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STATEMENT

Of the receipts and disbursements of Kent county, for the year 1857, made out and published by order of the County Commissioners, agreeably to the Act of Assembly.

Amount of property liable to State taxation at 10 cts on the $100 is $4,797,244	$4,797.24
Tax on watches,	99.75
Tax on plate,	37.42
	$4,934.41
Amount of property liable to county tax at 42 cts. in the $100 is $4,841,030	20,432.31
Tax on gates,	31.00
School tax is 3,663,001 at 11 cents in the $100	4,029.30

Disbursements.

For Justices of the Orphans' court and Reg. of Wills,	$366.39
For county Commissioners & clerk,	682.38
For Bailiffs to Court and Jury Crt Term 1856 and April Term, '57.	
Wm Webb,	19.50
John W Carroll,	do
James Shaw,	7.50
James Toulson,	7.50
For Justices of the Peace.	
James E Blackiston,	10 45
Joseph A Harper,	13.90
James Graves,	61.47
Constables,	
L S Vansant,	27.77
James Spear jr	14 00
Saml B Wheat,	14 92
Hamilton & Shaw,	58.35
W H Hamilton,	19.42
William Webb,	10.61
J W Duyer, use John Russell,	22.54
Coroners,	
Edwin Crouch,	15.58
Wm Frazier use Price & Fowler,	15.48
Lambert Wickes,	58.64
Wm Frazier,	69
Accounts allowed for sundry articles furnished Paupers,	
P Stauffer,	3.00
Geo Leary,	15.00
Robert Beswicks,	6.00
James Deford,	2.00
H P Smith,	6.50
Thomas F. Quimby,	9.00
Aaron Benton, fn	4.00
For Cross Heads,	
Joseph Shriver,	1.81
Isaac Gale, jr	3.12
Wm W Grant,	3.56
Geo H Willson,	1.09
D B Stewart,	1.69
James Glenn,	2.00
John T Moody,	1.12
John A Kennard,	1 81
Levi Fiddis,	1.94
Henry Urie,	3.81
Francis Baker,	2 50
Witnesses to Grand Jury, Oct T. '56.	
John S Moody,	1.62
Louis C Justis,	1.25
Geo L Bowers,	1.25
Samuel Milby,	75
Hamilton Crew,	1.50
John W Parsons,	1.25
A Foss, use H P Smith,	5.94
H Wilson, use Miller & Scott,	4.12
Geo H Wilson,	4.12
John R Beck,	1.25
Geo S Appleton,	1.25
Ambrose Carroll,	75
M Vickers,	1.00
Stephen Kendall, jr	1.62
Wm Kelly,	1.50
Mansfield,	3.00
James Urie, jr.	1.00
N McDaniel,	75
Ed. Hartska,	1.68
Thomas Hunter,	87
Wm W Griffin,	1.25
Wm T Johnson,	2.06
Hanson Crew,	1.75
Geo L Bowers,	1.25
John C Ayres,	1.62
Richard I Frisby,	1.75
Thomas Miller,	1.62
James Page,	2.50
D B Derrickson,	4.12
Joseph Kane,	1.37
John Pearce,	1.24
Jno T Winchester	1.87
Jesse Morris,	87
Richard Peacock,	2.62
Philip Rasin,	2.25
Wm T Hepbron,	1.25
Samuel Crouch,	75
Samuel Usilton,	1.00
James Graves,	75
Daniel Cox,	1.50
William Shea,	75
William Burke,	1.50
William Lamb, jr	2.12
James McClements,	1.50
J E Cannon,	75
William Welch,	1.00
Bartus Trew,	1.25
John R Ayres,	1.75
John H Taylor,	1.37
Michael Piper,	75
George W Medders,	1.50
John M Comegys,	1.50
Emory James, fn	1.25
Thomas H Massey,	1.31
Wm Wallis,	1.25
Pere L Lynch,	1.12
John Morgan.	1.25
James L Bowers,	1.06
Wm McLaughlin,	3.75
Ferdinand Crew.	1.00
Richard I Goodman,	2,12
Hanson Crew,	1.50
Edward F Rasin,	1.75
Richard Millington,	1.75
James Elliott,	1.75
Wm F Smyth,	1.75
Thomas C Ringgold,	1.75
Wm Rogers,	75
Joseph Usilton,	do
Lewin Usilton,	do
John T Skirven,	4.50
Mary S Arthur,	do
John F Poston,	
Upton Pearce,	
James Arthur,	
Debora Willis.	
Wm H Palmer,	
Richard C Smyth,	
Jeff L Smyth,	
Witnesses to County Court, O. T. '56.	
John Pearce,	2.06
M M Glenn,	do
Benjamin G Howard,	75
Wm Bryan use Wickes & Bro	3.75
Ambrose Carroll,	do
John Redue,	do
John Perkins,	do
Jim Jones, fn	do
Levi Fiddis,	do
Henry Kenton	3 00
G L Clayton use J N McDaniel,	10.31
Rich Bostic use C W Spry,	8.12
Jane Bostick, " "	do
Jesse K Hines,	6.75
John W Pritchard,	4.75
John Prichett, fn,	1.25
S T Salisbury use Jos Wells,	5.00
Emeline Salisbury, "	10.00
Samuel H Knock,	6.75
Dr Chas Perkins,	3.00
Thomas P Davis,	2.06
Wm Thos Johnson,	4.00
John Bolden,	13.00
William Jones,	3.00
Ellen Reed,	5.00
Wm A Rollison,	1.75
John Ayres,	5.25
Emory Jaxies, fn	2.50
John Appleton,	1.25
George Ward fn	do
Daniel Johnson fn	do
George Murrey, fn	do
James Graves,	75
Witnesses to Grand Jury, A. T. 1857.	
Cuff Tillison, fn	1.37
Edward Robenson	1.50
Thos P Stewart,	1.69
Henry Kenton,	75
Ferdinan Crew,	1 00
Arthur Kendall,	1.62
Wm S Downing of Jas	do
Wm R Apsley,	1.25
Isaac Duyer,	do
Jos Wethered,	1.50
B F Calder,	75
R A Pennington,	1.75
Christopher Dering,	1.12
John Maslin,	75
Henry Pearce,	1.25
Jane H Pearce,	do
Jamet Pearce,	do
James E Blackiston,	1 75
Samuel Armstrong,	1.50
Henry T Hukell,	2.00
C R Hackett,	do
James Spear, jr	do
Saml R Hines,	1.75
Robt Kendall,	1.50
Thos S Dowling,	2.50
S I Corbaly use of Rich Corbally,	1 82
William H Palmer,	do
Robert Calder,	do
William Shay,	do
John W Duyer,	do
Jno W Parsons,	1.25
James Deford,	82
Blackiston Rasin,	75
Philip Duyer,	do
Samuel Crouch,	1.50
Fredus Vansant,	1.25
Wm Dunn, fn	1.06
H Anderson, fn	87
Charles Jones fn	3.00
Rich Crouch,	3.19
Samuel Tomlinson,	2.50
Wallice Woodford,	75
Wm Pennington,	5.25
Edward Thomas,	3.50
Wm Sappington,	75
William French,	1.62
Henry M Rollison,	1.25
James U Coleman,	1.12
Geo H Wilson,	1.62
Lemuel W Ashley,	1,75
Charles T Lusby,	do
Philip Duyer,	75
Thomas Duyer,	1.62
Hamer Russell,	75
John Piner,	do
Thomas W Ringgold,	do
John E Laurence,	1.87
John Perkins,	1.50
Thomas S Willis,	2.25
Wm Burke,	do
Upton Pearce,	1.50
John N McDaniel,	1.62
Wm O Smith,	6.00
Charles H Wickes,	do
D A Benjamin,	do
John Bordly,	do
Thomas B Hynson,	do
John Duyer,	do
Bartus Trew,	4 50
Thomas Wilkins,	8.75
Wm Lamb, jr,	8.31
Edward Comegys,	7.43
Hiram Browne,	8.31
Morgan Browne,	do
James M Vickers,	7.12
John C Ayres,	5.31
John T Winchester,	8.75
John Pearce,	1.12
John W Parsons,	2 06
Thomas Hunter,	1.25
Wm Kelly,	7.00
John H Taylor,	1.50
Richard Bostick,	do
Jane Bostick,	8.12
Geo L Clayton use J N McDaniel,	do
Thomas P Davis,	14.44
David B Stewart,	12.37
John W Prichard,	2.06
Jurors of Inquest.	5.75
John T Briscoe, 50	Frisby Deale 50
Wm A Brice 50	Jos C Kendall 50
Wm H Taylor 50	Geo A Taylor 50
John Frazier 50	Dennis Vickers 50
D B Stewart, 50	James Urie 50
Jas Townsend, 50	James D Ashley 50
D B Griffith, 50	F T Vandergrift 50
Thos A Jacobs 50	Henry Payne 50
Thos P Davis 50	Benj F Allen 50
Wm Morris 50	Wash Scoone, 50
R S Griffith, 50	Jacob Downey 50
Eben Neal 50	Robt Urie 50
Augusta Drake 50	Rich W Jones 50
Lambert Melvin, 50	Jacob F Fisher 50
Jas Hadaway. 50	Saml J Coleman 50
Henry Bramble. 50	James H Edes 50
Geo L Maslin 50	John Edes, 50
Richard Crouch, 50	Simon J Brooks 50
James Urie, 50	James W Pearce 50
John Rodney, 50	Wm T Skirven 50
James Glenn, 50	James Pearce 50
Wm R Glenn, 50	James Hadaway 50
Robert Jones, 50	John W Carroll 50
Rich W Jones, 50	Levi Fiddis 50
Lemuel Ayres, 50	Wm H Lambert 50
Jas H Hadaway, 50	C H Kenton 50
Franklin Smith, 50	Simon Wickes 50
Saml J Coleman, 50	Wm Bacchus 50
John Butler, 50	John W Duyer, 50
Stephen Kendall 50	D A Benjamin 50
Joseph Godwin, 50	Jas A Shaw 50
Henry Urie, 50	B G Howard 50
Wm H Coleman, 50	Geo P Roeder 50
Aquilla Meeks, 50	Samuel Frazier 50
Henry L Victon, 50	M H Alcott 50
Saml G Copper 50	U A Garrett 50
Jas M Page, 50	John Perkins, 50
Wm Legg, 50	C T Lusby 50
Jos W Sinton, 50	Edwin Smith 50
Samuel Coleman, 50	Michael Gosman, 50
Henry Urie, 50	N T Appleton 50
Wm Ball, 50	S Gudgeon 50
Stephen Kendall, 50	P Drugan 50
Simon G Swartz, 50	A B Jump 50
Chas T Cacy, 50	J T Winchester 50
Saml J Coleman 50	Wm T Baker 50
Geo Tull 50	Jno H Edwards 50
E Lambert 50	J C Wilson 50
Frank Smith 50	John O Smith 50
Cecil County for the trial of Alfred Reed, fn, removed from Kent.	152.61
Geo L Clayton use J Johnson,	7.00
R Bostick, "	do
Jane Bostick, "	do
John Pritchett, "	do
Samuel Conner, "	6.00
Isaac Wilson, "	6.00
J K Hines,	7.00
S H Knock,	do
E Welch, for servant,	6.00
Thomas P Davis,	do
W Thos Johnson,	do
James H Rich,	9.00
D B Stewart,	6.00
Robert J Griffith,	4.00
Pensions.	
Pensioners, 1st Elec District,	230.00
" 2nd "	185.00
" 3rd "	230 00
Miscellaneous Accounts,	
To payment of Jurors to Oct T '57 and A T '58,	1200.00
J Leeds Barroll, State's Atty,	145.49
George Vickers,	200.00
Wm Tomlinson,	84 40
Joseph Money,	11.01
B B Perkins,	16.75
Wm Parker,	15.00
George W Vernon,	2 00
J Wilson use Miller & Scott,	8.00
T W Eliason,	19.29
Price & Fowler,	1.00
Thomas F Joiner,	4.00
Edwd Mansfield,	103.25
Hamilton & Adkinson,	22.49
James H Rich, jail acct.	409.23
C J Scott,	5.00
Trustee of Alms House,	1000.00
Wm H Hamilton, crier,	98.00
Jas F. Gordon, clerk,	934.80
Wm M Stewart, Stand Keeper,	30.00
Commissioners Chestertown,	50.00
James B Ricaud,	10.00
Crumpton bridge keeper,	75.00
Thomas D Burgess, Judge Elec.	8.00
Daniel Jones, "	do
D B Stewart, "	do
Isaac Gale, "	400
David Jones, "	do
James Gale, "	do
John T Dodd, "	do
E E Miller, "	do
C J Scott, "	do
E E Bacon, clerk to Election,	8.00
J N Usilton, "	do
Jos P Ireland, "	do
Wm Campbell, "	4 00
David Arthur, "	do
Henry Peacock, "	do
Wm J Stone, for house for elec.	13 33
John Pennington, " "	do
J F Gordon, treasurer school fund	50.00
A W Melvin,	20 00
James H Rich, Sheriff,	267.51
George Vickers,	12.50
For Public Roads under the direction of Supervisors.	
For the first Elec District,	H00.00
" second " "	H00.00
" third " "	H00.00
Allowances for New Public Roads.	
Greg's Inn Creek Road.	
To make said road and wharf,	475.00
Saml A J Wickes, damages,	220.00
L. W. Ashley Examiner,	4.00
C. Wilkinson, "	do
E E Bacon, Surveyor,	6.00
S A J Wickes, chain carrier,	1.00
John Stevens, "	do
For the Forrest Road.	
Wm Thos Baker, for damages,	300.00
Wm J Stone, "	50.00
For Skinner's Neck Road.	
Geo L Maslin, for damages,	60.00
For E. Neck Island Bridge,	200.00
Wilmer's Point Road,	400.00
Isaac Parsons, for cutting down hill at Bell's mill,	95.00
Road near St. Paul's Church,	
E Sudler, Examiner,	4.00
F Beck, "	do
E Baker, "	do
C H Baker, Surveyor,	10.00
John Voshell,	2 00
——— Beadford,	1.00
Churn creek Lane Road,	
To make said road,	150.00
George Watts, damages,	153.75
Isaac Parsons, "	828.89
Thos Murphy, "	93.00
Edwd Plummer, "	10.00
Thomas Toulson, "	9.50
Examiners and Surveyor,	29.00
Road from Millington to Locust Corner,	
C J Scott,	86.00
C W Spry,	23.00
Geo W Medders,	23.00
Geo Vickers, Atty.	10.00
Still Pond Neck Road,	
H T Jump, for damages,	237.75
R H Harris, "	285 00
Daniel Crew, "	144.00
Examiners and Surveyor,	28.00
To make said road,	350.00
Green Point Road.	
Wm S Hammond, for damages,	945.00
Joseph Usilton, "	200.00
To make said road,	250 00
Geo B Westcott, Examiner,	8.00
Hugh Wallis, "	do
E F Perkins, Surveyor,	21.00
Alex Parks chain carrier,	2.00
E Plummer, "	1.00
John Parsons, "	1.00
Harmory Road,	
Philip Rasin, for damages,	250.00
Mrs Polk, "	198.00
To make said road,	500.00
G H Leaverton far damages on the Forest road,	400.00
Wilmer's Point road,	40.00
Primary Schools,	
1st Election District, 10 Sc'ls at $150 each,	1500.00
2nd District, 8 schools,	1200 00
3d " 8 schools,	1200.00

State assess. $4,797 244, at 10 cts on $100		$4,797.24
Tax on Watches,		99.75
" Plate,		37.42
		4,934 41
County assess. $4,841,030, at 42 cts on $100,		20,432.31
Tax on gates,		31.00
School assess $3,663,001 at 11 cts $100		4,9029.30
		$29,427.02
Cr by State tax,	4,934.41	
" Levy List,	22,056.97	
" Cols. com's at 6 per cent	1,764.62	
		$28,757.01
Surplus,		$670.01

By order of the Commissioners of Kent county, Md.

A. W. MELVIN, Clk.

I hereby certify that the above is a correct statement of the Levy of 1857, taken from the books of the Commissioners for Kent county.

A. W. MELVIN, Cl'k.

Nov. 21, 1857.—4w

Clothing! Clothing!

The public attention is called to the best assorted stock of

Ready Made CLOTHING,

that we have ever before had in store.

oct 31, 1857. WICKES & BRO.

POETRY.

☞ In the midst of the general pressure, the following seasonable lines—"Never Say Fail"—are worth a careful reading:

NEVER SAY FAIL.

Keep pushing—'tis wiser
Than sitting aside,
And dreaming and sighing,
And waiting the tide;
In life's earnest battle
They only prevail
Who daily march onward,
And never say fail.

With an eye ever open
A tongue that's not dumb,
And a heart that will never
To sorrow succumb,
You'll battle and conquer,
Though thousands assail;
How strong and how mighty
Who never say fail.

Ahead then, keep pushing,
And elbow your way,
Unheeding the envious,
All asses that bray;
All obstacles vanish,
All enemies quail,
In the midst of their wisdom,
Who never say fail.

In life's rosy morning,
In manhood's fair pride,
Let this be your motto
Your footsteps to guide;
In storm and in sunshine,
Whatever assail;
We'll onward and conquer,
And never say fail!

NAPOLEON AND THE BIBLE.

How true it is that adversity is often found to be the most potent remedy for the diseases of the soul!

However the opinion of men may differ as to the real conversion of the great Napoleon to a "living faith" in the saviour of man, the following well-authenticated incidents of his closing life, in dreary exile, furnish a profitable theme for the contemplation of all. That the thought of this mighty hero of a hundred well fought battle fields, were first directed to the study of the Bible, during his banishment in St. Helena can hardly be doubted.

Soon after his banishment in this dreary isle, an eminent Christian of England the Rev. Dr. David Bogne, impressed with the belief that the religion of Christ could afford the most effective solace to his adversity, sent to the prisoner a copy of his essay on the Divine Authority of the New Testament.

Napoleon read it: and the effect of it was strikingly evinced in the course of a conversation subsequently held between the Emperor and his friend, General Bertrand, who accompanied him in his exile. Bertrand, perceiving that the divinity of Christ was fast gaining access to the mind of Napoleon, and being himself an infidel addressed him in these words:

"I cannot conceive, sire, how a great man like you can believe that the supreme Being exhibited himself to men under a human form, with a body, a face, mouth and eyes. Let Jesus be whatever you please—the highest intelligence, the purest heart, the most profound legislator, and in all respects the most singular being who has ever existed. I grant it.—Still he was simply a man, who taught his disciples and deluded credulous people, as did Orpheus, Confucius, Brahma.

"Jesus caused himself to be adored, because his predecessors, Isis and Osiris, Jupiter and Juno, had proudly made themselves objects of worship. The ascendency of Jesus over his time was like the ascendancy of the gods and heroes of fable. If Jesus has impassioned, and attached to his chariot the multitude—if he has revolutionized the world—I see in that only the power of genius and the action of a commanding spirit, which vanquishes the world, as so many conquerors have done—Alexander, Cæser, you, Sire, and Mohammend, with a sword."

To this appeal of Bertrand, Napoleon replied in a strain of eloquence, every sylable of which burned with the power of truth in vindication of the position he had taken. In the course of that reply he said:

"I know men, and I tell you Jesus Christ is not a man. Superficial minds see a resemblance between Christ and the founders of empires and the gods of other religions. That resemblance does not exist. There is between Christianity and whatever other religion the distance of infinity. No! I summon entire Olympus to my tribunal. I judge the gods, but am very far from prostrating myself before their vain images. The gods, the legislators of India and of China, of Rome and of Athens, have nothing which can overawe me.

"It is not so with Christ. Everything in him astonishes me. His spirit overawes me, and his will confounds me.—His birth, and the history of his life, the profundity of his doctrine which grapples the mightiest difficulties (showing that he had been no superficial student,) and which is of these difficulties the most admirable solution, his gospel his apparition, his empire, his march across the ages and the realms—everything is, for me, a prodigy, a mystery insoluble, which plunges me into a reverie, from which I cannot escape—a mystery which is there before my eyes—a mystery which I can neither deny nor explain. Here I see nothing human. You speak of Cæsar, of Alexander, of their conquests, and of the enthusiasm which they enkindled in the hearts of their soldiers. But can you conceive of a dead man making conquests with an army faithful, and entirely devoted to his memory? My armies have forgotten me, even waile living, as the Cartheganian army forgot Hannibal.—Such is the power! A single battle lost crushes us, and adversity scatters our friends.

"Can you conceive of Caesar, as to the eternal Emperor of the Roman Senate, and from the depths of his maesoleum governing the empire. Such is the history of the invasion and conquest of the world by Christianity. Nations pass away thrones crumble, but the church remains. What is then, the power which has protected this church thus assailed by the furious billows of rage, and the hostility of ages? Whose is the arm which, for eighteen hundred years, has protected the church from so many storms which have threatened to engulf it? Alexander, Cæsar, Charlemagne, and myself, founded empires. But upon what did we rest the creations of our genus? Upon force. Jesus Christ alone founded his empire upon love, and at this hour millions of men would die for him."

May we not exclaim, in view of the above, how trifling and unworthy of consideration are the blasphemous emanations of lesser minds against the truth of religion, when it requires but an honest examination of the subject to wrest such confession from a mind as great as Napoleon's!—*Philadelphid Press.*

How to Make Vinegar.—Mix a gallon of molasses with a barrel of cider, warm it in a large kettle, then put the mixture in a barrel with a few sheets of brown paper. Keep it in a warm place with the bung open, through which a stick is inserted for stirring it, to break the scum and admit the air. The vinegar may be drawn as needed, and its place supplied by cider, which, in its turn, will be converted into vinegar.—*Cultivator.*

Economy in Bread.—Twenty-six pounds and thirteen ounces of good bread have been made from fourteen pounds of flour and one and a half pounds of rice, by the following method:

Tie up the rice in a thick linen bag, allowing it ample room to swell; boil for three or four hours, till it becomes a smooth paste; mix this while warm with the flour, adding the usual quantity of yeast and salt; allow the dough to rise near the fire, and divide into loaves.—It is affirmed on high authority that flour thus treated will yield 50 per cent more bread than by the ordinary method.

The New York Sun declares calmly, but great bluntness and not a little truth:

"We are becoming a nation of vain, extravagant fools. From January 1st to this date, we have imported foreign merchandise to the value of one hundred and seventy-five million—about fourteen million more than our imports amounted to for the same time last year. The value of our exports since January 1st, is about fifty million, four million less than our exports for the same time last year. We have run into debt this year alone about one hundred and twenty-five million, and by the end of the year our foreign debt for imported goods will be much larger

Singular Discovery in Horticulture. In a late number of the *Emporio Italiano* we find a description of the discovery of a new process by an Italian artist in Ariccia, by which it is asserted that delightful fragrance may be bestowed upon plants naturally inodorous. In order to attain this object, the roots of the plants are covered with fragrant manures. Thus, with a decoction of roses, the discoverer has been enabled to give to the rhododendron the perfect fragrance of the rose. In order to insure a successful result, it is necessary to treat the seeds of the plants to which it is desired to give fragrance. They are steeped two or three days in the required essence, then dried in the shade, and shortly afterwards are sown. If it is desired to change the natural odor of the plant for one more agreeable or more desirable, the strength of the essence is doubled or tripled, and a change must be made in the nutrition of the plant. In order to make the artificial odor permanent, the plant must be sprinkled and dampened with the essence several days in the spring, for two or three years. And thus, also, it is said a gardener may, at his pleasure, cause different plants or trees to share their odors with each other by boring through the stalk, or trunk, or root, and [illegible] into which to pour the fragrant [illegible] ening ingredients.

"Industry must [illegible] said when [illegible] prosper," as the man to chop [illegible] ding the hole for his wif