Kent News.

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CARD OF THANKS!

I take this method of thanking the people of Chestertown, for the many kindnesses extended to me and mind during our recent affliction. LOUISE P. HARLEY.

CARD OF THANKS.

Thanks to my many friends for the valuable service rendered in saving my buildings on the night of the 25th of November, when my stable, sheds and feed were burned.
1t.* H. L. CREW.

PERSONAL!

At a sale of my hotel furniture, two or three years ago, at Chestertown, Md., there was sold a Model of a Door Strip to prevent rain and snow from entrance. The purchaser or present owner or owners will be offered and paid a liberal price for the same by the undersigned.
MRS. JOHN HALL,
d12-2t. Chestertown.

BEAUTIFUL CHRISTMAS FURNITURE

NOW OPEN

At P. T. McFEELY'S

Carpet and Furniture Emporium.
d5-tf. Chestertown, Md.

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.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

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

JAMES BIRCH,

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 15th day of June, 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 subscribers.

Given under my hand this 8th day of December, 1896.
LAURA E. BIRCH,
December 12, 1896—4t. Administratrix.

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JOHN C. DAVIS,
December 12, 1896—4t. Administrator.

No 1,134, Chancery.

Order Nisi.

The Chester Loan Association of Kent Co., versus Joseph W. Thompson and Susan V. Thompson, his wife.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County, in Equity.

ORDERED, this 10th day of December, 1896, that the sale of the Real Estate of Joseph W. Thompson and Susan V. Thompson, his wife, made and reported by MARION DEK. SMITH, attorney, under the power in a mortgage from the said Joseph W. Thompson and Susan V. Thompson to the Chester Loan Association of Kent County, dated the 2d day of January, 1892, and recorded among the Land Records of Kent County, in Liber S. B., No. 15, Folio 229, &c., be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 15th day of February next;—Provided, a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Kent county, Maryland, once in each of three successive weeks before the 15th day of January, next.

The report states the amount of sales to be $1,000.00.

SAMUEL G. FISHER, CLERK.

True copy, Test:
SAMUEL G. FISHER, CLERK.
December 12, 1896—4t.

PHOTOGRAPHS CHEAP!

The undersigned is prepared to do as good work in his line as can be done in the city, and asks for a trial. I have opened a Gallery on Queen Street, next door to the corner, and guarantee to give satisfaction. Pictures furnished promptly and at low rates. Give me a call.
J. M. SOUTH,
o17-3m. Chestertown.

WANTED:

Position as OVERSEER, on farm, or will RENT a farm. Apply to
JOHN T. BLACKWAY,
d5 3t.* Chestertown, Md.

SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENT!

The Public School of Locust Grove will give an entertainment in the School Room on FRIDAY EVENING, December 18th. The program will consist of Select Music, Readings, Tableaux and Comediettas. An enjoyable evening promised to all. Proceeds for benefit of the school. Admission, adults 20c.; children 10c. Eentertainment will commence at half-past seven.

DON'T FAIL TO ENJOY

THE SUMPTUOUS SUPPER TONIGHT AT STAM'S HALL!

☞The Menu will include Roast Pig, Fried Oysters, Roast Turkey, Chicken Salad and numerous other substantials and delicacies that go to make up a first-class Supper.

☞The ladies extend a cordial invitation to all.

TEACHERS' EXAMINATION!

Notice is hereby given that Examinations for Certificates to Teach in the Public Schools for Kent county, will be held at the Examiner's Office in Chestertown, on THURSDAY and FRIDAY, January 14 and 15, 1897.

By order of the School Board,
d12-5t. WM. G. SMYTH, EXM'R.

FOR RENT for next year:

THE BRICK DWELLING

on High Street, near corner of Queen and High. It is all in complete order and may be occupied at once. Apply to
d12-tf. A. J. CAHALL.

$25 REWARD!

For the finding and conviction of the person or persons who took from the fattening pen of the undersigned ONE HOG, weight about 300 pounds dressed, on or about the 5th instant. R. G. NICHOLSON,
d12 3t. near Chestertown.

FOR RENT for year 1897:

DWELLING and STABLE

in Still Pond, now occupied by Mrs. Mary Roseberry. For full information apply on the premises or to R. D. Hynson, Chestertown.
d5-tf. EMILY M. DECOURSE.

TO RENT for 1897:

TWO DWELLING HOUSES

in Chestertown, one on High street, and one on Mill street. Apply to
a29 tf. AMOS B. KELLEY.

TO RENT for 1897:

STORE and DWELLING, on corner High and Mill Streets. Dwelling roomy and in first-class order. Papered throughout. Hydrant and water in kitchen. Will rent separately.

Apply to J. B. SAPPINGTON,
s26-tf. Chestertown, Md.

TO RENT:

SEVERAL DWELLINGS in Chestertown, two of them for the balance of the present year, and others for the ensuing year. The dwelling in which I live will be sold at a reasonable price or will be rented at once, and the rent taken in board by the undersigned, if they so prefer.

I have also a lot of Household Goods which may be bought at private sale.

For terms apply to MRS. L. C. SHAW,
s26-tf. or her attorney, J. D. URIE.

300 BARRED PLYMOUTH ROCKS, GOLDEN WYANDOTTS and LIGHT BRAHMAS, FOR SALE.

I have the finest chickens I ever had and can accommodate any one with trios, breeding pens, and any number wanted. Also, a few choice GOBBLERS.

For sale by ROBERT B. LUSBY,
n28-tf. Chesterville, Md.

FOR SALE:

TWENTY THOROUGHBRED POLAND CHINA MALE SHOTES. Price from $5 to $10. Also TWO HOLSTEIN BULLS, 8 months old. All the above stock entitled to register.
F. P. COCHRAN,
se12-3m. Galena, 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.

PURE GROUND PEPPER.

TWO POUNDS FOR 25 CENTS.

n28. at JAKE THOMPSON'S.

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.

CARPETS! Carpets!

A BEAUTIFUL LINE

From the Greatest Carpet Houses in this Country, and I can sell you at LESS THAN CITY PRICES. Call and see.

PERCY T. McFEELY,
d5-tf. Chestertown, Md

NOTICE:

TO THE TAX-PAYERS OF KENT CO.

The Board of Commissioners of Kent County will sit as a Board of Control and Review for Kent County, commencing Dec. 15th, 1896.

By order of the Board of Commissioners.
n28-tf. W. H. LAMBERT, JR., CLERK.

THE BEAUTIFUL BAZAAR!

Stam's Hall the Scene of Attraction This Week—Pretty Tambourine Drill, Fine Music — Tasty Displays — Large Attendance—To Close To-Night With a Grand Supper.

The grand bazaar opened in Stam's Hall Thursday night with remarkable success. The hall never looked prettier, the skill and taste of the ladies being shown in the beautifully decorated booths. The country store, presided over by Mrs. Barnett, was a model of neatness and simplicity while the goods on sale were varied, fresh and desirable including groceries, poultry, brooms, a dressed pig, etc. Next came the apron bazaar with its well made ginghams, its beautiful percales and fancy linen aprons. This table was in charge of Mrs. J. D. Bacchus, Mrs. W. R. Aldridge, Miss Maggie Anderson and others. The doll show was an attraction for both big and little and its mysteries were explained by little Miss Augusta Aldridge, while adjoining was the doll booth unique and lovely in exterior and in charge of Mrs. P. T. McFeely and Miss Marion Lusby.

The fancy booth was very prettily trimmed, but the bevy of earnest workers on the interior far outshone the attractions of the exterior and the cash receipts were very gratifying. A popular adjunct to this department was a lunch room where invigorating coffee, chocolate, biscuits and chicken salad were served. Among the ladies here we noticed Mrs. B. F. Fleming, Mrs. J. M. Gill, Mrs. J. D. Urie, Mrs. W. W. Hubbard, Misses Maggie Plummer, Ellen Fisher and many others.

The cake table was very daintily decorated and was in charge of Misses Clare Vannort, Lottie Russell, Hattie Bacchus and others. The fortune teller's tent contained a coteire of attractive gypsy girls who told good things to any who would patronize them. Miss Bessie Wheatley was chairman of this table with a host of willing helpers.

Miss Carrie Belle Sappington was at the head of the confectionery table and here was to be found some excellent home made candy that did credit to a French "chef." A number of young ladies assisted her who vied in sweetness with the articles on sale.

The entertainment Thursday evening was a well executed tambourine drill by the following uniformed young ladies: Misses Bessie Wheatley, Mary and Anna Sappington, Ada Hurlock, Lula Kirby, Zoa Elliott, Ada Barnett, Nora Boston, Elsie Fallowfield, Blanche Elliott, Ollie Beachamp, Hallie Connelly. Misses Marion Lusby, Clara Usilton and Nellie Walters had charge of the drill and to their persevering training is due the success of the affair.

Last night a musical was given before a large audience, the program including selections by "The Pick-Ups"—Miss Clara Usilton, pianist, Warran Hurlock, violin; D. B. Ford, autoharp; Thos. W. Perkins, guitar; F. G. Usilton, mandolin. Solos by Misses Mollie Parks and Julia Thompson, humorist recitation by Mr. Harry Rickey, Jr., piano duet by Misses Anna and Louise Stam, humorous selection by the C. C. C. quartette, Messrs. Culp, Lambert, Usilton, Parrot, a piano solo by Miss Rose Frazier and a duet by Miss Thompson and Dr. Dodd.

A sumptuous supper will be served this evening including *all* the delicacies in season. Mrs. John Shuster will have charge of this department which is a guarantee that everything will be well served and in abundance.

Local Police Boat.—Senator Westcott has received a telegram from Gov. Lowndes authorizing him to procure a schooner for service as a police boat for Chester river. The law empowers the Board of Public Works to provide the boat and the matter has been awaiting their attention for some time. Mr. Westcott after repeated efforts to get them to take action, wired the Governor that the authorties here would provide the boat if the Board would approve. The governor's telegram is in reply to Mr. Westcott's proposition. The boat will be on her beat this week with Capt. Dickerson in charge.

Change of Schedule.—The steamer Corsica, of the Chester river steamboat Company, has discontinued tri weekly trips and will make two trips a week until further notice. She will leave Crumpton at 9 a. m. Wednesdays and Saturdays and Chestertown 3 p. m., arriving in Baltimore about 10 p. m. Will leave Baltimore 7 a. m. Tuesday and Friday. This change was made because of the little amount of corn now being shipped. Last year most of the corn had been shipped before Christmas, but very little has yet been shelled.

Big Corn Crop.—County Commissioner John E. George, of Sudlersville, raised this year 1177½ bushels of corn on ten acres of land, being over 117¾ bushels to the acre. This is the heaviest crop probably ever raised in this county. —*Centreville Observer.*

Brief Locals.

Beats all Records!—Messrs. W. C. A. Thompson, W. H. Lambert, Jr., and Wm. E Moody went gunning for wild geese Wednesday at "Doc." Wm. H. Cooper's and brought home five. But the whole number were killed by Capt. Thompson, the other gentlemen not being able to get a shot. The most remarkable fact, however, was that these five geese were killed with two gun shots. Mr. T. crawled up on a good size flock as they were feeding in a field and at the first firing *three* fell, and at the second *two* came tumbling to the earth. It was a big day for the well-known merchant and he has received the congratulations of his many friends with becoming modesty.

A Painful Wound. — Mr. Clarence Crew, son of Mr. B. F. Crew, of near Melitota, met with a serious accident last Saturday morning. Clarence and his brother, Charlie, hearing of the abundance of wild geese, arose very early Saturday morning and started for Fairlee creek. It was necessary to row across the creek and in leaving the boat the accident occurred. Clarence took hold of the barrel of his gun, and in pulling it towards him, the trigger was caught and the load discharged, the shot taking effect in his left arm. He came to Chestertown at once and had the wound dressed by Dr. W. F. Hines. Although quite serious and painful the doctor hopes to save the arm.

Shipping and Butchering—*A Thousand Pound Hog!*—This has been another "hog shipping" week, but fortunately the weather was far better suited than at thanksgiving week. Nearly two hundred fine hogs were shipped from Chestertown depot Thursday and more than this number up the road. Prices have ranged from three to five cents per pound live. We hear of some sales in Chestertown at $5 per hundred for dressed pork.

Last week was general hog killing in Chestertown. Some of the heavy weights butchered were as follows: Levi Jones, three, weighing 397, 387 and 343 lbs. respectively; Samuel Frisby one, 282 lbs.; Mrs. Hall two, 311 and 261½ lbs. respectively; and S. Griffith one, 217 lbs. Tuesday was "slaughter day" at Scott's Point. Over fifty large hogs were killed.

Some thief stole a 350 pound hog from Mr. R. G. Nicholson's pen last Friday night. Some chicken thief also made a raid on his hen house the other night and stole twenty fine pullets. Mr. N. thinks he is contributing more than his share to 'thieves' larder" and proposes to take effective means to stop the raids.

Rock Hall has had an interesting "hog contest" this year. Messrs. Tomas Kendall and James Walmsley each bought three shotes last New Year's Day and from that day they began a contest to see which could grow the most meat; the contest closed last Friday and resulted as follows: Kendall's three, 440, 400, 372, or a total of 1132 lbs; Walmsley's three, 410, 373, 361, or a total of 1144 lbs. Mr. Jos. C. Kendall bought two spring hogs last May from Mr. Walter Hadaway which weighed respectively 330 and 283 lbs.

Mr. John Brice killed a fine pen of 12 hogs last Monday at Beachamp's mill. They averaged over 300 lbs., and the heaviest weighed 340 lbs.

Wm. H. Travers, of Dorchester county, has slaughtered his big hog, believed to be the biggest in America for its age, 18 months, and which, it is estimated, fully 5,000 people went to see, some riding as far as 25 miles. Three bullets from a No. 1 English bulldog revolver were fired into him and he was then stabbed seven times to kill him. Hung up, the hog measured in length 9 feet 8½ inches and weighed dressed 947 pounds!

A Singular Fire. — Gentlemen can not be too careful while smoking, as is proven every day. Tuesday night as a young man was driving several ladies from church at Worton Station he singularly set fire to the cushion of his vehicle. The fire originated in sparks from the latter when the ashes were knocked off. Fortunately no damage was done. The lady noticed the fire by the sudden heat arising therefrom.

The outbuildings on the "Foxwell" farm, near Clayton, tenanted by J. F. Truax, were destroyed by fire about 11 o'clock Sunday morning. From appearance it was the worx of an incendiary, as the fire seemed to be started in two places. About ten o'clock Mr. Traux left the farm and went to the house. He only tarried long enough to change his clothes and then went to church. At 11 o'olock he was notified that his outbuildings were on fire. He hastened home as quickly as possible and with the assistance of persons from Clayton and vicinity much property was saved The loss is about $1100 partially covered by insurance.

Buy Now!—Christmas purchasers should not put off buying their presents or other goods for the holiday season. Now is the time to buy. While you have time to select and the storekeeper has time to wait on you is the best time to purchase, and all the stores in Kent are full of goods. Don't go or send to the city for what you can get at your *home stores.* You can generally buy cheaper at home, and besides you help your own community in sustaining your home business men.

NEW TOWN OFFICER.

The commissioners of Chestertown met Tuesday night and transacted some important business. Mr. Ambrose Frazier was chosen from twelve applicants as night watchman in place of Mr. Copper, resigned. Mr. Frazier served as watchman for sometime at Steelton and more recently at the Strawboard mill. He is a man of good character and honesty of purpose and will no doubt make an efficient officer. He entered upon his duties last night, his hours being from 7 A. M. until sunrise during the winter and from 8 o'clock during the summer. His pay will be about $9 per week.

Two watchmen's clocks will be placed in the town for the purpose of recording the regular inspection and patrol of the town. More of these clocks will be added later.

The permit allowing hogs to be raised in town was revoked.

More Suits in Prospect.

In addition to the suits heretofore mentioned in the NEWS as having been docketed against the county and individuals, we have *two* new ones to report this week. Peter Clair, of Worton, by his attorney, Wm. W. Beck, Esq., has entered suit against Kent county for damages sustained last August from a defective bridge on the public road. The bridge is located in front of the road gate of Mr. G. R. Beck, and it is claimed that in driving over it Mr. Clair's horse tread into an uncovered portion of the bridge, threw Mr. Clair out against the saddle on the horse, and broke his arm, from which he has been a great sufferer and will have to spend some time in a hospital.

The other suit is against the corporation of Chestertown. W. W. Beck, Esq., counsel for Mr. James W. Coleman, sues the town commissioners for the maintenance of a water course running through his yard which he claims to be a great detriment to his property, and afflicting to the comfort and health of his family.

Both of these cases are expected to be tried at the next April term of the Circuit Court.

CHURCH IMPROVEMENT.

Kennedyville M. P. Church will be reopened next Sunday, after having undergone a wonderful change, which makes a marked improvement in every way. The edifice has been remodeled throughout, with a new floor and roof, while the front is improved with new gothic windows of leaded glass, etc. The new tower, sixty feet high, and steeple surmounted by a cross, adds dignity to the structure. The former is built of press brick, with a pretty white frame belfry. A large 1,000 pound bell swings in the steeple and gives to the public the sweet invitation to come and worship.

The old gallery has been removed and the pulpit altered. The interior has been tastefully frescoed and painted and furnished with new pews and carpet. This church was originally built in 1860 by the late J. T. Dodd and many of the names of the workmen were found written on parts of the gallery when torn away. Mr. A. M. Culp was the contractor of the recent improvements; Messrs. Coleman Bros., masons; Mr. M. E. Baker, frescoer; Robt. Lipscomb, painter.

The improvements have cost about $1,500, which by the persevering efforts of the pastor, Rev. Jesse Shreeve and his faithful flock, has nearly all been subscribed. Rev. F. T. Little, of Baltimore, will preach both morning and evening and Rev. J. M. Gill at 3 P. M.

Mosquitoes. — Many homes in Baltimore city are still infested with the little worrisome mosquitoes. We hear of Kent countians visiting in the city spending sleepless nights because of the nuisance. The city mosquitoes far surpasses the noted Jersey bug in size and also in its ability to puncture through bed covering, etc., to the flesh.

Big Show. — Miller Bros. at Rock Hall have one of the largest and best store-rooms on the Shore. They will have their reopening next Wednesday, Dec. 16th, and invite the public to come and see the great show of Christmas goods. The show is free between the hours of 2 and 9 P. M.

The Death Roll of a Week!

CHARLES T. HOWARD—MORRITZ ASCHER —COL. W. W. TAYLOR.

A bright young life in Chestertown succumbed to the arch-enemy this week. CHARLES T. HOWARD, the second son of John F. and Emily L. Howard, died at his parents residence last Tuesday, at 3 o'clock, of consumption. He was in his 27th year. The first symptoms of the dread disease that caused his death was first suspicioned only about one year ago. During the summer of '95—in the month of July—he took a deep cold while upon a pleasure excursion, and this cold clung to him and finally developed into consumption. For several months he has been confined to his home, and all that could be done by the loving home circle, interested friends and skilful physicians, failed to relieve him, and death came at the hour named as a sweet relief to him. Charley Howard was one of the most popular young men in the town. He was of a lively disposition, manly characteristics and of a decidedly moral and religious bent. He was also possessed of more than ordinary intellect. He graduated at the public school under Prof. Fallowfield, and afterwards took a course at Bryant & Stratton's business College in Baltimore. He learned the painter's trade and worked at it for several years and until his health failed.

The deceased was a member of Christ M. P. Church and Sunday School, and his faith in the Master gave him great comfort in his declining days, and his death was in perfect triumph.

The death of this young man is a very great affliction to his family and a wide circle of relatives and friends. Few in the town had more warm-hearted companions than he. His grandfather, on his mother's side, was the late Charles T. Lusby, and he had some decided characteristics of this ancestor.

Funeral services were held at the residence of the parents on Thursday afternoon, Rev. J. M. Gill officiating. The remains were interred in the family lot in Chester Cemetery, the following acting as pall-bearers: John Cannon, John R. Rollison, George Burke, Samuel O. Crouch, M. E. Baker, W. B. Usilton, Jr. The members of Chester League, a social organization of which the deceased was an officer, attended the funeral in a body.

Morritz Ascher.

Mr. Morritz Ascher, who has for years been a prominent figure in the fifth district of this county, died last Tuesday at the Hebrew Hospital, Baltimore. He was born in Germany—came to this country and enlisted in the U. S. army. After the war he located in Kent and soon accumulated some property and at the time of his death owned the handsome store and dwelling on the lower edge of Rock Hall, where he conducted the mercantile business for years and continued to the last to maintain his home there, where his only two children —Marcus and a single daughter, Pauline —yet live. This store has been kept by different persons of late years, and has been rented for next year by Mr. Reybold Wilson, of Chestertown. Mr. Ascher was a very sociable and clever gentleman and had many friends, who regreted the affliction which took him to the hospital about six months ago. He took much interest in public affairs and was a sterling Democrat, all of which good traits are heired by his son, Marcus. The deceased's remains were interred in Fell's Point burial ground, Baltimore.

Colonel W. W. Taylor.

Many of our citizens remember Col. W. W. Taylor. He was the builder of the Chestertown Water Works. The subject of water had been discussed here until it was threadbare and had been dropped the twentieth time as impracticable—the citizens of the town being unwilling to invest in such an enterprise, and outside capitalists hesitated in part because of this lack of faith by home people. Col. Taylor came here from Westminster—took hold of the matter and talked our people into the enterprise and he finally received sufficient encouragement to begin the work. It was completed in 1883-4, and shortly after—the Colonel being engaged in building like works in other towns—he disposed of all his interests here to the present Water Works corporation.

Col. Taylor died on the 27th ult. at his home in Philadelphia. He had been ill for nearly a year. Col. Taylor was born at Kennett Square, Pa., and at the time of his death was about seventy years of age. The family consisted, beside the parents, of four sons and two daughters. Bayard Taylor, the celebrated writer, was the brother who with him in the "forties" saw the continent of Europe on foot and who on their return published an account of their wanderings in the still well-known volumes of "Views Afoot."

Beside the Chestertown Water Works Col. Taylor built twenty-two others, among them the plants at Havre de Grace and Hagerstown, in this state. The Westmissster *Advocate* says the Col. always regarded the Westminster plant as his best work. His desire had been to retain it as a legacy for his wife, but new enterprises, of which he always had two or three on hand at the same time, required such an amount of money that to meet these demands he was compelled to part with it.

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