LOCAL NEWS.

Court Auditors.—Lewin W. Wickes, Esq., of the Chestertown bar, has been appointed auditor of the court, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Major Eben F. Perkins. William W. Beck, Esq., has been named as special auditor.

Wild Ducks.—Messrs. John Casey, John Ayres and Joseph Downey, killed twenty blackhead ducks off East Neck Island Narrows Monday. The locality had been baited with corn which proved tempting to the game. The ducks sold readily at 60 cents per pair.

Officers Elected.—At the annual election of the officers of the Betterton Sunday School last Sunday the following were elected for the ensuing year: Superintendent, William E. Greet; Assistant Supt., Geo. W. Owens; Secretary, Archie Crew; Treasurer, J. A. Bowman; Librarian, Arthur Brice; asst., Librarian, John Crew; Organist, Miss Sadie Brice; asst., Organist, Miss Bessie Leigh.

Change of Schedule.—The Steamer Gratitude, of the Chester River S. B. Co., now leaves Centreville daily, except Sunday at 7. A. M., stopping at the landings on Corsica River, Jackson Creek and Rock Hall daily except Sunday and leaving Baltimore at 2.30 P. M., making the above landings. No change has been made in the Chestertown route.

Draws with his Teeth.—Frederick Strattner, well-known in Chestertown, who lost both arms in an accident, is developing a remarkable ability to draw. He clutches a pencil between his teeth and by the movement of his head produces pictures which are remarkable when the manner in which they are drawn is considered.

Elected Treasurer.—At a meeting of the Board of Visitors of Washington College held Tuesday night Mr. Eben F. Perkins, Jr., was elected treasurer of the board to succeed the late Mr. Perkins. The new treasurer is the present teller of the Second National Bank and will no doubt fill the position with credit. The position pays $150 per annum.

Sale of Horses.—Mr. Wm. Ralston, of Nebraska, held his sale of Western horses Tuesday and Auctioneer Hurlock secured excellent prices. The list of sales is as follows:

Geo. W. McGrogan, $102; Thomas Quigley, $77; Sam'l C. Loller, Jr. $76; J. D. Jamar, $100; W. W. Woodall, $101; J. H. Story, $68; B. J. McGugan, $110; Frank Mason, $61; Thomas Quigley, $70; W. F. Melvin, $56; Wm. Fields, $120; J. C. Jones, $58; Wm. Fields, $70; Raymond Bonwell, $57; Edward Warner, $55; John Stevens, $121; John Redmile, $61; J. H. Story, $76; John Redmile, $53; Geo. W. McGrogan, $76; Frank Morris, pr mules, $80; Total $1647.

Claims $5,000 Insurance.—Mrs. Alice McFeely, of Chestertown, sued the Fidelity Mutual Life Insurance Company of Philadelphia in the United States Circuit Court Monday to recover on a policy of insurance for $5,000 on the life of her husband, the late John L. McFeely. The declaration states that Mr. McFeely was insured in the company on June 28, 1890, and died November 15, 1901. John P. Poe & Sons and Marion deK. Smith are the plaintiff's attorneys.

Vacant Cadetship.—Congressman Jackson has named the following for the vacant cadetship in the Naval Academy: Laurence M. Ewell, son of Mr. Thomas J. Ewell, of the Baltimore Sun, principal; James B. Merritt, of Easton, first alternate; A. E. Barnes, of Snow Hill; G. R. Hamilton, Princess Anne; E. B. Garey, Denton. This appointment is supposed to be made from the First Congressional District.

Kent Wins the Bush.—The fox hunters had another fine run Saturday having started two foxes in Broad Neck and one in Quaker Neck. Mr. George Brice succeeded in getting the bush of the fox caught in Mr. Victor Hendrickson's field. The party went to Baltimore on the Tolchester boat having enjoyed a delightful visit to old Kent. The Sun of Monday says that Miss Eleanor Stewart, Miss Nancy Lee, Miss Katherine Lurman, Miss Frances Lurman, Mr. Jervis Spencer, Jr., Mr. Chas. M. Stewart, Mr. Redmond C. Stewart, Mr. W. Irving Cross, Mr. Felix Sullivan, Jr., Mr. Arthur T. Selden, Mr. Dorsey Rogers, Mr. Frank Keating, Mr. Frank Bonsal, Mr. John M. Henry and M. Burke Cochran, of New York, have returned to their respective homes from Kent county, where they formed a hunting party over Friday and Saturday, with headquarters at Chestertown.

Stewart & Co.—In this issue will be found the advertisement of Stewart & Co., Baltimore, Formerly Posner Bros. For a quarter century Posner Bros. has been known all over the country as the name of the largest department store in Baltimore. Recently the great business building and all, was purchased by the Associated Merchants Company, of New York. The great advantage that will result to the people from this movement cannot be estimated. In part it means greater varieties, and better and choicer goods for less money than ever before. Read their advertisement and see what bargains they are offering.

Calendar Fair.—The outlook for the Musicale and Fair to be held in Stam's Hall next week is very promising. Contributions from various parts of the country have been received, while the decoration committees have been busy making grapes, flowers, etc., with which to adorn the booths. The February table, in charge of Misses Idel Baker and Anna Brown, will be brilliantly lighted with a dozen or more electric lights. See adv. for further particulars.

The body of Dr. Peter Cooper, a brother of Dr. J. W. Cooper, of Elkton, and of the late Dr. T. H. Cooper, of Chestertown, arrived at Wilmington from Proscott, Ariz., last Wednesday evening and the funeral took place Thursday afternoon from the residence of his father-in-law, Col. D. P. Barnard, No. 919 Washington street. Interment was made at Riverview cemetery.

LOCAL NEWS.

THE oyster season is nearing an end and packing houses will close this week.

Messrs. W. S. Scoone, Romie Scoone and C. C. Kendall, of the Maryland oyster inspection force, have been assigned to work in the Kent waters. Mr. W. S. Scoone will inspect oysters caught in the upper Chester, and Messrs. Romie Scoone and C. C. Kendall will locate on Swan Point and Wickes' Beach.

IVENS & CARR, Worton, have contracted for 275 acres of tomatoes from the farmers about Worton Station and Lynch's for $8 per ton.

A NEW RURAL mail route will be established in Worton to take in all of Worton Point.

THE county commissioners Tuesday appointed Mr. Harvey D. McClary keeper of the bridge over Morgan's creek. They also ordered several large trees in the court house yard to be cut down.

THE Kent County Savings Bank received a new safe this week in which to keep their large books. It weighs 5,000 pounds.

SINCE making note of the big records made by Kent's housewives in raising eggs, many fine outputs of the hens have been given the NEWS. Mrs. Jas. Bramble, near Fairlee, is about the best so far, having gathered 200 dozen since Christmas.

CAPT. CADWALADER on Monday had the finest lot of rock seen in town this week. Our fishermen have been reaping a big harvest of fine rock and but few herring.

RELATIVES of the colored man drowned at Fredericktown last week will sue the Tolchester Steamboat Company for $25,000.

AN iron frame with a tank to hold 10,000 gallons of water, is being erected at the Chestertown depot by the Pennsylvania R. R. Co.

LEWIN W. WICKES, Esq., was named Tuesday as administrator of estate of the late Milicent Beck, and A. S. Crawford and Horace W. Constable were named as appraisers.

THE old bridge across the Sassafras River at Fredericktown, connecting Cecil and Kent counties, has been torn down and a ferry is being conducted to convey people from one county to the other. A new and modern iron bridge has been contracted for with the York Bridge Company by the Commissioners of Cecil and Kent counties. Work of construction is expected to be started by the latter part of this week.

FARM NOTES.

Peach Trees Being Pulled up—Wheat Hurt—Cattle in Good Condition.

We have interviewed a number of farmers in Kent and Queen Anne's who state that wheat is in very poor condition. Many fields are partly bare because of wheat having been drowned by the excessive rains. Otbers think large tufts will take root and make an ordinary crop. Mr. Dukes near Chesterville, has ploughed up half his field and will sow oats.

Peach trees by the score are being pulled up this week. Ten years ago Kent county contained a million and a half of peach trees, but to day a half million will doubtless count them. Mr. John Bell has been jerking them out with a traction engine at a rapid rate the past week.

In case warm and fair weather continues, peach orchards will be in full bloom by the middle of next month at least, and there is much speculation among persons interested in peach culture concerning the chances of a big crop of fruit. Many have expressed fear that the warm weather would bring the buds out too soon with the result that they would be killed.

Farmers of this county are of the opinion that orchards are in no danger. Should warm weather continue, the buds would not be out before the middle of next month. By that time there will be but little danger of serious damage by possible late frosts, as the trees will be well protected by leaves.

There is no danger of the buds being killed at present as they are not far enough advanced to be seriously affected by possible cold waves.

WORK ABOUT TOWN.

Mr. Robert N. Boston is erecting new sheds for Mr. Henry S. Deford.

Mrs. Horace Reed's new home on High street has been commenced by Mr. Walter Pippin. Col. Howard will occupy the old Parks home.

Messrs. Thomas D. France and J. B. DeCorse have commenced extensive improvements to their coal yard, recently purchased of Dr. J. T. Twilley, on Cannon street. Contractor Walter T. Pippin is now engaged in erecting a coal shed 30x128 and a warehouse 25x32 feet; both buildings will have a corrugated, galvanized roof. A good, substantial fence will be placed around the entire lot and other minor improvements made.

Capt. Phefer and wife are making substantial improvements to their property, corner Cannon and Queen streets. The store room has been enlarged and a large porch is being placed in front and on the Queen street side of the store. The Messrs. Duyer are the contractors.

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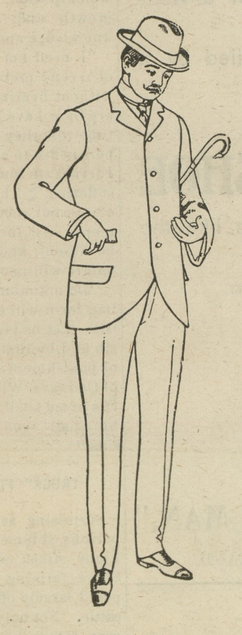

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50c. Fancy Wool Challies, for novel waisting, at	39c
60c. Fine All-Silk Spring Waistings, at	50c
Rich line New Percales, Fine Madras, good value,	12½c

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Fine 10c. Fabrics 8½c.
Best 12½c. Linens at 10c.
Rich line at 12½c, 15c, 19c

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Beautiful New Line at 10c and 12½c.
Rich, Novel Lace Stripes, 15c and 19c.
Finest Mercerized Stripes and Cords, for only 25c.

HAMBURGS—
Fine 10c. and 12½c. Hamburg Edgings, 7½c.
Rich 15c. and 18c. Wide Edgings, 12½c.
The 20c. and 25c. Edges, all 15 cents. In short lengths to suit, 3 to 6 yards.
Rich Exhibit of Nainsook Embroideries, in sets to match, all widths, 10c. to 25c.
Fine Valenciennes Laces, all prices, all widths.

Beautiful Fancy Silk Ribbons at 15c.
New Table Linens in Bleached and Cream Damasks, special low prices, 39c, 50c, 75c.

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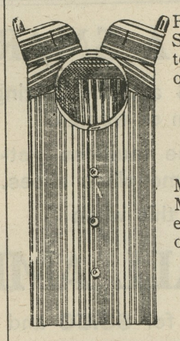

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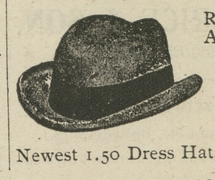

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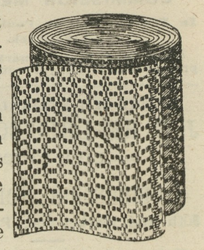

Good China Mattings 9¾c.
Heavy Fancy Mattings 12½c.
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Fine 25c Cotton Warp Mattings, only 19c.
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