WASHINGTON LETTER.

Some News Collected at the National Capital by Our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30th, 1905.—The House committee on merchant marine has about completed a bill on ship subsidies which it says stands some show of getting a hearing after Congress reassembles. It is just the old ship subsidy bill in a new guise and its only virtue seems to be that it does not on the face of it reach quite so deep into the national treasury as did some of its predecessors. Put briefly, the bill proposes to net the treasury a gain of half a million dollars in increased revenue in the first year and thereafter creep up at the rate of about a million a year for the next ten years when the maximum "subvention" will be paid. There are a great many compensating advantages claimed for the bill. It will, according to the committee, result in the establishment of ten new steamship lines and result in the strengthening that is to say, divided paying power, of several of the existing lines. It is to add 200,000 tons to the country's merchant marine, all of it available as auxiliary cruisers in time of need, and will add a naval reserve of 10,000 men to the navy much on the same footing and relation as the national guard to the army on shore. It is a very cheerful program and one for which a good many leaders of the House are determined to work. So many unexpected things have happened since the assembling of Congress that it is quite possible this scheme may get a serious hearing. But it hardly seems likely that such a measure can get through a Congress that is professedly committed to a policy of retrenchment in all branches of the public service.

The Philippine federal party has come out with a manifesto. Just where the party got its authorization to speak for the islands the document does not say. But copies have been received in Washington and beside them the territorial organization of the Isle of Pines dwindles into insignificance. The federal party wants not only home rule of a sort that would almost satisfy even Ireland, but it would like five representatives in Congress. There are a lot of other provisions in the manifesto, all of more or less academic interest. But the only one that looks like a concession to the United States at all is that the President of the United States shall retain the veto power over measures passed by the Philippine House of Representatives. The manifesto doubtless will be presented to Congress. There is always some one found who is willing to introduce anything in Congress up to a subsidy bill for flying machines. But it is doubtful if the manifesto will have any material effect on the government beyond swelling the revenues to the extent of the postage that was necessary to bring it here.

Senator Morgan has announced that he will move for the consideration of the Santo Domingo treaty in open session under the form of a joint resolution when it comes to the Senate. The bulk of the democrats are behind him and there probably will be a good deal of plain speaking over the treaty and against the position in which it has placed this country of acting as bill collector for European citizens in South America. It is pointed out indeed that this country has established a very dangerous precedent in administering the finances of Santo Domingo and, that the Monroe Doctrine is woefully distorted when it not only excludes European powers from a territorial foothold in this hemisphere but makes the United States the policeman to keep the little South American states in order. Senator Morgan's position is that this country should stop where the Monroe Doctrine has been supposed to stop since it was first enunciated, and leave the European powers to deal with their subjects' financial interests in South America and the West Indies by process of international law. The little states are prone enough to borrow at any rate of interest the lenders choose to demand. Under ordinary circumstances their borrowing power would be limited by their own credit. The people who loaned them money would know the risks they ran and charge a commensurate of interest. But, if the United States undertakes to act as bill collector, the small republics will have practically the credit of this government benind them and foreigners will be much more ready to lend their money, knowing that this government will see it repaid. Senator Morgan and his colleagues do not believe that this is a good position for the government to place itself in, and there will be a lot of very bitter criticism of the whole of the government's Santo Domingan policy as soon as the treaty is sent to the Senate.

General Davis, chairman of the board of consulting engineers of the Panama canal, has just left Washington for Brussels where he will meet the other consulting engineers and sign the report of the board on the sea level canal project to which the engineers committed themselves while in session in this country. There is little question that the report will be signed just as prepared in Washington and its contents will be officially announced some time in January.

In Mad Chase.

Millions rush in mad chase after health, from one extreme of faddism to another, when, if they would only eat good food, and keep their bowels regular with Dr. King's New Life Pills, their troubles would all pass away. Prompt relief and quick cure for liver and stomach trouble. Only 25c at B. E. Cockey & Co drug store; guaranteed.

Water Cure for Constipation.

Half a pint of hot water taken half an hour before breakfast will usually keep the bowels regular. Harsh cathartics should be avoided. When a purgative is needed, take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They are mild and gentle in their action. For sale by B. E. Cockey & Co.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Local and Other News of Interest for Our Readers in a Brief Way.

Write it 1906.

The rural mail carriers had holiday on Monday, New Year's Day.

A large number of new subscribers have recently been added to our list.

Resolve to do something to help the town and community during the ensuing year.

I sell stoves on the installment plan. Pay a little and charge the balance—S. E. Kirby.

Gen. Richard Thomas, cashier of Easton National Bank, is the oldest cashier in Maryland, being 90 years of age.

It seems that the constableship in this precinct is below par. The Independents' leaders seems to be unable to get a man to take the job.

Some tomato growers on the Eastern Shore will demand $8 per ton the coming season. Last season the packers offered but $6 to $7 per ton.

A well equipped livery and feed stable in Queenstown, doing a good business, can be bought on easy terms. Apply to Grover Mullikin.

Now is the season for "squaring" accounts. We trust our subscribers will kindly remember this and send in promptly amount due on subscription.

Life is mean only to the person who makes it so. Set out with an aim, a purpose to be useful. Feel as if you did not enjoy unless you live for a persistent purpose.

Those of our subscribers who have changed their residence should send us their new address, a postal card will do, so that we can make the necessary correction in our mailing list.

Our citizens report that their wood piles shrink nearly every night. It is supposed to be work of negroes who have rented the old shacks in our town and, who very seldom buy a supply of wood.

The fodder shedding on the farm tenanted by John Connor, near Millington, was destroyed by fire early Monday morning. Mr. Connor's farm implements were burned, causing a loss of about $200.

J. L. Goldsborough wishes to inform the public that he is still selling the Wooldridge fertilizers and also agent for Frederick ground commercial lime. Give him a call if you want to grow good crops.

The Junior League of the Queenstown M. E. Church will hold a "Koffee Klouch" at the residence of Mrs. Charles Morris, Saturday evening, January 13, 1906. Admission, adults, 10c.; children, 5c.

The musicale given in Davidson's Hall, last Saturday evening by Miss Nan Deaver, of Centreville, assisted by Dr. J. L. Finley, John A. Friel and Ray Turner, was a pronounced success in every particular.

If you receive a sample copy of THE NEWS it is an invitation to subscribe. Remember the subscription is only 50 cents a year in advance, which is less than the wear and tear of your shoes in borrowing your neighbor's.

The dwelling on the Hall farm, near Starr, occupied by Harvey J. Ivins, was burned Wednesday afternoon of last week. Mr. Ivins lost the major part of his household goods which fortunately were covered by insurance. The fire is supposed to have originated from a defective flue.

There will be a legal holiday on every day in the week but Saturday this year, as follows: Monday, New Year and Labor Day; Tuesday, Election day and Christmas; Wednesday, Decoration day, Fourth of July and Old Defanders day; Thursday, Washington's birthday and Thanksgiving; Friday, April 13, Good Friday.

The Epworth League of Queenstown M. E. Church held a pie social at the residence of Mrs. J. S. Hedges. The house was beautifully decorated with holly, and the evening was spent with games. The most interesting one was the unwounding of the spider web. Later in the evening the guests were invited in the dining room where pie and milk were served.

The will of Chief Judge James M. Lowe, of the Orphans' Court of Talbot county, leaves his estate, valued at $30,000, to his brother, William E. Lowe, in trust for the benefit of his widow, Dorcas E. Lowe, for life. At her death the following bequests go into effect: St. Michaels and Bayside M. P. Churches, $1,000. The rest of the estate to go in equal grants to his brothers, William E., John T. and Albert Lowe, and to the descendants of his deceased brother, Francis W. Lowe.

In a letter received yesterday from Hon. Conway W. Sams he states that he can purchase us stock partridges at $6 per dozen delivered in Baltimore. All orders must reach him not later than January 15. Parties wishing to purchase birds can leave the money—one dollar a pair—with W. S. Delahay or M. W. Aker, and on receipt of birds you will receive the number of pairs you pay for. Please attend to it at once so that we can get our order in not later than next Saturday morning.

At the request of State Fire Marshal McAfee, Deputy State Fire Marshal Lloyd T. Macgill, Jr., has been making an investigation into the cause of the fire that occurred at Morgnec, Kent county, early in the morning of December 28, and destroyed the store and burned almost beyond recognition its owner, Capt. J. E. Walmsley. After examining several witnesses Mr. Macgill stated that he was fully satisfied that the fire was of accidental origin. Suspicion was very strong, on account of Captain Walmsley having been known at the time to have had more than his usual amount of money on his person, that he had met with foul play and that the fire had been started by the perpetrator of the crime to hide the robbery.

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Four Participants From Kent Island—One of Them a Beloved Teacher.

Miss Rebecca Skinner, the eldest daughter of Samuel Skinner, rural mail carrier of Stevensville, was married at her home to Stewart Wise, of Baltimore. The ceremony took place at 8.30 o'clock, Wednesday night and was performed by Rev. Charles P. McGoldrick, pastor of Queen Anne's county Catholic missions. Mr. and and Mrs. Wise will reside in Baltimore.

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Miss Mattie A. Skinner, daughter of Capt. Samuel Skinner, of Baltimore, who makes her home with her uncle, Mr. Joseph Callahan, of Longwoods, and Mr. Percy C. Stoops, of near Cordova, son of County Commissioner Edward Stoops, were married in Easton Tuesday afternoon at the rectory of Sts. Peter and Paul's Catholic Church The ceremony was performed by Rev. Charles P. McGoldrick, formerly pastor of the Talbot missions, assisted by Rev. James C. Comiskey, the present pastor. Miss Florence Callahan, of Longwoods, cousin of the bride, was maid of honor and Mr. William Slaughter, of Cordova, best man. The ushers were Messrs. Nattie Gannon, of Skipton, and William Sharp, of Longwoods. After the wedding a reception was held at the home of the bride's uncle. The bridal couple left later in the evening for their future home near Cordova.

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Cards are out announcing the marriage of Miss Lucy Viola Tolson to Mr. James Archibald Legg on Tuesday, January the second at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Tolson of Stevensville. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. Spencer, of Christ Episcopal Church, Kent Island. The wedding was a quiet one, only the immediate relatives being present. The bride wore a handsome suit of plum cloth with hat and gloves to match, and carried bride roses. The parlor was beautifully decorated for the occasion and Lohegrin's march was rendered by Miss Downs. The bridal party left immediately after the ceremony for Washington and other points of interest, and will be at home after January the fifteenth. The bride was popular throughout the county, and a teacher in the Queenstown school for the past four years where she was much loved by the children. The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. James Legg, of Kent Island, and a prosperous young farmer. They were the recipients of many presents.

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Mr. William W. Carter, a prominent young farmer of Kent Island, and Miss Hannah E. Stevens, daughter of James T. Stevens, of Barclay, were married in the M. E. Church, South, Barclay Thursday afternoon at 1.30 o'clock, Rev. G. D. Kidner, of Church Hill officiating. Mrs. F. N. Coursey rendered the bridal music. The ushers were Messrs. Denver Weedman, Harry Hopkins, Elwood Walls and Frederick Carter, brother of the groom. The bridesmaids were Misses Joanna Finley and Mae Scott, gowned in white muile with green girdles and carried white carnations tied with white satin ribbons. Miss Lillian Stevens, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, gowned in white organdie over green with lace trimmings and green girdle and carried white carnations. The bride was becomingly attired in cream bengaline silk, trimmed with real lace and chiffon, with a flowing tulle veil caught with lillies of the valley and carried a shower bouquet of bride's roses and lillies of the valley. Immediately after the ceremony the bride and groom left for New York and other points of interest. They will reside on Kent Island.

In Praise of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

There is no medicine manufactured that has received so much praise and so many expressions of gratitude as Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is effective, and prompt relief follows its use. Grateful parents everywhere do not hesitate to testify to its merits for the benefit of others. It is a certain cure for croup and will prevent the attack if given at the first appearance of the disease. It is especially adapted to children as it is pleasant to take and contains nothing injurious. Mr. E. A. Humphreys a well known resident and clerk in the store of Mr. E. Lock, of Alice, Cape Colony, South Africa, says: "I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to ward off croup and colds in my family. I found it to be very satisfactory and it gives me pleasure to recommend it. For sale by B. E. Cockey & Co.

King of All Cough Medicines.

Mr. E. G. Case, a mail carrier of Canton Center, Conn., who has been in the U. S. service for about sixteen years, says: "We have tried many cough medicines for croup, but Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is king of all and one tobe relied upon every time. We also find it the best remedy for coughs and colds, giving certain results and leaving no bad after effects." For sale by B. E. Cockey & Co.

A Liquid Cold Cure.

Croup, coughs, colds, whooping-cough, etc., have no terrors for children or adults who evacuate the bowels with Kennedy's Laxative Honey and Tar—the original laxative cough syrup and liquid cold cure. This remedy expels all cold from the system and strengthens the throat, lungs and bronchial tubes. The mother's favorite and children's safeguard. J. S. Denny and Wye Mills drug store.

Cure for Sore Nipples.

As soon as the child is done nursing apply Chamberlain's Salve. Wipe it off with a soft cloth before allowing the child to nurse. Many trained nurses use this with the best results. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by B. E. Cockey & Co.

G[illegible] MESSAGE.

A Short Synopsis of His Excellency's Address to the Maryland Legislature.

Below we give some points from the message of Governor's Warfield; read and draw your own conclusions:

Denounces lobbying, especially by political lobbyists, who combine to sell and control legislation for their personal benefit. "Lobbying is an evil and corrupting influence. You should take prompt steps to suppress it."

Strongly recommends corrupt practice act. "The cure (for vote buying) is complete publicity for the financial transactions of the national and State committees of political parties. This is a question which should not be viewed from a party standpoint."

Calls attention to the "scandalous and reckless squandering of the people's money" through the employment by the Legislature of unnecessary clerks and laborers and the granting of extra pay to employees and gratuities to other persons. At the last session the total pay of 318 officers and employees was $118,460.50.

"Postponement of final action on bills until the last days of the Legislative session has resulted in much hasty and bad legislation."

Recommends amending election law to permit intention of voter to count, but oppose return to emblem voting.

Advocates primary election law under Crawford county for whole State and denounces convention system as weapon of political bosses.

Would abolish special tax for free school books.

Points to failing oyster industry and urges planting law. "The barren portions of the bottoms of the waters of the State should be made productive. The State should profit thereby through the annual rentals from such bottoms, leaving the natural beds to oystermen, as at present."

Recommends creation of office of assistant superintendent of education

Suggests establishing a State museum of agriculture and manufactures in Baltimore city in connection with proposed Home Products Show.

Advocates State encouragement and support for a general scheme for the care of tuberculosis patients in Maryland.

Asks to be relieved in whole or in part of duty of hearing pardon cases, although believes sole power to grant pardons should still rest with executive.

Advises generous appropriation for Maryland exhibit at Jamestown Exposition.

Strongly indorses present good-roads law. "There is nothing which the State can do which will be of more lasting value than the construction of a modern system of public highways."

Closer scrutiny of accounts of State and county officers by State Auditor and uniform bookkeeping in public offices strongly urged.

Power to examine buildings outside of Baltimore city and force erection of fire-escapes where needed is recommended for the State Fire Marshal.

Personals.

Miss Clementine Boyles returned Wednesday night from a visit to relatives in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. William W. King, of Winchester, spent Thursday with their daughter, Mrs. Ernest Wyatt.

Mr. James E. Roe and daughters, Misses Jennie and Mollie have moved from near Starr in with Mrs. Frank P. Anthony.

Misses Ida Wales and Ada Boylan, of Baltimore, have returned home after spending a pleasant week with Mrs. John S. Hedges.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Henneman, of Quitman, Ga., are guests of the latter's parents, Judge and Mrs. Louis Hergenrather at "The Elms," near town.

Misses Margaret McHugh, of Baltimore; Agnes B. Boyle and Mr. J. R. Boyle, of Willoughby, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Boyles, near town.

Misses Lillie Draper, of Hickman, Del.; Mamie Lewis, of Kent Island; Sadie Tarr, of Winchester, and Tishy Pinder were guests of Mrs. Nathan Draper, near town, last week. Mr. Nathan Draper visited his brother in Hickman, Del., last week.

Mr. Benjamin Downes has been appointed by the trustees, second assistant teacher of our public school in place of Miss Lucy V. Tolson who resigned. He entered upon his duties Tuesday morning at the re-opening of school after the holidays.

Furious Fighting.

"For seven years," writes Geo. W. Hoffman, of Harper, Wash., "I had a bitter battle, with chronic stomach and liver trouble, but at last I won, and cured my diseases, by the use of Electric Bitters. I unhesitatingly recommend them to all, and don't intend in the future to be without them in the house. They are certainly a wonderful medicine, to have cured such a bad case as mine." Sold under a guarantee to do the same for you, at B. E. Cockey & Co. druggist at 50c. a bottle. Try them today.

No Opium in Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

There is not the least danger in giving Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to small children as it contains no opium or other harmful drug. It has an established reputation of more than thirty years as the most successful medicine in use for colds, croup and whooping cough. It always cures and is pleasant to take. Children like it. For sale by B. E. Cockey & Co.

The Season of Indigestion.

The season of indigestion is upon us. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure for indigestion and dyspepsia will do everything for the stomach that an over-loaded or over-worked stomach cannot do for itself. Kodol digests what you eat—gives the stomach a rest—relieves sour stomach, belching, heart-burn, indigestion, etc. J. S. Denny and Wye Mills drug store.

ROA[illegible] IMPROVEMENT.

The Highway Commission Desires Early Consideration by Commissioners.

The following statement has been issued by the State Highway Commission: "During the last few weeks the commission has written to the county commissioners throughout the state, calling their attention to the provisions of the State road law regarding the manner and time of filing applications for state aid. It is very desirable to have the applications well in hand, the necessary surveys made, and everything in readiness so that construction can be commenced early in the spring. The utmost advantage can then be taken of the good weather for road building.

"The law requires that all applications shall be filed before March 1 in any year for aid during that year. The work will be greatly facilitated by having these applications in the hands of the Highway Division at as early a date as possible. It is also well to make application for aid on more than one road, so that if it is subsequently found to be desirable the county can make a later choice of the road to be improved first.

"It should be borne in mind that the filing of the application does not necessarily bind the county to go on with the work, and there is no expense attached until after the survey has been made. The successive steps of surveying, advertising for bids, and executing a contract for the proposed work are all discretionary with the county boards. It will be readily seen that the more time which is available for making surveys, plans and estimates, as well as for advertising and securing advantageous bids, the more effectively and economically can the work be done. It is hoped therefore that our citizens will show their progressiveness and their interest in good roads by filing their applications at the earliest possible moment.

"While the highway improvement during the year just closing has been eminently successful and satisfactory all things considered, still better and more satisfactory results might have been secured had actual construction begun at an earlier date in 1905 than it did. It is desirable that a much larger amount of improvement be pushed to completion during 1906, and to this end applications for state aid should be filed in season for all arrangements to be completed during the winter for beginning actual construction by May 1, at the latest.

ITEMS FROM GUY'S.

Our Correspondent Sends an Account of the Happenings in This Section.

Mr. and Mrs. John Thomas, of Fairlee, are visiting Miss Lily Dadds.

Mr. and Mrs. Madison Dadds visited relatives near Sudlersville, Sunday.

Capt. William Jones has returned home after a short visit to friends in Delaware.

Our farmers are about through shipping their corn crop and are pleased with the yield and price.

A few wild ducks have made their appearance in our river and coves and there is about as many gunners as ducks.

There is another revival in our little town and it is hoped that it will make an improvement in some of our citizens.

Mr. James Dadds, who injured his hand quite badly last week, is improving and it is hoped that he will soon be able to resume work.

According to the man who uses the goose bone from which to decipher the kind of weather we will have, we will have a mild winter. To which we say, amen.

Under the present system, we are just twenty-four hours behind in receiving our mail. It will be nearly unbearable for those who are interested in the proceedings at Annapolis.

Our oystermen have become discouraged and the majority of them have hauled out their boats and are seeking other employment. It is hoped that our legislature may pass some law that will better our financial conditions.

The law prohibiting hunting rabbits and partridges went into effect December 24 but it seems that some of our people think we have an open season, as they are banging away every day. Our landowners should see that hunters keep off their lands so as to protect what little game we have left. The game warden's attention is called to this fact.

Give Your Stomach Rest.

Nothing will cure indigestion that doesn't digest the food, i self, and give the stomach rest. You can't expect that a weak stomach will regain its strength and get well when it is compelled to do the full work that a sound stomach should do. You wouldn't expect a sick horse to get well when it is compelled to do a full day's work every day of the week. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure is a perfect digestant and digests the food regardless of the condition of your stomach. Relieves indigestion, sour stomach, belching and all stomach disorders. J. S. Denny and Wye Mills drug store.

Torture of a Preacher.

The story of the torture of Rev. O. D. Moore, pastor of the Baptist church, of Harpersville, N. Y., will interest you. He says: "I suffered agonies, because of a persistent cough resulting from the grip. I had to sleep sitting up in bed. I tried many remedies, without relief, until I took Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs and colds, which entirely cured my cough, and saved me from consumption." A grand cure for diseased conditions of lungs and throat. At B. E. Cockey & Co drug store; 50c and $1 a bottle guaranteed. Trial bottles free.

One Minute Cough Cure
For Coughs, Colds and Croup.

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Ge[illegible] [illegible]th Elected President of the [illegible]enson, Speaker of House.

The convening of the Senate Wednesday at noon was quite an event in the history of Annapolis. Many persons who had friends in the chamber were present. The galleries were well filled with spectators, and they took an active interest in the proceedings by frequently applauding. Secretary Robert Moss called the session to order. Senator Moore, of Worcester county, was selected as the temporary presiding officer. He was nominated by Senator Perkins, and was escorted to the chair by Senators Betts and Griffith. The senators-elect were then sworn in, and each, with one exception, signed the test-book. As soon as Senator Andrews' name, of Dorchester, was called Senator Gadd, of Anne Arundel, filed a notice of contest on the part of former Senator Applegarth, but the new member was afterward sworn in, and the contest papers will be submitted to the Committee on Elections. The motion to swear Mr. Andrews in was made by Mr. Baker, of Harford.

When General Seth took the oath there was slight applause, but this was not a circumstance to the ovation he received when he took the chair as the permanent presiding officer of the body. He was placed in nomination by Senator Brewington, and in performing this duty he took occasion to recall the trying campaign through which the Democratic party had passed last fall, and remarked that as that party had a majority in the Senate, the responsibility of the business of the session would be upon the shoulders of the Democrats.

Senator Blair Lee seconded the nomination. Senator France placed Senator Baker, of Harford, in nomination as the choice of the minority party. By a vote of 17 to 6 General Seth was elected, and Senators Devilbiss and Lee escorted him to the chair, which was the signal for vociferous applause, both on the part of the senators as well as those in the galleries.

President Seth in assuming charge of the office had the following to say:

My Brother Senators:

It is with feelings of deepest gratitude that I undertake to express my gratitude for the distinguished honor you have conferred upon me and I desire to assure you that it will be my highest aim to so administer this office as to gain your approval and cause you no regret for this act of confidence.

The affairs of state which will come before you for your consideration are many and important, but it is not my province to now refer to that. That is a part of the executive duty which His Excellency, the governor of the state, will perform in his message which will be submitted to the General Assembly.

In dealing with all questions, political and otherwise, I shall endeavor to give the fullest latitude in debate to the minority. Truth must ever prevail, and, like pure metal, shows only the brighter after a judicious polishing, while the same treatment will show the dark spots of error. The majority can take care of itself, and in the end must win if their cause is right.

I enter upon the duties of this position with a degree of confidence inspired by my confidence in you and in the firm belief that I can always have your kind assistance. Let us hope that in the faithful and united labor of each and all to do our full duty to the State of Maryland and its citizens, who have entrusted to us the interest of our beloved state, we will live to merit and earn approval.

Again thanking you for your kindness to me and invoking the guidance of Him who directs all things well, I now declare the Senate of Maryland for the session of 1906 ready for business and will entertain nominations for a secretary to this honorable body.

The initial session of the House was opened with prayer by Rev. Earl Maloy, after which Chief Clerk Smith called the members to order, and Reading Clerk Wolfe called the roll, to which 101 members, the full roster, answered.

Upon motion of Mr. Hill, of Prince George's, J. Enos Ray, of that county, was made temporary speaker, and upon taking the chair briefly expressed his thanks for the distinction conferred upon him.

The House being ready for business, Mr. Goodwin, of Baltimore county, placed Carvel D. Benson, of that county, the Democratic candidate, in nomination for speaker. Mr. Murphy, of Baltimore city, seconded the nomination. Mr. Godwin, also of Baltimore city, named David H. Fenton, of Montgomery, the Republican caucus nominee for speaker, and Mr. Stump, of Allegany, seconded the nomination.

Mr. Joslin, of Queen Anne's, on behalf of the delegation from that county, named David P. Smith, a fellow-delegate, and the nominations were then declared closed.

Messrs. Carey, of Worcester, and Godwin, of Baltimore city, were appointed tellers by the chair, and each member went forward as his name was called and deposited his vote. The ballot resulted in the election of Mr. Benson, who received 51 votes, against 47 for Mr. Fenton and 3 for Mr. Smith.

Mr. Benson, having been escorted to the chair by Messrs. Goodwin, of Baltimore county, and Fenton, of Montgomery, was introduced by Mr. Ray, and spoke as follows:

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates: I essure you that I appreciate the very great honor that you have conferred upon me, and realize to the utmost the responsibility that goes with that honor. I appreciate fully that in order to have a harmonious, successful and businesslike session of the legislature it is necessary for me to have the hearty support of you gentlemen. I feel confident that I can rely upon receiving this support, and assure you in return I shall endeavor to make a fair and impartial presiding officer.

There is a strong demand throughout the state for a businesslike and economical administration of public affairs. I trust that you gentlemen will take into consideration this demand, and assure you that I shall earnestly co-operate with you in every way possible to make this a businesslike and economical administration.

Again thanking you for the very great honor you have conferred upon me, and assuring you that the feeling of responsibility is no less than the appreciation I feel for the honor, and trusting that at the end of the January session for the year 1906 I shall still have the confidence and friendship of every member of this House, I am now ready to take the oath prescribed by the Constitution, and I request the Honorable James A. Dawkins, of Baltimore city, to administer the oath of office.

The usual formalities of notifying the Senate and the Governor that the House had organized and was ready for the transaction of business were complied with, after which the message from the Governor was read and the House adjourned until January 9 at 7.30 P. M.

Letter to W. S. Cross, Queenstown.

Dear Sir: There are several ways of cheating in milk. An old-fashioned way is to water it. Nobody waters it now. A better way is to take out the cream—rich milk with the cream taken out is as good as poor milk with its cream all in.

But we needn't go into particulars. You don't rob your milk and your customers.

Paint is as easy as milk to cheat with. Good paint is as rare as good milk; for human nature is much the same in milkmen and paint men.

You are just and true with your milk; so are we with our paint. Devoe lead-and-zinc is twice as good as mixed paints: There's twice as much butter in it.

Mr J T Ladd, Cheraw, S C, writes: "When Mr Evans painted his house with Devoe, he figured on how other paints covered and had enough left to paint three large rooms. He was so pleased that he has used Devoe on two other houses."

Yours truly F. W. DEVOE & Co
36 New York.

A Fearful Fate.

It is a fearful fate to have to endure the terrible torture of piles. "I can truthfully say," writes Harry Colson, of Masonville, Ia., "that for blind, bleeding, itching and protruding piles, Bucklen's Arnica Salve, is the best cure made." Also best for cuts, burns and injuries. 25c at B. E. Cockey & Co druggists.

For Cracked Hands

Rough skin and cracked hands are not only cured by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, but an occasional application will keep the skin soft and smooth. Best for eczema, cuts, boils, burns, etc. The genuine DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve affords immediate relief in all forms of blind, bleeding, itching and protruding piles. J. S. Denny and Wye Mills drug store.

Queenstown Roller Mills

To the Public

The past summer we remodelled our mill on the latest improved Peerless Sifter System, also putting new labor-saving machinery which enables us to turn out more trade, also giving us the advantage of giving quanity and quality which we guarantee quality to be excelled by none. Since remodelling we have the most complete mill in Maryland.

We keep on hand at all times HIGH-GRADE FLOUR, HOMINY, MEAL, BUCKWHEAT FLOUR and FEEDS of all kinds.

Special attention given to Exchange work.

Give us a share of your Christmas trade.

Try a sack of our best flour "Golden Grains."

J. J. Golt,

Proprietor of Queenstown Flour Mill,

QUEENSTOWN, MD.

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This Year must and shall be a Record Breaker in Our Volume of Business.

In telling you what we are going to do during the present year we have no space to devote to generalities or idle boasting but simple facts.

Ginghams that cost you 7 and 8c pr yard elsewhere here 6c.
Children's dress goods low as 6c per yard.
Calico 6 to 6½ per yard.
Ladies dress goods from 25c to 49c. Some of these goods are easily worth 75c.
Our blankets are greatly reduced, 65c. buys our 90c blankets, 1.25 buys our 1.75 heavy gray, 2.40 buys our 3.00 goods, all double.
Dollar comforts 87c.
1.25 " 1.00.
1.50 " 1.35.
These goods are made in the best manner possible
Bed ticking that is cheap at 15c goes at 12½c. 20c goods is yours at 16c.
A complete line of ladies, children's and men's underwear.
We have about forty suits men's gray flannel that we will close out at 40c.
Our men's jumpers, overalls and working shirts have both the quantity and quality.
Our corduroy pants are perfect, you can buy rights in their make up.
A good heavy pair of cassimeres at 1.95.
An elegant pair all wool imported goods worth 5.00 at 2.50.
We claim to have the best buckskin glove made.
Full line of misses, ladies and children's gloves and mits.
Nice line of men's and boys' hats and caps.
Ladies and children's shawls, tamoshantas and fascinators, toboggans and handkerchiefs.
We take particular pride in showing you our nice line of shoes. Our longlast shoes are inferior to none. The everlasting shoe we will be delighted to show you. Buy the Hard Knock shoe for boys.
Ask for coupons in this room.
We only want cost for the balance gum boots left.

Goods Retailed at Wholesale Prices.

In our grocery room you will find the most varied and complete line of goods you have looked upon in all of your existence. We are beyond all doubt the largest buyers in your county, buying a large majority of our goods direct from the factory, thereby saving these outrageous freight bills. This saving we will give to you. Read our add carefully as prices quoted below demand the cash absolutely and are subject to a change as goods decline or advance.

Granulated sugar 5c per pound.
Brown " " "
FFF flour 32c per sack.
Best Family 33c " "
Very good family 30c per sack.
Buckwheat flour 4c per pound.
Royal Gem coffee 14c per pound.
Levering " 13c " "
3 pound pail jelly 12c.
Rumford yeast powder 10c per bottle.
6 bottles Davis " for 25c.
6 " Sea Gull " " "
6 " Parrot and Monkey for 25c.
6 sacks salts for 25c.
6 bottles bluing large for 25c.
6 bars octagon soap " "
" " oleine " " "
" " Gorman family " "
" " Magic cleaner " "
" " Ivory soap " "
" packages arm and hammer brand soda for 25c.
Dried apples 5c or 6 pounds for 25c.
A better variety at 7c per pound.
3 one pound box cracker dust at 25c.
Hominy 4c per quart.
Walter Baker's chocolate 20c per cake.
William " " " 18c " "
Buy a can of Wm. H. Baker's cocoa.
Buy a bar of our washing compound. No scrubbing or wash board needed 5c a bar.
6 boxes sardines for 25c.
6 glasses mustard " "
6 boxes " " "
" " pepper " "
3 large pkgs snuff " "
6 boxes " " "
" " gold dust " "
Lima beans 10c per quart.
Quaker oats 10c.
New York beans 3 qts for 25c.
Hawkeye and Pawnee 3 packages 25c.
Olives 10c to fifty per bottle.
Large bottle pickles for 10c.
Gallon best Porto Rico molasses 37c.
" " golden syrup 35c.
Lea's hominy grits per pkg 10c.
Prunes from 5c to 12 per pound.
Elegant valencia raisins 10c per pound.
If you don't drink coffee try Postum, a very pleasant and nutritious drink.
Oatmeal, cream of wheat, grape nuts and many other articles of diet too numerous can be found at our place.
A complete line of fresh and cured meats.
Picnic hams 10c per pound.
Three lbs city lard at 25c.
No coupons at these prices.

Matting we are selling below cost.
Nice line of Oilclo[illegible]
Linoleem.

If you [illegible]
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