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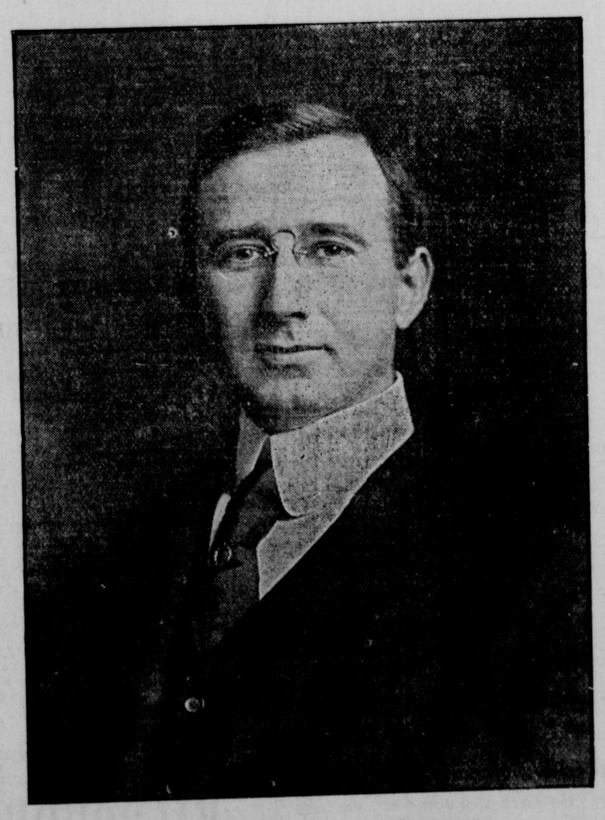

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A coming man from Baltimore county—was speaker of last House.

IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE IN THE "NEWS."

THE MULBERRY CRAZE

How It Swept This Country Early In The Last Century.—Everybody Went Silk Mad.—The Cocoonery Near Chestertown.

James I., who almost insanely hated tobacco, was determined that silkworms should be reared in Virginia mainly because he thought he could thus destroy the tobacco culture, which he ordered to be abandoned.

For a time silk culture met with great success in Georgia. In 1759 10,000 pounds of raw silk were thence exported to England. Connecticutt was, however, the center of the industry. As late as 1825 the culture of silk was very general there and also flourished in Massachusetts.

Silkworms were fed on the white mulberry (Morus alba) until 1830, when there appeared the chinese mulberry, or Morus multicaulis. It was predicted that by its culture two crops of silk could be raised annually. Soon all the agricultural literature and newspapers of the country became surfeited with descriptions of this wonderful tree.

Many documents relating to sericulture were published by congress. The legislature of nearly every state provided for the payment of liberal bounties for planting mulberry trees and raising cocoons.

Thus it was that a speculative furor, a veritable madness, seized upon all classes of people and particularly upon the shrewd, calculating Yankee. It raged like an epidemic. Not only agriculturists, but doctors of divinity, law and medicine, scholars, tradesmen and mechanics, men and women, old and young were infected with an insane passion to raise mulberry trees.

Every one thought the glorious day was dawning when each farm would be a nursery for the young trees and every house have its cocooneries and its silk worms yielding two or more crops of cocoons yearly. The farmers' wives and daughters when not feeding the worms were to reed the silk, which would become as cheap as cotton, every woman having at least a dozen silk dresses.

The large profits anticipated in producing silk were insignificant compared with the fortunes that all expected to make by raising the new mulberry tree. In 1834 trees of a season's growth were sold for $3 to $5 a hundred, but they soon sold at $25, $50, $100, $200 and $500 a hundred and sometimes $7 apiece.

There is recorded an instance of two trees of one season's growth, raised by one Elder Sharp in North Windham, Conn., which were sold at auction. The first brought $106 and the second $100. Further sales were then withheld because the bidding was not considered to be sufficiently spirited.

When the craze reached its height but little silk was produced, for every one was busy raising the new mulberry tree. Men expected to make fortunes in a few months buying land and planting mulberry slips, and the silk companies almost without exception sank their capital in this way, many fully equipped mills being closed.

One farmer planted $1,000 worth of trees in three quarters of an acre and sold them the next year for $6,000.

In 1839, just before the people came to their senses a nurseryman sent an agent to France to purchase several millions of young trees. He carried $80,000 in cash as a first payment. When the trees arrived the inevitable crash had come, and the nurseryman failed for so large an amount that he could never reckon up his indebtness. His trees were offered in vain at $1 a hundred for pea brush.

When the fever was over and the people realized that their capital stock was suddenly worthless they pulled up all the mulberry trees in a rage and burned them as brushwood.

In 1844 a violent storm, following a general blight, destroyed most of the remaining Morus multicaulis trees and even the more hardy white mulberry variety. This was the finishing blow, and thus silk culture in America practically ceased to exist. No industry ever in this country received such a crushing stroke.

The above interesting article is from the Scientific American. We have in this section a well-known "Cocoonery" Farm. It is located immediately adjoining Chestertown and is the John N. Usilton farm. It was taken up with mulberry groves and cocoon hatcheries and the silk manufacture was expected to yield great fortunes to the owners. But it all came to nought and this farm like others, abandoned the business. Since then it has been cultivated in the usual cereal crops. It now belongs to Mrs. J. N. Usilton and her son Mr. John G. Usilton.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

At a meeting of the students of Washington College on Monday, May 20th, formal action was taken on the sudden death of a member of The Board of Visitors and Governors, and the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS Almighty God, in His infinite wisdom, deemed it best to take from us an alumnus and member of the Board of Visitors and Governors, and

WHEREAS the deceased was ever zealous to advance the interests of the College and provide for the happiness and welfare of the students, leaving to us, Washington Field, an imperishable monumemt to the last work of his hands and

WHEREAS, he loved all that was true and good and beautiful and his life contained no pretense, no aim but that of an upright and Christian gentleman, who always gave his time and talents to aid the deeper, higher, finer life of his college and town. Be it therefore

Resolved, that we extend our most sincere sympathy to the family in their bereavement and the earnest hope that they may find consolation in his upright life and the fact that God is just. Furthermore, be it

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased, a copy to the Board of Visitors and Governors and a copy inserted in the county and college papers.

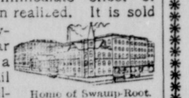
W. L. NICHOLSON, '07, Chairman,
L. W. BOUNDS, '07,
R. F. GILL, '07,
A. N. DODD, '08,
A. R. HITCH, '08,
Committee.

Women as Well as Men Are Made Miserable by Kidney Trouble.

Kidney trouble preys upon the mind, discourages and lessens ambition; beauty, vigor and cheerfulness soon disappear when the kidneys are out of order or diseased.

Kidney trouble has become so prevalent that it is not uncommon for a child to be born afflicted with weak kidneys. If the child urinates too often, if the urine scalds the flesh or if, when the child reaches an age when it should be able to control the passage, it is yet afflicted with bed-wetting, depend upon it, the cause of the difficulty is kidney trouble, and the first step should be towards the treatment of these important organs. This unpleasant trouble is due to a diseased condition of the kidneys and bladder and not to a habit as most people suppose.

Women as well as men are made miserable with kidney and bladder trouble, and both need the same great remedy. The mild and the immediate effect of **Swamp-Root** is soon realized. It is sold by druggists, in fifty-cent and one dollar sizes. You may have a sample bottle by mail free, also pamphlet telling all about it, including many of the thousands of testimonial letters received from sufferers cured. In writing Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., be sure and mention this paper.



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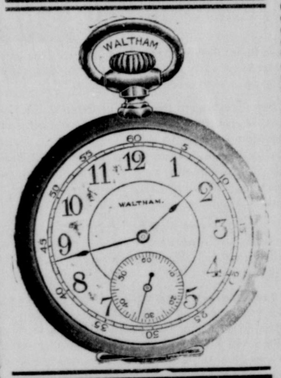

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"Laugh and the world laughs with you," is about as true as anything ever written, and it is not only pleasant to have the world laugh with you, but it pays in every way. But it is hard to laugh—even to smile—if you are a victim of that prevalent malady, dyspepsia. However, thanks to the researches of medical men, dpspepsia is fast losing its terrors. A prescription to which it is said to yield very readily is composed of ½ oz. Fluid Extract of Buchu, 1oz. Bulso Mixture, ½ oz. Fluid Extract Gentian Compound and 15 ozs. water. If the stomach is sour, two tablespoonfuls of baking soda are added to the above. A tablespoonful of this is taken three times a day, before meals. Any good pharmacy can supply the ingredients named.

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NOTICE TO DISTRIBUTEES.

In the matter of the estate of MARY ETTA EDWARDS, in the Orphans' Court for Kent Co., Maryland.

The undersigned, administrator of the estate of Mary Etta Edwards, late of Kent county, deceased, in pursuance of an order of the Orphans' Court for said county of the 7th day of May, 1907, hereby gives notice that he will on Tuesday, 11th day of June, 1907, exhibit in said Court his first and final administration account and make a whole distribution of the Intestate's estate.

And all persons interested in said distribution are hereby notified to appear in person, or by attorney in said Court on the Eleventh day of June, 1907.

HERBERT E. PERKINS,
m11-3t Administrator.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphan's Court for Kent county letters of administration on the estate in Kent county, Md., of

THOMAS A. HUDSON,

late of Kent county, Maryland, deceased.

All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned on or before the 4th day of November, 1907, otherwise they may be excluded by law from all benefits of said estate. All indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the subscriber.

Given under my hand this 30th day of April, 1907.

HOPE H. BARROLL,
m4-4t Administrator, c. t. a.

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