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SCHOOL NOTICE.

The PUBLIC SCHOOLS throughout Kent county will re-open next TUESDAY MORNING, January 3rd, 1899.

By order,

1t. WM. G. SMYTH, Exam.

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It is with pleasure that I inform my friends and patrons that I have associated myself with The New York Clothing House, of Baltimore, Md., where my services will be at their disposal. Asking an early call from my many friends, I am, yours for business,

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2 GOOD WAGON HORSES,
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1 Double Set WAGON HARNESS.
Also, 3 TOWN LOTS, well located.

The above will be sold at private sale, on note with ten months credit.

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The DWELLING up-town heretofore occupied by Mr. John W. Duyer, nearly opposite the Catholic Parsonage and adjoining T. B. Elliott's wall paper store.

Apply to GEO. W. HATCHERSON,

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The RESIDENCE on High street, adjoining George B. Westcott's home and heretofore tenanted by Dr. J. A. Catlin and son. Apply to MRS. RUTH A. CAHALL,

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for the year 1899:

THE STORE ROOM at the corner of High and Princess streets, now occupied by Miss E. G. Marshall & Co.

d24-6t. THOMAS W. ELIASON.

FOR RENT:

DWELLING on Market Space, adjoining R. K. Pippin, heretofore occupied by Wm. R. Pippin. Apply to

R. K. PIPPIN,

d10. Chestertown.

FOR RENT.

Dwelling House on Queen Street, in Chestertown, Md., owned by Dr. John L. Wethered and formerly occupied by Mrs. C. S. Wickes. This residence is in perfect order, having recently been thoroughly repaired and has hot and cold water, up and down stairs and a bath room. It can be rented either furnished or unfurnished. Possession will be given Jan. 1, 1899. For further particulars, apply to

d17—3t. LEWIN W. WICKES, Atty.

FOR RENT:

The Property in Chestertown, on High Street, formerly occupied by Dr. T. H. Cooper. There is Stable Room for 8 to 10 Horses and Carriage Houses. Its prominent location renders it desirable for an office or physician's residence. Apply to

THOMAS D. FRANCE,

d10-3t. Chestertown.

NOTICE

IS HEREBY GIVEN to the STOCKHOLDERS of the CHESTERTOWN NATIONAL BANK, that their regular ANNUAL MEETING for the election of SEVEN DIRECTORS for the ensuing year, will be held at the Banking House in Chestertown, TUESDAY, January 10, 1899, at 11 o'clock.

HARRY RICKEY,

d10-3t. CASHIER

Auditor's Notice.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County, No. 1262 Equity.

Henrietta M. Wilson, et. al., versus Unknown Heirs of Patrick Murray,

THE creditors of PATRICK MURRAY, interested in the proceeds of sale in this case, will file their claims properly authenticated, with the Clerk of the Circuit Court within sixty days from the date of the first date of this notice.

By order of court.

EBEN F. PERKINS, AUDITOR.

Dec. 31, 1898—4t.

SPECIAL BARGAINS IN OUR CARPET DEPARTMENT now and the coming week. Special Drives in RUGS.

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Never a better buying time than now. A general clearing of seasonable goods in every department. Specially marked down for the annual clearance.

Ladies' Tailor Made Suits Worth $18 and $20 for $10.

The price suggests the wisdom of taking an early advantage of this extraordinary offer. These finely tailored suits were secured in our great purchase from a well-known maker in New York. They are in Venetians, Royals, Tans, Brown, Black, Olive Green, Plaid Checks and mixed cloths, superbly tailored garments and were made to sell regular at $18 and $20. They go now your choice of these for $10.

Special Clearing Sale of Ladies' Jackets.

Instead of later on we make a clearing now of our entire stock of tailor made jackets. Every garment included in our clearance sale and marked at prices which insures you a marked saving to buy now. For instance, Ladies Fine Tan Kersey Jackets lined throughout with satin, which sold regular for $10, now go for.. ..... $5.98

Ladies Military Capes that were $8 now go for..... $3.98

Ladies Cloth Waists in Blue, Green and Black, trimmed with braid and cord on the bias, lined throughout, sold regular for $3. Now for..... $1.79

Decidedly Great Cut in Furs.

All our fine fashionable furs and fur garments at greatly reduced prices. For instance:

Alaska Sable Scarfs that were $15 now for..... $11.00

Genuine Mink Scarfs that were $10, now go for $7.50

Electric seal storm collarettes that were $5, now marked at.... $3.48

Electric Seal Coats at fully 25 per cent. lower than can be bought elsewhere.

Do Your Shopping by Mail.

If not convenient for you to visit the city you can save transportation charges by taking advantage of our Mail Order Department. Out of town patrons should write at once for our illustrated Fall and Winter Catalogue, sent **Free** to any address. Address

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Men's Suits and Overcoats.

$8.50 For a Suit —OR— Overcoat.

Worth $15 to $18.

MODELS OF THE TAILOR'S ART. These Suits are in Fancy Worsteds, Blue and Black Cheviots, Cassimeres, and Tan shades and in all the new Plaids and Checks; Coats made with hand-padded collars and shoulders; every garment in these Suits trimmed and made in high-class style. Suits that we made to sell at $15 to $18. Choice for.. $8.50

SEEING IS BELIEVING.—Our stupendous purchase of Fine Overcoats will give the choice of the handsomest tan shades in Coverts and Whipcords; stylish garments cut and made in the best possible manner; also choice of elegant Overcoats in Black and Blue end Brown Kerseys; such Coats as these sold everywhere at $15.00. Your choice and a perfect fit for..... $8.50

Men's high grade Suits and Overcoats at $15, $18 and $20.

They're the envy of the swell merchant tailors, garments for which they charge $30 to $35. Our ready to wear Suits include all the most fashionable styles, in Imported Worsteds, Scotch Cheviots, Vicunas, and all the Latest Novelties in Fine Suitings, such as are used by the finest custom tailors. Our array of fine Top coats includes the newest styles in Nobby-Full Backs, made of English Coverts, Whipcords, Patent Beavers, Meltons, Kerseys, etc., and handsomely silk-lined ones, all tailored to the top notch of perfection.

Boys' All-Wool Double-Breasted Suits, $1.98.

Strictly All-Wool Suits, made of Fancy Cheviots, in Plaids and neat effects; Pants with Patent Waistbands. Also, in same lot, choice of Blue and Black Cheviots; every suit readily worth $3.00. For..... $1.98

CHRISTMAS CHEER!

A Cantata in Stam's Hall—Beautiful Carols in Christ Church—Wesley Chapel Services—The Day in the Kent Almhouse, etc.

Sunday was the day set apart by Christ Church, Chestertown, for the celebration of Xmas. The pastor, Rev. J. M. Gill, preached a strong sermon on the "Star" while the choir under Dr. Dodd's direction rendered two specially fine selections by Danks.

The carols by the Sunday school at night were among the best ever rendered by the school, the high character of the music being specially striking. The little ones performed their parts perfectly, Misses Marion Lusby and Clara Usilton deserving the credit for this part of the program. The orchestra under Mr. A. M. Culp's direction accompanied the singing. The chorus of about fifty male voices rivaled the female chorus and made the church echo. The program follows:

Organ Voluntary—Miss Clara Usilton.
Scripture Reading—Mr. J. D. Bacchus.
Chorus—'Glory to God in the Highest' by the school with male chorus.
Recitation—'Beneath the Snow', by Maud Kelley.
Chorus—'Awake,' School.
Prayer—Prof. T. D. Bowers.
Exercise—Inez Russell, Olive Pennell, Margurite Howard, Daisy Chilcutt, Ethel Price, Gladys Aldridge.
Chorus—'Rise O Nations Rise,' School.
Responsive Reading, lead by Mr. Wm. A. Wheatley.
Recitation—'Why,' Master Jas. Bacchus.
Address—Master Frazier Russell.
Solo—'The Christmas Night,' Eva Hurlock.
Recitation—'Merry Christmas,' Miss Edith Frazier.
Solo—'The Magi,' Mrs. Horace Reed.
Infant Class Exercise—Rebecca Aldridge, Elizabeth Russell, Bessie McFeely, Josephine Wheatley, Harold Matthews, Frazier Russell Mason Greenfield Latham.
Responsive Reading, lead by Mr. James W. Chapman, Jr.
Chorus—'O Queen of Night,' by School with male chorus.
Recitation—'Christmas Star,' Miss Miriam Hubbard.
Recitation—'Legend of the Christmas Tree,' Miss Annie Sappington.
Chorus—'Ring O Bells,' School.
Address—Rev. J. M. Gill.
Chorus—'Day of Days,' School.
Benediction.

On Tuesday night the "jubilee" was held and the school auditorium was crowded with young folks, each of whom received a box of candy and an orange from Old Kris, who was delightfully impersonated by Mr. David B. Ford.

Cantata in Stam's Hall.

The Chestertown M. E Sunday school departed from their usual custom of holding their treat in the church and gave a cantata, in connection with the treat, in Stam's Hall Monday night. Misses Idel Baker and Anna G. Lambert had charge of the program and it was in every respect a perfect success. The hall was crowded with interested parents and children. A synopsis of the play and program follows:

Jack Frost and Dick Icicle tell Santa Claus that it is useless for him to make any more annual calls on the children, saying that the children are tired of him and do not appreciate his visits. Santa concludes to stay away for one year, just to see if Jack and Dick are right. The children prepare for Christmas and await with impatience Santa's coming, expecting him, of course, as usual.

The children appear on Christmas morning greatly disappointed at Santa's non appearance. Soon, however, the good old fellow comes bounding into their midst explaining his delay and telling how he decided to make his annual visit.

Opening chorus of 75 voices.
Marching school girls, costumed in red dresses with white aprons—Marguerite Hopkins, Mollie Ringgold, Elizabeth Brown, May Brice, Eunice and Isabelle Lambert, Annie Harris, Annie Calder, Eva Storke, Dora Hodgkins, Lottie Norris, Sue Frazier, Anna Smith, Marguerite Groves, Ethel Ringgold, Edith Dunbracco, Louise Brown.
Sleeping Belle—Miss Annie Grise.
Marching Song, soldier boys—Master Kemp Bordley, captain; Herman and Eddie Blackway, Hiram Eliason, Walter Simmons and Wallace Erskine.
Laughing Girls—Misses May Fallowfield, Mettie Loud, Iris Anthony, Estelle Simmons.
Crying Boys—John Armstrong, Houston Toulson, Hiram Jones, J. Groves, Merritt Brown, Murrel Dunbracco, Chauncey Parks, Earl Thomas, Randolph Waddell, Earl Duyer, Freddie Norris, Jos. Lewis, Crook and Roland Matthews.
Sneezing Girls—Lizzie Davis, Laura Lambert, Susie Dunbracco, Emma Roe, Lillian Matthews.
The Snow Flower, solo by Miss Bertie Burchinal.
Ensemble, Full chorus.

Part II.

Opening chorus.
'I am a Fairy,' solo by Master Paul Jones.
Santa Claus' Song—Mr. D. P. Jones and distribution of candy to scholars.
Jack Frost—Solo by Preston Jones.
'Raise the Flag'—Full chorus.
Patriotic Drill—Misses Sue Ford, Carrie Reiche, Estelle Simmons, Julia Burchinal, Sue Lambert, Mary Vandegrift, May Crow, Mamie Barnes, May Fallowfield, Anna Cosden—with Uncle Sam, impersonated by Master Thomas Eliason, carrying the American flag.
Good Night—Chorus and Tableau.

Chestertown P. E. Church.

Dr. S. C. Roberts, rector of Emmanuel Protestant Episcopal Church, preached an impressive sermon on Sunday morning from II Luke, 14 verse: "Glory to God in the highest; on earth peace, good will toward men." At night a delightful children's song service was held. The scholars of Emmanuel P. E. Sunday school gathered round their Christmas trees Wednesday night, and received gifts and bags filled with Christmas cheer. Santa Claus was not there but sent an abundance of good things for the children.

St. James Church.

The entertainment at St. James Wednesday night was one of the best ever held by the school. The scholars were presented with candy, oranges, etc. Mr. Samuel Vannort was in charge of the program.

The Day in Kennnedyville.

Christmas services were held in the Grace Presbyterian Church, Kennedyville, Tuesday at 7.30 P. M. The house was full of happy people. The services were appropriate and interesting. The children were each made happy by a present of candy and an orange. The pastor Rev. K. M. Bull was presented with a comfortable Morris chair. The people seemed to enjoy the last feature of the evening, even better than their surprised and embarrassed but grateful pastor did.

Wesley Chapel M. P. Church.

The Christmas entertainment given on Monday evening at Wesley Chapel was largely attended and was quite a success. The children deserve special praise for the splendid manner in which the program "Guiding Star" was rendered. Many presents were distributed and each Sunday school scholar received a beautiful box containing fine French candy. The church was beautifully trimmed for the occasion with evergreen and potted plants which added very much to the appearance of the house. The service closed with Mizpah benediction.

The Day at the Almshouse.

Those who unfortunately were compelled to spend the day at the county almshouse were not forgotten and a pleasant service was held Sunday afternoon in charge of Miss Anna Leaverton, who has for the past year held services there. Mrs. Mary R. Bramble, Capt. Jas. A. Russell and Wm. B. Coleman, of Chestertown, were present and took part in the services. Candy, cake, etc., were presented to all the inmates.

MR. WESTCOTT RESIGNS!

Mr. James W. Lambert Appointed Commissioner of Chestertown.

The NEWS bulletin on Saturday told the public of the resignation of Chas. T. Westcott, Esq, from the board of town comissioners. To his intimate friends this was no surprise but the general public were thoroughly unprepared for the change. The other two members of the board, Charles L. Dodd and James Brice, appointed Mr. James W. Lambert to fill the vacancy.

Mr. Lambert is a member of the firm of Chapman & Lambert, and is a man of broad views, practical mind and thoroughly awake to every good thing. He is conservative, a man of unquestioned integrity and whose character is beyond reproach. His selection is surely a wise one for with such men in control Chestertown will be well governed.

Mr. Westcott felt that his large interests in Baltimore prevented him from giving proper attention to his duties as a commissioner and therefore resigned. He has made an excellent officer and many of his friends regret to see him take this step.

CHARLES LITTLE & CO. SUED!

Deputies from Sheriff Schroth's office last Tuesday seized the property of Charles Little, the nurseryman, in Rochester, N. Y. The levies were made on executions in favor of several parties amounting to $1600.

Mr. Wm. Ford, the local agent here, who was so shabbily treated by Little & Co., did not get his account in with those included in the above levies.

The property is advertised to be sold January 4th.

Commissioners Out-witted.

The firing of roman candles and fire crackers in the streets of Chestertown had become such a menace to the safety of teams driving through town and to pedestrians that Commissioner Dodd thought it time to put a stop to it. He consulted a number of tax-payers and all agreed that the "easiest way was the best way." They did not want to arrest the boys nor give the officers an objectionable job, so it was agreed that Mr. Dodd should buy all the rockets in town and thus prevent the sale of any.

This was done, and the fact soon became known. The boys immediately drove to Still Pond, Worton, Church Hill and other places and secured a supply of the candles, and at night the usual "fight" was held. It was not as bad as it was last year owing to the limited stock.

A Pretty Sight!

The total eclipse of the moon Tuesday night was witnessed by scores of persons in Chestertown and in various parts of Kent. The eclipse began at 5.49 P. M. and continued until 7.18 P. M. It was plainly discernible with the naked eye, and, contrary to all expectations, the weather and the conditions of the sky were such that it proved a much more interesting sight than had been anticipated. The moon was faintly visible, having a coppery color produced by the refraction of the sun's rays while passing through the atmosphere of the earth. The shadow of the earth as it crossed the face of the moon was about 6,500 miles in diameter.

WEDDING BELLS.

Cards Announce the Approachiug Nuptials of Prominent Couples.

The wedding of Wm. C. Sutton, of this town, and Mrs. Theresa Estes, of Baltimore, took place Tuesday night at the residence of the bride, 14 E. Montgomery street. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. Brunner, of Lee St. Baptist Church. The groom is a skilled plumber of Chestertown, and the bride a handsome young lady. The newly wedded couple will arrive today and take up their residence on Cannon st.

Bond Chapel was the scene of a very pretty nuptial event on Wednesday evening. Miss Mattie Edwards, the daughter of Mr. Wm. T. Edwards, of near Pomona, and Mr. Richard C. Leaverton were the principals. Miss Edwards is one of Quaker Neck's accomplished young ladies and a popular leader in social and church circles in that locality. Mr. Leaverton is one of Kent's intelligent young farmers, industrious and up-to-date. The popularity of the young couple is attested by the large assemblage present to witness the ceremony. The church was most tastefully trimmed. Evergreen, holly and mistletoe were banked in the pulpit and hung from the chandeliers and about the altar rail and windows in graceful wreaths. A beautiful arch of holly and evergreen spanned from side to side of the altar from the center of which hung the historic marriage bell under which the marriage ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Vandyke.

A few minutes after 7 P. M. the bride and groom entered the church preceded by the ushers, Messrs. Chas. Craig, of Baltimore, A. C. Loud, Wm. Maslin and John Loud. The bride looked handsome becomingly attired in a blue cloth suit trimmed with old gold colored satin, with hat to match and carrying a large bouquet of white carnations. The groom had on the conventional black suit. Miss Lizzie Baker skillfully presided at the organ and rendered pretty selections before the ceremony and Mendelssohn's march while the bridal party were going to and from the altar. After the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents. The happy couple will reside on the farm where Mr. Leaverton now lives near Pomona.

WEER-HAYES NUPTIALS.

One of the prettiest home weddings of the season was solemnized Wednesday evening, Dec. 21st, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis C. Hayes, Rev. A. P. Prettyman officiating. The contracting parties were Mr. J. H. Weer, the popular and efficient postmaster, of Kennedyville, and Miss Maggie Hayes, one of Galena's accomplished young ladies. Precisely at the appointed hour the bride entered the parlor leaning on the arm of the groom and preceded by the best man, Lewis Hayes, Jr., brother of the bride, and the maid of honor, Miss Annie Hayes, sister of the bride, robed in pink organdie over silk with ribbon trimmings and carrying white carnations. The bride who was handsomely gowned in white organdie over silk with ribbon and rinestone trimmings looked charming and beautiful. In her hair she wore a spray of "lily of the valley" and a pin of brilliants, the gift of the groom, and carried bride's roses. The groom wore the conventional black and looked his best.

Immediately after the ceremony the bridal party and guests were invited to the spacious dining room where cake, ices, fruits, etc., were served in abundance. Owing to the death of the bride's grandmother only the immediate relatives of the contracting parties were present. The presents were numerous and handsome, consisting of gold and silver-ware, lamps, bronzes, rugs, chairs, dishes, cutlery, bric-a-brac, etc.

About 11 o'clock the newly wedded couple were driven to the home of the groom's brother in Kennedyville, amidst showers of rice and old shoes where they will board until their beautiful home in the village, which has just been erected by Mr. A. M. Culp, is ready for occupancy.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. T. Roe have issued cards to the marriage of their daughter, Mary Olivia, to Harry Edwin Walls, Thursday evening, Jan. 12th, in the M. E. Church South, Church Hill.

Mr. Harry Kensey, of Lynch's, and Miss May Biggers, of near Chestertown, were married at the St. James parsonage Wednesday evenlng by Rev. E. C. Makoskey.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hill, of Baltimore, have issued invitations to the marriage of their daughter, Miss Anna Bryant Hill to the Rev. John George Sadtler, on Wednesday evening, January 4th, in St. Peters Protestant Episcopal Church, Baltimore.

The marriage of Mr. Philemon B. Hopper, a prominent attorney of Centreville, and Miss Mary Elizabeth Keating, daughter of the late Wm D. Keating, will take place at St. Paul's P. E. Church, Centreville, on Thursday, Jan. 12th, 1899, at 2 o'clock p. m. No cards.

Miss Lillian Cassard Murphy, daughter of Rev. R. R. Murphy, a former pastor of Towson M. E. Church, who is now a resident of Baltimore, was married on Thursday last to Prof. Irving L. Twilley, of Indiana, formerly of Baltimore. The ceremony took place at the residence of the bride's parents. Rev. Mr. Murphy, father of the bride, officiated. Prof. Twilley is a graduate of Washington College and well-known here.

DEATH'S DOINGS.

The Sudden Death of Mrs. Emma Kendall—Bled to Death with Her Children about Her!

It becomes our duty to record the sad and awful death of Mrs. Emma Kendall, at her home near Edesville, Saturday evening. Mr. Kendall left home Saturday morning to make the round trip to Baltimore via Tolchester and to get some Christmas presents for the loved ones at home.

Mrs. Kendall had been suffering from a ruptured blood vessel on the back of her ankle and called in Dr. Hines about two weeks before her death. About half past five Mrs. Kendall broke one of the arteries in her foot and it is supposed the sight of blood frightened her, for she immediately fell in a faint to the floor! Willie, aged 12, went to his mother and she revived sufficient to get up into the chair, and leaning her head against the lad's shoulder, peacefully passed away. Willie noticed the blood but was helpless. He sent his ten-year-old sister, Mary, to Mr. George Stevens' for help.

Mr. Stevens was seen by the NEWS reporter and says he immediately went to see what was the matter. "I never will forget that sight," said he. "Blood seemed to be over everything, while in the midst of all, was the mother with her head on Willie's shoulder! We tried to arouse her, but she had bled to death! I sent for a doctor but of course it was useless."

The deceased was a daughter of Mr. Wm. R. Glenn, of Piney Neck, and for several years lived on Mr. J. K. Aldridge's farm near town. She was about 34 years of age and leaves several children. Truly it could be said of her that "none knew her but to love" for she was a grand woman.

The funeral took place Monday, interment at Wesley Chapel, Rev. E. K. McCaslin officiating. The pall-bearers were Lawrence and George Stevens, Walter Hadaway, Steven Newcomb, Louis Ayres, Richard Walbert. James E. Blakiston was undertaker.

Miss Laura Ashley died at the home of Mr. Wm. Burgess, near Edesville, last Saturday after a long illness, aged 49. She was dearly beloved by the people around her who ministered to her every want. The funeral services were held Tuesday, Rev. C. K. McCaslin officiating, John N. Dodd undertaker. The bearers were Walter Sadtler, James L. Leary, James and Charles Wood, John Ward, Wm. H. Greewood.

Mrs. James Rankin died in Baltimore Sunday and was buried in St. Paul's Cemetery Thursday. The deceased was a daughter of the late W. S. Thompson, of near Fairlee.

A WIFE'S RECIPE!

A Chestertown Lady Tells Husbands How to be Happy in 1899—Try It.

The following letter was received by a prominent business man of Chestertown from his wife as a New Year's receipt:

Do you wish to be happy all through 1899?
Then be content with your lot.
While Content dwelt in Eden's bower,
it was a Paradise. But as soon as vain
desires came whispering through its
leafy groves, the happy angel took its
flight and all nature felt its curse.
Therefore whatever you do in 1889—
Don't run into debt!
Never mind if the old clothes are
faded and torn;
Fit them up—make them do.
It is better by far than to have the
heart weary and worn.
Who'll love you more for the style
of your hat,
Or your cuffs or the set of your shoe,
The shape of your vest, or your coat
or cravat,
If they know you're in debt for the
new?
Kind husband, don't run into debt
any more; 'twill fill your wife's cup
full of sorrow;
To know that a neighbor may call at
your door,
With a bill you can't settle tomorrow.
Oh! take my advice, it is good, it is
true.
But lest some of you may doubt it I'll
whisper a secret now, seeing 'tis you—
I have tried it and know all about it.

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