Kent News

SATURDAY, - - - JAN. 16, 1897.

Brief Locals.

Special Steamer.—The trains on the new Queen Anne's railroad are expected to be in operation about the first of March. Trains will run from Denton to Queenstown. The Chester River Steamboat Company with its characteristic enterprise will run a steamer direct from Queenstown to Baltimore, making connection with trains on the new road. The Emma A. Ford is now being overhauled after which the B. S. Ford will be placed on the ways.

Farms Sold.—James A. Pearce and M. deK. Smith, Esqs., as attorneys, sold on Tuesday the Samuel A. Merritt farms near Locust Grove at public sale. The home farm containing 164 acres and the adjoining tract of 58 acres, or 222 acres in all, was sold to Mr. W. E. Jarrell for $38.10 per acre, or $8,458.20.

The "Benjamin G. Merritt" farm containing 176 acres was sold to Rev. J. B. Merritt for $30 per acre.

Entertainments.—The Chestertown Cycle Club are arranging to hold an entertainment in Stam's Hall Tuesday evening, Jan. 26th. The program will include solos by prominent young ladies, recitations by our best talent, duets, quartettes, specialties, etc. The admission has been fixed at the low price of 25 and 35 cents.

The Kings Daughters of the P. E. church, Chestertown, will give an entertainment early in February consisting of tableaux, etc.

Mr. C. F. Stam has contracted with the Cecilia Musical Company for a concert in Stam's Hall February 25th.

The ladies of Zion M. E. church advertise two laughable farces to be given in the church at Morgnec next Friday evening, Jan. 22.

Prosperous Institutions.—While the failure of great commercial institutions brings sad calamity to the chief capitals whose fortunes accumulate, the less imposing but quite useful depositories of Kent savings are giving gratifying evidence of stability.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Chestertown National Bank held Tuesday a semi-annual dividend of 3 per cent was declared and $1100 was added to undivided profits. The following directors were elected: Charles T. Westcott, Thos. W. Eliason, E. T. Valliant, F. H. Harper, Marion deK. Smith and R. D. Hynson. The present officers of the bank were re-elected.

The Second National also declared a semi-annual dividend of 3 per cent and added $722 to undivided profits. The old board was elected as follows: Jas. A. Pearce, J. A. Wickes, H. W. Vickers, H. H. Barroll, Garrett Foxwell, W. W. Hubbard, Adam F. Huey, Dr. J. K. H. Jacobs, David Hurlock.

The Unit Rule.—For the past year the present Board of Commissioners for Kent county has been meeting the commissioners for Queen Anne's county, in joint session, for the purpose of conferring and acting upon measures for the care of bridges connecting the two counties. Queen Anne's county has three commissioners and Kent county, five. In all joint county matters a majority of the commissioners of each county voice the will of that county in matters of public improvement and public expenditures. The joint meeting of the two counties contain eight commissioners, and the manner of voting and acting upon all propositions before the joint assembly has been heretofore, per capita—each commissioner having one vote. This way of voting gave the Democrats control by a majority of two. In order to dispel this majority, the Kent board passed a unit rule but the two Democrats, Todd and Hatcherson, would not sign the order and declare that they will vote per capita at the joint meeting. A lively time is anticipated.

Chicken Thieves.—Several farmers about town have lost chickens and other poultry recently. Apropos of this sort of thieving is the following item from one of our neighboring towns:

"The shooting of Mrs. E. J. Adams by chicken thieves on Wednesday night last was one of the most dastardly crimes that has ever been committed in this section. About 10 o'clock on the night mentioned Mrs. Adams, who was about to retire, her husband already being in bed, heard her chickens holler, and on going to the door to look out was shot in the arm and again in the face before she could shut the door. The thieves then cleaned out the hen house and left, leaving no clue. Mrs. Adams is seriously but not fatally hurt."

An amusing story is told on one of our young farmers, near town, in reference to stealing turkeys. Mrs. L. had a fine flock of turkeys, of which she was justly very proud. One night recently she thought she heard thieves breaking into the hen-house, and at once aroused Mr. L. and informed him of her fears. "Now, dear," said Mr. L., "go to sleep, and I will pay you for the turkeys, because I am not going out there and run the risk of getting killed!"

SOCIAL LIFE.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank D. Leary were given a pleasant surprise last Friday evening at their home on High street. Among those present were Mrs. Geo. S. Biddle and the Misses Biddle, Misses Lillie and Agnes Crew, Miss Elma Rasin and Miss Lydia Crouch, Messrs. Hyland Crew, Frank Hill, Frank and William Shinn, and others. Refreshments were served and a most delightful evening was spent.

Another social club has been formed in Chestertown and has rented the first floor of the "Brick House" on W. Queen street. Among the members are Messrs. Henry Deaver, Eben F. Perkins, Jr., Frank Simpers, Thos. W. Perkins, Thos. Massey, Spencer Hurtt, Turbert and Sam Greenwood, and others.

The members of Chester League recently presented Mr. and Mrs. Vernon M. Barnett with a beautiful onyx clock, upon which occasion this popular young couple entertained the League in a very royal manner.

One of the pleasant features of the Epworth League of Still Pond is the social evenings held every month. The last meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Pennington and an ideal time was had. Refreshments were served after which a geographical contest was held. The names of 25 American cities were incorrectly spelled on a blackboard and the one writing the greatest number of these names correctly won the prize. Mr. Edgar Pennington spelled 14 and won the first prize, Miss Nellie Krusen second having spelled 13.

At a recent meeting, a potato race for prizes was the event of the evening. Mrs. I. R. Starkey won first prize and Mr. Robert Hill second. Among those present were: Rev. E. H. Nelson and wife, Miss Pauline Nelson, Mrs. W. G. Rasin, Misses Annie Roeder, Katie Howard, Amy Baynard, Myra Crewe, Lena and Florence Rasin, Nellie and Vermie Krusen, Beulah Thompson, and Messrs. Albert Jervis, Edgar Pennington, J. R. Bennett, S. G. Roseberry, J. H. Robinson, J. B. Krusen, Wm. Pennington, Geo. Moffett and others.

On the same evening Mrs. Pennington delightfully entertained her Sunday school class. The meeting adjourned to meet at Mr. Wm. Parr's, on the first Thursday in February.

On Monday evening a pleasant surprise was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Conner near Masseys in honor of their sister, Mrs. Mary Bendler. A large number of ladies and gentlemen were present and spent the evening in dancing, etc.

Mr. Frank Young was given a delightful surprise Friday evening at his Betterton home by the young folks of the community. An elegant "set-out" was partaken.

GALENA NOTES.

Our town was enlivened somewhat on Saturday morning last by a cob race between Mr. John Briscoe and Master Phil. Ireland. The race was made by placing 100 cobs a yard apart; the contestants were required to pick up one cob at a time and carry it to a basket at one end of the line; the time limit was one hour and the purse one dollar. Master Phil. Ireland won the race, with about one and a half minutes to spare. It was an unequal race, Mr. Briscoe being over 50 years old and Master Ireland only 13 or 14; but they were the only ones that would contest for the purse. Mr. B. failed by about one minute. There was an outside purse raised for the winner. The race was gotten up by Capt. Tarbutton for a little amusement. It is to be repeated in the near future.

D. D. G. M. Henry Parr installed the officers elect of Kent Lodge, No. 74, I. O. O. F., on the evening of the 6th inst. Kent Lodge, I. O. O. F., intends to celebrate its 46th anniversary on February 10 next. It may be expected they will have a grand time, for when they do anything they believe in doing it well. The programme for the occasion is not as yet made out, but will be in a very short time.

Presiding Elder Smith preached his last sermon as P. E. in the M. E. Church here last Sunday morning, to quite a large congregation.

Rev. A. P. Prettyman and family are visiting at Miss Lou Armstrong's.

The young people of the town and neighborhood are taking advantage of the ice on the mill pond for skating purposes. In the afternoons for the last few days you could see as many as a hundred on the pond at one time enjoying themselves. We have heard of but few slight accidents so far.

Mr. S. M. Biggs, a merchant at Georgetown, died on Friday last and was buried Sunday afternoon at the Presbyterian Church cemetery, Georgetown, the Rev. Mr. Edson, rector of Shrewsbury parish, officiating.

Philip Lloyd has been appointed bridge tender at Sassafras river, Cecil county.

A donation was given Rev. F. Fletcher on Wednesday night last. A goodly number of his congregation surprised the reverend gentleman when they went to the parsonage and supplied the family with the substantials of this life enough to last for some time to come. The surprise party had a pleasant time in social conversation, music, singing, &c. They adjourned about 10 P. M., all pleased with their visit, and none, we presume, more so than the reverend gentleman and his family, for they were well provided for for some time. OBS.

FAIRLEE NOTES.

Wild geese are flying around plentifully. One day last week Messrs. Wm. Barnes and Morris Bramble shot two in Mr. Jerry Miller's wheat field, near our village.

A Mr. Clothier, of Richmond, Va., gathered up his household effects and started on a venture for the beautiful shores of Kent, not knowing where he would locate. He came over to Chestertown Saturday afternoon, bought two horses and a wagon, loaded up his team with a part of his possessions, including his wife and 3 children, started out to get a dwelling, and found one near the Fairlee landing belonging to Mr. James Middleton of this town.

Little Walter Lewis, the 15 months old son of Postmaster Lewis, fell against the stove and burned the side of his face badly on last Tuesday.

Our commissioner is having railing put at the ends of all bridges looking "*suit*" like, and he is having them whitewashed too, so they say, so as to make them very visible.

Mr. G. W. Bramble with a force of men is fixing the roads very nicely through our town.

Salem Sunday school will elect officers tomorrow, Sunday morning. Mr. Staats, the incumbent supt., has been very efficient and there isn't a doubt but what he will be re-elected.

Mrs. G. W. Bramble entertained her Sunday school class last Thursday evening week. Her class is composed of boys and each "laddie brought a lassie" and enjoyed themselves 'hugely.' Refreshments were served.

The Barnes Bro's. have rented the pretty Lamb property and will soon occupy it. Question—Will they keep "bachelors hall?" Some say no.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Noland, Tolchester Beach, gave a 6 o'clock dinner to invited friends on last Friday evening week. A goodly number were present and a most enjoyable evening was passed in games, music, etc.

We see "East End" counted up the juveniles in our village, usually called babies, he counts 6, we count 7, all under a year old in 6 families.

Dr. J. B. Merritt, of Easton, visited his parents this week.

A novelty—a carriage with the front wheels higher than the back. Mr. S. H. Todd had such a carriage last week and used it upon several occasions. The origin of the novelty—the carriage was at Messrs. L. J. Keyser's and F. H. Ward's shops for repairs, and when the wheels were replaced, for a joke, the back wheels were put on the front. It was noticed by Mr. Todd after several days. Mr. Joseph Peterson and Mr. Todd took a ride while the vehicle was thus arranged and Mr. P. says he thought the carriage well back and seemed very odd.

Mr. Joseph Leaverton sprained his wrist very badly last week. He with several others were jumping over a fence and falling occasioned the above accident.

The evening game now is "Authors." Very popular.

Very sorry to hear of the severe illness of little Miss Isabelle Rasin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Rasin, near Kennedyville, who we learn caught a severe cold while moving from the Archibald farm. Now Mr. P. Jumps to their present home. So many around with the same affliction.

Mr. Jerry Miller is selling off quite a lot of building sites to the colored people, we hear, opposite Rev. C. T. Denroche and others in our village, at reasonable figures.

We have a little boy whose father is on one of the very largest farms in Kent county, who has a Texan pony that he rides right over a straw rick, and not a low one either. This little boy's name is Henry ———. WEST END.

WASHINGTON COLLEGE NOTES.

The following students led their classes for the closing month of the year: The senior class, G. G. Nicholson, 96.3; the juniors, J. E. Pardee, 91.3; the sophomores, T. A. Goldsborough, 94.9; the freshmen, J. W. Sutton, 97.2; the normal class, Miss Amy Russell, 94.7; the preparatory class, Miss Grace Price, 94. The following students of the Normal Department, Freshman and Preparatory classes made an average of over 80:

Sutton	97.2	Miss Brown	88.5
S. Brown	96.5	Miss Smith	88.2
Miss Russell	94.7	Roe	88.2
Miss Price	94	Miss Wallis	86.3
Miss Benton	93.7	H. Nicholson	86.1
Miss France	93.6	Gum	86
Miss Rogers	92.8	Miss Ellason	85.8
Miss Wallis	92.3	Miss Toulson	85.3
Welsh	91.8	Miss Culp	85.3
Miss Selby	90.9	Miss Emory	84.7
Miss Paradise	90	Miss Maslin	84.4
Miss Woodall	89.9	Miss Cannan	84.3
Miss Wilworte	89.5	Miss Strong	83.9
Miss Whaland	89.4	Rogers	83.2
P. T. White	89.1	McKnett	82.7
E. Simpers	89	Whaland	82.6
LeCompte	88.8	Miss C. Vickers	80.4
Hudson	88.8	Miss Wilkins	80
Groves	88.7		

The members of the Mount Vernon Literary Society of Washington College are arranging for a four days' celebration of their society, to begin the 19th and continue to the 22d of February inclusive, the occasion being the semicentennial of the organization of the society, and an elaborate and interesting programme will be arranged. This is the oldest college society in the State. The committee having the arrangements for the celebration in charge are: Contest for Gold Medal, Davis, Coulbourn and Graham; banquet, Fowler, Goldsborough, Pardee and Sherwood; usual 22d day celebration, Cruikshanks and Gullett.

The election of officers for the ensuing year for the Mt. Vernon and Philomathean Societies will take place on Saturday evening next. A number of candidates are in the field and a spirited contest is being waged.

WANAMAKER'S. WANAMAKER'S.

PHILADELPHIA, Monday, Jan. 11, 1897.

FAMOUS UNDERWEAR SELLING

This NINETEENTH HALF-YEAR SALE OF MUSLIN and CAMBRIC UNDERWEAR marks an epoch in underwear selling.

We have no patent upon methods, and January sales are now of country-wide occurrence. But only the abstract idea has been copied, and instead of great blocks of dependable goods being offered, these sales are apt to be of goods "made to sell." The January sale idea is merely to enthuse the shopper into buying goods that couldn't be sold by usual methods.

There are various "January Sales" in progress in Philadelphia now. Analyze the garments that are offered. In most cases the sizes are woefully skimpy; in others, the stocks are old—and that yellowish tinge to the muslin will never wash out during the short life of the tendered fabric. There are tricks in the making, too—that have saved maybe a yard of embroidery on one skirt. There never was a wider difference between the garments sold by other stores and the fresh, new, rural-made garments we offer.

The bulk of the muslin used in these vast new stocks went from the mills to the makers sixty days ago. It is new, fresh, good wearing—of varying fineness, as the needs for varied wear demand.

We shall pass all records in muslin underwear selling because we never sold underwear so well. And the selling space is greater by half than was needed even a year ago.



Chemises—

18c—Of Muslin; finished with ruffle. Not more than 3 to a buyer.
65c—Of muslin; pointed yoke of 23 plaits and insertion, yoke and neck edged with embroidery.
75—Of muslin; square yoke front and back; embroidery trimmed.
85c—Of muslin; pointed yoke of fine plaits and insertion; finished with beading and edging of embroidery.
$1—Of cambric; round yoke front and back, with insertion, beading and edging of embroidery.

And so the story might run till we told of the finest French Chemises at $15.

Drawers—

10c—Of muslin; yoke band, deep hem and plaits; cut wide. Not more than 3 to a buyer.
25c—Of muslin; deep yoke band; 2-in. hem and 6 fine plaits.
60c—Of muslin; yoke band; 5-in. ruffle of embroidery; 5 plaits.
75c—Of muslin; yoke band; deep ruffle of eyelet embroidery; 8 plaits.
85c—Of muslin; yoke band; deep ruffle of English embroidery; 12 fine plaits.
$1—Of muslin; yoke band; 7-in. ruffle of open-work embroidery; 6 fine plaints.
$1—Of cambric; cut 30 in. wide; yoke band; deep lace-edged ruffle.

Petticoats—

50c—Of muslin; cambric ruffle, edged with embroidery and plaits.
65c—Of muslin; 6-in. ruffle of embroidery, 4 plaits.
75c—Of muslin; umbrella shape; ruffle of cambric; 3 small plaits; yoke band.
90c—Of muslin; umbrella shape; deep ruffle finished with insertion and 3 small plaits.
$1—Of muslin; umbrella shape; cambric ruffle edged with embroidery and finished with 3 small plaits.
$1.25—Of muslin; umbrella shape; lawn ruffle finished with insertion and 5 small plaits.
$1.50—Of cambric; umbrella shape; ruffle of lawn finished with insertion and edged with lace.

Short Petticoats—

25c—Of muslin; cambric ruffle with plaits above.
50c—Of muslin; ruffle of neat embroidery; 5 small plaits above ruffle.
20c—Knitted Skirts—heavy weight; made of cotton; edge crocheted with wool. Blue, pink.

Corset Covers—

8c—Of cambric; long; trimmed with neat embroidery; felled seams; pearl buttons. Not more than 3 to a buyer.
18c—Of cambric; square neck trimmed with embroidery; felled seams; pearl buttons. Not more than 3 to a buyer.
25c—Of cambric; V-shape back and front; trimmed with embroidery; pearl buttons; felled seams.
35c—Of cambric; V-neck of open-work insertion; edged with embroidery.
45c—Of cambric; V front; 24 fine plaits; 2 rows of insertion; finished at neck and armholes with embroidery.
50c—Of cambric; round yoke; trimmed with insertion and edging; 12 small plaits in front; prettily trimmed at armholes.

Night Gowns—

38c—Of muslin; double yoke back, yoke front with 36 fine plaits; ruffle at neck and wrist; full length. Not more than 3 to a buyer.
38c—Of muslin; yoke front; 42 fine plaits; double yoke back; turnover collar; sleeves finished with band; full length.
60c—Of muslin; front of 28 fine plaits and gathered ruffle of embroidery; turnover collar; sleeves finished with beading; full length.
65c—Of muslin; yoke of 36 fine plaits and 2 rows of insertion; double yoke back; sleeves and neck finished with embroidery; full length.
75c—Of muslin; front of 30 fine plaits and 4 rows of Swiss insertion; double yoke back; ruffle at neck and wrists.
85c—Of muslin; yoke of 32 plaits and 2 rows of insertion; double yoke back; neck and sleeves finished with embroidery.
90c—Of muslin; V front; deep embroidery and 12 fine plaits; double yoke back; neck and sleeves finished with embroidery.
$1—Of cambric; front of 30 fine plaits and 4 rows of lace insertion; neck and sleeves finished with lace-edged ruffle.

And so the list might run on and on, with French Gowns as high as $18.

Dressing Sacques—

60c—Of eiderdown—solid colors or neat stripes—rolling collar; edges crocheted with zephyr; ribbon at neck.
$1—Of eiderdown; the pretty new ripple effects; deep sailor collar; full sleeves; tight-fitting back; crocheted edges; ribbon at neck.
$1.50—Of striped eiderdown; sailor collar, satin bound; very full sleeves; crocheted edges; ribbon at neck.

Wrappers—

$3—Of eiderdown in solid colors; full sleeves; wide skirt; collar bound with satin ribbon; girdle at waist and ribbon at neck.
$3.50—Of eiderdown—striped and mottled; sailor collar bound with satin; full sleeves; wide skirt; girdle at waist; silk frog and ribbon at neck.

Calico Dresses—

$1—Calico Dresses—light colorings; waist has yoke back and full front; rolling collar; skirt finished with deep hem.
$1.50—Dresses of standard prints in light colorings; double yoke front and back; deep collar, ruffled; wide skirt with gathered ruffle.

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