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ANNUAL REPORT

—OF THE—

Commissioners of Public Schools

OF KENT COUNTY.

In conformity to the Act of Assembly, providing a general system of Free Public Schools for the State of Maryland, ch. 4, sec. 7, the School Board of Kent county publish the following statement of their Receipts and Disbursements, and indebtedness of the Board at the close of the fiscal year, say September 30th, 1870:

First Election District.

By Cash and orders paid by E. E. Miller, Collecter - - - $2410 73

1870. AS FOLLOWS:

Mar 15—To J. Hodgson, work on School House at Massey's	$262 24
Mar 15—Isaac Jones, for work on pump at Galena	149 50
Ap 15—M. Lambson, for bricks at Hibernia	30 00
" H. Tonkin, order for salary	35 74
" J. W. Cavender do.	32 00
" Henry Parr, for Stoves, &c.	39 75
" F. A. Clift, posts & fencing including bill of Thos. Munn for painting at Sassafras	35 70
Apr 26—Mallalieu & Tonkin for E. W. Newnam's salary	18 95
" B R Meginniss, for coal and hauling	18 00
May 3—Wm Huey, for fence and other work at Galena	227 00
" Wm K Sutton, Desks for Sch House at St Dennis' Ch	40 00
Aug 2—C H J Sparks, order of J W Cavender for salary	125 00
" S W Boyer, order of same	52 27
" C J Scott, order of W C Wilson, for salary	50 00
" E W Purnell, order of H F McNeal for salary	7 00
" Wm Huey, for work on Sch House at Galena	12 00
" Henry Parr, hardware, &c. for Galena Sch House	12 32
Aug 3—E B Woodall, repairs & hauling at Sch House at St Dennis' Ch	15 76
" 15—S E Heighe, order for sal	200 00
" 22—Annie Power do	150 00
" 24—Victorine Power do	30 00
" " Trustees of Col'd Schools	$67 50
Mar 15—Cash	300 00
Sep 27— "	200 00
	—2410 73

Second Election District.

By cash and orders paid by Jacob Sutton, Collector $3025 56

AS FOLLOWS:

Apr 5—Jas Willis, on order of J J Hogg, for salary	29 45
" 15—Jno Kennedy, for bricks at Kennedyville Sch House	19 20
Mar 29—A H Crew, hauling coal	12 00
Ap 26—R E Wallis, hauling fuel and desks at Kennedyville	17 00
" " Same, on order of H C Wallis for salary	246 29
May 12—Ada Simpers, salary	50 00
Aug 3—R J Lusby, repairs and Coal at Hibernia Sch House	8 10
" 4—H F McNeal, salary	100 00
" 4—G M Beasten, on orders of J W Cavender and J J Hogg	76 84
" 22—Ada Simpers	200 00
" 30—G W Covington, Commissioner, per diem	50 00
Sep 2—H F McNeal, repairs and fuel for Sch H. Locust Grove	51 00
" 2—A W Melvin, on order of Wm Galligher, for salary	90 00
" 5—D U Dewees, for coal, lumber & pump at Kennedyville	25 91
" 12—Owen Hayes, on order of J J Hogg, for salary	13 32
July 11—Henry Tonkin	200 00
Sept 12—Comm's at Loc Grove for F R Sellers' bill	70 00
July 9—S. Comegys, jr, salary	163 16
Cash	1225 79
Trustees of Colored Schools	367 50
	—3025 56

Third Election District.

By Cash and orders paid by Thomas H. Kennard, Collector $3045 24

AS FOLLOWS:

Apr 15—H T Jump, on order of J J Hogg, for salary	75 00
July 1—Ida J McNeal, for sal'y	40 00
" 14—C H Crittenden do.	280 00
" 24—Andrew Price, on order of J J Hogg, for salary	18 86
" 29—M P Day, for salary	221 38
Trustees of Colored Schools	367 50
Feb 15—Cash - - -	1400 00
Sep 28—Cash - - -	500 00
" Cash - - -	142 74
	—3045 48
Due T. H. Kennard, Collector	24

Fourth Election District.

By Cash and Orders paid by Chas. H. Baker, Collector $2331 56

AS FOLLOWS:

Mar 1—Stephen Lecates, order of M E Lecates, for salary	74 20
" Same, on order of Emma Sutton, for salary	50 00
" 8—H M Stuart & Bro., for materials and work on Sch House No 1, Fourth Dist	220 00
" 22—D Biddle, for wood at Hopewell School	13 75
Apr 15—J P DeCorse, on order of S S Baker, for salary	50 00
Mar 29—Do. do.	150 00
Apr 16—Saml Chambers, in aid of School in Chester Neck	60 00
" 26—E F Perkins, for adv'g	67 50
" " J K Aldridge, for stoves and fixtures	109 42
May 3—B DeCorse, for wood for School No 4	12 00
" 12—J C Russum, for salary	125 26
July 1—S V Farson, on order of S M Potter, for salary	44 00
" 1—H M Stuart & Bro., for desks, benches, etc, for School No. 1	16 25
" 1—S M Potter, for salary	364 03
" 11—J C Russum do	88 53
Aug 2—J K Willis, on order of J A Greenwood, for salary	40 00
" —B B Perkins, on order of Nannie Emory, for salary	119 61
" —W T Hurtt, making shutters for Sch No 7	10 50
" 17—Dr J T Twilley, order of Nannie Emory, for salary	81 00
" 31—J A Catlin, on order of S R Emory, for salary	20 50
" 31—Same, on order of J A Greenwood, for salary	21 20
" Wm H Hamilton, for coal, posts, hauling, and salary of E W Newman	230 06
" S S Baker, for salary	100 00
" Trustees for Col'd Schools	263 75
	—2331 56

Fifth Election District.

By Cash and orders paid by Arthur B Wheatley, Collector $2688 79

AS FOLLOWS:

Mar 1—J V Crosby, for salary	73 69
" T R Strang, for materials and work at School No 10	25 50
" 8—R B Willson, fuel, hauling, tin-cup, stove-pipe and sundries for school No 1	28 46
" 22—C G Ricaud, for salary	204 40
Apr 15—G H Leaverton, order of L A Waldo, for salary	75 00
" William Morris, for stove at Caulk's Field Sch house	16 00
" T J Vickers, on order of T M Pinkind, for salary	50 00
" Henry Bramble for fuel and hauling fixtures for sch No 4	33 25
" H H Gresham, for surveying lot No 10	7 00
" 26—Abel J Rees, Coal and hauling	9 50
" " on order of I M Comegys for salary	37 50
Apr 26, J Venable, lumber, nails drayage, &c	4 01
Je 30—L A Waldo, for salary	132 50
" G H Leaverton, order of L A Waldo, for salary	16 11
Aug 2—T W Elinson, on order of J V Crosby, for salary	216 00
" L McKee, on order of E McLernon, for salary	19 00
" 4—T M Pinkind, for salary	183 00
" 9—I M Comegys "	56 19
" 12—J A Greenwood "	40 00
" 12—J V Crosby "	115 00
" 12—C G Ricaud "	143 60
" 31—R L Rasin, on order of J F Copper, for salary	50 00
" 31—James C Dowling, work on Sch House, Caulk's Field	55 00
Sep 22—D C Willson, on order of K B Blunt, for salary	264 33
" 22—Chs G Ricaud, on order given Dec. 6, 1869	100 00
" Trustees Colored Schools	183 75
Mar 1—Cash - - -	400 00
Sep 30—Cash - - -	150 00
	—2688 79

Cash Receipts by Treas'r of School Board.

Mar 15, Draft for instalment State tax	$2115 69
Apr 25, " " "	2115 69
Jun 20, " Free School Fund	1252 80
July 15, " Arrears of State tax	1841 10
June 30, Cash receipts for hire and sale of books - - - -	1181 98
Total - - - -	8507 26

Disbursements:

Mar 8, J F Foreman, for salary	68 87
" Turkheimer & Catlin, order of J A Greenwood for salary	73 00
" W M Slay, for salary	91 00
" Ada Simpers, for salary	40 00
Mar 8, F H Harper, on order of J J Hogg, for salary	71 95
" J K Hines on order of J A Greenwood for salary	56 38
" Sarah M Potter for salary	186 31
" H C Wallis for salary	143 62
" S Comegys, sr., on order of S Comegys, jr for salary	56 38
" H W Vickers on order of B Bacchus for salary	9 25
" N Barnard on order of C Ellen Baker for salary	71 20
" C H Crittenden for salary	150 00
" M A Tucker for salary	86 67
" Kate Harris for salary	128 70
" Howard Meeks for salary	56 88
" Wm Rodgers, on order of L Henck & E W Newman, sal'y	24 35
" C P Stevens for school desks	288 06
" Calista Aiman for salary	54 10
" S Comegys jr for salary	51 24
" Alice Crosby for salary	75 93
" B B Perkins on order of J F Copper for salary	50 00
" C G Ricaud for salary	154 45
" S A Jones for salary	271 89
" A J Hynson for salary	50 00
" M E Hudson for salary	75 37
" E B Blunt for salary	76 87
" L Kate Deshane for salary	80 50
" M V Jones for salary	151 75
" C H Smith for salary	362 19
" S E Heighe for salary	80 55
" Henry Tonkin for salary	105 00
" Anna M Scott, for salary	71 00
Mar 10, A T Thomas, on order of J H Ewing, for salary	21 00
" J H Ewing, for salary	40 00
" J K Bruff, on order of T C Bruff, for salary	82 35
" Alexander Gray, for salary	31 50
" Victorine Power " "	84 37
" Helen Power " "	75 00
" H F McNeal " "	120 78
" T M Pinkind " "	80 00
" L M Quimby " "	132 75
" G W Downs " "	40 56
" Joshua H Bryan " "	60 00
" Emma Sutton " "	68 15
" M E Hudson " "	125 62
" Annie Power " "	82 32
" Edw McLernon " "	20 16
" J J Hogg " "	25 00
" Cushing & Bailey, station'y	82 20
Apr 16, W Rodgers, on order of J C Stubbs, for salary	45 21
" J N Usilton, on order of J S Mendenhall, for salary	16 00
" J K Hines, on order of J A Greenwood, for salary	54 66
" J P Ireland, for self and W K Sutton, for work and materials	50 24
" Wm Galligher, for salary	36 15
" J W Bond, for interest acc't	114 64
" 18, Howard Meeks, for postage, incidental office expenses and cash paid for cost of suit of W F Massey against Schl Board, and to John Palmer for glazing	15 05
Apr 26, J M Comegys for salary	50 00
" S Comegys jr for salary	65 00
" S W Potter for salary	105 00
" J V Crosby for salary	140 00
" J F Copper for salary	80 00
" S A Jones for salary	100 00
" E B Blunt for salary	65 00
" Kate Harris for salary	75 00
" M V Jones for salary	25 00
" C H Crittenden for salary	75 00
" C H Smith for salary	130 00
" S E Heighe for salary	65 00
" Annie Power for salary	65 00
" H F McNeal for salary	100 00
" Helen Power for salary	65 00
" Victorine Power for salary	70 00
" Howard Meeks for salary	65 00
" M A Tucker for salary	65 00
" Ada Simpers for salary	40 00
" T M Pinkind for salary	55 00
" Henry Tonkin survey of school lot 3 00 and salary	68 00
" W M Slay for salary	90 00
"Nannie Emory for salary	50 00
" A M Scott for salary	66 00
" Emma Sutton for salary	50 00
" G W Downs for salary	50 00
" George M Beaston order of J W Cavender for salary	50 00
May 6 C P Stevens, Sch Desks	265 00
" Matthew P Day, for salary	35 00
" J C Russum " "	20 00
" J H Ewing " "	20 39
" A J Hynson " "	16 86
" L K Deshane " "	26 80
" Alex Gray " "	10 50
" Joshua Bryan " "	18 82
" T C Bruff " "	27 46
" H C Wallis " "	100 00
" L A Waldo " "	50 00
" M Harley, on order of J M Comegys, for salary	33 00
" D Appleton & Co. for Books	106 00
May 20, W F Massey, for constructive services as Sec'y of this Bosrd from Jan. 1st to 18th, and for books, revenue stamps and book case	75 64
July 5, Howard Meeks, for postage, collections of drafts and cartage	11 51
" 14, F E Davis, architect, for a plan of building	25 00
" J C Stubbs, for salary	145 48
" 15, J W Bond & Co., books	644 18
" 26, Howard Meeks, postage and other expenses	16 00
" 15, Same, balance salary as teacher	61 00
" Same, part salary as Sec'y	284 00
" 24, A S Barnes & Co., books	1350 12
" 29, J M Comegys, salary	25 00
Aug 3, Jos P Ireland, for cash advanced from Acad. fund to pay salary of W C Wilson	32 00
" W C Wilson, for salary	25 00
Aug 3, Ed McLernon, for salary	54 36
" 5, J F Copper " "	40 00
" Kate Harris " "	20 00
" M V Jones " "	20 00
" S E Heighe " "	30 00
" Annie Power " "	30 00
" Helen Power " "	30 00
" Victorine Power " "	30 00
" M A Tucker " "	30 00
" A F Stanley " "	20 00
" S R Emory " "	22 93
" Nannie Emory " "	30 00
" A M Scott " "	30 00
" G W Downs " "	25 00
" A W Downs " "	25 00
" Jas M Vickers " "	20 00
" M H J Phoebus " "	56 90
" 6, Howard Meeks, postage	10 75
" E N Roland, on order of J A Greenwood, for salary	50 00
" J W Bond & Co., for books	68 80
" J K Hines, fees	22 30
" Steamboat Co. per F Wright for freight	20 76
" Adams Express Co.	55
Mar 15, Wm Huey, for work at school house, at Galena, for which the order on the Coll. was paid at the Bank	27 62
" James Kennedy, for wood, and hauling, for which the order on the coll'r was paid at the Bank	8 50
Ja 20, To teachers in bk fees	1181 98
Aug 5, By sales of peaches on sch house lot at Kennedyville made by Robt E Wallis	3 09
" 6, Error in interest on note of J W Bond & Co	42
" Cash in Bank Jan. 11,	57 01
" Paid by Collectors	4316 55
" Cash on deposit Sept. 30,	242 43
	12886.22 12886.22

Total amount of Receipts - -	22069 81
Total am't of expenditures	21827 14
Cash - - - - -	242 43
Due T H Kennard - -	24
	22068 81

Statement showing the indebtedness of the Board as of Jan. 11, 1870, and its liabilities Sept. 30, 1870.

Am't of debt as reported	$10,353 87	
Am't of debt not included in the statement of the Treas'r Jan. 11	1,185 89	
Amount then due colored schools	1,550 00	
Items returned as assets but not available, viz:		
Claim against T J Shallcross and int	2,200 00	
Books, stationery & office furniture	751 20	
Whole am't of debt		14,040 96
Of which there has been paid		10,932 36
Leaving unpaid Sept. 30,		5,108 60
Due to teachers to Sept. 1, 1870,		4,252 26
To others on account of building and repairs, as far as known		701 50
Total - - - - -		10,062 36

I. C. TAYLOR, Pres't.
JOS. P. IRELAND,
GEO. W. COVINGTON,
ISAAC PARSONS,
JAMES P. DeCORSE.
School Comm'rs for Kent county.
By order of the Board,
HOWARD MEEKS,
Dec. 3, 1870. *Secretary & Treasurer.*

CHEAP for CASH!

J. B. SAPPINGTON,

HAS just returned from the city with a fall assortment of

New and Desirable Goods,

consisting in part of Bleached and unbleached MUSLINS, CALICOES, Red and White Flannels, Canton Flannel, Striped Shirting, Bed Ticking, Ginghams, Kersey, Sattinett, Coat Lining, Ready-made Coats and Pants, Under-Shirts and Drawers, Collars, Half Hose, Neck Ties, Gloves, Suspenders, Ladies' and Misses' Hose, Gloves and Collars, Buttons, Thread, Needles, Pins, Sewing Silk, Fancy Soaps and a variety of notions too tedious to name.—Also, a full assortment of Groceries, Sugars, Coffee, Tea, Bacon, Lard, Flouer, Fish, Babbits' and other Soaps, Garrett's Scotch Snuff, small and full size Packages, Rappee Snuff, Tobacco, Segars and Pipes, Pepper, Salt, Vinegar, Molasses, Coal Oil, Brooms, Buckets, and every thing usually kept in a country Store, a good assortment of Ladies' and Misses Shoes, Children's Shoes, Men's fine and Heavy Boots and Shoes, City made and guaranteed to give satisfaction. CALL AND EXAMINE MY STOCK, and you will be sure to buy.

WANTED—Fur, Rags, Eggs, Butter, and all kinds of Country Produce, for which the highest market prices will be paid in cash or goods. Give me a call. Respectfully,

J. B SAPPINGTON.

Store on Cross St., opposite George E. Lambert's Coach Factory. nov5-y.

OYSTERS! OYSTERS!

For the purpose of supplying persons in town and country with Oysters, by the bushel, the undersigned will make two trips each week to Chestertown, and may be found at the Wharf Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays. By this means the public may rely upon obtaining them FRESH, and at reasonable prices.

oc15-3m. CHARLES D BROWN.

TO RENT, for the year 1871, my DWELLING HOUSE and LIVERY STABLES, with lot attached, on Cross street, in Chestertown, and now occupied by John W. Rasin. Also, a Three Acre LOT, near the upper part of the town. For terms apply to R. HYNSON, Esq.

oc22-tf. D. A. BENJAMIN.

TO RENT,
At Harmony, Kent county, Md., for the ensuing year,
A NEW DWELLING HOUSE AND STORE. Also, Blacksmith and Wheelwright Shops, and Dwellings with them if required. It is a good business stand on the Cross Roads. Apply to

sep10-3m* WM. ARCHIBALD.

200 BUSHELS OF SLAUGHTER'S Sweet Potatoes, and for sale. Pork bought and sold by hundred, to be found at my Store on Court Street. All persons indebted to me will please come and pay up, as I need money very much. W. F. BAKER.

Chestertown, Nov. 19, 1870.

TURNER'S AXES and POST AUGERS, for sale at low prices by L. S. FOWLER.

PUBLIC SALE

—OF—

Valuable Personal Property.

THE undersigned, intending to discontinue farming, will offer at public sale at his residence near Sassafras, Kent county, Md., on

THURSDAY, December 15, 1870,

his ENTIRE STOCK, FARMING UTENSILS, &c., consisting in part of

1 Thoroughbred Young Mare
Well broken and fast.

One Fine Saddle Horse,
Two good Carriage and Work Horses,

3 Pairs of Very Fine Young Mules,

1 YOKE GOOD YOUNG OXEN,
Well broken;

7 Head of Superior MILCH COWS,

And 20 Head of YOUNG CATTLE,
Among them SOME OF THE BEST BRED CATTLE ON THE SHORE.

A fine lot of Chester County Shoats.

1 FARM WAGON, iron axle, (Jersey make,) hay rigging, large Peach Body, nearly new; DEARBORN, IRON-AXLE OX-CART, EXCELSIOR REAPER & MOWER Combined, nearly new, 1 PENNINGTON REAPER, WOOD MOWER, *Two Independent Wheat Rakes,* SINCLAIR CUTTING BOX, 1 DRILL with Odessa attachment; SEED SOWER, Ploughs, 1 Gang Plough, Harrows, Cultivators and Harness. Wheat Fan and Corn Sheller, both nearly new; Coal Stoves; Timothy and Clover Hay by the stack, &c., &c.

Sale to begin punctually at 10 o'clock.

TERMS.—All sums of and under $25 cash; on all sums over that amount there will be given a credit of eight months, the purchaser giving his negotiable note, bearing interest, with approved security, payable at the Kent National Bank of Chestertown, Md. Purchasers to pay for stamps. No property to be removed until the terms are complied with.

n26-ts. DAVID C. BLACKISTON.

PUBLIC SALE

BY virtue of an order of the Orphans' Court of Kent county, the undersigned, administrator of JOHN CLARK, deceased, will sell at public sale at the late residence of the said deceased, near Sassafras, on

MONDAY, December 12th, 1870,

the following property, namely:

4 HEAD of WORK HORSES,
Two of them Mares with foal.

ONE STALLION COLT,
Three years old next March.

ONE MILCH COW,
and 7 Head of Young Cattle.

5 FATTENING HOGS,
TWO SOWS AND PIGS,

9 Head of good SHEEP

1 *YORK CARRIAGE and Harness,* 1 *Farm Wagon and Harness, and set of lead Gears,* 1 *Ox-Cart,*

Farming Implements,
Ploughs and Plough Gears, Harrows, Cultivators, and many other articles.

Also, Household & Kitchen Furniture,

Consisting of 1 BED, 2 BEDSTEADS, and BEDDING, CHAIRS, TABLES, CARPET, CLOCK, 1 GOOD COOK STOVE, DISHES, Knives, Forks, &c.

Sale to commence at 10 o'clock, A. M.

TERMS:—All sums of and under $10 cash; over that amount 9 months credit with good security. No property to be removed until the terms are complied with. Purchasers to pay for stamps.

CHARLES CLARK, Adm'r.
U. A. C. GARRETT, Auct. nov26-ts.

Trustee's Sale.

BY virtue of a Decree of the Circuit Court of Kent county, as a Court of Equity, the undersigned, as Trustee, will expose to public sale to the highest bidder, on

FRIDAY, the 23rd of December, 1870,

at the porch of the Vosbell House in Chestertown, at 11 o'clock, A. M., all that

FARM AND PLANTATION,

in Kent county, called "Wearing," "Partnership," or "Petersfield," containing

50 Acres, more or less,

late the property of Mrs. Araminta McClary, deceased, lying near Spry's Gate and the farm occupied by Wm. M Gilpin, Esq., and adjoining the lands of William T. Burgess and John Nowland. It is convenient to market, Smith's and Cartwright Shops, Post Office and Stores, being near Chesterville, &c. A portion is in Wood. There is a

DWELLING HOUSE AND OUT-BUILDINGS

on the premises. The soil is good and in fair condition. The farm is divided into fields, and there is a PEACH ORCHARD on the premises.

THE TERMS OF SALE

Are a credit of six, twelve and eighteen months from the day of sale, with interest from the first day of January next, to be secured by the bond of the purchaser, with security approved by the Trustee, payable in three equal instalments.

The Creditors of Mrs. Araminta McCleary are notified to file their claims against her duly proved, with the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Kent county, within four months from the day of sale.

GEORGE VICKERS, Trustee.

Chestertown, Nov. 26, 1870—ts.

[Middletown Transcript copy ts and send bill to Trustee.]

A CARD.

FINDING the general notices to settle thro' the County papers overlooked or disregarded, and a determination to give those indebted to me another opportunity to make amicable settlement, I hereby authorize JOSEPH A. CATLIN, Esq., assisted by C. W. WHALAND, (my son,) to close my book accounts, notes, &c. They must be closed at once to the 21st day of January, 1869, when I associated with Dr. Perkins. My duty demands it. Any arrangement made with either or both of these persons will be satisfactory—errors excepted.

apr23-tf T. H. WHALAND.

DON'T SELL MY FATHER RUM!

Don't sell him another drink, please!
He's reeling already you see,
And I fear, when he comes home to-night,
He'll beat my poor mother and me;
She's waiting in darkness and cold,
And dreading to hear him come home;
He treats us so bad when he's drunk—
Oh! don't sell him any more rum!

I heard mother praying last night—
She thought I was quite sound asleep:
She prayed God her husband to save,
His soul from temptation to keep.
She cried like her poor heart would break;
So trying to comfort her some,
I told her I'd beg you to-day
Not to sell father any more rum.

Why don't you have something to sell
That will not make people so sad:
That will not make dear mother grieve,
And kind father cruel and bad?
Ah, me! it is hard; and I see
You're angry because I have come;
Forgive a poor, sad little girl,
And don't sell her dear father rum!

Earl Fitzwilliam and the Honest Farmer.

A farmer called on the Earl Fitzwilliam to represent to him that his crop of wheat had been seriously injured in a field adjoining a certain wood where his lordship's hounds had during the winter very frequently met to hunt. He stated that the young wheat had been so cut up and destroyed that in some parts he could not hope for any produce. "Well, my friend," said his lordship, "I am aware that we have frequently met in that field, and that we have done considerable injury; and if you can procure an estimate of the loss you have sustained I will repay you?" The farmer replied, that anticipating his lordship's consideration and kindness, he had requested a friend to assist him in estimating the damage, and they thought as the crop seemed quite destroyed, fifty pounds would not more than repay him. The Earl immediately gave him the money.

As the harvest, however approached, the wheat grew, and in those parts of the field which were most trampled the wheat was strongest and most luxuriant. The farmer went again to his lordship, and being introduced, said; "I am come, my lord, respecting the field of wheat adjoining such a wood." His lordship immediately recollected the circumstance.—"Well, my friend, did not I allow you sufficient to remunerate you for your loss?" "Yes, my lord, I find that I have sustained no loss at all, for where the horses had most cut up the land the crop is most promising, and I have therefore brought the fifty pounds back again." "Ah!" exclaimed the venerable Earl, "this is what I like; this is as it should be between man and man." He then entered into conservation with the farmer, asking some questions about his family—how many children he had, &c. His lordship then went into another room, and returning, presented the farmer with a cheque for one hundred pounds saying, "Take care of this, and when your eldest son is of age, present it to him, and tell him the occasion that produced it." We know not which to admire most, the honesty of the farmer on the one hand, or on the other, the benevolence and the wisdom displayed by the illustrious man; for while doing a noble act of generosity, he was handing down a lesson of integrity to another generation.

Singular Preservation.

The London *Herald* tells the following singular and touching story:

Not many years since, certain miners working far underground came upon the body of a poor fellow who had perished in the suffocating pit forty years before. Some chemical agent to which the body had been subjected—agents prepared in the labratory of nature—had effectually arrested the progress of decay. They brought it to the surface, and for a while till it crumbled through exposure to the atmosphere, it lay there the image of a fine sturdy young man. No convulsion had passed over the face in death—the features were tranquil; the hair was black as jet. No one recognized the face—a generation had gone since the day on which the miner went down his shaft for the last time. But a tottering old woman, who had hurried from her cottage at hearing the news, came up, and she knew again the face which through all these long years she had not forgotton. The poor miner was to have been her husband on the day after which he died. They were rough people of course, who were looking on; a liberal education and refined feelings are not deemed essential to the man whose work is to get up coal or even tin; but there were no dry eyes there when the gray-headed old pilgrim cast herself upon the youthful corpse and poured into his deaf ear many words of endearment unused for forty years. It was a touching contrast; the one so old, the other so young. They had both been young those years long ago; but time had gone on with the living, and stood still with the dead.

THE ear is queer. Sometimes it hears the faintest murmurs of the zephyr; again it is oblivious to thunder like notes. A young lady hears an invitation to the opera even if given only in a whisper, but don't hear the loud call of her mother to go and sweep the sitting room.

PREVENTION is better than cure. Therefore it is well to remember that one should never enter a sick room while in a state of perspiration, nor with an empty stomach, as in such conditions of the body one is specially liable to contract disease.

To make a little boys trowsers "last."—When you make a suit of clothes for him, finish the coat first, and by doing so you make the trowsers last. It is the only way the thing can be done.

An "Argument" for Female Suffrage.

They have a queer woman orator in San Francisco. Here is a portion of a speech she made recently:

They say man was created first. 'Spo sin' he was! Ain't first experiments always failures? If I was a betting man I'd bet two dollars and a half they are. The only decent thing about him, anyhow, was a rib, and that went to make something better. [Applause.] And then they throw in our face about Eve taking the apple. I'll bet five dollars Adam boosted her up in the tree and then only gave her the core. And what did he do when he was found out? True to his masculine instinct he sneaked behind Eve's Grecian bend, and, "tware'nt me, 'twas her."—Bring up your little daughters to love and caress the ballot, and when they are old and scrawny they will not depart from it. Teach them that man occupies no position that women cannot fill, even to a pair of pants. Teach them that without the ballot woman is simply a cooking and washing machine; that with it she can just rule her little roost. We have plenty of ballot girls, but what we want is ballot women. [Hear, hear.] I am astonished there ain't more interest manifested in this absorbing topic. This hall ought to be filled from dome to ceiling, and a couple of hundred climbing up the lightning rod outside. Our speakers don't lack brains or influence, but there is one thing I wish they did lack, and that is their desire for a husband. No matter how rabid a woman is on this question, or how much she talks against the man on the platform, she'd grab the first one that offered himself, and turn right straight round; and that's where we're weak.—Most women think they're made for a purpose, and that was to have Mrs. on their tombstones. They'd better be missed all their lives, and when they die the more they're missed the better. I'm commander-in-chief of a large army of female women's ballots, and am cleaning out every thing that looks like male sex, whilst the band plays "See the conquering shero cometh." Come with me to the worst portion of our great city. After ascending thirty-one flights of rickety stairs, what do we find? A miserable basement. In one corner sits a wretched woman once the belle of the city. She makes vests. Twenty-four vests for a cent. Not a morsel of food has passed her lips since fall. Around her are fourteen children crying for bread. But alas! she ain't got no bread; but with tears in her eyes she mournfully divides between them the last half of a tallow candle. Have I overdrawn this picture? No, sir. And if any man dares to say I have, I'll guarantee to send him home on a window shutter in less than ten minutes. [Emotion in the audience.] But, my dear sisters, I am not here simply to touch your hearts, but to touch your pockets also. A thing of this kind can't go on without money, and I hereby call upon four of the most able-bodied sisters, who feel 'tis sweet to be on the muscle, to pass round the hat. Think of the greatness of our cause, and its effect upon thousands of ancestors still unborn. Think of your altered firesides, where widowed mothers, with dissipated husbands, press their orphan children to their bosom. Think, oh! think, of Geo. Washington at Mr. Valley's forge, barefooted, and—shell out. [This appeal was so moving that a majority of the audience moved towards the door. About seven dollars and a half was collected, however, which went for Mrs. Skinner's newest corkscrew curls. After putting the amount in her reticule, and planting her right foot firmly upon it, she proceeded.] My dear friends, I must now bid you adieu, but I will be with you again when times are better, for I intend to agitate this question till we get our rights and whatever we can sponge besides. I will agitate it till my breath gives out and my wig turns gray.

A COMPLIMENT.—The Bishop preached. The congregation subsequently requested his Lordship to publish his sermon.

His Lordship was delighted.

"And so," said he, with jocose affability to the Senior Churchwarden, "the people were very much pleased? Eh?"

"Well, you see, your Lordship," replied the official, "our folks *would* like to know summat about it; and—"

"And!" interposed the Bishop, complacently, "I see they'd like to read it at home."

"Well, your Lordship, that's just what they would like; 'cos—" (here he paused, and then added, confidentially) "it wor very hot weather, you see, and so—when your Lordship wor preachin, *they were all asleep!*"—*London Punch.*

DURING a dense fog a Mississippi steamer took a landing. A traveller on board, anxious to go ahead, came to the manager of the wheel and asked why the boat stopped. "Too much fog; can't see the river." But you can see the stars overhead?" "Yes," replied the urbane pilot, "but, unless the boiler busts, we ain't going that way."

JUST as a traveller was writing his name on the register of a Leavenworth hotel, a bedbug sallied and took its way across the page. The man paused and remarked: "I've been bled by St. Joe fleas, bitten by Kansas city spiders, and interviewed by Fort Scott gray-backs, but I was never in a place before where the bedbugs looked over the hotel register to find out where your room was!"

THERE is said to be a farm in one of the Western States where the grasshoppers, having eaten up all the crops above the ground, now sit on the stumps and fences, with hoes over their shoulders, waiting for the potatoes to get old enough to dig.

THE COST OF WAR.—"Who pays the cost of war?" asks a contemporary; and answers—"the people." This is true so far as it goes. It does not go far enough. The French people pay the cost of the war now raging in one sense. The Germans pay their proportion of the expense in another sense. This is only the money cost for arming, subsisting, paying and maintaining the armies. Heavy as it may be, it is less than half the real expense of such a war. The loss of men cannot be thus estimated. The Philadelphia *Day*, referring to this subject, remarks:

"The pauperization of many hundred thousands, probably may be counted as a cash loss, but it is difficult to estimate it. The increase of poor rates will not show the actual loss, because so much increase of poverty is likewise a double, sometimes treble withdrawal of hands from industrial pursuits. Still another aspect of the cost of war exists in the conversion of a nation of producers into consumers; and this damage is incalculable. Industry is now paralyzed throughout France. Its great manufactories are closed, and their operatives are either idle or under arms. The wages paid these operatives in good times must sum up a large total. This total went into the channels of trade, and greatly assisted national progress. All that is over, and France and Germany are at a stand still.

"But there is a loss which extends beyond the countries now at war, and is not generally reckoned into the bills of war costs. We allude to the loss of custom to the producing interests of other nations. Much has been said about the profit to the United States and England from the Franco-Prussian war. If the war is to profit us as a nation, the fact is yet to become apparent. Our exports have not increased, neither have those of Great Britain. The fact is France and Prussia have no money to expend for anything but the appliances of war. Their energies are put to their utmost tension to carry on war upon a large scale, while they are literally earning nothing. They will buy nothing not absolutely necessary to sustain the struggle. Hence they buy arms and war munitions of us and do not buy the staples of commerce. England is selling nothing to France and Germany save arms, powder and coal. Of course those belligerents will need bread by and by, and then our exports will increase. But at present, and up to this time, the war has been a damage to us as a producing people. The same is probably true as regards England. Thus it will be seen war costs heavily to others as well as to belligerents, as may be made clear to all who will be at the trouble to reflect as to the consequences to trade were every other nation save this at war."

NOW YOU SEE IT—NOW YOU DON'T.—The "ku-klux" illusion continues to make its appearance about election time in the South, as it has invariably done for the last few years. Its disappearance seems quite as remarkable as its appearance.—No sooner is the election over than the ku-klux vanish. The mystery of that strange bird, the sora, is repeated, and no one can tell what becomes of them. Just before the North Carolina election, Gov. Holden arrested a large number of human beings on the charge that they were ku-klux, just as in the good old times of witchcraft people were arrested and put to death on the charge of being witches. But as soon as the election was over, there was a general jail delivery, and what has become of the mythical outlaws no one knows. One effect of the apparition is to secure military interposition, and the President is called upon to break the spell of the evil spirits by the charm of bayonets. This device always proves successful, for the monsters decamp with such precipitation from the presence of the federal military that not one of them has ever been seen by United States soldiers, so that when they arrive on the ground they have nothing to do but "keep order" at the elections, which they have done this fall with the happiest results.

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