## LOCAL NEWS.

An appeal has been noted in the Bernard J. McGugan railroad damage case.

The "Flag Square" has been improved this week by a cluster of shapely dwarf evergreens planted by Nurseryman Robert G. Nicholson under the direction of Mrs. W. W. Hubbard and Mrs. H. H. Barroll, representatives of the Ladies' Improvement Society.

Frost visited this section twice this week.

Wheat harvest is predicted about June 20th. The outlook is for a good crop of wheat but short of straw.

A number of Chestertown citizens are at Ridgely picking berries.

John Lewis Burns, a sailor and laborer, died suddenly at his home near Fairlee Monday, aged 65.

Officer Hudson has been superintending the cleaning of the streets of Chestertown this week and quite an improvement is noted. Merchants and others will help to keep them clean by refraining from sweeping paper and trash out of their stores and yards.

Miss Joanna Trew, on Washington avenue, is an expert in the culture of roses. She has scores of beautiful plants which she raised from cuttings and which are now burdened with a wealth of buds and full-grown roses. She has a number of rivals among them being Mrs. G. B. McWhorter, Miss Blackiston, Mrs. A. M. Culp. Mrs. Marion deK. Smith, Mrs. Thomas and others on the avenue.

The festival season has opened. Miss Wheeler Peterson held a successful affair at her Quaker Neck School Wednesday and the little folks of Christ Church under Mrs. C. J. Reiche and Miss Mayme Thompson held a pleasant affair under the Voshell House the same evening. Wesley Chapel held one of its celebrated suppers Saturday evening and it is reported that "Jack the Hugger," of Chestertown, made his appearance there. Over $60 was realized.

Frank Ayres, of Rock Hall, has six wild geese which have laid six eggs from which five goslins were hatched. These wild fowl mingle with the other poultry and are doing fine.

Thomas G. Wroth has given a young man of Chestertown a two weeks option on his beautiful home on Washington avenue. In case of a sale Mr. Wroth contemplates building a home on Water street.

The Tolchester season will open next Thursday. About 500 teachers, pupils and friends of Northminster Presbyterian Sunday School went to Tolchester Beach on the steamer Susquehanna Saturday on the school's annual outing.

Mary, the 6-week-old child of Wm. E. McPatrick, died of whooping cough in Chestertown Thursday.

The County Commissioners went to Centreville Thursday and held a joint meeting with the Queen Anne's board.

A number of members of Chester Lodge A. F. and A. M. attended the annual banquet of Centreville Lodge last Monday night and report a delightful evening. Denton Lodge was also largely represented. Among those present from Kent were: Messrs. M. A Toulson, D. B. McMenamin, M, Wilber Thomas, W. S. McDonnell, James H. Sides, Fred. G. Usilton, Wm. B. Usilton, Jr., Dr. H. G. Simpers, J. Raymond Simpers, Harry Hodgkin, J. Hydie Thompson, James T. Anthony and L. Bates Russell from Chestertown; Jos. Mallalieu, Henry Tonkin and J. Wesley Moffett from Millington.

The Adelphi Literary Society of Washington College gave a charming reception last night at Normal Hall.

**Snapping Turtles.**—Mr. James W. Coleman, the well-known trapper, has caught some very large snapping turtles in the creek near Chestertown recently, one of which weighed 21 pounds. As the "snappers" bring four or five cents per pound alive, the turtling season is a profitable one to those who follow this occupation, and owing to the scarcity of diamond back terrapins, they are in great demand. Charles Jones, of Smyrna, procured thirty-five diamond backs at the Smyrna River lighthouse last week. He also had a wild goose he had captured, and some king crabs. Surely "Huck" has a rival in Mr. Jones.

**Improvements.**—Mr. Frank Canby, of Betterton, contemplates erecting an elegant home on his estate in the near future. He has contracted with Mr. Wm. Steel & Son, of Galena, to erect a 3,000 gallon tank on a steel structure into which water will be forced from a spring about 1,000 feet distant.

**Farm Changes.**—Mr. Joseph Everett, tenant on Mr. J. K. Aldridge's big farm, has rented the Lusby farm recently purchased by Mr. J. W. Skirven. Mr. J. Thos. Blackiston has rented the Ringgold-Aldridge farm.

**Farm Sold.**—Messrs. James J., John F and Thomas A. Connor have sold to Christopher J. Conner the farm near Chesterville on the road from said village to Millington containing 204 acres for $9,000.

**School Notes.**—Miss Grace Brooks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. A. M. Brooks, class of '05, has been appointed drawing teacher in the Chestertown High School for next year.

Prof. J. A. Greenwood, principal of the Rock Hall public school, and Miss Ethel M. Solloway, principal of the Morgnec school, have been recommended by the School Board of Kent county to the State Board of Education for life certificates.

The Teacher's Association for Kent County will be held next Friday, June 2nd. The program arranged by Prof. Melvin is as follows:

Please come prepared to help make the exercises helpful to all. Bring your Music Books. Meeting to open at ten o'clock.
Prayer.....Rev. Mr. White
Music
Roll Call
Reports of Committees
How much time is required to complete the work of the First Grade? How many divisions of the Grade are necessary.....By Teachers of First Grade
Give the results of using Woodley's Lessons in English in the Third and Fourth Grades ..By Teachers of Third and Fourth Grades
Are pupils who have completed Woodley's Lessons in English, Book II, ready for Buehler's Grammar?.....By Teachers of Grades Above Sixth
Music
Is there any advantage in using arithmetics from one series in the lower grades and using books from one or more series in the same study in the higher grades.....By Association
Would there be any saving of time if our Geographies used were all of the same series?.....By Association
How much time is required to complete the work of the Sixth Grade?.....Teachers of Grades Above Fifth
Announcements.

Decoration Day, May 30 th, and not Whit Monday will be observed as a school holiday this year.

The valuable property of the late Capt. John P. Walmsley will be sold on the premises at public sale next Wednesday, May 31.

Wheat was quoted at $1.07 yesterday; August 88 cts.

## MILLINGTON ITEMS.

Miss Georgie Dudley, Church Hill, is visiting near town.

Mr Charles Comegys, wife and children, of Centreville, are guests of Dr N Comegys and wife.

Messrs Roy Stafford and H Talbot visited Baltimore this week.

Mr. E. C. Hardesty, of Wilmington, visited here this week.

The painters are putting the finishing touches on the Bailey Hotel.

Mr. J. C. Moore's cozy little home is also being painted.

Mrs. Jos. Mallalieu, Mrs. Henry Tonkin and Mrs. N. A. Wallen were delegates to the Epworth League convention at Middletown on Wednesday.

The Townsend club will play ball here today. Millington will play at Townsend next Tuesday.

Quite a number of our people enjoyed a pleasant time at the home of Mr. Pippin last Saturday night.

Misses Annie Blackiston and Ethel Crouch visited Baltimore last week.

Rev. Mrs. Edw. Gardner gave her Sunday school class a delightful straw ride Wednesday evening. The large farm wagon was drawn by four horses and a merry evening was spent.

## SHOTS SCARE PASSENGERS.

### Target Practice With Big Guns at Fort Howard Makes Steamer Captains Uneasy.

Heavy shots fired from the monster 12-inch rifles at Fort Howard, during target practice preparatory to the joint naval and military exercises, to take place on the Chesapeake bay in June, are causing daily panics on steamers passing up and down the bay. Women and children are terror-stricken, and the greatest excitement prevails as long as the boats are within range of the solid shot which whistle dangerously near the steamers or fall within a hundred yards of the hull of the boats, sending columns of spray and water 300 feet in the air.

"During each trip," said Capt. George Tarbutton, of the Tolchester Company's steamer Annapolis, "passengers are terrorstricken and the greatest consternation prevails. I understand that the officers in charge of this gunnery practice insist that there is no possible danger to life or vessels from the firing of the big guns. Be that as it may, timid women and children on my boat are thrown into a state of panic every day, and remain terrorstricken so long as we are in the vicinity of the monster guns. Several women have come near fainting, and even men feel that the steamer is in danger of being sunk.

"The conditions were most threatening from the passenger's standpoint. The dangerous whistle of the one thousand-pound shots could be heard, and the great lump of solid steel could be distinctly seen as it dashed like a great black meteor across the bow or stern of the boat. One shot fell within 200 yards of the steamer's stern, sending a column of water and spray 300 feet in the air. To give some idea of the great volume of water sent like a mighty pillar higher than the mast of a big vessell, it may be said that it takes two or three minutes for the water and spray to settle.

"Every window in the boat is shaken by the terrific vibrations of each discharge of the big guns and the boat quivers as if in the throes of an earthquake from stem to stern. So great is the shock that it really feels as if the boat had been actually struck broadside by some mighty force.

"With each fire the more timid passengers seek shelter behind the fragile joinerwork, which would crumble like the shell of an egg if struck by one of the flying missiles. Many passengers on Thursday declared that the shot fell within 100 yards of the Annapolis and that they could almost feel the flying spray on their faces.

"I must say this," continued the captain, "that the men are doing some fine work. The moving targets, in tow of the big tug Hunter, are almost knocked out of the water and could be, were it desired, blown to atoms with each shot."

The vibrations from this firing of the big guns have been distinctly felt in Chestertown, ; along the Kent county bay shore from eleven to fifteen miles nearer the firing, the vibrations have been very distinct, and the sound resembled the roar of distant thunder.

#### Three Companies Engaged.

Forty-five shots was the allotment, and it was stated at the fort that each shot cost Uncle Sam $1000.

The practice range has been over 6000 yards, or over four miles. The big tug Hunter towed the three targets, which were supposed to represent battleships of a hostile fleet. Had the improvised targets been battleships, it should be said to the credit of the gunners that the monster fighting machines would have been literally blown out of the water. The range of the twelve-inch guns is ten miles.

Each shot that strikes within thirty feet of the rear target is accredited a hit for the gunner firing the shot. It was said at Fort Howard that the fact that the bay opposite the fortification is constantly dotted with steamers and sailing craft has greatly interfered with the exercises. Four hundred and eighty pounds of smokeless powder is required to drive one of the 1000-pound projectiles with accuracy at the target. Were black powder used 572 pounds would be required at each charge.

Practice with the smaller guns at Fort Howard will continue until the great naval war game has actually begun.

#### Too Many Studies.

The New York Board of Education a few days ago voted to change the course of study in elementary schools so as to abolish "non essentials," and Mayor McCellan warmly approved the Board's decision. The teaching of sewing, physical training, organized games, physiology, hygiene, and drawing will accordingly be dropped in the first year of the elementary course, in order that more attention may be given to essentials. By omitting "frills and fads" the day's session may be shortened—a desideratum in the case of small children—and at the same time the three R's will be better learned. The omission will tend also to relieve overcrowded buildings and diminish the demand for new buildings. It is believed that when the good results of dropping time-killing studies is seen such studies will be omitted from the curricula of the higher schools. Faddists have had the run of the schools for many years, and the lists of studies are lumbered up with the "bright thoughts" of several generations of amateur educationists, but the victory of common sense in the New York school board promises a better day.


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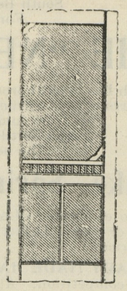

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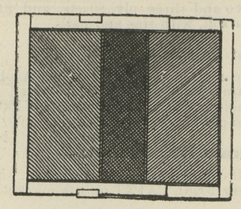

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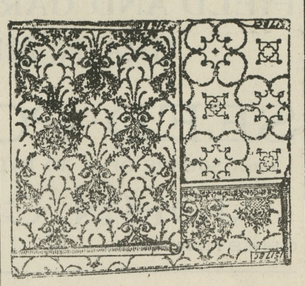

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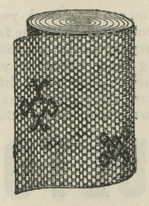

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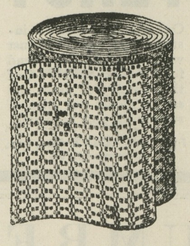

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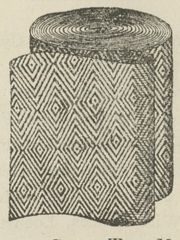

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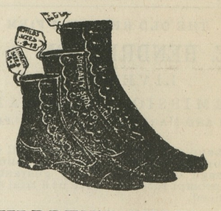

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