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FESTIVAL and SUPPER!

The ladies of St. Paul P. E. Church will hold their ANNUAL SPRING ICE-CREAM and STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

On WEDNESDAY, May 26, 1897.

One of their celebrated SUPPERS will also be a feature. All the delicacies of the season will be served. Come and enjoy yourself. May 26th. COMMITTEE.

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL and SUPPER!

The Ladies of UNION M. E. CHURCH will hold a STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL in WORTON HALL on FRIDAY and SATURDAY evenings, May 21 and 22. SUPPER both evenings and Refreshments of various kinds. The public invited. By order COMMITTEE. m15-2t.

FESTIVAL!

The ladies of the Parsonage Aid and Parsonage Aid Sewing Circle of the M. E. Church, Chestertown, will hold an ICE-CREAM and STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL on the evenings of

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY,

May 26th and 27th,

in the vacant house of T. W. Eliason, opposite the Watts' House. m15-2t.

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL!

SILVER MUSICALE!

The Young People—and Old Ones too—of Christ M. P. Church, Chestertown, will hold a STRAWBERRY and ICE-CREAM FETE on the Church Green, on

THURSDAY and FRIDAY EVENINGS

JUNE THIRD and FOURTH.

A SILVER MUSICALE will be held in the Sunday-school room Thursday evening, beginning at 7.45 and continuing 45 minutes, after which Strawberries and Ice-cream will be served on the church green.

Come and enjoy yourself. m15-3t.

LECTURE:

JAY BENSON HAMILTON, D. D.,

will give his popular ILLUSTRATED LECTURE in STILL POND TOWN HALL, next TUESDAY EVENING, May 25th. His subject will be:

"The Wonders of the Orient."

illustrated with One Hundred Stereoptican Pictures. 1t.

TO LOAN:

$1200 on good Mortgage at six per cent. Apply to JOS. W. PRICE, Lankford, Md.

SPECIAL:

We have IRON-FRAME CULTIVATORS $1.70, $2.00 and $2.15. Call and examine our Fine Carriages, etc. ISAAC ROBINSON, m22. Still Pond.

WANTED:

A situation by young man, 18 years of age. Have had two years experience in a General Store. Quick, obliging and well educated. Good reference. Salary no object. Address "X. Y. Z." m15-tf. Kennedyville, Md.

NOTICE TO PUBLIC:

On and after this date all parties owning Steam Engines or Threshers crossing Urieville Bridge do so at their own risk, as the same is unfit for Steam Engine or Thresher.

By order of the Board, WILLIAM H. LAMBERT, May 15, 1897.—tf. CLERK.

NOTICE.

POLICY-HOLDERS of the MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY of Kent County, who use GASOLINE for COOKING PURPOSES are hereby notified that it is necessary for them to secure permits for its use from the Treasurer of the Company, who upon application and payment of usual charges will issue same. GEORGE B. WESTCOTT, m15-3m. TREASURER.

$20 REWARD!

A reward of $20.00 will be paid for the arrest and conviction of the party or parties who broke into the schoolhouse taught by Miss Sophie Miller and took therefrom property belonging to said school.

By order of the Board, C. C. BROWN, PRES'T. W. G. SMITH, Sec'y. m8-3t.

PLANTS! PLANTS!

FLOWERS and VEGETABLES!

I have a splendid stock of VEGETABLE and FLOWERING PLANTS, cheaper than can be had anywhere for the same quality of Plants. Roses $1 per dozen; Geraniums 50c. per dozen and up. Dahlias 60c. to $1 per dozen and up. My stock is in fine condition to go out, and I will do everything in my power to please customers. A long experience in the business enables me to select the best stock, and dealing with home people altogether I must give full value for every cent expended with me. Call and see me at the Chestertown Greenhouse, near the wharf.

m8-3t.* WILLIAM H. KIRBY.

WOOL! WOOL!

The HIGHEST CASH PRICE paid for

10,000 Pounds of Wool

Dry and Free from Burs, delivered at Rock Hall Wharf every MONDAY, and at Chestertown Wharf every TUESDAY, during the entire Wool season. GEORGE E. THAWLEY, m8-3t. Centreville, Md.

WOOL WANTED:

For which the Highest Cash Price will be paid. m1-tf. R. F. PARKS.

Peach Baskets!

Having put in some improved machinery in our factory this season, will double our capacity. We will give especial attention to our Wholesale Trade, and dealers will do well to write us for prices before buying. We will give a SPECIAL DISCOUNT to Early Cash Buyers.

☞Baskets delivered to all points by rail or water.

CRANE, TRENCHARD BROS., m8-tf. Chestertown, Md.

WANTED:

To buy a farm for cash. The undersigned wishes a 200 acre farm in good neighborhood, level land and other good qualities. Address all letters to this office KENT NEWS, May 22—3t. Chestertown, Md.

FOR SALE:

Thoroughbred and Registered JERSEY CATTLE, all of the best milking pedigree.

Apply to JAMES H. BAKER, m22-3t.* Pomona, Md.

HOME STOCK MARKET.

The undersigned will pay the Highest Market Price for Stock, as follows:

500 SHOTES wanted. CALVES wanted for the cash. Will pay good prices for LAMBS and FAT SHEEP. 400 DOZEN SPRING CHICKENS wanted. Apply at once to JOHN GALE, AGENT, m22 1m. Hanesville, Md.

LOW PRICES!

IN GALENA.

Calicoes	4, 5, 6 and 7c. yard, all good.
Challies	5c.
Lawns	5c.
Percales	10 and 12c.
Dress Ginghams	5, 6, 7 and 8c.
Apron Ginghams	5, 6 and 7c.
Good Corsets	24c.
Better Corsets	49c.
Best Corsets	98c.
Men's Shirts	24, 48, 75 and 98c.
Some of the 48c. ones have two detachable Collars.	
Overalls	at 39 and 50c.
Boys' Knee Pants from	14c. up.
Mattings going rapidly from	8½ to 20c.
A nice line of Gray AGATE WARE, Cheaper than ever was known,	
Sauce Pans as Low as	20c.
Half Gallon Coffee Pot	24c.

Our line of GENTS' HATS is Up-to-Date and Down in Price.

SHOES! SHOES!

The Best Line of Shoes we have ever Shown.	
Ladies' Ties, Patent Leather, Strap & Tip	75c.
Ladies' Ties, Patent Vamp, Dongola Back	$1.00 and $1.15
Ladies' Ties, Kid all round	$2.00
Ladies' Ties, Kid Vamp, cloth back	1.75
Ladies' Ties, Good Dongola	98
Misses' and Children's Ties and Slippers, Pat Leather (Counters Guaranteed)	$1 & $1.10
Misses' Dongola	79

Same goods sold last year at $1.00.
Men's Fine and Work Shoes Very Low.

Our Spot Cash Grocery List:

Best Corn Starch	5c
Prunes	5c
Evaporated Apples	6c
Peaches	9c
6 Bottles Defiance Yeast Powder	25c
Full Pound Olene Soap	4c
Canned Corn	5c
"Tip-Top" Coffee	12c

R. H. HICKS,
May 22, 1897. GALENA, MD.

Number 3,305.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION

—OF—

The Chestertown National Bank

at Chestertown, in the State of Maryland, at the close of business, May 14, 1897.

RESOURCES:

Loans and discounts		$164,328 33
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		507 62
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		15,000 00
Banking-house, furniture and fixtures		5,500 00
Due from National Banks (not reserve Agents)		838 50
Due from approved reserve agents		32,353 69
Checks and other cash items		643 16
Notes of other National Banks		500 00
Fractional paper currency, nickles and cents		163 13
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, NAMELY:		
Specie	$13,635 00	
Legal-tender notes	1,200 00	14,835 00
TOTAL		$234,669 43

LIABILITIES:

Capital stock paid in	60,000 00
Surplus fund	12,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	13,339 66
Due to other National Banks	4,456 92
Individual deposits subject to check	144,866 26
Certified Checks	6 59
TOTAL	$234,669 43

State of Maryland, County of Kent, ss:

I, HARRY RICKEY, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

HARRY RICKEY, CASHIER.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of March, 1897.

CHARLES M. LUCAS, N. P.

Correct, Attest:—
EDWIN S. VALLIANT,
ALDAY CLEMEFTS,
FRANKLIN H. HARPER,
1t. DIRECTORS.

THE "WATTS HOUSE,"

(formerly Hall's Hotel.)

MRS. M. E. WATTS, PROPRIETRESS.

☞Special preparations for SUMMER BOARDERS. Table and Transient rates the very lowest for first-class service.

CAMPHOR and MOTH BALLS. CHAMOIS and SPONGE, M. A. TOULSON, al7-tf. Drug Store.

GOOD COUNTY AGENTS WANTED

New Steel Cable Fencing

Best Quality—Greatest Variety.
Fencing, Gates, Poultry Netting.

MONEY IN IT FOR LIVE MEN

Please send references with first letter.
McMULLEN WOVEN WIRE FENCE CO., Chicago.

CHARGED WITH POISONING!

Berdie Ford Arrested at Still Pond—Several Other Arrests on Various Charges.

Officer C. S. York, on Wednesday morning arrested Berdie Ford on the charge of posioning or attempting to poison Mr. Wilmer Ford and family at Still Pond, the writ having been sworn out by State's Attorney Urie. The prisoner is a colored girl about eighteen years of age. She has made her home with Mr. Ford's family for nearly three years, having left a few days ago. She claims she was not at the house on the day the cream was made and is innocent of the charge.

Henry Johnson, alias Henry Graves, was arrested Monday charged with stealing horse and buggy belonging to Edw. Trusty. The latter hitched his horse to a rack in Chestertown and when he missed his horse supposed he had broke away. Trusty set out to walk home, but before reaching there met his team driven by Graves, who jumped out and ran to the woods. The officers had considerable trouble to arrest him. Justice Wilkins held him for court.

Jas. Baker was before Justice Wright Wednesday charged with stealing a watch from Leona Sheppard, a colored girl living with Mr. Walter Kendall. He was held for court.

John W. Heath, a colored lad, is in jail charged with breaking a large window in Mr. N. C. Crow's store, uptown. He was given a hearing before Justice Wright and sentenced to 20 days in jail.

Sights of a Day.

Chestertown has never had a dog show, a cat show or a bird show, but it is not because we have no dogs or cats, oh no, for some of the "finest" could be readily found for the exhibition. These are yearly occurrences in all the large cities, but we have yet to hear of a "rabbit show." In this respect Chestertown leads the world and it is of these animals we write. In our sight-seeing in Chestertown one day this week we visited places and viewed sights we feel sure the NEWS readers did not dream existed.

We first visit the pretty home of Mr. R. S. Thomas on Washington avenue and there find rabbits by the score. Mr. T. has built a house 8x16 feet on his lot in the rear of the residence, dividing the same into six departments and with a middle partition so as to give an extra run of 4x16 feet for the animals. The stock is known as Belgium, being very large and delicious meat. Mr. Thomas takes great pleasure in raising the bunnies and has at least fifty, many of which are tiny little fellows that are as tame as kittens. He does not make a business of raising rabbits but does it simply as a recreation and from the love of it. It is surely an interesting sight to watch the animals playing about the "run" and Mr. Thomas takes pleasure in showing his pets to his friends.

We next visit Mr. Charlie Kirby's "run" at his home corner of Cannon and Princess streets. He has about fifteen white rabbits in a small house where they seem to thrive as well as when left to roam at will. These white rabbits are used more as pets than for eating purposes.

The largest "ranch", however, is that owned by Mr. H. Hill who has gone into the rabbit business. He has built a house 12x16 feet in the rear of Chapman & Lambert's blacksmith shops and in this place is raising several kinds of rabbits. This house is divided into five bins 3x6 and one long run 3x16. In the wheelwright shop Mr. Hill has six bins all filled with bunnies. In the outer house we are shown two varieties, the Belgium hare and the Australian. The former weighs eight pounds and were bought of a dealer in Ellsworth, N. Y., while the Australian weighs six pounds. The latter is black while the Belgium is like the American rabbit. Mr. H. has sold over a hundred of these two breeds, many being turned out on farms where they soon become wild and mingle with the natives. Mr. J. K. Aldridge turned out six on his farm a few weeks ago. These Belgium rabbits are most excellent food and are served at many fashionable restaurants and hotels. They are kept on hand so that when rabbits are ordered, the cook goes to the pen, jerks out a buck, hits him back of the head and has him on the table as quickly as though an order for fried chicken had been given. Fifteen little rabbits were frisking about the pen when we visited the "run." Mr. Hill also has the pure white English rabbit with red eyes, which are used as pets. They are very prolific and have been known to bear thirty and forty within a year. They grow very rapidly one week with a rabbit being as a year with many other animals. These bunnies are fed on grain principally but they do very well on grass. Mr. Hill has taken pains in breeding the rabbits and has some of the very finest stock. This is his second year in the business. Besides the rabbits Mr. Hill has a number of white Guinea pigs of fine breed, also a lot of pigeons including a pair of Arkangels, Antwerp, Home Carriers, etc.

Then there is Col. Wm. J. Vannort's pigeon "ranch" on Maple avenue. He has nearly a hundred birds and finds pleasure in attending to them. One would think that the colonel could hardly find time for such recreation, but he does it, and, as in everything he undertakes makes a success of it and has the best.

Messrs. Herman and John Gruber on High street, also are fond of pigeons. They have a wire house twenty feet long in which they raise these birds having over fifty old pigeons and about a dozen squabs. The latter sell rapidly for twenty cents per pair and make a fine dish for the table.

Thus we see that Chestertown is not only a sporty town, a place where the ladies dress in good taste, etc., but it is also a town where the tastes of the people do not run in the same channel.

SCHOOL TRUSTEES + + + + INCLUDE TEN LADIES.

A Rumor That Caused Quite a Sensation—Contract for Book Cases Awarded—Other School Matters.

Tuesday morning when the school commissioners came to town they were met with queries on all sides as to the correctness of a statement that had been given credence in Chestertown. The report was to the effect that the public schools of the county were to close June 18th instead of on the 30th and this report was based on reliable information. Certain leaders of the Republican party heard of the contemplated action and one remarked "It will lay somebody out flat if it is done, now you mark my word!" So impressed was he of this fact that he quickly called a caucus and the school commissioners informed of the action. The result is the schools will remain open until June 30th, as usual.

At the regular meeting of the board trustees were appointed including the following ladies: Mrs. J. B. Hossinger, Mrs. Emily Matthews, Mrs. William H. Stewart, Mrs. Lucy Staveley, Mrs. Jas. S. Harris, Mrs. M. J. Janvier, Mrs. M. A. Toulson, Mrs. J. F. Leary, Mrs. Barclay Kilbourn, Mrs. Henry Brown, all of whom are most excellent appointees.

First District.

No. 1—John S. Newman, Larry Reese, John Mayberry.
No. 2—J. R. Jones, E. G. Clarke, A. S. Cook.
No. 3—W. P. Cacy, T. C. Roe, A. F. Huey.
No. 4—J. F. Earnest, W. H. Spry, L. H. Dreaka.
No. 5—S. E. Morris, Theo. Dempsey, H. Rasin.
No. 6—W. A. Hyland, S. Todd, E. A. Scott.
No. 7—S. T. Caldwell, H. A. Kraft, W. B. Ford.
No, 8—Jas. Orr, J. Phillips.
No. 9—W. Clayton, J. Conner, W. Wharton.
No. 10—Wm. Mier, Thos. Stewart, J. T. Kulley.

Second District.

No. 1—T. F. Hurlock, J. A. Spry, C. H. Crittenden.
No. 2—E. Pennington, B. Roe, W. T. Jones.
No. 3—G. M. Beaston, R. Comly, T. J. Shallcross.
No. 4—T. Shafer, Jas. E. Weer, Daniel Hill.
No. 5—W. T. Hepbron, J. M. Archibald, J. J. Webb.
No. 6—John Bryan, Sam'l V. Nickerson, Phil. G. Wilmer.
No. 7—W. D. Pennington, C. H. Price, H. Davis.
No. 8—Mrs. J. B. Hossinger, W. W. McKnett, Jessie Copper.
No. 9—Alday Clements, H. Clay Stevens, J. W. Boggs.

Third District.

No. 1—Wm. Morris, Mrs. Emily Matthews. J. Frisby Newcomb.
No. 2—Purnell Jefferson, Walter T. Morris, Mrs. Wm. H. Stewart.
No. 3—S. Amos Reed, Dr. J. H. Hessey.
No. 4—Jos. R. Usilton, Thomas Gale, T. J. Willis.
No. 5—Dan'l E. Jewell, Harry E. Cooper, G. T. Williams.
No. 6—John C. Jones, J. B. Crowding, Mrs. Lucy Stavely.
No. 7—Scott Crownhart, Horace Brice, E. A. Corey.
No. 8—C. W. Harris, Thos. Coleman, Mrs. Jas. S. Harris.
No. 9—Sam'l F. Cooper, J. W. Ivens, Mrs. M. G. Janvier.

Chestertown.

T. Waters Russell, S. Frank Smith, Mrs. M. A. Toulson.

Fifth District.

No. 1—Chas. C. Wood, Harry Bogle, W. M. Wilson.
No. 2—R. B. Wilson, G. E. Leary, Capt. John Stevens.
No. 3—Capt. J. B. Downey, W. K. Ayres, Mrs. J. F. Leary.
No. 4—Thos. Price, Jas. M. Wood, Thomas Crouch.
No. 5—H. H. Gresham, H. A. Willson, Mrs. Barclay Kilbourn.
No. 6—R. S. Jones, Geo. W. Lambert, L. D. Ayres.
No. 7—John E. Beck, Herbert Strong, Wm. H. Creighton.

Sixth District.

No. 1—Cas. L. Beck, S. Harry Todd.
No. 2—Thos. W. Skirven, R. C. Smyth.
No. 3—Geo. Beck, I. F. Walbert, W. B. Strong.
No. 4—Joshua Bryan, W. T. Nicholson, Geo.
No. 5—John W. Corey, Sam'l G. Lee, Wm. B Plummer.

Seventh District.

No. 1—S. W. Brown, J. C. Davis, Alfred C. Loud.
No. 2—Edw. W. Emory, Walter S. Trew, Thos. W. Toulson.
No. 3—C. C. Brown, J. J. Goodman, Mrs. Henry Brown.
No. 4—Thomas W. Trew. Thos. J. Vickers, John Vickers.

Miss Maggie Fowler's private school closed last Friday for the summer vacation. Special exercises, consisting of singing and recitations by the little folks, marked the closing day. Several duets by Misses Augusta Aldridge and Ethel Bacchus were especially fine. Mr. Howard Fowler accompanied the singers on the organ. During the afternoon refreshments were served and a prize was awarded by the teacher to the scholar making the highest general average, Miss Augusta Aldridge being the successful one. All passed very creditable examinations. The school is composed of little Misses Augusta Aldridge, Nellie Nicholson, Ethel Bacchus, Marguerite Howard, Mildred Davis and Rose Vickers.

The School Commissioners awarded the contract to build 75 book cases for the public schools of Kent county, to Mr. Wm. S. Culp, of Chestertown, his being the lowest bid. The bids are as follows, the price being for each case delivered to the respective schools:

Wm. S. Culp	$4.20
W. S. Carroll	5.37
Bowers & Stavely	5.17
W. F. Malin	5.40
W. R. Pippin	5.21
Hyland & Emerson	5.45
J. D. Ayres	5.95
A. M. Kendall	6.75
Jesse Duyer	7.25

The scholars of Sassafras school organized an Historical and Literary Society in the school building last Friday afternoon, with the following officers: President, Irving W. Spry; vice-president, Louie Dreka; secretary, Edgar Jones; treasurer, Alice Dreka; executive committee, Eva George, Fannie Griffith and Bradford Johnson. They will hold their meetings the first Friday afternoon in each month. The object of this society is to promote an interest in historical research and literary pursuits.

Persons You Know.

Mr. Daniel McKee visited his uncle in Caroline last week. He says he found him in the field plowing. This would not be surprising but for the fact that he is 103 years of age!

Mr. W. W. Chapman, teller in the Chestertown National Bank, is visiting friends in the West.

Mr. Enoch G. King and Mrs. Rosie King, both of Chesterville, were married in Millington on the 9th inst. Enoch has been for a number of years a faithful and efficient employee of Mr. W. E. Jarrell in his many branches of business.

Miss Laura Hand, of Germantown, is the guest of Mrs. C. W. C. Johnson, on High street.

Mr. and Mrs. John Merritt, of Baltimore, have been guests of their daughter, Mrs. Chas. R. Twilley, on corner of High and Front streets.

Mr. Jefferson D. Joiner, of Cramp's shipyard, Phila., spent several days in town this week.

Miss Anna Brownley and niece, Miss Rebecca Milvin, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Pippin on Market space.

Mrs. M. E. Watts has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Clendaniel, near Middletown, Del.

Prof. Richard Merrikin, of Greensboro Academy, has been spending a week in Chestertown.

Mr. Edward Lambert and wife, of Easton, spent several days in town this week. Mr. L. has been quite sick and came home for recreation and to see his father who is confined to the bed. Ned says there is no place like Chestertown.

Mrs. Katie Gundry, of Catonsville, is visiting her brother, Dr. W. F. Hines, on Front street.

Mrs. Milicent Beck, of Washington, has been visiting Kent friends.

Miss Franklin, one of Baltimore's most charming young ladies, is the guest of Miss Pauline Nelson, Still Pond.

Mrs. Mollie Farringer is visiting Baltimore friends.

J. Henry Baker, Esq., is one of the incorporators of the new fire insurance company recently organized in Balto.

Mr. Jesse W. Hartley, who was butter maker in Sassafras creamery, has been placed in charge of the same department in Odessa creamery. It is not thought that the Sassafras creamery will be rebuilt.

Mr. Harry Blackiston, a native of this town, and for some time employed at Newport News, Va., has been promoted to the superintendency of the business interests of the big shipping firm of Furness, Withy & Co., at that place. Harry has been in the employ of this company ever since he left here.

Miss Mary Janvier is the guest of Miss Rebecca Wickes on Front street.

Mr. Ezekiel Sparks, of Chestertown, was time-keeper at the Belmont races held in Smyrna on Wednesday.

Miss Margaget Fox has been visiting Miss Culp at Cecilton.

Miss Ida Wood, of near Rock Hall, is the guest of Miss Loraine, Chesapeake City.

Mr. J. D. Bacchus attended the funeral of his aunt, Mrs. A. Greenwood, who died in Baltimore on Monday.

Mr. Joshua Copper is visiting his mother on High street. Joshua is engaged in a large clothing establishment in Chicago.

Local Notes.

Round Trips.—Beginning May 31, the Emma A. Ford will leave Chestertown daily except Sunday at 7 A. M.; will leave Baltimore daily except Sunday at 3 P. M. stopping at all landings that she now touches. Round trip tickets $1 from all points to and from Baltimore, good until Oct. 15, 1897.

Postoffice Matters.—Representative Barber and Senator Westcott called at the Postoffice Department yesterday morning. The Senator desires a postoffice re-established near Rock Hall, to be called Crosby. A satisfactory interview was had with Postmaster General Gary, and it is believed it will be established. Senator Westcott recommended Thomas E. Norris for postmaster at Still Pond. The term of the present incumbent, Wm. Parr, will expire May 31. The office pays about $500 annually.

Announcement.—Mr. and Mrs. W. W McKnett announce in this issue the marriage of their daughter, Laura Archer, to Mr. Howard Edwards, of Baltimore, in the Kennedyville M. P. Church, Wednesday, June 2nd, at 8 o'clock P. M. No cards issued in the county.

Bankers' Convention.—The Maryland State Bankers will hold their convention in Cumberland the first week in June. The Savings bank at its meeting Tuesday elected J. K. Aldridge and J. D. Urie, Esqs., delegates; the Second National on Wednesday elected H. W. Vickers, Esq., and Cashier W. B. Copper; Cashier H. Rickey will likely represent the Chestertown National.

Enlarging.—Mr. R. Thompson not satisfied with his splendid store-quarters on High street is enlarging same and making it more attractive. Twelve feet have been added to the meat department and now he has one of the finest store rooms in town. He has a tremendous stock of goods and advertises in the NEWS some low prices.

A Change.—Mr. Frank Fowler has been promoted to a more lucrative position in the employ of Adam's Express Company, the change having taken place Monday. Mr. Wm. Waddell has been appointed agent on this route and will receive express matter at his store on Cross street near Vandegrift's barber shop. Mr. Fowler has not been notified of his new position yet.

Soft Crabs were never known to be so abundant as at present. Mr. George Byron, of Chestertown, caught fifteen dozen in one day and says he found little trouble in disposing of them at twenty cents per dozen. Mr. T. Romie Strong was in town Tuesday and remarked that the crabbers were catching soft crabs by the bushel. The Baltimore market has been glutted, and the returns neted ten and twelve cents per dozen.

Forged His Name.—Some one from Chestertown evidently thinking to have fun at the expense of Hon. Joseph A. Wickes and State's Attorney John D. Urie, has been guilty of the illegal use of the latter's name, and he will find himself in a most unpleasant and unenviable position. Some days ago Judge Wickes received a letter from a New York nursery firm tendering him a position as solicitor for nursery stock, and stating that the tender was made upon the recommendation of Mr. John D. Urie. Upon receipt of the letter Judge Wickes called upon Mr. Urie to ascertain whether or not he had made the recommendation as stated in the nurseryman's letter, and was informed by Mr. Urie that he had no knowledge either of the firm or the alleged letter. Mr. Urie was, of course very indignant that he should be placed in such a false position, and at once wrote the nurseryman demanding the letter purporting to be from him. In reply he has received the original letter recommending the Judge. It is a poor imitation of Mr. Urie's writing, in fact it is questionable whether the writer attempted to imitate Mr. Urie's chirography, but it has Mr. Urie's name signed to it and is clearly a forgery. Mr. Urie has the letter in his possession and thinks its authorship is quite certain.

Up-to-Date.—Mr. Charles S. Smith, the cash merchant, keeps up his reputation of being abreast of the times. Machinist F. M. Miller has completed the erection of a rapid transit cash car apparatus in his store in Chestertown. Miss Minnie Peregoy has been appointed cashier and may be found in the cozy little office receiving and changing money, which is sent to or from any part of the store by means of the cars which are run on a wire track. These cars are started by means of a rubber and they flit rapidly to and fro on their mission.

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