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Contemplated Trip to Europe.—The wood barons of this county, especially the younger set of them, are discussing a tour of the European Continent next summer. They have already applied at The Record office for tourists' pamphlets. The gentlemen bought the wood-leaf on a large tract of woodland feore the coal miners' strike, and it has proven a bonanza the present winter. Be it said to their credit, they have not been extortionate.—Record.

Bank Selects Site—The directors of the Centreville National Bank at their meeting on Wednesday selected a site for the new banking house they will erect to take the place of the one burned. It will be located on the corner of Commerce street and Lawyer's row. The bank directors have purchased the corner lot of the McKenney estate for $3000, the A. H. Wright lot on Lawyer's for $1800 and ten feet on Commerce street of Mr. E. M. Forman for $2000 Mr. Forman in turn purchased five feet from Mr. Alfred Green for $1000. The bank site cost $6800. On this they will erect the handsomest building in the town of Centreville, it is thought.

Weighty Citizens.—County Treasurer Albert Story, of Crumpton, and Samuel W. Walls, a prosperous merchant of Prices, are in all probability the two largest men in Queen Anne's county. One of them "tips the scales" at something over 300 pounds, and the other approaches close to the 400 mark. The Centreville Observer says: "They met recently and indulged in a few jokes at each other's expense. Said the merchant to his friend, the County Treasurer: 'Come and see me some time and take dinner with me. Just let me know in advance and I'll try and lay in sufficient provisions to give you a good, square meal.'

"The jovial county official replied: 'I would like to, but the facts are that common politeness would oblidge me to invite you to dine with me afterward, and my wife is opposed to feeding more than one man of my caliber.' And thus the two 'big fellows' parted company."

THE ROAD QUESTION.

The question of improved highways and Mr. Brownlow's bill fully reported in the NEWS last week creating a bureau of public roads is attracting the attention of the farmers and the general public.

Whether it becomes a law or not, it may be the beginning of an agitation which may lead to good results. Early in the last century, during the administration of Monroe and John Quincy Adams, the Federal Government became greatly interested in promoting by means of canals and wagon roads methods of communication and avenues of trade. In that time $1,000,000 was spent by the government on the Chesapeake and Ohio canal, and the national road from Cumberland to the Ohio river and beyond was built. President Jackson put a stop to the "internal improvement policy" of the Government, and later on the building of railroads occupied the public attention and the vast importance of wagon roads was forgotten.

Lately there has been a revival of public interest in the subject aroused to a considerable extent by the bicyclers. Farmers are beginning to understand the costliness of bad roads, but this realization is coming to them slowly. It is an important step and the necessay beginning in the good-roads movement to convince the people who live in the country of two things:

First—That bad roads cost more than good ones.

Second—That road-making is a science, and the work of constructing and repairing cannot be directed by the ordinary political road supervisor, but that a civil engineer or professional road-mender is as essential to making a good wagon road as the engineer is to making a railroad.

Good roads are costly to make and to keep in repair, and if any community is to have them the people must submit to taxation somewhat burdensome. But when that cost is compared with the cost of hauling or traveling over the ordinary mud road, it will seem light by contrast. It is essential that people be convinced of this before there is any hope of improved conditions.

Mr. Brownlow's bill provides for a director of the bureau of public roads with a corps of engineers and other officials whose duty it will be to co-operate, assist and instruct in the building of public roads in the various States, where the local authorities may apply for such aid. Where there is an application for the construction of a road, if it be approved by the director, then he is to have it mapped and surveyed, and then the United States is to award a contract for the work and pay one-half the cost, the State, county or individuals to pay the other half. For the purposes of construction the bill appropriates $20,000,000, of which no State shall receive in aid of construction a greater proportion than its population bears to the total population of the United States. Under this provision the State of Maryland might receive as much as $250,000. An equal of amount added by the State or the counties would bring the sum up to $500,000 which would make something like 100 miles of good road.

Road-making in this State has already been greatly stimulated by the Department of Highways under the Geological Survey. Whenever a piece of road has been made under the direction of this department there has been an effort to extend it and build more.

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CONGRESS is sparring with the Trust and Coal questions. Relief from the Republicans can never be expected as the Trusts and coal operators are the the back bone of the party.

Beautiful Calendars.— We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of beautiful calendars from the Kent County Savings Bank, George E. Leary & Son, Westcott & Dodd, J. D. Bacchus, Wm. Medders & Co, C. W. Kibler, representing the Miller Fertilizer Co.; Charles J. Reiche, representing the Wheeler & Wilson machine, McIntyre & Hodgkin, The Canning and Mercantile Company of Kent county, Joseph N. Wheatley & Co., J. H. Sides and others.

Sent Free.—We have received from Herbert N. Fell a chart showing the clearings of New York Clearing House. Mr. Fell will be pleased to send one of these charts free on request to any one desiring same. The chart is very interesting, showing as it does, the business done through the New York Clearing House.

Tomato Pack.—The tomato pack in the United States for 1902 is given by the American Grocer as 9,282,912 cases, of which Maryland is credited with 4,514,382, or almost one half the entire output The editor says, "we have been surprised at the extent of the industry in the counties of the Eastern Shore of the Chesapeake Bay, and this section must be counted the heaviest producer in America.

MRS. BILLINGSLEA'S SAFE ARIVAL.

Rev. W. R. Graham, received a letter last week from his daughter, Mrs. Clarence Billingslea, who sailed from San Francisco on November 1, for the Philippines. She reached Manila on December 1, being exactly one month on the way. Mrs. Billingslea's letter, or rather series of letters, consisted of a daily account of happenings on the voyage and were very interesting. During the first two weeks out the weather was exceedingly rough and everything movable on the transport had to be lashed. The last two weeks were very pleasant. Mrs. Billingslea writes that she did not miss a meal. She describes the service and quarters on the boat as equal to the best hotels. On the way the ship touched at the Island of Guam, where they went ashore and were entertained by the American officials. Mrs. Billingslea expects to remain with her husband in the Philippines for about two years, the Doctor having already been there a little over a year.

AN OLD SOLDIER.

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Jan. 24, 1903.

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Order Publication.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County, Maryland.

In the matter of the dissolution of the Mutual Club of Beneficials of Kent county, a body corporate.

THE object of this proceeding is to procure a decree to dissolve the Mutual Club of Beneficials of Kent County a corporation, and for the appointment of a Receiver to take charge and possession of its property and effects, to preserve and dispose of the same, under the direction of this Honorable Court.

The petition states that the Mutual Club of Beneficials of Kent County, a corporation, was duly incorporated under the laws of the State of Maryland, passed at the January session of the General Assembly, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, chapter four hundred and seventy-one.

That the said corporation has ceased to hold meetings and no longer exercises its corporate rights, privileges and franchises, as granted by said charter, It is thereupon this ninth day of January, 1903, ordered by the Circuit Court for Kent County, in Equity, that the petitioners, by causing a copy of this order to be inserted in some newspaper published in Kent county, Maryland, once a week for two successive weeks before the 26th day of January next, giving notice to all persons interested in said corporation of the object and substance of this petition, and warning them to appear in this court, in person or by solicitor, on or before the tenth day of February next, to show cause, if any they have, why a decree should not be passed dissolving said corporation.

WILLIAM R. MARTIN.
True Copy—Test:
JAMES T. DIXON, CLERK.
Jan. 17, 1903—2t.

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