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TRUCK AND FRUIT SECTION

SECOND TO NONE IS THE EASTERN SHORE.

Communication from a Noted Nurseryman Which Talbot Countians Should Read.

Gentlemen: Here are some facts pertaining to the fruit and trucking industry of the State of Maryland, which we believe your readers will be interested in.

Maryland has an able Horticulturist, and nothing with which to work. The fruit and truck industry amounts to fifteen million dollars annually.

But few people of the state know we have a thorough trained Horticulturist, raised in one of the Apple Orchards of Canada, one who never tires. In Professor W. W. Hutt, the State of Maryland has a man every fruit grower, trucker, gardener and florist admires. He can represent our state creditably before any state or Society.

For example, experiments are being conducted at College Park to obtain better varieties and methods of cultivation, tney are doing the best they can with the unsuitable soil, but these experiments should be conducted at several points in the state and under the most favorable conditions of strawberry growing. We must maintain our competition with the South.

Success of orcharding on the Eastern Shore as shown by the apple exhibit of a few men at the Peninsula Horticultural Society, our State Horticulturists should be able to experiment and to develop this industry on the Shore, and also the mountain regions of the State.

We have thousands of acres of land in the state that could produce just as good fruit as was shown at the State Horticultural Society in Baltimore, and Peninsula Horticultural Society at Chestertown, Md., if experiments were conducted to show the people our possibilities.

Immigration is coming into our State from the West. We should show by Horticultural Experiments what can be done on our Maryland lands.

A great deal is talked about our mineral products which aggregate about $8,500 per year, and our Fish and Oysters which are worth ten millions, but our fruit and trucks alone are worth fifteen million annually. Does not our interest of this nature deserve the consideration of our Legislature?

The present Act provided eight thousand dollars for the conserving our Horticultural interest at the hands of the State Entomologist and Pathologist, but not a dollar is provided to the State Horticulturist for experimenting and developing the Horticultural interests of the State.

We stand first in the canning of tomatoes in the United States and fourth in the packing of corn and neighboring states are crowding hard to capture our trade in this ne, and we are doing nothing to solve the canner's problem or to foster his large interests in this state. We have on our Eastern Shore as good land for Sweet Potatoes as have Virginia and New Jersey and yet we do little or nothing to encourage this interest.

It might surprise many of our Maryland people to know that in this great truck and vegetable producing state our markets are supplied in the winter with the best tomatoes, cucumbers and greenhouse produce shipped in from the state of Massachusetts. Massachusetts expended last year sixty thousand dollars for Horticultural interests in that state. In Maryland our Horticulturist at the Experiment Station is trying to work out these problems in Green-House work with an equipment that is wholly inadequate.

Work already inaugurated and in progress by the State Horticulturist—A series of Experiments in Pear Breeding to cross our hardy, heavy bearing Kieffer with varieties of high quality and thus secure a better market pear.

Second: The testing of varieties of Grapes and methods of training and spraying to resist the destructive rot that has so discouraged our growers.

The study of market conditions in reference to Maryland fruit and truck, the kind of carriers and the methods of packing best suited to the market. The testing of the texture of fruit in reference to its carrying and keeping qualities.

The testing of culture and fertilizers on the production of Asparagus and methods of combating the rust and insects.

The effect of frost upon Peach trees. The growing of Carnations, Chrysanthemums and Green-House lettuce commercially to ascertain what crop can give the greatest money return for every square foot of green-house. Variety and cultural tests with sixty-eight varieties of Strawberries.

A sample of the apples grown on the mountains of Maryland was the Grimes Golden, sampled by the members of the Legislature some weeks ago, every one spoke in the highest terms of the quality of the Grimes. Other winter varieties like York Imperial, Winesap, Stayman's Winesap are grown to perfection.

Go in the mountains of Wester Maryland and see the men that are willing to plant their lands to fruits and vegetables, but for the lack of some Horticultural training in many instances, thousands of acres of the best apple lands of the United States are lying idle, not paying anything, that can be made valuable and will pay the State a handsome revenue in taxes in a few years. Land that can be bought for five dollars per acre can be made worth one hundred to five hundred dollars per acre in ten years, in fruit. We have the soil, climate, labor, near the best markets of the United States and near the exporting points for Europe. Why not avail ourselves of the opportunity?

Yours for fruit,
ORLANDO HARRISON,
Berlin, Maryland.

HE LEADETH ME.

Not always in the pastures green
Where flowers and quiet streams are seen
He leadeth me;
Ah, no! Sometimes His loving hand
Leads where I cannot understand—
Where shadows be.

Not always in the sunshine sweet,
Sometimes where loud the tempests beat,
He leadeth me;
Yet by my side in love He stands,
And cheers my heart and holds my hands,
So graciously!

What matter if the way be drear,
If Satan tempt my heart to fear,
To Him I flee.
I ask not why He leads me so,
Enough it is for me to know—
He leadeth me.

—MARY GILBERT WRAY.

The Simple Life: A Lost Opportunity.

Perhaps the most fertile speech ever delivered by President Roosevelt was the one in which he called attention to Charles Wagner's work on 'The Simple Life.' His introduction to what was then comparatively an unknown work, lifted it at once into the prominence it deserved, raised its sales to the hundred thousands, helped make it a household word and a familiar book through the United States. It was the means of bringing the great Parisian preacher to America and to make him an honored guest at the White House.

Just now it is strangely humiliating to the thoughtful to remember that the opening chapter which, as Mr. Wagner assured his American audiences over and over, suggested the rest of the book. This first introduction is concerned with the painful complexity, the awful exhaustions and the extravagance of time, money and strength involved in a modern wedding; extravagances that when not silly are wicked, and still the very strains reported so graphically in Charles Wagner's little book, have been enacted in the White House to momentary delectation and the permanent demoralization of the American public. It is all very well to urge the argument that 'They all do it,' and 'you're another,' that 'young people will be young people;" that 'society is perverse;' that 'you cannot stem the tide of conventionalities,' but such apologies are not becoming to a man of Theodore Roosevelt's alleged independence, his manifest leadership and his superlative opportunity.

Of course it can be urged that these wedding absurdities and monstrosities are no worse than what the average prosperous citizens indulge in, and that they are not nearly so bad as something worse would be, that the influence of the President was on the side of an amelioration; but all this will not gainsay the sorry fact that here was a lost opportunity the White House might have offered to the American people and to the gaping social world outside an example in the simple life, a wedding fragrant with democratic modesty, beautiful with the economies and the reverences that become the gospel we profess and the standards we affect.

If sensible men and women all over the country have not found in the fuss, feathers, furore and costliness of the White House and attendant functions reasons for humiliation, grounds for regret and anxiety, it only shows how far down the slope of social dissipation, courtly extravagances and soul-dwarfing complexities we have gone. May the shade of Thomas Jefferson, the departed, and the spirit of Charles Wagner, the living, bring us to our senses.

The case is bad enough as it is; let no one try to extenuate by excuses and concessions. I did set a pernicious pace, establish a bad precedent, offer one more demoralizing example. There were presents accepted, favors granted and concessions made which will increase the embarrassment of thousands in public and private life when they would fain hew to the line of religious sincerity, ethical honesty and social simplicity.

Perhaps ridicule is a more effective remedy than preaching. One of the most brilliant of McCutcheon's cartoons was that which preached on the front page of last Sunday's Chicago Tribune (for McCutcheon is a preacher of righteousness and a most efficient one.) In this cartoon was displayed the east, west and north view of the bridegroom's wedding costume: his necktie, 'one of his shirt studs' and 'another shirt stud.' His left sock and right shoe were exhibited with the clever suggestion that the opposite sock and shoe could be seen by holding the picture before a mirror

In all this we mean no disrespect to the happy groom and bride. May the solemn jovs and holy sanctities of wedlock be theirs in unstinted measure. We are only sorry that the sweetness and sanctity of the sacred occasion should have been so desecrated by vulgar display and prying publicity. In this lost opportunity the happy pair were robbed of something and unnumbered boys and girls, men and women, were injured in the spirit.

For this reason we believe it to be the duty of the pulpit and the press to do what they can to stem the pernicious tide.—Unity.

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The People's Triumph.

The Legislature of Pennsylvania has adjourned leaving the most remarkable record in its history and perhaps in the history of any similar commonwealth. Rarely, if ever, has there been an instance of so great a moral and political revolution as has taken place in Pennsylvania in the past twelve months. Not only Mayor Weaver but Governor Pennypacker rejoices and deserves ardent praise. The former states: 'The people have triumphed their voice has decreed legislation in the halls at Harrisburg and no boss has dictated; now the people are prepared to enter upon the enjoyment of their own triumphs. A regenerated Philadelphia is at hand." A primary election law has been put upon the statute books, a new and adequate registration law was passed, office holders are prohibited from political or partisan activities, civil service is required, the fee system is abolished and minor laws passed which undoubtedly open 'tremendous possibilities for municipal improvement;' and this in a state which a year ago was justly receiving the wholesale condemnation of the better class of citizens. Surely the possibilities of democracy have not yet been realized.

A Chicago Alderman Owes His Election to Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

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