

WASHINGTON LETTER.

The Topics of the National Capital by Our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15, 1897.—The only Representative of prominence who has turned up in Washington with the positive opinion that the coming session of Congress would pass a financial bill, is Mr. Fowler, of New Jersey, a member of the House Banking and Currency Committee. He not only has that opinion, but he has the courage to express it, and to add the prophecy that if the republicans fail to put through a financial measure, they will be punished at the Congressional election of next year, by losing control of the House. He even goes further, and says that if the monetary conference formulates a financial measure that appears to be sound, it will be forced through Congress by the power of public opinion. This opinion is so directly opposed to those which have been expressed by other Senators and Representatives that it places Mr. Fowler in a class all by himself, so far. He may, of course, be right, but it is nevertheless the general opinion in Washington that no power on earth would be strong enough to get any measure recommended by the monetary conference through the Senate, as it now stands. It has been stated by men of prominence that the financial recommendations of President McKinley's message will be made merely to put himself and his administration on record, and that while the House may pass some bill or bills in accordance therewith, no serious attempt will be made to force action by the Senate, because it is regarded as useless.

One of the things that are especially surprising to those who have been unsuccessful applicants for office under several administrations, is the frequency with which the ex-office holder walks off with the best things on the official pie counter. For instance, before it had become generally known that Judge Walker Fearn had, on account of ill health, about decided to resign his seat on the International Mixed Court at Cairo, Egypt,—a life-time place, practically with easy work and a salary of \$7,500 a year—it was announced that General Geo. S. Batchellor, of New York, ex-Minister to Portugal, ex-Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, and the holder of this same position for about ten years would be recommended by the President to fill this vacant position.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Locals and Otherwise in a Condensed Form for our Readers.

Have you ordered your Thanksgiving turkey?

Tuesday was as bright and balmy as a spring day.

December 22 will be the shortest day in the year.

Farmers certainly cannot complain for lack of rain.

Travel to the cities increases as the season advances.

Calendars for 1898 are putting in their appearance.

Pork, turkeys and ducks are getting ripe on the Eastern Shore.

Clark's Spool Cotton 3 1/2 cents per spool at Perry's Green Grocery.

Poultry dealers are looking forward to the Thanksgiving trade.

If you want to know where to buy to the best advantage, consult our advertising columns.

It is not too early to suggest thinking about what you intend giving the loved ones as a Christmas gift.

Ice made Wednesday night as thick as a window pane, and the sudden change from hot to cold gave us the shivers.

The hardest people on earth for an editor to please are those who borrow the paper from some of his subscribers.

Corn crops are good in this neighborhood, but the wet weather has interfered with the husking and housing.

The November term of the circuit court for Talbot county commenced on Monday last. It may last all of next week.

Rabbit shooting has been the principal pastime of gunners this week, and hundreds of poor bunnies have met their doom.

A coincidence that seldom occurs is Thanksgiving day coming exactly one month before Christmas day. It occurs this year.

Thursday next, November 25th, (Thanksgiving day), being a legal holiday the two national banks of Centreville will be closed.

The Queen Anne's railroad will issue cheap excursion tickets to Baltimore next week—good from Wednesday.

SOME RAILROAD NEWS.

The Queen Anne's Railroad Nearly Completed to the Eastern Terminus.

The Queen Anne's Railroad in a few weeks will be finished to Lewes, Delaware. The completion of this road will put Baltimore within 90 miles of the Atlantic Ocean. When the Spring arrangements of this road are in running order our people will have direct communication with New York and Philadelphia by rail and fast steamers from Lewes to the cities named. The officers of the line have now under consideration several proposals for the building of a fast and large steamer to run from Baltimore to Queenstown and it is expected to have one built and ready by the time the Spring trade begins.

This road as yet, has been of no benefit to this town as far as its growth is concerned and we do not think the road is to blame for it; only the owners of vacant property are to blame. The road has brought many people here who were never here before and it has brought many persons who would like to invest some money but there is nothing for them to invest in as the land owners are holding their land at fabulous prices. A stranger must think when he prices land here that the owners know they have a gold mine, are too busy to work it and are holding it for leisure time for their children to work it.

The contractor and the officials of the road have paid out thousands of dollars to labor here and the townspeople have reaped a heavy benefit therefrom and still are reaping a benefit. But the thing needed is land on which to put manufactories and build houses for their employees. If ever the Land and Improvement Company puts up their lots for sale, this town will, in twelve months from the date of said sale, double itself in size. At one time it was thought the lots were for sale about midsummer and many would-be purchasers got it into their heads that we were the agents of the Company for the sale of the lots and in less than a week we had twenty applicants for lots; one party wanting 10 lots on which to erect tenant houses to rent.

Some of our exchanges have been agitating a fair ground on part of the farm of the Land and Improvement Company. We have been informed that the Company thinks favorably of the matter and, when the

PINEY NECK NOTES.

Some Interesting Items from Winchester and Bryantown.

The addition to Mrs. Annie Hornsey's store is completed.

There is very little sickness in our community now we are glad to say.

Mrs. Minnie Curlett is improving slowly after the attack of typhoid fever.

William E. King, our popular carpenter, has built a nice barn on his place.

The farmers are finishing wheat seeding and they all hope to finish this week.

Revival services will be continued this week at the M. P. Church by the pastor Rev. E. S. Fookes.

Mrs. Ada W. Unruk, of Oregon, lectured in the M. E. Church, Sunday afternoon to a large audience.

Young man, keep your love-letters closer under cover or else someone else will see: "My dearest darling, etc."

A large dredge-vessel came down Chester river loaded with oysters. We are unable to say whether or not they were culled.

Our people are wondering how much longer the county commissioners will delay making the new road which was surveyed several months ago.

We think it is nice to see a young man take care of his money but we don't like to see them so stingy that they won't spend money to get the necessities of life.

The young man can have his money covered if he will let his name be known who wanted to bet a young lady \$10 he would be married before this time next year.

The cystemen have made very little time lately owing to the heavy winds and rainy weather. They are not discouraged however, but are looking forward to the future for better weather.

A young man took a young lady driving last Sunday. He gave her green persimmons to eat and then when her mouth puckered he kissed her seventeen times before she could get it back in shape again.

Some of our young men spent part of last Sunday carrying their sails to the shore and others shooting pistols carelessly around. Someone may ask, where was our constable? He was at home but is tired of putting the county to expense for nothing.

The best time to begin with the garden for next year is now, which

KENT ISLAND ITEMS.

Personals and Locals Gathered by Our Island Correspondent.

The farmers of this place are still seeding wheat.

Mrs. Arthur Cockey was in Baltimore this week.

Mrs. J. R. Price, paid a visit to her son, Dr. R. W. Price, in Baltimore, this week.

Mr. Blane C. Norman, of this place is confined to the house suffering with chills.

Misses Helen Cockey and Mary Cockey, spent several days in Baltimore, this week.

Miss Etta C. Price, was the guest of her brother, Dr. R. W. Price, of Baltimore, last week.

Canada geese are making their annual exodus South in large flocks and cold weather is predicted.

Mr. Thomas R. Price, our sewing machine agent, spent last week with friends in the upper part of the county.

Miss Ola Bright, of near Stevensville, paid a visit to her sister, Miss Kate Bright, of the Normal School, this week.

Dame rumor has it, that several of the finer sects are to pass into the holy bonds of wedlock this fall. We wish them much happiness.

Some of the young ladies of this place are very much opposed to the young men calling on strange ladies. Girls don't be so jealous. Please don't.

The report about a certain school on the Island giving the pupils so many recesses, which was published in one of the county papers a few months ago, has done great good, at least a report says so.

Much has been said of bad management of a certain postoffice on the Island, by those who have business with this office. "Public office is public trust." So we trust things will be better in the future.

An enthusiastic sportsman, not a thousand miles from Stevensville, while on a recent visit to Baltimore, engaged a commission merchant to sell the large amount of game he expected to kill. He also spoke to several men to haul the game to the boat for him. There's an old saying, "First catch your hare," etc.

The windy and rainy weather is a serious drawback to the tongsmen, who would like to make as many days of work as possible during the two months of November and December, and already they are com-

PERSONALS.

Miss Anna G. Boyle attended the meeting of the Maryland Health Association held in Baltimore yesterday.

Mr. Hilbert Cook, who has been confined to his room for several days, is now able to go around but is still quite weak.

Messrs. James Boyles M. Luther Thomas, Harry Wallace, Chance and others attend the dance at Rowens' hall, Wye Mills, Wednesday night.

Mrs. Melbourne, of Delaware, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. David L. Downes, in town. No doubt but that the widowers will be having merry straw-rides in the future.

Mr. Samuel Dill, of Greensboro, who for a number of years was a resident of our town and who moved to Delaware in 1878, paid his first visit to this town, since his removal, last week.

Mrs. Margaret Skinner moved into part of the new house of Mr. John L. Rhodes yesterday. The remaining portion will be occupied by Mr. Frank Rubin and his bride about the middle of January.

Mrs. John Friel accompanied by her two little sons, Whiting and Frances, will leave the first part of next week to take up her residence in Manayunk, Pa., where her husband, Capt. John Friel, has quite a lucrative position.

Mr. George Shockley, of Worton, Kent county, who is contemplating building a creamery in this town, was here Thursday and has secured the option of several suitable lots. He wants to begin on his walls for the creamery at once so as to have them completed before freezing weather sets in.

An Agateware Swindler.

Smyrna, Delaware, seems to be a paradise for "fakers." Not long since, a swindler canvassed the town trying to secure scholars for a painting school and succeeded in getting a large number of students, who are now short of cash and tutor, and only a few weeks between acts, comes another fellow who "ropes" in a number of its citizens who wanted agateware. The Smyrna Times sums the last chap up as follows: "A young smooth-talking man, who claimed to represent an agateware house in Philadelphia, has been playing the swindle game in this vicinity. He has been going from house to house, taking orders for his wares.

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