

Saint Mary's Yearbook
COUNTY NEWS
Localwise and Otherwise.

Legislative session begins today, (Wednesday).

St. Mary's Academy and Leonard Hall have reopened after the Christmas holidays.

The J. P. Greenwell Implement Co., has an announcement in another column. Read it!

Mr. J. Ford Edelen, of Baltimore, recently spent a few days with friends in Leonardtown.

Mr. Henry Loker, who has been quite sick for the past few days, is rapidly recovering.

Mrs. B. H. Cammiller, of Leonardtown, left on Sunday's steamer for a visit to Washington.

In this issue we are printing the address delivered by Rev. Fr. LaFarge at the Perry celebration.

Miss A. B. Hopkins, of Washington, is visiting her brother, Mr. W. B. Hopkins, at Hotel St. Mary's.

Despite the inclement weather last Sunday night Mr. Charles McCully's moving pictures were extensively patronized.

On Monday last there was a meeting of the membership of the St. Mary's Hospital at which officers and directors were elected.

Efforts are being made by Baltimore to have one of the regional banks, provided in the new Currency Law, located in that city.

Master Oliver Hazard Perry Claxton, of Chestnut Hill, Pa., has been visiting his uncle, Father La Farge, during the holidays.

Mr. J. Chas. Wood, who has been spending the Christmas holidays with his parents at Orville, has returned to his home in Norfolk, Va.

Mrs. R. Clarke Abell, of Leonardtown, who has been visiting relatives in Baltimore, returned on Tuesday's steamer.

Miss Estelle Abell, of Leonardtown, who has been on an extended visit to relative in Washington, has returned to her home.

Through Cardinal Gibbons, the Knights of Columbus of the United States gave \$500,000 to the Catholic University in Washington, D. C.

Workmen have been busy building a fine walk in the north end of the town. Much improvement in the street conditions is noticeable.

The First National Bank of St. Mary's has on hand some of its articles, and they will be distributed to patrons upon request. The calendar is one of the prettiest we have seen.

We print in this issue a letter from Mr. Fred. Imhoff suggesting several reforms. Mr. Imhoff is a prosperous farmer of the Charlotte Hall section and one whose opinion carries a good deal of weight among his neighbors.

A number of St. Mary's teachers are in Washington attending a Teachers' Institute. The exercises began on the 5th inst., and will conclude on the 9th. Among the speakers this year are some of the most prominent men of the country.

Mr. Herbert L. Satterlee spent New Year's at his plantation "Sottery." Mr. Satterlee is reconstructing the buildings and grounds and when his plans are completed will have a reproduction of the estate as it was during the time of Gov. Plater.

Miss Philo Morgan, who is attending Georgetown Visitation Convent; Miss Ethel Joy, who is teaching at St. Mary's Female Seminary; Miss Janice Loker, of St. Mary's Seminary; Mr. J. Philip Greenwell and B. H. Cammiller, of Georgetown University; Mr. Raymond Foxwell, of the P. and S.; and Mr. Morsell Loker, of the National Cathedral School; who spent the holidays with their parents in Leonardtown, have returned to their studies.

The Xmas exercises at McKendree M. E. church, were a great success and largely attended.

Among those who spent the holidays with their parents, we note: Misses Mae Dixon, Velcan Bond and Dorothy Robinson.

Mr. C. W. McGill, and daughter, Ethel, spent the week end with Mrs. F. A. Jones.

Capt. C. Benton Bond, Frances Johnson and Preston Inley are spending a few days in Baltimore.

Mrs. Elizabeth Robenson, of New Jersey; Mrs. Martha Jones, of Holywood; Mrs. Myrtle R. Taylor and Mrs. Spellman Bond, of Baltimore, have spent the past two weeks with Mrs. J. B. Inley.

Miss Maude Graves and Carl D. Inley have returned from a short visit to Mrs. Z. S. Graves, of Charlotte Hall.

The Ladies' Aid Society held a social at Mrs. J. B. Bond's, Thursday, p. m., Jan. 1st. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Bond, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bond, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Jones, Mrs. J. B. Inley, Mrs. Robenson, Mrs. J. B. Taylor, Mrs. Lydia Dixon, Misses Nettie M. Bond, Mattie J. Inley, Bessie M. Buckler, Katherine Louise Posey, Viola and Gladys Dixon and Myrtle H. Taylor. Messrs. Carl D. Inley, H. R. Posey, James Gardner Posey, Spellman Bond, Raymond, Edgar, Harry and William Dixon, Murven and Sidney Buckler, Horace Graves, Ollie Moran, Preston Inley, Francis Johnson, Leonard Jones and Woodburn Bond.

Arthur M. Woodburn, of the U. S. S. New Hampshire, who has been stationed at Mexico for the past six months, is visiting friends in this village. "Listen" for the wedding bells. "SNOOKUMS."

Farmers' Institute.
The Farmers' Institute of the Maryland Agricultural College will be held in this county at Leonardtown, in the Assembly Rooms of Leonard Hall, on Friday, January 10th, sessions at 10 a. m., 1:30 and 7 p. m., and at Chapel on Saturday, Jan. 11th, sessions 10 a. m. and 1:30 p. m. Dr. Richard S. Hill, Director of the Farmers' Institute, M. A. C., will speak on some or all of the following topics: Tobacco Culture and Marketing; Hay, Grass and Forage Crops; Apple and Peach Culture; Hogs and Hog Cholera; Farm Poultry; Alfalfa; Farm Demonstration Work. All are invited to attend and help make the meeting instructive and interesting. Questions and comparison of views are welcome. No collections allowed. Everything free. The presence of the ladies is particularly requested, and pupils of the local schools are invited to attend. All lectures are illustrated. A matter of special interest to our local Farmers' Club will be the lecture on "Farmers' Clubs and Farmers' Organizations" to be given at Leonard Hall, at the 7 p. m. session. A light luncheon will be served at Leonard Hall. Be sure to notify your neighbors and friends and bring your boys.

Southern Settlement and Development Organization.
Robert M. Pindell, Jr., a member of the Pindell family of Anne Arundel county, has been appointed Maryland State Manager of the Southern Settlement and Development Organization with headquarters in the Continental Building, Baltimore. He graduated from the Maryland Agricultural College in 1889 and at the time won the gold medal for proficiency in agriculture. Later he entered the Federal service and rose in the service until he became chief clerk of the Department of Commerce and Labor. As State Manager of the Organization he will have charge of the Maryland work and activities of that body, which was granted a special charter by the Maryland legislature and which has, for its sole purpose, the settlement and development of the South. Mr. Pindell will seek to create a lively spirit of co-operation among the many forces and organizations which are working for the welfare of the state. At the same time he will be organizing the state along the lines of agricultural and industrial development, colonization and publicity. It will surprise many Marylanders to learn that there are more than two million acres of land in the state which either have never been cultivated or else have fallen so low in point of productivity that the crop yield is far below the average. In the work of helping to "build up" the soil Mr. Pindell will have the active cooperation of Dr. Cyril G. Hopkins, the famous soil expert, who is well known to Maryland farmers. Dr. Hopkins has made a tour of the state and is of the opinion that by the adoption of a system of permanent agriculture, based on the scientific upbuilding of the soil, Maryland's non-productive acreage can be brought to a high state of fertility and productivity.

S. D. Tragedy.
On Friday night last while enroute from Washington to Bushwood, on the tug "May," Capt. John Cheseldine, William Lyon, the 18 year old son of Mrs. Eugenia Stone and the late Alfred Lyon, in order to avoid being burned to death, jumped overboard and was drowned. From what we can learn young Lyon, while building a fire, picked up a what he thought was the kerosene can and poured it in the stove, but inadvertently picked up a can of gasoline, which exploded and set fire to the tug. The tug which was towing the buoy, did not notice the flames and could not be notified owing to the high sea. Capt. "Boss" Bailey saw the flames and in his tender went to the burning boat and rescued Capt. Cheseldine, who was unconscious on the deck, and extinguished the flames. The crew of the tug boat know nothing of the accident until the next morning. Up to this writing the body of Mr. Lyon had not been recovered. The young man was deservedly popular in our county and our sympathy goes out to his mother and many friends in the early and tragic taking off of one so young.

New Line on Patuxent.
A steamboat service to compete with the Maryland, Delaware and Virginia Railway Company on the Patuxent river is promised in an application filed with the Public Service Commission today. The application was filed by the Eastern and Western Steamship Company, and asks the Commission to approve of the sale of \$1000 capital stock for organization purposes. The petition declares that the present steamboat service on the Patuxent river is irregular and inadequate. It is proposed, the petition says, to operate a daily freight and passenger service the full length of the Patuxent from Hodden's wharf to Upper Marlboro. A gradual extension of the service to Eastern and Western Shore points is contemplated, according to the petition. The stock is to be taken by the three directors of the Company, John D. Noek, A. J. McIntosh and M. J. Quinn. The Commission will hear the application and take testimony in the case on January 20. -Baltimore News.

Lecture Course.
On Tuesday evening, January 13th, Rev. A. J. Emerick, S. J., of St. Inigoe's will read a lecture on the "Obeah" a manifestation of the spirit world in Jamaica. Father Emerick has labored on the Jamaica Missions and will speak from actual knowledge. Season tickets admit to the lecture.

Inspiration.
There is a lot of poppycock about this thing we call "inspiration." Men do not sit down in a trance and write to find themselves equipped with genius. Achievement means toil and struggle and continuous effort to master small things that eventually shall contribute to the perfect whole.

How's This?
We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years and believe him perfectly honorable and business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by him. NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE, Toledo, O. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 50c per bottle. Sold by all druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation. -Advertisement. 1-1-

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Winter Soil Treatment.
THINKING IT OVER.
Every season the farm has its duties, for in no business does work interlock to the same degree and what is neglected today influences profits next year. By this time the mechanical outdoor work of the fields is done and nature is left to her own devices. Freezing, thawing, leaching, action of carbonic acid gas, weathering, all the forces of mechanical and chemical action on the soil are most active now. It is well to stop and consider what this means and what the frosts and snows and thaws do for the land. Understanding opens the door for improving. The last crop and fall rains have taken so much of the plant foods out of the soil as was in condition for solution and absorption by the rootlets. This has to be restored for the coming season's growth. USE OF THE WORK DONE.
The soil contains the necessary elements in abundance, but not in soluble, or as we may truly say, in digestible form. The cracking by frost of the soil particles letting in the water and acid of the air renders them so. Whatever work has been done on the land in breaking it up is so much to good in aiding these natural agencies. This much every man understands that working on land, plowing, breaking clods, harrowing, draining, helps fertility by helping nature's mechanical forces unlock plant foods. BETTERING THE WORK DONE.
What the farmer is seldom or never reminded of in simple unmistakable terms is that he can also aid nature's chemical forces for without these, plant foods are not made digestible or soluble in the soil in sufficient amount to pay. To remind ourselves of what chemical forces are and how they work, smell a bottle of ammonia, put some lye or caustic on the skin or take a taste of sharp vinegar. Then think how ammonia cleans, lye cuts grease and vinegar will dissolve marble and other hard stones. MAKING TILLAGE EFFECTIVE.
Now, as physical and chemical forces act together in nature, particularly in winter, to make available a new supply of digestible plant food, so must the farmer supplement the work of tillage by the solvent or digestive treatment of chemical agency. European farmers who well understand this and average 35 bushels of wheat to the acre as against 15 bushels in America and other crops in proportion, use the one chemical agent for the purpose, which can be applied to the soil in winter, which is sharp and caustic makes it cut the insoluble silicates of potash and phosphates of alumina and iron, making potash and phosphates soluble. Burned lime can do no harm in winter to growing things. There clover and legumes have their position correcting the first sowing stage and making good humus by Spring. Manure, which is vegetable and animal matter that has gone through this initial decomposition, should be applied some weeks after the lime. In this way, and at any rate at this season, humus destruction by quick lime is a negligible factor. For these reasons use lime now. It can be put on the frozen ground or on the snow. It will at once begin to work downward and get in its work. Winter and fallow enable it to exert its benefits bringing out what is in the soil itself, thereby cheapening next season's fertilizer bill. KARE LANGENBECK.

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