AMERICAN SENTINEL.

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PUBLIC SALE OF A

FINE SMALL FARM, AND WOOD LOT,

NEAR WESTMINSTER, Md.

By virtue of the power and authority contained in the last will and testament of Michael Morelock, deceased, duly admitted to probate by the Orphans' Court of Carroll county, on September 22nd, 1856, and recorded among its will records in liber J. M. P. No. 2, folio 283 &c., and an order of said Orphans' Court dated August 12th, 1902, the undersigned, administrators d. b. n. c. t. a., will offer at Public Sale, on the premises, on

THURSDAY, September 11th, 1902,

at 2 o'clock, P. M., all that farm, containing

43 ACRES AND 23 PERCHES OF LAND,

more or less, that Michael Morelock, deceased, devised to his widow, Mary Morelock, for life.

This farm is situated on the Uniontown turnpike about 3½ miles from Westminster, adjoining the lands of John Royer, Mrs. Charles B. Roberts, Noah Brown and others. The improvements consist of a Dwelling House of 7 rooms, good Bank Barn of suitable size, Wagon Shed, Dairy and all necessary outbuildings, and a fine young Orchard in excellent bearing condition. There is a good well of water at the buildings; about 3 Acres of the farm is Meadow Land, all the rest is in a high state of cultivation, and will crop with any farm in this productive neighborhood. It is conveniently located as to schools, churches, mills, stores, &c. This is a rare opportunity, for any one desiring to purchase a small farm.

At the same time and place will be offered a Wood Lot containing

6¼ ACRES OF LAND.

It is situated on the road leading to Wantz's mill, near the road leading from Westminster to Frizellburg, adjoining the lands of Jacob Wantz, William Wantz and others. It is fairly well wooded with good Rock Oak, Hickory and Chestnut Timber.

Terms of Sale.—One third of the purchase money to be paid in cash, on the day of sale, or the ratification thereof by the Orphans' Court of Carroll county, and the balance in two equal payments, one in 6 months and the other in 12 months from the day of sale, the credit payments to be secured by the bonds or single bills of the purchaser or purchasers with approved security, bearing interest, or all cash at the option of the purchaser or purchasers.

GEORGE W. MORELOCK,
GUY W. STEELE.
Administrators d. b. n. c. t. a. of Michael Morelock, deceased.
F. A. Crawford auctioneer. a n 16 4t

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MAIN LINE AND CONNECTION

Taking effect June 22nd, 1902.

TRAINS WEST.

LEAVE	1. A M. *	11. AM. †	15. AM. †	23. PM †	29. P M †	AM. ‡	53, 55. P M ‡
New York							
Philadelphia							
Washington							
Baltimore	4.30	8.11	10.32	4 01	6.15	9.35	2.3
Arlington		8.36	10.39	4.23	6.45	10 00	2.56
Mt. Hope		8.39	10.42	4.27	6.48	1.03	3.02
Pikesville		8.46	10.49	4.34	6.57	10.17	3.19
Owings Mills		9.00	11.02	4.47	7.10	10.31	3 21
Glyndon	5.10	9.12	11.14	4.58	7.24	10.33	3.34
Emory Grove		9.15	11.18		7.25	10.34	3.37
Finksburg		9 22	11.25	5.11	7.35	10.46	3.47
Carrollton		9.26	11.28	5.28	7.54	10 59	4.08
Westminster	5.28	9.50	11.53	5.42	8 10	11.16	4.17
Avondale		9.59	12.00	5.49	8 20	11.23	4.25
New Windsor	5.50	10.09	12.10	6.02	8.31	11.34	4. 9
Linwood		10.15	12.16	6.07	8.37	11.40	4. 4
Union Bridge	5 57	10.19	12.20	6.12	8 42	11.45	4.8
Middleburg		10.25	P M.	6.18	P M	A M.	P M.
Bruceville	6.02	10.27		6.23			
D. P. Creek		10.31		6.55			
Rocky Ridge		10.38		6.31			
Thurmont	6.21	10.51		6.46			
Edgemont	7.03	11.38		7.32			
Waynesboro	17.25	11 58		7.52			
Chambersb'g	18 00	12.55		8.30			
Shippensburg	18.27	1.02		8.57			
Hagerstown	7.30	12.05		8.02			
Williamsport							
	A M.	P M.		P M.			

TRAINS EAST.

LEAVE	22. P M. *	4. AM. †	8. AM. †	12. P M. †	18. P M. †	52. AM ‡	54. P M. ‡
Williamsport							
Hagerstown	4.10		7.02		2.12		
Shippensburg	12.50		5.55		1.10		
Chambersburg	13 25		6.31		1.46		
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Mt. Hope	6.58	8.11	10.05	2.19	5.37	8.04	5.54
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Washington							
Philadelphia							
New York	P M.	AM	A M.	P M.	P M	AM	

*Daily. †Daily, except Sunday. ‡Sunday.

BLUE MOUNTAIN EXPRESS (Parlor Car)—Leaves Baltimore, daily, except Sunday, 3.22 p. m., stopping at Westminster, New Windsor, Union Bridge, Bruceville, (connections for Frederick) Thurmont, Blue Ridge, Buena Vista Spring, Blue Mountain, Edgemont, Smithsburg, Hagerstown. Returning, leave Hagerstown 5.40 a. m., daily except Sunday. Arrive Baltimore 9.31 a. m.

Additional train leaves Baltimore for Union Bridge and Intermediate Stations at 5.30 p. m., and leaves Union Bridge for Baltimore and Intermediate Stations at 5.10 a. m., daily, except Sunday.

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EMMITSBURG R. R. Trains East will leave Emmitsburg daily, except Sundays, at 7.10 and 10.00 A. M. and 2.50 and 4.50 P. M., arriving Rocky Ridge at 7.40 and 10.30 A. M. and 3.30 and 5.20 P. M. Trains west will leave Rocky Ridge, daily, except Sundays, at 8.26 and 10.58 A. M. and 3.31 and 6.31 P. M., arriving at Emmitsburg 8.55 and 11.18 A. M. and 4.00 and 7.01 P. M.

FREDERICK DIVISION PENNSYLVANIA R R., (Daily ex. Sunday.)—Trains for Frederick leave Bruceville at 8.38 A. M. and 9.36 and 10.40 A. M and 5 00 and 6.30 P. M. Trains for Taneytown, Littlestown and Columbia leave Bruceville at 9.47 A. M., and at 3.45 P. M.

Through Trains for Hanover and Gettysburg and points on Baltimore and Harrisburg Division leave Baltimore daily, except Sunday, at 7.25 A. M. and 3.32 P. M. Through cars for Gettysburg and intermediate points leave Baltimore also daily, except Sunday, at 10.12 A. M.

BALTIMORE & CUMBERLAND VALLEY BRANCH.—Trains leave Hagerstown for Shippensburg and intermediate Stations at 6.25, 11.07 a. m. and 7.00 p. m. Leave Shippensburg for Hagerstown and Intermediate Stations at 5.55 a. m., and 1 10 and 2.50 p. m.

FOR CHAMBERSBURG VIA ALTENWALD CUT-OFF.—Leave Hagerstown for Chambersburg and Intermediate Stations at 3.17 p. m. Leave Chambersburg for Hagerstown and Intermediate Stations at 7.45 p. m.

J. M. HOOD, General Manager.
B. H. GRISWOLD, Gen'l. Passenger Ag't.

RATIFICATION NOTICE.

In the Orphans' Court of Carroll County:
JUNE TERM, 1902.

Estate of Catherine Devilbiss, deceased.

On application, it is ordered, this 4th day of August, 1902, that the sale of the real estate of Catherine Devilbiss, late of Carroll county, deceased, made by Augustus Barnes, executor of the last will and testament of said deceased, and this day reported to this court by the said executor, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause be shown to the contrary on or before the 2nd Monday, 8th day of September next; provided a copy of this order be inserted for three successive weeks in some newspaper printed and published in Carroll county, before the 1st Monday, 1st day of September, next. The report states the amount of sale to be Two Thousand, Five Hundred and Fifty-eight Dollars and Thirteen Cents. ($2,558.13.)

WILLIAM Y. FRIZZELL,
JACOB RINEHART,
L. CALVIN JORDAN, } Judges.

True copy.—Test:
JOSEPH D. BROOKS,
Register of Wills.
aug-9-3t

IVAN L. HOFF,

Attorney at Law.

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At 5c Yard.

Dotted Swisses, Dimities, Printed Batiste, that sold from 12½c to 25c yd.

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Fine Silk Striped Madras and Scotch Madras, 32 in. wide, and balance of all 12½c Ginghams.

Women's Wrappers,

made of Lawn, in light and dark grounds, regular $1.00 value, for

69c.

Millinery Department.

A large lot of Flowers, including Roses, Geraniums, Daisies, Cherries, etc., that sold up to 75c, final reduction price

15c.

$1.25 for Women's Oxfords.

A clearup sale of elegant Oxfords, in all sorts of leathers, including Ideal Kid and Patent Leather. These goods sold from $2.00 to $3.00.

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Listen! Listen!

$3.50	Men's Oxfords at	$2.29.	
3.00	" " "	2.49.	
2 75	" " "	2.29.	
2.25	" " "	1.99.	
1.50	" canvas " "	1.00.	
1.50	" " shoes "	1.00.	

Ladies' $2.75 Oxfords only		$2.39.	
" 2.50	" "	1.99.	
" 2.00	" "	1.69.	
" 1.75	" "	1.39.	
" 1.50	" "	1.25.	
" 1.25	" "	1.00.	

Bargains In Straw Hats.

We are anxious to see some of our customers lay aside their last winter Hats and come out in one of our up-to-date breezy Straw Hats, and we now offer our entire line positively at prime cost. Come quick and get your pick.

How Is This!

Our 50c line of Underwear going at 39c per garment. Scrivens' Jean Drawers, with elastic seams, only 39c. Big lot of good Suspenders 17c a pair. Ladies' and Gent's Handkerchiefs 7c. Our entire line of 50c Neckties 39c. Lawn String Ties 9c doz. Closing out a big line of Infants' White one-half Hose, worth 10c and 15c, for only 8c and 12c a pair. A big line of 25c Misses' and Boys' 15c Hose at 11c a pair. A lot of 25c choice Box Paper at 17c per box. Our entire line of $1.25 Umbrellas now 97c, while they last. See our 23c, 33c and 49c Umbrellas. For these and many other bargains call and see

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Special Announcement!

I wish to announce to my friends and patrons that my entire stock of summer goods, including

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Lap Dusters, Trunks and Dress Suit Cases has been purchased at same price as last year so there will be no advance with us. By long experience in handling these goods and carefully watching the market we are enabled to make this extra announcement. We are therefore in a position to take the best care of our trade.

A visit, which we trust you will pay us before purchasing in this line, will convince you of the above facts.

No goods sold on credit.

J. WALTER SHUNK,
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jan 11-02-1y

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New Goods and at the Lowest Prices.

Having purchased the fixtures and stock of goods in the store formerly kept by Mr. John Hunter, I have restocked the same with a full line of

Fresh and Choice Family Groceries

of all kinds, which I will sell as low as any house in the city. All goods are as represented, and I ask an inspection of my stock. I will carry Teas, Coffees, Sugars, Extracts, Spices, Canned Goods, Flour, Bacon, Lard, Fish, Coal Oil, &c. Also Tobaccos and Cigars.

Mr. Guy Eckenrode will continue in the store as manager.

Respt, JOHN T. ZAHN,
223 East Main Street, Westminster.

P. S.—I will continue the Boot and Shoe Store adjoining as heretofore and ask for a liberal share of the public patronage. Repairing neatly and promptly done.
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ever exhibited in this county, bought direct from the factory, in full bundle lots, so you get it only from second hands, no two or three profits coming off it. Of course the consumer pays them all. Sam Jones says it takes a pointer pup nine days to get his eyes open. I have known some people to get their's open in fifteen minutes in a wall paper deal. They thought it was two pieces instead of one, and the border they did not understand, &c. That is always their plea. Remember I am the only paper hanger in the county that carries a stock and don't have the expense of running a store therefore I have no opposition. Is you think I can't save you money, come and see me and bring size of your room, or send size by mail and I will tell you what your job will cost, and send samples and convince you that Gladhill's is the place to save twenty-five cents on a dollar on all Wall Papers.

L. GLADHILL,
jun-28-tf Westminster, Md.

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Inquire or address MRS. M. POLK
104 Aisquith St.,
my 17 3m Baltimore,

Semi-annual Clearance Sale.

All Summer Goods must be closed out, and in order to clean up quickly we offer the following very tempting BARGAINS:

Men's $3.50 and $4.00 Suits now	$2.49.	Men's $11.00 Suits now	$9.50.
Men's $5.00 Suits now	3.79.	Youth's $4.50 and $5.00 Suits now	3.79.
Men's $6.00, $7.00 and $8.00 Suits now	4.98.	Youth's $6.00, $7.00 and $7.50 now	4.98.
Men's $9.00 and $10.00 Suits now	6.49.		

What is left of the Boys' Knee Pants Suits we offer at ONE HALF OFF. These will make excellent School Suits.

About 25 pairs of Men's Dress Pants will be closed out at HALF OFF regular price.
Men's 98c anp $1.75 Crash and Linen Pants now 69c and $1.25 per pair.
Men's 50c, 85c and 98c Cottonade Pants now 39c, 69c and 75c per pair.
All Boys' Knee Pants at one-third off.
Men's 25c, 50c and 75c Underwear now 19c, 39c and 59c.
Men's and Boys' $1.00 and $1.19 Straw Hats now 79c.
Men's and Boys' 50c and 75c Straw Hats now 39c.
Boys' 75c Straw Alpine Hats now 29c.
Men's $2.25 and $2.75 pat. Leather and Vici Kid Oxfords now $1.69 and $1.98.
Ladies' 98c, $1.25, $1.50 and $2.50 Oxfords now 79c, 99c, $1.19 and $1.69.
Children's and Misses' 75c, 98c and $1.10 Oxfords now 45c, 75c and 89c.
Boys' and Children's 69c, $1.25 and $2.00 Russet Shoes now 55c, 65c and $1.00.
These Russet Shoes are excellent values and good styles, but in order to close out the line we give you one-half off.
Men's 25c and 50c Fancy Neckwear now 19c and 39c.
There are many other extra Bargains through our stock, that we fail to mention here.
We will appreciate an early call, as these prices are great money savers and the stock will not last long.

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The warmer days mean that our Soda Fountain is fizzing for the benefit of our friends. Our experience enables us to promise the best of Soda Water this season, as in the past. If you have tried it you know how good it is. If you are not acquainted with its merits, remember we make our Soda its own best testimonial.

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75 pairs Ladies' Oxfords, worth $2.00, now	$1.59 pair.
75 pairs Misses' and Children's Oxfords, worth from 75c to $1.00, now	50c pair.
20 pairs Misses' and Children's White Kid Sandals, worth $1.00, now	25c pair.

CALL AND EXAMINE OUR STOCK.

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au-25-1y

NO. 3967 EQUITY.

In the Circuit Court for Carroll County.

Henry Baumbach, mortgagee, vs. Charles Deecher, mortgagor.

Ordered, this 1st day of August, A. D. 1902, that the account of the Auditor filed in this cause be finally ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 1st day of September, next; provided a copy of this order be inserted for two successive weeks before the last named day in some newspaper published in Carroll county.

JAS. H. BILLINGSLEA, Clerk.
True Copy—Test:
JAS. H. BILLINGSLEA Clerk.
au-16-2t

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NIXON WATERMAN.

Boy, your mother's dreaming; there's a picture pure and bright
That gladdens all all her homely tasks at morning, noon and night;
A picture where is blendid all the beauty born of hope,
A view that takes the whole of life within its loving scope.
She's dreaming, fondly dreaming, of the happy future, when
Her boy shall stand the equal of his grandest fellow-men.
Her boy, whose heart with goodness she has labored to imbue,
Shall be, in her declining years, her lover proud and true.
She's growing old—her cheeks have lost the blush and bloom of spring,
But oh! her heart is proud because her son shall be a king;
Shall be a king of noble deeds, with goodness crowned, and own
The hearts of all his fellow-men, and she shall share his throne.
Boy, your mother's dreaming; there's a picture pure and bright
That gladdens all her homely tasks at mornings noon and night;
A view that takes the whole of life within its loving scope;
Oh, boy, beware! you must not mar that mother's dream and hope.

THE STRIKE AT ROCKEY BOTTOM.

BY J. A. CONWELL.

From the Sunny South, Atlanta.

The board of directors of the Rockybottom iron works was in session. The question before the board was whether the works should close or not.

"You must understand, gentlemen," argued Mr. White, president of the company and chief owner of the stock, "that we are now operating the works at little or no profit and that the cause of it is the unexpected failure of the rise in the river and a consequent lack of cheap fuel. We must shut down. There is no other course."

"How can we do that?" inquired Mr. Gray, treasurer of the company, local merchant and principal magnate of the town that had grown up around the works. "Our contract with the Broadway Bridge company requires us to deliver a big lot of finished lumber every week."

"There is a clause in the contract which suspends its operation during a shut-down occasioned by a strike or an accident to the machinery," answered the president.

"But there is no strike, and the machinery is all right."

"Suppose, Brother Gray, that a cut of 10 or 15 per cent. should be made in the men's wages, what would be the result?"

"Superintendent Brown can answer that question better than I can, said Mr. Gray, turning toward that officer.

"The men wouldn't work an hour under such a cut," responded the superintendent.

"Just what I expected," continued the president, locking his fingers under his prominent abdomen and twirling his thumbs with satisfaction. "We'll make the cut, the works will close, we shall avoid possible losses, and at the same time shield ourselves from trouble with the bridge company."

"But our workmen; are their interests not to be taken into consideration?"

"Business is business, Mr. Gray. I am here to look out for my own interests and for those of the other stockholders."

"The men are our neighbors, though not yours, Mr. White. Many of them are friends. Whether they strike or continue to work at the reduced wages, they and their families will be sorely pinched."

"Somebody must be pinched, in any event. If we continue to operate the works at a loss it will be us; if we make the cut it will be somebody else. I'd rather pinch than be pinched any time."

The cut was ordered and the president hurried away to catch the 4:50 train for the city. The remaining directors gathered on the sidewalk, where they were joined by young Harry Brown, an assistant under his father, and others, among whom were John Mason, one of the foremen.

Mason was king among the men in the works. They regarded him as their leader and followed whithersoever he led. Being an intellighnt and observing man, he had suspected that the company was not making money and feared some such course as the one adopted. He was, therefore, not taken unawares.

"Of course, we can't work for such wages," said he to Mr. Gray. "We must go out."

"How are the men to live through the winter without work?" inquired the merchant.

"That is what I should like to speak to you about. If we can make some arrangements with you to help us till the river rises and coal comes down, we'll be O. K."

"Half a loaf is better than no bread, Mason, don't act hastily."

"If we should accept the cut it would be all up with us. Our wages would never be put back to where they are now, never. Mr. White 'd say if we can work through the winter for such wages, we can do it through the summer. But we can't do it and live half way decent."

"And if you strike?"

"He'd expect to start up at the old wages as soon as coal comes, and he'd do it too."

"In what way do you expect me to help you?"

"You have your warehouse filled with everything that we'll need. There are about 400 of us, Mr. Gray, and you know there is not a black sheep among us. If you'll honor our committee's order for supplies we'll obligate ourselves jointly and severally to repay you as soon as we get to work again. And two weeks' work, maybe less, will pay the debt. We shall be very grateful for your help. Will you not do for us what you'd like to have some one do for you if you stood in our shoes?"

Gray knew the men, their wives and their children, and, being a man of few words, quick of decision in an emergency, and amply able to comply with the request, he answered: "All right, Mason. I'll do it. But I want you to countersign the orders. Then I'll be sure there's no extravagance."

"Suppose the works should not start up again Mason," said Superintendent Brown, a quiet listener till now.

"An improbable contingency. There's too much money in their operation ordinarily to allow them to remain idle very long."

"The old Vulcan mills across the river haven't had a fire lighted in them for five years," continued Mr. Brown.

"Because the concern's in court and can't run till the suit is decided."

Harry Brown and his father, more like brothers than like father and son, turned up a side street that led to their home.

"I think Mr. White must have a paving stone in his breast instead of a heart. What do you think, father."

"I think, if you want to remain in his employ, you would better be cautious how you criticise him," answered the discreet elder.

"I know. I kept my mouth shut over there in the crowd. I want to open it now. Think of how many things the men and their families will be deprived of if they are forced out."

"Such as half-a-day lay-offs, picnics, excursions on the river and so forth."

"Well shouldn't they have these diversions?"

"Perhaps. But consider the other side a moment. Mr. White told me that unless there was a shutdown he could neither take his family abroad next summer nor permit them to spend the season at Newport."

"Do you consider that a hardship?" exclaimed the young man, stopping and turning toward his father.

"Why shouldn't it be? The poignancy of one's disappointment depends upon how one has been reared. May not this be felt quite as keenly by his wife and daughters as the wives and daughters of our men will feel the loss of their brief outings? And if somebody must meet with disappointment and deprivations, you surely do not expect Mr. White to shield the men and their families at the expense of his own wife and daughters. A man must look out for his own first."

"Mr. White looks out for his own first, last and all the time. I can hardly think it right for him to run the risk of bringing suffering to the families of 400 men in order to prevent his wife and four daughters from pouting because they can't go to Paris next summer."

The strike had been on for a month. Mr. Gray had disposed of his stock in the works and was no longer treasurer. One evening a number of the idle men had gathered in his store, where he also kept the post office. The river was rising rapidly and the men were discussing the probability of cheap fuel in the near future and the consequent reopening of the works.

Harry Brown was there, too. He had had a good deal of business to transact with the cashier in the store when the works were in operation and the business hadn't seemed to lessen any since the shutdown. The cashier was Mr. Gray's daughter.

While Harry was talking to Miss Gray through the opening in the glass partition behind which was her special domain there was a commotion among the men at the other end of the room. Superintendent Brown had come in with others and appeared to have some interesting information. Harry was called, much to his disgust, and joined the group.

Mr. Gray had received a letter from the President of the Broadway Bridge Company. Among other things, he had written:

"I have bought the old Vulcan mills from the litigants and propose to start them as soon as they can be put in shape. I am sure you will do me the favor, Mr. Gray, to accept the presidency of the new company. I know that the best workmen will flock to your standard. I have done with the Rockybottom works."

"Mr. White will certainly sue him for breach of contract," interposed Superintendent Brown.

"Wait a minute Brown," said Mr. Gray, looking over his spectacles, "and maybe you'll change your opinion." And he continued to read:

"I have notified White that his vio-

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