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OYSTER MEETING!

The Rock Hall and neighboring oyster men will meet in Downey's Hall THIS SATURDAY EVENING, for an interchange of opinion on the present oyster law, and the proposed oyster and fish legislation now being considered by the legislature. The object being to place themselves in such attitude, as to enable Messrs. Baker, Kendall and Norris, to properly represent the oystering interests of Kent county. 1t.

STOCK BIRD MEETING.

All gunners in favor of a movement to secure Stock Partridges for Kent county are requested to meet in Chestertown on SATURDAY, Feb. 17, instant at 2.30 p. m. f10 2t.

The King's Daughters

OF EMMANUEL P. E. CHURCH,

—WILL HOLD A—

St. Valentine Supper and Concert

AT STAM'S HALL,

WEDNESDAY EVE., Feb. 14th, 1900.

The Supper will be served under the special supervision of the ladies and the Concert will consist of a delightful program under the supervision of PROF. JONES, of BOSTON.

The selections will be by local talent, and the occasion promises to be one of the most delightful within the history of Entertainments by the King's Daughters.

SUPPER from 5 to 8 o'clock p. m.
CONCERT will commence at 8.15 p. m.
Supper and Concert Ticket... .....50 cents
Concert Ticket alone.....15 cents

Prof. Jones will render selections during the Supper.

Entertainment —AT— Crumpton!

A Choice Entertainment will be given by the Misses Warren and Newnan, of Baltimore, in Mr. Bradley's Hall, at Crumpton, FEB. 22, at 7 p. m. for the benefit of the Methodist Protestant Church.

These ladies possess Rare Elocutionary Powers and will give selections from some of the standard authors.

The music, both vocal and instrumental, will be of a high order. To those who enjoy elocution and music, this will be an excellent opportunity. Admission, Adults 20 cents; Children 10 cents.

The Entertainment will be followed on FRIDAY and SATURDAY NIGHTS, FEB. 23rd and 24, by an Oyster and Meat Supper. All are cordially invited to attend. f10 2t.

FESTIVAL AND SUPPER.

The Ladies of GALENA M. E. CHURCH will hold a Festival and Supper THURSDAY FRIDAY and SATURDAY, 22, 23 and 24th, 1900, and they promise to serve all the delicacies of the season. Everybody invited.

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CHESTERTOWN, MD.

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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23rd, 1900,

—BY THE—

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TO THE PUBLIC.

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LOCAL NOTES.....

Contracting.—Isaac Robinson is contracting through their agent, John Bell, for peas at 2¼ cents per pound. The cannery at Chestertown will utilize a large quantity.

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Fifty-nine of the sixty-five public school teachers in Kent attended the Teachers' Institute yesterday in Chestertown. The proceedings will be published in our next issue.

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Floating Ice in the Bay and a heavy fog prevented the Ford from reaching Chester river on Thursday. She made the effort but was compelled to go back to Baltimore. The Tolchester steamer also missed her trip the same day for the same reason.

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Fire on a Steamer.—Fire in the engine room of the steamer Corsica, of the Chester River Line, Pier 7, Light street wharf, caused by heat from the smokestack, resulted in damage to some of the woodwork. In returning from the fire, Engine No 2 broke a hind axle at the corner of Charles and Conway streets, blocking the Fort avenue cars for nearly a half hour.

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A Singular Accident.—George Frizby, a well-known colored citizen of Eagleton Hill, made a narrow escape with his life Monday. He was seated in his buggy talking to a colored man who was working on the Dodson farm, when suddenly, and without warning, a large telephone pole fell across his buggy within a few inches of his person! The buggy was crushed to the ground a complete wreck and George tumbled out.

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Recommended.—The following are the names which have been sent to Gov. Smith from which to chose a minority member of the board of election supervisors: Wm. S. Carroll, Chestertown; George E. Owens, Betterton; Robert Hill, Still Pond; J. A. Casey, Rock Hall. The Democratic recommendations are Messrs. S. Todd, W. A. Hyland, Jesse R. Copper, John Brice, and Robt. C. Morgan.

Messrs. Wm. Brown and Fred Russell will likely be appointed census takers for this district.

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Surprise.—Rev. E. P. Roberts and wife, of Still Pond, received the biggest "pounding" of his life last Tuesday night. The surprise party met at Miss D. Crossley's and proceeded in a company to the parsonage. The larder was stocked with eatables of all kinds and a season of social pleasures enjoyed until a late hour. Jos. W. Harper, Esq., in a few well chosen words, presented a purse of money to Mrs. Roberts and a set of harness and elegant lap robe to Mr. Roberts. It was a grand occasion and the popular pastor replied to Mr. Harper in most tender words.

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County Commissioners.—The county commissioners were in session Tuesday, with full board present. The following business was transacted and accounts passed: Michael Haley, taxes in error, 95c.; Mrs. A. C. Joiner, pension, $10.00; Otho M. Fogwell, salary, $37.00; G. Wallace Atwell, elect. exp, $3.00; Andrew Woodall, lumber, $14.76; W. G. Russell, assigned wit. cer, $9.90; Chas. L. Dodd, elec. exp, $7.80; Joseph Guest, wit. fee, 33 cents; B. N. S. Wilkins, J. P. fees, $42.55. The county treasurer's statement for January was received and approved. The statement showed $7278 in hands of treasurer. The election of road supervisors was begun and will be completed next Tuesday.

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WESTCOTT & DODD has one of, if not the largest line of shirts in town. They will have a new ad. in the NEWS next week fully setting forth the merits of their shirts and offering great bargains for the month.

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H. H. BENEMAN, proprietor of the Baltimore Bargain Store at Millington, is visiting Northern cities replenishing his large stock with new spring goods. He is selling out all winter goods at greatly reduced prices to make room for new stock. It will pay you to call and see him.

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Ex-Sheriff J. A. Casy was in town Tuesday and talked freely on the fish and oyster laws. He opposes the movement for doing away with patent tongs. He says the suggestion is short sighted and would have no beneficial effect. It would drive everybody to the shoal bars. The patent tongs do no more injury than the hand tongs. The effort to stop purse net fishing also is only in the interest of "outside people." Our fishermen are largely interested and ought to be cared for.

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The receipts of the Chestertown postoffice for the month of January just past were $556.88. This is the largest amount received during any one month in the history of the office.

SOCIAL NOTES.

Dance at Rock Hall—Musical and Social—Floral Wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Morris gave a musicale and supper to about twenty friends Tuesday evening. Good music was furnished by Prof. Ollie Judefind, Treasurer J. L. Beck and daughter, Miss Sophie, Prof. Eugene Wilson and Raymond Walbert.

The St. James Sewing Circle met at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Walter Skirven near Chestertown, on Thursday evening. A sumptuons supper was spread and enjoyed. A jolly time was spent by all.

A delightful dance was given in Rock Hall Friday evening. Music was furnished by the Rock Hall orchestra. Refreshments of sandwiches and coffee were served during the evening. The floor committee consisted of Messrs. C. A. Jessop, Bert DeCorse, George Camp; invitation committee, Thos. Trew, Dr. T. B. Wilson and Bert DeCorse. Among those present were the following:

Mr and Mrs. John Brice, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Beck, Mr. and Mrs. Bert DeCorse, Mrs. Camp, Mrs. Dr. T. B. Wilson, Misses May Morgan, Nina Roberts, Louise Price, Violet Beck, May Sutton, Bessie Wilson, Pricie Maslin, Ethel Maslin, Jennie Maslin, Sophie Beck, Anna Wilson, Helen and Olevia Wilkins, Messrs. Thos. Trew, Page and Elwood Strong, Scott Beck, Charles Jessop, Ambrose Carroll, George and Wm. Camp, Willson, Merritt Brice, Hynson J. T. and S. H. Greenwood, Horace Constable, B. Wilson, Noteley, Thomas and Mac Wilson, Eugene Paxton, Wm. Masiln, Earle Nicholson, Carroll McCollister.

The "Pine Tree Hunting Club," of Queen Anne's, gave a supper at Mr. David Kendall's near Chester bridge on Wednesday evening. Among the guests were the following:

From Kent—John Brice, Jr., George Brice, R. S. Smyth, Henry Rash, Wm. Cooper, S. G. Maslin, Thos. Maslin, J. B. Hossinger, Frank Lewis, Wm. Hepbron, Wm. Kendall, John H. Aldridge, Jos. Massey, Jr., J. Gale Usilton, Frank Howard, C. C. Hopper, Wm. Malin, John Burris, Edw. Cooper, Ray Bowers, Wm. Darrell, R. S. Jones, Walter Gale, Walter T. Strong, J. T. Brown, Robt. Ford, Wesley Cannon, Frank Morris, Connelly Beacham, Jas. Coleman, Wm. Deford.

From Queen Anne's—James Walls, William Lynch, Fletcher Sparks, James Lee, Tyson Lee, Sturgis Goodhand, John Sudler, Joseph Everitt, Ben. Williams, Jas. Williams, Thos. Blackiston, John McRochester, Kent Bowers, Lambert Bowers, Wash. Woodall, Mr. Robinson, John C. Smith, Albert Story, Bates Hendrix, Jack Hendrix, Irvin Walker, C. Carroll, Tom Smith, Thos. Kendall, Mr. Price.

The Chestertown Chapter of the Epworth League held a "Floral Wedding," as the first of a number of socials to be given by the 4th Department in charge of Miss S. Elizabeth Stuart. Rev. and Mrs. E. C. Sunfield invited the League to hold a business and social meeting at the parsonage and on Tuesday the League took advantage of their kind invitation and filled the house from garret to cellar. The guests were welcomed by Rev. and Mrs. Sunfield and their daughters, Misses Grace and Dot, who made all feel at home. The meeting was opened by singing and prayer by Mr. Gill, of Washington College, followed by a short business meeting at which time 25 new members were added to the League and one received by transfer. Cards on which quotations had been written and cut in half were given to the guests who were expected to match them and help each other answer the questions about the wedding, each question being answered by the name of a flower. As the questions and answers were given a little romance was woven involving the fortune of "Sweet William and Black Eyed Susan." This was followed by Mrs. D. P. Jones reading in her characteristic manner, "Love on the Farm." After this fourteen old maids and fourteen old bachelors recited their grievances and told why they were "Unclaimed Blessings." One old bachelor then suggested that—

"As they were still unmated,
And were getting on in years,
Why not share each other's troubles
By dividing up in pairs."

Each lady immediately receiving a proposal, graciously accepted, and was led into the dining-room as the wedding march was played by Mr. D. B. Ford. Refreshments were then served, after which the guests repaired to their homes, after spending a most delightful evening.

The League will hold a cake and ice-cream sale at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Toulson February 20. All who will patronize the sale will find a fortune.

WORTON NOTES.

Just at this time our town seems to be at a stand-still. Business is rather slow, except on stock days, then our veteran dealer, "Mayor" Kiker, proves that he has not been idle altogether, by shipping a lot of calves, hogs, etc.; also his son, Edward, is dealing largely in poultry.

If any reader knows of a dog law, please let us hear from them as our village and adjacent colored settlement surely ought to be restrained in this dog business. We are snarled at by day and hounded by night by an innumerable number of the tribe, until it is not only intolerable but dangerous.

Our canning firm, Ivens and Carr, will operate their factory again this year. The price will probably be the same as last season. This industry is something to be fostered and appreciated. Friends don't kill the goose of proverbial fame, but keep her laying.

The lunch party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Rash was largely attended. The bidding was lively and quite a good sum was realized in the interest of Union M. E. Church. Most excellent music was furnised by Messrs. Ascher, Hurlock and Herrick. Games were also in order and all enjoyed the hospitality of mine host and hostess. We wish them success and many years of happiness.

It seems that our school should be in the village as the grounds are very small and bad, as is also the water, and another necessity is an assistant teacher.

Negotiations Pending.

A well-known attorney visited some of the Pennsylvania officials in Philadelphia the past week and ascertained the fact that negotiations are pending for the purchase of the Kent rail road. This official says "we may terminate the deal any day either in the purchase or otherwise."

CHARGED WITH SELLING LIQUOR.

George Johnson, a resident of Chestertown, was arraigned before Justice Wright Thursday on a charge of selling liquor. Henry Sheppard, colored, stated that he had never seen any liquor in Mr. J.'s hands and the only other witness, Capt. Cadwalader, substantiated the colored man, and the case was dismissed. L. W. Wickes, Esq., represented Geo. Johnson and J. D. Urie, the State.

Judge Wright showed his disappointment in one particular way. Said he—"Is that all of the case?"

Mr. Urie—"Yes, sir."

Judge—"Well, I'd like very much to have gotten in these other six oaths. That's too bad!"

DON'T RETROGRADE!

THE ELECTRIC LIGHT QUESTION.

Chestertown cannot afford to take any backward steps and we are sure our board of commissioners will give the matter of discontinuing the electric lights serious consideration.

Messrs. Wright & Tracy appeared before the commissioners Wednesday night and stated that the contract of 1899 was simply taken as an experiment and that it is out of the question to continue the same. They showed that the cost of fuel had advanced and that the price proposed for Chestertown was below that of other towns.

Pocomoke City burns 70 lights and pays an equivalent to $35.74 per light as compared to Chestertown. Port Deposit pays an equivalent to $30.

The Electric Light Co., propose to renew the contract at $18 per light or $14.40 per year.

ELECTRIC LIGHTS FOR STILL POND!

Arrangements are being perfected for the introduction of electric lights in the town of Still Pond. As noted in the NEWS Mr. Isaac Robinson has purchased the corner lot adjoining the "Hall" and upon the same will erect a power house and machine shop. A gas engine will be purchased to run the dynamos and the town at an early day be flooded with a new light. Those interested in the enterprise include E. W. Scarborough, the hustling agent of Isaac Robinson, F. H. Harper & Son, Wm. Medders & Co., and possibly others.

Why not take in Betterton?

MAN ABOUT TOWN.

Mr. Eugene Paxson, of near New Castle, Del., was in town Monday. He is the guest of Mr. John B. Parrott, Still Pond. Mr. Paxson lost four horses recently with the peculiar disease that has been among Kent horses. He is an enthusiastic creamery patron and says the creamery near him paid him big prices. His milk tested among the highest. Butter from this creamery has been selling for 30 cents per pound. Mr. Paxson takes pride in a fine alderney cow which yields from two to three gallons a milking.

Capt. George Mariner, of Rock Hall, was in town Saturday and has some new ideas as to the requirements of our oystermen. He thinks that the oyster industry should be self sustaining and if necessary the license should be made $5 or $10. Said he, "the shortage of over $30,000 in the oyster fund is a very serious matter for the oystermen to think of, and if the Legislature of Maryland has to make the necessary appropriation to defray the expenses of the oyster navy, you will hear howling from all over the State, especially from the counties that are not interested in the oyster interest. They would soon cry out, lease the bottoms and let the State derive a benefit and not put another tax on us that we derive nothing from. To make the oyster industry self sustaining, let each county protect its own waters which can be done in a very easy and satisfactory manner. Let the State through an act of Legislation turn the sailing vessels over to the counties for instance, the schooner Anna B. Smith to Kent county, the Frolic to Queen Anne's county and so on down the line of the other counties. Reduce the salaries of the deputy commanders to $500, the mates to $400 a year and the seamen to $30 a month each with four seamen to each vessel which would amount to $2300 a year for each vessel. Then repeal section 2 of the general oyster laws which requires two-thirds of the oyster license fee to be paid to school commissioners of the several counties, a law which has been an injustice to the oystering class of the entire State of Maryland. There is no other class of people in the State of Maryland which pays a State tax and county tax then have to pay extra to educate their children in public schools of the State."

Something New!—Charles S. Smith, the up-to-date Chestertown Cash Merchant, has something entirely new to spring on the public. Watch his two-column space next week. You never heard of such a novel idea as he will offer.

COUNTY.

STILL POND ITEMS.

Mr. and Mrs. George R. Raisin gave a dinner on Thursday, it being the occasion of a family reunion. Despite the unfavorable weather a large number were present. Among those present we noticed Mr. Richard Rasin, Mr. and Mrs. Dan'l Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Vandyke, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Jones, Misses Delma Carter, Anna Copper, May Jones, Lula Vandyke, Bessie Wilson, Messrs. Robert and Harry Hill, George and Urie Jones.

The Epworth League social met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William G. Rasin last Thursday evening. Notwithstanding the extreme cold about fifty were present, and to say that a pleasant time was spent is putting it mildly for the host and hostess have an enviable reputation in that line.

The last Quarterly Conference for this conference year was held in the M. E. Church yesterday (Friday) morning.

The M. E. parsonage was the scene of a large gathering of friends on Tuesday evening, it being the occasion of a donation given to our beloved pastor, Rev. E. P. Roberts and his most estimable wife. The crowd assembled at Miss D. A. Crossley's store at 7.30 o'clock and from thence proceded to the parsonage *en masse* which they took by storm carrying with them a bountiful supply of both necessaries and luxuries of life. During the evening Jos. W. Harper, Esq., with a few appropriate and well chosen remarks on behalf of the members and friends of the church presented Bro. Roberts with a beautiful carriage robe and a handsome set of harness, and a purse of nearly $25 to Mrs. Roberts as a token of the high esteem in which the reverend gentleman and his wife are held, and of the zealous, faithful and untiring work they are doing in our midst.

The instalation of the new officers for the ensuing year of Still Pond Conclave No. 616, Improved Order Heptasophs, took place Wednesday evening in their lodge rooms in Krusen's Hall, conducted by Deputy Supreme Archon, George W. Trax, of Easton, Md. The conclave was highly complimented upon its good showing by Bro. Trax, who after the instalation exercises gave an interesting and iestructive talk upon the merits of the organization. Believing this to be one of the best fraternal organizations we would like to see its membership increase.

One of the oldest houses in town is soon to be torn down and a large farm implement warehouse to be erected by the enterprising firm of Isaac Robinson, this firm having recently purchased the house and lot known as the Gale property adjoining the town hall. This is the house in which Miss Elizabeth Gale was poisoned some years ago with Rough on Rats put into her food by a small colored girl living with her at the time. It is said that two other murders have occurred in the same house, and also a well known resident a few years ago attempted suicide by cutting his throat.

Mr. C. B. Krusen has recently returned from a three weeks visit to his son, George, of Vineland, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Medders and Mrs. M. J. Howard have been visiting relatives and friends in New York and Brooklyn.

Miss Beulah Thompson one of our popular young ladies entered Washington College on Wednesday last making the fourth student from our midst now attending that institution.

The Loyal Temperance Legion recently reorganized by Mrs. Faulkner, but now under the supervision of Miss H. Sue Johnston is rapidly progressing, meeting every Saturday afternoon at three o'clock.

Miss Annie Copper, of near Chestertown, and Miss May Jones, of Kennedyville, have been spending a few days with Mrs. George Rasin.

Miss Edna Wroth has been spending several days with relatives in Chestertown.

We believe a few of our young men were a little disappointed a few evenings ago in attending a social gathering, where to their utter amazement only three young ladies were present. No doubt their absence was due to the bitter cold evening.

Another meeting of the tomato growers of this vicinity will be held in Krusen's Hall this (Saturday) afternoon at two o'clock.

HANESVILLE NEWS.

It has been quite a long time since you have heard from our little village.

Our pastor Rev. E. C. MaKoskey and wife have been honored with another son.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Crew and little daughter spent Sunday with their parents

At Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Davis' home was entertained Sunday Mrs. Lizzie Parsons and children and Mrs J. W. Robinson and children.

Miss Katie Fowler, of Flatland, has been visiting her cousin, Miss Maggie Fowler the past week.

Mrs. Chas. Robinson, of Rock Hall, has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Wm. Beck.

Chas. long lost a valuable cow last week.

Mrs. Anna Lambert gave her son Tommie a party last Friday evening in honor of his 21st birthday.

Miss Mamie Davis has recovered after suffering two weeks of ulcerated sore throat.

Mr. Frank Reed spent Sunday with the Misses Jewell, near Tolchester.

Mrs. B. F. Davis is improving greatly, Dr. Hessey being the efficient doctor.

Mr. Al Solloway entertained his brother Wm. and cousin, Mr. Dill on Sunday.

Miss Sadie Reed is spending the winter with her grandmother.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Newsome have moved home with his people at Rock Point.

Little Miss Lillie Lambert is visiting Miss Eckerman in Baltimore.

Rumor has it that we are to have two weddings soon. Guess who they are?

Mr. B. F. Davis and Son, Tom, are spending a few days in the city.

Miss Jennie Davis spent part of last week with her brother, Tom Davis.

Pole Cat.—The Messrs. Hickman, of Still Pond, captured a pole cat Tuesday. It came down on the floating ice and was caught in Churn creek. Mr. Ascher bought the hide for $2.50

MILLINGTON ITEMS.

Dr. D. F. Waddell was summoned by telegram on Monday to the funeral of his father, Capt. Collison Waddell at his home near Preston, on Wednesday of this week. He was ninety years old.

The Epworth League Rally was well attended on Wednesday, Rev. E. C. Sunfield preached a stroug sermon at night.

Millington M. E. Church was a scene of great religious interest on Wednesday afternoon and evening. The District President had planned for an Epworth League gathering, and invited the chapters of Galena, Sudlersville and Crumpton to join the Millington people in this feast of good things. The meeting began promptly at 2 o'clock, with more than one hundred and fifty people present. The program was as follows:

Rev. Robert Roe conducted a most delightful devotional service. John H. Wiest, president of Millington chapter, extended a most cordial welcome to the convention in a short but happy address. Rev. A. J. Prettyman gave a splendid address on the practical use of the League to the church, and Mrs. Robert Roe delighted the people with an elegant paper on Spiritual Work. Then followed a conference on how to conduct Epworth League devotional exercises. The Junior Half Hour, conducted by Rev. S. M. Arters, resulted in placing on foot again the Junior League in Millington church. Miss A. E. Talbot will be the superintendent. The evening song service was a great inspiration, with Miss Anna G. Lambert at the organ and Rev. J. M. Arters in the lead.

The Pentacostal sermon was preached by the District President, and was attended by the presence and power of the Holy Ghost. The altar and front seats were crowded with earnest men and women seeking the baptism of the Spirit, and one unconverted young man was gloriously saved. In the experience meeting which followed this powerful altar service more than one hundred persons spoke for Christ, many of whom shouted his praises over the house.

Thus ended one of the greatest and most enthusiastic meetings ever held in Millington. The attendance was excellent.

GALENA ITEMS.

A Delightful Supper and Entertainment—Contract for New Wharf—Newsy Items.

Galena Conclave 373, Independent Order of Heptasophs, held a public installation of its officers on Monday, the 5th. The Conclave made ample preparations for a grand supper after the installation of the officers. Supreme District Deputy Geo. H. Trax installed the following officers into their respective offices:

Sitting Past Archon, A. N. Redding; Archon, L. C. Hayes; Provost, B. F. J. Sparks; Financier, P. F. Pierce; Treas., W. T. Caldwell; Sect., C. L. Leahman; Inspector, D. J. McCauley; Prelate, Wm. Steele; Warden, Thos. Nickerson; Sentinal, F. A. McCauley; Trustees, R. H. Hicks, Wm. T. Hicks, Jas. P. Sweeney. When the installation was over Mr. L. C. Hayes, the presiding officer of the Conclave, invited the large audience to be seated at the tables and partake of the supper prepared. The long tables fairly groaned under the weight of the substantials and delicacies of the season. About 125 ate supper and there was enough and to spare for all. That musical family, Mr. B. J. McCauley's, assisted by Miss Dora Todd, discoursed sweet music during the evening from piano, violin and cornet, to the delight of all present. After all were served with supper Rev. Mr. Prettyman and the Supreme District Deputy made short addresses, which were well received by the large audience. Mr. Prettyman announced that he was taken advantage of in one respect for he did not know that he would be called on for a speech, and after partaking so heartily of the good things provided so bountifully he was hardly in a condition to make a speech, but as he said, "people expected a Methodist minister to oe always ready to talk," he proceeded and made a very nice address on the aims, objects and benefits to be derived from affiliation with the Order of Heptasophs and the social qualities attending their meetings, he being a member of the order for several years. Mr. Trax in his address confined himself principally to the statistics of the order and how it has grown on the Eastern Shore in the last few years. At the conclusion of each of the addresses the audience applauded to the echo. Then more music and an invitation to all to be seated at the tables, when each was well supplied with ice cream and cake. The entertainment closed about 11.15 p. m. and all were pleased with the entertainment and hoped the order might have many more such ones. The different orders here which meet in Odd Fellows' Hall are noted for their liberality in getting up an entertainment.

Rev. Mr. Prettyman continues his revival meetings, this being the 5th week, with the congregations increasing nightly and much interest manifested.

Mr. Robt. Wilson has a strong force cutting cord wood, sawing lumber, etc. He is now filling an order for a wharf to be built by the Tolchester Company at Georgetown, near the bridge. The contract calls for about 30,000 feet of lumber, and having several other contracts on hand it keeps him busy with a large force of hands.

The young men of our town propose giving a dance in Odd Fellows Hall no Thursday, the 15th.

There is some agitation among a few individuals here yet about starting a bank. Some think it would be a wise move for one of the banks of Chestertown to increase their capital stock and establish a branch bank here, and we think a good deal of business might be drawn from the lower part of Cecil and from Sassafras and Massey neighbnrhood, as most of the banking business done at those places goes to Delaware

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