

## Maryland Items.

"Leonardtown Grange" of the Patrons of Husbandry was organized at Leonardtown, St. Mary's county, on the 14th inst., and the following officers elected: Master, James C. Greenwell; overseer, George Forbes; lecturer, Jos. H. Key; steward, Geo. A. Simms; assistant steward, Geo. W. Brown; chaplain, Benj. Foxwell; treasurer, Wm. F. Greenwell; secretary, John F. King; gatekeeper, C. J. Durant; Ceres, Mrs. James C. Greenwell; Pomona, Mrs. John B. Abell; Flora, Miss Olive Durant; lady assistant steward, Miss Ella R. Blakistone.

Mr. David Knotta, a well-known and influential citizen of Caroline county, died very suddenly at his residence, near Hillsborough, on Wednesday last, in the eightieth year of his age. He had been a director of the Maryland and Delaware railroad from the organization of the company, and took an active interest in the completion of the road.

Mr. W. J. Gortner has sold a part of his farm near Hall's station, in Queen Anne's district, Prince George's county, to Mr. Jacob Heffner, of Pennsylvania, for \$50 per acre, and has purchased of H. S. Hill that part of "Colington Meadows," in the above vicinity, containing 110 acres, at \$10 per acre.

Thomas Kalaia, arrested some time since in Wilmington, Del., charged with stealing a horse and carriage from S. G. Swartz and W. S. Roberts, of Crdmpkin, and lodged in New Castle jail, was taken to Centreville, Queen Anne's county, last week, under a requisition from the Governor of Maryland.

Mr. William H. Hardcastle, one of the oldest and an estimable citizen of Denton, Caroline county, died on Sunday last, in the ninety-sixth year of his age. Deceased had, in former years, on several occasions represented his county in the Maryland Legislature.

The Methodist Protestant Sunday school, of Easton, Talbot county, have in contemplation an excursion to Baltimore from Miles River ferry, on the 11th of July next, and arrangements to effect the object are being made.

Captain Levin Ballard, who fell from the window of Mr. Somers's house, in Somerset county, on the 13th inst., and was very seriously hurt internally, died on Thursday of last week, in the 64th year of his age.

A large amount of real estate belonging to Benjamin Sheppard, deceased, consisting of seven different tracts, in Wicomico county, was sold on Saturday last, at trustee's sale, for \$14,725.

At an election held in Denton, Caroline county, on Monday last, the following town commissioners were elected to serve for one year: Capt. T. E. Heather, T. P. Davis, Thomas A. Smith, F. A. Dick, and P. W. Downes.

The property of St. Michael, Talbot county, has been newly assessed for town purposes, and amounts to \$20,000, an increase of \$70,000 over the old assessment.

The farm of Thos. J. D. Dowle, on the Brookville turnpike, Montgomery county, 144½ acres, was sold on Tuesday last to Samuel Caspell, for \$20 01 per acre.

Rev. J. E. Horney, of Federaville circuit M. E. Church, Talbot county, has been compelled to resign his circuits for the balance of the present conference year, on account of impaired health.

The hay crop in Somerset county is said to be larger than ever known in that section before, but wheat is represented as being very poor, owing to rust and other causes.

The commissioners of Wicomico county have purchased the "old hotel property" in Salisbury, as a site for the county buildings, at a cost of \$7,000.

Colonel William T. O. Poik, T. J. Dixon, and H. H. Robertson, have been elected town commissioners for Princess Anne, Somerset county.

There are one hundred lodges of the Order of Husbandry in Maryland, of which fourteen are in Montgomery county.

In Montgomery county the wheat, corn and grass crops are reported in fine condition, and everything indicates a plentiful harvest.