Kent News

SATURDAY, - - - JAN. 2, 1897.

Read about B. S. Sutton's shooting match in another column.

A significant fact is that the stores in Kent county which advertised most extensively did the biggest holiday business. Some of them were crowded from morn until night.

Farm Sold.—Hope H. Barroll, Esq., attorney, sold at public sale on Tuesday the Walraven farm situated near Chestertown to Mr. George T. Hudson, who now tenants the Skirven farm. The price was $5250. This farm contains 202 acres and is now tenanted by Mr. George Tarbutton.

Dry Times.—The past fall and winter has been remarkable for its dryness and many wells in this town and county have been entirely exhausted. Mr. W. W. McKnett, of Urieville mills, says there is less water in his pond than he has ever known. Even in mid-summer the wells in Kent have not been as low as at present.

Barges Sunk.—The barge Rose Hagan, loaded with white sand, was towed up to Betterton by the tug Berwin, Capt. Edw. Martin, last Thursday, and to the surprise of all just before reaching the wharf she sunk in three fathoms of water. The vessel, it is supposed, became damaged while battling with the ice, which caused the accident. The cargo and vessel were insured.

The barge Katie M. Hagan, of Philadelphia, from Norfolk for Philadelphia, laden with scrap iron, in tow of the steam tug Lizzie Crawford, sprung a leak and sank Monday night off Worton Point, Chesapeake Bay. She now lies in 17 feet of water east by south of the red buoy on Worton Point, and may prove a dangerous obstruction to navigation.

School Notes.—Mr. Whittier C. Copper has accepted the principalship of the public school at Sassafras, Mr. Nicholson having resigned to accept a school in Delaware. Mr. Copper is a graduate of Washington College and a man of sterling character and ability.

The Felton correspondent of the *Dover Index* writes to that paper regarding the resignation of Mr. C. C. Brown, of this county, who has been teaching school in that town as follows: "It is with deep regret that we announce the anticipated departure of our estimable public school principal, C. C. Brown. He has proven very satisfactory and won the love and respect of our citizens, as well as of his scholars." We learn that Mr. Brown has accepted a responsible position with Strawbridge & Clothier, Philadelphia.

Still Pond Briefs.

This village never was visited by more people than on last Thursday. It was a clear and practical demonstration of what advertising will do when backed by honest dealing and square methods. Mr. Wm. Medders and Co., had ten clerks busy all day while Messrs. F. H. Harper and Son had equally as many. People drove here from Cecil, from Masseys and from all parts of the county. We were really astonished at the outpouring of the people. These men keep everything and certainly facilitate purchasing.

Rev. E. H. Nelson, the popular pastor of the M. E. Church here, was given a pleasant surprise on Christmas day in the gift of a sum of money supplemented by later offerings, the total making the largest amount ever received at such times.

The wedding of Alfred F. Greenwood and Mrs. Annabel Harrison was solemnized at Still Pond on Wednesday of last week by Rev. E. H. Nelson.

Miss Helen Droste, of Baltimore, spent her holidays with Miss Ruth Wood of this town.

The wells of this town and vicinity are growing very short of water and unless there is rain soon we will suffer. Several gentlemen went to Dr. J. W. Urie's well this week for barrels of water but were unable to get a half barrel. This is a 23ft. well and was never known to go dry.

The scholars were given a treat at the M. E. Church Tuesday night. Carols formed a feature of the evening. Mr. Ralph Starkey was the orator of the evening and did justice to the occasion.

Dr. Medders, of Baltimore, and a brother of Mr. Wm. Medders, performed an operation on the child of A. J. Hackett last week. The child has not seen clearly since birth and the result is awaited with much interest.

Harry T. Howard, of Baltimore is spending a few days with his wife and children, at his mother's, Mrs. M. J. Howard.

Henry C. Turner, of New York, Jas. R. Turner, of Phila., R. Sinclair and Wm. Turner, of the George School, Pa., were home for the holidays.

Mr. C. H. Price and family have been visiting friends in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Benson and daughter, of Anne Arundel, spent several days this week with Mrs. A. R. Parrott.

Mrs. R. L. Raymond and daughter have gone to Philadelphia for the winter.

Miss Virmie Krusen, a professional nurse, of Wilmington, is visiting her parents.

Mifflin Hood, of N. J., is visiting Benj. Krusen.

Skating on Lloyd's Creek has been enjoyed this week. The following young folks are seen on the ice daily: Misses Josephine Jones, Annie Roeder, Delia Crossley, Daisy and Viola Moffett, Myra Crew, Ida Crowding, Mattie and Emma Davis, Sallie Jones, Cora Jewel, Lizzie and Carrie Harding, Edith Sparks, Beulah Thompson, Blanche Starkey, and others.

Removals in Worton.

Harry Stavely moves on Alrich farm; Mr. Alrich goes to Baltimore; August Geyser moves from Worton Station to near Tolchester; Mode Craynor goes from Catt's corner to Worton Station; Aaron Taylor comes from Galena to place vacated by Mr. Craynor; Otho Willis goes on the George Reed home farm; Pete Robinson takes the Coleman farm; Henry Greenwood has discontinued farming and removes to the Taylor house at St. James Church; Alonza Foreman removes from Chestertown to the Diehl farm; Wm. Wheat removes to the Vannort farm in Broad Neck; Wm. Beck comes from the Wilson farm at Rees' Corner to S. Vannort's farm at Hanesville; Geo. Faulkner removes from Battleshell Hill to Thomas Skirven farm in Worton Point; Percy Skirven has removed to Chicago; Walter Hudson removes to Worton Manor Beach while Mr. John Gale goes to the Biggs house on Worton Point, farming 100 acres of the Plum Point farm; Frank Leaverton will take the Thomas farm vacated by Mr. Hudson; Thomas Plummer will take the farm vacated by Mr. Leaverton; Chas. Copper removes from the Thos. Gale farm to the Hynson-Morris farm; Capt. Biggs removed to Baltimore last year; B. F. Morris removes to the Spry farm in Still Pond; Mr. Robert Spry the present occupant talks of discontinuing farming.

Don't overlook the "Thanks" cards. They are all profitable reading.

The "Defiance" Off.—The steamer Defiance, which was reported in the NEWS on the Tolchester shoals, was moved last Friday after considerable difficulty. She started up the bay fighting the ice, until Saturday a plank was noticed loose and part of the load was thrown overboard. Upon reaching Betterton the balance of the load was put on shore, and the vessel proceeded on her way to Philadelphia.

CONFERENCE IN CHESTERTOWN.

The Wilmington M. E. Conference will convene in Chestertown on March 17, and continue in session one week. Nineteen years have elapsed since the conference met in this town, and its coming is hailed with delight. It includes ministers stationed in Delaware, Eastern Shore of Maryland and a portion of Virginia. The people of Chestertown will be called upon, irrespective of denomination, to entertain the conference, and knowing the previous record of our townspeople we feel sure there will be no difficulty in procuring homes for the distinguished visitors.

The following letter and program was received this week by Rev. W. P. Compton from Bishop Walden, who will preside over the conference:

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 24, 1896.

Dear Brother Compton:—I am sure you share with me in the desire that the coming session of your Annual Conference be one of interest and much spiritual profit, alike to the preachers and to your people, as well as to neighboring Methodist churches.

I have found the services named below to be quite profitable, and will be glad to have you adopt and arrange for them so far as you find it practicable,

1. The Conference to meet at 8.30 A. M. on Wednesday (unless that be too early) the session to be opened with the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

2. The first half hour of each day's session be given to religious services. (Please do not publish this as a prayer-meeting before the business session; let it be the first business of the day.)

3. A Pentecostal Service from 4 to 5 each P. M., or other special religious service at that hour, which will be after the committees and other stated meetings have adjourned.

4. Conference Love-feast at 9 A. M. on the Sabbath. Preaching by the presiding Bishop at 10.30 A. M. (not 11). Ordination of Deacons and Elders at 2.30 or 3 P. M., followed by Memorial Service, if desired. Epworth League Anniversary 2.30. If possible, Revival Sermon and Service at night.

5. Please appoint one evening, not later than Saturday, for my lecture on "Africa and its Evangelization." I say evening, as my afternoons you know will be fully occupied. I venture this suggestion because of the favor which this lecture has met and the growing importance of the subject.

It may not be ours in this day to have just such religious occasions as our Fathers rejoiced in, but the services may be so adapted to present conditions that the Conference week shall be a most helpful religious season to preachers and people.

Joining with you in earnest desire and prayer that the coming session throughout may be under the Divine blessing,

I am, yours sincerely,
JOHN M. WALDEN.

NOTE FROM PASTOR COMPTON.

A word to the people of Chestertown, regardless of demoninational lines, concerning the coming session of the Wilmington Conference: The Wilmington Conference will convene in Chestertown March 17th, and continue its session one week. Nineteen years have passed since the conference was entertained in Chestertown before, in 1878, and probably as long a time will elapse before it will return to our town. The conference is a large body, including ministers stationed in all the conference territory, including Delaware, the Eastern Shore of Maryland and the portion of Virginia east of the Chesapeake bay. Of course we did not invite the conference depending upon the resource of the M. E. Church, of Chestertown, for the entertainment, but upon the hospitality of Chestertown, regardless of denominational lines. We therefore earnestly solicit the co-operation of the people of Chestertown in providing homes for our two hundred ministerial guests. The visiting ministers will arive Tuesday, March 16th, and depart Tuesday, March 23d. We need not add that they are a body of cultivated Christian gentlemen, whose presence ought to be a benefit to the families in which they are entertained. We shall soon make a canvas of the town for homes and trust that we will receive a most liberal response from all, that we may soon be able to report entertainment provided for all our guests. All persons outside of our church offering homes will be conferring a favor which will be gratefully received and remembered by the membership of our church. Hoping for a generous response to our appeal, I remain, Yours respectfully,

W. P. COMPTON,
Pastor of Chestertown M. E. Church.

Discontinued.—The Chester River Company will discontinue the round trips to Rock Hall after today, Saturday.

A Dwelling Burned.—The dwelling known as the John B. Schwatka residence, near Chesterville, was destroyed by fire last Sunday. The fire broke out in the afternoon about 2 o'clock, when no one was at home, and when discovered had made such headway that it was impossible to extinguish it. The house was tenanted by Mr. Woollyhand, who is employed by Mr. Wm. Jarrell, and he saved most of his furniture. The fire burned very slow. The property belonged to the Schwatka heirs, and the loss is covered by insurance in the Kent Mutual for $800. The fire is supposed to have caught from sparks from the kitchen chimney.

A Big Dance.—The young men of Chestertown gave one of their noted dances in Stam's Hall Tuesday evening. About fifty couples participated and they are unanimous in pronouncing the affair the greatest success of the season. The music was made by Weber's band and was the very best. A splendid supper was served at midnight. The young men in charge included Messrs. Thos. W. Perkins, Spencer Hurtt, Thos. W. Massey, Frank Simpers, Harry Rickey, Jr., Wilbur Eliason, Jr., Harrison W. Vickers, Jr., Turbert Greenwood, Horace Constable and others.

WANAMAKER'S.

PHILADELPHIA, Monday, Dec. 28, 1896.

The Wanamaker way of fur selling makes your buying easy and safe.
Rich furs at right prices.
Modest furs at very low prices.

FUR CAPES—
Of electric seal, 30 in. long, 135 in. sweep, lined with figured silk, $30.
Short Capes of astrakhan with velvet yoke, trimmed with jet, $25.
Capes of Persian lamb paws, 15 in. deep, 120 in. sweep, silk lined, $23.
Capes of Persian lamb, various lengths, $30 to $275.
Mink Capes, $65 to $300.

SHORT CAPES—
of white thibet with fancy velvet yoke, $35
of black thibet, Persian lamb collar, velvet yoke, $40
of electric seal combined with moufflon, $45
of Persian lamb with lace edging, $75
of Hudson Bay sable, $90
of broadtail and chinchilla in combination, $100.

Then there are others of Persian lamb and the genuine sealskin—higher priced of course, but not too high, and of the finest ones there are but one or two of a sort.

FUR COATS —
Stylish Walking Coats—fly-front, coat back, silk lined, $45 to $75.
Coats of gray krimmer—reefer front, high rolling collar, lined with brocaded silk, $95.
Sealskin Coats, $235.
Persian lamb Coats trimmed with sable, $400.

NECK SCARFS—
of black opossum, 10 tails, $2.50
of natural opossum, 8 tails, $3
of black marten, 10 tails, $6
of mink, 10 tails, $8
of stone marten with head and tails, $12
Long Neck Scarfs of stone marten with head and cluster of 12 tails, $23.

COLLARETTES—
of wool seal with astrakhan collar, $3.50
of dyed brook mink, $2.50
of wool seal or of electric seal, full sweep, lined with handsome fancy silks, high rolling storm collar, cape and collar trimmed with genuine black marten, $16
of electric seal, full sweep, lined with fancy silk, high rolling storm collar of black marten and fronts trimmed with same fur, $18
of electric seal, 12 in. deep, lined with neat figured silk, high rolling collar, yoke and points of brook mink, $16
of grebe, collar of electric seal, cut full, lined with figured silk, $25
of chinchilla, full sweep, high rolling collar, lined with steel gray satin, $42.50.

ROUND MUFFS—
of brook mink, $1.50
of black opossum or black lynx, $3
of black curly astrakhan, $3.50.
of electric seal, $5
of black thibet, $7.50
of moufflon, $10
of Persian lamb, $12 and $18
of natural beaver, $12
of gray krimmer, $7
of chinchilla, $22
of mink, $10 to $18
of real sealskin, $12.

Then there are hosts of fancy muffs of Persian lamb, of grebe, of electric seal. $7.50 to $22.

FUR SETS—
Muff and Boa of silver fox, natural size head on each, $50.
Muff and Boa of the pelt of the fisher, natural size head, claws and tail, $44.

CHILDREN'S SETS—Muff and Neck Piece—
of American ermine or thibet, $1.50
of grebe, $4
of Canadian seal, $4
of wool seal, $5.

And various others up to $15.

JOHN WANAMAKER.

Kennedyville Items.

Judging by the number of D. J's. put off the train Xmas eve at our station, we might have expected a very lively Xmas in our village. But it was the quietest ever known here. The boys of course had their annual bon-fire, but *very* little drinking, and *consequently* no fighting was going on.

The young folks have been enjoying the skating on Urieville mill pond this week. The ice being about four inches thick. Messrs. Josiah Massey, W. D. Shinn and J. R. Copper commenced filling their ice-houses Tuesday morning.

The wedding of Miss Mollie Guerney and Mr. Wm. P. Garey, took place at the home of the bride's parents, Wednesday evening Dec. 23d, Rev. Jesse Shreeve officiating. Mr. Ed. Guerney, brother of the bride played the march.

The members and friends of the M. P. Church took their pastor completely by surprise Tuesday evening and gave him a good "pounding." The pantry was pretty well filled with everything useful. About fifty persons were present and while the *old* folks were talking about chickens and turkeys the *young* folks were engaged in playing various games, seemingly having a good time to themselves.

The M. P. Church was the scene of a pretty wedding Wednesday evening, Dec. 30th, the contracting parties being Mr. Wm. H. King and Miss Dora Pennington, daughter of Mrs. Kate Pennington. Precisely at 7.30 o'clock the happy couple, preceded by the ushers, Messrs. J. H. Weer and Harry S. Redmile, entered the church, to strains of Lohingrin's March, skillfully rendered by Miss Katie Hessner, and were met at the altar by the pastor, Rev. Jesse Shreeve, who performed the impressive ceremony. The bride was dressed in a handsome dove-colored changeable silk dress with irredescent and white lace trimmings and carried a large white fan, with white satin ribbon bow attached. The groom wore the conventional black. The church was beautifully decorated with evergreens, potted plants and presented a very pretty appearance. After the ceremony the bridal party proceeded to the home of the bride and received a few friends and relations. They received many handsome presents, and have the best wishes and congratulations of a host of friends. Mr. and Mrs. King will make their home in the village.

The "Watch Meeting" was very well attended. The C. E. Society held their meeting at 9.30 o'clock and kept right on with the other services.

The revival services began Friday evening. The pastor has the help of several ministers promised. Rev. A. D. Melvin, of Westminster, will be with us one week, and probably Rev. G. W. Wolff, of Wilmington, one week. The members are praying for grand results.

Misses Clara and Katie VanDyke and Nellie Barwick spent the Xmas holidays at home.

Misses S. B. and Marie McKnett spent Xmas week with relatives and friends in Wilmington and Philadelphia.

Miss Laura Jones is the guest of her brother, Mr. W. Thomas Jones, near the village.

Miss Eddie Wilson, of New York, and Geo. Ashley, of Rock Hall, were guests of Mr. Steve Newcomb the past week.

Mr. J. D. McKnett spent Xmas with friends in Philadelphia.

Mr. Geo. Medders of your town spent the holidays with his parents in the village. He seems to be very much pleased with his new occupation.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Shafer and family spent Xmas with relatives in the "Monumental" city.

Mr. Chas. Herzog, of Baltimore, made a brief visit to friends near the village.

Miss Annie Price, of Millington, is the guest of Mrs. Maggie Webb.

Misses Clara and Bertha Redmile spent Sunday with Miss Ida Newcomb.

Miss Laura McKnett entertained a few friends Wednesday evening, at her home. Those present were Misses Clara and Bertha Redmile, Nellie Barwick, Ida Newcomb, Messrs. George Ashley and Steve Newcomb.

Mr. W. A. Kennedy's home was the scene of a splendid social event Wednesday evening, it being Herbert's birthday. A very large number of young people were present and engaged in various games, dancing etc., until a late hour, when they were invited into the dining room where the table fairly groaned under the weight of good things for the inner man. Mr. Edwin Guerney furnished splendid violin music for the dancers.

Misses Lida Price and Edna Duling, of Millington, made a short visit to friends in the village this week.

Messrs. Geo. W. Sanders, of Greensboro, and Wm. Sanders, of Goldsboro, are guests of Mr. W. E. Sanders.

A Sunday School was organized at Grace Presbyterian Church on Sunday with the following officers. Supt., Mr. H. L. Davies; assistant Supt., Mr. W. E. Sanders; secretary and treasurer, Mr. W. A. Pote; librarians, Mr. Robert Hill and Harry Hill; organists, Mrs. Rachel Hill, Miss Katie Hessner. TIRO.

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Ready made Garments, and Goods to order therefrom. Be sure to call for our 5c. Domett Flannel. Gloves and Hose in our 5c. Basket. Boots for $1.00, Shoes from 25c. to $4.00. A Sugar for Candy 5c., Pulverized 6c., Granulated 22 Pounds for $1.00, Currants, Citron, Oranges, Lemons, Apples, Butter, Cheese, Syrup, Sausage and Best Coal Oil 10c.

☞CASH PAID FOR EGGS.

Remember the place, Cahall's Corner.

CHRISTMAS ECHOES. * *

Services in the Churches.

Last Sunday was observed in most of the churches by special services. Some of them had very fine music and floral decorations.

CHRIST M. P. CHURCH.

The pastor, Rev. J. M. Gill, preached a most earnest and practical sermon in Christ Church, on Sunday morning, and the choir rendered a beautiful anthem. In the evening the choral service added a magnificent "cap sheaf" to the day's worship. Mr. W. Walter Chapman had charge of the music, and the Sunday school, which was massed in the body of the church, was materially aided by the following choir: Sopranos, Mrs. T. S. Dodd, Misses Mollie Parks, Anna Russell; altos, Misses Julia Thompson, Hettie Greenwood, Marion Lusby, ; tenors, Dr. H. L. Dodd, T. D. Bowers, Jas. W. Chapman, Jr.; base, F. G. Usilton, Jas Parrott. Miss Clare Vannort, pianist; Miss Rose Frazier, organist; Miss Clara Usilton, pipe organ; Messrs. John N. Dodd and Alwyn M. Culp, cornets. The choruses included "Echoes from Bethlehem," "Golden Doors," "Golden Bells," "The Battle March" and a number of other very fine Christmas selections. "The Bell Song," by a dozen or more pretty little girls, who kept time in the chorus and added much to the music by sweet toned little bells. A remarkable orator on the occasion was Master Joseph Wheatley, who recited without a flaw the long story of "The Night before Christmas." The little fellow is only five years old. Another very effective *little* recitation was that of Margurita Dodd "I'll do my best." Miss Bessie Wheatley recited the beautiful poem "Under the Holly Bough" in a most pleasing manner—the touching tenderness of her voice and the perfect expression being in lovely harmony with the piece. The address of the evening—which was short—was delivered by Prof. Roland Watts, of Western Maryland College. He was as usual interesting and instructive. The Superintendent of the school also made a short address. The collection plates were passed through the congregation to allow any who desired to contribute to the poor, and this offering amounted to $15.92.

The P. E. church was tastily trimmed with evergreen and holly and a large audience attended the services on Christmas morning. The music was of a high order, the solos by Miss Mary Beck, Mrs. Allen Harris, Messrs. Chas. S. Hurlock and Thos. W. Perkins, being of special merit. The beloved pastor, Dr. S. C. Roberts, preached a most cheerful and appropriate discourse closing with hearty good wishes for his people. The special music, under Miss Mary Hurtt's direction, was repeated on Sunday.

The annual treat of the M. E. Sunday School was given last Tuesday night. Instead of the time-honored tree, an old fashioned fire-place was used and a "sure enough chimney" through which Santa Claus made his appearance. After singing and prayer by the pastor, Master L. Needles made the opening speech. The dialogue, "Christmas Mystery," was then presented—little Miss Ethel Ringgold and Freddy Hirons had wandered out of their beds to hunt for Santa Claus, when Emma Roe, the charming fairy, Wilkins Simpers as Santa Claus, Sam Jones as Romeo and Lillian Matthews as Budget, sustained their parts well. The Hushby, a bright song, was very pretty and the wee misses taking part were Mamie Layman, Mary Miller, Clara Compton, Bertie Tucker, Clara Sappington, Edna Roland, Rebecca Toulson and Margurite Hyland; "Echoes from Bethlehem" was well sung by a number of boys and girls, after which the long-looked for Old Kris, Mr. D. P. Jones, came down the chimney filled the stockings and showed the wonderful toys in his sack amid screams of delight from both young and old. It was one of the most successful events ever held by the school.

Wesley Chapel Sunday School under the efficient leadership of Mr. Samuel Burgess gave their annual entertainment and treat last Friday night Recitations were made by Walter Scoone, John Hadaway, Anna Leary, Elsworth Leary, Nora Crouch, Beatrice Maslin, Clara Meekins, Hattie Cannon, Douglas Gresham and an address by the pastor, Rev. C. K. McCaslin. The exercises were interspersed with resonant carols that echoed upon the frosty air.

DEATH OF PROF. I. R. STARKEY.

He Died Suddenly in Baltimore, Where He Had Gone On a Visit.

"Prof. Starkey is dead," were the sad words that came to Still Pond yesterday from Baltimore. The deceased had gone to the city to see friends and to consult his physician at the hospital, and died of paralysis of the heart.

He had been in ill health for some time and for several months last winter was unable to teach. The deceased was one of the ablest teachers in the county, a man of remarkable intelligence and of strict integrity.

He was about 45 years of age, and leaves a widow and several children.

THE MILL TO START!

Orders were received Thursday to start the Chestertown Strawboard Mill at once. There are 60 men employed at the mill. The wheels will begin to operate upon the arrival of a carload of lime which is expected Monday. There is 750 tons of straw on hand with which to begin work.

WELCOME

New Year 1897.

WE take pleasure in extending our best wishes to our many patrons for a Real Hearty and Prosperous New Year, 1897.

We wish, also, to express our thnaks for the liberal patronage we have received during the old year just ended, and solicit a continuance of the many favors and confidence intrusted to us.

Our regular advertisement will appear next week.

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Respectfully,

MOODY & LUSBY,

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