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The Transcript.

THURSDAY MORNING, APRIL 1, 1886.

Subscription $1.50 per year; 75 cents for six months, in advance.

Advertising Rates.

Transient advertising will be charge at the rate of *one dollar* per square for first three insertions, and twenty-five cents per square for each subsequent insertion. A space equal to eight lines of brevier, constitutes a square. Figure-work will be charged fifty cents per square additional for first three insertions.

Simple notices of marriages and death inserted free. Obituary notices will be charged at the rate of five cents per line.

JOB WORK.

Handbills, large and small, flyers, dodgers, letterheads, billheads, envelopes, cards, tags, programmes and other kinds of job work will be done neatly and reasonably.

Correspondence upon matters of local interest desired. Anonymous communications will not be inserted.

It is desirable that communications be in by Saturday night if possible, and in any case not later than Monday night or Tuesday morning

—March came in like a lion and went out like a Niagara Falls.

—In a new advertisement in this issue, Mr. Joseph Turner calls attention to some specialties in his line.

—And now let us hope that spring has come to stay, and that the peach trees will blossom in uninterrupted peace.

—To-day is the first day of April, the day upon which the fool will blossom like the rose, and play his antiquated first-of-April joke on the wise people.

—The Birdsall traction engine advertisement takes up a large space in this issue. Traction engines are superseding all other engines for agricultural purposes, and the Birdsall claims to be the best in many particulars.

Rev. A. N. Milby, presiding elder of Dover district, Wilmington M. E. Conference, was stricken with paralysis at his residence, Harrington, Del., last Friday, and still remains in an unconscious condition.

—At a meeting of the Kent Guards, held March 30th, previous notice having been given, for the election of officers, the following officers were elected, viz.: Captain, Robert R. Calder; 1st Lieut., Frank E. Dwyer.

—On Friday of next week, the 8th day of April, Mr. S. Cacy, as administrator of the late J. J. Spear, will sell at the late residence of deceased at public sale a large lot of valuable stock and farming implements. Fuller particulars are given in advertisement elsewhere.

—During the recent dark and rainy nights, there was general complaint that the street lamps were not lighted. The colored gentleman who has the contract for lighting the lamps does not seem to attend to his business very regularly. He does not seem to be possessed with the great idea that "public office is a public trust." If his resignation were requested for cause, civil service reform in Chestertown would take a large stride forward, and the town commissioners would make their chances for re-election solid. In short, the lamplighter should be made to do his duty or be bounced.

—Here is a sample of the religious diet which the now famous Sam Jones serves to his congregations:

"I once knew a beautiful, heavenly school teacher in Jones county, Georgia. One day I called on her and she said the people in her district thought she was crazy because she was religious. After I had talked with her for some time I went out among the people. Several of them came up to me looking wise and knowing like, and said: 'Don't you think Miss —— is cracked?' 'Cracked?' exclaimed I, 'what do you mean?' 'Why,' they replied, 'don't you think she is cracked on the subject of religion?' 'Well,' I said, 'if she is cracked I want to be busted wide open.'"

—C. H. Baker, Esq., executor of the late Wilkins Register, has about concluded an arrangement for the sale of the marble stock belonging to estate of deceased, to Mr. Chas. H. Moore, of Dover, Del., who will probably shortly open business here. Mr. Moore is a young man, but has been brought up in the marble business. His father has long been at the head of a successful marble firm in Dover, and the son has the benefit of a thorough knowledge of the marble business. The stock of monuments tombstones on hand, were taken at catalogue prices, and amounted to $874.00. Mr. Moore is expected in Chestertown to-day.

—The Maryland Senate on Monday voted to continue appropriations to Washington and St. Johns Colleges. When the appropriation bill was taken up for consideration Thursday of last week, the disposition was to strike out all appropriations to institutions not under State control. The Baltimore *Sun* of Friday says:

Much of the session of the Senate to-day was taken up with a debate over the Senate bills endowing various educational institutions in the State. The question came up on motions to substitute bills for unfavorable reports of a majority of the committee on education, as presented by Mr. Lane. The bills repeal the act making endowments to the following institutions, and the action of the Senate withdraws State aid from each: Charlotte Hall School of St. Mary's county, Western Maryland College, St. Mary's Female Seminary, St. Johns College, St. Mary's Female College. By a vote of 13 ayes to 7 nays the Charlotte Hall repeal bill was ordered engrossed. That of the Western Maryland College was also ordered engrossed. Pending a vote on the bill repealing the endowment to St. Mary's Female Seminary, the further consideration of the subject was postponed until Friday at noon. The temper of the Senate, as shown to-day, is for withdrawing aid to educational institutions not connected with the general school system.

—Orphans' Court, Tuesday, March 30, 1886—Present, Judges Walker, Hyland and Stevens.

Samuel Cacy, adm'r of Jas. Jackson Spear, dec'd, filed the inventory of personal estate.

Chas. H. Baker, executor c.t.a. of W. P. Smith, dec'd, filed a list of debts due estate said dec'd.

Wm. Perkins, adm'r of Wm. E. Anderson, dec'd, filed his release from Editha M. Loper and Annie E. Handy.

On application, letters of admin. on personal estate of A. Jamima Merritt, dec'd, were granted and committed unto Hope H. Barroll and M. deK. Smith, who filed their bond in the penal sum of $1,000, with approved security. Thos. J. McWhorter and Jas. A. Edwards were appointed to appraise the personal estate.

Concerning the Diocese of Easton.

A correspondent of a church paper makes the following suggestion concerning the Diocese of Easton, which is now without a bishop:

SIR—The Diocese of Easton has so much difficulty in securing a bishop, that it seems as though it ought to do something different from electing a new bishop. There is not a city of any size in the whole diocese, and all the episcopal work could easily be done in a month.—The Diocese of Delaware is also a very small affair. Why would it not be a good plan for the Diocese of Easton to put itself under the care of the Bishop of Delaware, and when the present bishop goes home to his reward, to unite the two jurisdictions under the name of the Diocese of Wilmington.

The old American idea that the diocese should be coterminous with the State is pretty well exploded now, and should be no bar to carrying out this suggestion. MARCUS.

Philadelphia, March 8, 1886.

New Advertisements.

The following new advertisements appear in this issue:

Sale of personal property of J. J. Spear, by S. Cacy, administrator.

The Birdsall traction engine.

Order of publication of bill for divorce.

Notice to creditors of J. J. Spear.

J. Turner's new lumber advertisement.

Sheriff's annual license notice.

A. C. Yates & Co., new clothing adv.

Notice of call for meeting to re-organize Kent Guards.

Death of an Aged and Respected Citizen.

Mr. John L. Stam, one among the oldest citizens of Chestertown and the county, died early Saturday morning, in the 83d year of his age. Mr. Stam had been in feeble health for more than a year previous to his death, but suffered from a prostrating illness for only a few days.

He was born in Philadelphia, Pa., in 1803, and came to this county in 1839. He purchased a farm a short distance from Chestertown, lying opposite the farm of Mr. H. W. Carvill. After engaging in agricultural pursuits for a short time, he removed to Chestertown and opened a grocery store. Later he purchased the drug business of Dr. B. H. Houston, which he conducted until 1871, when he retired and handed his business over to his two sons, Messrs. C. F. and L. K. Stam. He was postmaster for Chestertown under the administrations of Taylor, Fillmore, Pierce and Buchanan, resigning the position in April, 1861. Mr. Stam always took a lively interest in affairs, and especially in relation to matters pertaining to his town and county. Even when past eighty, he was fond of stopping acquaintances along the street and discussing matters of passing interest. In 1828 he became a member of the order of Odd Fellows and at the time of his death was a member of Amicable Lodge of Chestertown, and till within a year of his death was regular in attendance. On the day of his burial the Odd Fellows of Chestertown turned out in a body to do honor to his memory. Mr. Stam, at the time of his death, was the second oldest member of that body in the United States. The funeral services took place Tuesday afternoon at the Protestant Episcopal Church, with which he had long been connected. The burial was at Chester Cemetery. The following gentlemen served as pall-bearers: N. G. Westcott, W. N. E. Wickes, E. F. Perkins, J. A. Pearce, Wm. J. Rivers, H. W. Vickers. Mr. Stam was twice married. His last wife survives him, and he leaves five children and a large number of grandchildren.

In Memory of James H. Gilpin.

This community was much pained to learn of the death of Jas. H. Gilpin on Sunday afternoon last, at half-past 4 P. M., aged 24. Though not unexpected, his death casts a gloom over a wide circle of acquaintances and friends, for he was a most exemplary young man. Educated at Washington College, in this county, where he spent 5 years. At a comparatively early age he threw himself into the busy whirl of business life, and thus continued actively engaged up to within a few months of his death. Pleasant in manners, obliging in his business relations and strictly moral, he naturally won a host of friends in whatever community his profession called him. Above everything else his filial devotion was conspicuous. The darling object of his heart seemed to be to lay by a competence sufficient to ensure his loved parents a peaceful retirement from the irksome cares of life in their last days. In this respect his conduct cannot be too highly commended. Happy the parents blessed with such a son. It is with equal satisfaction that we are able to record his laying the burden of life at a Saviour's feet.—His last days were made peaceful by the conscious presence of the Great Physician of Souls, and he gave unhesitating testimony of his trust. His interment took place on Wednesday afternoon at the M. E. cemetery in Galena, services being conducted by Rev. R. H. Murphy, assisted by Rev. John Martin. OBSERVER.

Galena, Wednesday, March 31.

From Worton.

The funeral ceremony of Mrs. Mather, wife of the Rev. Aug. W. Mather, took place at St. James M. P. Church, Worton, last Sabbath morning at 11 o'clock, Rev. Daniel Bates officiating. The services were opened by singing hymn 563—"I would not live always," followed by a feeling address from 26th chapter, 4th verse Isaiah, after which was sung, "Meet beyond the river." The burial sermon was then read. Mrs. John P. Nicholson presided at the organ. The following named gentlemen were the bearers: Thomas Gale, Elias Walraven, Wm. Morris, —— Willis, John Gale and S. Vannort. The body was taken to Baltimore on the steamer Trumpeter Monday following. M. J.

County Commissioners Board.

At the session of the board on Tuesday an order was passed directing orders to be drawn on several collectors for second installment of levy for jail bonds. Wm. L. Meredith, collector for 1st district, paid order for the second installment.

James H. Hurtt was appointed constable for first district upon petition of citizens of that district.

Clements & York made proposals for drainage of court house and jail, which were accepted by the board.

Sundry transfers and abatements were made and accounts passed for levy.

Another of Centreville's Moral Young Men Gone Wrong.

From Correspondence of Balt. Sun of Saturday.

A case of alleged forgery came to light here yesterday. A young lawyer here, it is charged, has been forging the name of William Barcus, a prominent and well-to-do citizen of Queen Anne's county, to promissory notes, and thereby securing the money on them. One of these notes fell into the hands of a gentleman in town a short time ago, and suspecting the indorsement was not genuine, he went to see Mr. Barcus, who informed him that he had indorsed no paper for the person in question, and that if he had a note with his name on it as indorser it was a forgery. The matter was kept quiet until yesterday, when the facts were made known. The young lawyer left on the 4 P. M. train, and his whereabouts are not known. It has since been found that several notes that he had negotiated contained the forged indorsement of Mr. Barcus. It is also charged that he drew checks after banking hours and went around town and got them cashed. These checks were returned unpaid, and when he was accosted in regard to them, he would say hold them for a few days until he made a deposit. Thus he has received quite a sum of money. He is a connection by marriage of Mr. Barcus, whose name was forged. The matter has been kept quiet on account of his connections, and it is probable the notes will be paid and the matter hushed up. The news of his conduct almost prostrated his mother.

The Centreville *Observer* gives the following fuller account:

The residents of Centreville were both shocked and surprised on Friday morning last, when they were informed that Robert Alexander, a young member of the bar, had left town the afternoon previous to avoid arrest, upon the charge of forging the name of William Barcus to several promissory notes. Mr. Alexander was admitted to the bar at the November term of the circuit court in 1884, after passing an unusually excellent examination and he was highly complimented by the bench and the bar. He rented an office in the McKenney building and launched upon the sea of life under circumstances which it is seldom the fortune of young men to experience. Brilliant and well informed, his many friends predicted a successful career for him. In a short time it was noticed that he was rather extravagant and did not give due attention to his business, but it was not supposed that he would stoop to forgery, as alleged. A few days ago he tendered a promissory note to Thomas Sudler, proprietor of the Arlington Hotel, with whom he had boarded since January 1st, in payment of his board bill. Mr. Sudler was not entirely satisfied with the appearance of the note, and after inquiry which further convinced him and verified his suspicions, he interviewed Alexander, who, after some denial, confessed that the signature was not genuine. He then asked Mr. Sudler not to expose him, and said that he would make the matter all right. He then managed to raise money to the amount of the note, and after promising Mr. Sudler that he would leave town at once, that gentleman surrendered the note to him and he immediately destroyed it. Mr. Sudler did not at this time know that there was any more forged paper out, but supposed that this was the only case. Alexander also tendered a note to W. H. Hopkins for $85, with the understanding that Hopkins should have the note discounted, deduct the amount of $20 due him and turn the balance over to him (Alexander.) This Hopkins agreed to do, and presented the note at the Centreville National Bank for discount. The suspicions of the directors of the institution had been aroused on a former occasion and after refusing to discount the note they called the attention of Mr. Hopkins to it. Mr. Hopkins called on Alexander and told him that he did not believe the note to be genuine. Alexander denied that the note was not genuine, but finally offered Mr. Hopkins $5 for the return of the note to him. Hopkins accepted the money, not in payment for the note but as a credit on his account. He also made away with between $20 and $25 belonging to the local lodge of the Royal Arcanum of which he was treasurer. He was entrusted with a sum of money amounting to about $80 belonging to a Church Hill merchant, with instructions to deposit it in bank, which he failed to do. Part of this money was afterwards recovered. Fearing that things were becoming rather warm, he managed to raise some money and as stated left Centreville on the afternoon train. He was seen in Philadelphia by a gentleman from Centreville and Alexander informed him that he would return on Saturday. Mr. Barcus denies signing but two notes for Alexander and disclaims all knowledge of any others. There are four notes with the name of Mr. Barcus on them and it is naturally supposed that they are forgeries. It is supposed that the alleged forgeries will amount to between $200 and $250. Besides this, Alexander has left a large number of bills unpaid at a number of the stores of the town, and the securities on a number of notes will probably have them to pay. He was also in the habit of giving checks to parties when he had no money in bank to his credit.

Fairlee Grange Entertainment.

Messrs. Editors—The invitation recently extended to the Eureka Grange at Kennedyville, from the grange members at Fairlee to attend their public meeting on the 18th instant, was cordially accepted and a number responded.—We take this method of acknowledging our indebtedness and thanks to our friends for the kind and hospitable manner in which we were received and entertained. We sincerely regret that so few of our number were present. We feel quite sure that if it had been more fully known a larger representation would have been on hand.

The choice and well arranged program which had been prepared, was an intellectual treat. The exercises were varied and consisted largely of music, both instrumental and vocal, as well as readings, recitations and dialogues. Among the most important features of the entertainment was the reading of the "Grange Garner" by Mrs. L. W. Corey, editress. The entire make-up of the same was remarkably good and the contributions were mostly short and spicy. The article from a "Veteran Pedagogue," entitled, "The Mistake in Education," was well received and showed careful preparation and study. Some touching and tender tributes, supposed to have been editorial, were paid to recently deceased members of the Grange, the names of whom are, Sisters Ida M. Hudson, Alice W. Wood and Brothers John N. Usilton and Robert Nicholson.

A number of solos and choruses were sung during the program, the participants in which your correspondent is not sufficiently acquainted with to specify and comment upon. They were all good and certainly showed that the ladies and gentlemen who took part were not lacking in elegant taste and that high order of education, which is good music. The reading by Mrs. A. S. Skirven and the recitations by the Misses Hulme, Gale and Corey were effectively rendered, and in every case the pronunciation was good, the gestures appropriate and actions fully in accord with the requirements of the pieces. The dialogue between Miss Minnie Smyth and Mr. Howard Meeks, the Grange chaplain, represented a little family jar on the subject of tobacco, in which it was evident to all present that tobacco got the worst. The lectures of Mr. T. A. Hulme on various topics are especially deserving of notice on account of the humorous character of the same. He made fun for all present and frequently caused outbursts of laughter.

After Mr. Hulme finished all seemed to be in good trim for the things above, in the Grange dining room, where a large table, with a seating capacity of fifty or more, was spread with the rich harvest things of this world. It was just such a supper as Fairlee is accustomed to put up. It is hardly necessary to say that the symposium of turkey and ect., was enjoyed. Any one may infer that from the remains and spoils.

During the entertainment, which lasted several hours, including an intermission for supper, Miss Pell, who is not a member of the Grange but a late arrival in the community, frequently presided as organist.

The Grange is in a flourishing condition and reports at present a membership of one hundred and forty names. James Harper Gale is the present Worthy Master and presided during the public meeting.—SIRIUS, in *Kent News*.

Chestertown Thermometric Record.

FOR THE WEEK ENDING MARCH. 29, 1886.

	6 a.m.	2 p.m.	9 p.m.	aver.
Tuesday	35	39	33	35.6
Wednesday	30	46	41	39.
Thursday	38	60	56	51.3
Friday	46	47	44	45.6
Saturday	42	43	38	41.
Sunday	39	48	45	44.
Monday	39	42	40	40.3

Average temperature at 6 a. m. 38.4
" " " 2 p. m. 46.4
" " " 9 " 42.4
Average of the week 42.4
" " last " 47.3
Prevailing winds W. E.

Literary Notes.

"Strikes, Lockouts and Arbitrations" is the title of a timely and important article in the April *Century* by George May Powell. It aims to be an unbiased study of the relations of capital and labor, and of the methods of settling differences. Mr. Powell at the outset says, "Labor and capital are each as necessary to the other as the two wings of a bird. Cripple either wing and the other is useless." Three anecdotal articles in this number form a most entertaining account of the famous Confederate cruiser Alabama and her duel with the Kearsarge. P. D. Haywood, who was a seaman on the Alabama, describes "Life on the Alabama" with graphic humor, Lieut. Commander John McIntosn Kell, in his paper, gives an authoritative account of the reasons which impelled Captain Semmes to try issues with the Kearsarge, and of the incidents of the fight; while Surgeon John M. Browne of the Kearsarge contributes the Union history of that stirring event.

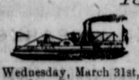
In the April number of *Lippincott's Magazine* a novel series of articles is commenced under the general heading of "Our Experience Meetings," in which a sort of public confessional will be provided for leading authors, actors, artists, politicians, business men, etc., who feel autobiographically disposed. The present meeting is attended by Julian Hawthorne, Edgar Fawcett and Joel Chandler Harris, each of whom gives an interesting sketch of his literary career as seen from the inside.

H. C. Bunner opens *St. Nicholas* for April with a bright and amusing fanciful story, entitled "Casperi," which is illustrated by O. Herford, and by the frontispiece—drawn by Leon Moran. Edward Everett with a more practical aim tells how the "Vacation-schools in Boston" were started and Charles Barnard, in a story called "Sophie Conner and the Vacation-school" explains the inside workings of one of those popular and paradoxically named institutions. Henry Sandham contributes eleven drawings illustrating both articles.

Chester River Steamboat Company

SPRING ARRANGEMENT.

1886. *1886.*



On and after Wednesday, March 31st, the new Iron Steamer

Emma A. Ford

will leave Chestertown every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 7 o'clock A. M., for Baltimore, stopping at Rolph's, Booker's, Quaker Neck, Grey's Inn, Queenstown and Kent Island.

Returning, will leave Pier 7 Light street wharf, Baltimore, every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 10 A. M., making all the above landings.

GEO. WARFIELD, President.

March 1, 1886.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' ANNUAL NOTICE.

THE County Commissioners of Kent county will meet in their office in Chestertown, on

TUESDEY,

The 2d day of March, 1886,

at 11 o'clock A. M., and will continue to meet at the same place and hour

EVERY TUESDAY,

Until the 4th day of May next

For the purpose of noting transfers and correcting assessments.

All persons who have sold or transferred any assessable property since their last sitting for said purpose, are particularly requested to attend at an early day to have their assessments corrected and adjusted.

After Tuesday, 18th of May next,

NO ALTERATIONS or Corrections in the assessments will be made for the present year.

TRUSTEES OF THE POOR

will be appointed on the Second Monday—12th day—of April, next

COLLECTORS

of State and County Taxes

FOR EACH ELECTION DISTRICT,

and a

KEEPER OF THE STANDARDS

—OF—

Weights and Measures

will be appointed on

Tuesday, the 13th of April, next

☞ All persons having Accounts against the county are requested to present the same on or before

Tuesday, the 1st day of June, next

otherwise they will be excluded from the levy this year. All accounts properly chargable to the county are required to be made out in a clear manner and itemized and rendered under oath.

All applications for pensions must be made in writing, stating the condition and circumstances of the applicant and vouched for by three or more freeholders having a knowledge of the facts herein set forth.

N. B.—All persons neglecting to have their assessments corrected are hereby notified that no allowance for taxes paid in error in consequence of such neglect will be made.

J. C. WHEATLEY, Pres.;
JOHN F. ERNEST,
BEDFORD ROE,
SAMUEL F. COOPER,
WILLIAM MORRIS,
Commissioners.

Attest— T. W. RUSSELL, Clerk.

Feb. 25, 1886.

T. SHAFER. JOHN MEDDERS

Shafer & Medders,

Kennedyville, Md.,

Keep on hand a general supply and make to order

FIRST-CLASS

Farm Implements

of all kinds. We keep in store a large stock of first-class well-seasoned material of all kinds, therefore we can and do guantee our work to stand. It is not like work put up and sold as first class work that rattles to pieces in less than a year from imperfect workmanship and unseasoned material.

OUR

Dearborns, Carts,

Plows, Harrows, Cultivators,

&c., are all well finished.

Our WAGONS

for their neatness and lightness of build, strength and durability and light running, a knowledge few their equals and No Superior.

Carriage Repainting and Repairing a Specialty!

All other Repairing done with neatness and dispatch. Special attention to Horse Shoeing.

OUR CHARGES to suit the times.

We cordially invite the public to call and see for themselves, get prices and examine our work of Twenty-four years' experience.

Thankful for past patronage we solicit a continuance of the same.

We are also agents for Kent county for Hench & Drumgold Riding Wheel Cultivator, The Taylor Riding Wheel Cultivator, Iron Frame Cultivator and the celebrated Beedle & Kelly Corn Planter, and the Oliver Chilled Plows; also, all Repairs for same.

Correspondence solicited. All orders by mail will have prompt attention. Mar. 26, 1885.

J. H. SIMPERS,

Chestertown, Md.,

To the People of Kent County:

We keep a Stock of General Merchandise so Large and Varied that it Meets the Wants of the People and the Whole People. We can accommodate you, and can do it at Prices in accord with 40-Cent-Corn and 90-Cent-Wheat.

☞ *BRING US YOUR TRADE.*

J. H. Simpers.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' NOTICE

—TO THE—

Traveling Public.

NOTICE is hereby given that all manner of Vehicles are positively prohibited being driven on the new road over the *mill dam* at *Fairlee Mill*, until filled out to its intended width and opened for travel.

Persons driving over said road, in violation of this notice, do so at *their own risk*:

By order.

T. WATERS RUSSELL,
Clerk Co. Com.

Jan. 7—tf. [N]

Great Reductions!

To make room for New Spring Stock now being delivered from our warerooms. We are

SELLING OFF

All the balance of our winter stock of Overcoats, Suits and Single Pants for Men and Boys at prices which cost is not considered—All must be sold at any sacrifice. Most of these goods can be worn with comfort right into summer. A visit to our store will more than pay expenses of a trip to Baltimore.

C. N. OEHM & SON,

230 W. Pratt Street, 55 Hanover Street,

BALTIMORE, MD.

BRING US YOUR TRADE

Such as Prime Print Butter, Eggs, Poultry, Lard, Bacon and

COUNTRY PRODUCE

in general, and we will pay you the

FULL MARKET VALUE

for it,

and sell you GOODS AS LOW if not CHEAPER than any "other man."

We have a

FULL LINE OF MUSLINS,

Bleached and unbleached Canton Flannels from 6¼ cts. to 16 cts. per yard. Calico, Tickings, Cottonade Kerseys, red and white all-woo Flannels, and a general line of

Domestic Dry Goods.

Ladies', Misses', Children's and Men's HOISERY at Prices and Quality to please you.

OUR STOCK OF GROCERIES

cannot be surpassed for quality and Low Prices.

WE ARE HEAD-QUARTERS FOR FLOU

dealing direct with the manufacturers, can guarantee quality and price at all times. Call and see us, and you will be convinced that our prices are the lowest.

espectfully,

J. B. SAPPINGTON.

opp. Hudgin's Bakery.

☞ Branch Store corner High and Mill Streets.

Chtewn, Md., Sept. 13, 1883.

"OUR MOTTO."

FINE GOODS AT LOW PRICES.

E. W. F. SIMPERS,

SPECIALTY PLAIN & FINE GROCERIES

in part as follows;

Canned Fruits, Vegetables and Meats, Plum Pudding, Fruit Cake, Oat Meal, Gelatine, Chocolate, Cocoa, Corn Starch, Hominy Grits, Graham Wafers, Pickles, Chow-Chow, York State Cream Cheese, Teas, Sugars, Spices, Fine Green and Roasted Coffees, Jellies and Preserves, "Best" Sugar-Cured Hams and Dried Beef, Buckwheat, Flour by the bbl., sack or pound; fine stock of Tobacco and Segars, Lamps, Glassware and Crockery, Wooden- and Willow-ware. Full stock of Domestic Dry Goods and Notions. Prices low down.

We thank all of our friends for past favors, and can assure all when in need of anything in our line we will try to please in prices and quality. E. W. F. SIMPERS.

Chestertown, Jan. 14, 1886.

HAMILTON EASTER & SONS,

199, 201, 203 Baltimore St

Four Doors West of Light Street,

BALTIMORE,

ARE

Large Importers, Jobbers & Retailers

—OF—

DRY GOODS.

Have on hand at all times a splendid stock of DRESS GOODS, SILKS, MOURNING GOODS, LADIES' AND MISSES' WRAPS, JERSEYS, SHAWLS, LINEN FABRICS, FLANNELS, BLANKETS, QUILTS, GOODS FOR MEN AND BOYS' WEAR, GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS, DOMESTIC GOODS, GINGHAMS, PRINTS, SATINES, HOSIERY, UNDERWEAR, LACES, &c.

We offer only such goods as we think will prove of good value for the price paid. The price is plain figures marked on every article, from which there is no abatement.

Having been established in business in Baltimore for 55 years, and built up a large trade by fair dealing, courtesy and attention to the wants of customers, we think it will be to the advantage of the readers of this paper to deal with us. Samples will be sent to select from when we receive plain and explicit directions of what is probably wanted.

Mar. 18, 1886—3m.

Many a Lady

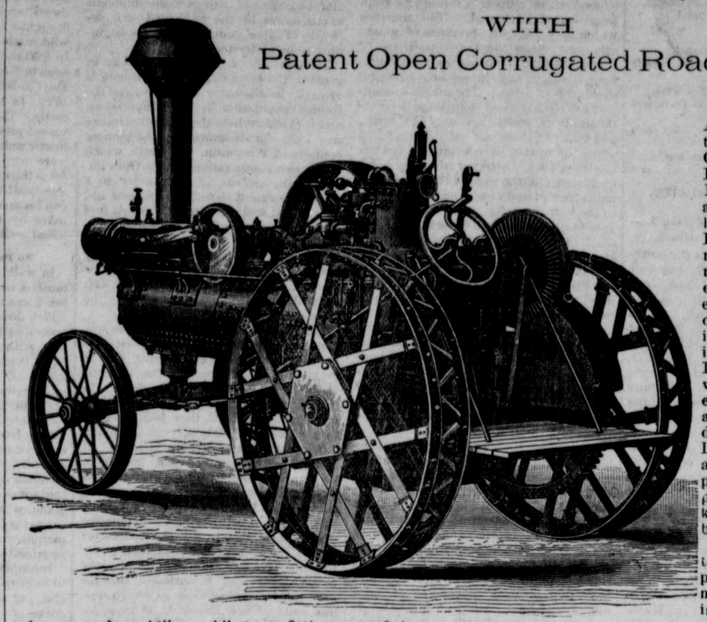
is beautiful, all but her skin; and nobody has ever told her how easy it is to put beauty on the skin. Beauty on the skin is Magnolia Balm.

The Birdsall Traction Engines

And Road Locomotives,

WITH

Patent Open Corrugated Road Wheels



Are warranted to travel over Steeper Grades and Softer Roads and make Faster Time than any in use. They are light in weight, of Full Power, better made and of better material and decidedly the best finished Engines sold or offered to be sold in this country. It is Economical in Fuel and Water, very simple and easily managed by any operator of ordinary intelligence. It is provided with all the latest improved Safety Appliances that are known to be reliable.

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WM. R. EMERSON, Manager. Hoen Building, North and Lexington Streets,

BALTIMORE, MARYLAND.

April 1, 1886.

By the Insurance Department.

STATEMENT

SHOWING THE CONDITION OF THE

Mutual Fire Insurance Company

—OF—

KENT COUNTY, MD.,

December 31st, 1885.

ASSETS.

Loans on bond and mortgage	$88,300.00	
Stocks and bonds absolutely owned by the company (market value	5,000.00	
Amount of all Loans (except Mortgages) secured by Stocks, Bonds and other securities hypothecated to the Company for cash actually loaned by the Company	2,488.21	
Cash in Company's principal office and belonging to the Company deposited in bank	18,494.32	
Premium Notes in force—$166,532.63		
Total Cash Assets		$114,282.53

LIABILITIES.

Losses reported, unadjusted	$455.00
Premium Notes in force—$166,532.63	
All other claims, estimated	$9,756.60
Total liabilities	$10,211.60
Surplus as regards Policyholders	$104,070.93
Total income	$17,157.03
Total expenditures	$6,930.67
Amount of Policies in force in Maryland on 31st Dec., 1885	$2,564,323.48
Amount of Policies written in Maryland during the year 1885	$160,440.75
Premiums received on Maryland business in 1885	$7,494.29
Losses paid in Maryland during 1885	$3,090.24
Losses incurred in Maryland during 1885	$2,435.50

State of Maryland,

INSURANCE DEPARTMENT,

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,

ANNAPOLIS, February 17, 1886.

In compliance with Act of 1878, Chapte 106, I hereby certify that the above is a true abstract from the statement of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Kent county, Md., to December 31st, 1885, now on file in this Department.

JESSE K. HINES, Insurance Commissioner

March 18—3t.

1886.

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Jan. 14, 1886.

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On and after Wednesday, March 24th, 1886, until further notice trains (Sundays excepted) will run as follows:

GOING NORTH	Pa se'r & freight no. 1 daily	Passe'r & freigt No. 3 Thursdays
LEAVE	A.M.	P.M.
Chestertown	6 30	2 20
Worton	6 47	2 40
Lynch's	6 53	2 50
Still Pond	7 00	3 00
Kennedyville	7 12	3 15
Blacks	7 27	3 30
Lambson	7 41	3 45
Masseys	7 53	3 55
Delanys	8 06	4 10
*Bingham	8 12	4 22
arr Clayton	8 30	4 30
leave "	8 43	5 03
" Middletown	9 04	5 37
" Wilmington	9 42	6 30
arr Philadelphia	10 32	7 31
" Baltimore	12 42	9 05
" New York	1.20	10 05
" Washington	4 45	10 15
	P. M.	P. M.

GOING SOUTH.	Pas'er & Fr'g't No. 2 daily	Passenger No 4, Thursdays.
LEAVE	a.m.	a.m.
Washington	7 15	11 00
New York	6 20	11 00
Baltimore	5 20	12 10
Philadelphia	9 10	3 01
Wilmington	10 15	3 50
Middletown	11 06	4 41
arr Clayton	11 37	5 03
leave	11 40	5 05
" Binghams*	11 48	5 10
Delanys	11 55	5 15
Masseys	12 10	5 30
Lambson	12 25	5 40
Blacks	12 40	5 50
Kennedyville	12 55	6 05
Still Pond	1 05	6 10
Lynchs	1 10	6 15
Worton	1 20	6 30
arr Chestertown	1 40	6 40
	p. m.	p. m.

Stations marked thus (*) have no agents.

Freight for Delanys and Bingham's must be prepaid.

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