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POVERTY SOCIAL!

To be held at Mrs. H. G. TARBUTTON'S, WEDNESDAY EVENING, April 14th, 1897. A cordial invitation extended to all. Proceeds for the benefit of the M. P. Church at McGinnis, Md. Admission 10 cents. 1t.

KENNEDYVILLE HALL, April 23d and 24th

ENTERTAINMENT!
EASTER SALE; SUPPER!

The ladies of Shrewsbury Parish will give an Entertainment in Kennedyville Hall by "The PEAK SISTERS, a Fan Drill, &c., on Friday evening, April 23d. Doors open 7 P. M. Admission, adults 10c.; children 5c. And a SUPPER Saturday, 6 to 9 P. M. Refreshments and useful and fancy articles for sale both evenings. Admission free. Supper 25c.

FUN! FUN! FUN!

The Ladies of Massey's P. E. Church will present TWO LAUGHING COMEDIES in

Galena Hall, - Thursday, April 22
Millington Hall, - Saturday, April 24.

——Entitled——

DINNER AT SIX!
AND
"LOVE OF A BONNET!"

A Humorous Recitation will be given at Millington by MISS GRACE WHALAND, a lady of marked elocutionary talent, of Chestertown. Admission 25c.; Reserved Seats 35c.; Children under 12 years, 10c. Proceeds for benefit Masseys P. E. Church.

GRAND DRAMATIC ENTERTAINMENT!

TO BE GIVEN BY THE

Teachers and Students of Washington College, in Stam's Hall,

On FRIDAY, APRIL 30th, 1897,

The Standard Play,

"THE LADY OF LYONS!"

will be produced, and the entertainment will surpass anything ever attempted by the college.

Admission . . . 35 cts. for all.

No extra charge for reserved seats. Proceeds for benefit of Athletic Association.

License Notice!

To Merchants, Traders and Others.

ALL PERSONS and Bodies Corporate or Politic in Kent county, who are or shall be exercising or pursuing any business, or shall be doing any act or thing, or shall be in the occupation of any house or place for any purpose for which a license is mads necessary by the laws of Maryland, are hereby warned to OBTAIN A LICENSE OR RENEW SAME ON OR BEFORE

THE FIRST DAY OF MAY, 1897,

under the penalty prescribed by said laws for the infraction thereof.

JAMES A. CASEY,
a10-3t. SHERIFF OF KENT COUNTY.

Bicycles.

All Makes of Second-Hand Bicycles at Rock Bottom Prices.

All Wheels in Good Serviceable Condition.

WM. H. COLE & SONS,
13 S. CHARLES ST.,
BALTIMORE, MD.

If You Wish to Buy Very Cheap

A Traction Engine,
Wheat Thresher,
Saw Mill, or a
Boiler and Engine

of the VERY BEST MAKE write to or call on

Grier Brothers,
SALISBURY, MD.

Also Headquarter for Planers, Flooring Machines, Shafting, Pulleys, Belting, Basket Machinery and Grate Bars.

GRIER BROTHERS,
a3-3m. SALISBURY, MD

FOR SALE.

A FINE BUILDING LOT
on Queen Street in Chestertown, 91x100 feet. Terms liberal. Apply at
a10-3t. NEWS OFFICE.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC!

I wish to announce to all persons attending Court that I will make special arrangements to furnish them with LUNCH at all hours, also DINNER with OYSTERS or Oysters alone, at reasonable prices. I am also prepared to accommodate BOARDERS by the day or week. Boarding house. Market Space, No. 18, opposite *Transcript* office. I will endeavor to please.

MRS. W. O. B. KNIGHT.
a10-4t*. Formerly Matron of Almshouse.

FOR SALE:

25,000 2-year-old Asparagus Crowns,

from my Large Variety of French Grass.

Also, 1 Yearling HOLSTEIN BULL, entitled to registry.

F. P. COCHRAN,
a10-3t. Galena, Md.

$5.00 REWARD!

Lost on the road between Centreville and Chestertown, a GENTLEMAN'S DRESS SUIT CASE. No name on case. The owners' name, W. SKINNER, on a transfer card attached to the handle, also on the fly-leaf of an index book on the inside. Case contains Clothing, Shoes and other articles of Gentleman's wearing apparel. $5.00 will be given the person returning the same to

J. E. ARMSTRONG,
a10-3t. Chestertown, Md.

THE REMODELED

ARMSTRONG HOUSE

The old and well-known hostelry, the Armstrong House, has been remodeled, repainted and repapered from top to bottom, and we wish to announce to our friends in Kent and neighboring counties that we are in the old business at the old place. The house is thoroughly renovated and the table will be First-class. The Black Rasin Stables have been rented, put in order, and a FIRST-CLASS LIVERY will be conducted in connection with the house. Water closets and all necessary conveniences will be found in the house.

ARMSTRONG & SPARKS,
a10-3t. Armstrong House, Chestertown, Md.

ELECTION NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Baltimore and Delaware Bay Railroad Company for the election of a BOARD of DIRECTORS to serve for the coming year will be held at the office of the Company in Chestertown, Maryland, on SATURDAY the 8th day of May 1897, at 11 o'clock A. M.

JAMES KNOX, Secretary.
New York, April 7th, 1897.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC!

I have returned to Chestertown, established a Shop adjoining Vandegrift's Barber Shop, and am now ready to serve the public in REPAIRING and MAKING SHOES. Prices to suit everybody. Give me a call.

WILLIAM McCAIG,
a3-4t. Chestertown, Md.

WANTED:

A WHITE GIRL to Cook and do General Housework in a family of three. Good reference required.

Address, BOX 113,
m27-3t. Chestertown, Md.

WANTED:

A GOOD, RELIABLE AGENT

to represent a first-class Life Insurance Company in Kent county. Address

S. M. BLOUNT,
m20. 401 Herald Building, Baltimore, Md.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

MISSES WILLIE and LOU MOFFETT

wish to announce to their friends and the public, that they will succeed Mrs. M. E. Blackiston of Millington, Kent county, Maryland, in the MILLINERY business, the 1st of April, and solicit their patronage.

They will also continue DRESSMAKING.

Give us a call. m20-3m.*

BEST VARIETIES, BEST PRICES!

CABBAGE, doz., 5c.; 100., 25c.; 1000, $2.50; Early Wakefield, New Flat Early, Henderson's Early Summer; Early Flat Dutch, Succession and others. TOMATOES, doz., 10c.; 100, 30c.; 1000, $2.50; Extra Early Red, Livingston's Early Red, Fordhook First, New Queen and others. CAULIFLOWER, Celery, Egg Plants, etc., at same prices. SWEET POTATOES, 100, 18c.; 1000 $1.50; Early Carolina, Yellow Jersey.

Cheaper plants later. ORDER NOW.

New Chrysanthemums, 3c. each.

Large Roses 5c. each.

Satisfaction guaranteed.

WILLIAM M. WATTS,
a10-tf. Still Pond, Md.

Road Examiners' Notice.

The undersigned having been appointed by the Commissioners of Kent county Examiners to enter upon, view and determine whether the public convenience will be promoted by the Widening of the Public Road from "Mowbray's Chapel" to the gate leading into the farm of William T. Brown, known as the "Nichols' Farm" as petitioned for by some of the citizens and taxpayers of the Seventh District, hereby give notice to whom it may concern, that

On TUESDAY, 4th day of May, 1897,

AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK A. M.,

they will meet at said Chapel to discharge their duties under said commission.

ROBERT COMLY,
S. F. SMITH,
WM. H. BROWN,
April 10, 1897-4t. EXAMINERS.

CHEAP PLANTS
FOR THE GARDEN.

Send 50 Cents for This Assortment.

6 Plants each, (seedlings), Aster, Calendula, Carnation, Cosmos, China Pink, Castor Oil Bean, Gaillardia, Petunia, Salvia, Snapdragon, Scabiosa, Wall Flower, Larkspur, Zinnia, other varieties, if wanted. Half of the above list for 25 cents. 200 Plants for $1.00. Also Cannas $1.00 dozen, Roses $1.00 dozen, Geraniums $1.00 dozen, Gladiolas 25 cents dozen, Tuberose 25 cents dozen, Dahlias $1.00 dozen, Flower Seed 8 papers for 25 cents, Vegetable Seed and Vegetable Plants.

Designs for Funerals, Weddings and Parties shipped to any address. Send us your order. Satisfaction guaranteed. Cash with order.

THOMAS VINCENT, FLORIST,
m27-3m.* 834 West Balto. St., Balto., Md.

Notes About Town.

New Cars were placed on the Kent railroad yesterday — two coaches and smoker. Thank you, Colonel.

Several shares of stock of the Kent County Savings Bank were sold at private sale this week for $121, par value $100. This bank is not quite four years old.

The "Buzzard's Roost," corner of Cross and Cannon street is soon to be torn away. Mr. J. K. Aldridge has purchased the same and will improve the property. Rebecca Ringgold and family moved out Wednesday.

Work on the new Catholic rectory has been commenced by the Messrs. Culp. The old parsonage will be removed.

The Armstrong House has been renovated from garret to cellar and Messrs. Armstrong & Sparks will open the same to the public about April 20th. The rooms have been repainted and papered and thoroughly cleaned so the house is like a new one. Mr. John Armstrong is well-known to the traveling public and will give his personal attention to the Chestertown house. The firm have rented the Rasin stables and are prepared to board and care for horses.

Mr. James W. Chapman is improving his cozy home on Mill street. Col. Howard is giving the residence a new coat of paint and Mr. Wm. S. Carroll is doing the carpenter's work. A few nights ago Mr. C. returned home, and failing to notice the obstruction in front of his porch, fell and was considerably bruised. Mr. C. G. Howard also fell in the "trap" in calling to see Mr. C.

Mr. G. B. McWhorter has greatly improved his newly acquired property on Washington avenue. New fences, clean yards, paint, etc., have transformed this old home into a modern residence.

Mr. Walter W. Pippin is erecting a pretty new residence on his lot on Washington avenue adjoining Mr. S. Hicks. The house will be ornamented and finished in the latest improved style and Mr. Pippin will give to the public an example of his taste and workmanship. The building is not intended to be costly but neat, simple and convenient.

A depositor in one of the town banks recently dropped $15 on the floor which was picked up by the janitor and reported to the cashier. The loser wrote to the bank and received the glad news that the money was there. No reward was offered.

The change wrought on Cannon street in repairing the old house heretofore occupied by Mr. E. T. Willis is quite marked. This house has been painted red, whereas it was white; a back building has been added, a front porch with railing erected, fences repaired and the whole made fit for two families. Mr. Charles E. Roland has improved his house on the same street by painting the same. Mr. F. H. Howard did the work.

A gentleman, residing at Mr. Joseph Sutton's, was thrown from his wagon while in Chestertown Saturday and both wheels passed over his body. Friends went to his assistance but he did not seem to be very much hurt and continued on his course.

Barber Jones In Trouble.—Barber Jones, who removed from Court street, Chestertown, last fall with a charge of selling liquor resting over him, has gotten into trouble down at Crisfield. A dispatch on Wednesday says: "J. T. Jones was arrested last night and committed to jail. Jones is accused of breaking into the stores of Miss Carrie Gunby, Saltz Bros. and M. Cohen, in Crisfield, Monday night. The robbery was discovered the next morning and suspicion pointed to Jones as he was leaving in the boat of John Wessels for the Western Shore. Bailiff McCready, with two men, rowed after the boat, and as the wind was not brisk overhauled her at the lighthouse. Captain Wessels wanted to know what was the matter, and he was quietly put into possession of the facts. The vessel was searched, but no goods were found on board. Capt. Wessels then proceeded as far as Kedge's straits, but, thinking he might be implicated in the affair, returned to Old Island. Meanwhile the barber shop of Jones had been searched, and as the goods were found there it was considered sufficient evidence for his arrest. No further arrests have been made, though others are supposed to be implicated in the robbery.

County Treasurer's Work.—Treasurer W. D. Burchinal reports a smaller amount of taxes in default this year, excepting one year, than ever before since the new treasury system has been in operation. On the first day of April he turned over to Sheriff Casey uncollected taxes for 1896 as follows:

Districts.	State.	County.
First	$91 29	$495 45
Second	86 42	455 01
Third	91 38	478 19
Fourth	20 58	106 28
Chestertown	23 91	128 12
Fifth	48 59	263 77
Total	$362 17	$2,026 82

For '95 the total turned over	$4,077 90
" '94 " "	1,631 92
" '93 " "	3,572 12
" '92 " "	3,018 18
" '91 " "	2,852 98
" '90 " "	2,768 19

The treasury system has been in operation seven years.

Reception.—Rev. Dr. C. A. Grise and family were given a reception by the Epworth League in the Chestertown M. E. Church last Tuesday evening. Mr. W. Bradford Copper and wife, Mr. M. W. Thomas and Miss Anna G. Lambert were the receiving committee and in a little while made Dr. Grise and all present feel perfectly at home. Chocolate and wafers were served from tables presided over by Mrs. C. M. Lucas, Mrs. M. L. Thomas, Mrs. Mary Brown, Mrs. W. R. Pippin, Mrs. J. F. Thompson, Mrs. H. M. Stuart, Mrs. J. B. Burchinal and Miss Nannie Bordley.

COURT CASES.

There are five persons in jail for the action of the grand jury, viz., Aleck Boyer, colored, charged with larceny; John Gardner, colored, charged with selling liquor; James Gohagen for larceny; Jesse Maker, colored woman, for selling whiskey; Thomas Lamb charged with selling intoxicants on eleven occasions. Three other prisoners in jail are serving sentences for petty offenses.

The docket shows 28 criminal cases, 19 appearances, 77 trials and 21 appeals. The damage suit against Mr. Wm. Potts, of Tolchester, will be tried again this year new evidence having been discovered. Several suits against the county and one against the town are also noted for trial although the latter may be removed.

Several important cases removed from Cecil county will be tried here, viz., Wm. J. Smith, ex-Sheriff, vs. P. W. & B. R. R. for $5,000 damages. Mr. Smith charges the railroad with ejecting him from the cars and treating him in an insulting manner. Mrs. Jenkins sues the same railroad for $5,000 damages for a broken rib, etc. She was about to step from the train when the engine started throwing her violently to the platform. Wm. Reidel sues the same road for injuries received by him while crossing the tracks. Constable and Vickers will represent the plaintiffs in these cases and Crothers, Haines and Pearce will look after the railroad's interest.

Suit has been recently instituted on the chancery side of the court in Caroline county by Mrs. Sarah Blackiston, of Denton, Mrs. Fannie Sparks, and Dr. J. T. Twilley and wife, of Chestertown, and others, heirs at law of the late Henry Blackiston for the recovery of a farm containing 120 acres of land, at Boonsboro. Says the Denton *Journal*:

"The papers on file represent that the late Henry Blackiston purchased the land in question for Mrs. Martha Dawson, under whom the plaintiffs claim title, on or about the first day of March 1860, and took a conveyance of same in his own name, instead of that of Mrs. Dawson, at the time of the conveyance, paid for the land out of part of the funds of hers then in the hands of the late Henry Blackiston, and due to her by him, and that Mr. Blackiston agreed to convey the farm to Mrs. Dawson at the sum of $900, but within a few days (on or about the last of March, 1860) Mrs. Dawson departed this life. The attorney in the case says that, there having been a valid contract for the purchase and sale of the land between the late Mrs. Dawson and the late Mr. Blackiston, and the purchase money all paid, and an agreement to convey on the part of the late Mr. Blackiston, the courts will decree that Mr. Blackiston kept the property in trust for the benefit of Mrs. Dawson's heirs at law."

Pound Net Fishing. — Some pound net fishermen of Anne Arundel county, who had not taken out individual license to fish, were taken before Justice Julian Brewer, in Annapolis, Saturday, and the cases were dismissed. The justice held that licenses were not required to be taken out by fishermen who were working on wages. Justice Brewer also acquitted several persons in the employ of Martin & Co. It was proved that these men worked on shares, their profit being divided among crews, of which there were three. Each crew had secured a license, which they claimed was sufficient. State's Attorney Brashears is himself of the opinion that it was not the intention of the law to impose a license tax on every individual fisherman and stated that Mr. Martin, in his opinion, conformed to the law, as he understood it, when he secured a license for each crew and was not compelled to license each man.

M. P. CONFERENCE.

Rev. A. D. Melvin, a Native of Kent County, Elected President.

The sixty-ninth session of the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church commenced Wednesday at Broadway Church, of which Rev. F. H. Lewis is pastor. The election of a president to succeed Rev. Dr. J. D. Kinzer was the chief business to occupy the members, and was accomplished in two ballots.

Rev. A. D. Melvin was elected to succeed him by a vote of 127 out of 195 on the second ballot. On the first ballot he received 87 votes. His most formidable opponents were Revs. F. T. Little, of Starr Church, Baltimore; J. L. Mills, of St. James', Hanesville, this county, and Dr. F. T. Tagg, editor of the Methodist Protestant, Baltimore.

The assistant secretary cast the ballot of the conference for Rev. Hugh Latt Elderdice as secretary. Mr. Elderdice is considering an offer of the presidency of Westminster Theological Seminary, made vacant by the recent death of Rev. Dr. J. T. Ward. Rev. Dr. Kinzer was offered the place, but decided to return to the active ministry. The choice of the trustees has to be approved by the conference.

The retiring president, Rev. Dr. J. D. Kinzer, read the report of his work during the year. He noted the deaths of Rev. John R. Nichols, Rev. Dr. J. T. Ward and Rev. Rily S. Williamson, members of conference, and of the deaths of Mrs. Reese, widow of Rev. Dr. D. E. Reese, of St. Michael's; Mrs. J. F. Whiteside, widow of Rev. J. F. Whiteside, of Carsville, Pa.; Mrs. Bates, widow of Rev. Dr. D. W. Bates, of Baltimore, and Mrs. Gill, wife of Rev. J. M. Gill, of Chestertown.

Dr. Kinzer reported that a new church had been built at Violetsville. A new church has been organized at Millsboro, Del. Buckeystown has a new stone church built; a new church has been erected at Greenbackville; one at Crisfield is to be completed this summer and a new building has been put up at North Carolina avenue, Washington.

New buildings have also been put at Finksburg, Potomac, Baltimore street and New Market charges. Improvements have been made at Kennedyville, and debts have been paid on Trinity, Clayton, Delmar, Georgetown and Frederica.

Parsonages have been built at Chestertown, Deer Park and Chincoteague, and houses have been purchased for West Baltimore and East Baltimore charges. A total of $53,717 was raised during the year for church and parsonage building and improvement.

Dr. Kinzer urged the necessity of spreading out in church work. He said that the conference had been gaining one church a year in Baltimore for the last nine years, and he expressed the hope that the increase might continue.

SPORTING NOTES.

The Chestertown Cycle Club hope to open the season with a run to Betterton next Tuesday evening. The main body will leave Chestertown about 4 P. M., get a big supper specially prepared, and return by moonlight. The arrangements will be completed today. All cyclists are invited to join the run.

Deakyne, the popular third baseman, arrived in town this week and joined the college team. The first game is expected to take place today.

Stidham and Deakyne have both signed with the Cambridge team for the summer. Manager Kerr, of the Cambridge club, was in town this week trying to negotiate with Prof. Burris also. Mr. Kerr says they have prospects of a fine team. It is said the citizens have raised a fund of $1,000 in that town. Money is what tells in baseball as well as in —— other things.

The Johns Hopkins team suffered a shut-out Saturday from the hands of Yale.

The Pennsylvania R. R. has decided to carry bicycles as baggage over all its lines where the traveler has no other baggage. This is a great victory for the cyclists. Now, let the other roads, including the Kent road, follow the good example.

Season tickets for the baseball games may be found at the NEWS office.

Zearfoss was pictured in the New York *World* Monday as one of the New York team.

A party of ladies and gentlemen under the eye of Mr. Dese Goldsborough came to town last Saturday on the launch Wizzard to see the ball game.

Miss Lillie Crow has purchased a wheel of Mr. J. S. Vandegrift and is rapidly learning the new art.

Mrs. J. R. Micou fell from her new Eagle bicycle Wednesday and sprained her ankle.

Singular Accidents. — The thirteen year old daughter of C. C. Brown, Esq., Quaker Neck, had her knee so badly twisted while at play last Tuesday that medical aid had to be summoned. Nothing serious is apprehended.

A most singular and fatal accident is noted by a city paper. While Willie Kramer, aged 3 years, was playing in the yard of his parents' home, at Wilkinsburg, this afternoon he disappeared. Half an hour later his body was found in a newly made post hole into which he had fallen head first and suffocated.

The San Jose Scale. — The shade tree near Beck, Walker & Brown's office, and the tree in front of the NEWS office, were found to be covered with a scale of some kind on Monday. "Professor" Robert S. Emory was sent for, and upon examination, pronounced the insect the San Jose scale. Mr. Walker washed his tree in soap and water, but it did little good and the trees will doubtless die. How the scale reached the trees is a mystery. The scale has made its appearance in the orchards of West Virginia. Dr. Hopkins says he has found out that the scale works only in the valleys and that it was introduced into the State by nursery stock. The scale is also doing damage in the counties bordering on the Ohio river.

It is said that the Government has adopted Capt. Emory's wash for this scale and if so there is a prospect that our esteemed friend may have a small fortune ahead of him.

Mr. Harry L. Boyd, dealer in nursery stock, is of the opinion that this scale has been in Kent county for the past fifty years and is by no means a new thing.

ROCK HALL TIDINGS.

The canoe of the late J. W. Urie was sold at public sale on last Saturday evening, and was bought by Capt. Thomas Collyer. The price paid being $90. This canoe cost $150 only about one year ago.

The Gratitude will begin making round trips from our town next Monday.

Rev. J. P. Outten arrived by boat last Friday and was given a big reception by the ladies of the church. He made a favorable impression Sunday.

A rare sight was witnessed on the main street at Rock Hall Sunday afternoon. Several young men of prominent families appeared beastly intoxicated at the cross roads and gave vent to their feelings in cursing and fighting. Messrs. Downey, Sewell, Blackiston and other citizens saw the young men and tried to quiet them but in vain. Finally Constable Davis waa compelled to take charge of them. Mr. Benj. H. Coburn was charged by one of the men with selling them wine and on Wednesday Sheriff Cacy arrived and placed Mr. Coburn under arrest. Mr. C. denied selling the men any intoxicating drink, claiming that they got drunk off of whiskey which they had behind Mr. C.'s barn.

Another disgraceful scene was enacted near the steamboat wharf Saturday evening and the coming grand jury will be called upon to investigate the same. Rock Hall has had the reputation of being free of rum sellers and the recent events have greatly stirred the good citizens of our town to greater diligence.

Captain Stevens arrested on Friday Capts. Riley Milligan and J. T. Hubbard, of Baltimore, for oystering in Chester river without a license. They were fined $20 and costs by Justice Beck.

Our fishermen are still unsettled as to what to do in reference to fish licenses. Many contend that the law is unconstitutional and they do so on good grounds.

The agitation of leasing our oyster beds or barren bottoms has begun anew and it would be well for our protective association to reorganize and prepare for another battle. The enemy in Baltimore, headed by the *Sun*, are stronger than ever and are anxious to take our living from us.

Mr. Chas. N. Satterfield will represent Rock Hall Council No. 149, Jr. O. U. A. M's., at the State Council which meets at Frostburg, April 20th.

The batteau of Geo. Bailey, colored, was sold and was bought by Mr. Thos. Joiner, for the sum of $5.25. PRESCO.

Levy Court. — Apr. 6. All present. Commissioners appointed to widen road from Mowbray's Chapel to Wm. T. Brown's gate were Robert Comley, S. F. Smith and Wm. H. Brown. Board appointed C. M. Willis of 5th district keeper of standard of weights and measures. C. P. Norris, of 3rd district was appointed trustee to the Almshouse in place of G. T. Williams, resigned; the following bills were allowed: Tonkin and Ahern, taxes paid in error in '96, $9.74; S. B. Latham, road work in 2nd dist, $22; R. R. Hill same, $78.69; Willard Pinder, same, 3d. district, $8.91; A. L. Hudson, 4th district, $4; Sarah C. Wright, pension, $15; John E. Bradley, keeper Chester bridge, salary for March, $20.83; Thos. Willis road work, 5th district, $28.91; J. B. Berry, same, $17.87; J. P. Jewell, same, $15; John E. Vickers, for shells, $79.60; F. H. Ward, coffin for indigent pauper, $4.

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