

WASHINGTON LETTER

Some News Collected at the National Capital by Our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, May 12th, 1902.—The bill reported by the Philippine committee is one of the most important measures ever presented to a Congress of the United States.

These edicts at this distance, 8,000 miles away. These three men can grant franchises to whomsoever they see fit and require in return for the same such compensation as they choose.

Home grown strawberries were in market Monday, and sold for 15 cents per quart.

Owing to court being in session in Centerville, our merchants report business quiet.

Capt. John Fisher made the first shipment of soft crabs this season, yesterday morning.

A few fellows of Isaac Walton, have tried their luck in our harbor, but with poor success.

Just received a new and the latest style of carriage. I will help you to buy one at Kirby's.

The first crab of the season was enjoyed by Mr. Wm. C. McConor and family, Tuesday.

The unusually cold weather for the season of the year is not favorable to corn, which is coming up.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Local and Other News of Interest for Our Readers in a Brief Way.

For paper for roofing at Kirby's. Latest improved new-ground plow at Kirby's.

Radishes, lettuce and other early vegetables are plentiful.

Call and examine the latest improved corn planter at Kirby's.

Several of our citizens took in the first trip to Rehoboth, last Sunday.

I have for sale forty tons of good hay in quantities to suit. S.E. Kirby.

A house and garden for rent the balance of this year. Apply to J. M. Aker.

The Maryland State Teachers' Association will convene at Ocean City, June 30.

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THE QUEEN CAROLINE.

Tuesday Afternoon in the Presence of a Vast Assemblage she is Launched.

One of the most successful launches in Baltimore for some time—that of the steamboat Queen Caroline—look place Tuesday afternoon from the yard of the Baltimore Shipbuilding and Drydock Company.

The latter was in her element and is a woman of nerve and unusual strength and struggled valiantly with her assailant.

Mr. and Mrs. Eliason and entire family were temporarily away from home, no one being in the house but a young lady governess, Miss Lizzie Gallagher, and a colored woman.

It had been raining during these preliminaries, and many took shelter under sheds or the bottom of vessels building but shortly after the launching party ascended to the stand under the vessel's bow the sun burst through the clouds and lit the Union Jack, state colors and two national ensigns on the Queen Caroline.

All present were brought to attention by the noise of the sawing of the tripper planks—the two last timbers that held the vessel on the ways.

Suddenly a few voices shouted, "There she goes!" and the noise swelled into loud cheering from the crowd that hemmed in the craft as the Queen Caroline slowly started down the inclined ways.

Miss Bosley, who stood under the starboard bow near the low water figure on the stem, gripped her bottle of champagne by its neck and swiftly swung it with an uppercut stroke against the bow, saying "I christen thee Queen Caroline!"

The vessel did not rush or dip as it went down the railway, gathering momentum as it swam, making a straight run of several hundred yards out from the shipyard, notwithstanding the day was the thirteenth of the month.

The new vessel is named after Caroline county and is building for the Queen Anne's Ferry and Equipment Company, Edward Stabler, Jr., president.

ASSAULT AND ROBBERY.

A Book Agent Ransacks a House in Kent County and Assaults a Young Woman.

The residents of Chestertown and vicinity were startled Friday morning by a brutal assault and robbery had been committed at the home of Wilbur Eliason near that town.

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MAY COURT NEWS.

The Grand Jury Report—The Pippin Damage Suit Ends in Favor of Defendant.

The Pippin-Price case, which occupied the attention of the court, Thursday, Friday and Saturday of last week.

The grand jury finished its labors Friday and made the following report and was discharged.

We have examined seventy-six witnesses in thirteen cases. We have made seven presentments and have dismissed six cases.

The attention of the Grand Jury has again been called to a dangerous crossing on the Queen Anne's Railroad, and we secured from our Honorable County Commissioners the promise that a protection in the way of a railing shall be placed there within the next thirty days.

The damage suit case of Barnett vs. Roberts, removed from Talbot county to Caroline, and there tried at the last term of court, and upon motion of the plaintiff's attorney a new trial was granted and then moved to this county.

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PERSONAL MENTION.

Names of People Who are Visiting Here and our People Who are Visiting.

Mr. William C. McConor is visiting friends in Oxford.

Miss Mary Metzloff is visiting relatives in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Hopkins were the guests of relatives on Kent Island, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Connolly of near Centerville, visited Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Shortall this week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Kirby and daughter, Mildred, spent Tuesday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Morris and children are visiting her sister, Mrs. Samuel Dexter in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. McManus Layle, of Willoughby, visited their daughter, Mrs. James F. Boyles, Friday.

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