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EDITORS AND PUBLISHERS.


BILL NYE, the famous humorist, died of meningitis at Ascheville, North Carolina, on Tuesday.

BALTIMORE EXPOSITION stock is booming and it is hoped will continue to boom until it reaches a successful issue.

REPRESENTATIVE BANKARD, of Baltimore city, in presenting his assessment bill said that if he had his way he would tax everything down to graveyards.

MRS. SENATOR GIBSON denies that the distinguished Maryland Representative is a devotee of the bicycle, but on the contrary announces that "he hates bicycles."

DEPUTY POSTMASTER, Joseph N. Wheatley, Thomas D. France and James Brice, are applicants for the Chestertown postmastership and a heated contest is expected. The position pays $1,800.

SPEAKER BRUCE declares the Civil Service Reform bill as passed as unconstitutional, and a conference committee will be appointed to try to get the bill in proper shape for passage.

THE Baltimore *Herald* has this to say of affairs at Annapolis: "In a word, Governor Lowndes is running the social end of the State administration, but you can paste it in your hat for daily reference that Senator-Elect Wellington is running the political end."

MR. JOSHUA H. BRYAN, who was appointed a magistrate for the fourth district, at Chestertown, last week, has tendered his resignation, and it is now stated that he will be given the almshouse, all things considered, a more desirable position.

JAMES T. GRAHAM, clerk of the circuit court for Cecil county, died of consumption on Monday. Mr. Graham is pleasantly remembered in Kent, having delivered an eloquent address before the Mount Vernon Literary Society during the commencement exercises several years ago.

BOTH HOUSES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY took a recess on Thursday and marched in a body in the funeral procession of the late Senator Bond, as the remains were being carried to the wharf at Annapolis to be taken to the dead Senator's late home in Calvert county. The remains were carried on the State steamer McLane, Captain Turner in command.

WHEN THE ELECTION BILL CAME UP in the Senate on Friday, Senator Westcott offered an amendment to the effect that either register of voters could ask for deputy sheriffs at the place of registration. The Westcott amendment was lost and an amendment by Senator Hering passed providing that where it was necessary, for both registers to ask for deputies.

THE NAMES of John Lake and Edward A. Keyser, nominated as justices of the peace in Baltimore city, Lake having served six months in jail for embezzlement, and Keyser had had an indictment as a common thief found against him, which was stettled, have been withdrawn by the Governor. These political reform specimens were endorsed to the Governor by Spoilsman Cunningham, a representative from Baltimore city.

IN RESPONSE to inquiries sent by the Easton *Ledger* to the representatives at Annapolis relative to presidential favorites, Delegate Nicholson gave as his preferences Whitney as first and Pattison as second choice. Senator Westcott had not determined, and Delegate Baker gave Reed as first and McKinley as second choice. Senator Finley, of Queen Anne's, was the only man to name Arthur P. Gorman, and had no second choice.

J. EDWARD ADDICKS, the Delaware gasman, is said to be behind the Cunningham gas bills offered at Annapolis, one to limit the price of gas in Baltimore city to $1 per 1000 feet, and the other to permit other companies than the Consolidated Gas Company to lay mains and supply pipes and erect a plant in Baltimore city and county. In heaven's name, where will this northern gas nightmare next show itself? Has this political corruptionist come to Maryland to complete the reform movement of eighteen ninety-six?

UNDER the pressure of public opinion and of the best elements of its own party, the Republican House of Delegates experienced a change of heart and last week passed a Civil Service bill with a referendum. The bill will be submitted to the voters of Baltimore city at a special election on May twelfth, and to the voters of the counties at the regular election in November next. While a strictly *merit* system should apply to all appointments and offices in the city and counties, just to what extent a strictly civil service bill will or could apply to county offices remains to be seen.

THE SENATE RESOLUTION to extend the term of Associate Judge Joseph A. Wickes, of the second judicial circuit, came up in the House on Thursday. Dr. Barber, Republican, of Talbot, eulogized Judge Wickes in a short speech, and said the extension of his term would be a step to take the judiciary out of the mire of politics. After some discussion, the resolution was passed by a vote of sixty-one yeas to twelve nays. Judge Wickes was last elected November seventh, 1882. He is now in his 69th year. The term of Associate Judge Wm. S. Bryan, of the Court of Appeals, who will reach the age of seventy years on November twentieth, 1896, was also extended.

HOWEVER REMARKABLE it may seem, Governor Lowndes is almost daily receiving resignations from his recent appointees in Baltimore city and the counties of the State. He has so far received among others the following resignations: Col. J. A. Tomkins, appointed Liquor License Commissioner; D. S. Conklin, member of the Board of Managers of the Hospital for the Insane; Leon Seliger, Board of Managers of the House of Refuge; William D. Meshaw, Justice of the Peace, Anne Arundel county; John W. Selby, Justice of the Peace of Howard county; S. S. Quinn, Notary Public of Worcester county; Beale D. Mullikin, Register of Voters of Prince George's; J. W. F. Hattan, Justice of the Peace of Prince George's county, and B. F. Parlett, of Talbot county, member of the Board of Managers of Insane Asylum No. 2.

## SEVEN SUFFOCATED.

### Family of Mr. James R. Armiger Overwhelmed by Awful Disaster.

### A HORRIBLE AWAKENING.

Fire broke out a few minutes after 8 o'clock on Sunday morning in the residence of Mr. James R. Armiger, North Charles street, Baltimore, and eight of the fifteen persons in the dwelling lost their lives. Four were hurt and three escaped without injury.

The fire started in the cellar, spread with great rapidity and in an incredibly short time the house was filled from basement to roof with black suffocating smoke. The servants' stairway acted as a flue and drew the flames from the cellar to the fourth floor of the building, and thence to the front staircase, thus effectually cutting off escape by ordinary means. The fire was discovered by a passing newsboy, and Lewis Whiting, a colored man, who was employed at the Armiger home and attended to the furnace. The family was promptly aroused and Whiting burst in the front door and made an effort to rescue the family. Mrs. Armiger was met in the hall and he tried to take her down stairs, but finding that he could not get out that way, took her to the small ornamental balcony which projects from the window over the front door and swung her backward and forward to revive her, as she was almost exhausted.

Mrs. Armiger ran to the back room to arouse her daughters, Misses Virginia and Eleanor, while Mr. Armiger ran upstairs to arouse the other members of the family and his guest, Mr. Manuel. Mr. Manuel ran into the room of Mr. and Mrs. Riley. Mrs. Champlin grabbed her baby and also ran into Mr. Riley's room, as did Mary White, the housemaid, and it was there that all the bodies were found, Mrs. Riley and Mary White, a servant, being the only persons taken out alive. Mr. Riley grabbed a child under each arm and made for the door, calling to his wife to follow. They could not get out that way, and he ran to the window, still holding the children in his arms. By this time the room was filled with the thick, choking smoke, which poured out of the window as soon as he opened it up in great black clouds. The crowd which had gathered below, thinking he intended to jump, called out to him to stay where he was, that the fire apparatus would soon be on hand.

In the room was a long hempen rope, with rings in the ends, and attached to one end a stout belt of heavily woven braid, which was kept as a means of escape in case of fire. Mr. Riley took this and endeavored to put it around his children and lower them to the ground, but it either became tangled or he was overcome by the smoke before he could carry his plan into execution. He was seen at the window once or twice, and once he called out to the crowd that he had a rope and was going to send it down. The crowd called to him to do so, but at that moment he disappeared in the room and was never seen alive again. When the firemen found him, the rope was at his feet and his babies were clinging to him. Little Marian looked as if she were asleep.

Mr. Manuel was found lying on the floor, near by with Mrs. Champlin's baby in his arms, which he had tried to save.

Mrs. Champlin was lying in the same group, and did not seem to be at all disfigured.

Mr. Armiger, who had run up to the room to warn its occupants, was also lying on the floor near by, with a look of intense agony on his face, his left arm thrown up above his head and face as if to protect himself from something he thought was about to fall on him.

Mrs. Armiger, as the smoke burst out of the window behind her, waited on a small balcony until help reached her, and was brought down on a ladder. The rescurers made an effort to enter the fatal room. Bramble thrust his arm in the window and grasped Mrs. Riley and passed her down a ladder. Ladderman King fastened a wet sponge over his mouth and entered the room and stumbled over the body of Mary White, colored. He dragged her to the window, where other laddermen stood waiting, and she was lowered to the street by the life-belt.

King returned to contiue his rescue work, and saw the body of Mrs. Champlin, but the heat had made him sick and he staggered to the window for air. His friends there pulled him out, and he was assisted to the ground.

Mrs. Champlin's body was lowered to the street, and her child was also passed down the ladder.

The bodies of Mr. Riley and his two children were found near the centre window and but a few feet from Mrs. Riley. The children still grasped him about the limbs. Their hold was broken and they were carried tenderly down the ladder by the firemen. Mr. Riley's head was buried in his arms. Near him, in a sitting posture, with one arm resting on the bed and his face buried in the bed clothing, was found the body of Mr. Manuel. Some distance from these two, and nearer the room door, was found the body of Mr. Armiger.

By the rare presence of mind of Miss Virginia Armiger, her own life and that of her sister were saved. She ran to the bed and took off a feather mattress and threw it out the back window on a back porch, about fifteen feet below the window. She then threw several comforts and blankets out the window and, taking a sheet from the bed, bade her sister to take a firm hold on it and swing out the window. By this time the smoke in the room was almost unbearable.

Eleanor did as she was told and Miss Virginia lowered her to the platform below. She then thought of her own escape. There was nothing to do but jump. She climbed out the window, but the distance seemed so great that her nerve almost deserted her and she was afraid to jump. She then hung downward from the window sill by her hands, but even then was afraid to let go. Presently some one who saw her hanging there called to her to let go. She did so and landed on the feather bed unhurt, but a little jarred by the fall. Both she and Eleanor wrapped a comfort around themselves and sat down on the feather bed dazed, now that they were out of the burning building, and too weak almost to move.

ANOTHER FIRE HORROR.

Another fire horror occurred in Baltimore on Monday by which five children were fearfully and probably fataly burned. One of the accidents was the result of children handling matches, the other by the explosion of gasoline.

## KENT'S CIVIL LIST.

Justices of the Peace—Jeremiah Peacock, James C. Moore, Will McDowell, William H. Thompson, Wm. A. Crew, Frank H. Rouse, Wm. H. Lambert, Joshua H. Bryan, George W. Bramble, John E. Beck.

Register of Voters—Charles H. Smith, Samuel J. Comly, John V. Greenwood, Wm. G. Russell, Virgil W. Kendall.

Notary Public—Charles M. Lucas.

School Commissioners—Cornelius C. Brown, Joseph W. Harper, vice George W. Davis, deceased.

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## OYSTER AND FISH LEGISLATION.

### Legislative Measures of Peculiar Interest to Kent Countians.

The bi-annually recurring effort to have the tax on oyster packers and dredge boats removed is giving those interested in the oyster industry no little trouble. The dredgers claim the tax of $3 per ton on the gross tonnage of every dredge boat imposed by the State for the purpose of maintaining the oyster police force is unjust, and should be repealed at once. The oyster navy exists largely for the purpose of protecting the tongers by keeping the dredgers away from the beds and rivers where tonging exclusively is allowed, but while the tonger gets the protection the dredger has to pay for it. The tonger pays only a small license fee to the county to which he belongs, which, in most counties, is devoted to the support of the schools. A matter which is of vital importance to the packers, is the proposed repeal of the law, which taxes them $25 and $1 additional for each 1000 bushels of oysters shucked over the first 10,000 bushels. This law, they claim, is unjust and will have the effect of driving the oyster business away from Baltimore.

Representative Phillips, of Queen Anne, has introduced in the House of Delegates a bill to impose a tax on those who take fish with seines in the waters of the Chesapeake bay. He thinks the passage of the bill will yield considerable revenue, which he proposes to apply to the oyster fund.

As fishing is a considerable industry, Mr. Phillips says those who engage in it should be made to pay something to the State for the privilege. His bill provides that fishing with pound nets, fyke nets and all similar nets is prohibited in the Chesapeake bay above Poole's Island. Below this island such nets are permitted, those fishing them being required to pay a license fee of $10. Fishing with seines is allowed in all parts of the bay in Maryland, the fishermen using them also to pay $10 license fee for each seine. Non-residents of the State are excluded entirely from fishing in these waters with any appliance, and all convicted of doing so under provisions of the act are to be imprisoned and to have boats, seines and other appliances used in the work confiscated.

A bill to authorize the Governor to advertise for bids and enter into a lease of all the natural oyster rocks, beds and shoals in the waters of Virginia, is being animatedly discussed by the oystermen of that State. Many of them, like those of Maryland, are opposed to any leasing of the beds. The bill is now in the hands of the Committee on Fish and Game. It reads:

"Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia, that the Governor be and is authorized and empowered to receive bids for and enter into a lease of all the natural oyster rocks, beds and shoals in the waters of Virginia. Such lease to be entered into for a period of not less than 10 nor more than 20 years, and the annual rental to be paid annually in advance; provided, however, that such lease shall not grant the power to take oysters by dredging in waters of a less depth than 20 feet.

"Proposals for the lease shall be advertised once a week in the daily papers published in the cities of Richmond, Norfolk and Baltimore for eight consecutive weeks. Such advertisement to be inserted not later than May 10, 1896; provided, however, that no bid offering less than $200,000 annually shall be considered, and no bid shall be considered unless accompanied by a check on some solvent bank, properly certified and drawn payable to the treasurer of Virginia in the sum of $10,000. The check of the successful bidder shall be placed to the credit of such bidder as a part payment of the first annual rental.

## COLLEGE NEWS.

### Mount Vernon Society Celebrates the Great National Holiday—Other News.

The Mount Vernon Literary Society of Washington College, celebrated Washington's birthday with a delightful feast and speech-making at the Voshell House, on Saturday evening. In addition to paying distinguished honors to the natal day of George Washington, the occasion was also an elegant celebration of the forty-ninth anniversary of Mt. Vernon Society, one of the oldest and most honored college literary organizations in the State—an organization which is peculiarly honored by the distinguished successes of its sons. The pretty private parlors of the hotel, brilliantly lighted and profusely decorated, were used as a reception room, where the reception committee composed of Miss M. Belle Boston, of the sister society, the Pierian, and Miss Lucie Murray, and Messrs. E. M. Noble and Spencer M. Hurtt, of the Mt. Vernon, did the honors of the occasion, and extended a cordial welcome to all. The public parlors were used for games and social pleasures. At 9.45 the guests repaired to the spacious dining hall, which was resplendent with potted plants, fruits and flowers, all resting beneath a flood of beautiful light sifted through handsome shades of many colors. Miss Austin and Miss Hurtt displayed exquisite taste in the arrangement of the long tables, each spread for thirty persons. The menu was as follows:

CREAM.
Vanilla. Chocolate. Orange Ice.
CAKE.
Pound. Chocolate. Sponge.
Cocoanut. Jelly Roll.
FRUITS.
Malaga Grapes. Oranges. Bananas. Apples.
Assorted Nuts. Raisins.

After the feast, President E. M. Noble made a neat speech in welcoming the members of the Peirian and the other guests, and called upon Miss M. Belle Boston to respond to the toast: The Peirian, which was done in one of the neatest speeches which it has ever been the pleasure of the writer to hear the talented president of the Pierian make. Dr. S. R. Murray then eloquently responded to the toast: Advantages of a Literary Society. Dr. Reid then responded to: The Lady Students of Washington College, and paid an eloquent tribute to the refining, elevating influence which the ladies have exercised upon the young men. He stated that the lady students had shown themselves in every department of study the mental peers of the young men, and were better students in many cases. The result must be, continued Dr. Reid, to give the ladies a feeling of healthful self-reliance and independance. Mr. Goldsborough, one of the most fluent and pleasant speakers at the College, then responded to: The Mt. Vernon Literary Society, paying a splendid tribute to its past, which, he justly claimed could but presage a bright and useful future. C. C. Hopper offered an impromptu but sincere wish for the future of the Mt. Vernon Society.

### Transfers of Real Estate.

The following transfers of real estate have been recorded by Clerk S. G. Fisher during the month of February:

Henry A. Scott and wife, Ezekiel Briscoe and Robert Peaker to Adam Murry, lot of land located in Lynchburg, Chestertown; consideration, $5. Geo. E. and Elmer E. Leary to Adam R. Fogwell, lot of land in fifth district, known as lot No. 4, adjoining lots of B. F. Sewell and others, containing 73$\frac{4}{100}$ acres of land, more or less; consideration, $80. James T. DeCorse and wife to Emily M. DeCorse, farm lying in fourth and fifth districts, on road leading from Chestertown to Fairlee, adjoining lands of A. L. Baker, Geo. Bell and others, called the Forest farm, containing 481⅜ acres of land; consideration, $900. Alfred A. Curtis to Church of the Sacred Heart, of Chestertown, parcel of land situated in Chestertown, located on High street, adjoining lot of Mrs. Elizabeth Voss, with a front of 27 feet and 5 inches; also lot on High Street adjoining property of Mrs. A. M. Smith and others, with a front of 136 feet and 10 inches; consideration, $5. Alfred A. Curtis to St. John's Church, Rock Hall, lot of land known as the Blackiston property, adjoining the lands of B. F. Sappington and others, containing 17 acres, 2 roods and 23 perches of land; consideration, $5. Wm. L. Rothstein and others to Laura J. Stevens, parcel of land in Rock Hall, containing 11400 square feet of land; consideration, $475. Richard D. Hynson, trustee, to Harrison W. Vickers, lot of land in Kennedyville with front of 53 feet on the public road; consideration, $1. Wm. T. Smith and wife to Jefferson D. Bacchus, lot of land in Lynchburg, Chestertown, located on a new street north of Calvert street extended, adjoining the lands of Emma Lambert and L. H. Jackson; consideration $100.

Lewis Stewart to J. H. and Alexander Wilson, lot of land in 3d election district adjoining lot known as the Samuel L. Usilton tract containing 5 acres and 7 perches; consideration $330. Hope H. Barroll, trustee, to Harry A. Hill, farm in second district called "Marole" or "Ridgely" farm, containing 289¼ acres, also lot of land known as the Geo. Roeder tract, containing 10 acres; consideration $958.60. Hope H. Barroll trustee, to Martin L. Warner, lot of land situated in Millington, on north west side of Sassafras street with front of 24 feet; consideration $400. Harry A. Warren and others to Mary Anna Johnson, lot of land in Quaker Neck, adjoining the land of Joseph A. Wickes, Charles T. Westcott and others, containing 1 acre and 54$\frac{1}{10}$ perches; consideration premises. Richard D. Hynson, trustee, to Henry J. Gray, lot of land in first district, on public road leading from Galena to Massey's, adjoining lands of C. J. Scott, A. F. Huey and others, containing 90 acres; consideration $4,434.50.

### With the Wheelmen.

J. H. Sides has taken the agency for the Barnes, the "White Flyer," considered one of the most beautiful high grade wheels on the market. Messrs. Sereck Shallcross, alias "Shalley," and David B. Ford, alias "Hannah," both ride White Flyers.

Mr. James Lucas during the approaching cycle season will split the air and burn the earth on a Fowler.

The question of "high grade" is one which continues to puzzle bicyclists and bicycle agents. Prof. E. J. Clarke, to determine the matter, last week wrote to Dunn & Company, editors of the *Scientific American*, authorities upon all subjects relating to patents and mechanical improvements, relative to the grade of his own wheel, the Eagle, and the question of "grade." In reply, Munn & Company wrote: "The Eagle bicycle is a high grade wheel and compares very favorably with any other wheel now on the market. By "high grade" is understood a wheel which is made from the very best stock and given the best workmanship. The price is usually a pretty good guide as to the grade of the wheel."

Deputy Sheriff Owens rides a Relay and makes it serve on many occasions in his business.

President Spencer M. Hurtt of the Athletic Association, of Washington College, on Monday received from the Athletic Association of the University of Pennsylvania, an invitation to the W. C. Association to participate in an Inter-Collegiate Relay Race Meeting, to be held on April 25th. The race will be open to all colleges and universities in the United States and in Canada. One race will be open to any college desiring to contest for the college championship of America. Harvard and the University of Pennsylvania have already entered the race. The colleges have been arranged in classes of as near equal strength as possible. A silk banner will be given to the winning team as a college trophy, and each member will receive a gold watch. The team coming in second will receive a silver cup as a trophy. In the grouping of colleges Washington College is listed with Pennsylvania College, Gettysburg; Muhlenburg, Western Maryland and St. John's. Johns Hopkins is classed with University of Virginia, University of North Carolina and Vanderbilt University.


### How's This!

We offer One Hundred Dollars reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all buiness transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by their firm

West & Truax, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O. Walding, Kinnan & Marvin, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75c. per bottle. Sold by all Druggists.

**BOOK LOST.**

Lost on the streets of Chestertown on Saturday evening last, a KELLOGG'S RHETORIC, brand new. The finder will please leave at the TRANSCRIPT and receive a suitable reward. 1t.

**FOR RENT.**

The STORE ROOM recently occupied by Wm. P. Howard, on High street, opposite Stam's Hall, is for rent for the balance of the year 1896. Apply to

f27-tf. R. D. HYNSON, Trustee.

**SINGING SCHOOL.**

A VOCAL CLASS

will be organized in Still Pond Hall, this (Thursday) evening, at 7.30.

TERMS.—$1.00 per quarter of 12 lessons.

Proficiency in singing by note guaranteed. Come and talk it over.

f13-3t. W. M. WATTS.

**HELP WANTED—FEMALE.**

WE MUST HAVE HELP.

We pay men and women $10 to $18 per week for easy home work. No books or peddling. Steady employment guaranteed. Send stamp for work and particulars at once

HERMANN & SEYMOUR,
213 South Sixth Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

f13-3m.

**MONEY TO LOAN,**

On MORTGAGE in sums of not less than Five Hundred Dollars, on Kent county real estate.

Address, W. H. D.,
j2-3m. 1403 North Central Ave., Balto., Md

**DRUG STORE AT PRIVATE SALE.**

I have for sale at reasonable figures, a complete stock of drugs, fixtures, etc. For particulars address

DR. WILLIAM M. PIPPIN,
Church Hill, Queen Anne's Co., Md.

**MONEY NOTICE.**

ALL PERSONS indebted to me will please settle their accounts, as I need money.

s12-tf. COLIN F. STAM, DRUGGIST.

**ORCHARD GRASS**

—AND—

**SEED POTATOES**

**FOR SALE.**

I have a large supply of fine Orchard Grass Seed for sale; also 50 bushels of the finest Seed Potatoes in the county at 75 cents per bushel, at my store at Melitota.

M. M. RASIN.


# STATEMENT

SHOWING THE CONDITION OF THE

## Mutual Fire Insurance Co.

OF KENT COUNTY, MD.,

December 31st, 1895.

ASSETS:

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| Value of Real Estate owned by the Company, less amount of encumbrance thereon | $13,200 00 | |
| Loans on Bonds and Mortgages | 52,450 00 | |
| Stocks and Bonds absolutely owned by the Company (market value) | 7,000 00 | |
| Interest due and accrued on Stocks, Bonds and other securities | 2,888 75 | |
| Cash in Company's principal office and belonging to the Comp'ny deposited in bank | 139 72 | |
| Premium Notes in force .......... $153,854 34 | | |
| Total Cash Assets | | $75 678 47 |

LIABILITIES:

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| Losses reported | $1 890 00 | |
| Losses Claimed but Disput'd | 3,809 25 | |
| Borrowed Money | 1,500 00 | |
| Total Liabilities | | $7,199 25 |
| Surplus as regards Policyholders | | $68,479 22 |
| Premium Notes in force .......... $153,854 34 | | |
| Total Income | $10,363 95 | |
| Total Expenditures | 9,850 21 | |
| Amount of Policies in force in Maryland on 31st Dec., 1895 | 2,160,982 16 | |
| Amount of Policies written in Maryland during the year 1895 | 120 148 50 | |
| Premiums received on Maryland business in 1895 | 5,610 46 | |
| Losses paid in Maryland during 1895 | 3,443 84 | |
| Losses incurred in Maryland during 1895 | 2,955 84 | |

STATE OF MARYLAND,
INSURANCE DEPARTMENT.
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.
Annapolis, February 14th, 1896.

In compliance with the Code of Public General Laws, 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, 1895, now on file in this Department.

THOMAS P. TOWNSEND,
Insurance Commissioner.

f20-3t.

## Estate of Benjamin F. H. Caulk.

### Renunciation of Administratrix.

*In the Orphans' Court of Kent County, in the State of Maryland.*

ORDERED, this 11th day of February, in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-six, by the Judges of the Orphans' Court of Kent county aforesaid, that the prayer of the petitioner, Arabella V. Caulk, to be released from further performance of her duties as co-administrator with Jesse L. Shepherd and J. Ford Caulk, of Benjamin F. H. Caulk, late of Kent county, deceased, be granted, unless good cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the first day of March next—provided, a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Kent county aforesaid, once in each of two successive weeks before the twenty-ninth day of February, 1896.

SAMUEL BURGESS,
FRANKLIN H. HARPER,
J. M. J. BYRON,
Judges of Orphans' Court

True Copy—Test:—JAMES T. DIXON,
Register of Wills.

f13-3t.

## Sheriff's Sale

—OF—

## REAL ESTATE.

BY virtue of a writ of fieri facias issued out of the Circuit Court for Kent county, Md., and to me directed at the suit of Townsend E. W. Crew, against the goods and chattels, lands and tenements of James T Hadaway, Thomas B. Hadaway and Mary Hadaway, to me directed, I have seized, leived upon and taken in execution the following property of the said Thomas B. Hadaway.

## ALL THAT LOT LAND,

together with Improvements thereon, consisting of a

TWO-STORY

## Frame DWELLING,

lying and being at or near Quaker Neck wharf, in Quaker Neck, in the Fourth Election District of Kent county, Maryland, on the east side of the public road leading from Quaker Neck wharf to Pomona, adjoining the lands of Susan Delinot and Robert S. Emory and other, devised to him by will dated May tenth, eighteen hundred and eighty-three, and recorded in Liber J. C. S., No. 1, folio 76, one of the Will Record Books for Kent county, Md.

And I hereby give notice, that on

*SATURDAY, 7th Day of MARCH, 1896,*

between the hours of 11 A. M. and 12 o'clock noon, at the Court House Door, in Chestertown, Md., I will sell the above property so seized and taken in execution, to the highest bidder for cash to pay and satisfy the above writs, with costs and interest due and to become due thereon.

JAMES A. CASEY, Sheriff.

f13-ts.

## SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE.

BY virtue of a writ of fieri facias issued out of the Circuit Court for Kent county, Md., and to me directed, at the suit of Harrison D. Massey, against the goods and chattels, lands and tenements of the First Presbyterian Church of Worton, Kent county, garnishee of A. Edwin Keigwin, to me directed, I have seized and levied upon and taken in execution the following property:

## ALL That TRACT or PARCEL of LAND

together with the improvements thereon, consisting of the First Presbyterian Church of Worton, situated in the Third Election District of Kent county, Maryland, and at Worton Station, on the west side of the public road leading from Chestertown to said station, adjoining the lands of Daniel E. Jewell and S. L. Cooper, containing seventy-five perches and thirty-nine hundredths of a perch of ground, more or less, and deeded to the said First Presbyterian Church of Worton, Kent county, by Penelope Pennell, by deed dated the 19th day of November, 1892, and recorded in Liber S. G. F., No 1, folio 118, one of the Land Record Books for Kent county, Md.

And I hereby give notice, that

*On SATURDAY, MARCH 7th, 1896,*

between the hours of 11 A. M. and 12 o'clock noon, at the Court House Door, in Chestertown, Md., I will sell the above property so seized and taken in execution to the highest bidder for cash to pay and satisfy the above writs, with costs and interest due and to become due thereon.

j13-ts. JAMES A. CASEY, Sheriff.


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# TOULSON'S DRUG STORE!

Keeps abreast of the times by the use of the most modern appliances in the preparing of Prescriptions, and the Purest Drugs that can be bought.

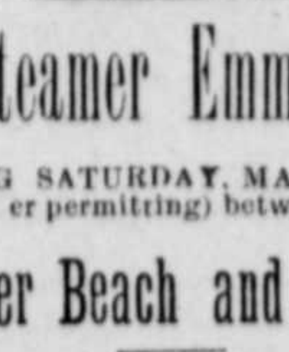
**Patent Medicines** ALL KINDS.

**Toilet Article** Department IS VERY COMPLETE.

If you have A BAD COUGH, get a bottle of TOULSON'S **COUGH BALSAM.** It will cure you.

Very respectfully,
Feb. 13, 1896. M. A. TOULSON.

# Spring Schedule, 1896.



## The Steamer Emma Giles.

BEGINNING SATURDAY, MARCH 7, (weather permiting) between

## Tolchester Beach and Baltimore,

Leaving Tolchester every Saturday at 9.00 A. M. and 4.30 P. M.

Leaving Baltimore every Saturday at 7.00 A. M. and 2.30 P. M.

Excursion Tickets 50 cents.

Russell's Stage makes connection from Chestertown with the Tolchester Boat.

TOLCHESTER COMPANY.
Main Office, Pier 16, Light St., Baltimore.
Or, G. E. NOLAND, Tolchester.

## NOTICE!

## SASSAFRAS RIVER STEAMBOAT CO.



SPRING SCHEDULE.

On and after Saturday, Feb. 22d, 1896 the STEAMER SASSAFRAS will leave Georgetown Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 7.30 o'clock A. M., Shallcross' 7.45, Cassidy's 8, Turner's Creek 8.15, Betterton 9, Buck Neck 10.15, Gale's Wharf 10.30.

Returning, will leave Baltimore, Pier 6, Light street, at 10.30 A. M., on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, for the above landings.

Feb. 20, 1896. WM. CUNDIFF, Sup't.

# MEDDERS & CO.

CONTINUE THEIR

# "WEEKLY SALES"

And the "place of business," is crowded with shoppers, "not for curiosity, but for Bargains."

## These Prices Good Until March 1

9 buys 1 dozen good Large Lemons, only 9

3½ buys 1 lb. Best Ginger Snaps, 3½

3 buys Howard best Yeast Powder, 3

4½ buys Package Corn Starch, best 10c. quality, 4½

4¾ buys Granulated Sugar—only 4¾

49 buys a Good Nickle Time Clock, only 49

65 buys a Good Nickle Alarm Clock, only 65

10 buys Choice special lot "all Bristle" Tooth Brush, worth 20c, only 10c. 10

Get a Good Broom for one-half price.

8 buys Best 15c. 2-String Broom, only 8

12 buys Best 20c. 3-String Broom, only 12

16 buys Best 25c. 4-String Broom, only 16

Lowest prices ever known on Brooms.

39 now buys Good Comforts, only 39

$1.19 buys Large Satine $1.75 Comforts, 1.19

Bargains in Blankets about one-half price.

5¾ buys Best Apron Ginghams, only 5¾

7½ buys Fruit 4-4 Bl'd Muslin, only 7½

$1.59 buys Decorated Chamber Set, 10 pieces. 1.59

29 only buys Choice of lot Pen Knives, worth 45 and 50 29

## Special 9c. Sale on Friday, Feb. 28.

We will give to each purchaser for only 9c. their choice of these lots.

"FRIDAY'S BARGAINS."

Number 1.
1 Bottle Vanilla,
1 P'kage Best Mix Tea,
1 Can Good Corn,
9c

Number 2.
9c
1 Good ½ gallon Tin Bucket,
1 Good Pudding Pan,
1 Good Tin Cup.

Number 3.
1 Card (2 doz.) Hump Hooks and Eyes,
1 dozen Good Whale Bones,
1 package 5c. Best Hair Pins,
1 Ladies' Handkerchief (fancy border).
9c

**Wm. Medders & Co.**

"CASH DEALERS"

At Still Pond, - - Maryland.

## JOHN MEDDERS

AT THE NEW STAND.

## Blacksmith and Wheelwright.

PLOWS.

No. 40, Complete ........ $8.50
No. 19, " ........ 7.50

POINTS.

Plain Points ........ 25c.
Slip-Nose Points ........ 35c.

Plow Hames, Natural Bend, Magnolia ........ .35
Ironed for Straps ........ .50
Singletrees ........ .40
Doubletrees ........ .80
3-Horse Tree ........ $1.00
60-Tooth Harrow ........ 10.00
50-Tooth Harrow ........ 9.00

These are a sample of my new prices.

All other work in proportion. In our Shoeing department can be found Mr. George M. Glenn, whose specialty is curing deformed feet caused by book shoers. We refer to Messrs. T. E. Hayes, Wm. T. Lane, P. G. Wilmer, George Jones, E. E. Hudson or any one for whom he has shod.

Price 75 Cents.

JOHN MEDDERS,
Kennedyville, Md.


### Notice to Creditors.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county, letters testamentary upon the personal estate of

GEORGE W. DAVIS,

late of Kent county, Md., deceased.

All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned on or before the 13th day of August, 1896, otherwise they may be excluded by law from all benefits of said estate. Given under my hand this 4th day of February, 1896.

j6-4t. WILAMINA W. DAVIS, Executrix.


Established 1844.

FRANK C. BOLTON. LEE B. BOLTON

## BOLTON BROS.,

## Paints, Oils and Glass,

Prize Medal Ready-Mixed Paint, Elaine, the Family Safeguard Oil, Machinery Oils, Tar, Oakum and Pitch, Engineers', Machinists', Steamship and RAILWAY SUPPLIES.

*Nos. 418, 420, 422, 424 East Pratt Street,* BALTIMORE, MD.

## New Shaving and Hair Cutting

PARLORS

Hair Cutting and Shaving a Luxury.

Having rented the handsome room in the EMASON BUILDING, and thoroughly equipped it with every convenience for tonsorial purposes, I wish to extend an invitation to my friends to call. I have associated with me Mr. Stillwell, formerly with Vandegrift, one of the most expert workmen in Philadelphia, and can guarantee an A No. 1 shave, hair cut or shampoo.

R. W. BARNETT.

W. H. KELLEY & SON,

LOCUST GROVE, MD.

## Blacksmithing & Wheelwrighting

*IN ALL ITS BRANCHES.*

Repairing a Specialty.

FARM WAGONS, DEARBORNS & DAYTONS, of our own make constantly on hand.

AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS of All Kinds

Carriages, Buggies, Roadcarts and Harness.

Also Carriage Painting Done neatly and at prices to suit the times.

Horseshoeing 75 Cents Cash.

Respectfully,
W. H. KELLEY & SON,
Locust Grove, Md.

HOTEL AND STABLE For Rent for 1896.

The Brick Hotel and Stable at Millington, Kent county, Md., are for rent for the year 1896. The building is desirably located, and is now occupied by Mr. S. L. Pratt. For full particulars, address

a15-tf. FRANK A. EMORY, Centreville, Md.

# ISAAC HAMBURGER & SONS.

ONE-THIRD OFF REGULAR PRICES

Here we are again! This morning we are going to inaugurate a sale of MEN'S CLOTHING that'll be a jolly surprise to every man desiring to invest in any article pertaining thereto.

The reason we are going to have THIS GREAT SALE is, that we've still a goodly supply of Heavy-weight SUITS, OVERCOATS and TROUSERS, of our own good HAMBURGER MAKE, on hand; in fact, more than we should have at this late date, and we're going to give our customers and the public in general the benefit of the situation.

**We Are Going to Sell What We Have Left of These Heavy-Weight SUITS, OVERCOATS and TROUSERS at**

One-Third Off the Regular Prices.

**HERE'S A MIGHTY DROP:**

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| $10 SUITS, One-third off ........ $6 66 | $12 OVERCOATS, One-third off ........ $ 8.00 | $3 TROUSERS, One-third off ........ $2.00 |
| $12 SUITS, One-third off ........ $8 00 | 15 OVERCOATS, One-third off ........ 10.00 | 4 TROUSERS, One-third off ........ 2.67 |
| $14 SUITS, One-third off ........ $9 33 | 18 OVERCOATS, One-third off ........ 12.00 | 5 TROUSERS, One-third off ........ 3.33 |
| $15 SUITS, One-third off ........ $10.00 | 20 OVERCOATS, One-third off ........ 13.33 | 6 TROUSERS, One-third off ........ 4.00 |
| $18 SUITS, One-third off ........ $12.00 | 22 OVERCOATS, One-third off ........ 14.67 | 7 TROUSERS, One-third off ........ 4.67 |
| $20 SUITS, One-third off ........ $13.33 | 25 OVERCOATS, One-third off ........ 16.67 | 8 TROUSERS, One-third off ........ 5.33 |
| $22 SUITS, One-third off ........ $14.67 | 30 OVERCOATS, One-third off ........ 20.00 | 9 TROUSERS, One-third off ........ 6.00 |

Y. M. B. O. D. No Goods Charged During This Sale. Y. M. B. O. D.

# BALTIMORE AND HOWARD STREETS.

ONE-THIRD OFF REGULAR PRICES

# Ready for Work.

To some of our customers we owe an apology for keeping them waiting a little longer during the holidays for Repair work than we wanted to, but the great rush is now over and we are catching up, and can promise all prompt delivery in the future, and guarantee satisfactory work. Our prices are always low—lower in fact than many charge for botch work. Our immense stock was pretty well depleted during the holidays, but we are now filling up again with new goods in Silverware, Clocks, Watches, Rings, etc., etc., all at money-saving prices. Come in and see us.

Yours to please,

J. H. SIDES,
Jeweler and Engraver.

Chestertown, Md.

# FLOUR! FLOUR!

One Carload here; another to come.

## R. F. PARKS.

SATURDAY, FEB. 15.

## Special Knock-Out Sale!

Having forestalled the market advance, will offer some special prices to all cash buyers, Saturday next.

NOTE PRICES BELOW:

Good Family Flour ........ $3 75 per bbl.
" " " ........ 3.89 "
" " " ........ 4.00 "
Buckwheat next Saturday ........ 1½c. per lb.
20 lbs. Best American Granulated Sugar for ........ $1.00
1 gallon Pure Vinegar (not diluted) ........ 10c.
6 lbs. Best Laundry (Lump) Starch ........ 25c.
7 Bars Best Oleine Laundry Soap for ........ 25c.
3 Bottles Pickles for only 25c., others charge 12 and 15c. per bottle.
Fibre Chamois ........ 15c. per yd.
New lot Shirting Outings only 5c. per yard; worth 8c.
" " " Prints only 4½c. "
5 yards Good Apron Gingham for ........ 25c.
8 " " Dress " dark colors (8 and 10c. goods) 50c.
5 " 9-4 Sheeting Muslin for ........ 75c.
5 " Domet Flannel for ........ 25c.
New line Percales ........ 10c. per yd.
5 Quires Good Writing Paper for ........ 25c.
6 Packs Envelopes for ........ 25c.
Men's Undershirts that were 25c., now ........ 13c. each.

KERSEY PANTS WAY DOWN!

## BOOTS, Gum & Leather, Way Down,

2 lbs. Good Natural Tobacco for ........ 37½c.
1 lb. " " " ........ 23c.
1 lb. " " " (best in town) ........ 25c.

## SEEDS!

Clover, Orchard Grass, and Timothy at City Prices.
Clover Seed low as $4.65 per bushel.
Seed Oats, too, for sale.

Don't forget the date—Saturday, Feb. 15th.

## R. F. PARKS.

ALL GOODS REDUCED.

We are rushing off all Winter Goods left.

Now for Bargains!

We carry an immense stock of everything.

Call.
Respectfully,

HARRY L. CHEW.

FENCE MATERIALS OF ALL KINDS.

Large Stock of Lubricating Oils.

This Space is Reserved for

## JOSEPH GUEST,

Chestertown, Maryland.

## SPECIAL FENCE-WIRE NOTICE!

(FOR THIS WEEK.)

PLAIN GALVANIZED (ALL NUMBERS),
HOG & CATTLE GALVANIZED BARD WIRE,
AND GALVANIZED TWISTED WIRE.

Sold on a very small commission above wholesale price—for Cash only.

ALSO STAPLES.

Harness and Axle Oils.

ALL KINDS ROOFING AND WEATHERBOARDING.


# LAST

# NOTICE and WARNING

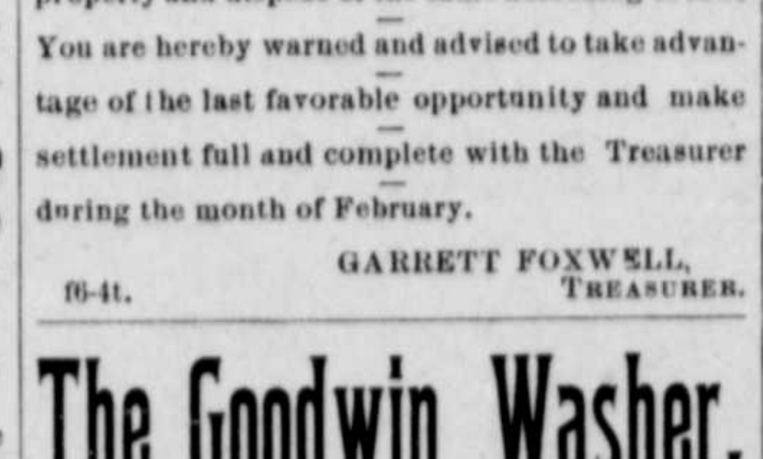
—TO—

# Delinquent Tax Payers

ALL PERSONS who have neglected, postponed or failed to pay their taxes for the year 1895 will take notice that 30 days after service of delinquent notice, the Treasurer shall proceed to seize their property and dispose of the same according to law. You are hereby warned and advised to take advantage of the last favorable opportunity and make settlement full and complete with the Treasurer during the month of February.

f6-4t. GARRETT FOXWELL, TREASURER.


# The Goodwin Washer.




## A Washer That Will Wash!

Have you tried this labor-saving machine! Parties using them are very much pleased with their work. One lady would not take $50.00 for her washer, if she could not get another GOODWIN. You do not have to pay for the machine until you have tried it to your own satisfaction. Drop a postal to me and I will send you one to try.

WILLIAM T. MATTHEWS,
Chestertown, Md.,
Sole Agent for Kent & Queen Anne's Counties.

## Shuster's DINING PARLOR,

CHESTERTOWN, MD.,

Front Street, Opposite the Old Bank.

Permanent and Transient Boarders taken at low rates: Lunch served at short notice. Oysters in all styles. First-Class Dinners to country people at 35c. Bride's Cakes made to order. We also carry in stock a general assortment of Cakes and Confectionery. Picnics and Festivals supplied with our celebrated Ice Cream at moderate prices. A call solicited.

SHUSTER'S DINING PARLORS.

# Reduction in Winter Hats.

SWEEPING REDUCTIONS

have been made in our large and varied line Winter Hats. It is proposed that our magnificent line of

Winter Hats

## AND MILLINERY GOODS

shall be surpassed in our spring goods, and in order to make room for spring goods this splendid line of goods must move, and our friends and patrons shall enjoy the benefits of reduced prices for high-class, seasonable goods. The first to come will be the first served from this reduction sale of beautiful winter styles at new year's reduction of prices.

## Misses Cora and Hettie Reed,

CHESTERTOWN, MD.

**TO OUR FRIENDS IN KENT COUNTY!**

Having opened a Large and Select Boarding House at 412 West Fayette St., near Ford's Opera House, Baltimore, we solicit the patronage of our friends visiting the city for a long or brief stay. We are situated near Lexington, Eutaw and Charles streets, making it convenient for shopping. Ladies contemplating a visit and unaccompanied by gentlemen friends, by sending a postal card will be met at the boat. The Carey street cars, corner of Conway and South Charles streets, one square from boat, run direct to our door. Accommodations first-class and home-like, and rates reasonable.

Very respectfully,

MRS. ALBERT I. DUGAN,
No. 412 W. Fayette St., Balto., Md.

## LADIES' FINE SHOES

AT WHOLESALE COST.

Having determined to quit the Shoe business we hereby offer our entire stock of

**Ladies', Misses', and Children's Shoes**

AT ACTUAL COST.

This is a fine opportunity to secure a pair of Fine Shoes for what a common pair would cost you elsewhere. The vast majority of these Shoes were bought before the rise in leather, hence, you can buy them now even *below the present wholesale price.* Call at once and get a rare bargain.

Respectfully,

M. D. KEMP & CO.

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We Are Right to the Front With a Line of New Goods.

Fine Stationery,
Toilet Articles,
Choice Soaps,
Brushes and Combs,
Perfumery,
Lamp Goods,

and many things you need this month.

## Our Drug Line is Complete.

We can serve you in the best manner with all you want. Remember, a little medicine in time may save you a spell of sickness.

We have started the season

WITH LOW PRICES

for the best goods. Let us have your orders.

## COLIN F. STAM,

Jan. 16, 1896. DRUGGIST.

COAL. FLOUR.

CIGARS, TOBACCO,
SNUFF, PIPES,
CONFECTIONERY,
CANNED GOODS,
COAL OIL.

PAYS CASH FOR BONES, RAGS AND GUM.

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