COUNTY NEWS.

KENNEDYVILLE BRIEFS.

The M. P. Sabbath school observed "Church Extension Day" Sunday, Jan. 10th, with a very appropriate program, arranged by Rev. A. D. Melvin, chairman of the Church Extension Society of the Maryland Conference. The program was splendidly rendered considering the short time they had for the preparation of it. The collections were about $15. Rev. A. D. Melvin was present and delivered a very appropriate address. The program rendered was as follows:

Singing, Gloria Patri .....Choir
Singing, I will praise Thee.....School
Scripture Reading.....Miss Nettie Whiteley
Prayer.....Rev. A. D. Melvin
Singing..... School
Reading, God the Author of Missions, Harry C. Jarrell.
Singing.....School
Scripture Reading.....Miss Kate Stauffer
Singing.....School
Recitation, ..The Great Commission, ..Katie Weer.
Singing.....School
Recitation, Not Mine.....May Hurlock
Singing.....School
Recitation, Nothing to do.....6 girls and boys
Singing.....School
Recitation....Which side are you on....Lilly Redmile.
Singing.....School
Recitation, Only.....Louise Johnson
Recitation, Be Strong.....May Toulson
Singing.....School
Recitation, So much may be done.....Annie Shuck.
Address, Church Extension, Rev. A.D.Melvin
Collection
Recitation.....Naomi Davies
Singing.....School
Benediction..... Pastor

The young folks enjoyed the skating on Urieville mill pond last week. The ice was in very fine condition and was from 2½ to 4½ inches thick.

Monday evening, January 4th, Kent Lodge, No. 125, K. of P. installed the following officers: C. C., Harry Redmile; V. C., Wm. S. Hurlock; P., Wm. T. Hague; K of R and S., Jos. H. Weer; M. at A., Ernest L. Redmile; M of F., John D. McKnett; M of E., Tilghman Shafer; M. of W., Richard Haggerty; N. G., Charles W. Nickerson; O. G., John Medders.

Funeral services of Mary Isabella, the four year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Rasin, of near Still Pond, were held at Grace Presbyterian church last Sunday afternoon at two o'clock, Revs. J. S. Shreeve and K. M. Bull officiating. Interment in cemetery adjoining church. It was one of the saddest deaths that has come to our notice for some time. The little one was taken sick about three weeks ago with stomach trouble and finally resulted in inflamation of the brain. She went to sleep Monday morning and never waked from her slumbers. Friday morning at about 6 o'clock death came to relieve her of her sufferings, and we know that when her eyes were opened they were opened to the joys of Heaven. The bereaved parents have the sympathy of the entire community.

The revival services at the M. P. church have closed with the probability of beginning again about the first or second week of February. The meetings have been well attended, but there have been no conversions.

The M. P. Sabbath school elected the following officers last Sunday: Superintendent, John Medders; assistant, Rev. Jesse Shreeve; treas. Mrs. M. E. Lane; secretary, Miss Nettie Whiteley; ass't., Miss Katie Weer; organist, Miss Maggie Seney; librarians, Norman Faulkner and Harry Redmile. The assistant organist will be elected later. The school is not in quite as good condition, financially, as it was a year ago, due to the fact that the money has been used for other purposes.

Shooting matches seem to be the 'go' at present. Notwithstanding the snow storm last Friday a good many gathered here to witness the "crack shooting." Mr. Wm. H. Crawford was seemingly master of the situation, winning three straight. Messrs. W. M. Hurlock and J. H. Clendaniel also did good shooting, the former winning one match the latter two. The shooting was very close and exciting, a number of ties having had to be shot off. The score follows:

First Match, 5 balls. Prize, goose.
Wm. M. Hurlock.....0 0 1 0 1
Wm. H. Crawford.....0 1 1 1 1
J. H. Clendaniel.....0 0 1 0 1
Second Match, 6 balls. Prize, goose.
Wm. M. Hurlock.....1 1 1 0 1 1 0
Wm. H. Crawford.....1 1 0 1 1 1 1
J. F. Clendaniel.....1 1 0 1 1 0
John Archibald*.....0 0 0 1 0
Third Match, 6 balls. Prize, turkey.
Wm. M. Hurlock.....1 1 0 1 1 1 0
J. H. Clendaniel.....1 1 1 0 1 1 0
B. S. Sutton.....0 1 1 1 1 0
Wm. H. Crawford.....1 1 1 0 1 1 1
Fourth Match, 5 balls. Prize, turkey.
B. S. Sutton.....0 1 0 1 0
Wm. M. Hurlock.....1 1 1 1 1
John Archibald.....1 0 1 1 1
J. H. Clendaniel.....1 1 1 1 0
Wm. H. Crawford.....1 1 1 1 0
Fred. Schofield.....1 0 1 1 1
Dr. Chas. Medders.....0 1 0 0 1
John Hurlock.....1 0 1 0 0
Fifth Match, 5 balls. Prize, turkey.
Wm. H. Crawford.....1 0 0 1 1
Wm. M. Hurlock.....1 0 1 0 0
John Archibald.....0 1 1 0 1
J. H. Clendaniel.....0 1 1 1 1
John Hurlock.....1 0 0 1 0
B. S. Sutton.....0 1 1 1 0
Sixth Match, 6 balls. Prize, turkey.
John Archibald.....1 0 1 1 1 1
John Clendaniel.....1 1 1 1 1 1
Wm. H. Crawford*.....1 1 0 1 0
Wm. M. Hurlock*.....0 0 1 1
John Hurlock*.....1 1 1 0 1
Howard Clendaniel*.....1 0 1 1 1
B. S. Sutton*.....1 0 1 1 1
Fred. Schofield*.....1 1 1 0 1

* Did not take last shots.

There is some talk of holding another match here Saturday afternoon. Our shooters went to Still Pond last Saturday afternoon. Mr. J. H. Clendaniel took two sweepstake matches.

Quite a crowd of serenaders visited Mr. and Mrs. Robt. R. Hill on Tuesday evening and enjoyed themselves immensely. We are sure they came away with the inner man well satisfied.

Mrs. W. A. Kennedy entertained a few friends Monday evening at her home near the village. Messrs. Louis Hepbron and Wattie McKnett were present and rendered some fine music with violin and autoharp.

Miss Lilly Garey, of Harrisonburg, W. Va., is home for the winter.

Messrs. Wattie and John McKnett and Louis Hepbron furnished music for the entertainment at Zion M. E. church on Friday evening.

It seems that the dry spell is broken at last. Urieville mill has been scarce of water, but is now running with full head of water. TIRO.

Chesterville News.

The first surprise party of the season was given Miss Maggie Clements, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Clements, Tuesday evening. Miss C. is a popular young lady of this neighborhood and at the hour of starting there were about 50 people who joined in the surprise. All the new games were tried, after which refreshments in abundance were served. All departed at a late hour wishing Miss C. many such occasions. Among those present were Mrs. S. Todd, Miss Dora Todd, Wm. Hyland, Jr., Bertie Ireland, of Galena; Misses Mary Roe and Nettie Whitely, Ernest Sanders, Wm. Roe, R. and John Wallis, of Kennedyville; H. Ireland, of Masseys; S. Moffett, John Silcox, Chestertown; Lusby Loller, of Crumpton; Thos. Jones and wife, John Stevenson and wife, Mrs. J. W. Jarman, Mrs. E. A. Crittenden, Misses Lulu Boggs, Mollie Nowland, Estella Jarman, Evelyn Brinsfield, Dora Loller, Maggie Clements, May Jones, Viola Moffett, Ida Weeks, Bessie Cooper, Messrs. E. and Robt. Cooper, Geo. Jones, Walter Moffett, S. Pearson, Wm. Silcox, Goldie Carey, Hubbard Brinsfield, Robert Lusby, Jack Lockwood, and many others.

Miss Mary Cavender, of Smyrna, is visiting Miss Lulu Boggs.

Miss Mollie Nowland gave a musical entertainment at her home last Monday evening to her class, Prof. Pearson, of Rolph's wharf, being in attendance.

Mrs. Wootters has returned home after a delightful visit to her two daughters, the Misses Johnson, near Masseys.

Mr. Davis has a very sick little boy. The doctors say he has the scarlet fever.

Mrs. Lockerman is improving slowly, and it is hoped that she will recover soon.

Mr. Lusby Loller, of near Crumpton, returned Wednesday after a pleasant visit to Mr. Robert Lusby.

Miss Bessie Cooper is visiting her sister, Mrs. Bennett, of Melitota, who has been very sick, but is now better.

The next social is to be at Miss Mollie Nowland's and all are invited to attend.

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A young man and a young lady drove to the parsonage here Wednesday night and Rev. J. C. Sedwick soon made them one.

Mr. W. E. Jarrell's feed mill was considerably damaged by a chain passing into the receptacle, breaking several bars and a wheel. It has been repaired.

Mr. J. D. Burris, of near Chestertown, recently lost four nice geese by thieves.

LOCUST GROVE NOTES.

Mrs. H. R. Crisfield, of Locust Grove, gave a most enjoyable dance at her home last Thursday evening. To the sweet strains of the guitar and mouth harp and violin, played by Prof. Ropha and Mr. Andrew Medders, they tripped the light fantastic until the wee small hours of the morning. Among the dancers we noticed Clifton and Edmund Hurtt, John Hurlock, Dan Jones, Chas. Biddle, Ross Willbank, John Moffett, John Robinson, Andrew Medders, Tom Rolpka and other gentlemen; Mrs. R. H. Crisfield and Miss Etta Crisfield. A very pleasant time was spent.

The Corey Y met at the home of Mrs. Charles Hill on Wednesday evening last with much success, as another new member joined the band. The next meeting will be held at the home of the Misses Price.

Dr. J. H. Kelley, who has been very ill, is slowly improving.

Mr. and Mrs. John L. Sylvanus are visiting their parents Mr. and Mrs. W. Kelley.

Miss Irene Gooding spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents near Chestertown.

Miss Blanche Sutton is visiting friends near Chestertown.

Rich Neck Items.

Dr. J. H. G. Weedon, of Church Hill, has purchased of Mr. Clough, of Crumpton, a fine horse for $200 and a Belton mare of Jos. Wallace for $175.

The Epworth League of Union M. E. Church, have elected these officers: President, Edw. P. Jester; cabinet, C. H. Jefferson, Mrs. Annie Jester, J. B. Hazell, Miss Lizzie Jefferson; sec., C. W. Kibler; treas., A. Thawley.

Our revival resulted in 11 conversions and the "quickening" of the church. We on this side of the Chester want Bro. Compton to serve us next year. The Wilmington Conference has but few abler ministers.

Sunday school officers were elected as follows: Supt., Mr. Dewberry; assistant, Mr. J. B. Hazell; organist, Miss Sallie Tucker; librarian, Norman Jefferson.

Mr. Geo. B. Twilley, of your town, is a frequent visitor to the Neck and gives some delightful songs and short talks.

ROCK HALL LOCALS.

To that bourn from which no traveler ever returns, has gone Mr. Samuel B. Stevens, his departure occurring Friday 15th, aged about 80 years. "Uncle Sammy," as he was familiarly called, was a man of esteemed worth and excellent character, wise in counsel, discreet in judgement, and kind and obliging to all; respected as a citizen and loved as a neighbor. He had been a long and patient sufferer, and after many weeks of pain and prostration his energies finally yielded to a more potent power and death ended the contest. He had been a member of the M. E. church for many years, but recently, after mature deliberation, he withdrew therefrom and joined the Adventist faith, therein continuing his upright walk. The pure flowers that surrounded his bier were not more pure than the teachings of his life. The songs sung about his remains were not fuller of meaning than is the story of his life. The sermon and recitalls of the Reverend gentleman, who conducted the ceremonies at the house and grave, could not more fittingly have been bestowed. He was all that could be asked for—an honest man, a good christian, an indulgent father and a devoted husband. The funeral took place Monday afternoon at his late residence, in the presence of a large assembly. The services were conducted by Elder S. B. Horton. Interment at the M. P. cemetery, the pall-bearers being Messrs. Wesley K. Ayres, Dominick K. Ayres, Wm. W. Coleman, John W. Judefind, Nicholas Drear and John C. Legg. The deceased leaves a widow and five children all of whom are grown. They are William, John W., Samuel B., Romie N. and Mrs. Lillian Downey.

Democrats and Republicans of this place are making all the political capital possible for their respective parties out of the fish law controversy, the former claiming that their party leaders were the first to clear away the mist, while the latter claim that their party leaders were entitled to the honor. Certain it is that Mr. H. R. Strong, who is largely interested in the fishing business, had information from Ex-Comptroller Smith that a license to take fish with a gill net for any part of the bay, was unnecessary and this information was received nearly a week before such information was obtained from Republican headquarters. Notwithstanding Mr. Smith's favorable opinion some of the fishermen are still hesitating about beginning operations in the bay waters, with or without a license. They claim that according to the reading of the law they cannot operate beyond the 800 yard limit. This was 'Squire Beck's opinion when questioned on the matter, "but," said he, "if you want to fish, go ahead, and if you are arrested and brought before me I guarantee that I will clear you." It is understood that Capt. Stevens has instructions to arrest any one found fishing in the waters of the bay without a license, and as he knows nothing but obedience, it is safe to say that he will run in the first one so found, unless he has since been instructed otherwise.

The fish law is certainly a most outrageous one, gotton up it seems by parties in Cecil and Harford counties, and in a secret way rushed through the Legislature almost unknown to the lower counties, who are just as largely interested in fishing. The thanks of many of our fishermen are eminently due, and hereby extended to Hon. M. deK. Smith, for his promptness in accepting the management of our cause.

Over a week's continual stormy weather and still our oyster buyers are nearly all laid up in the city with cargoes of oysters waiting for a price that will save them from further losses.

In our midst there is an epidemic of colds, coughs and sore throat.

Very much complaint is heard about the scarcity of water in the wells of this neighborhood. Mr. Geo. Sewell's well became dry last August and so remains. It has been one of the best flowing wells around here, but since many others have been sunk in his immediate vicinity, and deeper than his, it is completely played out.

Capt. Geo. T. Sewell, while awaiting an opportunity to secure a load of oysters, is engaged in building a boat for Mr. Chas. Elburn, and a "notion," for his own use.

Snowdrifts Twenty Feet High.

During the recent blizzard in North Dakota the cold was intense and the wind attained a frightful velocity, piling up the snow mountain high and packing it as solid as ice. Mighty drifts were formed all along the line, completely covering in places the tops of telegraph poles. Near Fargo there was one stretch three miles long, where the snow was piled and packed to the height of twenty feet. The rotary snow plows were powerless to buck this huge drift, and the work of clearing the track had to be performed by hand. So solidly was the snow packed that it had to be quarried like rock. When the work was accomplished the passengers were treated to the novelty of riding through a three-mile snow cut, the walls of which rose perpendicular to the height of ten feet above the coaches. In several places the mountain of snow was tunneled, leaving a perfectly solid arch. Through these tunnels the trains passed safely, the passengers experiencing the novel sensation of being plunged into darkness on a rolling prairie in broad daylight.

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FAIRLEE NOTES.

An orgnization known as the Fairlee Conclave, Improved Order Heptasophs was formed in the town hall here on last Friday evening week with the following charter members: Messrs. W. G. Skirven, Joseph Peterson, James L. Beck, Jeremiah Miller, Alex. Bacon, Wm. Vansant, Harry E. Cooper, S. H. Todd, John L. Lewis, John W. McIntyre, Harry C. Willis, Jesse Usilton, John W. Kelley, Marcus J. Ascher, W. Bell, Chas. H. Crew, A. M. Kendall, Frank Crow, Geo. S. Bacon and others. The following are the officers elect: sitting archon, Harry C. Willis; archon, Jesse Usilton; sec'y, Joseph Peterson; financier, A. M. Kendall; provost, Jeremiah Miller; treas., John L. Lewis; prelate, W. G. Skirven; Inspector, F. Crow; warder, Chas. H. Crow; sentinel, ——; trustees, James L. Beck, Alex. Bacon and Wm. Vansant. The financier and treasurer are each required to give heavy bond. A committee of one, Mr. Jerry Miller, was appointed to look after a lodge room and report at the next meeting which was held yesterday evening in town hall, The meetings will be held once a week for one month and then semi-monthly. In about three weeks a grand musical and literary entertainment is proposed, after which ice cream, cake, &c. will be served.

Salem M. E. Sunday School elected the officers for the ensuing year, last Sunday, viz.: Supt., J. C. Staats; assistant supt., Walter B. Barns; sec'y, Miss Zadie Lee; treas., Miss Carrie I. Smyth; librarian, Charlton Kidd; organist, Miss Maud Hasson; chorister, Mrs. J. C. Staats.

Quarterly Conference Saturday, (today,) at 2.30 p. m. for Salem and Union charge. Alfred Smith, D. D., and P. E., of Easton District, will conduct love feast at Salem at 9.30 a. m. to-morrow, (Sunday,) and will preach at 10.30. Some special music will be rendered.

Three marriages one evening last week at the parsonage, by J. B. Merritt, D. D. This would seem to be a number for one evening, but the Dr. says during his ministery he has frequently joined as many in Holy wedlock on one and the same evening.

Serenades have been around this week.

Quite a pleasant evening was spent at the home of Capt. and Mrs. Albert L. Corey on last Tuesday evening by a number of friends from around our tawn. Games, and various amusements were entered into right heartily.

It is reported that Mr. Wm. J. T. Keyser and Mr. G. W. Bramble think of opening a shop for repairs of wind mills, machinery, &c., and in connection will carry on the plumbing business.

Mr. Herman Klien has built a very pretty bateau.

Mrs. Walter F. Sparks is critically ill at her father's home in Chestertown.

Lewin Johnson, a lively colored man, took from the hand of Constable Smyth some money as he was passing to P. M., John L. Lewis, this week, gestingly. On the same line the officer feigned an arrest and if there ever was a penitent, Lewin was. WEST END.

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5 cents buys 1 Package ROLLED OATS.....5 cents.
25 cents buys 1 Pound Santos Roasted Coffee.....25 cents.
4½ cents buys 1 Pound Granulated Sugar.....4½ cents.
2 cents buys 1 Pint of Vinegar.....2 cents.
9 cents buy 1 Pound Fruit Crackers.....9c cents.
5 cents buys 6 Good Lemons.....5 cents.
1 cent buys 1 Spool of Thread.....1 cent.
7 cents a Pound for Sugar cured Hams.....7 cents.
2 cents buys Postage Stamp and Postal Card at SMITH'S.....2 cents.
8 cents buys 1 cake Babbitt's Soap and 2 Bottles Blud.....8 cents.

5 Cents Buys Package Rolled Oats, 5 Cents.

10 cents buys 1 Box Shreded Whole Wheat.....10 cents.
5 cents buys 2 Pounds Dried Prunes.....5 cents.
23 cents buys 5 Pounds Granulated Sugar.....23 cents.
9 cents buys 1 Can Tomatoes and 1 Box Yeast Powder.....9 cents.
2 cents buys 1 Bag Smoking Tobacco, same as "Mail Pouch"...2 cents.
7 cents buys 1 Pound of Country Lard, 3 for 20c.....7 cents.
5 cents buys 1 Spool Clark's Cotton and 1 Spool Thread.....5 cents.
10 cents buys 1 dozen Finest Lemons.....10 cents.
4 cents buys 1 quart of Vinegar.....4 cents.
33 cents buys 1 Gallon Coal Oil and 1 Glass Can, Tin-covered 33 cents.

7 cts. a Pound for Sugar Cured Hams, 7 cts.

15 cents buys 1 Bag Smith's Family Flour.....15 cents.
9 cents buys 1 Pound Chocolate and Vanilla Caramels.....9 cents.
$1.50 buys 1 Box 100 Paper Wrapped Cigars, $2.50 vale.....$1.50.
$1.00 buys 22 Pounds Finest American Granulated Sugar.....$1.00
13 cents buys 1 Pound Chocolate Drops.....13 cents.
5 cents buys 1 Pound Gum Candy.....5 cents.
23 cents buys 1 lb. Creamery Buttter, 2 for 45c.....23 cents.
18 cents buys 4 Pounds Granulated Sugar.....18 cents.
13 cents buys 1 Gallon Syrup.....13 cents.
50 cents buys 1 Pound Lowney's Best Caromels.....50 cents.

4½c. Buys American Granulated Sugar 4½c.

4 cents buys 1 Bottle Best Yeast Powder.....4 cents.
15 cents buys Cox's or Nelson's Gelatine.....15 cents.
5 cents buys Ginger Snaps and Nicnacs.....5 cents.
8 cents buys Medium Size Lamp Burner and Wick.....8 cents.
10 cents buys Large Size Lamp Burner and Wick.....10 cents.
5 cents buys Small Size Lamp Burner and Wick.....5 cents.
8 cents buys 1 Pound of Pig's Feet.....8 cents.
3 cents buys 1 Pint of Beans.....3 cents.
5 cents buys 2 Bags Smoking Tobacco.....5 cents.
25 cents buys 11 Pounds Buckwheat.....25 cents.
25 cents buys 7 Pounds Clear Starch.....25 cents.

25 Cents Buys 7 Pounds Starch, 25 Cents.

While in Baltimore last week I goot a Job Lot of Cigars. Good TEN CENT CIGARS I CAN, WILL and DO SELL at FIVE CENTS. This is a remnant of the MALTBY HOUSE STOCK, and is called the MALTBY TEN CENTERS. Come and see it. FIVE CENTS EACH. Also, we purchased of manufacturer a few Cigars very, very cheap, and will use this lot as a leader. BRISSH TUCK CIGARS, 5 cents each, oa 8 for 25 cents. Stop smoking 2 fors and pay hardly any more money and get a Nickle Cigar, almost 2 for 5 cents.

4 Cents Buys Package Yeast Powder, 4 Cts.

If you never used Shreded Whole Wheat do so. If you suffer with Dyspepsia use Shreded Whole Wheat. 10 cents a box. Reduced from 15c.

Heinz's 10c. Pickles, your choice.....7 cents.
Thursday from 10 to 12 and 7 to 9 o'clock.
Heinz's 10c. Catsup all this week.....7 cents

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