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EX-PRESIDENT R. B. HAYES, died suddenly at 11 o'clock on Tuesday night, of neuralgia of the heart, at Fremont, Ohio, aged 70 years.

IN REVIEWING the evidence before the coroner's jury, in the Hill murder case, in the TRANSCRIPT EXTRA of Friday, by an unintentional oversight, we were made to say that Mr. D. James Hall, the first witness, was a colored man. This was an error which we regret. Mr. Hall is a prosperous and reputable citizen and merchant of Millington. The desire to give a full and accurate history of the crime and its subsequent incidents within the shortest possible time, we hope will plead in extenuation of any and all errors made.

KENT COUNTY has been most outrageously misrepresented by the slanderous reports of unscrupulous city newspaper men, and it behooves the people to meet and unite for the purpose of taking such measures as may be necessary to refute the disparageing reports which have been giving currency through the press. As one disreputable and irresponsible newspaper man should not be allowed to brand the entire profession, and taint with his own contemptible personality the respectible members of the community of journalism, neither should a few drunken, lawless citizens be allowed to constitute a community

ADVOCATES of a prompt reassessment are now preparing to hasten the matter by petitions numerously signed, to be presented to the Governor, asking that the Legislature be convened for a period of thirty days for the purpose of passing an assessment bill. While there is no possible room for doubt that there now exists glaring inequalities in taxation which should be promptly overcome, yet, it is highly probable that the present values of real estate, will render the taxable basis so much lower than at present, that the amount of personalty to be brought in by a reassessment will counteract this depreciation, and simply result in increasing the per cent. and at the same time leave the tax-payer to shoulder the enormous expense which must be the necessary outgrowth of the reassessment. That a large amount of personalty now taxable, or which it is desired to make so, will escape is equally clear, and the subject of an extra session of the General Assembly, as well as the reassessment, is one which should receive the careful consideration of the people. The tax-dodger has already considered it.

SENSATIONAL MISREPRESENTATIONS.

WELL may nineteenth century civilization shudder, and the honor and manhood of the county stand aghast, in the presence of the reports which have within the past ten days been disseminated by the press, relative to the execution which took place in Chestertown on Friday last. Scarcely second to the harrowing crime which deprived the county of a respected citizen, is the calamity of having been visited by representatives of certain supposed reputable and reliable journals. Well may the public pause in amazement, when the press, which, when properly exercising its powers, is so potent for good, becomes a channel for the dissemination of statements so infamously false, and glaringly libelous in character as those which were given circulation last week. The representatives of the press were extended every possible courtesy and consideration by Sheriff Plummer and all officials and citizens of the town, and it is impossible to account for the garbled statements which have appeared. That there was some drunkenness and disorder of a character reflecting no credit upon the community at large, none dare contradict, but that such cases of disorder prevailed as has been represented, is entirely false.

At the highest estimate there were not in Chestertown five hundred people in excess of her permanent population, and far less than on many Tuesdays or Saturdays, and throughout the day the town was unusually quiet. Not more than fifty men bore arms, and less than one hundred and fifty men composed the sheriff's posse. There was some drunkenness and some disorder, and a number of boards were broken from the fence surrounding the jail, but in the main the order was good. The Middletown (Delaware) *Transcript*, which was represented, says that several hundred entered the jail yard; "but among all there was no disturbance, and after it was all over they began to disperse."

The Philadelphia *Times* thus puts it: "A mob swept away the fences of the jail just before the men began their march to the gallows, and the struggles of the wretched quartette were watched by five hundred pitiless spectators, any one of whom would have riddled the swaying corpses with buckshot if there had not been great danger of killing a neighbor in the melee. It was a day of boisterous excitement from dawn to dusk. The town never contained so many people before, and at no time has it been so thoroughly aroused. There were a thousand drunken men in the streets carrying rifles, and there were ten thousand others more or less sober, whose mission was for war or peace, according to the circumstances."

The statement of every other detail was as infamously false, and are unworthy either of refutation or notice. The Philadelphia *Record* and the *Press*, with other papers, eternally compromised their profession, and rendered themselves notorious for the glaring inaccuracy and sensational nature of their misstatements. If this is advanced and progressive journalism, God forbid that our county and State may ever be afflicted with such advancement.

THERE is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requries constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials, Address.

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RAILROAD EXTENSION.

The following letter written to Mr. Jos. Turner, by Frank L. Hall, president of the Baltimore and Delaware Bay Railroad, fully sets forth the part which Chestertown is to take, if the extension of the railroad to the river is secured. If the town desires this very desirable improvement, it is important that it act promptly. The importance of the change to Chestertown is such that the matter should be thoroughly investigated, and at once.

B. & D. B. R. R. Co., PRES'T. OFFICE, NEW YORK, Jan. 10, 1893.

JOESPH TURNER, ESQ.,—*Dear Sir:* At a conference between Mr. Maxwell, Mr. Stacey and myself, held on Thursday last, it was decided that we would extend the B. & D. B. R. R. from its present terminus in Chestertown, Md., to the dock on Chester river, provided reasonable assurance could be given us that freight amounting to at least two carloads per week day will be delivered to us by yourself, or the persons or corporation who propose leasing the mill for a period not less than two years, for transportation over our line.

We should also expect that the right of way through the lands belonging to the heirs of John N. Usilton, be granted to us without cost.

Upon this being done, we should change our Chestertown depot to Cross street, in said town.

Very truly yours,

FRANK L. HALL, President.

WINTRY BLASTS, INDEED.

Intense Cold Throughout the Country.

The present intense cold spell stands pre-eminently as the most wide spread, protracted, and most intense which has visited this country for a number of years. The thermometer in Kent has registered in different sections of the county from 4° to 6° below zero since Sunday last, and on yesterday morning stood 2° below in Chestertown at seven o'clock, and was reported at 6° below at five o'clock. Chesapeake bay is frozen over, and traffic from Baltimore is entirely suspended, except in the wake of ice-boats.

At Cape May the ice extends out into the ocean fifteen miles.

The Delaware river is blockaded.

At Asheville, N. C., the thermometer has fallen to 14°.

In Pennsylvania the thermometer has registered from 15° to 25°.

MEMPHIS, TENN., Jan. 16.—Never in the history of the central South has there been so much suffering as at present. All rivers have been blocked with ice and snow, rendering passage over them impossible. Many trains are late and some have been abandoned by their suffering crews. The most intense suffering is prevalent among mountaineers. The snow is from 10 inches to 3 feet deep in Eastern Tennessee, Western North Carolina and Eastern Kentucky, and all kinds of labor have been suspended.

KNOXVILLE, TENN., Jan. 16.—Not for thirty years has there been such severe weather as now prevails in this section. The thermometer is far below zero and a dozen or more people are reported frozen to death.

MILWAUKEE, Jan. 16.—Dispatches from all parts of the State report the coldest weather for years. In Milwaukee it was 14° below yesterday. At Sparta the mercury froze solid at 40° below yesterday. At Whitehall it was 45° below; Lacrosse, 36°; Medford, 42°; Neenah, 28°; watertown, 30°; Kaukauna, 30°. The winnebago Indians on the reservation near Black River Falls are suffering terribly.

ST. PAUL, Jan. 16.—The mercury went below zero in November, and has been above that mark only at rare intervals since. On Christmas Day it was 25° below, about the same on New Years, and has maintained a steady gait ever since. At St. Vincent and Mendoza 40° below has been reached.

THE PEACH PROPHET OUT.

While the weather prognosticator and the cold weather prophet, are smilingly saying, "I told you so," the peach man has made his debut. The Denton *Journal*, with characteristic enterprise, has interviewed Mr. J. W. Kerr, one of the leading peach authorities in the State, with the following result:

He on January 6th made an examination of about one hundred varieties, taking the twigs from all sides so that all conditions of buds might be scrutinized. He found them *all* safe and sound. The wood was in the best condition. The hard freeze has done no damage whatever. The peach bud in the winter is safe until the mercury reaches a point considerably below zero. Mr. Kerr does not attribute the poor peach crop of last year to the weather of the winter and early spring, but to the fact that the year was an unnatural one for fruit trees. The buds for lack of nourishment from the wood, perished the preceding fall. Had the winter and spring weather been all the grower could desire, still the crop would have been very poor. But no such untoward circumstances existed in the fall of 1892, and owners of peach orchards may regard the chances for a fruit crop this year as very bright.

Hon. A. B. Roe, another peach authority, says the prospect is flattering.

To Fruit Growers.

The New York Fruit and Produce Trade Association, has issued a circular, notifying growers and shippers of berries and small fruits, that in the future they must provide themselves with non-returnable or gift crates for shipment to the New York market. They say: It has been the custom of the commission men in the past, when selling berries, to demand the return of the empty crate, and to insure this, required a deposit from the buyer. This custom can no longer be enforced. The organized and unorganized buyers have determined that they will no longer endure the losses which the system of returning crates has inflicted upon them. When berry crates were expensive we could enforce our demands for a deposit, but now there are several available styles of gift crates, and sales in the future made for the return of the crate will require a sacrifice in the price of the fruit.

The gift crate will make but little, if any increased cost to the shipper, when are taken into account the cost of the returnable crate; the percentage of crates lost; the cost of repairs; new cups; the decreased freights; the disadvantage of marketing fruit in old and dirty cups and crates. With non-returnable crates will come more extended markets, increased consumption, and better prices from the use of new and clean packages.

CHEAP TRIPS TO CALIFORNIA.—The Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Co., announces a special trip to San Francisco and other Pacific Coast points, via of St. Louis on February 14th next. This trip has been especially arranged for the accommodation of persons desiring to settle in the West, and should be largely patronized by them. All comforts necessary for a transcontinental trip. Apply to B. F. Bond, Division Passenger Agent, or Daniel Bride, Passenger Agent, B. & O. Central Building, Baltimore, Md., for full informations as to rates to all points West, and time of train from various stations on B. & O. lines.

ECHOES OF THE EXECUTION.

Mrs. Hill's Protest to Governor Brown —Differences of Opinion Relative to the Commutation.

The grim exterior of the fatal gallows is all that remains at the Chestertown jail to remind one of the quadruple execution which, less than a week ago, occurred. The death watch have ceased their work, and quiet prevails in the gloomy corridors, and the fearful drama has closed, never, it is hoped, to be repeated in Kent or elsewhere.

The details of the execution were given in the TRANSCRIPT EXTRA of Friday, and it is not deemed necessary to repeat, but only supplement what was then said.

The statement that Comegys after the trap fell uttered cries of "Oh, Lord! Oh! Oh!" is pronounced to be utterly without foundation by Sheriff Plummer and many others who were present.

Dr. Kelley pronounced Williams dead in twelve minutes after the drop fell, his neck having been broken. Dr. Whaland pronounced Brooks dead in ten minutes, his neck also having been broken. Dr. Wethered stated that Moses Brown was dead in fifteen minutes after the drop fell, his neck also having been broken, while Dr. Hines pronounced Friz Comegys dead in seventeen miutes after the fall. The doctor said that he died fram strangulation and dislocation of the neck.

Discussion has continued throughout the county relative to Governor Brown's action in commuting the sentence of the four boys, Hurtt, Benson, Emory and Baynard. While there are those who highly commend the Governor's action, there are many who vigorously condemn it as being subversive of the best interests of the community at large, and as having a negative effect upon the efficacy of the legal remedies in such cases.

Mrs. J. H. Hill, wife of the murdered man, wrote the following letter to Gov. Brown in December last.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 16, 1892.

GOVERNOR BROWN—*Dear Sir:* There is in circulation a petition soliciting the commutation of the five boys implicated in the murder of Dr. J. Heighe Hill. As a widow of the murdered man, the mother of his orphan child, and one who has suffered most by their act of outlawry, I implore you not to commute the sentence passed upon them.

They were tried and found guilty before an impartial Court of three Judges, and assuredly deserve the severest penalty of the law. And their attorney states they are all older than represented. While the forfeit of their lives cannot recall my dead or restore me to a happy home and associations, I realize as the one most interested I would not be enacting my part or doing my duty in behalf of my assassinated helpmate if I did not make this request for justice. Hoping and trusting my insignificant letter may receive your attention and approbation, I remain most respectfully, MRS. J. H. HILL.

Since, referring to the communtation the sorrow-striken wife has said: "I think that Governor Brown has outraged the motherhood and the womanhood of the State of Maryland. I have no desire for the death of any one, but as a mother and the widow of a man who was foully murdered I think that his excise of his Constitutional prerogative in the present case was uncalled for. When I first heard of the efforts for executive clemency being made for the younger of the convicted men, I appealed to Governor Brown to let the law take its course. No one but myself can realize the emotions that passed through my heart on that fatal morning when I saw my husband dying and bleeding in his carriage."

"He left home that Saturday night about 10 o'clock in the perfect flush of a happy home. He kissed me goodbye and gave the last kiss to the little baby. All was happy when he went away. He told me he was only going down to his drug-store and would not be gone long. At midnight he did not return, and I began to grow uneasy. I kissed my little baby and dressed and stood by the window waiting for my husband's return. About four o'clock in the morning I heard the sound of his carriage, I knew that my husband had returned and my heart grew light again. I waited with joy for my husband to come into the house, after he had, as I supposed, put his horse in the stable. I waited a long time. Finding that he did not come, I went downstairs and passed out into the yard. I cannot tell what I then thought. I thought that I would die. Before my eyes in his carriage was the insensible and bleeding form of my husband. He could not speak. I ran up to him and saw that he had been murdered.

"As a woman who has passed through this ordeal I protest against the action of Governor Brown in commuting the sentence of four of the persons who had a hand and who took an active part in the murder of my husband.

"I appeal from his action to those of the State, who love the sanctity of the home and who honor the names mother and wife, and who protect the name orphan. Without any cause whatever I am made a widow and my child an orphan. Three judges of unquestioned ability and integrity sat in trial and found guilty all the men. The law was then applied and death for each one was the inevitable result."

It is now hoped that the community at large will consider the matter calmly and dispassionately, and it becomes the press to further in every way possible such ends.

Mr. John H. Greenwood and his little son have received the following letters, which will explain themselves.

WILMINGTON, DEL., Jan. 14, 1893.

MR. GREENWOOD—*Dear Sir:* With this I send the Memoirs of John Howard, the celebrated philanthropist, who spent most of his life among prisoners, and to whose efforts America and Europe are indebted for prison reform. Will you please present the book to your honored and noble son, who, although so young, has shown the disposition of Howard.

Very respectfully, ANNIE SEMPLE.

WILMINGTON, DEL., Jan. 14, 1893.

BENNY GREENWOOD—*My Dear Boy:* I was greatly pleased to learn of your kindness to the poor, ignorant men, whose lives were taken for the dreadful crime they committed. The blessings of God rests upon you. Jesus our Savior, says: "Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of the least of these, ye did it unto me." I send you the memoirs of John Howard, which I think will interest you. Wishing you a long and useful life, I am your friend,

ANNIE SEMPLE.

Joshua Baynard, Louis Benson, Henry Hurtt and Charles S. Emory, whose sentences were commuted by Governor Brown to imprisonment for life in the penitentiary, were put to work last week in the shoe shop. Dr. Theodore Cooke, Jr., physician to the penitentiary, said they were not physically able to engage in hard labor. This is why they were assigned to work in the shoe shop.

The Peach Fever.

Dr. Anderson read an interesting paper before the Medical Society of Washington county, last week, on a brand new disease, the peach fever. The doctor said:

"It is well known that the yearly revival of vegetable life sets free in the atmosphere small particles of organic matter which irritate the respiratory passages.

Peach fever is a morbid condition of the respiratory tract and cutaneous surface, together with subsequent systematic disturbance, due to irritation from the pubescence of the skin of the common peach. From the hairy premature in June to the woolly Smock in September, there is given off from the various varieties of the peach a vegetal irritant which is known as fuzz. The fuzz irritates the air passages, the conjunctival, and the skin; the latter, especially, when perspired and chafed. In this climate the Schneiderian membrane is always in a resentful state. It soon becomes inflamed and exudes a large amount of serum. This is accompanied with sneezing, fullness and headache. The conjunctival weep from the same cause. The mucous membrane of the throat becomes tumefied.

The forearms, neck and forehead take on eruptions, puritis, etc. I have seen one case of pustulas eruption. There is a systematic rise of temperature. Both pickers and packers are subject to the disease. The condition of the atmosphere is a factor in the case.

Peach fever is not contagious, and so far I have not been able to isolate a specific microbe."

NOTICE.

All persons owing bills to the late Dr. J. H. Hill will please settle all such claims with John P. Ahern, Millington, Md., before March 1, 1893. All bills unsettled at that date will be placed in the hands of an officer for collection.

j19-3t. S. J. HILL.

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j19-3t.

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j19-3t. C. R. AIKINSON.

NOTICE.

Having purchased the MILLINGTON ROLLER MILLS and put in a lot of New Machinery, I am now prepared to do both Custom and Merchant Work. FLOUR and FEED for sale. Patronage of the public solicited.

Respectfully,

j10-3t. E. W. SPEAR.

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AMERICAN STRAWBOARD COMPANY, W. T. MATTHEWS, Supt. d29-3t.

NOTICE.

The board of County Commissioners for Kent county, give notice that no articles or supplies of any kind for Kent county, purchased by any county officer, supervisor or agent will be recognized by the board unless such purchase or purchases have been made upon the written order of the County Commissioner of the district in which the party purchasing such supplies or goods may reside.

T. J. SHALLCROSS, Pres;
R. C. MORGAN,
G. W. RODENHISER,
JOHN A. GROVES,
HORACE WILLSON,
Commissioners.

10-tf.

County Commissioners' Notice.

Owing to the great expense attending the Hill murder case, the County Commissioners have resolved not to consider any petitions for new roads and bridges throughout the county the coming year, 1893.

THOS. J. SHALLCROSS,
R. C. MORGAN,
G. W. RODENHISER,
JOHN A. GROVES,
HORACE WILLSON,
County Commissioners.

Test—T. WATERS RUSSELL, Clerk. d15-tf.

COMMISSIONERS' NOTICE

To the Traveling Public

Section 47 of Article 15 of Code of Public Local Laws provides that "All persons passing over the Sassafras River Bridge on horseback, in carriages, carts, wagons, sleighs or other vehicles, shall be required to put their horses in a walk, otherwise they shall be fined five dollars for each and every offence; it shall be the duty of the bridge tender to see to the enforcement of this section; any Justice of the Peace for either Kent county or Cecil county, in which any party violating the above provisions may be found, shall have jurisdiction in the matter, and the penalty shall be recovered in the name of the County Commissioners in said counties, in an action of debt."

By order of Co. Commis. of Kent Co.

T. W. RUSSELL, Clerk

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S. C. ROSENBERG.
123 N. Eutaw St., Baltimore, Md.

NEW YORK, Aug. 12, 1892.

MR. S. C. ROSENBERG, 123 N. Eutaw St., Baltimore, Md.—*Dear Sir:* The Twilley's Liniment you gave me to try for neuralgia has entirely cured me, and I have almost one-half bottle left. I thank you very much for it, and when I come to Baltimore on or about Dec. 25th, I will call on you to get the directions of Mr. Twilley, so I can get a new supply of Liniment, as I would not be without it on my travels.

Yours truly, JOHN CURTIS.

OTHER REFERENCES.—Messrs. E. N. Roland M. A. Tonison, A. I. Dugan, Wm. Kirby, L. B. Russell, B. F. Fleming, Chestertown; Wm. Archibald, Kennedyville; John Noland, Crumpton; Rev. Wm. K. Galloway, Seaford, Del; Mrs. Laura V. Snyder, 811 N. Carey St., Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. Kate Maslin, Rock Hall, Md.; Prof. J. B. Hazell, Sudlersville, Md.

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Albert Godwin, Plaintiff,

vs.

S. Ellen Spry, Samuel M. Ford, Eliza J. Ford, George W. Spry, Charles H. B. Spry, Walter M. Spry, James A. Spry, Walter M. Spry, James A. Spry, Vermadilla S. Massey, Robert B. M. Massey, Lena Ireland, Jonathan J. Hurlock, Araminta Hurlock, George A. Ireland, Mary Ireland, Thomas G. Jarman, Elizabeth Jarman, Lillie Wiggins, Charles Wiggins, William Jarman, Samuel Boyd, Martha Boyd, Hannah Gooding, Perry Ruth, Sarah Ruth, Peter Brinsfield, Mattie Brinsfield, C. W. S. Medders, Andrew Medders, John Medders, Charles T. Westcott, trustee of C. Wright Spry.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County in Equity, No. 1,019.

THE object of this bill is to obtain a decree appointing a trustee to collect certain annual rent charges due the estate of Martha Jane Walmsley, formerly Martha Jane Mann, due her under deed from Caleb W. Spry to Thomas J. Mann and Martha Jane Mann, his wife, and to distribute the same to the heirs at law of the said Martha Jane Mann, deceased.

The bill states that heretofore Martha J. Walmsley, late of Kent county, deceased, formerly Martha J. Mann, was entitled to a certain annuity or rent charge out of a certain farm situated at or near Spry's gate, in Kent county, Maryland, as will appear by a certain deed filed in this cause, marked Exhibit No. 1, which deed was made to Thomas J. Mann and Martha J. Mann, who, after the death of Thomas J. Mann, intermarried with a certain J. B. Walmsley, who is now dead.

The bill further states that the said Martha Jane Walmsley, formerly Martha Jane Mann, was empowered by the before-mentioned deed, to dispose of the aforesaid annuity or rent charges by her last will and testament or appointment executed in the presence of two or three witnesses, but failed to do so, as will be seen by a copy of the last will and testament of the said Martha J. Walmsley, filed in this cause and marked plaintiff's Exhibit No. 2.

The bill further states that the said Martha J. Walmsley left the following heirs at law, namely, a sister, S. Ellen Spry, one of these defendants another sister, Sarah Welch, who has since died, leaving an only child, Martha Godwin, formerly Martha Welch, who intermarried with Thomas Godwin, both of whom died, leaving two children, Wm. E. Godwin, who is now dead, and Albert Godwin, the complainant in this cause.

The said Martha J. Walmsley also left a brother, Wm. T. Spry, who has since died, leaving the following heirs at law, namely:

Eliza J. Spry, who intermarried with Sam'l M. Ford, George W. Spry, Charles H. B. Spry, Walter M. Spry, James A. Spry, Vermadilla S. Spry, who intermarried with Robert B. M. Massey, Araminta Spry, who intermarried with Jonathan J. Hurlock, Mary Spry, who intermarried with George A. Ireland, and Susan Spry, who intermarried with Joseph P. Ireland, both of whom are now dead, leaving a daughter, Lena Ireland, Elizabeth Spry, who intermarried with Thomas G. Jarman, and died, leaving the following children: Elizabeth Jarman, Lillie Jarman, who intermarried with Charles Wiggins and William Jarman.

And the said Martha J. Walmsley had also another sister, namely, Araminta Medders, wife of George Medders, both of whom are dead, leaving the following children and heirs at law; namely, Martha Medders, who intermarried with Samuel Boyd, who resides in the State of Delaware: Hannah Medders, who intermarried with Eugene Gooding, and lives in the city of Baltimore: Sarah Ruth, who intermarried with Perry Ruth, who also lives in the city of Baltimore: Mattie Medders, who intermarried with Peter Brinsfield, and resides in Queen Anne's county, C. W. S Medders, of Baltimore city, Andrew Medders, of Queen Anne's county, and John Medders, all of whom are heirs at law of the said Martha J. Walmsley.

The bill further states, that the said Caleb W. Spry has departed this life, leaving a last will and testament, under which the aforesaid lands passed to his son, Caleb W. Spry, Jr., subject to the before mentioned rent charge of $150.00 per annum, as will be seen by a copy of the said will filed in this cause and marked plaintiff Exhibit No. 3. and that the said Caleb W. Spry, Jr., in his life time executed a deed of trust unto Charles T. Westcott, as will appear by copy of said deed filed, marked Exhibit No. 4, and afterward departed this life intestate.

The bill further states, that the complainant is advised, and verily believes, that for many years the rents from this farm have been paid unto the aforesaid trustee, but the trustee being uncertain of his duty in the premises has never accounted for the said rents to the heirs at law of the said Martha J. Walmsley.

And the bill prays, that an account may be taken under the direction of the court of what money may be now due and owing to the heirs at law of the said Martha J. Walmsley in respect to the said annuity or rent charge, and that the land may be sold if necessary to pay such arrears of rent due to said heirs at law, and that a good and sufficient title may be given to the purchaser or purchasers of any land so sold, and that the complainant may have such other and furtner relief as his case may require.

It is thereupon this 28th day of December, 1892, ordered that the complainant, Albert Godwin, by causing a copy of this order to be inserted in some newspaper published in Kent county, Maryland, once in each of four successive weeks before the 28th day of January next, give notice to Walter M. Spry, Lillie Wiggins, Charles Wiggins, Samuel Boyd and Martha Boyd and all other resident or non-resident defendants, of the object and substance of this bill, and warning them to appear in this court in person or by solicitor, on or before the 15th day of February next, to show cause, if any they have, why a decree ought not to pass as prayed.

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