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FESTIVAL and SUPPER!

The ladies of LOCUST GROVE M. E. CHURCH will hold a FESTIVAL and SUPPER on FRIDAY and SATURDAY EVENINGS, Nov. 20th and 21st, 1896.
o21.4t. By order of COMMITTEE.

OYSTER SUPPER!

The pupils of BETTERTON SCHOOL will hold an OYSTER SUPPER in the School Room on the evenings of THURSDAY and FRIDAY, Nov. 26th and 27. Owing to limited space tickets will be sold at the door. Proceeds for benefit of school. n14 2t.

A GRAND BAZAAR, ENTERTAINMENT AND SUPPER!

The ladies of Christ Church will hold a GRAND BAZAAR, ENTERTAINMENT and SUPPER in STAM'S HALL, beginning on THURSDAY, Dec. 10th, and continuing FRIDAY and SATURDAY evenings. An entertainment will be held Thursday and Friday evenings at 7.30 sharp, and a GRAND SUPPER on Saturday evening. The BAZAAR will be open each evening and articles of every description will be on sale, from a head of cabbage to a Lady's Bicycle.

C. P. S.

The Eighth Grade of Chestertown Public School will give an

Entertainment in Stam's Hall!
TUESDAY EVE., Nov. 24th,
BEGINNING AT 8 O'CLOCK.

to which all patrons and friends of the school are invited, as the proceeds are to defray the expenses of Commencement next June. Tickets for adults 25 cents: for children under fourteen, 15 cents. 1t.

ATTENTION!

The Y. P. S. C. E. of KENNEDYVILLE M. P. CHURCH will give a first-class

ENTERTAINMENT
IN TOWN HALL, KENNEDYVILLE,
THANKSGIVING NIGHT!

The entertainment will consist of a comedy, "PRO TEM," interspersed with vocal music by Miss MIRIAM SHEPHERD, an accomplished student of the Peabody. She has sung in Chestertown, therefore needs no introduction. All of her admirers there and elsewhere are cordially invited to come and hear her again. Give us a full house and encourage the young people in their efforts. In connection with the entertainment there are four young ladies soliciting. The one securing the largest amount will be presented with a wheel on the evening of the entertainment. Admission 25c.; Reserved seats 35c. Doors open at 7.30 P. M. Tickets for sale at W. A. [illegible]'s store.

HERE HE COMES! HERE HE COMES!

THE NEW AUCTIONEER

for Kent and Queen Anne's counties, ready to sell goods at auction, wherever he may be called. Satisfaction guaranteed. Any quantity of reference. Give me a trial and be convinced. C. H. HURLOCK,
n21-3t. Chestertown.

PRIVATE SALE:

SMALL STOCK OF STORE GOODS.

Store Fixtures and transfer of license. Also, Storehouse for rent for 1897. Blacksmith and Wheelwright Shops at Lynch's.
Apply to STAVELEY & BOWERS,
n14-3t. Lynch's, Md.

TO THE PUBLIC IN GENERAL:

The undersigned wishes to say he is prepared to furnish OYSTERS by the bushel or gallon at short notice.
WILLIAM U. SCOON.
n14-tf. Rock Hall.

FOR SALE:

1 HORSE, 10 yrs. old; 1 MARE, 10 years old; 1 MULE, 1 Dayton, 1 Buggy, 1 Corn Sheller, Cultivators, Plows, Harrow and Harness. Will sell low.
n14-3t. WESTCOTT & DODD.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county letters testamentary on the personal estate in Kent county, Maryland, of

WILLIAM F. BLACKWAY,

late of Kent county, Maryland, deceased.

All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned on or before the 25th day of May, 1897, otherwise they may be excluded by law from all benefits of said estate. All indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the subscriber.

Given under my hand this 17th day of November, 1896.

JOHN T. BLACKWAY,
November 21, 1896—4t. Executor.

Special Notice!

Housekeepers will find at Toulson's Drug Store a SOVEREIGN REMEDY for ROACHES,

A ROACH TRAP!

Call and look at them.

M. A. TOULSON'S
n21. DRUG STORE.

The Best is the Cheapest!

WE HAVE PURE

PEPPER,
SAGE,
SALTPETRE.

The Finest Goods in the market. Our prices are Very Low. A trial lot will convince you.

COLIN F. STAM.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

Held in Still Pond Wednesday and Thursday.

The Kent County Sunday School Convention met in Still Pond M. E. Church on Wednesday and Thursday, November 18 and 19. The morning session on Wednesday was opened with prayer and praise service, led by Jos. W. Harper, in which he delivered a very inspiring discourse on the subject, "Are we doing our best." Following this service the convention was called to order by the president, Mr. James H. Baker. The address of welcome was delivered by the pastor, Rev. E. H. Nelson, in which he tendered to the convention a very cordial and hearty welcome. In the absence of Rev. J. M. Gill and State Organizer G. H. Nock, Rev. W. P. Compton responded to the address of welcome. In the absence of the secretary, Miss S. B. McKnett, Mr. W. E Sanders was elected secretary pro tem. Bro. Nock not being present to preach in the morning, the time was devoted to the first topic, "How to make Sunday schools spiritual," introduced by Dr. J. L. Mills and discussed by members of the convention. By vote Bro. Baker was authorized to appoint a committee of three to nominate officers for the ensuing year. Appointed as follows: Sam'l Vannort, B. F. Rash and J. W. Harper. After singing session closed with benediction by Bro. Shreeve.

The afternoon session opened with devotional services, led by Bro. Vannort, in which he gave a very interesting talk. The convention was then called to order by President J. H. Baker. The reports of superintendents were then called for. They reported as follows: St. James, Rock Hall, Wesley Chapel, Still Pond, Chestertown M. P., Morgan's Creek, Union, Lynchs, Kennedyville M. P., Bond Chapel, Locust Grove, Chesterville and Millington M. E. South, and Betterton. A number of schoo's did not report. After singing Rev. G. H. Nock delivered a convention sermon; text, "Take this child away and nurse it for me and I will give thee thy wages." The committee on the election of officers reported as follows: For president, Jos. W. Harper; vice-president, Henry Brown; secretary and treasurer, W. E. Sanders; executive committee, J. H. Baker, R. S. Griffith, M. A. Toulson. By vote the report was adopted. After singing the doxology the convention was dismissed with the benediction by Rev. James Carroll.

The morning session on Thursday was opened with devotional services, led by Rev. T. B. Cooper. The president then called the convention to order and the second topic was taken up, "The superintendent--his work and responsibility." It was ably discussed by the members of the convention. After singing, the third topic, "The best method of making Sunday Schools a success," was talked upon. First, by Rev. W. P. Compton, whose talk was very interesting and instructive. As Bro. R. H. Hicks was absent, Rev. Frank Fletcher filled his place and gave a talk that was appreciated by all. The doxology was sung and the convention dismissed with the benediction by Rev. T. B. Cooper.

The afternoon session opened with devotional exercises, led by Bro. M. A. Toulson. The convention was called to order by President J. W. Harper. On motion, the convention proceeded to get the names of the superintendents and pastors of the schools in the county. The question, "What are the advantages of Sunday School Libraries and what books to be used," was then taken up and many good talks and bright ideas were given. Next came the subject, "Relation of Sunday Schools to the Temperance Cause." Miss Annie Stewart made a very impressive address and asked that the convention would more thoroughly discuss the subject. Rev. G. H. Nock offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this convention believes that every Sunday School in Kent county should have connected with it a temperance organizatio nof some kind.

After several members had spoken on the subject the resolution was adopted. The following resolutions were offered by Bro. Samuel Vannort:

1. *Resolved*, That this convention extend its hearty thanks to the kind friends of Still Pond and the surrounding country for the hospitable manner in which they have entertained this body.
2. To the officers of the convention for the faithful performance of their duties.
3. To the organist and choir for the sweet music rendered.

The above resolutions were adopted, and after many spiritual and farewell talks were given the convention sang "We'll never say good-bye," and were dismissed with the benediction by Rev. W. P. Compton.

Big Lot of Game.—Jos. E. King, of Middle Point, was in Frederick Wednesday with 400 rabbits which he had trapped since Saturday. He soon sold the load at 12 cents apiece.

Sale of a Dwelling.—Marion deK. Smith, Esq., trustee, has sold at private sale to Mr. N. C. Crow the Joseph W. Thompson house, on High street, Chestertown. The price paid was $1025. Mr. Crow will make some needed repairs and rent the same.

Sudden Death of Wm. T. Miller.

MR. WM. T. MILLER, a well-known farmer of this county, died very suddenly last Thursday. He ate a hearty dinner and went out into the field to work, but very soon he returned and told his wife he believed he had a chill. She went up stairs with him and aided him in bed, but he suffered so with the cold that he said he would have to go to the fire. His wife told him to wait for her to go down and make up the fire, which she did as hurriedly as possible. She then went up after him and found him dead! A physician was called but could do nothing, saying that death resulted from a congestive chill.

Mr. Miller was a son of the late John A. Miller, for so many years a prominent farmer of Worten. He lived on Poplar Neck last year and this year moved to the Baker farm in Swan Creek. He was a good citizen, retiring in disposition, and leaves a widow and eight children. One of his daughters, Miss Bessie, is a popular young lady in Chestertown. He was 52 years of age.

The funeral services will be conducted Sunday morning at 10.30 by Rev. J. B. Merritt, D. D.; interment in Chester Cemetery; the following pall bearers: three brothers John C., Jeremiah and Oliver Miller; three brothers-in-law, Wm. A. Wood, Thos. Parsons and Geo. F. Bacon.

Saving the Dollar—*A Fifty Mile Drive for a Suit of Clothes!*—It is more than ever desirable in these hard times—indeed, it is now absolutely necessary—for every one to practice the closest economy to "make both ends meet." We have before referred to the fact that the merchants and business houses of Kent would sell goods *even cheaper* than city dealers. It is hard to make some people believe this, but such is the fact. Some buyers don't want to believe it; they want to think that they are getting something a little better than local merchants carry, and so we find a man or woman going to the city to purchase a carpet, a dress, a piece of furniture, a suit of clothes, &c., when the same articles precisely can be had at their very doors for the same money. By purchasing at home they could save the expense of freight, board, &c., and besides have the knowledge of doing a duty by your own business people.

We some time ago noted the fact that a Chestertown furniture dealer had sold a large bill of furniture after close competition with the best and largest city dealers. His goods were lower in price and better in quality. Another advantage, sometimes overlooked, is that in buying at home as a rule we have the best guarantee of good faith.

Last Tuesday we saw a gentleman and lady in Chestertown who had driven twenty-five miles, and from another county, to buy goods here. They had heard of the bargains to be had in Kent in the various lines of merchandise, even excelling city houses, and the gentleman purchased a fine suit of clothes here. They felt amply repaid for their fifty mile drive.

Committed for Burglary.—On the night of November 10 some one broke into the store of A. Cohen, in Sandy Bottom, and robbed the money drawer of about $16 in cash and a check drawn on the Kent County Savings Bank by Mr. W. E. Keyser in favor of A. Cohen. On Saturday last the police authorities of Baltimore city arrested a young white man named Edward Cohagan while attempting to pass the check in that city. Sheriff Casey was communicated with, and on Monday he sent Deputy Sheriff Whittier Copper to Baltimore after the prisoner. The deputy returned with his man Tuesday and gave him a hearing before Justice Wm. H. Lambert, who committed him to jail to await the action of the grand jury and court.

Officers Elected.—The Corey Y met at the home of Mrs. George M. Beaston, Locust Grove, Monday evening. An interesting program was rendered and the following officers named: President Miss Elizabeth Scotten; vice-presidents Misses Ruth Bramble, Lulu Covington; sec., Miss Irene Gooding; treas., Mrs. Chas. Hill; sup. literature, Miss Lillian Price; flower mission, Miss Carrie Erskine; press work, Miss Blanche Redmile; sup. parlor meetings, Miss Mabel Price.

Will Continue Dry.—As the grand jury refused to grant liquor licenses to applicants residing in Queenstown, that place will continue to go "dry," at least for some time. An effort is being made, so it is reported, on the part of former dealers to test, what they call the arbitrary power of the grand jury in refusing licenses, in the Court of Appeals.

NEWSY NOTES PERSONAL.

The banks of Chestertown will be well represented at Easton next Tuesday when the Walraven case will come up for trial; H. Rickey, W. W. Chapman, cashier and teller, of the Chestertown National; W. Bradford Copper and Eben F. Perkins, Jr., cashier and teller, of Second National Bank; and Wm. F. Russell, cashier of the Savings Bank, have all been summoned in the case.

Mr. Chas. H. Hurlock offers his services to the public as auctioneer. He is known far and wide for his rich voice, and intends to make use of the same in this business.

Miss Daisy Whooleyhand, of Earlville, is visiting her uncle, Mr. J. Eddie Newton, Kennedyville.

The Board of Visitors yesterday elected Miss Sue Ford to the vacant scholarship in Washington College caused by the resignation of Eugene Lucas; also Milton Peregoy to an additional scholarship.

Miss Stites, who lectured in this town Sunday, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Copper on Washington avenue. This lady was born in China and learned the language of that people rapidly. While in that far away country she lost her father, and her pathetic story of his death and the sympathetic responses of the heathen people is very touching.

Miss Marie Hurlock, daughter of Mr. C. S. Hurlock, is the guest of Miss Grace Greenwood on Queen Street.

Mr. Harry Messick, of Wicomico, is visiting Dr. J. T. Twilley on High St.

Mrs. Shawn and Mrs. Jas. H. Shuster, of Queen Anne's, have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. John L Shuster this week.

Miss Jennie Copper, of Chestertown, but now in Anderson, S. C., writes to home folks an interesting letter from that Southern town. Among the interesting items was the fact that on Saturday last farmers of the neighborhood brought 1100 bales of cotton to the town, which was sold at auction, and $40,000, mostly in cash, was paid the farmers. The merchants did a tremendous business on that day.

Messrs. Percy Groves and Camille Tiers, of Philadelphia, have been the guests of Mr. Thomas D. France during the past week.

Messrs. J. H. Simpers and William T. Matthews attended the session of the Grand Lodge of Masons in Baltimore this week.

Misses Lillie Willis and Gussie Cannan attended the State Endeavor Convention in Baltimore this week as delegates from Chestertown.

The late Dr. Finley, of Church Hill, some years ago bought a farm in Virginia, but it was not thought to be any great speculation. The report comes to us now, however, that valuable deposits of coal have been found on the farm and the owners have been offered as much as $11,000 per acre for all the tract covering the coal veines. If this be true Senator Wood Finley and brothers are in luck sure!

Mr. Percy Hendrickson, of Phila., has been on a visit to his parents near this town. He has killed 18 rabbits and 2 birds the past week.

Miss Alice Walters, of Fulton, Howard county, is the guest of Miss Ada Skirven, near town.

Mrs. Lang, who has been visiting friends and relatives in Chestertown and elsewhere for the past six months, started to her western home yesterday. The trip requires three days. Mrs. L. has improved wonderfully in health while among her Eastern friends and made many new and lasting acquaintances. Mrs. T. R. Hubbard, her sister, accompanied her as far as Baltimore.

Mrs. C. H. Hurlock is visiting home folks in New Hampshire.

Mr. F. S. Lydecker, of New Jersey, has been visiting friends in Kent and is thinking seriously of making his home here. He is of the opinion that our farms are too large most of the tracts in his neighborhood do not contain more than 75 acres.

Mrs. J. C. Jones and sister, Mrs. Jeremiah Spicer, of Dorchester county, attended court at Centreville last week to hear the trial of their brother, Dr. B. F. Rouse against his guardian and others.

Mrs. Spicer is visiting relatives and friends in this county now and was in Chestertown Wednesday. She is looking remarkably well.

The Peach Tree Still Lives!—In many sections of Kent we notice young peach orchards being planted. Mr. R. G. Nicholson, our reliable "Little Grove" nurseryman, has an extra demand both from local and distant growers. The Delaware nurserymen also have sold many trees. The distant demand comes from Virginia, Georgia and Michigan. About forty thousand peach trees will be set out in the neighborhood of Milford, Del., this fall. This is the greatest number planted in that section since 1889. The variety most in demand at home and abroad is the Elberta.

THE ADJOURNED COURT.

Some Interesting Cases—Whiskey Trials—Suits Against the County—A $10,000 Damage Suit.

The adjourned term of our circuit court will begin next Monday week, Nov. 30. A number of liquor cases are set for trial and several suits against the county.

State's Attorney John D. Urie yesterday docketed a suit against the publishers of the *Transcript*, claiming $10,000 damages, for what is claimed to be a malicious publication in its last issue. The publication is to the effect that Mr. Urie had a suit pending in the present term of court by the Receiver of the National Bank of Quannah for assessments on stock, and that to escape liability Mr. Urie transferred the stock after the bank failed to his infant daughter. Mr. Urie declares this untrue, but that about eighteen months before the bank failed he transferred to Mrs. Urie, for the benefit of his daughter, some bank stock at Mrs. Urie's desire, at the time of which transfer the bank in question was apparently solvent; that the bank's representative acknowledges in the agreed statement of facts, filed in the case, that the transfer was made about one year and a-half before the failure, and that the publication that transfer was made after the failure, to escape liability, Mr. Urie claims to be maliciously false and libelous. He further claims that so far from his being indebted to the bank's receiver, that there is due him the sum of $240 sent the bank for a specific purpose, but which was never so applied, which claim is distinctly set out in the agreed statement of facts filed in the case, and the facts of which claim are not disputed.

A GRAND DANCE.

The ladies of Still Pond and vicinity gave one of the most delightful leap-year dances Thursday night ever given in the town hall. The hall in Still Pond was artistically decorated and the ladies managed everyhing with remarkable ease and decorum. Persons were present from Chestertown, Rock Hall, Middletown, Church Hill, Millington and many other places, the number of couples being about sixty. A splendid collation was served at midnight. The floor committee included the following young ladies: Misses May and Lilly Parrott, Eva Hopkins, Katie Woodall, Alice Gemmill, Belle Frame, Minnie Massey, Mamie Catlin, Rebecca Hepbron, Mary Janvier. Music was furnished from Baltimore.

LOWER COURT NEWS.

Mrs. Kennard, of Chestertown, was tried before Justice Lambert Monday for striking Hyland Copper, son of Officer Copper. The testimony was very conflicting and the justice declared the party not guilty. This case developed some startling facts and proved quite spicy for the magistrate, attorneys and court officers. Mrs. Kennard's son was fined for cursing Miss Florence Copper.

About two years ago Mr. Wm. McKee lost a gun from his carriage on Cross street, and was unable to find the same until Monday, when he identified the gun in Mr. Edw. Armstrong's hands. Justice Wilkins took steps to recover the gun, which was replevied. Mr. Armstrong proved that he bought the gun from Mr. Fitten, and the latter swore that he purchased it from a colored boy, giving a pistol and $3 for same. Mr. McKee had placed his name on the gun and thereby was able to prove his right of ownership. Mr. Fitten did not wish to keep the gun under the circumstances and gave it up, at the same time making himself responsible for the costs in the case.

The trustees of Morgnec M. E. Church, colored, were arrested on Monday and brought before Justice Wright, charged with selling cake, glasses, &c., at a festival after midnight Saturday. The accused admitted that it was after one o'clock when the hall was closed, but denied selling anything. Verdict, not guilty. A fracas occurred there, in which a pistol was brandished about, but the man with the weapon made his escape. Two others, Townsend and Cotton, were arrested and fined.

A suit for pasturage of a cow was tried before Justice Wilkins last week. Mr. H. L. Chew bought two cows and sent them to Mr. Clark's farm to be kept on shares. A few weeks after they were sent into the country Mr. Chew decided to fatten the cattle for the butcher. A short time after this order the cows died and Mr. Clark brought suit for pasturage, which the justice allowed.

The big State Endeavor convention adjourned in Baltimore Thursday. One thousand junioos were present the last day and participated in the exercises.

Shipping Hogs.

One of the busiest scenes about Chestertown this week was at the railroad depot on Wednesday. On that day a number of farmers had brought hogs to load the cars for shipment to Philadelphia. At one time there were fifteen two horse wagons and six carriages standing in the open space. Two cars were loaded with fine hogs and another could have been filled had it been at hand, but as the railroad was unprepared for the rush, a number of hogs were carried back home. About one hundred hogs are placed in a car and when the NEWS man visited the scene the animals were suffering intensely from the heat. Buckets of water were thrown upon them as if they were on fire, which relieved the situation temporarily. Thursday morning a large three hundred pound hog was found dead, presumably from the heat and three others were removed in order to make room for the remaining swine.

Last week Mr. John F. Conner started to Chestertown from Poplar Neck with a load of hogs. Upon reaching Lankford one large hog was found dead from heat and was left along the road. Upon reaching the cars another one died. They were both large hogs and would weigh about 350 pounds. The colored driver "stuck" the hogs and made use of the meat.

Among the large shippers Thursday were Messrs. W. T. Nicholson, Jesse H. Usilton, Harry C. Willis, Victor Hendrickson, Wilbur Morris, B. F. Crew, J. C. Loud, A. C. Loud and others. The quotations in Philadelphia were from 3 to 5½ cents per pound.

Mr. Alday Clements made a large sale of hogs this week at his farm near Crumpton, at 3½ cents.

The present week has been devoted to "hog-killing" by many Kent farmers. Some very fine pens have been slaughtered in the neighborhood of Chestertown. Mr. H. Clay Lusby killed 39 which averaged 290 pounds. This pen is hard to beat. Mr. I. R. Leaverton also had a very fine pen of extra large hogs. Mr. Wm. E. Deford also killed a fine lot. Mr. A. C. Loud killed 27 which averaged 276 pounds—the largest 350. Mrs. M. A. Wilkins also had a fine pen and Mr. J. C. Loud killed 12 which averaged 304 pounds—the largest 351.

MEETING OF TEACHERS.

But two absences were reported at the regular session of the Teachers' Association at the Chestertown school room yesterday. Vice Prisident Henry Tonkin presided. The Normal Class of young ladies from Washington College attended in a body in charge of Miss Wicker, who during the morning gave an instructive talk on one of the questions.

The following report was submitted by the Literary Committee:

1. What constitutes a good teacher?
2. When should the elements of Bookkeeping be taken up in our schools?

The discussion of the first regular question was followed by an able address on "Sciences" by Dr. Hall of Washington College. After a recess of fifteen minutes the committee on the revision of the constitution made their report, which occupied the close attention of the association. The constitution was taken up clause by clause and discussed. The reading that the "Examiner be made president ex-officio" calling for a divided vote, but which was finally carried. The officers and committees elected under the old constitution were voted to be continued until the meeting for the regular election. The revised constitution was then adopted. The motion to petition the School Board to abolish the February meeting was lost. The second regular question was carried over as unfinished business.

Want the Chester River Line.—It is reported, whether upon reliable authority or not *The Record* can not state, that the Queen Anne's Railroad Company has made the Chester River Steamboat Company an offer for its fleet of steamers and wharf properties in Baltimore and along the water fronts of Chester River and tributaries. The Chester River Line has been under the present accommodating management for so many years that its patrons will be loth to see the fleet pass into other hands.—*Centreville Record.*

Inquiry of the company's agent here does not confirm the above. Our own opinion is that the Chester River Company is more likely to buy the R. R. than the latter is the Steamboat Co.

Demand for Corn.—Although the corn crop of last year was the largest ever produced, the Department of Agriculture estimates that this year's crop is larger by fully a bushel to the acre. And, thanks to the famine in India, and short crops elsewhere, corn is being exported in unprecedented quantities, increasing our cash balances, and helping to make impossible next year a renewal of the conditions which embarassed us in 1895.

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