

Saint Mary's Beacon

COUNTY NEWS.

Localwise and Otherwise.

J. W. Thomas, Esq., of Cumberland, has been on a visit to St. Mary's.

Attend the bargain sale at California. See advertisement in another column.

Miss Susie Abell, of St. Mary's county, is visiting the Misses Neale, near Bel Air.

Major M. B. C. Wright and wife, of Washington, paid Leonardtown a brief visit Sunday last.

Get Baltimore prices on binder twine and then come to Loker's, Leonardtown, buy and save money.

Capt. Thomas Greenwell, of the 6th district, is reported to be quite sick. We hope he will soon recover.

The new schedule of the Weems' Line steamers, Potomac river route, went into effect Tuesday, June 1st.

Branches of the Guarantee Building and Loan Association of Baltimore City have been organized in St. Mary's.

William A. Loker, Leonardtown, is selling binder twine at lower prices than it was ever before sold in St. Mary's.

At Tuesday's meeting of the Town Commissioners C. John Clements was appointed bailiff and filed a \$2,000 bond.

Sunday night's rain brought a good season for tobacco planting and our farmers availed themselves of the opportunity.

Don't forget the dates of the sales of the Davis and Raley farms. Monday and Tuesday next are the days. See advertisements.

The Democratic and Republican State Central Committees meet in Baltimore today (Wednesday). St. Mary's will be well represented by her local politicians.

J. Wesley Tippet, William A. Lyon and John W. Jones have been appointed collectors of State and county taxes for St. Mary's county for the ensuing year.

You can buy binder twine of William A. Loker, Leonardtown, cheaper than you can purchase it in Baltimore. Call and see how much you can save on your twine.

Mr. Jos. F. Neal has just received a vessel load of lumber direct from the mill. Persons desiring bargains in lumber, shingles, etc., would do well to give him a call.

Mr. Cecil the retiring tax collector for the 1st Collection district has made an excellent official and during a long term has faithfully performed the duties of the position.

Mr. J. B. Drury, merchant of Abell's wharf, some time ago determined to try stockpiling without selling whiskey but has been obliged to return to the sale of the stuff.

As we go to press news reaches us of the death of Mrs. Jenn S. Guyther. Mrs. Guyther was a Miss Mary Oliver, of Baltimore. Her husband and family have our sincere sympathy.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos E. Spielman, nee Jones, and Mr. Harry Jones are visiting their father and mother, this town. Miss Mazie Carberry of Washington, is visiting relatives in this county.

Of June Josh Billings sings: "In this month, more than all the rest, Things seem to jump their very best; Carrots and yungones, purp and kitten, Like Jones' gold, are up and gotten."

Judge Adrian Posey of the Independent, evidently does not think much of our reform Governor. In an editorial in his latest issue Mr. Posey hauls His Excellency over the coals for his action in reference to the Tobacco Warehouses.

Miss Marie Fenwick, formerly of our town, was among the graduates at the recent commencement of the State Normal school. Miss Marie is one of our brightest young ladies and held a fine position in her class. We are indebted to her for an invitation to the commencement.

Sunday last, on the road to Sottery, Mrs. Beckie Drury and Mrs. Daniel Raley and two children were thrown from their buggy and Mrs. Drury had an arm broken. Mrs. Raley and the children escaped unhurt. The accident was caused by a break in the buggy and consequent frightening of the horse.

Thursday's exhibition of the Leonardtown Fire Company was very creditable. Capt. Viett's regular force was not on hand, but the boys who took their places on Truck No. 1, did very well. The colored troops—Truck No. 2, Capt. Jim Sewell—fought nobly. In less than two minutes after the alarm the companies were at the scene of action and at work.

Budd's Creek Items.

[From our Regular Correspondent.] Mrs. Oscar Davis formerly of this county, was visiting at Leakland on Thursday.

Mrs. Johnson Canter and Miss Canter returned home on Wednesday. They have been the guests at Oak Grove during the past week.

Miss Kirk was in Washington last week. Mr. Key and Miss Eugenia Barber were in Charles on Tuesday.

Miss Nellie Bunting was at Charlotte Hall on Wednesday.

Miss Nannie Lyon and sister of Charles called in the suburbs on Thursday.

Miss Barber was among the many who attended the festival at Charlotte Hall on Saturday in this neighborhood.

Miss Smith, of Willow Glen, visited at Felicite last week.

The supper and festival on the 7th is much talked of.

A young lady of this vicinity has a fox for a pet and it comes to the call of A. B.

Mr. Lewis Davis has had trouble with his well owing to something having fallen in it.

Misses Key made a visit on the Patuxent.

Lowtown Local.

[From our Regular Correspondent.]

We cannot refrain from occasionally stating an important fact, namely, that very little excessive dram drinking is indulged in the Pine. It is pleasing to right thinking men that the rational and moral powers are not debased and reduced to a low scale by the inordinate indulgence of spirituous and malliquors. It is certainly within range of human ability to desist from a habit which opposes the entrance of principles of purity.

Labor saving machines are being introduced hereabout. The ingenuity of man is remarkable. Despite his inventions, however, there exists an interdependence more or less between employer and employee.

Gentle showers and nature is prolific. It seems to have reached its highest state of perfection. Flowers, foliage, etc., give to the landscape an appearance of fullness and of beauty. The genial rays of the sun greet us. Its disc is not overcast and tobacco, wheat, corn and potatoes show the effects of its power.

Truckers are progressing well with their work. They continue to skip apparatus for which they realize fair figures.

Captain John R. Clarke and Wesley Forrest are freighting wood, gun logs and grain to Baltimore and other markets.

Deaf? Well, no sweet sounds can reach the ear from the orchestra if the tympanum be destroyed. Listen! How delightful are the notes of mockingbird, speckle-breasted thrush, oriole, robin, etc. The great and good One who bore our griefs and carried our sorrows gave us the dear birds. Look! See how they elevate their little heads towards heaven when they carol their praises to Him. They teach a great lesson—innocence pure in its essence.

It is gratifying to know that churches are well attended on days of divine service. The Catholic churches—St. Ignatius and Michael—frequently are crowded. The seating capacity is inadequate to accommodate the respective congregations. Reason—Aha! that's it—reason when it is untrammelled, guides men aright by indicating their duties and their obligations. It makes men secure in their own integrity. May they not wrap themselves up to speak so as a pure conscience and look forward without fear to the change of the world, believing that all things work together in the issue of their good.

Merchants are a little despondent. True, times are dull, but our friends should not despair.

The phenomenon known as the Aurora Borealis does not appear in its brilliant colors suddenly. It is heralded by a dingy aspect of the sky. Gradually the auroral light appears and the dreary night of the arctic zone is relieved and the inhabitants are made to rejoice.

We should not despair. Marriages in the near future will occur, says Dame Rumor.

There they go—ladies, forsooth. We admire their walk which is like "the waving of willow boughs in a zephyr." We take this occasion to return our thanks to the kind friends who presented us with an ingeniously wrought and exquisitely beautiful bouquet. It was placed upon the last resting place of the material part of a bosom friend whose precious soul took its flight years ago to a region, we hope, more congenial to its nature. How thankful are we that we were not taught to indulge scepticism, aye, to indulge the Sadducean sneer which is frequently bestowed upon the notion of a resurrection of the dead.

More rain soon. Sign number 1—The low circling flights and zig-zag evolutions of swallows in search of food, insects—sign number 2—The activity of bats, flying insectivora—This twilight and nocturnal rambler is said to be more active previous to a rain than at other times. The moisture of the atmosphere causes gnats, etc., upon which they subsist to occupy lower strata of air. These dual signs it is said by careful observers seldom fail.

The Sunday school of St. Michael's is prosperous. That the period of youth is the best for the cultivation of a religious character—the most favorable for serious impression, is not to be questioned. The teachers, white and colored, we are sure do their whole duty. Gracious agency begins only where human agency fails.

Mr. Jas. Roach continues to suffer in consequence of his hand. He is very feeble.

The strawberry festival which came off at St. Mary's City, recently, was largely attended and a considerable amount was realized.

Misses Edith West and Eva Dunbar, of Smith's Creek, are pupils of the Female Seminary of said place. They are bright intelligent pupils.

Aha! The signs mentioned are verified. See! A gentle shower. Thanks. A. Z. A. N. A.

Fifth District Items.

Strawberries are large and plentiful. Mr. S. P. Herbert has the finest in the district.

A young man of Mechanicsville has bought a Rambler bicycle and will now be seen taking a ramble through the forest on his way to the sheltering branches of the great Oak.

We are sorry to hear that one of the Chapel choir members has ruined his voice trying to sing tenor to a steam whistle.

Quite an interesting game of baseball was played Saturday evening between the Mechanicsville nine and the Hillside club, the score standing 10 to 9 in favor of the Hillside club.

A young man of Mechanicsville who came in rather late Sunday night, was heard the next morning playing and singing the following piece on his guitar.

Darling, darling, don't marry another, You'd break my heart and kill me dead If you marry the other fellow. H. H.

Mortuary.

WALLACE.

Talbot Wallace, familiarly known as "T" Wallace died recently at his residence in Patuxent district. Mr. Wallace was kind-hearted, true to his friends and all who knew him regret his death.

LOKER.

On the 19th of May, 1897, Mary E. Loker, relict of the late Thomas Loker died at Mulberry Fields, second district, aged 82 years. For sixty-five years Mrs. Loker lived at "Mulberry Fields" and no one ever visited her hospitable home without being bettered by the companionship of this truly Christian lady. Her long life was spent in doing good and her reward, we fondly believe, is great in Heaven.

REEDER.

In the death of William O. Reeder, St. Mary's has lost a citizen of unblemished reputation. He was a polished gentleman of the olden school. His convictions were strong and he ever had the courage to express them. Since the death of his devoted wife, Mr. Reeder has been awaiting the summons he knew was soon to come to him. When it came, it found him ready, and husband and wife are now, we trust, united in the better land. Mr. Reeder's remains were laid to rest in All Faiths graveyard Saturday last, his five sons and a grandson acting as his pall bearers.

HAMMETT.

The community is very much grieved to record the death of Mr. David Hammett. Our dear friend departed this life on Saturday, the 29th inst. Only a short time prior to his death, his beloved wife and family had some hopes of his recovery, when an unfavorable change took place, in spite of the untiring attention of his family, physician and clergy in his behalf. The funeral services were held at St. Nicholas church on Monday at 10 o'clock. High Mass was celebrated by the Rev. Wm. L. Hamilton, S. J. At the closing of the Mass the Rev. Father spoke at length of the deceased in affectionate terms and earnestly encouraged all to lead good lives in order to merit a happy death. As we live, so shall we die.

Mr. Hammett was a member of Co. D, Second Md. Infantry, C. S. A., James L. McAleer, Captain, and was a gallant soldier. Had the notice of his death reached us in time, a Committee of the St. Mary's Ex-Confederate Association would have attended his funeral. He was highly respected and esteemed by his old associates and they sincerely mourn his loss. May he rest in peace!

A Centennial Celebration. The Trustees of Charlotte Hall School have decided to add to their usual interesting annual commencement, a centennial celebration thus affording those who are fortunate enough to be present, the opportunity of having not only a portion of the State talent, but outside ability. The exercises will be held last Thursday in June.

SUMMARY OF PAPERS. 1. Prayer. 2. Salutatory. 3. Class Oration. 4. Class Oration. 5. Valedictory. 6. Presentation of Diplomas. 7. Address to Graduates. 8. Centennial Oration. 9. Address to Alumni. 10. A Card.

To the voters of the Seventh Judicial District in view of the fact that my name is on the time past has been mentioned in connection with the position of Associate Judge and I have been pressed by friends to be candid and to publicly define my position, I take the method of saying publicly, if the democratic voters of the circuit desire me as a candidate, and in the exercise of their own will honor me with the nomination, I will accept it with a full appreciation of the honor conferred, assuming all the responsibilities it entails, and if elected will endeavor to perform the duties honestly, conscientiously and with all the ability God has given me. But believing, as I do, that it detracts from the dignity of the office of Judge to enter the arena of politics for a nomination and that the primaries and conventions should be free to express their choice and make the nominations with an eye single to the best interests of the people and the party, I shall consistently maintain this position. The case is with them—when I leave it. Very respectfully, CHARLES H. STANLEY. Laurel, Md., May 25, 1897.

Mechanicsville Items. [From our Regular Correspondent.] Messrs. J. B. Kent, of Baltimore, and J. Dudley, of Patuxent City, Charles county, visited our town Saturday afternoon.

Miss Ethel Sasser, of Prince George's who has been visiting her uncle on the Patuxent Beach, returned home last Friday.

Mrs. T. A. Reeder and daughter, Miss Wye, left for Washington on Monday's noon train. Miss Kate Adams returned home Monday from Woodville, Prince George's.

Widower Sam Herbert, of Dugabog Bottom, visited our town Saturday afternoon for the first time since 3 years. The old sport is looking well and is out for something. We presume it must be a wife.

The Illustrated Lecture, at Burrough's Hall Monday night, was largely attended.

Mr. Bruce Burroughs spent Sunday in T. B. Prince George's.

Mr. J. F. Dyson spent Sunday in Charles county up on the swamp.

A CARD.

The hide market has developed further signs of firmness during the past three weeks; a steady demand having set in. The supplies are limited and prices are steadfast. I am therefore prepared to pay for all green country hides, six cents per lb. and for all cured green hides, seven cents per pound. No drainage or commission charged.

Live Stock, Pork, Poultry and Eggs turned over to direct consumers free of charge.

Returns sent on day of arrival. LEWIS P. HOFFENMAIER, 21 10th St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

FOR RENT. Conveniently arranged cottage of 4 rooms and lot at Great Mills. Will be newly painted and in nice repair for a good tenant. Apply to Mrs. MARY ALLSTON, May 20—m. Valley Lee, Md.

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER. Messrs. Wilson—Please announce JAMES R. HALEY as a candidate for County Commissioner, and say he will be supported by the majority of the sixth election district voters. Sixth District.

"The Foot of a Fly"

says an eminent English doctor, "will carry enough poison to infect a household." In summer-time, more especially, disease germs fill the air, multitudes are infected, fall ill, die; multitudes escape. These messengers of mischief do not exist for millions. Why not? Because they are healthy and strong—protected as a crocodile is against gunshot. It is the weak, the wasted, the thin-blooded who fall; those who have no resistive power so that a sudden cough or cold develops into grave disease. We hear of catching disease! Why not catch health? We can do it by always maintaining our healthy weight.

Our stock is a good many times the biggest. Everything men and boys wear is here.

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We are the Safe House with low prices for HOLLAND'S Famous Yellow-Label, Genuine Old Scotch Whisky for men, boys and misses. We make a specialty of this line. Try them.

We are selling bargains in Kanawha Pumps and Libram's Stoves and fixtures.

Three gentlemanly clerks to wait upon you, who will convince you that it is to your advantage to buy of

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A. Y. GRAY, General Commission Merchant, Cor. La. Avenue and 10th Street, Washington, D. C., for the sale of ALL KINDS OF COUNTY PRODUCE. Will give special attention to the filling of all orders for Merchandise. Prompt returns.

REFERENCES:—R. H. Edelen, John H. Mitchell, Port Tobacco; Joseph H. Key, Leonardtown; John T. Ballenger, Mechanicsville; Spencer C. Jones, Rockville; R. N. Wilson, of Wilson, Palmer & Co., Baltimore; Manufacturers' National Bank, Baltimore; National Bank of Republic, Washington, D. C.; Jacob Warden, Berryville, Va. Correspondence solicited with stock shippers.

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BOHANAN'S LEADER, for Tobacco and General Crops. Guaranteed Analysis: Ammonia, 2.50 Avail. Phos. Acid, 8.00 Soluble " " 7.00 Reverted " " 1.00 Potash (actual) 2.50 Compare analysis of Leader with goods you are paying from \$30 to \$35 for. We sell the above brand for cash only. Add freight to remittance to insure prompt shipment. Cash must accompany all orders for above. We have on hand and at low prices, ANIMAL BONE, ACID PHOSPHATE, PLASTER PHOSPHATES, &c. In writing for prices of which always state whether you wish to buy for cash or on time, and, if the latter, give reference.

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