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PROGRAMME OF THE

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MORNING SESSION.

1. Roll Call—Minutes.
2. Music—Miss S. Blanche McKnett.
3. Reading—Miss Helena Link.
4. Essay—Miss Katharine Parsons.
5. Paper—"Disadvantages of Too Rapid Promotion"—Mr. Thomas H. Topping. Discussion—Miss Virginia Johnson, Miss Helen Power, Miss Jeannette Gooding.
6. Music—Miss Laura Thomas.
7. Recitation—Miss Irene H. Gooding.
8. Blackboard Exercises—"Factoring in Algebra"—Prof. Henry Tonkin.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

1. Roll Call.
2. Music by Association—"My Country 'Tis of Thee."
3. Reading—Miss Arsula Moffett.
4. Paper—"What should Be Required of a Reading Class"—Mr. Milton Melvin. Discussion—Prof. Wm. M. Watts, Mrs. Eleanora B. Blount, Mr. John F. Copper.
5. Recitation—Miss Louise B. Price.
6. Queries by Association.

All Teachers are expected to respond if called upon.

WILLIAM G. SMYTH, PRES'T.

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STILL POND MATTERS.

Mrs. J. C. Rasin has been visiting her friend, Mrs. Benson in Harford county.

A meeting of those interested in the church music will be held this evening at 8 o'clock, at Mrs. J. W. Harper's, for the purpose of re-organizing the choir and arranging for Easter music.

Wm. Medders & Co., will hold their spring opening next Monday. With a new store, new goods and a new season, this store is in an ideal position to please old patrons and attract new custom. Business particulars are given in another column of this issue.

The large attendance of 122 at Sunday school last Sunday morning was a gratifying proof of the activity of the organization and the success of our energetic Superintendent, J. W. Harper, Esq.

A. J. Hackett is kept very busy just now acting as plow dentist, as it were, for all the farmers around.

Miss D. A. Crossley is visiting friends at different points this week. W.

Melitota Items.

Mr. John Corey has set out some new trees and has made other perceptive improvements in his lawn.

Mrs. Samuel Loller is very much improved at this writing.

Miss Nickerson, our school teacher, spent last Saturday and Sunday with Miss Casey, of Chestertown.

Mr. Fowler, our postmaster, is still confined to his house with la grippe.

Examiner Smyth visited our school last week and as usual he received a very cordial welcome from his former scholars.

Mr. Clarence Kelley, who has been suffering with neuralgia, is much improved at this writing.

EAST END.

ECHOES OF CONFERENCE.

How the Ministers Were Received at Chestertown.

The Wilmington ministers who attended the session of the Wilmington M. E. Conference at Chestertown are loud in their praise of the manner in which they were entertained.

The session of conference brought an unexpected boom to the industries of Chestertown.

In the first place the police force was out in full number—two men—to preserve the order of the staid old town, which to the casual observer appears to never have had any trouble. But it has. The force during the stay of the preachers kept uniforms and helmets in the best possible condition. One thing was noticeable, that the policemen wore belts. One guardian of the peace explained that the mere presence of a belt, while it was uncomfortable, had a good effect upon certain citizens.

"Besides," he said, "it makes you look more like a policeman." When asked about the number of arrests generally made during a week the policeman said that as high as seven have been made recently, but the average is generally three. The most frequent causes for arrest are disorderly conduct.

The large number of negroes in the town was commented upon by one visitor. The colored men are a polite, quiet, orderly class, and the policeman stated that they give very little trouble. This, he thought, was due to the absence of saloons. The officers also were profuse in their efforts to make the visitors' stay pleasant.

One incident which occurred during the week gave evidence of a strict attention to business upon the part of a peace guardian. A policeman, after having shown all points of interest and advanced all information regarding the town, was invited to partake of some ice cream.

"No, thank you," he said; "I can't get off duty that long."

A walk was then taken up the main street past the magistrate's office. Noticing a crowd about the door, the visitor inquired the trouble.

"We have a very important case on hand," explained the policeman. "Two boys stole $2.47 from a Chinaman and they are having a hearing."

When the large reward for the capture of the escaped negro Schofield was spoken of, the officer exclaimed: "Gosh! but I would like to capture that man. It's not the money I want, but look at the glory I would get."

One thing caused by the great number of visitors was an advance in the barbers' prices. The number of customers was more than the barbers could handle, and on Saturday night an advance was made in prices. But this did not have any perceptible effect on the customers.

A matter which came to the attention of two visitors—not ministers—was the agitation among the preachers to learn the result of the prize fight. Some of them were anxious to learn who was the victor. Both young and old were concerned, and it was proposed to send a telegram to this city to learn the result. The project was not carried out, and the ministers went to bed without knowing the name of the winning fighter. Two ministers held an impromptu bout for the amusement of the others, but no knockout blows were administered.

One thing noticeable was the absence of the proverbial yellow-legged chicken from the fields. It was not learned whether they took to flight at the approach of the preachers or not.

The fish dealers were much in evidence, on the main street. They displayed fresh shad from the Chester river, and apparently they did a good business.

One popular young Wilmington preacher started a marble-playing contest between several colored boys for a prize.

If there was anybody who was glad the conference was held at Chestertown, it was the bootblack. One lad earned $12 during the week, and there were several rainy days on which no business could be done. The hotels, the railroads and livery stables also profited by the conference.

One matter of comment was the number of young women who attended the religious services at night. During the day but few girls could be seen, but at nights they turned out in force. An explanation of this was given by a resident of the town. He said the people came from all over the county to Chestertown to attend church during conference.—*Morning News.*

FAIRLEE NOTES.

The order of the day seems to be the cleaning of yards. On every hand may be seen the curling smoke, indicating that the debris of a winter's accumulation is being consumed by the fire.

We have just learned that on next Saturday evening, April 10, Dr. J. B. Merritt, assisted by Evangelist Rev. W. Galoway, will begin a series of revival services to run through a week or two, or as the interest justifies.

Mr. O. B. Chrisfield, of Galena, is busily engaged making extensive mechanical repairs on the Rees' Corner farm, tenanted by Mr. Robt. C. Morgan.

Mr. Chas. Case, of Del., visited Mr. Jas. Bramble on last Sunday and attended our village church taking part in the service.

Our postmaster visited Betterton the past week.

Junior Order of Mechanics will organize in a few days.

The Heptasophs are in a flourishing condition, meeting every Monday.

Mrs. J. B. Merritt fell while coming down stairs a few days ago, but luckily did not injure herself seriously.

Mrs. E. A. Kendall is spending a while with her daughter, Mrs. D. P. Jones, in Chestertown.

The roads are in a very fair condition and bicycle riders are taking advantage of them.

Arbor Day is approaching and programs are being arranged from Dan to Bersheba—good.

Easter is close at hand. Its arrival means for the 'fair sex' to don their pretty new bonnets. The churches are beginning to arrange their Easter services. WEST END.

Electric Lights, too Costly.

The following correspondence has passed between the town commissioners and Mr. Mandeville who wishes to place a plant here:

J. I. Case Threshing Machine Co.,
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March 10th, 1897.

Mr. Chas. T. Westcott, Chestertown, Md.

Dear Sir:—I am looking for a location to build and operate an Electric Light Plant, and have been informed that there is an opening for an enterprise of this kind in your city, and have been referred to you as President of the Town Board, for information in regard to this matter. The main questions are: Does your city want an enterprise of this kind, and how many Arc Lamps for street lighting will the city contract for? If you want a plant in your city and will give it business enough to warrant building it, I am ready to put it in and opearate it. You would I should suppose, want not less than twenty-five Arc Lamps, for lighting your streets, and provided your city took not less than this number, I will furnish 2000 candle power, all night Arc Lamps for $90 each per annum. or 2000 candle power Arc Lamps to burn until mid-night for $75 each per annum. I should like to hear from you at an early date, as I expect to come East within the next two or three weeks, and would visit your city if there was a prospect of our making a deal.

Yours Truly,
E. E. MANDEVILLE.

Chestertown, Md., Mar. 26, 1897.

Mr. E. E. Mandeville, Racine, Wisconsin.

Dear Sir:—Your letter relative to Electric Lights has been received and considered by the Board of Commissioners, and I am requested to say in reply, that the assessed value of property in Chestertown subject to town taxation, is below one million dollars; that the maxium tax that can be laid is fixed by law at 35 cents on the hundred dollars; that our present rate is 25 cents; that the present fixed annual necessary expenses for police, water, for fire protection, salary of collector, amount to about $1800; that our present 58 street lamps cost about $500 per annum. With this condition before them, the Commissioners do not see how it would be possible for them to contract with you for Electric Light at a cost of $2250 per annum. The town would want all night lights, and much doubt has been expressed whether 25 Arc Lights would be as satisfactory as the present light. There are over thirty street crossings, and many blocks would require more than one light. The Commissioners are unanimously in favor of Electric Light but until the assessable values increase or Electric Light becomes cheaper, they are compelled to refrain from making a contract such as your letter stipulates.

Yours rsspectfully,
CHAS. T. WESTCOTT, President
Commissioners of Chestertown.

Levy Court, March 30th.—The following accounts were passed: Samuel Todd, to two month's service as commissioner, $85; Wm. Swetman and wife, first district, pension, $40; Joseph E. Boyd, constable, fees in State cases, $6.27; E. E. Hudson, nails, spikes, etc., $13.23; Isaac J. Jones, road work in second district, $9.60; Samuel B. Latham, road work in second district, $15.63; W. S. Walker, road work in second district, $36.98; Daniel Hill, three month's service as commissioner, $125; H. Theodore Jewell, J. P., fees in State cases, $8.75; Joseph Duyer, road work in third district, $16.95; John C. Davis, road work in fourth district, $38.75; Joseph J. Kendall, hauling lumber for Chester bridge, $2.50; B. N. S. Wilkins, J. P., fees in State cases, $9.30; T. Walters Russell, secretary to joint boards of Commissioners, $102.15; Thos. A. Hudson, road work in fifth district, $10.00; Jackson Davis, constable, fees in State cases, $16.50; James McClusky, taxes paid in error in '96, $3.99; L. J. Legg, taxes paid in error in '96, $4.60; Marie A. Smith, taxes paid in error in '96, $4.

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All Next Week BATTLE AXE TOBACCO 20 cents pound.

All Next Week EVEN CHANGE TOBACCO 20 cents pound.

NEWSBOY 30 cents pound, a Rare Bargain.

BELLE OF NORTH CAROLINA 40 cents pound.

HONEY CUT 45 cents pound.

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Yeast Powder 4 cents a bottle. Hominy 1 cent a Pint. Buckwheat 1½ cents pound. Jelly 5 cent Tin Bucket for 3 cents. French Blacking 3 cents box, 3 boxes for 5 cents. Octagon Soap 3 Bars for 10 cents. Buttermilk Soap 3 cents cake. Fine Toilet Soap 2 cakes for 5 cents.

VANILLA SYRUP at 25c. per Gallon simply is great. One trial solicited. Special Prices an Barrel Lot Syrup, Coal Oil and Flour.

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is doubling its sales every week.

Good Spool Cotton 1 cent. True Blue Yeast Powder 4 cents. Dish Wash Mop and Door Stop 5c. each. Four-hole Mouse-trap 5 cents. Lima Beans 19 cents gallon. Northern Seed Potatoes 25 cents basket. A Columbia Hot or Cold Bread Knife worth 25 cents for 9 cents. Gold Band Cup and Saucer for 10 cents. This week Writing Pen's 5 cents dozen, or 1 dozen Lead Pencil and 1 dozen Pens all for 10 cents. Six-foot Carriage Whip 15 cents. Good Rice 5 cents.

DRINK Mocha or Java Coffee. We've got it.

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The Best and Purest TEAS in town. We've got it.

And you ought to buy them at SMITH'S because he is a cash buyer and a cash seller, and this is the only way goods can be sold low. "Cash, oh what a Power."

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RUMFORD'S YEAST POWDER, largest size, 10c. bottle.

Three-pound can APPLE BUTTER 10 cents can.

ENTERPRISE COFFEE down to 12½c. 2 pounds for 25c.

Don't fail to eat our WHITE COCOANUT CREAM TAFFY 13c. lb. All the Girls eat it.

$2.00 will buy this week and this week only 20 Pounds Granulated Sugar, 8 Pounds Coffee, 3 Cakes Buttermilk Soap 1 Box of Oat Meal and 3 Boxes Blacking.

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