LOCAL NEWS.

THE James H. Thorne Dramatic Co. has been in Chestertown several nights this week and give a good, clean show. This afternoon they will give a matinee for school children, and to-night will produce "A Daughter of Ireland." The prices are 10, 20 and 30 cents.

THE Circuit court for Cecil county convened on Monday at Elkton. Several damage suits are on the docket, among the number being a $100,000 suit against the Jacob Tome Institute at Port Deposit.

THE Spry farm near Crumpton, belonging to Thomas Hill, Esq., of Baltimore, has been sold to Mr. J. Leonard Price, of Still Pond. The farm is now occupied by Mr. Harry Hepbron.

SEVERAL camps of gypsies are in Kent. Two camps have been near Galena this week and one near Chestertown. Many horse trades have resulted.

THE record of Mrs. Joel Smith with eggs has been beaten by Mrs. D. S. Sutton, of Pomona, who says she has gathered this year 113 dozen and seven eggs. On Saturday she got 75 eggs.

A YOUNG ALLIGATOR was received this week at the NEWS office by express from Florida. Agent Matthews, of the express company, has brought horses, cats, dogs, etc., etc, to town, but this was his first alligator.

THE Chestertown public schools were closed on Thursday in respect to the memory of the late friend of the schools, Eben F. Pe.kins, Esq.

THE load of Western horses and mules arrived in Chestertown this week and will be sold next Tuesday at Whiteley's stables.

CHICKEN thieves are plying their vocation near Chesterville. Mr. Robert Kennedy had fifteen fine pullets stolen from him this week.

IT IS said that the many logs along the bay shore of Kent and in the creeks came from a raft containing 50,000 in the upper Susquehanna.

THE dredging closed last Saturday. Tonging closes on April 25. Oysters are now in good condition and sold high this week on account of high winds.

THERE has been very little fishing in the vicinity of Rock Hall on account of drift trash in the bay.

THE executive committee recently appointed by the big convention of peninsula farmers to carry out the idea planned at that convention for securing protection for the farmers and fruit-growers of the peninsula, especially in their dealings with the railroad companies, held its first meeting this week.

It was proposed to raise a fund at once to employ three of the most prominent anti railroad attorneys of Delaware and Eastern Maryland to look after the interests of the fruit and grain shippers during the coming season and obtain damages for delay in shipment or careless handling of their goods. The committee will also endeavor to bring about a united effort on the part of all the farmers for their protection.

Law and Order League Formed — Much complaint has been made lately about Kennedyville that the local option law was being violated. The ladies through their temperance organization and through other sources have tried to break the speakeasies up, but have not succeeded. On last Saturday evening a meeting was held in the town hall at Kennedyville and a Law and Order League formed. The citizens of the thriving Kent town are determined that the illicit traffic shall cease. The officers of the league are President, Tilghman Shafer; vice-president, Dr. S. G. Barwick; sec., H. L. Davies; treas., Wm. M. Hurlock.

Good Luck.—Messrs. Joseph Brice, Merritt Brice and James Peters tried their luck at the ducks and swan this week at East Neck Island and succeeded in killing 53 ducks and one swan. Not a bad record for these times when game is said to be so scarce.

Mr. John J. Brock killed two wild geese last week at his Fairlee farm and crippled a third. The geese seem to take special delight in feeding in the large field of Mr. Wm. T. Nicholson's, near town.

WESTCOTT & DODD'S spring display in every department excells all former displays, variety of style, quality and low prices.

THE spring opening of R Bergen took place this week. He says the ladies have commenced to buy their new hats and scores have already placed their orders. He has everything for a complete outfit.

Fell From Steamer and Drowned.—John T. Roby, colored, while stepping from the steamer Sassafras at Fredericktown, near Galena, last Saturday evening, missed his footing and fell overboard and was drowned. He was 35 years of age and was in company with five others, who went to Cecil county ...king work. Coroner Nelson, of Elkton, was summoned and held an inquest. The verdict rendered was that the man met his death by accident.

Arbor Day, April 11.—The day for tree planting is Friday, April 11. Governor Smith on Tuesday issued his proclamation making that Arbor Day. Plant a tree if you can. The schools of Kent usually have special exercises and plant trees. The object is one worthy of attention as the destruction of the natural forest is getting to be serious and if we continue to cut and do not plant we will soon have a bare, trackless waste of country.

Express Office Down Town.— Superintendent Tunis, of the Adams Express Company, has been in Chestertown this week. He is anxious to move the office to a more central position in the town both for the reason that it will be more convenient to the business men and it will very likely increase the receipts of the office. Several locations are under consideration and if the proper place can be found the change will be made. Why can't the Adams Express Company and the Western Union Telegraph Company unite forces and get a convenient office down town? Such a move would certainly be appreciated by the public and tend to increase the business of both companies.

Horse Notes.—Mr. Alday Clements, the Kent breeder and owner of fine blooded stock, has a fine 6-year-old stallion named Allie Vincent. He is a full brother of St. Ives, a 4-year-old trotting horse, which was sold this week by John McAleese, Superintendent of of the Pittsburg police, to the Wheeling Stock Farm Company for $2590 from the Locust Grove Stock Farm, Lawrence County. St. Ives is a full brother of St. Edward, owned by James S. Johnson, of Pittsburg which has an unbroken record of victories on Western Pennsylvania and Eastern Ohio tracks the past two years. Mr. Clements bought Allie Vincent a short time ago from a Pennsylvania doctor.

A beautiful thorough-bred Kentucky horse was presented this week to Miss Mary Rogers, granddaughter of Mrs. Carolene Hynson, of Chestertown. The animal is a gift from the Baltimore divine, Rev. Dr. J. H. Eccleston and is a handsome chestnut sorrel.

Mr. George Rouse, superintendent of the Standard Oil business in this section, lost one of his best horses very suddenly on Sunday. The cause of his death is unknown.

Messrs. Wm. B. Biggs, the driver of Bedworth, Jr., and John W. Walls, of Crumpton, will open training quarters at Curry's Driving Park, Greenwood, Del., and will handle horses from Kent, Queen Anne's, Baltimore and Delaware.

Engagements, Etc.—The marriage of Miss Henrietta N. Walmsley, of Chesterville and Mr. Robert M. Subers, of Queen Anne's, is announced to take place Wednesday, April 2, 1902, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Burris Subers, Meginnis. A reception will be held before the ceremony.

It is said that there will be three weddings about Chestertown soon after Easter.

New Dentist in Millington.—Millington is to have a new dentist. Dr .A. M. Bobbitt who has permantly located at Church Hill will spend every Tuesday in Millington for the purpose of practicing dentistry there. Dr. Bobbitt is recent graduate and has been very successful in his work.

Hung Himself.— Charles H. Pierce committed suicide early Wednesday morning by hanging himself to a rafter in the barn on his farm, near Rising Sun, Cecil county. He got up and went to feed his stock, as his family supposed, but upon his non-appearance at the house, Mrs. Pierce and other members of the family went in search of him. They found his lifeless body dangling from the end of the rope, with his neck broken. Pierce was still warm when found, and a box four feet in height was nearby on which he stood while placing the rope around his neck. He was industrious and recently purchased the Haddock farm of 85 acres, for which he paid several thousand dollars. His family and friends cannot account for the rash act unless he was despondent over financial matters. Mr. Pierce was about 50 years old and leaves a widow and several children.

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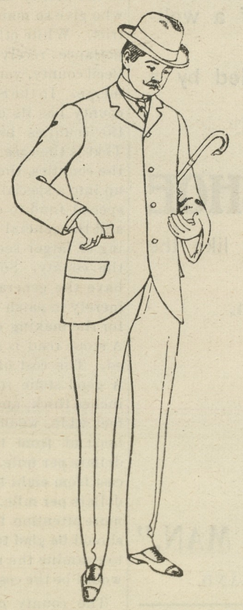
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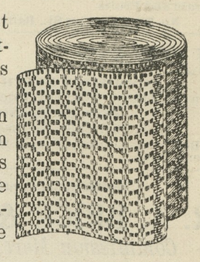
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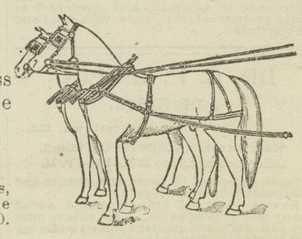


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