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FESTIVAL
AT McGINNIS' CORNER!

The ladies of Providence Church will hold a FESTIVAL on the School House Green at McGinnis' Corner on the 12th and 19th of June. Come and lend a helping hand. 2t.

AN ENTERTAINMENT

Will be given by the "COREY Y" on WEDNESDAY EVENING, June 16th, in the M. E. Church, LOCUST GROVE. The principal feature of the entertainment will be an address by Mrs. Milligan, of Wilmington. No admission fee is charged, but a liberal collection is desired. Public cordially invited to attend. 1t.

A CARD.

Having been solicited by many, I hereby offer myself as a candidate for the office of COUNTY COMMISSIONER for Kent County, subject to the Democratic primaries and pledging myself to support the nominee whoever he may be. Respectfully,
SAMUEL G. LEE,
June 12, 1897. HANESVILLE.

TEACHERS' EXAMINATION.

The Annual Examination of Applicants for certificates to teach in the public schools (white) of Kent county will be held in the SCHOOL ROOM of Professor Topping, Chestertown,

On THURSDAY, July 1st, 1897,
COMMENCING AT 9 A. M.
WILLIAM G. SMYTH,
je12-3t. EXAMINER.

TEACHERS' EXAMINATION.

The Annual Examination of Applicants to teach in the Public Schools (colored) of Kent county, will be held in the COLORED PUBLIC SCHOOL in Chestertown,

On SATURDAY, July 3rd, 1897,
COMMENCING AT 9 A. M.
WILLIAM G. SMYTH,
je12-4t. EXAMINER.

SEALED PROPOSALS

Will be received until 12 o'clock on TUESDAY, JULY 6th, '97, for 55 TONS of NUT and STOVE COAL to be delivered on the Baltimore and Delaware Bay Railroad at the Chestertown station, by August 1st, 1897. Address all bids to William Ford, Secretary and Trustee, Chestertown, Md.
June 12, 1897. WM. FORD, Sec'y.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES
—AT—
WASHINGTON COLLEGE!

Washington College is preparing for one of the most pleasureable and successful commencements within the history of the venerable institution, which will this year celebrate its one-hundred and fifteenth anniversary. The commencement exercises will be opened with the

BACCALAUREATE SERMON, on Sunday morning, June 13th, preached in the M. E. Church, at 10.30 o'clock A. M., by REV. D. H. CORKRAN, of Lewes, Del.

ON SUNDAY, at 8 P. M., REV. J. G. GANTT, of Trappe, Md., will preach the ANNUAL SERMON before the S. C. A., of the College, in Emmanuel P. E. Church.

MONDAY at 8 P. M., ANNIVERSARY EXERCISES, of the Mount Vernon Literary Society, speaker, REV. E. R. RICH, of Greensboro', Maryland.

TUESDAY at 10 o'clock A. M., DECLAMATION CONTEST, for the A. H. Reid prize.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, FIELD SPORTS, on College Campus.

TUESDAY at 8 o'clock P. M., ADDRESS by REV. T. E. MARTINDALE, of Milford, Del., before Philomathean and Pierian Societies.

WEDNESDAY, 10.30 A. M., COMMENCEMENT PROPER.

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LOCAL NOTES
ON THE
POLITICAL SITUATION.

Sheriff James A. Casey on Tuesday publicly announced his withdrawal from the fight for treasurer. He stated that after a consultation with his friends, he had decided it was best for his interest and for that of his party for him to withdraw. Mr. Charles England now has a clear field unless Mr. Jos. C. Kendall, Rock Hall, decides to lay claim to it and this is said to be the reason for Sheriff Casey's withdrawal—to let Mr. K. in.

Mr. George Webb, of Kennedyville, has announced his candidacy for the nomination of sheriff on the Republican ticket, as has Mr. Willard Scotten, of Millington, and Mr Nickerson.

In another column Mr. S. G. Lee, of near Melitota, announces his candidacy for the nomination of commissioner from the third district. He is a well-known farmer and a good Democrat.

Ex-Senator Hepbron is busy farming but he is keeping an eye on the situation and may "come in" at any moment.

No new candidates have been mentioned for the Democratic nomination other than those heretofore named in the NEWS.

As to the mode of nominating there are many who want to vote direct for candidates while there are others who favor a different plan. A well-known Democrat of the second district was in the NEWS office this week and said: "You quote from men who come to town every week, and while they want to vote in primaries you'll find ten at home who don't think it would be best. I believe the best plan would be to send ten or fifteen men from each district to Chestertown who would "pick out" a ticket. Let the men who desire to be candidates *announce themselves before this convention*. Let them show by this that they desire the *success of the party* before the success of self!" Another politician from Worton is in favor of sending a man from each school district who shall come to town and name a *winning* ticket.

The candidates named are mostly in favor of voting for delegations.

AMONG the nominations sent to the Senate on Wednesday was that of Dan. A. Grosvenor, "of Maryland," for deputy auditor of the War Department. This defeats Mr. J. Henry Hurtt and others. The salary is $2500 per annum. Grosvenor was endorsed by Senator Wellington. The appointment is an outrage upon the Maryland Republicans, and it is now said that Wellington "is surprised" and will insist upon the credit being given to Ohio where Grosvenor really belongs. There are three or four applicants for this position from Maryland and they should not be thus overslaughed.

Many Republicans of this county are no doubt opposed to the nomination of Chief Judge George M. Russum to be his own successor on the bench of the Second Judicial Circuit, and will ask the convention when it meets to nominate State Senator Chas. T. Westcott for the chief judgeship. Mr. Westcott is reluctant about going into the fight but his friends here will do everything in his behalf. They claim that Mr. Russum's nomination would be "bad politics" in view of the fact that he is over 60 years old, and consequently could not fill out a full term, even should he be elected. Senator Westcott's friends on the Western Shore are urging him to make a fight for the United States Senatorship. There is no doubt Mr. Westcott would prefer the latter place *but* Wellington does not look with favor on the popular Kent countain. Capt. W. D. Burchinal, the generalissimo of the Westcott forces, predicts with certainty the nomination of Senator Westcott for Chief Judge.

Judge Russum's friends are in no wise alarmed at the threatened opposition to him, but claim that they have already made "alliances" which will insure his renomination. At least so it is reported by the Baltimore News.

There is decided opposition among the Republican State leaders to the proposed nomination of Senator Westcott. They point to the fact that their party lost control of the State Senate in 1896 by the election of Mr. Wm. B. Baker, State Senator of Harford county, to Congress, and they don't want Mr. Westcott to resign his seat in the Senate. He is one of the nine Republican hold-over Senators.

James A. Pearce, Esq., as a candidate for Chief Judge on the Democratic ticket grows more popular every day and he is quite certain to be on the ticket. The candidates at this time look as if they will be James A. Pearce, P. B. Hopper and Wm. R. Martin. Judge Stump has many warm friends in the District who are urging his candidacy and no one can foretell what "deals" may be made.

The Democrats of Queen Anne's are much excited over the judicial situation. There are three candidates in the field in that county, Ex-Congressman John B. Brown; his brother, Mr. Edwin H. Brown, ex-State Treasurer, and Ex-State's Attorney P. B. Hopper. The question as to who will carry the county is in doubt. The strange feature of the case is that the most vigorous part of the contest is that between the Messrs. Brown.

The Gratitude broke a part of her machinery Wednesday, the Emma A. Ford making all stops for both boats. The injury was repaired and her usual route run in the afternoon including a special trip at night to Baltimore with the wedding party—Miss Nellie Brown and Mr. Charles H. Cromwell.

The two Methodist churches of Centreville will hold a union excursion to Tolchester on June 24th.

PASSING AWAY!

Two Aged Citizens Added to the "Dead Roll" This Week.

Kent County's Original Peach Grower—The Owner of Buck Neck and Other Fruit Farms—Dies at the Age of 84 Years.

Mrs. George B. Westcott, aged 85, Passes Quietly Away.

Mrs. Anna Maria Westcott died at her home on Front street, Chestertown, on Thursday morning, of general debility, in her 85th year. She has been slowly passing away for about a week, the infirmities of age making it necessary for some one to be constantly by her side. The deceased was a daughter of the late Dr. Charles Tilden, a well-known resident of this county. Her husband, Geo. B. Westcott, Esq., died in February, '87, and since his death she has made her home on Water street where her only son, Senator Charles T. Westcott, has lovingly administered to her every wish.

Funeral services will be held at the late residence on Front street to-morrow (Sunday) afternoon at 2 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Dr. S. C. Roberts. Interment at St. Paul's, the following acting as pall-bearers: C. F. Stam, Walter S. Trew, Edwin S. Valliant, Robert S. Emory, George B. Westcott, Richard D. Hynson, John Brice, M. W. Thomas.

JAMES SHUSTER, died last Thursday morning at the residence of his son, John L. Shuster, in Chestertown, after a long illness. He was born Sept. 23, 1813, placing him in his 84th year. His wife, who was Elizabeth Lord, died eight years ago.

Mr. Shuster was one of the most interesting local characters of our acquaintance. He was the original peach grower of this county. He was a native of New Jersey, but went to Delaware in his early manhood and engaged in peach culture with the well-known Reybolds, and sometime in the '50's he purchased the Buck Neck farm from Mr. Reybold and began the cultivation of peaches. There were no peaches then grown for market in all the Maryland peninsula. Buck Neck farm at that time was a tract of nearly a thousand acres, running up to Worton Heights and to the Hurlock farm. At the time Buck Neck was tenanted by Robert Nicholson, who then purchased the estate where he lived and died, making for himself a high character for substantial business traits and especially for intelligent agriculture and fruit growing.

The first peaches ever canned in Maryland was probably on this Buck Neck farm, and that in 1858. The cannery was erected by Mr. Shuster just in front of the old dwelling which still stands, and this cannery was operated by Mr. W. D. Clark as the tenant of Mr. Shuster.

Of the deceased as of other prominent Kent countians, it has been pertinently remarked "Peaches made and broke him." Mr. Shuster besides owning the extensive Buck Neck tract, also purchased and held at one time several other valuable farms in this and adjoining counties. To indicate his worth about that time he refused an offer of $100 per acre for 200 acres of the Buck Neck farm. The wharf—a small affair—was there then, but no steamers touched that point until Mr. Shuster's enterprise induced a large wharf and a permanent line of steamers.

The great boom in peaches led Mr. Shuster to venture too far in their culture—he risked everything—planted so extensively that a few crop failures ruined him. His most unlucky venture was in the "Chambers farm" in Queen Anne's. Like the lamented John Groves he staked and lost all in the faith of a great future for the peach in this latitude. Mr. Shuster saw his property gradually shrink from him until, stripped of all, he sought and found a home for his old age, and loving ministrations in the family of his son where he breathed his last.

Mr. Shuster was a good man—an upright Christian in walk and conversation. He was one of the few noble spirits that sustained St. James Church in her infancy, and by his holy life and zealous labors aided materially in making her one of the strongest churches in the county. He was one of the faithful laymen who stood by the saintly Nichols in the great revival which secured to that church those grand specimens of Christian manhood, John Gale, Isaac Parsons, Robert Nicholson, and others. He has seen nearly all the old members of that fold pass to the spirit world. Now he goes to meet them. What a greeting! Imagine the scene in the home eternal!

Mr. Shuster has been confined to his room since last December, and during all these months he has never once been heard to murmur or complain of his lot. When the call came he was ready. He leaves three brothers, all younger than himself, namely: Benjamin, Clayton L. and John L. Shuster, all living in New Jersey. He also leaves six children: Mary E. Overend and Rebecca S. Bacon, of New Jersey; John L. Shuster, Chestertown; Joseph H. and G. W. C. Shuster, Baltimore; Jas. H. Shuster, Centreville.

The funeral services will be held at his son's residence in Chestertown this Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock, conducted by his request by Rev. J. M. Gill; pall bearers as follows: Samuel Vannort, Wm. B. Usilton, J. A. Pearce, Robt. G. Nicholson, John W. Corey, James W. Lambert. Interment in Chester Cemetery.

Miss Lizzie Baker, of Pomona, has been visiting friends in Centreville.

Miss Nannie Comegys, of Millington, is the guest of M. J. Cahoon.

Rev. Dr. Sutton, of Easton, has received a call to Pocomoke Parish, Worcester county.

Sold Out.—Mr. Reed, who has been merchandising in the store-room adjoining Mr. J. H. Simpers', has sold out and removed to his old home in Caroline. He was not successful here on account of too much competition, etc., in his particular line.

The total receipts from the festival held by the ladies of Christ M. P. Church last week were $37.87. Messrs. Chapman & Lambert's large carriage bazaar was kindly placed at the disposal of the committee Saturday evening and made a most delightful place for a festival.

To Start Monday.—Mr. Wm. Trenchard stated Thursday that he would start operations at his basket factory Monday. He will employ nearly the same force that he had last year including about a dozen men from Smyrna. Mr. Trenchard says, after a visit through Queen Anne's, that the crop will not be more than one-third of a crop and that the June "drop" is immense.

Wants Damages.— Mr. John Bottomley, of Millington, appeared before the county commissioners Tuesday and demanded $100 damages for injuries resulting from breaking through a bridge near Chesterville. The account of the accident was given in the NEWS last week. R. D. Hynson, Esq., appeared for Mr. Bottomley and his case was held under consideration.

Lamp Fire. — A novel method of heating a room was noticed in Mr. J. F. Thompson's store in Chestertown this week. A large lamp was lighted and placed in a stove, and the latter soon became warm and threw out a steady heat. The stove pipe hole was left open so as to prevent the stove from getting too warm.

Athletic Sports.— Prof. A. B. Burris has arranged an excellent program for the field day sports next Tuesday afternoon. Prizes have been donated by Dr. C. P. Gilpin, C. F. Stam, H. H. Barroll, Dr. W. F. Hines, M. de K. Smith, Dr. C. W. Reid, Chestertown National Bank, Fred. G. Usilton and others. The events and entries are as follows:

Hurdle Race, 120 yds., open.—Coursey, Ward, Pardee, Eliason, Sherwood and Robinson.
Hurdle Race, 120 yds., under 16 years.—Jno. Eliason, Simpers, Peregory, Parks, McDorman.
100 yards dash, open.—Eliason, Ward, Hudson, White, Coursey, Anthony, McDorman, Clogg, Jones, Gum, Sherwood.
100 yards dash, under 16 years.—J. Eliason, Parks, Peregory, Simpers, Nicholson.
Pole Vaulting.—Ward, Eliason, Rickey, Sherwood, Webb, White, McDorman.
Running High Jump.—Coulbourne, Rickey, Sherwood, White, Clogg, Coursey, Ward, Robinson, Hudson.
Running Broad Jump, open.—Coursey, Robinson, Ward, White, Eliason, Hudson, Rickey, McDorman, Gum.
Running Broad Jump, under 16 years.—Jno. Eliason, H. Eliason, Simpers, Peregory, Parks, Nicholson.
Potato Race.— LeCompt, Harrison, Longfellow, Brown, Stam, Simpers, Eliason, Parks Peregory, Grover, Wilkins.

A NIGHT OFF WITH "THE BOYS!"

The Law and Order League, of Chestertown, has recently been resting on their laurels, and, of course, while this is the case, law-breakers have become as bold as ever. Last Saturday night and the following days seemed to have been sort of "field days" for the "boys."

Here we find a group of young men well supplied with the "ardent" and drinking until they are beastly drunk. There goes a "runner" and into an alley he darts to deliver the stuff. "I must have a nip out of the bottle," says the agent, and placing the bottle to his lips pours it down until the owner wonders where he is to come in.

Another man is given a $2 note and sent for some liquor and returns bringing the liquor and a *lead dollar* in change! The purchaser cannot kick so drowns his loss in the quart of liquor. Here again we find a father being carried home by a young man; there another father lays along the bank while a wife at home lingers at the point of death.

In another place at 2 A. M. come two bright young men who have been out for a good time, while their companions seek their respective homes to sleep off that "joyful" feeling. Then see the men who are easily lead off. Invited by this man and that one they soon become intoxicated and for several days afterward they are begging for money for all sorts of purposes, the one idea being to get something to drink. One man even drinks a whole bottle of Jamaica Ginger and others drink cologne to allay the thirst.

Here is a well-known character, awaking from a stupor and finds himself among a lot of coffins! He had been placed there by friends, and quickly leaves the horrid place.

Thus we might continue to speak of a score or more of instances of similar character. The question naturally arises "where do they get liquor?" Some get it from Baltimore, a few by prescription and many *elsewhere*. The sentiment of this community is surely against the traffic in liquor as at present conducted in this town and county. The drink habit with many men in town is a terrible one and it is the duty of every citizen to help these men, not by crying out against them, nor by scolding them, but by kindness and sympathy. Many men have *faults* that are equally as bad as those of the drunkard, although they may not be so prominent and so helpable to the public gaze. Any man who offers another a drink, when he knows his weakness, is doing the man an injury and is no friend to him. If you are strong enough to take a drink or let it alone, don't for any reason suppose that every body is that strong. It is not so and even the smell will sometimes send a man to the barroom.

Personal Tidings.

Dr. F. L. Bardeen, professor of Natural Science in Washington College about '84 or '86, died suddenly at his home in Dunharety Bay, N.Y., two weeks ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Nichols, of Baltimore, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Aldridge, Water street.

Mr. Groome Ringgold, of Shamokin, Pa., visited friends in town this week.

Mrs. Solon Anderson, of Philadel., has been visiting her father, Mr. E. C. Reiche, on Water street.

Miss Marie Westcott, of Catonsville High School, is at home for the summer.

Mr. W. W. Hubbard and family left town Thursday for a visit to Mrs. H.'s parents in Mexico, Missouri. During their absence Messrs. D. B. Ford and H. S. Startt will occupy the avenue home.

Mr. Samuel L. Usilton and wife, of Philadelphia, have been enjoying several weeks visit to relatives in Kent.

Mrs. Jessop, mother of Mr. George Jessop, started Thursday to visit her daughter, Mrs. McClintock, in Pennsylvania. Mrs. J. is 90 years old and makes the trip every year.

Mr. George McFeely has resigned his position as cashier in R. Bergen's store to accept a place in Baltimore. Miss Emma Knight has been selected as cashier for Mr. Bergen.

Mrs. Thos. A. Hudson, of Piney Neck, returned home last week after a lengthy and delightful visit to her brother, Lieut. E. L. Usilton, Philadelphia.

Mrs. P. Dyre, of Laurel, Del., has enjoyed a visit to her daughter, Mrs. John Chilcutt, Chestertown.

Mr. J. H. Deakyne has been appointed postmaster at Clayton, vice John S. Casperson, term expired. The applicants for the office were J. H. Deakyne, T. L. Mason, Wm. P. Wright and W. D. Venn. The regulars backed Deakyne, while the Addicks element were almost to a man for Mason.

Mr. Laurence Legg, of Rock Hall, has accepted a position in Baltimore. We wish him success.

Misses Florence Legg and Clara Lambert, of Baltimore, returned home Tuesday from a visit with friends and relatives at Rock Hall, accompanied by Master Harry Legg.

Miss Mabel Young, of Baltimore, is the guest of Miss Baker on High street. Miss Young graduated Tuesday at the Maryland Institute in the class with Mrs. Annie Leaverton Ebaugh and her work ranks with the best.

Mrs. Cochran, of Baltimore, and her son, Frank A. Cochran, are summering at the Watts House.

Mrs. Marion Rogers has been very ill for several days this week, but was improved yesterday.

Prof. J. S. W. Jones, of Washington College, happened in Princess Anne on Wednesday when the horrible lynching of Andrews took place.

Mr. Thos. D. France has accepted a position with Mr. J. D. Bacchus in the coal business, Mr. John Ruth, who has been with Mr. B. for many years, accepting a place with Dr. J. T. Twilley.

Mrs. W. B. Groves, Edesville, has been visiting friends in Baltimore, and was accompanied home by her mother.

Prof. A. B. Burris will go to Silver Lake again this summer and expects to find a position on the team for Mr. Leon Davis. Cambridge tried to get Prof. Burris.

Mr. Jonathan R. Smith, a son of the late Hyland P. Smith, of this county, was one of the graduates of the law department of Dickinson College on the 7th inst.

Miss Arline Constable is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. S. Walker.

Miss Bessie Poe Gilpin, of Baltimore, is the guest of Mrs. Richard D. Hynson on Water street.

Mrs. Walker and bright little son, of Staten Island, N.Y., are visiting Mrs. H. K. Shaw, near town.

Mr. Jos. Armstrong, of Church Hill, has accepted a position to play ball at Morris Plain, N.J., and Norman Riggin has taken his place in Ortlip's drug store.

Mrs. Augusta Bowers has returned home after a protracted visit to her sons in Cecil and Baltimore.

Charlie Sing, the Americanized Chinaman, who successfully conducted the laundry business in Chestertown about fifteen months ago, but at present living in Crisfield, last week married Miss Carrie Wyatt, an American girl, in Crisfield. They were married by Rev. J. P. Otis, at the M. E. parsonage.—*Ledger*.

Mr. Leonard M. C. Parker, of the Baltimore Medical Colleg, has returned to his home in Baltimore after a delightful visit at Mr. Josiah Massey's.

Mr. Geo. P. Blackiston, of Washington, D. C., and Mr. A. H. Blackiston, of Brown University, Providence, R. I., are guests of the Misses Blackiston on Washington avenue.

Miss Hammett and Mrs. Bailey, of Washington, D. C., have been visiting the Misses Blackiston, Washington ave.

Mrs. Emma Murtz, of Baltimore, has been the guest of Mrs. Joseph Guest on Cross street.

Mr. Edward B. Meginniss, son of Mr. N. T. Meginniss, secretary of the Baltimore Consolidated Gas Company, is studying law at the Baltimore University. Two medals were offered for the best records during the past year and it gives us great pleasure to note the fact that our friend, Mr. Meginniss, won the junior medal. Mr. M. attended this school and at the same time held a responsible position in the gas company. The NEWS extends hearty congratulations.

Miss Mabel Graham returned to her home in Westminster Thursday accompanied by her aunt, Mrs. J. N. Dodd.

Mrs. T. R. Hubbard was able to be out Thursday and made the trip to Balto.

Miss Fannie Baker has been visiting Miss Spry, near Church Hill.

Miss Mae Fallowfield is the guest of Miss Carrie Willliams in Queen Anne's.

Mr. Robert J. Catlin, of Queen Anne's, who holds a good position as an employee of the U. S. Senate, has been notified to vacate his place on the 15th of June. There are others, too. Mr. Wm. A. Biscoe, of Chestertown, on account of his politics was asked to resign his position in the treasury.

FRUIT CULTURE IN KENT.

Prompt Marketing Pledged By Col. Stacey.

Kent county agriculturalists are vitally interested in the matter of raising and marketing of fruits and berries, and for that reason the following letter from Col. Stacey, the superintendent of the B. & D. B. R. R. will be most gratifying. Col. Stacey appears to fully appreciate the responsibility upon him of this matter and understands the mutual interests of railroads and shippers:

CLAYTON, DEL., JUNE 4, 1897.

MESSRS. WM. B. USILTON & SON,
Chestertown, Maryland.

Gentlemen:—My attention has been directed to a meeting of the Farmers' Club during which the subject of berry planting and moving to market was discussed. If I am not misinformed the matter of planting and raising berries was discontinued on the plea that proper facilities would not be provided for their marketing. Will you not through the columns of your valuable paper disseminate the information to all farmers interested that the railroad company will keep progress with all necessities and furnish berry trains for prompt and efficient delivery to any and all markets. As we have not spared expense or labor with respect to meeting the needs of the peach growers, those who may become berry raisers can feel assured of our earnestness to further their interests. I presume the conditions in Kent are not dissimilar to those on the D. & C. road in Talbot, where a large and profitable crop is marketed, and with the encouragement which I hasten to pledge the railroad company's co-operation in, I trust our farmers may find this new field promising enough to embark in. I am dear sirs,
Very truly, yours,
E. P. STACEY, Sup't.

APRIL COURT AGAIN ADJOURNED.

This Time it is to the First Monday in July.

His honor, Judge Wickes, attended the Court last Monday—to which time the April term was adjourned, so that no delay would occur in case of the arrest of Schofield, who is wanted in Kent for the crime perpetrated upon Mrs. W. S. Godwin. The court was again adjourned, this time until the first Monday in July, with the understanding, however, that the jury will not attend unless notified.

Judge Wickes is determined that there shall be no excuse for lawlessness in this case.

The recent unfortunate affair in Urbana, in which the military fired upon the mob attacking the county jail and killed several persons, has been discussed everywhere, but no one has talked so plainly as Governor Russell, of North Carolina. He boldly declares:

"Mobs who attack jails should be shot down. Lawless men must be made to know that this is a land of law. The way to end lynch law is to remove the excuse for it. It is no justification to say, what is not denied, that in many cases the victims deserve what they get. Barbarian brutes who commit nameless crimes muse be killed and killed quick, but let it be done under the forms of law. Let there be none of the law's delay. Give the executive the power to call a court instanter, order a judge by telegraph to the county of the crime, and try the criminal. If proper for an appeal, convene the Appellate Court on shortest possible notice, send down the judgment, and instantly peform its mandates."

That Urbana lynching was in Ohio, and in a county that gives a thousand Republican majority, proving that such outlawry is not confined to the South.

A Beautiful Garden Party. — The Chestertown Kindergarten closed for the summer Thursday with appropriate exercises. Miss Iris Anthony a member of the seventh grade was presented with a gold medal for special merit in her studies. She had not missed a single day and had received excellent marks in her lessons. Little Miss Urie also responded every day to roll call.

At night Miss Idel Baker, principal of the school, gave the scholars and a number of parents and friends a most delightful surprise in the form of a garden party. The yard on High street was transformed into a scene of rare loveliness, and, as the cute little tots skipped over the grass and ran about the shrubbery they appeared like little fairies, while Miss Baker was the queen among them, guiding and helping in every way to make the affair a success. Miss Anna Stewart was present and showed a number of interesting and laughable sketches with her magic lantern thus contributing very much to the pleasure of all. Refreshments of various kinds were served in abundance.

Entertainment. — The Corey "Y" of Locust Grove met at the residence of Mr. John W. Price on Tuesday evening, June 1st. The following was the program: Scripture reading by the president, Miss Elizabeth Scotten; Prayer; Singing; Reading, "A Bunch of Roses," Miss Irene Gooding; Singing; Reading, "Importance of Flower Missions," Mrs. Chas. Hill; Singing; Reading, "Reminiscences of Miss Jennie Cassidy," Miss Miss Lillian Price.

Melitota Items

Mr. Jno. Corey has kindly furnished our school with an organ. The instrument was in need of repair and our teacher, Miss Nickerson and County Surveyor Melvin put it in perfect working order. We heartily thank them for their untiring interest in our school.

Mrs. J. W. Corey attended the State Executive meeting, which was held in Baltimore this week. She reports things in a flourishing condition.

Mrs. Cayton, of Rock Hall, has been visiting Mrs. Beck.

The recent rains have been a great help to the wheat and corn, but has not proven so helpful to poultry.

Quite an accident occurred here Monday. A young horse belonging to Mr. John Deputy became unmanageable and damaged the carriage and harness and did itself some harm.

Mr. Merritt Rasin has mastered his wheel and rides with ease and grace.

Mr. W. W. Copper is again at his post at Tolchester Beach.

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