SPORTS

ITEMS OF INTEREST IN SEVERAL BRANCHES OF THE SPORTING REALM

Mr. Clarence Armstrong, son of Mr. Edward Armstrong, of Chestertown, is blossoming out as a boxer of some note in Wilmington. He will box in Baltimore, at the Fifth Regiment Armory, to-night, Saturday, and will be glad to see any of his friends there. He writes us that he is one of a team of Pa. R. R. boxers. Under an efficient trainer, he is said to have developed into a clever boy with the gloves. It will be remembered that last summer he did considerable boxing in Chestertown, principally at Mr. William Spielberger's garage, and we remarked in this column at that time that he had the prospects of a good boxer with the proper handling.

Three Kentuckians were killed in a fight over a dog. The dog is alive because he ran away and hid. All of which proves that brains will triumph in the end.

Your name and address on your dog's collar is something you owe him. Every few days lost dogs are brought to town, dogs evidently with good homes, dogs wearing valuable collars, but with no owner's name and with no license number. If you love your dog, protect him from falling into the hands of strangers by providing the means whereby he may be returned to you.

Mr. Frank Leary is developing into a real contender for checker championship honors. While not making any wonderful displays of talent, he is always capable of giving a good account of himself, his work being more of the order of the kindly,steady beams of the lighthouse, rather than the flashes and darts of the meteor, which, plunging wildly through space, in a short time disappears altogether from view. And he is taking the game along slowly and rounding into form gradually. On Saturday, just as a whet for his checker appetitte, Mr. Leary took on Mr. Edmund Hurtt, recognized champion of the upper part of Kent county. Anyone who knows anything about checker playing knows this: Mr. Edmund Hurtt can play the game, and although he is not showing up as good during the last few months as in days of yore (which may or may not be due to the fact that the checker playing standard of efficiency is, generally speaking, not on the wane), Mr. Hurtt is a mighty hard man to beat—on the checker board or in pursuit of the hounds. Yet Mr. Leary, after one of the hardest-fought contests that has taken place this season—or this winter—gained a very slight decision over the up-county champion. There are some others who stand between Mr. Leary and the championship, and they, also, had better gird their lions, put on their armor and prepare to defend their well-earned laurels, lest the same fate befalls them as has befallen others who have recently engaged Mr. Leary. Mr. Leary is one of the "old guard" of the game, having played it for many years, and the one who defeats him on the board will know they have been through a contest with a gentleman who understands the "arts and sciences" of the game.

County Commissioner Jesse Usilton is another man who can play the game of checkers with an efficient hand and a keen brain. Mr. Usilton is another of the "old guard" of the game and when he is compelled to, finally, retreat from the "field of battle" his opponent is glad, yea pleased, to stack arms also. Mr. Joseph Wheatley, who is persistently hammering at the championship door, was barely able to defeat Commissioner Usilton the other day, who but recently defeated some of the up-county players.

The approximate turnover in the fur industry in this country, says a government bulletin, for the year 1920 was $352,000,000. These figures include the import and export trade. Who can form the faintest conception

Prof. Blades defended the county championship Monday against Mr. Brewington, of Salisbury, winning ten games, his opponent getting two and three being draw games. When the champ gets ready to beat 'em, they "don't pass"—and that's all there is to it.

Mr. William G. Smyth has had a big week on the board, sweeping everything before him—like autumn stubble before a hurricane of fire. Messrs. Joseph Wheatley, Edward Wallace, George French and a host of others have gone down before the "grange champion" this week.

A new checker-champion "prospect" is in the offing that may upset the calculations of checker champs and the checker-championship aspirants altogether. This new star that has suddenly appeared on the checker horizon, casting its effulgent glow over the complicated situation, bids fair to eclipse both in grandeur and in magnitude many other orbs that have recently been wheeling grandly in the local checker sky. In fact he is a star of the meteoric calibre, darting hither and thither with ability on the board that is amazing to the bytsanders and bewildering to his opponent. This new star that has recently appeared on the checker horizon is William Frazier Russell, Esq., of Chestertown, and unless some brighter orb appears shortly between him and the checker championship, he will perhaps face Professor Blades, the recognized county champ, Mr. W. G. Smyth, "grange champ," or Mr. Jos. Wheatley, "plumed knight of the board," in a contest shortly, the result of which we tremble to predict.

A very "important" article for this column was crowded out this week, owing to the "strain" of considerable advertising taking up our space. This item will, however, appear in an issue of the very near future.

This Is The Month

To order nursery stock.

To watch the wood and coal piles dwindle.

To help the "egg factories" to get going full blast.

To start tomatoes and cabbage in hot beds or in boxes in the house.

To supply green food for the poultry.

To keep the houses warm after exertion in the cold. Lack of care may mean a serious loss.

To burn brush. See that all the trash is gathered from the fields and lots.

To keep a record of eggs laid. Such a record many times is most interesting and full of surprises.

To spread accumulated manure. Better get it out now than to wait until next month when the spring rush begins.

To make sure all harness and implements are in shape to go into the field. Next month you will want every minute for plowing.

To spend some of the long evenings helping the children with their lessons. The children will apperciate it, and you will have more regard for their teachers.

BETTERTON

Mr. Reese Crew was elected from the M. E. Church to attend the Boys' Conference, which is being held in connection with the annual Methodist conference at Cambridge this week.

Mr. J. Leonard Price is enlarging his house by adding a third story and a back building.

There will be no preaching at the M. E. Church Sunday afternoon, it being the conference Sunday. The W. F. M. S. anniversary will be held in the evening. Mrs. Harper, of Still Pond, will give a short address at this service.

The fishermen are somewhat depressed because of the scarcity of fish this spring. So few have been caught that only a few fishermen go out for them.

The entire family of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Crew has been ill with the grip, but are all improving now. Miss Elizabeth Crew is quite sick with the grippe.

Mrs. Joseph Transeau and children, of Philadelphia, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Hickman.

Mrs. Clarence Leigh and children have joined Mr. Leigh at Oneida, N. Y., where they will make their future home.

BODY EXHUMED

Corpse Of Woman Found Near Betterton Identified And Removed To Columbia, Pa., By Undertaker Fellows

On March 3 the body of an unknown lady was found on the shore of Mr. Price's farm, near Betterton, having been washed ashore from the river. The chief of police, Mr. Brice, of Betterton, being notified, called Coroner H. L. Dodd, of Chestertown, and after viewing the remains notified Undertaker B. R. Fellows, of Still Pond, to take charge of the remains. The body was placed in a casket and buried as unknown.

On March 10 Mr. Adam P. Wehner and Miss Lillian May Metzger, of Columbia, Pa., after numbers of inquiries about the ladies' body found on the shore, came to Betterton. With chief of police, Mr. Brice and Mr. Fellows, they went to the grave and after viewing the body, they identified the body as Mrs. Catharine Metzger, of Columbia, Pa., and Miss Lillian May Metzger is her daughter and Adam P. Wehner is her brother-in-law. They ordered Mr. Fellows to take charge of the remains and prepare them for shipment to Marietta, Pa. The remains were removed to Mr. Fellows' undertaking parlors and after the body was embalmed and prepared it was then viewed by the relations, when they positively identified the body as Mrs. Catharine Metzger, of Columbia, Pa. The body was viewed by numerous people Sunday and on Monday morning, by request of the family, Mr. Fellows left Still Pond on the 8 o'clock train with the body for Marietta, Pa., where it was interred.

The lady was missed Nov. 22, 1921, from Columbia, Pa.; body found at Betterton March 3, 1922, and buried; exumed at Betterton March 10, 1922; embalmed and shipped to Marietta, Pa., March 13, 1922; body in water 4 months; buried 7 days; taken up, embalmed and viewed 2 days and shipped to Marietta, Pa.

CHURCH NOTES

Last Sunday morning the Pastor's Bible Class had charge at Wesley Chapel S. S., with Mrs. M. L. Maslin, acting Supt. Next Sunday Professor Strang's class of men will have charge and furnish the surprises. Sunday services: Wesley Chapel: 10 a. m., S. S., missionary Sunday; 11 a. m., preaching service. Broad Neck: Preaching service at 3 p. m. Skinner's Neck: S. S. at 2 p. m.; preaching at 7.30 p. m.

On Tuesday afternoon at the Chestertown M. E. Church, about 30 young people representing the various Sunday Schools of Kent Co., met as a committee to arrange for a Young People's Conference, to be held April 25 at Chestertown M. E. Church (afternoon and evening). Committees were appointed to push the work and make the conference a success. The names of the committees will be published next week. Watch the county papers for full details of the coming conference. One of the biggest events in the history of Kent County Sunday Schools.

St. James M. P. Church, Rev. Avery Donovan, pastor. S. S. at 10 a. m.; preaching at 11 a. m.; Ladies Aid Society will meet at R. G. Nicholson's Tuesday, March 28,at 2.30 p.m. Lynch: S. S. 2 p. m.; preaching, 2.30 p. m. An adjourned quarterly conference will be held at the parsonage March 30 at 2.30 p. m.

The Triangle Club of Christ Church was entertained Tuesday evening by Miss Estelle Kersey.

Three persons were received into membership at the M. E. Church on Sunday last, two on probation and one by letter.

Mr. J. T. Anthony had charge of the prayer meeting Wednesday evening at the M. E. Church.

The W. F. M. S. of the M. E. Church met at the home of Mrs. John C. Davis Tuesday afternoon.

No preaching service at the Chestertown M. E. Church Sunday. S. S. at regular hour. Pastor Jones will be at conference Sunday.

Eighty million dollars were contributed by the members and adherents of the Methodist Episcopal Church during the last fiscal year.

Chestertown M. P. Church, Rev. N. O. Gibson, pastor. Services March 26 as follows: Preaching at 10.30 a. m.; S. S. at 2.30 p. .; C. E., 6.45 p. m. Preaching 7.30 p. m. Prayer and Bible Study Wednesday at 7.30.

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