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LOCAL MATTERS.

—Twenty-seven snows have been predicted for the present winter.

—Muzzled Chester river oysters are being shipped to distant points in the west.

—Messrs. Warden, of Dover, and I. N. Mills ran down to Chestertown on a special train, on business on Friday.

—Richard S. Bedding aged 81 years, and an old citizen of Galena, died on Monday from the infirmities of old age.

—R. D. Hynson, Esq., and Mr. James L. Beck, started on Friday last for St. Mary's county, to indulge in a week's gunning.

—Mr. Henry J. Gray, a prominent farmer living near Galena, recently lost a flock of twenty sheep by dogs. Mr. Gray's flock was literally ruined.

—Mrs. Mollie Coburn, wife of Capt. Benjamin Coburn, of Rock Hall, after a lingering illness of over six months, died at her home on Friday night, aged about thirty-five years. Mrs. Coburn leaves a little girl of about eight years of age.

—As the morning train one day last week approached Lambson's station, the building was discovered to be on fire, and but for the timely arrival of the trainmen, might have been totally destroyed. The damage, however, was slight.

—Corn sold in New York on Monday for seventy-five cents, and for one dollar in Chicago, says an exchange. Corn is selling for fifty cents a bushel shelled or in the ear (70 lbs. to the bushel) at the different railroad stations and river shipping points in Kent county.

—The new iron bridge at Sparks' Mill is pronounced to be the greatest improvement which the first district has had for a number of years. The committee has reported on the work, but the bridge has not as yet been formally accepted by the commissioners.

—Mr. Eugene Gooding, a prominent farmer, a gentleman always taking an active interest in county politics, and at one time collector of the first district, has moved to Baltimore, taking his family with him. Mr. Gooding's farm was sold to Mr. A. Woodall for $6,100.

—Mr. William M. Clendaniel, formerly of Kent and well known in the county, but at present one of the most successful young farmers of Delaware, last week killed on the farm where he lives near Middletown, a gray eagle weighing 12 pounds and measuring seven feet ten inches from tip to tip of wings.

—Messrs. Stacey, superintendent B. & D. B. R. R.; Holliday, superintendent Delaware R. R.; Alsip, Mr. Holliday's confidential clerk; T. H. Armstrong and a gentleman connected with the Maryland division, Pennsylvania railroad, were the guests of Senator W. T. Hepbron last week, on a gunning excursion.

—The Farmers' Alliance for Kent county met on Tuesday, Dec. 8. Messrs. W. J. Vannort, L. C. Justis and W. D. Pennington were appointed a committee to attend the Farmers' State Association in Baltimore, on Jan. 13, 1892. The Alliance also requested the President of the State Alliance to call a meeting of that body in Baltimore on Jan. 12, 1892.

—The four Seventh Day Adventists who are expected to come to Kent during the present winter, will arrive about Christmas. One of the Adventists will remain at Rock Hall, one will be placed at Fairlee, one at Chestertown and one at Crumpton. One of the forerunners has been at Rock Hall selling books, and already this, so far as Kent is concerned, new religion has gained followers.

—We were shown somewhat of a curiosity yesterday in the form of a three-cent note of the issue of March 3, 1863. The note was found in the drawer of an old sewing machine by Mr. Chas. J. Reiche. Mr. Reiche had taken a number of old machines—Howes, Weeds, Singers, etc., in exchange, and according to his custom of breaking them up each each, he was at this work when the note was discovered.

—The executor's sale of G. Oldham Massey, of the personal estate of the late Dr. C. H. B. Massey, which was to have commenced on Monday, but which did not commence until Tuesday, on account of the heavy storm which prevailed, will continue for five consecutive days, is possibly the largest sale of personal property ever made on the peninsula. The full equipment of stock and agricultural implements of seven large farms will be sold, the sale to take place at the home farm near Masseys.

—Capt. Geo. Johnson on Thursday last caught an eight and a half inch flying fish, in a net set in Chester river just below Chestertown. The curious looking fish had a head somewhat resembling that of an alligator and had prominent eyes. Its wings were about two inches long and when taken from the water, as an exhibitions of its powers of flight the fish flew from a man's hand a distance of six or seven feet.

—Captain Horace B. Nelson, of Kent Island, commander of the oyster police schooner Kate, died at the house of Chas. Miller, Boston street, Baltimore, on Wednesday night of last week. Capt. Nelson was found in his room on Tuesday morning nearly dead from the inhalation of gas. Medical aid was promptly summoned, and the unfortunate man rallied for a short time, but afterward relapsed into a comatose condition and died on Wednesday night.

—An exciting runaway occurred in the streets of Chestertown about half-past nine o'clock on Monday night. Mr. Snowden Thomas had brought a hog-scalder to town in a dearborn, and with several to assist him was unloading it near the TRANSCRIPT office, when the horse became frightened and dashed off at full speed. Mr. Thomas and Mr. Rawleigh, who were in the dearborn, were thrown forward and jumped out, and with the scalder were left behind. The horse ran through the town at a fearful rate of speed, but navigated the dearborn to his home, Mrs. M. A. Wilkins', without the slighest damage being done.

—"Worth makes the man, the want of it the fellow," and upon the same principle the intrinsic merit of a calendar, independent of gorgeous dressing, constitutes its value. But where these old friends reappear with increased merit, and at the same time having donned a new suit with which to run through the New Year, they are doubly appreciated. Already the handsome calendars of the "Royal" and "Pennsylvania" insurance companies have put in an appearance, and with royally lavish hand has W. Harper McFeely, the genial representative of these old and reliable companies, distributed their favors in the form of handsome calendars for 1892.

—The board of county commissioners met on Tuesday with all members present. An order was passed directing that the notice published on order of Nov. 26, 1891 relative to purchases, be republished in the TRANSCRIPT and *Kent News*. Samuel Comegys, late Sheriff filed an inventory of the county's effects in the jail. Sheriff Plummer also filed an inventory. Counter petition filed against granting the privilege to Capt. Joseph W. Thompson to erect a freight house on public wharf at Chestertown.

—A delightful Thanksgiving reunion was held at the home of Mr. John Bennett, at Kennedyville, on Thanksgiving day. These reunions of the Bennett family have been celebrated annually for some years. A number of friends and relatives from Delaware were present. The first year they met at Mr. Roberts', of Middletown, Del.; second year at Mr. Isaac Claver's, near Kennedyville; third year at Mr. Edgar Price's, near Millington; this year as above, and next year they will meet at Mr. Samuel Haman's, near Delaware City.

—A novel husking match occurred near Middletown, Delaware, between Mr. Jas. Biscoe, proprietor of the Biscoe Mill, near Millington, and Mr. Thomas Clayton, proprietor of the Smyrna House, on Thanksgiving day. The two gentlemen were driving along the road when they began discussing their abilities as corn huskers. The outcome was an agreement to husk it out for $25 in a nearby field, where farmhands were similarly employed. Although in their best attire, three bushels were husked in twenty minutes, and Mr. Biscoe won by half a dozen ears.

— Mr. William Walter Chapman, accompanied by his father, James W. Chapman and his groomsman, R. Harrison Collins, left Chestertown on Monday morning for Indianapolis, where, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James W. Dryer. Mr. Chapman and Miss Mayme Etta Dryer were married yesterday afternoon at six o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. Chapman after a protracted trip during which they will visit many points of interest, will return to Chestertown and will be at their pretty home on Spring Avenue after January 9.

—J. H. Clendaniels lost a valuable Jersey cow last week and had one or two affected with the unknown disease with which the first one died. The cow acted strangely and gave evidence of great pain before death. Mr. Fred Welsh made a postmortem examination and found in the cow's stomach thirteen rusty nails, shoe buttons, stones, etc. Several of the nails had punctured the stomach and had evidently caused death. It is supposed that the animals swallowed their unusual articles of food while licking for salt around an old house which had recently been torn down.

—A large fire in Queen Anne's, which could be plainly seen from elevated positions in Chestertown, on Thursday night, created some uneasiness among those who saw it. From the mere mention of the possibility, the report became current that Centreville was being destroyed. Observers from the tower on Stam's Hall, however, succeeded in locating the fire near Booker's wharf, and supposed that the dwelling or outbuildings on a farm were being burned. The facts in the case were, that it was the grass on an old sedgefield in Spaniard's Neck, and no damage was done.

—The Centreville creamery has been again sold, and for the third or fourth time put in operation after having failed to prove a profitable investment. The result of the enterprise in Queen Anne's is very different from the success of the creamery business in Kent. Notwithstanding the fact that we have a creamery plant at nearly every important town, Still Pond will soon add another to the list, and there may still be others to follow. The success of these enterprises rests peculiarly with the farmer, and unless he takes hold of it, (and he derives a vast benefit) success is impossible. This is a pointer for both the Queen Anne's farmer and the creamery man.

—The *Ladies' Home Journal* gives the following recipe for making a thoroughly satisfactory Christmas cake. Of course the directions must and will be carefully observed by the maker: One pound each of sugar, butter, citron and currants; two pounds of raisins, seeded; one and one-half pounds of flour, two-thirds of a cup of currant jelley, twelve eggs, one teaspoonful of sota, same of salt, a dash each of cayenne pepper and black pepper, and one cupful of molasses. Divide the flour into two parts; into one part put one teaspoonful of cinnamon; one nutmeg, grated; one-fourth teaspoonful of cloves, and two-thirds teaspoonful of allspice. Mix fruit with the other half of flour. Cream the butter and sugar, add the eggs, well beaten; dissolve the soda in warm water and stir in the molasses. Mix all well together and put in pans lined with buttered paper. This will make two large loaves. Bake in a moderate oven for two hours. The result is a Christmas cake which will delight the heart of a good housewife and please the palates of those who eat it.

Millington Items.

MILLINGTON, MD., Dec. 8, 1891.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—On Saturday last Mr. J. R. Jones carried an old cook stove to the store of Feddemen & Collins for repairs. The stove was bought at Mr. Staat's sale a few weeks ago. Saturday night between seven and eight o'clock, Mr. Collins went in the back room, where the old stove had been put, to draw oil, and was quite surprised to see sitting on top the stove a real live rabbit. He called to those in the store and gave chase, and succeeded in catching the rabbit after it had run around the room some time. They thought at first that it was a joke played on them by some of their friends, but finally came to the conclusion that it had been brought in the old stove; the latter being the case as they ascertained from one of Mr. Staats' boys, the stove had been stored in an old kitchen not used by them since the summer. Also ascertained that the boys had had several live rabbits in a box in the old kitchen, and one night a little over a week ago one of them got away, and must have taken up his abode in the stove, although the door to the kitchen often stood open at night, still the rabbit stuck to his hiding place down the pipe-hole in the old stove. The rabbit was turned loose to hunt other quarters for the winter.

Our town bailiff is either very slow, afraid to be out late, or thinks coal oil cheaper than daylight, as he often begins to light the street lamps, especially in cloudy weather, at half-past three or four o'clock in the afternoon. And if the wind is blowing a little, fails to light part of them at all, when there would be no trouble to light them if the lighter would simply take an old piece of sacking along to throw over the lamp while lighting.

The dredge boat that has been working between here and Crumpton during the past month, is now as far up as Kirby's landing. They report the dredging to be harder than they expected.

Rev. W. T. Weller, of Chesterville, while in town one day last week, left his daughter in the carriage to hold the horse. The train unexpectedly came along, the horse became frightened, turned around very short, ran about a hundred yards and was caught by F. J. McWhorter. No harm was done except the young lady was a little frightened. R. S.

—Rev. Ira Hicks, in his predictions for December, gives cold comfort to impoverished larders and low coal piles, as chilling blasts and freezing weather will figure conspicuously during the month. December will begin in a reactionary period. About the 8th, 9th and 10th there will be rainstorms, turning to snow with blizzard tendencies in the north, followed by hard freezing. Storminess and storm and rain is predicted about the 14th and 15th, and severe storms from the 19th to the 23d, bringing snow and cold for Christmas. This prediction was made on May 31st, 1890, more than eighteen months in advance. Watch the weather and see how near the prophet hits it. According to Jesse Hyatt, the Delaware prophet, the "beautiful snow" will be in an abundant supply during the month, as we are to have six good snows and four heavy storms. The following are his predictions for the month: 1st and 2d, cold and fair; between 3d and 7th, storm; 8th and 9th, cold; 10th and 12th, warmer and stormy; 13th, 14th and 15th, fair; 16th to 20th, southeasterly storms; 21st and 22d, fair; 23d and 27th, cold wave and snow; 28th fair; 29th and 30th, warmer and cloudy; 31st, cold. What has become of the "goose bone" weather-seer?

THOMPSON'S DEATH WARRANT READ.

Sheriff Edward J. Plummer at 3 o'clock on Thursday afternoon, read to Thomas Thompson, the murderer of William Adams on August 22, his death warrant. Thompson during the reading was leg-ironed and seated upon his cot, and though it is well known that the condemned man appreciates the fearful fate which awaits him, he showed no signs of particular feeling or interest in the reading of the paper having such fearful import to him. Before reading the warrant which was given in last week's paper, Sheriff Plummer said: "Thomas Thompson, it is my duty as Sheriff of Kent county to read to you in the presence of your counsel and your spiritual advisers the order or death warrant which I have received from the Governor of the State for your execution, which I shall now read; and I shall take pleasure in affording you every opportunity to confer with spiritual advisers, and otherwise to prepare yourself for the execution of your sentence."

Those present were Revs. S. C. Roberts, A. T. Melvin, James A. Pearce, Esq., and Lewin W. Wickes, the condemed man's counsel, ex-Sheriff Samuel Comegys, ex-deputy Sheriff C. C. Morgan, Frank Plummer, Bailiff Amos B. Kelley, Justice T. S. Dodd, Fred G. Usilton, R. H. Collins and C. C. Hopper. The prisoner spoke to several persons present, but seemed disposed to avoid unnecessary conversation.

Thompson, it is stated, has since his sentence been impressed with the idea that his friends among the colored people would make an effort to have his sentence commuted to imprisonment for life, but his counsel and others have dissipated all such hope and the doomed man is now confronted by the inevitable. After the reading of the death warrant Rev. A. T. Melvin remained with the prisoner to give all spritual comfort possible. Thompson insists that he did not mean to *kill* his victim.

What is usually known as the "death watch" was at once put upon the prisoner. This watch is more to guard against any possible attempt at self-destruction on the part of the prisoner than to guard against escape. Mr. Wilson Smith has been appointed night watchman. The law providing for the proper carring out of executions is as follows:

SECTION 31. "The sheriff shall execute the sentence of death pronounced against any criminal by the judgment of any court of this State, whenever he is authorized to do so by the warrant of the Governor, and it shall be the duty of the sheriff to execute every such sentence of death in as private a manner as possible, and to exclude from the view thereof all persons except his deputies, the spiritual advisers of the criminal, the legal counsel who defended him, his or her relatives, not more remote than the second degree of either affinity or consanguinity, and such other persons, not exceeding twenty, as he may appoint to witness the same; and the said sheriff shall notify the physician of the jail, if there be any, or if there be no such physician, or he refuse to attend the execution, then said sheriff shall procure some other physician of good standing to attend and furnish him a certificate that the execution was properly performed, and for said service said physician shall receive the sum of fifteen dollars, to be paid by the city or county where said execution takes place, as the case may be; and said sheriff shall return the execution of the sentence under said warrant, including oath, to the court which sentenced said prisoner, together with said physician's certificate, which with said return shall be recorded by the clerk among the proceedings in the case."

Interesting Foot-Ball.

An exciting and interesting game of foot-ball was played Saturday afternoon on the college campus, between a number of young men from the upper portion of Chestertown aided by several players from the college, and a team composed of young men from down-town. It was at first proposed that the contest should be between down-town and up-town teams, but that arrangement was not literally carried out. There was some first-rate work done and with proper practice Chestertown has material capable of great development. The score stood 6 to 0 in favor of the up-town team. It is claimed by the down-town team that the up-town men possessed the weight while they held the balance of power in skill and good generalship. The teams lined up as follows:

Down-Town.		Up-Town.
Thomas	Right end	Clayton
Greenwood	Right tackle	Glover
Cameron	Right guard	J. Cannon
Perkins, F.	Centre	McIntire
Rickey	Left guard	Rawleigh
Willis	Left tackel	Sherwood
Perkins, H.	Left end	Stevens
Turner	Right half-back	H. Cannon
Massey	Left half-back	Watts
Perkins, R.	Full-back	Barnett
Perkins, T. W.	Quarter-back	Usilton

Referee, Earle Fisher.

College Notes.

Prof. Clarke has been confined to his room for over a week with a severe cold. Mrs. Proctor has been very acceptably filling his place.

Dr. Reid addressed the Young Men's Christian Association on Sunday. There was a general and quite lively discussion of several Bible topics. Next Sunday an interesting programme consisting of music and declamation, etc., will be given.

The Western Maryland College foot-ball team will play the college team on the home grounds Saturday morning. Game to call at 10.30. The Western Maryland team is composed of heavy men and the college boys will have all they can do to defeat them.

The students are already looking forward to the Christmas holidays which will begin on Wednesday, Dec. 23, and continue two weeks.

Prof. Watts will deliver an address before the Theachers' Association of Port Deposit, on the occasion of their twenty-first anniversary, Dec. 11. Subject; Our Standing Army, or The Public School Our National Defense.

CHURCH NOTES

A Seventh Day Adventist service will be held in Downey's Hall, Rock Hall tonight.

4th. Quarterly Conference for Cecilton will be held Saturday at 10 30 A. M. preaching by the Elder on Sunday at 3 P. M.

Miss Claudia White, of Rockville, Montgomery county, Md., has reached China as a Baptist missionary.

Rev. Addison Ingle, formerly of Frederick, Md., has reached his destination in Japan, where he has gone as a missionary.

Fourth Quarterly Conference for Sassafras will be held on Nov. 14th, at 10 A. M. preaching by the elder on Sunday at 7½ P. M.

Don't forget to hear Miss Clara Cushman the Chinese Missionary in the lecture room of the M. E. Church this afternoon at 4 o'clock, and again at night in the audience room at 7.30 P. M. Her experience of more than 20 years in China is well worth hearing.

The fourth quarterly conference of Galena and Locust Grove M. E. churches, will be held in Galena on the 12th and 13th inst. Quarterly conference on Saturday the 12th at 3 P. M.; love feast, Sabbath morning at 9.30, and preaching by Rev. Alfred Smith, P. E., at 10.30 A. M.

Rev. W. Jamison Fitzsimon was installed as pastor of the Westminster Presbyterian Church, Georgetown, Tuesday evening, Nov. 24. A large congregation was present. Rev. F. H. Moore, of Middletown, presided and after devotional exercises introduced Rev. F. J. Stonecipher, of Dover, who preached the sermon and installed the minister. Rev. F. H. Moore delivered the charge to the pastor, and Rev. J. W. Perry, of Chesapeake City, delivered the charge to the people.

The Chapel at Morgan's Creek, known as Zion M. E. Church, was dedicated on Sunday last by Rev. R. W. Todd, of Greensboro. Services were held all day. In the morning the sermon was preached by Rev. R. W. Todd. In the afternoon Rev. R. Irving Watkins preached and the dedication followed. At night the services were of a revival character. The singing was in charge of Prof. R. K Pippin assisted by Miss Julia Thompson, Miss Mollie Parks and Mr. A. Biscoe. The building is all payed for, and with the money raised recently by the festival and on day of dedication it is proposed to carpet the aisle and pulpit and put blinds to the windows. The pastor is now holding a series of revival services in the church.

New Advertisements.

We publish to-day Order of Publication in the case of the McCormick Harvesting Machine Co. against John P. Cochran, Jr., and Richard W. Cochran.

Cashier W. B. Copper gives notice that the annual election of directors for the Second National Bank of Chestertown, for the ensuing year, will be held on Tuesday, January 12, 1892, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M.

The county commissioners give notice that no bills will be honored by the board for goods purchased, unless such purchases are made upon the written order of the commissioner from the district in which the purchaser lives.

M. A. Toulson advertises a magnificent assortment of beautiful Christmas goods. His line of goods in every department is complete, and with the maximum in the quality of good, he has established the minimum standard in low prices.

W. E. Moody, the clothing man, says he has not departed from his first standpoint, good goods, honest prices, and he intends to continue on the same line, fully realizing that his future business depends on this principle. So see him, he will prove any assertion he makes.

Hope H. Barroll, Esq., advertises at Mortagees sale two valuable properties. One situated near the village of Millington, the other being the "Horace Beck Home Farm," containing four-hundred acres. Both properties are disirable and valuable. Read advertisements for particulars.

Mr. W. N. E. Wickes advertises a large and valuable lot of stock and farming implements for sale. A rare opportunity to secure the choice of a number of valuable horses, milch cows, farming implements, etc. A detailed list given in the advertisement.

Mrs. H. E. Matthews, advertises sale of valuable personal property which was posponed from December 8, to take place on December 15. A large lot of valuable personalty will be offered among which might be mentioned a fine flock of fifty sheep and other desirable stock.

Colin F. Stam advertises a veritable emporium of art and beauty, and best of all states that his prices are in harmony with the demands of the times—the most beautiful goods at marvelously low prices. His opening on Tuesday was an entire success. Read his advertisement, and then inspect his stock.

Thomas H. Horsey's new advertisement in this issue is the key to the Christmas situation in the county. An immense stock of beautiful goods in every department is the inducement which he offers. He says that it is worth a ride of many miles to see his chaste assortment of presents for the holidays. Do not fail to read his advertisement and then visit him.

The Druckenmiller family, the great literary and musical wonders, will give what promises to be a delightful entertainment at Stam's Hall to-morrow evening. The entertainments by this family are highly recommended by both pulpit and press, and a choice programme has been arranged for the musical and literary treat promised for to-morrow evening. See advertisement.

Moody, the live and progressive clothing man is still in it, and his constantly increasing trade enables him to offer to the public each week advantages which the week before was never dreamed of or anticipated. Read his business-like advertisement and he will tell you all about it. He also advertises a yellow and white mixed setter which the finder is requested to leave at his clothing emporium and recieve a reward.

Messrs. A. E. Perkins and T. H. Simmons, advertise in this issue one of the most valuable lots of milch cows ever offered in the county. The cows are all graded Holsteins and peculiarly valuable to farmers in the vicinity of creameries, as they are unsurpassed milkers and were carefully selected by the gentlemen themselves in the great dairying section of New York. A rare chance. Read their advertisement.

The Markets.

As per yesterday, s papers: Wheat.—Steamer No 2. red 98, No. 2 red 103½.

Corn.—White by sample 48a58, steamer 57. Yellow on ear scarce and selling at $2.45a$2.50 per barrel.

Progress.

It is very important in this age of vast material progress that a remedy be pleasant to the taste and to the eye, easily taken, acceptable to the stomach and healthy in its nature and effects. Possessing these qualities, Syrub of Figs is the one perfect laxative and most gentle diuretic known.

HULLESS OATS CASE.

Opinion of Judge Alvey of Court of Appeals.

The following opinion of Judge Alvey will be found of interest to the farming community throughout the State, since nearly each and every section of the State has suffered from losses, the counterparts of the cause of the suit in which the following opinion was rendered. The case was an action brought in the Circuit Court for Montgomery county to recover on a hulless oats note, and was appealed to Court of Appeals and judgment reversed. The facts adduced at the trial were about the same as the suits in Kent and Queen Anne's counties. After reciting the evidence, Judge Alvey says:

"Frauds and deceptions of the character here complained of had become so frequent in some parts of the State that the Legislature, by the Act of 1888, chapter 415, passed only a little more than a month after the date of the note sued on, has undertaken to put a restraint upon such transactions, by bringing parties perpetrating such frauds within the purview of the penal Code. And while the provisions of that statute cannot apply to this case, they furnish evidence of how such transactions are and have been regarded, and of the necessity of denouncing them as criminal by the law. In deciding this case, as presented on the instruction of the court below, we must allow to the undisputed facts their full force and effect; and so treating them, no other conclusion can be drawn than that there was gross fraud perpetrated upon the defendant in obtaining from him the note sued on; and the material question is, whether there was evidence legally sufficient to be submitted to the jury from which they could find that the plaintiff was not a *bona fide* holder of the note for value. The court below instructed that there was no evidence legally sufficient from which they could find that the plaintiff had any knowledge or notice of fraud or want of consideration in the making of the note, and that therefore their verdict must be for the plaintiff for the amount of the note. In this we think there was an error.

"Fraud in the inception of the note being established by incontrovertible evidence, it was incumbent upon the plaintiff to show that the note came to him before maturity, *bona fide*, and for value. For even though he may have paid the full face value of the note, still, if he had knowledge at the time of the fraudulent inception of the note, or of the want of consideration for the same, he would not be a *bona fide* holder, and could stand in no better position than the party from whom he obtained the note. This is the settled doctrine in this State, as it is elsewhere. Totton vs. Bucy, 57 Md., 446; Williams vs. Huntingdon, 68 Md., 591. In Stewart vs. Lansing, 104 U. S., 505, it was held by the Supreme Court, that the indorsee of negotiable paper which has a fraudulent or illegal inception, must, in order to entitle him to recover thereon, prove that he is a *bona fide* holder thereof for value. And many other authorities to the same effect might be cited, but it is unnecessary.

"Here, there is evidence to show that Classon, who obtained the note from Hook, the payee, indorsed and transferred the note to the plaintiff before its maturity. But Classon swears that he knew, at the time he obtained the note from Hook, 'that it was given for hulless oats; and that said oats were worthless, and that this was the prevalent opinion in and around Westminster, where he and the plaintiff resided.'

"There can be no doubt, therefore, that Classon possessed knowledge of the fraudulent inception and character of the note. It is true, the knowledge possessed by Classon would not affect the validity of the note in the hands of the plaintiffs, if the latter acquired title to the note before maturity, in good faith and for value. But if the plaintiff had notice, at the time he purchased the note, that it was void, or was subject to impeachment for fraud, or want of consideration, in the hands of Classon, he took it subject to the same equities and defenses that it was subject to in the hands of Classon. Classon not being a *bona fide* holder, neither could the plaintiff be, if he took the note with knowledge of the facts that affected it in the hands of Classon, Story on Prom. Notes, sec 190 and 191. 'And it is agreed on all sides,' says Judge Story, in his work on Promissory Notes, sec. 197, 'that express notice is not indispensable, but it will be sufficient, if the circumstances are of such a strong and pointed character, as necessarily to cast a shade upon the transaction and to put the holder upon inquiry. Mere negligence or want of caution, such as may exist without the imputation of bad faith, will not do, but a party must not be wilfully blind and inattentive to such facts and circumstances as would lead him directly to the knowledge of the infirmities of the paper.'

"The note, as has been stated, was by its terms made payable on or before the 1st of March, 1889, and the bond to the defendant obligated the Seed Company to sell for the defendant the forty bushels of hulless oats, at $10 per bushel, on or before the first of February, 1889. And, according to the proof, the proceeds of this sale of oats, were in part, to be applied in taking up the note. As between the original parties to the note, and as against all who subsequently took it after maturity, or who took it by transaction before maturity, with notice or knowledge of the facts of the transaction out of which the note had its origin, the bond and the note must be taken together as forming parts of one and the same contract, and must be construed together as constituting the entire contract between the parties. It is very apparent that the note would not have been given without the bond, and that the bond formed the principal, if not the entire inducement to the making of the note. The stipulations of the bond have not been performed, and, with the knowledge of the deception in regard to the oats, it is most improbable that the party giving it ever supposed that the bond could be performed. The consideration of the note, therefore, has utterly failed, or rather no valid or substantial consideration for it ever existed, and, therefore, no holder of the note is entitled to recover thereon, except a party who may have in good faith acquired title to the note before maturity, and for value. See Sutton vs. Beckwith, 68 Mich., 303; McNamara vs. Gargett, 68 Mich., 454.

Was there evidence, then, legally sufficient, that ought to have been committed to the jury, from which they could have found that there was notice on the part of the plantiff at the time of obtaining the note, or the want of consideration, or of fraud in its inception? We think there was such evidence, and that there was error in not submitting it to the jury.

"The plaintiff, admitted that he knew of the seed company, and of its dealings in hulless oats, though he swears that he obtained the note innocently, and without any knowledge of the want of consideration or of fraud. He was not a shaver, and Classon, from whom he obtained the note swears that at the time he transferred the note to the plantiff he told him that the note was given for 'hulless oats.' This witness, Classon, also swears that he offered the note to the plantiff at a discount of 15 per cent., but that the plantiff would not take it at that rate, but offered and did take it at 20 per cent. though the note bore interest from date. He also swears that, at the time of selling the note to the plaintiff, the latter requested him to keep quiet about it. The witness himself knew that the note had been given for 'hulless oats,' and that the oats were wortless, though, he says he did not tell the plaintiff that he knew the oats were worthless. This was evidence, certainly, from which the jury might or might not have concluded that the plaintiff had knowledge of the fraudulent character of the note at the time he discounted it at a rather heavy shave of 20 per cent., and it was evidence, we think, that the jury should have been allowed to consider."

"As we are of the opinion, moreover, that there was error in striking out the testimony set forth in the first exception; that testimony furnished evidence that the plaintiff as far back as January, 1886, knew of the dealing in hulless oats in this neighborhood, and that they were things about which people were liable to be swindled, as he alleged his son to have been. This proof was of circumstances that should have been permitted to go to the jury in connection with the proof of the facts of the case. The judgment must therefore be reversed and a new trial awarded. Judgment reversed and new trial awarded."

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