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IT IS reported that Santa Claus put a fac simile of the Kent county Clerk's office in Capt. Daniel Hill's stocking on Christmas eve, and some of the Captain's friends claim it to be an omen that the second district captain will be very much in the clerkship fight next year. Whether or not Old Kriss was flirting with Capt. Wm. D. Burchinal on the same occasion is not stated.

THE FIRST cargo of corn ever shipped from this country to India, left Philadelphia last week and consisted of one hundred and forty thousand bushels. A prominent Chestertown grain man said several days ago, that one million bushels of corn daily might be shipped from this country for the next three hundred and sixty-five days without touching a single grain of the present year's crop.

IT IS NOW WHISPERED, *sub rosa*, that Mr. Westcott will enter the contest for the judgeship nomination. It is stated that he has been waited upon by Mr. Urie and pointedly asked whether or not he had judicial aspirations. Mr. Westcott's pursuit of political glory seems to tend toward the bench, and Mr. Urie was not given a clear field in Kent, as it is understood that Mr. Westcott proposes to make the fight and will have his county, of course, solidly behind him.

IT WOULD be interesting to know why John K. Cowan, the only man who is reaping a harvest from the emasculated Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, is so sphinx-like in regard to the why's and wherefores of the downfall of that once great and prosperous corporation. It is passing strange that the gentleman who was so profoundly interested in an honest dollar and national credit during the last campaign should be so reticent in regard to an honest disclosure of the causes which led to the collapse of the credit of the great corporation which he so effectually used as a political machine to carry Maryland Republican last fall.

THE SIGNS of the times point to the colored voter as being very much in evidence when the season of ticket-making commences. In Baltimore, the colored voters are figuring on a representative or two at Annapolis next winter. Why should the colored voter not be heard from? In Kent county he forms an excessive per cent of the voting strength of his party; he is always at his post, and why should he not be recognized? Surely "the laborer is worthy of his hire," and after winning in two campaigns, a one hundred and fifty dollar janitorship is the extent of the recognition accorded the brawn and sinew of the Republican party in Kent county. The colored brother is becoming weary of being feasted on empty promises, and rumor has it that a colored aspirant for a seat in the board of county commissioners will be forth-coming from the first district next fall.

IT HAS LEAKED from the Republican closet that the Westcott—Burchinal faction has decided upon Mr. Thos. A. Jacobs, of the first district, as the successor of Judge James M. J. Byron, as a member of the Orphans' Court. Col. William J. Vannort, however, desires the appointment of Mr. George C. Atkinson, of Chestertown, and has been making an energetic campaign in behalf of the appointment of his candidate. Indeed, it is said that a petition has been circulated which will be presented to Governor Lowndes, asking that Mr. Atkinson be appointed. The regulars claim to have an open field for their first district favorite, but a noticeable uneasiness has manifested itself since the Colonel took the field for a vigorous fight, and maybe, after all, the Colonel's nearness to the State management, in whose ranks he has stood from the first, may outweigh the pull of the Kent managers.

TO WHOM HONOR IS DUE.

A prominent member of the Baltimore bar, writing to the TRANSCRIPT several days ago, enclosed an editorial comment from the Balto. *Sun* of recent date, under the caption of "Our Kentish Friends." The gentleman referred to, is a regular reader of the TRANSCRIPT, and in his letter said: "The enclosed clipping from the *Sun* is all the stronger because it is in the form of an editorial. This is all due to your efforts, and you ought to have all the credit for it. Your articles in the TRANSCRIPT first started the people toward summer boarders." The *Sun's* articles is as follows:

"A dispatch to the *Sun* from Chestertown recently mentioning several of the paying industries of Kent county, gives summer boarding-house keeping an important position among them. Kent, like other Eastern Shore counties, has numerous beautiful situations on the shores of the bay and rivers and creeks. There are many fine old country homes, spacious, airy and in every way attractive, surrounded by shaded lawns. To these the people of the city resort in summer. Swinging in the hammock, boating and fishing and an occasional dance for the young people are the amusements. But these people cannot live upon scenery. This idea, rather slowly, perhaps, became fixed in the mind of the farmers of Kent, and so they went to work to raise vegetables, chickens, geese, and to catch fish. Finding it not very profitable to carry those things to market, they brought a market to their homes. The combination of scenery, lawns, horses, poultry and fish worked harmoniously and attracted increasing numbers of summer guests. The good people of the country not only get from them a pecuniary recompense, but the enjoyment, which comes from the society of the summer boarder is now looked for eagerly in many a country neighborhood. Where the best food in the world costs nothing to produce but a little labor and intelligence, city people can get summer board away from the heat and noise about as cheap as they can keep house at their homes. And so the number going for a rest among green fields keeps on increasing, and as the farmers' wives become more and more skilled in catering to their wants, the summer-boarding industry will become more and more important in Kent and in other counties of Maryland.

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., Props, Toledo O.

We the undersigned have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business 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. Price 75c. per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Testimonials free.

STEAMBOAT NEWS.

Changes of Schedule and other Matters.

The Steamer Sassafras, of the Sassafras River Line, because of the cold weather, after making her regular trip on Friday returned to Baltimore until further notice. The company publishes an official notice that after January 1st, the Sassafras' regular trips will be discontinued.

The steamer Defiance, loaded with pig iron from Washington to Philadelphia, and reported ashore off Tolchester last week, succeeded in getting away, but was later caught in the ice up Elk river and cut through. The steamer was on the verge of sinking when the captain discovered the trouble. The crew was hastily summoned and four or five tons of pig iron was quickly thrown overboard, lightening the steamer up. A board was nailed over the hole, which was cut in the steamer just at the water's edge, and finally the captain succeeded in reaching Betterton. The people of the place realized that the steamer was in trouble by the distress whistles heard all Saturday morning. No aid could be given from there, however, and no tugs hove in sight. The steamer landed a large quantity of pig iron on Betterton wharf, which put the damaged part of the steamer considerably above the water's edge, and Saturday evening she followed the Ericsson steamer on to Philadelphia. No more trouble was anticipated.

A barge loaded with a very valuable cargo of white sand was cut and sunk by ice late Christmas day, just opposite Betterton. The men had barely time to get out of the cabin and on to the tug, so quickly did the barge go under. The tug brought the men into Betterton. The night was very cold, and in consequence, the men, who had both gotten wet, were nearly perished by the time they reached the shore. One man was in his shirt sleeves, not having the time to get his coat when the barge sank.—TRANSCRIPT'S Betterton correspondent.

A large three-masted schooner, loaded with railroad iron and coal, while in tow of a tug went ashore at the mouth of Queenstown creek on Tuesday of last week. The tides have continued to cut the bow of the vessel around, causing it to become an obstruction to navigation. Capt. Taylor has on several occasions made an effort to pull the vessel off but only succeeded in drawing her bow out of the steamer's path. Not until she is lighted of some of her cargo will it be possible to get the vessel off.

The special trips to Rock Hall on Saturdays, have been discontinued.

Though a considerable quantity of floating ice has been in the upper Chesapeake, the Ericsson steamers have continued to make their regular landings.

TOLCHESTER BREEZES.

At a Summer Resort in Mid-winter.

EDS. TRANSCRIPT:—Although Tolchester is a summer resort, it also exists in winter. The two Saturdays passed have been good ones from a steamboat point of view. The Giles made her last trip prior to her mid-winter trip sometime about the first of February, on Saturday, December 26.

The steamship Defiance, which went aground near here last Thursday night on a very low tide, floated off Friday morning and proceeded on her journey to Philadelphia from Washington. She was only slightly injured; some little damage to bottom that the pumps could keep free.

Christmas day was generally observed here. The postoffice was closed and the postmaster took dinner away from home. We advise him to be a little careful, for while we have heard of no applicant for the place, we suppose there will be when the time rolls around. Besides it pays over fifteen dollars a year.

Quite a great deal is being said in reference to the Kent County Fair, to be held here about the last of August next. The half mile track has been graded, plowed and put in order, so that the winter will settle it. Shedding, etc., will be added in the spring and everything arranged for a full-fledged fair, and we hope to see our people take an interest and make it "second to none in the State."

Our fishermen are very much put out over the new fish law. They have hundreds of dollars invested in nets and traps that the law makes almost worthless. Well, such is life. Let us hope for a chance next winter.

As an evidence of the scarcity of oysters in the upper part of the bay, there has not been a dredge boat at work above Swan Point this season.

Miss Ida Bramble will spend the winter with her cousin, Mrs. I. Sanner, in Harford county.

Quite a number of sociables are to take place after the holidays. HAPS.

GALENA NEWS.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—For a few days last week the merry jingle of the sleigh-bells enlivened our little town, but the snow soon gave out in the roads, and Xmas was ushered in quiet and dull, except now and then a fire cracker would snap, "only that and nothing more," and quiet would settle back over the town so deep and still that the sound of one's own voice would make cold chills creep up and down one's back.

I believe Xmas services were held in the Catholic Church, but if in any other church I have not heard of it.

Messrs. W. A. Whitaker and R. H. Hicks had a good run on Xmas goods, of which both merchants carried a large and varied assortment.

On Xmas eve a donation to the needy, of coal and other necessities were collected at the M. E. Chapel and distributed around town.

Some time ago a Whist Club was formed among our young folk, and they meet at different homes several times each week. Miss Nanny Deaver, of Frederick has been visiting friends here, and having joined the club can hold her own against all comers. Then there is the Dr. who always trumps when he has no suit, win if it is his pardner's *ace*. Misses Wallis, Taylor and Massey play a strong hand as also does Miss Nettie Long. Miss Susie Taylor and Miss Mary Wallis. Miss Deaver, we are sorry to say returned home last week.

We have heard of no changes in or around town. Our people seem to be contented to end their days here, living off the farmer and the farmer he lives off the wind.

Wishes for you and the readers of the TRANSCRIPT a prosperous and happy New Year. VISITOR.

Locust Grove News.

Several have filled their ice houses this week, others are waiting for better ice.

Messrs. Thos. W., William G. and Sereck Shallcross, Unit Rasin and Herbert Edson, spent Christmas at their homes.

Dr. Harry Hurtt also spent Christmas at home.

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Sylvanus, of Wilmington, are visiting Mrs. Sylvanus' parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Kelley.

We hear that a gentleman in the neighborhood lost one hundred and five dollars a few days ago, a 100 dollar note and a five. We did not think any one in this vicinity possessed a 100 dollar note. We hope the same may be found.

Dr. J. H. Kelley is still confined to his bed with inflamitory rheumatism, having thus been confined for eleven weeks.

Mrs. Kelley is setting up but not able to leave her room.

ROCK HALL NOTES.

Christmas, with its joys and gladness, its sorrows and disappointments, has come and gone. While the festivities in this community as a whole were not as elaborate as on past anniversaries, yet a determined spirit was evinced to relegate to obscurity all that tended to mar the pleasures of Christmastide, and to say this spirit was successful is putting it mildly. Good cheer in all directions was abundantly manifest.

Special Xmas entertainments were held in the M. E. and M. P. Churches at night, which were very largely attended, and were the equal of any occasions of the kind in the past and reflected great credit upon those engaged in the work of getting them up and carrying out the several programmes.

There was less display of fireworks on the public thoroughfares than has been witnessed for twenty-five years past, and this was highly appreciated by the citizens generally. There was also less evidence of intoxicating liquors than formerly, which speaks volumes to the credit of Rock Hall, although one of our prominent citizens witnessed the sale of and money received for liquor of some kind, which a stranger with a team boldly dispensed to whoever would buy. The gentleman alluded to did his utmost to get an officer "onto" the vender, but not an officer could be found, and the stranger got away before he could be recognized. This incident, coupled with the great number of demijohns and jugs going to and returning from Baltimore on last Thursday and at other times, has caused considerable comment on our local option laws. We hear numerous parties express themselves as favorable to bringing the sale of liquor before the voters again, as it is a great mistake to allow so much revenue to go to the city that would be highly beneficial to our county.

Our neighborhood was very much shocked on Saturday to learn of the death of Chas. B. Beck, one of our popular young men. Charley was a jovial and whole-souled young man and will be missed by very many friends.

Some nights ago the family of Mr. J. A. Hersch heard a team passing their residence and supposed it to be Dr. Selby going out on a professional visit, but upon investigation by Mr. Hersch, it proved to be one of Mr. H.'s tenants, who was surreptitiously decamping with his household effects without notice or the payment of a year or more rent.

Capt. G. T. Sewell removed his wife to Baltimore on Saturday for treatment. Mrs. Sewell has been sick for several weeks, with little or no improvement, hence the trip to the city. We hope a speedy recovery will result.

There seems to be much demand for "two in the hill" these days, in consequence of the continued rise in the price of flour. Hard times are working many changes that are not conducive to the comfort of those whom Representative Walker, Republican, designates "poor white trash." But the change from wheat flour to corn meal, all things considered, will not be found less expensive. While corn is but 23 cents, meal, it is said, is about 60 cents.

The ice embargo has interfered very materially with our oystermen since Wednesday last. Unfortunately, the water in the various ponds has been so low that those having ice houses failed to harvest a supply of ice.

From present appearances, "Uncle Sam" will have to back down or be knocked down. Alas, how minus we are of the "spirit of '76." Those Senate resolutions seem very repugnant now to what they were two weeks ago. Our great men in the Capitol city ought to heed the motto of "Davy Crocket," "be sure you're right, then go ahead." We hope the crop of New Year resolutions will meet with better success.

Mr. S. J. Wickes has a valuable horse afflicted with some kind of distressing disease that makes it dangerous to those who have to do with him. Some fear it is the effects of a dog bite.

BOB JOUR.

FAIRLEE NEWS.

EDITORS TRANSCRIPT:—The present cold spell has caused quite a little boom in the shops. To the blacksmith shops horses have been coming by twos and threes to be shod for several days. Some of those who are fortunate enough to have ice houses are taking advantage of the opportunity to fill them. Some of those engaged in this work are: Messrs. Keyser and Statts, Mr. J. P. Nicholson, Mr. James Bramble, Mr. James Beck and others. The ice is about three and one-half inches in thickness, and of only ordinary quality, there being considerable snow in it.

Quite a number of hearts and homes were made happy on Christmas day by the uniting of families and friends, while everything was quiet and peaceable throughout the entire day, there was gladness within the hearts, but not as of yore, made so by the hot stuff commonly called "tanglefoot," "jolly booze" and a host of other names, but by real spiritual and domestic happiness.

The death of Mr. Charles Beck was quite a shock to his many intimate friends in this vicinity.

The regular monthly meeting of the W. C. T. U. was held at the almshouse yesterday, and was right largely attended, and a good time was had by those present.

Preparations are still being made for our Christmas entertainment for the Salem Sabbath school, which will take place to-night, Thursday, at seven o'clock. After these services a watch-meeting will likely be held. Come and have a good time with us.

Prof. L. J. Smyth, wife and daughter Anna, are visiting at their sisters, the Misses Carrie and Minnie Smyth.

Miss Mollie Noland visited friends in the village on Friday, en route for Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Jennie Lamb is home on a visit, and we are glad to find her enjoyi ng the best of health. Mrs. Lamb says there is no place she likes as well as Fairlee, and there are many others who think the same.

Mrs. Katie Heuisler and little daughter, are the guests of Mrs. G. E. Noland, at Tolchester.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Statts visited relatives in Townsend, Del., on Christmas day. Mrs. Statts' visit is extended.

Miss Laura Greenwood is home on a visit from Baltimore, and is now the guest of the Smyth sisters.

Mr. Morris Bramble has completed moving, and his sisters, Misses Annie and Rose, will keep house for him.

Mr. Mahlon Lee, while lighting a sky-rocket on Friday night was severely burned on the hand. It was dressed by Mrs. R. A. Lewis, who is becoming a professional in this line of business.

Mrs. Lydia Hepbron and two sons are visiting their parents, the Rev. J. B. Merritt, D. D., and wife.

Miss Zadie Lee, Mr. R. A. Smyth and Master Bob Lewis are great sufferers from heavy colds.

Mrs. W. F. Sparks and Miss Laura Lee are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Shuster, in Chestertown.

The good will and best wishes for a happy and prosperous new year are extended to the editors of the TRANSCRIPT, the foundation of Kent county's Democracy. EAST END.

Do you know the quickest way to cure a sprain or bruise, a burn or scald? Such injuries are very common and can be cured quickly if properly treated. Mr. J. M. Amerman, of Forks P. O., Columbia Co., Pa., says: "I have never found anything to compare with Chamberlain's Pain Balm for sprains, bruises and burns. We have used it in our family for several years and feel that we cannot do without it." For sale at 25 and 50 cents per bottle by M. A. Toulson, Chestertown, Md.

A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

WE take this opportunity of expressing our thanks to the public for the liberal patronage we have received during the "Great Record-Breaking" year 1896.

The old year '96 goes out leaving a record which surpasses all other records in our experience, and we can only express kind wishes to our many patrons, and to the public in general, for a happy, hearty and prosperous New Year.

While we express our thanks for the past, we solicit a continuance of the favors and confidence for the New Year 1897, and pledge our best efforts to always please and serve the public.

MEDDERS & CO.

NEW YEAR GREETING.

WE avail ourselves of the opportunity offered through the columns of the TRANSCRIPT, to thank our friends and patrons for the support given us in our business during the year of 1896.

It is our desire at all times to conduct our business in such a manner as to merit this support, and we shall strive during the coming New Year to meet the conditions of the times with as low prices and as great liberality as possible.

Trusting that a new era of prosperity may dawn upon our country at large during 1897, we remain,

TURNER & SON,
Betterton, Md.

NO. 4327.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE

SECOND NATIONAL BANK

OF CHESTERTOWN,

at Chestertown, in the State of Maryland, at the close of business, Dec. 17, 1896.

RESOURCES:

Loans and discounts	$153,407 42
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	12,500 00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	1,188 00
Banking-house, furniture and fixtures	13,500 00
Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents	737 75
Due from approved reserve agents	25,959 66
Checks and other cash items	1,614 05
Notes of other National Banks	1,055 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	92 98
Specie and legal-tender notes	9,179 50
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent. of circulation)	562 50
TOTAL	$217,197 50

LIABILITIES:

Capital stock paid in	$50,000 00
Surplus fund	10,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	3,097 62
National Bank notes outstanding	11,250 00
Due to other National Banks	2,007 25
Due to State Banks and Bankers	105 68
Individual deposits subject to check	140,537 84
Certified Checks	289 11
TOTAL	$217,197 50

State of Maryland, County of Kent, ss:

I, W. B. COOPER, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

W. B. COOPER, CASHIER.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28th day of December, 1896.

C. M. LUCAS, N. P.

Correct—Attest:

JAMES A. PEARCE.
WILBUR W. HUBBARD,
HOPE H. BARROLL,
DIRECTORS.

FOR SALE.

A SMALL TWO-STORY FRAME BUILDING, with lot 60 by 20 feet, on the northwest side of Lynchburg street in Chestertown, being the same which was devised to Groom and Robert Kinggold by their father, Josias Kinggold, Jr.

CHARLES E. PERKINS, Att'y.

For terms, apply to

EBEN F. PERKINS, Chestertown.

d31-3t.

Dissolution of Copartnership.

The Copartnership heretofore existing between Thomas R. Hubbard and Wilbur W. Hubbard, manufacturers of fertilizers, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. Wilbur W. Hubbard, the Junior member, has bought out his father's interest, including factory, office and everything appertaining, and will conduct the business as heretofore and in the old firm's name, The Senior, Thomas R. Hubbard, withdraws from the business.

All persons indebted to the old firm are hereby requested to pay the amount due, or come in and arrange settlements, and all persons having bills against us are requested to render same.

Respectfully, T. R. HUBBARD & Son.

Dec. 17, 1896-4t.

BANK NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given to the stockholders of the SECOND NATIONAL BANK OF CHESTERTOWN, Maryland, that their regular ANNUAL MEETING for the election of Nine Directors for the ensuing year, will be held at their banking house, in Chestertown, TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 1897, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M.

d17-4t. W. B. COOPER, Cashier.

TO LOAN ON MORTGAGES.

I have $200 $1,000, $1,500, $7,000, $2,500, $3,000, $5,000 and $10,000 to loan on first mortgage at 6 per cent.

HOPE H. BARROLL
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW.
Chestertown, Md.

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FOR RENT FOR 1897.

STORE AND DWELLING, corner High and Mill streets. House roomy; papered throughout, and in first-class order. Hydrant water in kitchen. Will be rented separately if desired.

Apply to J. B. SAPPINGTON, Chestertown, Md.

s24-tf.

NO. 1231 CHANCERY.

ORDER NISI.

Hope H. Barroll, Assignee and Trustee, vs. Elizabeth Walraven, et al, Mortgagor.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County, in Equity.

ORDERED, this 29th day of December, 1896, that the sale of the real estate mentioned in these proceedings, made and reported by Hope H. Barroll, assignee and trustee, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 1st day of March next; provided, a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Kent county, once in each of three successive weeks before the 30th day of January next.

The report states the amount of sales to be $5,250.00.

SAMUEL G. FISHER, Clerk.

True Copy—Test:

SAMUEL G. FISHER, Clerk.

d31-4t.

NO. 1226 CHANCERY.

ORDER NISI.

Hope H. Barroll, Assignee, vs. Dulaney Rasin and Mary J. Rasin.

In the Circuit Court for Kent county, in Equity.

ORDERED, this 12th day of December, 1896, that the sale of the real estate mentioned in these proceedings, made and reported by Hope H. Barroll, assignee and trustee, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 17th day of February next; provided, a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Kent county, once in each of three successive weeks before the 17th day of January next.

The report states the amount of sales to be $8,489.12.

SAMUEL G. FISHER, Clerk.

True Copy—Test:

SAMUEL G. FISHER, Clerk.

d17-3t.

Auditor's Notice.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County.

No. 1226 Equity.

Hope H. Barroll, Assignee, vs. Dulaney Rasin and Mary J. Rasin, his wife.

THE creditors of Mary J. Rasin and other persons who may be interested in the proceeds of the sale of the real estate sold in this case, are hereby notified to file their claims, properly authenticated, with the Clerk of the Circuit Court within sixty days from the date of the first insertion of this notice.

By order of Court.

EBEN F. PERKINS, Auditor.

d17-4t.

MONEY TO LOAN

ON MORTGAGE.

WM. M. SLAY, Attorney.

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TRUSTEE'S SALE OF

A FINE FARM!

Near Locust Grove, Kent Co., Md.

BY VIRTUE of a decree of the Circuit Court for Kent County, as a Court of Equity, passed in a cause in said court, wherein James B. Merritt, Trustee, is complainant, and Samuel A. Merritt and Laura S. Merritt, his wife, are defendants, the undersigned duly appointed trustee by said decree, will offer at Public Sale in front of the Court House Door, in Chestertown, on

TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 1897,

BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 12 O'CLOCK M. AND 1 O'CLOCK P. M.,

Nine Undivided Tenth Parts

OF ALL THAT

Fine Tract of Land,

situated on the public road leading from Kennedyville to Locust Grove, just above Shrewsbury Church Lane, and lying on both sides of said public road, containing

176 Acres and 11 Perches

OF LAND, more or less, belonging to Samuel A. Merritt, and formerly known as the Benjamin G. Merritt Farm.

This land is of the very best quality, is in a fine state of cultivation and yields as large crops of grain and grass as any lands in the county. About 116 acres of this tract lie on the north side of the public road, and about 60 acres on the south side of said road. The tract on the north side is IMPROVED BY A COMFORTABLE STORY AND A HALF

FRAME DWELLING

IN A WELL-SHADED LAWN.

There is a GOOD GRANARY, ample for the whole tract, and STABLE for six horses, besides a good Shed Stable for four more horses. Also a good Carriage House. There is a well of good water.

The tract on the south side of said road is IMPROVED BY A

Nearly New Dwelling

BUILT OF THE BEST MATERIAL,

and in good condition, and containing Eight good rooms besides the Kitchen. There are FINE PORCHES both front and back, and a good well of water. There is also a small Stable and Carriage House and Poultry House.

It is about two miles from this place to Black's Station, on the Kent County Railroad, and about 2½ miles to Steamboat Landing at Shallcross' Wharf, on Sassafras River.

At the same time and place M. DEK. SMITH, attorney, will sell the other undivided tenth part of the above tract, so that full title can be acquired to the whole tract.

THE TERMS OF SALE as prescribed by the decree are as follows: One-third of the purchase money to be paid in cash on the day of sale, or in thirty days thereafter, at the option of the trustee; and the residue in two equal installments in one and two years from day of sale, with interest from the day of sale, to be secured by the purchasers' bond, with security to be approved by the trustee.

The purchaser will be entitled to the wheat crop now seeded, but will be required to pay in addition to the purchase money the actual cost of seed wheat and phosphate, which was furnished by Rev. J. B. Merritt, Trustee, in order to insure the seeding of the crops, which amount will be stated at the sale.

If desired, these tracts will be offered separately and as a whole. Possession given on ratification of sale.

JAMES A. PEARCE, Trustee.

J. H. Greenwood, Auct. d24-ts.

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF

—SMALL AND—

Very Desirable FARM

ADJOINING LOCUST GROVE, IN KENT COUNTY, MARYLAND.

BY VIRTUE of a decree of the Circuit Court for Kent county, as a court of equity, passed in a cause in said court wherein Henry C. Kennard and James A. Pearce, executors of Thomas C. Kennard, are complainants, and Samuel A. Merritt and Laura S. Merritt, his wife, are defendants, the undersigned, duly appointed Trustee by said decree, will offer at public sale in front of the Court House Door in Chestertown, on

TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 1897,

Between the hours of 12 o'clock M. and 1 o'clock P. M., ALL THAT

Tract of LAND

situated adjoining the village of Locust Grove, between the Home Farm of said Sam'l A. Merritt and the village of Locust Grove, known as the Matthew or Rouse Farm, and containing

58 ACRES,

3 Roods and 21 Perches of Land, more or less.

Every foot of this land is arable and of the very best quality, and is in fine condition. There is an old and

Small DWELLING

on the Tract, but no Out-Buildings, this tract having been allotted in connection with the home farm of Samuel A. Merritt. There is a good well of water near the house.

THE TERMS OF SALE as prescribed by the decree are as follows: One-third of the purchase money to be paid in cash on the day of sale, or in thirty days thereafter, at the option of the trustee; and the residue in two equal installments in one and two years from the day of sale, with the credit payments to be secured by the bond of the purchaser, with security to be approved by the trustee.

Possession to be given on ratification of sale.

JAMES A. PEARCE, TRUSTEE.

J. A. GREENWOOD, Auct'r. d24-ts.

SHERIFF'S SALE

—OF—

Personal Property

BY virtue of a writ of fieri facias issued by Benjamin N. S. Wilkins, a Justice of the Peace in and for Kent county, Md., and to me directed, at the suit of Henry W. Catlin, assignee, against the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of Joseph C. Walters, I have seized, levied upon and taken in execution all the rights and interests of the said Joseph C. Walters, in and to the following property:

1 6-Horse Power Traction Engine,

1 34-Inch Cylinder Thresher,

1 Nicholas and Cheppard Engine,

1 Warder, Busnell & Glessner Self-Binder, 1 Thresher Rig, 1 Farm Wagon, 1 Empire Drill, 1 York Carriage, 1 Pile of 200 Bricks (more or less);

1 Eclipse 10-Horse Power Engine

and 1 Champion Mower, 1 Furrow Plow, 1 3-Furrow Bissell Plow, lot of Old Wood and Iron in form of trumpery.

And I hereby give notice, that on

TUESDAY, 19th Day of January, 1897,

beginning at 10 o'clock A. M., on the premises near Chestertown, occupied by said Joseph C. Walters, I will sell the above-named property so seized and taken in execution, to the highest bidder for cash, to pay and satisfy the above writ, with costs and interests due and to become due thereon.

d24-ts. JAMES A. CASEY, Sheriff.

NO. 1222 CHANCERY.

ORDER NISI.

George Gray, Mortgagee, vs. William O. Shallcross, Ann W. Shallcross.

In the Circuit Court for Kent county, in Equity

ORDERED, this 12th day of December, 1896, that the sale of the real estate mentioned in these proceedings, made and reported by James A. Pearce, attorney named in mortgage, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 17th day of February next; provided, a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Kent county, once in each of three successive weeks before the 17th day of January next.

The report states the amount of sales to be $10,100.00.

SAMUEL G. FISHER, Clerk.

True Copy—Test:

SAMUAL G. FISHER, Clerk.

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Public Sale of

VALUABLE

REAL ESTATE

In Kent County, Maryland.

BY VIRTUE of the power contained in the mortgage from Samuel A. Merritt and Laura S. Merritt, his wife, to Joseph W. Price, dated the 29th day of September, 1887, and recorded among the Land Records of Kent County, the undersigned, the mortgagee, will offer at public sale at the Court House Door, in Chestertown, on

TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 1897,

BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 12 O'CLOCK M. AND 1 O'CLOCK P. M., ALL THAT

Farm or Parcel of Land,

lying and being on the north side of the public road leading from Kennedyville to Locust Grove in said county, and situate at the corner formed by the aforesaid road and the public road leading into Shrewsbury Neck, and where the said Samuel A. Merritt now resides, and now containing

164 ACRES

2 Roods and 2 Perches of Land,

more or less, and which was conveyed to the said Samuel A. Merritt by two separate deeds, one from John Matthews and wife and the other from George Vickers, trustee, saving and excepting the parcel of land conveyed to W. N. E. Wickes—all of which said deeds are duly recorded among the Land Records aforesaid.

The IMPROVEMENTS consist of a LARGE AND COMFORTABLE TWO-STORY FRAME

Dwelling HOUSE,

with BACK BUILDING, together with necessary OUT-BUILDINGS, all nearly new and in good repair.

Also, an Undivided One-Tenth Interest in all that

FARM or Tract of Land

adjoining the Home Farm before described, and lying on both sides of the aforesaid public road leading from Kennedyville to Locust Grove, at the corner form by the said road and the public road to Shrewsbury Church, formerly the home of the said Samuel A. Merritt, containing

176 Acres and 11 Perches

of Land, more or less, which was conveyed to the said Samuel A. Merritt by two separate deeds, one from James B. Merritt, trustee, and the other from Caroline R. Merritt, saving and excepting two acres of land conveyed to Adaline K. and Caroline R. Merritt. All of said deeds are duly recorded among the Land Records of Kent county.

The IMPROVEMENTS on the last-mentioned tract of land consist of a

ONE-STORY FRAME

Dwelling HOUSE,

and OUT-BUILDINGS, in ordinary repair.

These farms are of the finest tracts of land in Kent county, and are in the highest state of cultivation and productiveness. Located within one-half mile of the village of Locust Grove where are schools, stores, creamery and manufacturing shops; also within two miles of Black's Station on the Baltimore and Delaware Bay Railroad, and two and a half miles from Shallcrosses' Wharf on Sassafras River, where a line of steamers ply to and from Baltimore city.

TERMS OF SALE:

The sum of $1,000 will be required in cash on the day of sale, the residue in two equal installments and payable in one and two years from the day of sale. The deferred payments to bear interest from the day of sale and to be secured by the bond of the purchaser with security to be approved by the undersigned. Title papers at cost of purchaser.

JOSEPH W. PRICE, Mortgagee.
MARION DEK. SMITH,
Att'y for Mortgagee.

John H. Greenwood, Auct'r. d31-ts.

The other nine-tenths interest in the last mentioned and described farm will be offered at public sale at the same time and place by James A. Pearce, Trustee, by virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court for Kent County, so that purchasers will have an opportunity to purchase the whole.

HOPE H. BARROLL, Attorney.

Order of Publication.

Ellen Hines vs. John Emory Hines, George Hines, Thomas Hines, Philip Hines.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County, Maryland, in Equity.

THE object of this suit is to procure a decree for the sale of certain real estate of which Louisa Hines, colored, late of Kent county, died seized and possessed.

The bill states that a certain Louisa Hines, formerly Louisa Brown, daughter of Philip Brown, colored, died intestate, seized of a certain house and lot of land situated in the First Election District of Kent county, Maryland, near the village of Massey's at present occupied by John Emory Hines; that her husband is dead, and she left the following children, namely: John Emory Hines, George Hines, Thomas Hines, Phillip Hines, and Ellen Hines, the complainant, and these are the only children and heirs at law of the said Louisa Hines.

The Bill further states that the said Louisa Hines hired said land from her father, Philip Brown; that the said real estate is not susceptible of partition without material loss and injury to the parties entitled therein, and that in order to make division of said interests it will be necessary for the said real estate to be sold and for the proceeds thereof to be divided among the parties entitled thereto, according to their several interests therein, but in order for this to be done it will be necessary for a decree to be passed for the appointment of a trustee to make such sale for the purpose of partition.

And the bill further states that the said George Hines, Thomas Hines and Philip Hines are non residents of the State of Maryland.

It is thereupon this 29th day of December, 1896, adjudged and ordered by the Circuit Court for Kent county in Equity, that the plaintiff, by causing a copy of this order to be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in said Kent county once a week for four successive weeks before the 30th day of January, 1897, give notice to the said absent 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 17th day of February next, to show cause, if any they have, why a decree ought not to be passed as prayed.

SAMUEL G. FISHER, Clerk.

True Copy—Test:

SAMUEL G. FISHER, Clerk.

d30-4.

Order of Publication

The Nickerson Fertilizer Company, Lawrence J. Smyth, vs. Perry Gears, Margaret Sheats, James H. Sheats, Noble Gears, Jennie Gears, Lemuel Stroud, Wilhelmina Stroud.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County, Maryland in Equity.

THE object of this suit is to procure a decree for the sale of certain real estate situated in Kent county, Maryland, of which Sarah J. Gears died, seized and possessed.

The bill states that Sarah J. Gears was in her lifetime indebted to your orator, the Nickerson Fertilizer Company, a corporation duly incorporated under the laws of the State of Maryland, in the full and just sum of $28.49, upon a certain promissory note dated October 1st, 1895, as will appear by a duly certified copy thereof filed herewith and prayed to be taken as a part hereof, and marked "Plaintiff's Exhibit No. 1," and also unto your orator, Lawrence J. Smyth, in the full and just sum of $18 upon a promissory note dated January 21, 1895, as will appear by said promissory note filed herewith and prayed to be taken as a part hereof and marked "Plaintiff's Exhibit No. 2. And the bill further states that the said Sarah J. Gears, being so indebted unto your orators as aforesaid, and also unto divers other persons, and having real estate of great value situated, lying and being in Kent county, Maryland, but having no personal estate, departed this life sometime in the year 1895, intestate, leaving surviving her Perry Gears, her husband, and the following children and heirs-at-law, namely: Margaret Sheats, wife of James H. Sheats, Jennie Gears, wife of Noble Gears, Wilhelmina Stroud, wife of Lemuel Stroud, all of whom are adults, and reside in the State of Maryland, in Kent County, except Wilhelmina Stroud and Lemuel Stroud, both of whom reside, as your orators are informed, in the State of Delaware, and are non-residents of the State of Maryland.

3. That because of the fact that the said Sarah J. Gears left no personal estate, no letters of administration were taken out by anyone, and your orators are advised that there is no personal estate left by the said Sarah J. Gears although her children have all been summoned before the Orphans' Court, and every effort has been made to discover personal estate left by her without success; your orators and the other creditors have no other way in which their debts so due them as aforesaid can be collected or paid, unless the real estate of the said Sarah J. Gears is sold for this purpose, and this your orators are informed they are entitled to have done.

To the end therefore,

1. That the real estate of the said Sarah J. Gears, or so much thereof as may be necessary for the purpose may be sold for the payment of the claims of your orators and those of the other unsatisfied creditors of the said Sar