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THE outcome of the hazing case in the Kent Court this week cannot help but have a wholesome effect on the future conduct of the students at this noted institution. The custom of "hazing" as practiced to-day in some colleges is really a menace to the future success of the institutions and the sooner the practice is ended, even if by courts of justice, the better for students and colleges.

JUDGE ALTON PARKER of New York is now an open and avowed aspirant for the Democratic nomination for President. This result was accomplished at Albany on Monday, when the Democratic state convention declared itself in his behalf and instructed the delegates to the St. Louis convention to present his name and support him for nomination. Further, the delegates were instructed to act and vote as a unit in accordance with the will of the majority.

THE citizens of Chestertown will be called upon next Monday to select a commissioner in place of Mr. Wm. B. Coleman whose term expires May 1st Mr. Coleman, we learn, has concluded to withdraw from the contest leaving a clear field to Mr. Thomas S. Bordley. Mr. Bordley was waited on some weeks ago by representative citizens and consented to serve as a candidate for commissioner, and it is very gratifying that he will have no formidable opposition He is a representative citizen, a large taxpayer and competent to fill the position to which he aspires.

THE Democratic State Central Committee of Maryland met at the Eutaw House on Wednesday and named the dates and places for the State Convention and the six Congressional conventions. The State Convention will be held at Ford's Opera House on May 26 at noon. The attendance was good and the tone of the meeting was cheerful. "Any good Democrat can carry Maryland this fall" was the slogan. This optimistic tone was noticeable in Chairman Vandiver's opening remarks, made as soon as Secretary Lloyd Wilkinson had called the roll and announced that every county and Legislative district was represented. The Congressional convention of the first district will meet at Ocean City on Wednesday, Aug. 10.

A Wise Selection.

The Judges of the Circuit Court for Kent County on Tuesday appointed Messrs. James F. M. Woodall, Thos. W. Skirven and Wilbur Eliason as an auditing committee for this county as provided by the local law passed at the recent session of the Legislature. This committee in brief are to qualify within 30 days, and if any shall fail so to do, then the remaining member or members shall fill the vacancy; they shall audit the accounts of the county commissioners Treasurer and Trustees of the Poor beginning the second Monday in July, and the School Board in August; the pay is fixed at $4 per day. The Court is to be congratulated upon their selection.

Mr. J. F. M. Woodall is a representative citizen of Georgetown and for years has had control in a sense of the large estate of Capt. Andrew Woodall. He is an expert book-keeper, deeply interested in the economical management of the county affairs and a gentleman of high character.

In Mr. Thomas W. Skirven, of near Fairlee, the agricultural interests have a worthy exponent and representative. He is a sterling citizen who has earned his elegant estate by close attention to details and one who will give to the place assigned him his undivided care and attention.

Mr. Wilbur Eliason is a well known farmer of near Chestertown. He is a gentleman well informed on general topics and as an accountant has been especially trained. He is a graduate of Yale College and the Court could not have selected a citizen and a tax-payer better informed on county finances nor more qualified to do the work required by this new law.

It is sincerely hoped that no one of the three will resign.

The Illiterate Vote.

A study of the white and colored illiterates in the counties to which the Wilson law will apply will be interesting to every reader:

	White.	Colored.
Anne Arundel	597	1,839
Calvert	247	785
Charles	285	1,478
Frederick	849	772
Garrett	352	12
Kent	342	1,067
Prince George's	628	1,583
St. Mary's	568	1,301
Somerset	856	1,300
Talbot	332	1,056
Worcester	1,003	1,032

WM. E. BARBINE has purchased of Mr. B. E. Dayis, his Disney property near Gratitude for $600.

CHURCH NOTES.

Rev. G. L. Wolf who was announced to preach in Christ Church Sunday was was unable to come and there was no preaching in that church. The Song Service at 6.45 was addressed by Rev. W. N. Sherwood, other features of the program being a solo by Mrs. Mamie Dodd and a trio by Misses Mamie Thompson, Bessie Wheatly and Adaie Hurlock.

Rev. W. L. White delighted large audiences in the M. E. Church morning and evening by his short practical sermons on live topics Special music was rendered by the choir under Dr. Hall's direction.

The Kennedyville W. C. T. U. held its regular monthly meeting at the M. P. Church last Friday evening. After a song service, with Mrs. Annie Redmile presiding at the organ, an earnest prayer was offered by Mr. Wm. J. Hurlock, scripture quotations followed An interesting and instructive address was given by Rev. C. R. Blades, who took for his subject "Broken Glass," a solo was sung by Miss Flora Johnson with Miss Nellie Barwick as accompanist. A letter from State Officers was read by Mrs. Othoson.

Rev. R. S Rowe will (D. V.) preach in the Kennedyville M. P. Church on Sunday April 24th at 10.30 A. M. A cordial welcome and a hearty handshake for all.

Rev. D. L. Greenfield was given a hearty welcome to Christ Church for the fourth year Thursday evening. The Sunday school room was decorated with palms and blooming flowers and was well filled with friends and members of the church. Mr. J. K. Aldridge presided and presented the following programme:

Singing ..... Congregation
Prayer ..... F. G. Usilton
Ladies' Quartette ..... Mrs. J. H. Thompson, Mrs A. M. Culp, Misses Marian Lusby and Addie Hurlock.
Address ..... T. D. Bowers
Piano Solo ..... Miss Nellie Nicholson
Exercise ..... Josephine Wheatley, Reba Davis, Elizabeth Russell, Frazier Russell, Mason Latham, Norman Crouch.
Piano Solo ..... James Bacchus
Address ..... Col. W. J. Vannort
Quartette ..... Misses Clara Usilton, Addie Hurlock, A. M. Culp, F. G. Usilton.
Response ..... Rev. D. L Greenfield
Benediction.

THE annual meeting of the Chestertown W. C. T. U. will be held in the M. E. church, on Wednesday evening, April 27th at 7.30. Addresses will be made by the pastor of the church and E. T. Hitch. of Washington College. Special music under the direction of Dr. A. S. Hall. The public is cordially invited to join in commemorating this anniversary.

The contract for the erection of the new Methodist Episcopal Church South at Salisbury. Md., by ex-Gov. Elihu E. Jackson was awarded to the McKnight & Nardin Contracting Company. The structure, which will cost $50,000, will be built of Port Deposit granite, with trimmings of Indiana limestone It is expected to have it completed and ready for occupancy by November 1.

The new church, which will be known as the Jackson Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church South, when completed promises to be one of the most imposing edifices in Maryland. It will be Corinthian style of architecture, and will have an immense stone tower rising 85 feet above the street level. The building will comprise an octagon-shaped main auditorium, with a seating capacity of 500, and large Sunday-School rooms, which will form a wing in the rear of the main building.

The Missionary Society of the Chestertown M. E. sabbath School elected officers last Sunday for the ensuing year as follows: Pres., Mr. Rumsey Anthony; vice-pres, Miss Bertie Burchinal; sec't., Miss Violet Evans; treas., Miss May Crow.

The following program was fautlessly rendered under the auspices of the Christian Endeavor Society of Wesley M. P. Church last Sunday evening: Singing, "Holy! Holy! Holy!" Prayer, Rev. J. L. Elderdice; Bible Reading, "Servants of Christ," Miss Doughty; Singing, "Rescue the Perishing;" Reading, "Co-operation of Young People's Societies in Temperance Work," Mr. Marion Miller; Quartette, Mr. and Mrs. Hydie Thompson, Miss Julia Burgess, Rev J. L Elderdice; Reading, "What the Easter Lily Did, Miss Nannie Satterfield; Solo, "The Wildwood Lessons," Miss Bessie Wheat; Reading, "Some Objections to the Use of Tobacco," Mrs. Acca Crew; Solo, Mrs. Lulu Stevens; Reading, "The boys Greatest Enemy," Miss Lula Thomas; Solo, "Will it Pay?" Miss Irma Barbine; Recitation, "The Best I Can Do," Miss Bessie Wheat; Solo, "If I Were a Voice," Mrs. A. M. Kendall; Paper, by Mrs. Emma Shafer, on "Anti-Narcotic Work, and W. C. T. U. Work in General"; Doxology; Benediction.

Will of the Late Stephen Boyer.—The will of the late Stephen Boyer has been filed for record with the Register of Wills for Kent County. He devises to Mrs. Elizabeth I. Vaughan the "Robt. Griffith" farm, situated near Sassafras, also one half undivided interest in the farm in 1st. district near Galena, adjoining land of R. C. Johnson. Also undivided one-half interest in a lot of wood land lying in "Maryland and Del. forest." And at her death, should she be without heirs, it is left to the children of his brother, Edward Boyer and his sisters, Mrs. T. C. McGinniss and Mrs. Wm. Cacy. To his nieces and nephews of his wife, Agnes Boyer, he devises the farm in Kent upon which he formerly resided, also undivided one-half interest in the "Fox Hole" wharf property. He also directs that suitable tomb stones be erected at his place of burial. The residue of the estate is left to his niece Elizabeth I. Vaughan. Lewin W. Wickes Esq., is made executor of the will which bears date of July 31, 1903.

Violators of Oyster Law.—Mr. Wm. S. Scoone, State oyster inspector, located at Chesapeake City has arrested the following boats and captains on dates names: James C. Leonard, April 2nd, Capt. Levi B. Leonard, fine $46; Olie P. Smith, April 2nd, Capt. Hansel Tyler, fine $39; Mary L. Thomas, April 4th, Capt. Granville Cox, fine $32; Emma Temple, April 5th, Capt. George Carpenter, fine $60; Pinta, April 6th, Capt. Wm. H. Robbins, fine $39; Levi B. Philipps, April 6th, Capt. Wm. E. Robbins, fine $32; Russell DeHughlett, April 19th, Capt. Houston C. Todd, fine $95.

COMMUNION SERVICES will be held in Westminster Presbyterian Church at 10.30 a. m., and at Grace Presbyterian Church at 3.00 p. m., and Worton Presbyterian Church at 7.30 p. m. to-morrow (Sunday) April 24.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

The commissioners met on Tuesday and transacted the following business:

Frank E. Duyer, removing safe	$ 16 14
Frank E. Duyer, work on bridge	7 91
W. W Boyer, janitor	12 00
Joseph Peterson, treasurer, school	2,60 00
Henry Parr, inquest	5 00
W. H. Glenn, road work	3 50
Charles H. Crew, do	4 06
Harry Meekins, do	12 70
James Johnson, do	60 50
John F. Newsome, repairing scoop	2 75
Henry Hughes, road work	8 20
G. W. Watts, do	12 80
R. C. Leaverton, do	25 80
James S. Bradley, witness	1 30
Wm. P Garvey, delivering patient to Almshouse	3 00
A. W. Vansant, road work	10 82
D. S Sutton, do	13 42
James Spry, do	14 25
Peter Stevens & Son, do	27 07
M. S. Ford, constable	10 86
Curtis Crane, use of team	5 00
Sparks & Jefferson, cloth	2 50
J. E. Ferguson, coffin	6 50
Jesse R. Copper, stamps, etc	7 53
Adolphus Davis, road work	12 50
C. O. Cacy, do	65 52

Alfred Jester, of Betterton, was made constable in third district.

A large petition was presented to the Board asking for the construction of a bridge over Fannell's branch. Action was deferred.

Adrift All Night.—Mr. Edw. Lipps, a member of the well-known soap manufacturing family of Balto., who was blown in an open boat from the mouth of Middle river to Tolchester Beach, where he was found unconscious and all his clothing frozen, was carried to Baltimore Thursday. He was washed ashore at Tolchester on Wednesday at about 2 o'clock, after being on water since 4 o'clock the preceding Tuesday afternoon. All night he remained in the boat helpless, tossed about by a freezing gale of wind. A lumber boat was hailed at one time, but an effort to throw him a line failed and it went on its way.

Mr. Lipps was thrown into the surf and washed ashore, he just having enough strength to grasp a rock to keep from being washed back into the surf. From thence he climbed up the bank, and in clutching some bushes tore the skin all over his bands. He then relapsed into unconsciousness, and was there found by two fishermen—Captain Taylor and his son—who had been patroling the shore to see if a body had been washed into land.

Mr. Lipps was placed on a mattress and taken to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Noland at Tolchester. Hot-water bottles were in readiness, and work of resuscitation began. Dr. Smith, of Fairlee, was summoned, and he arrived on the scene within 20 minutes.

GEORGE CARMICHAEL while fishing his catfish hooks off "Devil's Wretch" caught a large roe shad on one of the hooks! This is rather unusual and is a rival to Dr. Lassell's experience in catching a hering with hook and line off Chester bridge.

WM. COPPER, of Worton, is making improvements to Mr. Aleck S. Bacon's home, Melitota. He also superintended the removal of two dwellings for Mr. Bloom.

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Of Kent County, Md.

during the past nine years has returned to the holders of its policies where they have been cancelled $39,000.00.

The accounts of its policy holders show that the actual cost of insurance has not been more than 66 per cent. of the premiums paid, and that policies, though only 9 years old, have now to their credit 33 per cent of the premiums paid.

If you wish to diminish the ultimate cost of your insurance drop a line to the comp any

GEORGE B. WESTCOTT.
Secretary and Treasurer.
THOMAS W. ELIASON,
apr9. President.

BANKRUPT SALE
—OF—
STORE GOODS!

THE undersigned, Trustee for WESTCOTT & DODD, will offer at public sale by auction in their store room in Chestertown Kent county, Maryland, on

Saturday, April 30, 1904
BEGINNING AT 7 O'CLOCK P. M.,

FULL LINE OF STORE GOODS

MERCHANDISE AND STORE FIXTURES, all in good condition, consisting of DRY GOODS, NOTIONS, GROCERIES, LAMPS, big lot of BOOTS AND SHOES, etc.

Auction sales will be held EVERY NIGHT at 7 o'clock until the entire stock is sold.

THE STORE WILL BE OPEN EVERY DAY—AND ALL DAY—in the meantime, and goods will be sold at retail below wholesale cost.

TERMS OF SALE—CASH.

WILLIAM W. BECK, TRUSTEE.
JOHN H. GREENWOOD, Auct'r.

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54th Annual Statement
NATIONAL LIFE
Insurance Co., Montpelier, Vt.
DECEMBER 31, 1903.

ASSETS	$ 28,259,233 05
LIABILITIES	25,346,981 86
SURPLUS (Undivided Profits)	$ 2,912,251 19

(NOTE:—Most companies invest largely in speculative stocks and other securities which are affected by wall street fluctuations, consequently the general depression caused a loss in the surplus (Undivided Profits) of most companies. The National deals in no speculative securities; its funds are not subject to Wall street fluctuations It is one of the very few companies that made the usual gain in Surplus last year.

INCOME	$ 6,480,463 34
EXPENDITURES	3,389,016 53
INCOME SAVED	$ 3,091,446 81

(NOTE:—Over 47 per cent. of the total income was saved. Few if any other companies effected as large a saving.)

INSURANCE IN FORCE	$123,074,377 00
New insurance written	$536,067 11
Premiums collected	80,187 25
Losses paid	25,000 00

R. SNOWDEN THOMAS, AGENT, CHESTERTOWN, MARYLAND.
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April23 3t.

SPECIAL NOTICE
WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED A FULL
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Clothing, all the latest patterns, and styles to suit all big and small, rich and poor.

Dress Goods, a complete line, latest paterns and shades, and in fact everything in the Dress Goods line.

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Shoes! Shoes! Shoes! In this line we are proud to say that we have a full line of the best celebrated brands, the latest Patent Leathers, Russets and others in Shoes and Slippers and for all occasions, Men's and Boys', Ladies,' Misses' Children's and Babies.
LADIES' SKIRTS and SHIRT WAISTS.

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A full line of MEN'S DRESS SHIRTS and NECKWEAR and FURNISHINGS for all.

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No matter what your style or your taste we have just the Hat for you. There are Tall Hats and Low Hats, Soft Hats and Stiff Hats, your style and your price.

Carpets and Mattings
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And a full line of FLOOR OIL CLOTH.

Furniture! Furniture! Furniture!
A full assortment—Bed Room Suits, Buffetts, Couches, Lounges, Chairs, Rockers, Reed and others, Morris Chairs, Tables, Stands, Cribs, Bed Springs, Mattresses, Cradles.

All we ask is for you to come and be convinced of the BARGAINS. POULTRY and EGGS taken in exchange at highest market price.

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W. AMBROSE CARROLL,
THE SHOE MAN

NOTICE.

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GEORGE B. WESTCOTT.
ap9 tm. Treasurer.

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DISSOLUTION OF CO-PARTNERSHIP.

The co-partnership heretofore existing between Thomas D. France and James T. DeCorse, trading as France & DeCorse, is dissolved by mutual consent. Thomas D. France purchasing of James T. DeCorse his interest in said business.

THOMAS D. FRANCE,
JAMES T. DECORSE.

N. B.—The above business will be continued by Thomas D. France. All bills due the above firm are payable to Thomas D. France. All claims against the above firm will be paid if presented to me.

THOMAS D. FRANCE,
ap9 3t. Chestertown, Md.

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