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Would you!

If you knew it, pay more for your Clothing than you could buy the same goods as elsewhere?

You may be one who's doing that very thing. We don't claim to sell cheap Clothing, but we sell good reliable goods at a moder price, and it might pay you to take a peep at our Suits or Overcoats before buying and see if we can't save you some money.

We have the assortment to select from and don't confine you to only one or two styles. Plenty of good and a variety of prices.

Our Furnishing side of the house, is as usual, full of all the correct things. Hats, Caps, Gloves, Neckwear, Hosiery, Underwear, Night Robes, Pajamas, Shirts, the Magestic, best dollar shirt in the world. Now is the time to begin getting ready for Xmas. "Come early and avoid the rush."

J. D. Lucas.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION

—OF THE—

SECOND NATIONAL BANK,

at Chestertown in the State of Maryland, at the close of business, Nov. 10, 1904.

RESOURCES:

Loans and discounts		$494,571 50
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		504 04
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		12,500 00
Bonds securities, etc		22,348 20
Banking-house, furniture and fixtures		11,000 00
Due from National Banks (not reserve Agents)		4,490 62
Due from approved reserve agents		58,584 17
Checks and other cash items		3,531 25
Notes of other National Banks		2,645 00
Fractional paper currency, nickles and cents		130 87
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, NAMELY:		
Specie	$11,654 50	
Legal-tender notes	4,250 00	15,904 50
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent. of circulation)		625 00
TOTAL		$626,830 15

LIABILITIES:

Capital stock paid in	50,000 00
Surplus fund	12,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	19,434 19
National Bank notes outstanding	12,500 00
Due to other National Banks	1,168 56
Individual deposits subject to check	531,652 40
Certified checks	75 00
TOTAL	$626,830 15

State of Maryland, County of Kent, ss:

I, W. B. COPPER, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief."

W. B. COPPER, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th day of Nov., 1904.

CHARLES ESTES, N. P.

Correct, Attest:—

HOPE H. BARROLL,
W. W. HUBBARD,
H. W. VICKERS,
DIRECTORS.

ROBERT SOMMER.

GERMAN LAND AGENT,

618 N. CALVERT STREET.

BALTIMORE, - - MARYLAND.

LAND BOUGHT AND SOLD.

o29-3mos.

HARRY L. BOYD,

Fire Insurance

—NEWS BUILDING—

29-1yr. CHESTERTOWN, MD.

FOR SALE or EXCHANGE.

Mill known as Parson's, located in third election district. Price right and terms easy. Apply

H. E. COOPER,
n26 tf Worton.

FOR SALE.

TWO EASTMAN KODAKS, each 3½ x3¼, in good order. Price very low. Address THOS. W. ELIASON, JR.

d10-3t. Chestertown, Md.

FOR RENT.

My DWELLING in Lynch's at reasonable terms.

MRS. JULIA A. HOSSINGER,
d10-3t. Lynch's, Maryland.

SEWING MACHINE FOR SALE.

A Second-Hand DAVIS SEWING MACHINE for sale. It is in good order.

d10-tf. Apply to KENT NEWS.

AT PRIVATE SALE ON EASY TERMS.

FARM of about 363 acres located in Queen Anne's county near Ingleside. Land in fair life and easily tilled. The buildings are good and some of them new.

Apply to
JOHN D. URIE, ATTORNEY.
o5-tf. Chestertown, Md.

MEN WANTED FOR THE UNITED STATES NAVY.

The United States Naval Service offers to young men joining it a promising career and provision for life, or during good behavior. With the growth of the Navy, opportunities for advancement are increasing, and promotions to good positions can be attained by young men who are willing to work for them. Age requirement 17 years to 35 years. Particularly good opportunities are offered to mechanics. For information, apply or write to the Bureau of Navigation, Navy Department, Washington, D. C., or to the Recruiting Office, 326 North Calvert Street, Baltimore, Md. d10-3t.

WANTED

LIVE POULTRY.

JOHN GALE & SON, Agents.
Live Stock Dealers, Hanesville, Md.

LOST.

A BLACK HOG, weighing about 170 pounds from my stable on Cannon street. Anyone returning same or giving information leading to his recovery will be rewarded. Address, R. THOMPSON.

n26tf. Chestertown, Md.

FOR SALE or RENT.

FIVE ROOM HOUSE with STABLE and OUTBUILDINGS at Worton for rent. All in good repair and with a large garden attached. Terms reasonable.

n12-3t G. W. COOPER.

FOR RENT FOR 1905.

Desirably located, comfortable DWELLING HOUSE, situated on Queen street, Chestertown, now occupied by Mr. Samuel B. Clark; water in kitchen, sewer connections and yard. Apply to

JOHN H. SIMPERS.
n26 3t. Chestertown, Md.

FOR RENT.

The HOUSE on High Street, Chestertown, now occupied by Mr. George D. Lofland. Apply to

MRS. RUTH A. CAHALL.
o29-tf. Chestertown, Md.

ROCK HALL PROPERTY FOR RENT.

The large and commodious SHOP and STABLES, built for the undertaking business and in excellent condition. Ready now to be rented.

Apply to
sept. 17-tf WM. B. USILTON, JR., Ag't.

KILBOURN & WARREN

FAIRLEE, MD.,

Is Too Busy To Write An Xmas Adv. But Quote

Seeded Raisins, 12 oz. pkge.....5c
Seeded Raisins, 16 oz. pkge.....6c
Wedding Cake Currants, 16 oz. pkge..7c
Baker's Chocolate.....27c

Watch for our adv. next week.

LEHIGH COAL

THE BEST COAL ON THE MARKET. :: ::

FOR SALE BY

W. S. & A. M. CULP

The firm of W. S. & A. M. CULP has purchased the coal and wood business formerly conducted by Wm. S. Culp, and will continue the business at the same stand.

W. S. & A. M. CULP.

FORTUNE KNOCKS AT YOUR DOOR!

Answer it. Don't turn it away! It takes but little money to start. It may give you one hundred for one. For how, where and when address, P. O. Box 221, Chestertown. Do it at once.

n19 tf.

CASH TO INVEST.

Practical Man, middle age, with ability, good commercial training and unquestionable integrity will invest CASH and active service in established business or other sound proposition, that will bear strict investigation—State amount wanted and nature of business—references required and given.

WILLIAM,
d10-2t. Care of Kent News Office.

FOR SALE.

WHITE AND RED OAK, HICKORY AND GUM LUMBER for Wheelwrights and Framing, now sawing in our woods. Send us your needs and we will give you prices

J. D. BACCHUS,
d10 3t. Chestertown, Md.

NOTICE.

The Chestertown National Bank, located at Chestertown, in the State of Maryland, is closing up its affairs, its corporate existence having expired at close of business on the first day of December, 1904. All note holders and others, creditors of said association, are thereby hereby notified to present the notes and other claims against the Association for payment.

CHARLES T. WESTCOTT,
Dec. 10, 1904—2m. PRESIDENT.

HOUSE-KEEPER WANTED.

A middle aged White Woman as house-Keeper wanted for a gentlemen living in the country. Only two in family. Apply by letter to

KENT NEWS,
n26-1t* Chestertown, Md.

STOCK WANTED

Highest cash price paid for POULTRY AND LIVE STOCK.

JOHN C. STRONG.
Headquarters—At W. A. POTE'S STORE, Kennedyville, Md. d3 1m.

FOR RENT.

BLACKSMITH and WHEELWRIGHT SHOP in Chesapeake City. Good opening for live man.

n19-4t. T. N. LORAINE.

FOR SALE.

FARMS OF ALL DISCRIPTIONS in New Castle county, Del., also nice Residents, all convenient to markets by Trolly, Rail road, or water.

GEO. W. INGRAM.
n.29 4t. Middletown, Del.

WANTED.

A GOOD LIVE MAN to take a $50.00 book with the Prudential Insurance Company in Chestertown and vicinity, man with a team prefered. Call on or write

n26tf. F. V. SIMPERS, Asst.

WANTED.

A WHITE WOMAN of settled habits to do light housework in a small family in Centreville, Md. No washing and ironing. Good wages. Reference necessary.

Address P. O. BOX 304,
s16 tf. Centreville, Md.

ALL KINDS OF SEWING MACHINES REPAIRED,

And guaranteed to work as good as new. New Machines sold for cash, or on time, a first class Singer is worth two of the cheaper kinds sold from stores.

Address or call,
A. H. SUPLEE,
n12-tf. Betterton, Md.

FOR RENT

The DWELLING HOUSE on corner of Cross and High st. Chestertown for rent. Also the STORE ROOM on Cross st. near High. Also the store-room now occupied by Mr. W. H. Waddell for 1905.

Apply to,
MISS NANNIE BORDLEY,
n12-3t Chestertown

FOR SALE.

Single Comb Brown and White LEGHORN COCKERELS. $1.00 each.

ROBERT S. EMORY,
o22 3t* Chestertown, Md.

Kent County Savings Bank

WILL CONTINUE TO PAY INTEREST AT THE RATE OF

4 Per Cent

per annum, compounded semi-annually, on all Savings and Special Deposits.

It is a significant fact that the KENT COUNTY SAVINGS BANK is the *Pioneer Interest-Paying Bank* in this community and our loyal depositors have at all times recognized this truth and shown their appreciation.

The KENT COUNTY SAVINGS BANK has just completed its eleventh year of success and it shall be our aim and pleasure to give you every attention and at all times safeguard whatever business you may entrust to our care.

J. K. ALDRIDGE, President.
WM. F. RUSSELL, Cashier.

Sale of Property.—Lewin W. Wickes, Esq., as trustee, offered the Peacock property at Galena at public sale Saturday. The purchasers were as follows: Lot No. 2 improved by a carpenter-shop and stable and tenanted by John D. Boyd, to James W. Walls for $305; Lot No. 3 improved by a two-story frame dwelling tenanted by Frank A. McCauley, to Mrs. M. E. MaGuire for $520; No. 6 improved by frame dwelling tenanted by Emory Smith and Chas. Nickerson, to Edw. Peacock for $650; No. 9 improved by dwelling and stable tenanted by Sam'l J. Caldwell, to Mrs. F. R. Wooters for $1,000; No. 11, lot leased by C. E. Lane, to Chas. E. Laree for $200. The Latimer property and other Peacock lots may be purchased at private sale of Mr. Wickes.

SALES TO TAKE PLACE.

Wednesday, Dec. 14—Personalty sale of Jas. B. Davis, near Sassafras.

Tuesday, Dec. 27—Sale of Hepbron farm by M. deK. Smith, Esq., Attorney.

Monday, Dec. 26—Personalty of Wm. Vansant, near Chestertown.

Monday, Dec. 26—Personalty of Wm. R. Clouph, Catlin's Corner, Queen Anne's.

Wednesday, Dec. 28—Personally sale of Geo. Faulkner, near Fairlee.

Wednesday, Dec. 28—Large sale of Personalty by John H. Evans, on the "Beck" farm, near Ralph's wharf in Queen Anne's county.

LOST OR STOLEN.

Between Betterton and Still Pond on Sunday night Nov. 27th 1904, 1 PLUSH AFGHAN LAP ROBE, Black on one side colored on the corner. Also 1 WOOLEN HORSE BLANKET. A suitable reward if left at the residence of J. C. MONEY in Still Pond. d3-3t.

WANTED.

SEVERAL YOUNG LIVELY MEN with teams, to sell Horse, Cattle, Hog, Sheep and Poultry Medicines. For salary or commission. Apply to

JOHN F. RICE,
d3 3t. Fairlee, Md.

The Chestertown Bank Of Maryland

WILL PAY

4 Per Cent.

Interest on Savings Deposits

And continue to occupy the field of usefulness in this community, so long and so successfully held by the "Farmers and Mechanics Bank," the "Kent National Bank" and the "Chestertown National Bank," from the early "Forties" down to the present time.

It proposes to keep abreast of the popular demands of the Twentieth Century, by its Savings Department, allowing interest on deposits, its Safe Deposit Boxes, for the use of its depositors; and its improved facilities for loans to its depositors on approved notes, bonds, stock, or real estate security. Its stockholders are among the most active, energetic business men of the community, and its officers are experienced and capable; and will take pleasure in executing your business at the bank with dispatch and satisfaction.

We invite your account, deposits and business. Respectfully,

ALDAY CLEMENTS, RICH'D D. HYNSON,
C. T. WESTCOTT, M. DEK. SMITH,
F. H. HARPER, E. S. VALLIANT,
JAMES S. HARRIS, J. W. CHAPMAN,
SAMUEL VANNORT, WILLIAM W. BECK,
W. FRANK HINES, TILGHMAN SHAFER,
ELMER E. LEARY.

ALDAY CLEMENTS, PRESIDENT.
WM. WALTER CHAPMAN, CASHIER

Galena Bank

—OF—

Farmers' Trust, Banking and Deposit Company,

GALENA, MD.

Transacts a General Banking Business.

Interest allowed on deposits subject to check.

Interest allowed on Savings Deposits.

Special Rates on Time Deposits.

JOHN W. WOODLAND,
President, Baltimore, Md.
WM. D. ALLEN,
Sec'y Treas'r, Balto., Md.
EDWARD A. SCOTT,
Pres't Local Board, Galena, Md.
RICHARD S. WALLIS,
Cashier, Galena, Md.

SOCIETY REALMS.

Water Street Homes Alive With Attractive Hostesses And Charming Visitors.

Society devotees were in a whirl of excitement in Chestertown Wednesday the centre of the commotion being on Water street where no less than three receptions or parties were held.

The first was at the spacious home of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Brown where the Ladies' Euchre Club met from 3 to 5 P. M. Mrs. Brown is an ideal hostess and the few hours soon sped by. Mrs. Lewin W. Wickes was awarded the first prize and Mrs. Geo. Brice the second.

Next came the reception and Missionary Tea given at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Fleming from 5 until 8 P. M. The reception committee comprised Mrs. Fleming, Mrs. Wm. J. Vannort, Mrs. W. W. Hubbard, Mrs. Alice McFeely and Mrs. D. L. Greenfield. Mrs. J. D. Bacchus and Miss Margaret Plummer presided at the salad table and Mrs. Wm. R. Aldridge at the coffee urn while Misses Mary Fleming, Bessie Sheppard, Ethel Bacchus, Augusta Aldridge, Nellie Nicholson and Avis Dodd served as waitresses in a skilful manner. Music was furnished by the College Mandolin Club and by Miss Bishop and Miss Ethel Price Topping, pianist. The occasion was one of rare enjoyment.

The Dorcas Society of Emmanuel Church met at the elegant home of Chief Judge and Mrs. James Alfred Pearce from 8 to 10 P. M., and the charming hostess sustained her high reputation of successful entertaining. Refreshments were served during the evening.

The young men of Still Pond and vicinity gave a dance in the Chesapeake House, Betterton, last Friday night. The Committee on invitations was Messrs Edward Hepburn, Edwin R. Wallis, Walter H. Davis and Harry D. Hendrickson. Patronesses, Mrs. Harry Davis, Mrs. Harry C. Price, Mrs. A. N. Stavely, Mrs. C. H. Price.

Rev. and Mrs. R. S. Rowe quietly observed the fifty-first anniversary of their marriage at the Methodist Protestant parsonage in Kennedyville, on Tuesday, Dec. 6, they having been married on Dec. 6th, 1853, at 4 P. M., in Baltimore by the late Rev. John G. Rowe, a brother of the groom.

One of those well-known Social Lunch Box festivals was given at the residence of James Matthews, near Golts, Md., on Wednesday evening, Nov. 30th, for the benefit of the Golts M. E. Church. Some thirty or forty persons were present from near Clayton, Blackistons and other places. The early evening was pleasantly spent in innocent games and music. About nine o'clock all were invited to attend the sale of the lunches, which under the skillful management of Mr. E. Elwood Morris as auctioneer, the boxes sold for from seventy five cents to three dollars per package, some became weary of their bargain and resold at private sale to others. Now if you never attended one of these socials you should do so, for you have the right to purchase not only a lunch box but also the privilege of the lady's company.

A dance was given at Lehmann's Hall Tuesday evening in honor of Miss Bertie Beck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James L. Beck, of Tolchester.

DEATH'S DOINGS.

A telegram was received at Chestertown Tuesday announcing the death of Horace B. Constable, Esq., in Sheridan, Wyoming, aged 31. The deceased left his home here last year hoping to be restored to health in the west but was too far gone for relief and died in the far west. His sister, Mrs. Arthur Skirven, of Chicago, was with him when he died. The body will reach Chestertown next Monday and will be interred in St. Paul's beside that of his honored father, John Stephen Constable, and fond mother. The minister, of Sheridan, writes that Horace was sick in bed about three weeks and fully realized his condition, made every preparation for death. He died of heart trouble superinduced by consumption.

Mr. Constable passed a creditable examination before the law committee and had begun practice when his health began to fail and he was advised to leave this section. He was a quiet but popular young man and made friends wherever he went who remained steadfast. He leaves two sisters, viz., Miss Blanche Constable and Mrs. Arthur Skirven.

Mary D., the interesting year old daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Urie, died at her parent's home, 1512 Madison Ave., Baltimore, on Sunday afternoon last of meningitis. The body was brought to Kent by way of Betterton on Monday and taken charge by Undertaker W. H. Krusen and transferred to the home of her uncle, William Parr. Funeral and interment took place Tuesday at 2 p. m., Rev. T. F. Beauchamp officiating.

Effie Mabel, the two year, seven months old daughter of Nathan B. and Anona Crossley, died Sunday afternoon, after an illness of only twenty four hours, of membraneous croup. She was an only child, of a happy and young father and mother. All efforts to save the bright and cheerful little one was without avail. After a short service at the home, Tuesday, afternoon by Rev. D. L Greenfield, the corpse was taken to Double Creek, Queen Ann's county, where services were held in the M. P. Church by Rev. Ewing, interment being made at that place. Undertaker J. E. Ferguson had charge of the funeral arrangements.

Mrs. Dosser, nee Miss Estella Godman, died at her home in Bristol, Tenn., last week. The deceased was the pretty young lady who frequently visited the home of Mrs. Herbert Strong, near Rock Hall.

Mrs. Nathan B. Cole died Thursday at her home in Chestertown, aged 48. She leaves a husband and three children. Funeral will take place today, Rev. D. L. Greenfield officiating, interment in Chester cemetery; undertaker Ferguson in charge.

PERSONAL TIDINGS....

About You and Your Friends—The Going and Coming of Persons You Know.

Mr. J. H. Sides is sick with fever.

Miss Palmer Carroll is the guest of Mrs. J. W. Chapman in Baltimore.

Mr. J. C. Loud visited Wilmington this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bergen, of Baltimore, spent several days in town this week.

Mrs. Wm. A. Smith and son have been visiting friends in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam'l Vannort attended the christening of Dr. C. R. Twilley and wife's son, Richard Vannort, at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Lowe on Eutaw Place, Baltimore, last Saturday.

Mrs. S. N. Buttle, of Seaford, is a guest at the Methodist Episcopal parsonage Chestertown.

Mr. Eldridge Eliason has been engaged to coach the University of Pennsylvania athletic team. Mr. Eliason is a Yale graduate and while at that school won many honors in athletic contests.

Miss Maud Sheppard is the guest of Col. and Mrs. W. J Vannort.

Miss Mamie Munnikhuysen, of Baltimore, is the guest of the Misses Stam.

Master Murrel Dunbracco, son of Mr. James Dunbracco, has entered the office of H. H. Barroll, Esq., as assistant secretary and typewriter.

Miss Fannie Rollison, of near Crumpton returned home Wednesday from a pleasant visit to her sister, Mrs. Clarence Webb, of near Worton.

Mr. Arthur Thompson, of Baltimore, has been the guest this week of Col. Josiah Massey and wife.

Capt. Wm. Taylor is in command of the Emma A. Ford.

Mrs. Joe Webb entertained on Thursday last Mrs. J. S. Webb, of Locust Grove, Mrs. Sam Webb, of Kennedyville Mrs. Cecil Howell, and Miss Jessie Rollison, of near Crumpton.

Mrs. George H. Hazell and daughter and Mrs. Charles Burg, are the guests of their parents at Colorado Springs, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Massey.

Miss Emily A. Massey is the guest of Mrs. Horace Beck at St. Louis, Mo.

Mrs. J. Hydie Thompson has presented to the City Hospital, Baltimore, a beautiful palm. Sister Superior acknowledged the gift in a kind and appreciative letter.

Mr. I. F. Walbert, of near Lankford, is confined to his room by sickness.

Mr. Scott Beck is attending law school in Baltimore. Master George Fifer has entered State's Attorney Beck's office as secretary and typewriter.

Dr. Sanders, of Queen Anne's has rented Mr. J. T. Decorse's house at Pomona and will remove there at once.

Mr. George D. Lofland was made a Master Mason on Wednesday evening by the Chester Lodge of Chestertown.

Mrs Clarence Webb and two sons, Masters Frankie and James, were entertained on Wednesday by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Rollison, returning home on Thursday last.

THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

An Excellent Paper Read By Examiner Joseph Peterson, Of Chestertown, On The "Best Way To Increase The Usefulness Of The Maryland State Teachers' Association."

The meeting of teachers and educators in Baltimore last week was largely attended and much benefit derived. Kent county played a prominent part and won new honors. Prof. Joseph Peterson, the efficient school examiner of this county, was present and read a most excellent paper. It was received with such genuine appreciation that the convention moved and ordered that it be published and a copy sent to each instructor in the State and that its recommendations be considered at the next State Teachers' association.

Prof. Peterson spoke as follows:

I have been requested to discuss the "Best way to increase the usefulness of the Maryland State Teachers' Association."

"The organization and management of any system or association, commercial, industrial or educational must depend upon the object to be attained and the nature of the work to be done by that association.

In considering then the "Best way to increase the usefulness of the Maryland State Teachers' Association," we should consider in the first instance the work to be done by that association, its function in the educational system.

The object of the Association is, as I understand it, to advance the interests of the profession of teaching and to promote the cause of popular education in the State of Maryland. Its work is to consider and discuss educational questions of *general* interest and of *public* importance; to define and to state with accuracy the different theories on the subjects under discussion and to reach and disseminate correct thinking on educational questions, all of this to be done looking to the object to be attained, that is, the advancement of the cause of public education in the State of Maryland.

It may be as well here to note the distinction between the State Association and the County Association. The County association deals with questions of theory and practice. It has to do more especially with the work of the school room. Its work is that of the normal school, and should be done looking to the improvement of the methods of teaching. The State Association deals with broader questions Its work reaches beyond the school room and should be done looking to the establishment of public education on a firm and solid foundation within the borders of the State of Maryland. It addresses itself not only to the teacher but to the publicist and private citizen as well.

The stream can not rise higher than its source, and the people must be brought to appreciate the importance of public education as a measure of political economy before the public school can accomplish its full work. The public school must have the hearty support of the people and the public school official must have their esteem and confidence.

We should aim then not only to direct our school room work to proper channels but also to bring the people to just appreciation of the value of that work.

Now then, it becomes an important question, how can we reach and direct public sentiment.

In looking over our educational system it seems to me that there is no factor in the entire system that has opportunities and advantages in that direction equal to the State Teachers' Association, and it occurs to me that this association should be organized with special reference to that work.

I should say then that the State Teachers' Association has for its object the consideration and discussion of educational questions of general interest and public importance, and the presentation through printed reports of the substance of these discussions and the conclusions formulated.

Now, if I am right in my idea as to the work to be done by the State Teachers' Association then it will not be so difficult to frame some general directions for its organization and management.

I will offer some suggestions in that direction which may at least serve the purpose of leading to a general discussion of the subject.

In view of what has been said, it seems to me that the State Teachers' Association should be organized on broader lines than at present, and I would offer for discussion:

1st.—To change the name by which it is known. The term teachers' association would seem to limit the membership and the work of the association to the teaching fraternity, at least it is calculated to make such an impression. Would it not be better to have the association known as the State Educational Association, and to include in its membership not only those engaged in the administration of the school system but persons prominent in other vocations? A body of persons known as an educational association, consisting of prominent persons from all the walks of life would, it seems to me have greater prestige.

2.—I would divide the association into five departments as follows, Elementary Education, Higher Education, Manual Training, Superintendence and the Reading Circle Each department is to be under a committee of three to be appointed by the president. Every branch of the service should be referred to one or the other of these departments. Under this regulation we would abandon all special associations such as the Association of School Commissioners and the Association of High School Teachers, and refer all matters coming before these associations to the proper department of the State Association.

3.—I would make the State Superintendent of Education chairman, ex officio of the State Educational Association, with authority to appoint all committees.

4.—I would make it the duty of the department of Higher Education to give all possible encouragement to the publication of a Maryland School Journal.

These fundamental regulations will serve to indicate to you the lines along which I would organize or rather reorganize the State Teachers' Association. I shall not go into details, but will refer briefly to what appears to be some of the advantages of the plan which I have outlined above

The most noticeable of these is the one which does away with all special associations such as the association of School Commissioners, the association of High School Teachers and the association of Manual Training Teachers and makes their work adjuncts of the State Association. By thus consolidating our work we would make the sessions of the State Association of more general interest, we would increase its membership and give it greater prestige and power as a factor in state affairs. In unity is strength.

And at the same time that we are strengthening our state association we would be avoiding many serious interruption in our school work. There is a positive loss in taking our High School and Manual Training Teachers from their places in the school room for three or four days in the most important period of the school year, and it is a loss that should not be incurred except for the most urgent reasons, or for a very decided gain in some other direction. This remark applies equally to the Secretary and Treasurer of the School Board.

I have said that the organization suggested would increase the membership of the State Association. I think it would. The question of cost always has a prominent place in the calculations of the teacher and when he has attended one association he feels that for that reason he may be excused for not attending a second.

I have said that the State Superintendent should be President, ex-officio, of the State Association, I think he should be. He is familiar with the school system in all its details and throughout the entire State. He could give us a very salutary address at the opening of the association, and he could so direct the work of the association as to strengthen and build up the weak places in the system and to insure a more uniform system of schools throughout the entire State.

THE great army of hens upon whom the housekeepers of Chestertown depend for necessary eggs for their Christmas cakes are on strike, and prices have as a result, gone soaring in anticipation of the holiday season. Economical housewives have already begun to puzzle their brains in effort to find some solution. Some of our merchants offer as high as 35 cents for eggs!