hope H. Barroll as trustee, sold on Saturday last the two Willis houses, at Locust Grove, to S. J. Comley for $325.

Hope H. Barroll, attorney for Thomas A. Parsons, sold on Monday, the Lusby farm in Quaker Neck, to Mrs. Mary E. Cannan for $1200. This same farm was purchased on the previous Tuesday by Mr. Parsons for $925.

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Ladies only will have the privilege of the free lecture at the Court House THIS Saturday evening. Men and boys may not go!

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Mr. Joshua Harvey, wants to see his Kent friends at Julius Gutman's, Baltimore, the great dress goods emporium, Park ave. and Lexington street.

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There is possibly not a field of wheat standing to-day. From the best information the outlook is for a fair crop. Threshing will begin about the 5th or 6th. It is said that through the South and West owing to the prevailing low prices a great deal of wheat has been fed to the stock.

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Messrs. Trenchard at Chestertown have about fifty boys engaged at their factory, one-half of them coming from Queen Anne's. The boys, however, have not made a fortune as they pay $1.20 per week for conveyance and last week one of them had 30 cents clear, another 60 cents clear. They get 75 cents per hundred.

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Dr. C. W. Reid broke his small finger in a peculiar accident a few days ago. He was riding his wheel and ran into a wire fence, but rather than fall, held to his wheel. Something had to give way and it proved to be the small finger.

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The annual trip of business men will likely be made about the 15th of July to Old Point Comfort or Cape May. Messrs. J. K. Aldridge, C. L. Dodd and W. R. Aldridge are making arrangements for the same. The E. W. Scott, Capt. Coleman, will be chartered.

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June 24th was the 41st anniversary of the great hail storm in Chestertown. It occurred on Saturday, June 24th, 1854, about 2 P. M. The cloud came from the South and completely destroyed all vegetation in its track. It continued but a few minutes. Every exposed pane of glass in Chestertown in Southern fronts was shattered, and the roar of the storm was so great that human voice could not be heard a few feet distant while the mass of hail shut out the view of everything in the street. The town looked like a wreck when it was over—numerous trees torn up by the roots, others stripped of foliage and the ground deeply covered with *ice*, some of the stones being larger than hen eggs! Many of our citizens yet living remember that storm, indeed none can ever forget it.

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Mr. John Rowen, who has been the efficient manager of Masseys creamery, has resigned and accepted a position with Darlington Bros., Pa. Mr. Sam'l Watts, of Townsend, is in charge of the Masseys creamery.

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Many farmers are apprehensive that the yield of wheat will be very short, although the straw crop is large. The wheat heads are small and not well filled while in many fields the grain is "pinched.",

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A few more festivals left. See them in another column.

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Don't fail to note the popular excursions to Tolchester advertised elsewhere.

Another Chance for His Life!

MARSHALL E. PRICE, the murderer of Sallie E. Dean in Caroline county, was to be hung in the jail yard at Denton next Friday. J. Henry Baker, Esq., and other Baltimore lawyers, have been making an effort for a new trial this week. Judges Wickes and Stump have signed an order sending the record in the case to the Court of Appeals upon a writ of error. It is now possible that the Governor will grant a respite until October when the Court of Appeals again meets. There is some talk of lynching but no trouble is anticipated. The murderer is now in Denton jail.

BOY KILLED!

The Kent Train Runs Over a Little Boy Asleep on the Railroad Track!

Dayton Hennifee, the three-year-old son of Wm. Hennifee, of Dulaney's, was killed on the Kent railroad Thursday morning under very sad circumstances. Engineer Reed states that when about seventy-five yards from the child he could see something on the track, but could not distinguish it from a piece of paper or a bird.

Brakeman Cyrus Howard was sitting in the engine on the left side, the same side on which the child was lying. As the engine drew nearer Cyrus exclaimed "My, Horace, hold up, its a child!" But it was too late, and before the train could be stopped five cars and the engine passed over the little boy! Conductor Welch and crew immediately went to the child and tenderly carried him to the station, a short distance up the road. The little fellow lived but a few minutes, both limbs having been severed above the knee. Whose child was it? No one knew, so Fireman Layman went to the nearest house and asked the lady if she had lost a boy, and she replied that she had. Then it was that she was told of the terrible accident and she immediately went to the station and identified her boy. She was almost wild with grief and every one who witnessed the scene were moved to sympathy for the bereaved parents. The station agent at Dulaney's, Mr. John Murphy, took charge of the body and an inquest was held in the afternoon, the jury rendering a verdict of accidental death, and exonerated all from censure.

Mr. Cyrus Howard says the boy was lying on his stomach with his face in his hands, apparently asleep. His head and body were on the outside of the track between the ties, while his limbs lay across the track. The incline of the bank and the bushes along the road prevented Engineer Reed seeing the boy and the two little feet presented the appearance of birds to the careful engineer.

Mrs. Hennifee states that her son left home at 7 o'clock to go to his grandfather's, a short distance across from her home. Instead of turning in at his grandfather's gate, he continued down the track about a half mile, and she supposes that he became tired and lay down to rest. He had been often cautioned about the train and had made frequent visits to his grandfather. Mr. H. is a farmer and had left his boy playing in the yard that morning.

Dayton was three years and one month old. He was a bright little fellow and was neatly dressed. He had often been seen playing about the yard as the cars went up and down the road. His home is along the railroad, a short distance from Dulaney's station. He has a younger brother.

Engineer Reed is one of the most careful men ever on the road, and the jury justly exonerated him from censure. Conductor Welch and his crew acted like true men in this case, as in every other accident that has occurred on the road.

IN the re-adjustment of postmasters' salaries in Maryland only four are increased; five are decreased, and the balance remain unchanged. Chestertown is among the latter—the salary remaining at $1600. Easton is increased to $1900.

PEACH BOXES AND BASKETS will be furnished growers this season as usual by Capt. R. S. Emory. See his adv. elsewhere in the NEWS. His factory will be open in due time. He is now offering baskets in quantities at *special* prices.

A Farm at $77.44 Per Acre.—Col. Oswald Tilghman, as attorney, has sold a farm of 90 acres in Miles River Neck, Talbot county, for $7,000, to Mr. Allan H. Jennings, of Baltimore county. The farm is a beautiful salt water situation. This is the best sale we have noted for years. Does it indicate better prices for land?

LIGHTNING FREAKS!

Two Schooners Damaged in Quaker Neck.

A thunder storm passed over Kent county Monday evening and the lightning played some of its wild pranks. Two large locust trees in Mr. George Henry Watts' yard in Quaker Neck were struck and shattered. The men from the harvest field had taken shelter under the trees and had just left them when the bolt came. They state that the report sounded like a cannon or a tremendous explosion.

In King's creek the bugeye, "J. W. Wilcox," belonging to Mr. John Jerome, was struck by the lightning and a hole made in her side. The boat was being repaired and was up on blocks. The bolt struck the mast, passed through the hatchway and out the side of the vessel.

Two men at work on the Wilcox were stunned by the bolt and another vessel nearby was slightly damaged.

Several telephone poles were shattered near Locust Grove and the wires in Mr. G. M. Beaston's store were burned out.

Lightning set fire to a large rick of hay on Mr. John Clendaniel's farm near Kennedyville and the whole crop from about twenty acres was destroyed.

In Queen Anne's just across the bridge, shocks of wheat in Mr. Harry Newnam's and in Mr. S. Dewberry's field were destroyed and a tree at Mr. Tucker's gate was also shattered.

At Church Hill large hail stones were picked up, but no serious damage has been reported.

A horse owned by Mr. Richard Wilson was killed instantly by a bolt of lightning.

A shock of wheat on Dr. Cornell's place was also burned.

FISH AND OYSTERS.

The Closed Season—"Canned Oysters" to be Inquired Into—The Fish Law—Stakes in the River and Bay.

Notwithstanding the "closed season" for oysters now being fully on, it is said that the luscious bivalve can be had with little difficulty. They are not sold as usual in the open season, but, with a little caution in the business, the oyster peddlers dispose of "canned oysters" which are very much like the genuine article. Indeed the difference is only in name. Capt. Tom. Hyland was in Chestertown last Tuesday inquiring into the "canned oyster" business. He said he thought he would have no difficulty in distinguishing the canned from the fresh article, and proposed to make an effort to put a stop to the illegal traffic.

Capt. Hyland says the rock fish was never more plentiful in the river than now. He has the very best opportunity to know. Three terms are used in describing the rock fish, namely: "Bunch rock," "Pan rock" and "Hank rock." The first are smallest and the last are sent to market in strings of about three. The law prohibits any kind of fishing in Chester river, except with hook and line, after June 30.

Persons can fish for mackerel and taylor with seines, provided the seine mesh is not smaller than three and a half inches.

In past years great complaint has been made by boatmen against the seine fishermen for leaving their net poles staked in the water after the fishing season is closed. In Chester river and in the bay some of these poles are allowed to remain staked the whole year round. Complaint has been made to the State Fishery Force, and the officers of the force have been instructed to investigate the matter and see that the public waterways are left unobstructed. Fishermen, and all others interested in the fishing business, who have stakes in Chester river or Chesapeake Bay or in any other of the creeks or bays of the State, should see to it that all stakes in which they are concerned are promptly removed.

Signs of Better Times.

The wages of not less than 250,000 men in the United States have been advanced materially within the last 90 days. Careful inquiry throughout this country indicates an advance averaging nearly 12 per ct. The *World* has compiled a list which embraces more than 250 firms which have within the last few weeks advanced the wages of their employes. A notable feature of this great industrial improvement is that the wages of these 250,000 men have with hardly an exception been advanced voluntarily by the employers. The season has been remarkably free from strikes. Outside of the iron industries and the fabric-workers, the rising tide of wages has as yet had little effect, but the iron trade is an unerring barometer. All of which indicates public confidence and the beneficial operations of the new tariff.

Vesper services are held in the Methodist churches, Chestertown, from 6.30 to 7.30, and from 7 to 8 respectively They prove very popular.

RESCUED BY THE SASSAFRAS!

A Steam Yacht Disabled—Caught Off Tolchester in a Heavy Storm.

The steamer Sassafras, Capt. George Tarbutton in command, proved a savior to four lives Thursday evening. Mr. Charles S. Smith, of Chestertown, was one of the passengers and states that when nearly opposite Tolchester a steam yacht was sighted in distress. The wind was howling, the rain pouring and a heavy storm was raging at the time. Capt. Tarbutton steamed alongside the yacht and Mr. Robert Wright and others helped the two ladies and two gentlemen aboard. The yacht was towed to Poole's Island and there left in charge of the captain and engineer, the ladies continuing to Georgetown under the care of Capt. Tarbutton. The elderly lady fainted soon after her rescue, and the young lady appeared very much frightened. They returned to Baltimore yesterday.

Capt. Clinton R. Foutz, in command of the yacht Edres, stated that he had started from Baltimore with his mother and sweetheart for Tolchester, but the packing blew out, steam escaped and they were left to the mercy of the storm. He was perfectly calm as was also the engineer, M. A. Brown. The Edres is a pleasuring yacht, 42 feet long, and has encountered some severe storms.

To Capt Tarbutton and crew these four people owe their lives and the perfect manner in which they managed the rescue won the commendation of every passenger.

Religious Notes.

The death of Father Bradford has caused quite a number of changes in this district, among the number being Chestertown. Father Ott will go to Newark, Del., which is considered a most excellent appointment. He has been in Chestertown three years and for the past six months has also served Galena and Rock Hall. During his sojourn among us he has made hosts of friends outside of his own flock and has been one of the most pleasant gentlemen ever on this charge. Father McSweeney will be sent to Sacred Heart, Chestertown, and St. John's, Rock Hall, while Father Hughes will take charge of St. Dennis, Galena.

Rev. Robert Watt, who spent commencement week in Chestertown, is now engaged in purifying the moral atmosphere of Wilmington. Twelve women were arrested Tuesday for selling beer and each fined $100 and costs. There were several cases against the most of them. Mr. Watt is assisted by Rev. John H. Howard and others.

Rev. W. G. Chance writes us as follows from Piney Neck: Because of the absence of a pastor at this place, children's day was not observed until last Sunday, June 23d. We began our work as a supply June 16th. Our attention was immediately directed toward having children's day services, although the date for such service had expired. Not being able to be present except on Sundays, we left the arrangements to the care of Misses Minnie Glenn and Ethylyn Price, who within a week had the children carefully trained. The church was beautifully decorated and the program nicely rendered. The church was filled to overflowing many obliged to remain on the outside. We are indebted to Brother Wm. Coleman who managed the collection, which amounted to $10. Sunday School numbers over seventy-five scholars, with twelve teachers. Piney Neck church is booming. We hope to let you hear from us again.

Death of Wm. P. Francis.

On the 20th instant Wm. P. Francis died at his residence in Baltimore, after a short illness, in the 66th year of his age. His remains were brought to Kent on Saturday and interred in St. Paul's cemetery. The deceased leaves a widow—his third wife—and the following children: Harry S., Robert M., Luther, Walter, May, Jennie and Carrie.

Mr. Francis was for a number of years one of Chestertown's most prominent business men; he was for sometime engaged in merchandising in the store room now occupied by Mr. J. H. Simpers, and also as the associate of the late Wm. B. Wilmer in the firm of Wilmer & Francis, kept store on the corner now occupied by Stam's Hall. This was somewhere about the years '50 to '55. After this he engaged in agriculture, renting the farm on the bay adjoining Tolchester; he was successful in fruit growing and purchased the fine estate "Everton," now owned and occupied by Mr. J. Walter Skirven.

Removing to Baltimore about the year 1871, Mr. Francis engaged for about five years in the grocery and commission business with Mr. Sol. Wright, the firm being Francis & Wright. After this he secured a desirable position in the Consolidated Gas Company, of Baltimore, where he has remained ever since—about 15 years—apparently perfectly contented and happy.

Three sisters of Mr. Francis married Wm. O. Smith, Dr. T. A. Holton and Dr. Hyde, all heads of well-known and highly esteemed families in Chestertown for many years, but all long since having made their homes in Baltimore and elsewhere, and all except Mrs. Smith and the children are now deceased.

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