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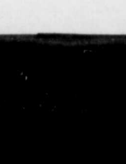
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THOMAS S. BORDLEY,
Corner Clothing House, Chestertown, Md.

THE PICTURESQUE SASSAFRAS.

Some Scenic Beauties of the Rhine of Maryland.

The loyal Kent countian is scarcely less proud of the scenic beauty and unfailing gastronomic wealth of his rivers than of the fertile acres and happy, prosperous homes which dot every hillside and valley overlooking the water courses of the county. The wealth of our rivers and the Chesapeake is scarcely less valuable than the harvests which are annually gathered from field and orchard.

The Sassafras, often referred to as the noted Rhine of Maryland rivers, in addition to being one of the most picturesque and beautiful, is one of the most interesting streams in the State. The goddess of history has left the impress of her finger upon each curve and headland of its verdure-fringed shoreline.

From the picturesque town which sits in beauty at the foot of wooded bluffs at the entrance to the Sassafras to historic, and not less picturesque Georgetown at the headwaters of the stream, historic interest is interwoven with the history of the river and the fertile fields which line its banks.

A TRANSCRIPT man recently boarded the steamer Sassafras at Buck Neck for a pleasant tour of inspection,—not of the splendid new steamer or her more than courteous and affable captain, George Tarbutton, and his crew, but of the charms of the trip on a summer's afternoon. Buck Neck is itself a place not unknown. It was there that the first great peach orchard in Kent was plante ', and it is on the pretty little stream which steals in among fields of fruit and grain and between wooded hills and pleasant homes, that Worton Manor Beach, one of the most beautiful resorts along the Chesapeake, is found. Buck Neck, the hid-away-among-the-hills steamboat-wharf, is now owned by the Sassafras River Company and promises in the near future to become an even more valuable freighting and passenger point than in the past.

Leaving the mouth of Worton creek, the first place of peculiar interest at this season of the year is Howell's Point, the home and native haunt of the gamey perch. Here is the fisherman's paradise, for here as scarcely at no other point on the Chesapeake, the swirling, eddying waters are fairly alive with magnificent fish. The sunny dreams of a fisherman's life-time may be realized on Howell's Point when the waters are clear and the "tide right." With many a flirt and flounder, the toothsome perch makes glad the hearts of thousands of fishermen each season.

Bold bluffs fifty feet high mark the shore line leading up to that great social centre and sportsman's delight, Betterton. The quaint little summer resort, with its three elegant hotels and happy, prosperous population bathes its feet in the waves of the Chesapeake at a most charming spot. A fleet of freshly painted fishing and pleasure boats float idly at their moorings or skip like water sprites over the waves heading toward some favored fishing ground in the vicinity, and give an added charm and beauty to the afternoon scene. Just up the great hill back of the town is Still Pond and the never ruffled, ever-smiling and never-freezing little sheet of water which has given a local habitation and a name to the prosperous country village and the fertile farmlands round about. No wind ever ruffles the fair face of the magnolia-shadowed pond, and whether the thermometer stands at zero or the mercury is well up in the nineties, makes little difference to the tiny lake—it never freezes.

Across from Betterton stretches conspicuously Spesutie Island, with its shores eternally fretted with the flowing tides. Turkey Point, which has been pronounced by a noted English traveler to be the most beautiful site for a castle which he has ever seen in Europe or America, stands out in bold relief across the waters of the upper bay. It were far easier to write of the charms of this section than to curb the pen, but space and time demand that only hasty references be made and the traveler must hurry on. The steamer swings out into the stream and is in the Sassafras, the "beautiful river." The stream has been aptly named, it is a "beautiful river" from its mouth to the last glimpse which the pleasure seeker catches of its sun-kissed waters as they steal away and are lost among the hills of Kent and Cecil. On either bank are fields of grain, and pasture lands dotted with stock; homes unsurpassed for comfort and beauty in any agricultural section of the State, and shores whose picturesque beauty are poems in themselves.

Among other things for which the Sassafras region has become famous, is the vast quantity and delicious flavor of its asparagus. A grower of the tempting spring dish from along the Sassafras, said during the past season that the city epicure could pick out the Sassafras grass every time by the richness of color and tempting odor of the steam which arose from the pot while cooking it.

Turner's creek is a charming little tributary of the greater river and steals out into mid-stream before the stranger is aware of its presence. Quaintest little water scenes and picturesque bits of beauty are found at every turn of the river. Fishermen's homes nestled under overhanging bluffs and housed as happy, smiling faces as may be found in the gilded halls of wealth and ease of the crowded city. At one of the wharves an aged and sun-burned veteran of the fisher's art caught the steamer's lines, and it was with no small degree of astonishment that the TRANSCRIPT tourist was told that no finer penman could be found in all the country around. The book-keeper and expert accountant of other days is still able to ply his craft and ply it well. The fingers which can feel the slightest touch of the tiniest fish at the hook have not lost their cunning and can still beautify and render pregnant with meaning the unwritten page of the ledger or day book. On the left is Knight's Island, a beautiful property owned by Capt. Andrew Wood all, that prince of Kent county landowners. This gentleman has a magnificent landed estate, the result of diligence, economy and a business talent possessed by but few. One of the most beautiful places on the Sassafras is the Kent county summer retreat of I Freeman Raisin, the great Baltimore politician. This is a favorite spot for the busy man of political affairs to which he comes several times each summer season for an outing.

Georgetown and Fredericktown, the twin sisters of the Sassafras, are two of the most picturesque and interesting villages of the State. Nature has thrown around the location a wealth of beauty not to be found elsewhere. Each hour from dawn until the sun sinks behind the wooded hills unfolds new beauties. Each glint of sunshine or touch of passing shadow gives an added charm to this charming spot.

The summer guest long ago sought out this section, and each season many city visitors escape the heat and dust of city life and spend the summer months in the pleasant homes of farmers along the Sassafras. Captain William Cundiff, always alive to the comfort and pleasure of patrons of the Sassafras River Line, spares no trouble in adding to the delights of a trip up the picturesque Sassafras. In his absence, or even when the senior officer is on board, Captain George Tarbutton is the peer of any captain on the Chesapeake in courteous attentions, and is as fine a seaman as ever turned a wheel. Purser Gale, and in short, every member of the Sassafras' official corps, are equal to all demands which may be made upon them. The new iron steamer is one of the finest river vessels steaming out of Baltimore harbor, and is staunch, commodious and fast.

Volumes could be written relative to this trip. History and romance have fascinating contributions to make, but it is impossible to record them in this brief reference to the "Beautiful river." No Marylander should miss an opportunity to make the trip and enjoy the fascinating delights.

ISAAC N. MILLS' ESTIMATE.

Of the Extent of This Year's Delaware Peach Crop—A Disastrous Failure Reported.

Special Agent Isaac N. Mills of the Philadelphia, Wilmington & Baltimore railroad, has made his estimate of the peach crop, and his prediction is that the crop of 1897 will be almost a total failure. This is quite a surprise, as several weeks ago there was a good prospect for a moderate crop, but the peaches have nearly all fallen from the trees. The "June drop" this season is the heaviest in the history of peach culture on the Peninsula.

The frosts of the early spring damaged the peaches in the lower part of the Peninsula, but still there was good prospect for a crop. The damage was done by the curculio, and wherever it stings the peach is sure to fall. Mr. Mills noticed in an orchard near Seaford a peach that had 13 stings on it, and this orchard is no exception.

Mr. Mills says that the curculio plague is directly attributable to the fact that the peach growers last year and in 1895, left the culls and fallen fruit under the trees to breed the pests, instead of feeding all such fruit to hogs or burning it, as is done every year by California peach growers, who are never troubled by the insects.

The following is the estimate as furnished by the agents along the lines of the Delaware Railroad and branches to Mr. Mills. This, he thinks, is too high by from one-third to one-half:

	Baskets.
Delaware Railroad	112,860
Queen Anne & Kent Railroad	85,400
Delaware & Chesapeake Railway	88,330
Baltimore & Del. Bay Railroad	127,850
Cambridge & Seaford Railroad	14,950
Del., Maryland & Virginia R. R.	107,685
Total	537,075

The only section where there will be peaches in any quantity will be on the Baltimore & Delaware Bay Railroad, which extends from Clayton to Chestertown. This road belts the finest peach section on the Peninsula, but very little of this fruit has gone to Philadelphia and other northern markets in the past, on account of Baltimore being so close and the difference in freight rates so great.

The following is the estimate by stations on this line:

	Baskets.
Black's	1,000
Kennedyville	10,000
Hepbron	40,000
Lynch's	15,000
Worton	18,250
Nicholson	8,600
Chestertown	30,000
Total	127,850

In the neighborhood of Chestertown the trees are healthy, and have never been affected by the "yellows."

The Weary Waiters.

"What are the people waitin' for?", said folks-on-parade;
"They're waitin' for Prosperity," a starvin, fellow said;
"They're hungry on the hilltops, an' the valleys cry for bread—
They're waitin' on McKinley in the mornin'?"

"What's that so black against the sky?" said folks-on-parade;
"It's the office holders passin' by," a starvin' fellow said;
"They've got the pudding and the pie—monopolized the bread,
That's why we're hungry in the mornin'?"

"Why don't the people hurry home?" said folks-on-parade;
"They've got no homes to go to now," the starvin' fellow said;
"For rent is due and dollars few; they're not a crust of bread,
An' they're waitin' on McKinley in the morning?"
—*Atlanta Constitution.*

No More Snow in Colorado.

DENVER, COL., July 8.—The weather man has not recovered from his Fourth of July experience, when he sent snow and sleet to many prominent towns. Now he has broken loose in another direction, and the result is that the State is sizzling. Reports from Sterling and the lower tiers of counties state that the heat is unprecedented, and that in many places the thermometer registers 105 and above. In fact, it was so hot that it was not safe for men or animals to venture out of doors during the hottest part of the day. Field operations were abandoned. Some fear is felt for crops in the field which are wilting under the awful blight, and the pasture that stockmen had been expecting to support their cattle through the summer is in danger of being burned off the range, leaving nothing but a crop of coarse hay on the ground.

The Wife-Beater.

The cow hide is doubtless a bad thing to whip a man with, but it's not half bad enough for the man who whips his wife. The whipping post, if properly used, would be the most satisfactory solution to the problem of how to rid the country of the "wife-beater."

Permanently Cured.

"For about two years I suffered with diarrhoea. I used a number of remedies and was treated by physicians, but received no permanent relief. After taking a few doses of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, I believe that I am now permanently cured."—JOAB CRITES, Tanner, Gilmier county, W. Va. This remedy is sold by M. A. Toulson, Druggist.

A TRIP AWHEEL.

A Spin Through Talbot and Queen Anne.

One of the most pleasant runs ever reported by Chestertown cyclists, was made recently by Messrs. Allen Harris, purser of the steamer Emma A. Ford, and C. C. Hopper, of the TRANSCRIPT. The gentlemen on the return trip of the Chester river steamer landed at Kent Island wharf at 5 o'clock P. M. The afternoon was cool, the roads fine and everything favorable to a pleasant run. Stevensville, the pretty metropolis of Kent Island was soon reached and admired. This is a neat little country town and is the only village on the historic island. Not far from Stevensville is the site of the old colonial church, said to have been the first church structure ever erected in the State. Only the stately oaks which still cast cooling shadows over the "God's Acre" made sacred by the remains of some who were prominent in the early history of that section of the State, remain to tell where the old church stood. The gravestones are broken and an air of neglect now pervades the spot.

Not far away, almost hidden by the luxuriant growth of bushes and marsh flags is the small creek made historic as having been the place at which Claiborne landed and set up his standard after having left Virginia. Many fine farms with most promising crop outlooks were passed. Large peach orchards were conspicuous by their absence.

After having ridden across one farm and having dashed down a path scarcely eight inches wide through a wheat field, with the waving grain conceiling from view all but the upper portion of the body, Little Kent Point was reached. Here Captain Satterfield, well-known in Chester river took wheels and wheelmen across to Claiborne, the Talbot county terminus of the Baltimore and Eastern Shore Railroad. There was no breeze, and the sun was just setting but the trip across Eastern Bay was truly delightful. The long, sturdy pull of Capt. Satterfield and his assistant sent the boat dashing through the water and the travelers were given no time to dream of weariness. That portion of the bay which has become noted as the great battle ground of lawless dredgers and the State oyster police force was passed over. Four large oyster packing houses, the evening express, and the fine steamer of the route gave to Claiborne an air of busy importance. It must be said, however, that the oyster houses, because of their remoteness from the oyster beds, their necessary source of supply, have been only partial successes. No season has ever justified the opening of all of them. One of them it was stated has never been open for use. A large tract of land contiguous to Claiborne has been purchased by an Improvement Company and it is proposed to give the place a boom.

The run of seven miles from Claiborne to St. Michaels was, for a greater portion of the way, over magnificent shell roads, and quick time was made.

St. Michaels is one of the quaintly pretty towns of the Eastern Shore. Its streets are wide and well-kept, its stores are numerous, and taken as a rule would put those of some other towns making decidedly greater pretentions, to shame. Several Shipyards launch during each year some of the finest craft found in the waters of the Chesapeake and its tributaries. Without particulizing, further than to refer to its splendid high-school building, the sum and substance of the matter is that St. Michaels is one of the most up-to-date and delightful towns on the Shore. The stranger who simply visits the town as a matter of business or as the result of an unexpected happening, will find at Miss Caddie Story's a restful and elegant place to spend the night, or, indeed, many nights and pleasant days.

Col. James M. Lowe, a gentleman who, after having done splendid work for the Democracy of Talbot county and having represented her in the Legislature, has retired from active politics and now makes his home in St. Michaels, where he extended a splendid, whole-souled hospitality to the weary wheelmen. Col. Lowe is one of the best story-tellers in the State, as Mrs. Lowe is one of the most charming ladies in her home to be found in hospitable Talbot. It may well be imagined that time, under these circumstances passed only two quickly and the hour of departure came as an unwelcome necessity.

At 10 o'clock on the following morning the home return commenced. Many of the Talbot roads were ideal, and except where Republican mismanagement has mended them to death, many of them were found to be of shell. No hills and no sand, and at Miles river bridge the country is a veritable eden. The Anchorage, the Rest, the Villa, and several other estates unsurpassed for beauty of situation and fertility of soil, are there. Talbot is a splendid county, and though unfortunate in her Republican tendencies, it may be said to her credit that she has some of the best Republicans as well as some of the very finest Democrats in this or any other State. It was with regret that it was not considered advisable to prolong the trip to Easton.

After passing through Longwoods and Skipton, dinner was taken at Wye Mills, a call was made at Centreville and Church Hill, and Chestertown was reached at 4.15 o'cloch P. M. after one of the most pleasant of many pleasant trips awheel. The distance covered was fifty-two miles.

Rough on the "Duke."

The Baltimore *American* in a recent editorial under the heading, "Maryland's Humiliation," says: "If anything were needed to justify the action of the *American* in opposing the election of Mr. George L. Wellington to the United States Senate, the current proceedings at Washington would more than supply it. The *American* felt compelled to say to the Republicans of Maryland that they would commit a mistake if they selected Mr. Wellington to an office for which he was not fitted. It led the fight against him, and it has never regretted its course."

Thousands suffer from Catarrh or cold in head and have never tried the popular remedy. There is no longer any excuse, as 10 cent trial size of Ely's Cream Balm can be had of your druggist or we mail it for 10 cents. Full size 50 cents.
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A "WATERMELON DUEL."

One Man Eats Six Melons in Seven Minutes.

The Atlanta *Constitution* thus describes what it calls a "watermelon duel," which took place on the Fourth of July in front of the Kimball House, in that city:

"Here a traveling salesman had gathered a lot of excurionists from Athens. He proposed to give a half-dollar and furnish the fruit to the negro who could eat the most watermelon in ten minutes. There were three entries. The negroes were each given a melon to start on and were allowed to cut it as they wished.

"The word 'go' was given and the three men began to devour melons with the ferocity of a steam engine. One of the men had cut his melon in circular form. These he would break into segments, which he would appear to swallow, rinds included.

"Another darkey, with a cavernous mouth, had his melon in horizontal slices. He would grab these with lightning-like speed, swipe it quickly across his mouth, allowing the seed to escape on one side and the husk to come out at the other.

"At the end of five minutes two of the contestants had called 'enough.' Each one had eaten four melons. The other darkey continued until he declared that he could eat no more. He had been going into the red meat for seven minutes and had scored six melons.

"It was a remarkable record and the half-dollar was awarded him. This the negro put in his pocket, walked off apparently feeling better for his huge meal."

Poplar Grove Races.

On Monday afternoon of last week the Independence Day holidays were enjoyed at Poplar Grove where the usual July races were trotted under Mr. Edward B. Emory's management. The races resulted as follows:

First Race.
Frank G., b. g., by Corsica 1 1 1
Charley T., b. g., by Orange Blossom. 2 2 2
Neta, g. m., by Oakley B. 3 3 3
Time, 2.39¼, 2.45¼, 2.42¼.

Second Race.
Happy George, b. s., by H. Russell. 1 1 1
Island Boy, b. s., by Monocisy 2 2 2
Jack Rabbit, b. s., by Oakley B 3 3 3
Time, 2.30, 2.24¼, 2.23.

Third Race.
Happy Annie, b. m., by H. Russell. 3 1 1 2 1
Happy Jack, b. s., by " 5 3 2 1 3
Dexter, b g., by Napoleon 1 4 4 4 4
Ned, b. s., by Russell 2 2 3 3 2
Time, 2.45¼, 2.50¼, 2.44¼, 2.44¼, 2.44¼.

G. A. R. at Tolchester.

Members of Willson Post, No. 1, G. A. R. and of the Grand Army Club of Maryland to the number of nearly two thousand went to Tolchester Thursday for their annual reunion. They had a jolly time on the steamer and enjoyed a number of amusing games at the beach. One of these was a ball game between the fat men and the lean men. On the fat men's team the three fattest were John Gustner 268 pounds, George W. Ritter, 254 pounds and Michael Brueder, 236 pounds. The leanest man on the opposing nine was Grason Streett, 109 pounds. The fat men won the game by 17 to 13.

The players were mostly merchants who have stores on Forrest and Hillen streets.

A potato race was won by Mrs. Prach. Ten potatoes were laid in a row, one yard apart. She picked up each potato and brought it back to the starting point in fifty nine seconds. A bicycle race of one mile was won by C. F. Schneider, of Frostburg, Md., with A. G. Suter second and N. H. Woods third. No time was taken.

A Handsome Gift.

Mr. Wilmer Emory, who worked so indefatigably for the trans-peninsula railroad, was on Wednesday evening of last week, while on a business trip to Denton, presented with a very handsome gold hunting case watch. On the outside the monogram of Mr. Emory, "W. E.," and "1897," appear. Within is written: "Presented to Wilmer Emory, Esq., by the citizens of Caroline for services rendered in promoting the Queen Anne R. R. Denton, Md., June 30th, 1897." Mr. George A. Deakyne made the presentation speech in well-chosen words, and Mr. Emory happily responded, thanking the people for the beautiful gift, and the appreciation and good will of which it is a token.—*Observer.*

Western Maryland Peaches and Wheat.

The first ripe peaches of this season from Washington county were shipped on Thursday from Keedysville, Rohrersville and Sandy Hook. They were of the Amsden June varieties and of fine quality. They went to Philadelphia and Washington. The first new wheat in Washington county was delivered on Thursday at the Antietam mill, Funkstown, by Grant Keller. It was of fine quality and sold for 65 cents a bushel. The crop averaged forty bushels to the acre.

Not Saying Much.

The profound silence of the Baltimore *Sun* relative to the recent escapade of its hero, "Boss Wellington," is being generally commented upon. One of the striking characteristics of the *Sun* of the past was, that it gave *all* of the news *all* the time, but the latter-day *Sun*, the champion of Senator Wellington and his political reform, shows a tendency to become a record-breaker, and give *all* of the news only when it suits itself and the other boss.

MRS. WILLIAM CAYNOR, who was the oldest resident of Greene county, and perhaps the oldest woman in Missouri, died recently at Strafford at the age of 100 years. Mrs. Caynor's age was not so remarkable as the number of her descendants. She was the mother of 13 children, and three years ago she had 395 grandchildren, and great-grand-children living. At the time of her death she weighed 220 pounds, and had been an inveterate smoker for 60 years.

The Entire Beach.

"The 'Duke' is not the only pebble on the senatorial beach, but that he is one of a class rarely, if ever found, on any shore cannot be contradicted." The "Duke" may not be the only pebble on the beach, but he is the entire beach, pebbles and all.

Almshouse Coal.

The contract to furnish fifty-five tons of coal for the use of the Kent county almshouse was last week awarded to Dr. J. T. Twilley at a bid of $4.75 for nut coal, and $5.00 for stove coal. There were ten bids.

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