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SEALED PROPOSALS ASKED.

Sealed proposals will be received by the Ladies Improvement Association for care of and running the sprinkler, per day and month. Address,

MRS. WM. J. VANNORT, PRES.

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL and SUPPER.

The ladies of St. Paul's Church will hold their annual Strawberry Festival and Supper on THURSDAY EVENING, MAY 31. Berries, Ice Cream, Water Ices and Cake will supplement an elegant supper, consisting of Soft Crabs, Fish, Fried Chicken and every delicacy of the season.

m19-2t. COMMITTEE.

Notice to Creditors.

In the District Court of the United States for the District of Maryland—In Bankruptcy in the matter of Charles L. Miller and Marion T. Miller, trading as Miller Bros., and indvidually, Bankrupts.

Take notice, that

CHARLES L. MILLER and MARION T. MILLER,

trading as Miller Bros., and individually, having been adjudicated bankrupt by Hon. Thos. J. Morris, Judge of said court, on May 12, 1900, a first meeting of creditors will be held at the Court House at Chestertown, Kent county, Md., on

Tuesday, May 29th, 1900, at 12 o'clock,

for the purpose of allowing claims, examining the bankrupt and selecting a trustee or trustees.

CLARENCE W. PERKINS, Referee.

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200 BUSHELS EARLY ROSE SEED POTATOES FOR SALE.

We have still about 200 Bushels of EARLY ROSE POTATOES, good for Seed or Table Use, at SIXTY CENTS per BUSHEL. Same seed in Baltimore cost from 80c. to $100 per bushel.

JAS. W. HURTT, Locust Grove, Md.

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DEWEY PARK.

NEXT DANCE

Wednesday Evening, May 30.

ADMISSION, 50c.

LADIES FREE.

E. THOS. MASSEY.
J. T. SHALLCROSS.

Auditor's Notice.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County.

No. 1340 Equity.

William J. Warner, et al,
vs.
Marion Urie, et al.

THE creditors of Henry Urie, Sr., are hereby notified to file their claims with the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Kent county, duly authenticated, within sixty days from the first date of this notice.

By order of court.

EBEN F. PERKINS, Auditor.

April 23, 1910—4t.

SASSAFRAS RIVER LINE

Beginning May 14th.
MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY,

Leave Georgetown at	7.00 A. M.
" Betterton at	8.15 A. M.
" Gale's at	9.45 A. M.
" Tolchester at	10 A. M.

LEAVE BALTIMORE AT 2 45 P. M.
TUESDAY, THURSDAY AND SATURDAY,
(Except Tolchester on Saturday,)
for above landings.

PORT DEPOSIT LINE

MONDAY AND WEDNESDAY.

Leave Baltimore at	2.30 P. M.
" Tolchester, except Saturday,	4.30 P. M.
" Betterton	5.45 P. M.
" Havre de Grace	7.00 P. M.
" Port Deposit	7.30 P. M.

Fridays, leave Baltimore at 4.00 P. M.

LEAVE PORT DEPOSIT AT 7.00 A. M.
TUESDAY, THURSDAY AND SATURDAY.

Havre de Grace	7.30 A. M.
Betterton	8.45 A. M.
Tolchester (except Saturday) at	10.00 A. M.

Tolchester schedule, Saturdays

Leave Tolchester	10 A. M. and 4.30 P. M.
" Baltimore	8.15 A. M. and 2.30 P. M.

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TOLCHESTER COMPANY,
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Soda Water!

M. A. Toulson, the druggist, has just put in his beautiful drug store, one of Chas. Lippincott & Co.'s (Philadelphia) Most Improved and Handsome Onyx Soda Fountains, and opened it to the public. He will use nothing but

Fruit Syrups,

drawn from off the ice. Call and inspect, and try his

Soda Sherbets

of all kinds.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE!

ALL PERSONS indebted to the old firm of Collins & Hopper for subscriptions, advertising and job work prior to January 1, 1900, are hereby notified to settle their accounts at once. All accounts uncollected on June 1st, may be placed for legal collection. Payments may be made to either member of the firm.

COLLINS & HOPPER.

EMMANUEL CHURCH SERVICES.

Holy Communion every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
Except first Sunday in the month 11 A. M.
Morning prayer and sermon 11 A. M.
Evening prayer and sermon 7.30 P. M.
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Evening Prayer and Lecture, 7.30 P. M.
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TWO PAIRS OF MULES,

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W. E. JARRELL, Chesterville, Md.

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STRAWBERRY and ICE CREAM FESTIVAL.

The Ladies Aid Society of the M. P. Church, Kennedyville, will hold a Strawberry and Ice Cream Festival on the Church Green, JUNE 8 and 9, 1900.

All are welcome. m26-3t.

THRESHING RIG FOR SALE.

I have for sale a second-hand THRESHING RIG, consisting of a Nicholson & Shepard Thesher with Reeves' Stacker, and a Plain Engine.

Apply at TRANSCRIPT office. m12-3t.*

WILLARD MELVIN,

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE,

CHESTERTOWN, - - MARYLAND.

☞ Office in Kent News Building, formerly occupied by Wm. M. Slay, Esq.
All business promptly attended to.
May 12, 1900.

ELECTION NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Baltimore and Delaware Bay Railroad Company for the election of a Board of Directors to serve for the coming year, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before a meeting of the stockholders, will be held at the office of the company, in Chestertown, Maryland, on SATURDAY, the 12th day of MAY, 1900, at eleven o'clock A. M.

SAMUEL KNOX, Secretary.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Baltimore & Delaware Bay Railroad Company, notice of which is above given, is hereby adjourned to SATURDAY, JUNE 9th, 1900, at the same hour and place. Dated May 12th, 1900.

SAMUEL KNOX, Secretary.

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Very Choice Patterns in the Best Weaves.

CURTAINS AND DRAPERIES.

Special New Designs for Summer, in Cool Stuffs.

AWNINGS and SHADES, WINDOW SCREENS, FURNITURE.

The latest woods made into stylish designs especially for summer use. Everything for the porch. A great assortment or Enameled and Brass Beds.

Prices always plainly marked, quality for quality, the very lowest.

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General Commission Merchants,

No. 121

S. CHARLES STREET,

BALTIMORE, MD.

REFERENCE:—Bradstreet's and Dunn's Mercantile Agencies, City Trust and Banking Co. and the Business Community.

ORDER NISI.

George J. Houston, Charles Tilghman, Sarah Tilghman,
vs.
Unknown Heirs of Sidney Derry, colored.

No. 990.

In the Circuit Court for Kent county, in equity.

ORDERED, this 23d day of April, 1900, by the Circuit Court for Kent county in equity, that the sale of the real estate mentioned in these proceedings, made and reported by Hope H. Barroll, trustee, appointed under a decree of this court to make said sale, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 29th day of June 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 May next.

The report states the amount of Sales to be $105.

JAMES T. DIXON, Clerk.

True Copy—Test:

JAMES T. DIXON, Clerk.

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WILLIAM W. BECK,

ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,

Chestertown, Maryland.

Office opposite Market Square.

OLD MAIDS VS. BACHELORS.

Sixty-five Decided Upon as the Age at Which Old Maidenhood Begins and the Charms of Girlhood Cease.

An interesting discussion of the relative merits of old maids and old bachelors, took place on Tuesday night under the auspices of the Chestertown Epworth League. The question under discussion was "Resolved that old maids are of greater benefit to the communities in which they live than old bachelors."

Why this question was ever thought of in a community where old maids are so rare, is one of the things which even the debaters could not explain, however, the debate took place.

Miss Stella Simmons, emphatically a young maid, led off in the defense of the much-abused old maid. She started out by casting a bomb in the bachelor camp. As a rule, she declared, old maids are not so from choice but because of the hopeless scarcity of marriagable material from which to select husbands. At this point, by a course of logic, the speaker proved that "the more old maids the better butter." Why? Because,—the more old maids the more cats, the more cats the fewer field-mice, the fewer field-mice the more bumble bees, (because the mice eat bumble bees) the more bumble bees the better clover (as the bees carry the polen to fertilize the clover) the better clover the better milk, and the better milk the better butter. Q. E. D.

Mr. Baynard, in behalf of the bachelors, asserted that old maids were peculiarly adapted to gossipping and fussing, and he would be glad to find one who had ever accomplished anything better.

The next speaker, an extremely young maid, declared that men fell so far short of the high ideal of the average woman, that she would far rather be an old maid than have a man around. Then, too, the Good Book never laid any prohibition upon women being alone.

Mr. Marine thought that neither old maids nor old bachelors were of much use, "but for my part, I love the women," he said.

Miss Emma Davis paid a beautiful tribute to the self-sacrifice, the unfailing devotion, patient ministrations of what are known as "old maids" to the suffering and needy. Her time, her talents and her love, are the sunshine of every grief-stricken home.

Mr. Gill, who was taken with the mumps immediately after his speech, had "always wondered what good an old maid could be." Some old bachelors, he said, are trying to reduce the number of old maids, and any bachelor or any one else who ever rid the world of an old maid, had done a good work. He declared that "the older an old bachelor gets the more settled he becomes, but the older an old maid gets the more *un*settled she grows." He, however, delighted the ladies by asserting that *sixty-five* is the first year of the old maid's career. She is a girl up to that time.

Mrs. M. A. Toulson, Mrs. Joel R. Clements and C. C. Hopper, the judges, decided by a vote of two to one that the old maids had won the debate.

NO ESCAPE FROM CONSTABLE WOOD.

Attorney-General White After the Galena Constable.

Constable William T. Wood, of Galena, created quite a stir among Delaware officials last week. William H. Brown, a young colored man, was charged about a year ago with stealing a suit of clothes from Charles Stewart, of Sassafras. The negro escaped into Delaware, and several weeks ago Constable Wood learned that he was at Middletown.

Accompanied by another gentleman, Mr. Wood went for his game, and however strange it may appear, Brown was the first man whom he saw upon reaching Middletown. Brown knew Mr. Wood and surmising his mission at once determined to escape if possible. The Kent county officer knew that to wait for any legal preliminaries meant the escape of the man whom he then had in his grasp, and acting promptly, Brown was placed under arrest without any reference to Delaware law or Delaware officials. Mr. Wood says that the prisoner was given his choice,—either to be placed in the Delaware prison to await the necessary formal proceedings or to be brought to Galena and given a prompt trial. The man selected to be brought to Kent, which the officer proceeded to do. This aroused the righteous indignation of the Middletown officers, and Attorney-General White was requested by Magistrate Reynolds to investigate the "violation of State rights" by the Kent county officer. Officer Wood is still pursuing the even tenor of his official way, and has not been placed under arrest. He did not intend to violate the rights of Delaware or to insult the dignity of the officers of the proud little territory of Addicksdom.

Brown was given a hearing at Galena, and the charge not being sustained, he was promptly released.

FARMERS' AND MERCHANTS' STEAMBOAT COMPANY.

The New Line to be in Operation by June 1.—W. W. Hubbard, President.

Judge James A. Pearce on Saturday signed the articles of incorporation for the Farmers' & Merchants' Steamboat Company, which has heretofore had mention in the TRANSCRIPT. The directors named in the articles of incorporation for the first year were, Edwin S. Valliant, Alday Clements, Dr. F. N. Sheppard, W. W. Hubbard, J. D. Bacchus, Isaac Robinson, F. G. Usilton, Charles S. Smith and T. B. Durding. The company was formally organized on Wednesday, a full day's meeting being held, at which rules and by-laws were discussed and every detail of management, etc., considered. Wilbur W. Hubbard was elected president, J. D. Bacchus, vice president and manager, and F. G. Usilton, secretary and treasury. This company has purchased, as heretofore stated, the fast new twin-screw steamer "Tourist," in New York, and she expects to be on the route by the first of June. The steamer's capacity is about 200 to 225 tons; she is lighted by electricity and is now being thoroughly painted, overhauled, recarpeted, etc. Crumpton will be the terminus of the new line and other valuable points have been secured along the river enroute for Baltimore. An arrangement has been effected with the B. & O. whereby a freight rate can be obtained from points on the Chester River and tributaries to any point in the United States reached by this railroad. Spear's wharf in Baltimore will be the terminus at that end. Capt. James T. Brice has been elected captain and the probabilities are that Captain Jack Nickerson will be first mate. No other officers have been determined upon as yet. Neither has the schedule as to how the steamer will run been made up, but will be within a week and duly announced in the papers.

MATRIMONIAL.

HEPBURN—BURWELL.

[Reported for the TRANSCRIPT.]

The marriage of Dr. Sewell S. Hepburn, second son of the Reverend Sewell S. Hepburn, so long rector of St. Pauls and I. U. churches, to Miss Annie McC. Burwell, of West River, Anne Arundel county, took place at noon on May 17, in St. John's church, West River.

The church was beautifully decorated by loving hands in white and green. Eleanor Cheston rendered the wedding march as the bridal procession moved forward to the chancel. The bride, beautiful in white organdie, lace and pearls and carrying brideroses, entered on the arm of her uncle, Dr. Robert Burwell, of Baltimore. At the chancel steps she was met by the groom, who came forward from the robing room accompanied by his brother, Lloyd R. Hepburn. She was preceded by the ushers, Elliott Burwell and James Cheston, Robert Burwell and Chas. S. Hepburn, and her sister, Miss Mary Burwell, in white organdie and lace over pink, carrying American beauty roses, maid of honor, and the lovely six-year-old daughter of Dr. Burwell, as flower girl. After the marriage there were a large reception and very handsome collation at the home of the bride's mother, three miles distant, during which the bride and groom left for Virginia Beach and other points. The wedding presents were very numerous and elegant. Dr. and Mrs. Hepburn go to housekeeping immediately upon their return to West River.

LOCAL FARM AND GARDEN.

Good Crops and Good Croppers to be Found in the County.

True to his old record, Mr. Frank H. Greenwood has one of the finest gardens in or near Chestertown. His peas are about ready for use, and his strawberries are as fine as any, if not the finest in market. Mr. Turbert Greenwood is assisting his father in trucking.

As yet but few reports of serious damage from the fly in wheat have come in. "Doc" William Cooper says that he will lose about 150 bushels on fifteen acres, but the prospects are that the fine yield on the rest of his fields will make up for this deficiency.

Mr. Wilbur Eliason has one of the finest wheat fields in the fourth district

Mr. Clendaniel, near Kennedyville, has seventy acres of the finest grass in the county.

Mr. Carson Harris and Mr. E. B. Pennington, two of the most extensive small fruit growers in the county were in Chestertown this week and report the outlook for a fine crop of all small fruits.

Messrs. Walter Strong and Thomas W. Trew, in Broad Neck, say that the fall of pears in their orchards have been the greatest they ever knew.

Mr. Walter Strong is experimenting with Bordeau mixture for asparagus rust on his young patch.

Mr. Robert Hatcherson has one of the finest fields of corn in Kent.

LONG-DISTANCE TELEPHONING.

Kent to Have a Perfect Telepone System With Outside Connections.

Mr. W. H. Baker, manager and director of the Diamond State Telephone Company was in Chestertown on Tuesday arranging for an active prosecution of the work of giving Kent county a perfect system of telephone connection with distant sections of the country. Accompanied by Mr. W. W. Hubbard, the Kent county representative of the Diamond State Company, Mr. Baker appeared before the board of county commissioners for the purpose of securing the right to erect poles and string wires in sections not covered by the franchise purchased by the company from Mr. Westcott. This part of the matter will be completed next week, and within ninety days Mr. Baker says it will be possible for the citizens of the different sections of Kent to hold a conversation with parties in New York, Chicago, Omaha and other distant places.

One thousand poles ranging in length from 26 to 60 feet, 8 inches in diameter at the small end, were bought from Mr. John Z. Clark, and the work of dropping poles along the line from Chestertown to Tolchester was commenced on Wednesday. The small poles in Chestertown will be taken out and all along the line the finest poles used in telephone construction will be put in.

This will not only be a great convenience, but will be a great benefit to the citizens of the town and county. The Eastern Shore Telephone and Telegraph company was organized during the past fall with a capital of $100,000 with Mr. Wilbur W. Hubbard as the director from Kent. The gentlemen after having organized their company saw what an advantage it would be to have an alliance with stronger concerns that were already in existance and blended their company with the Diamond State of Dover, of which Mr. Harry A. Richardson is President and increased the capital stock to $250,000.

After this was done the Belle Telephone Company, which is the strongest corporation of its kind in the United States, desiring to be in touch with the peninsula, made a proposition to the Diamond State Company whereby an arrangement was effected that they were to pro-rate with this company, this company in turn to pro-rate with them. Telephones, like everything else have been vastly improved in the last year or two. They have become so sensitive in sound that a whisper can be heard distinctly for from 500 to 1000 miles.

We are informed that there will be a Telephone Exchange in Chestertown, which, when the company first commences the prosecution of its business will only be kept open about twelve or fourteen hours, but it is hoped within a year or two to have a night officer so that at any time in the day or night connection can be gotten all over the town, county and United States.

The price of phones, we understand, is to be twelve dollars per annum for phones in the residences, and eighteen dollars per year in the business places, and when the long distance phone is used to foreign towns and cities, a graduated scale of prices will be made. There will also be public pay stations where a party desiring to talk with another person at any given place or distance, can go up to the phone, drop a nickle in the slot, or whatever the price would be, and talk with whoever they may desire. Whilst we have one of the prettiest counties on the shore, and the best land in the United States, being cut off somewhat by water and railroad communication, with such improvements as these and the new electric road, two steamboat companies, etc., our county ought to boom and be an up-to-date place.

In the Courts.

The county commissioners were in regular session on Tuesday with full board present. The following business was transacted and accounts passed:

J. C. Davis, sheriff fees	$ 23 70
J. L. Smith, coffins	16 00
Nat'l Bldg Supply Co., cement	27 75
W. T. Wood, cons't, fees	24 30
R. A. Shallcross, taxes in error	33 81
Araminta Graves, " "	1 76
Harry Willis, road work	47 40
Harvey Brice, posts	3 60
Edward Dempsey, road work	68 82
Louis Johnson, " "	38 10
Thos. Willis, " "	40 41
Chas. L. Gill, Cons't fees	71 55
A. T. McGuire, road work	39 40
Thos. Quigley, " "	34 02
T. B. T. Brice, " "	29 37
Wm. Keating, " "	22 62
Ivanhoe Willis, " "	27 28
Thos. Bennett, " "	32 20
Wm. H. Dodson, " "	21 00
C. W. Harris, " "	16 61
Wm. T. Jewell, " "	45 70
Eben Crew, " "	31 02
Wm. Stouffer, " "	32 82
Robt. H. Latham, " "	10 56
Henry A. Meredith " "	54 20
Wm Garey, " "	48 50
Turner & Son, material	61 14
" " " "	311 86
John A. Duyer, cons't. fees	5 35
Chas. H. Rollison, hauling	8 40
Robt. F. Jewell, cons't. fees	10 60
John Bryan, road work	43 10
A. L. Hudson, " "	55 05
J. S. Trew, " "	34 42
Jos. E. Boyd, " "	34 43
A. F. Huey, taxes in error	47 13
W. E. Jarrel, lumber	17 87
Collins & Hopper, printing	4 25
Elwood Burgess, chainman	1 00
Dr. H. L. Dodd, postmortem ex	35 00
J. F. Getshall, work on jail	4 00

A ROMANTIC MARRIAGE.

A Young Lady Who Claims to Hail From Kent One of the Actors.

A little romance occurred in the reception room at Fort McHenry about half-past two o'clock Monday afternoon without the knowledge of any of the officers or privates stationed at the fort. This was the secret marriage of one of the soldiers who is a military prisoner at the fort. This young prisoner is James Franklin McKinley, who was until the first part of last April, when he was arrested, lance sergeant at the United States recruiting station, 104 and 106 West Fayette street. The lady to whom he was married is Miss Isabelle Cosden, who boards at 721 West Fayette street.

The marriage ceremony was performed very quietly by Rev. David H. Kern, pastor of Calvary Methodist Episcopal Church South. The only other person who was let into the secret was Miss Bessie Bowman, a very dear friend of the bride, who went along at the request of the latter as a witness. All the details to have the wedding take place without the knowledge of any one at the fort and without being interfered with by any of the officers were cleverly arranged by Miss Cosden. She is quite well known by the men at the fort, and often called to see her lover during the time of his imprisonment. It is said that she visited him three times each week, and it is more than probable that plans for having the marriage take place without the officers knowing it were mapped out by the pair when they were left together.

WELL-LAID PLANS.

At any rate, early Monday morning Miss Cosden arranged with Mr Frederick Vogler, 1601 John street, to procure a marriage license for her and Sergeant McKinley. This Mr. Vogler did in a very short while. During the time utilized getting the marriage license Miss Cosden called upon her friend, Miss Bessie Bowman, and Rev. David H. Kern and told them of her intention of getting married. She told Miss Bowman she wanted her to be a witness to the marriage, and informed Rev. Mr. Kern that she wished him to go along to tie the knot which would make Sergeant McKinley and herself man and wife. At the same time she requested them to leave all of the necessary talking to her. This they agreed to do. About two o'clock the trio, Miss Cosden armed with the requisite marriage certificate, got on a car and started for the fort. A half hour later they arrived at their destination, where a few minutes afterward Miss Cosden and Sergeant McKinley were happily united in marriage.

Upon arriving at the fort Miss Cosden asked Major Frederick Fueger, Captain Peter Leary, Jr., not being in, for permission to see the imprisoned soldier, saying that the other lady and gentleman, who accompanied her, also wanted to see him. They were ushered into the reception room, and a few minutes later Sergeant McKinley appeared. The two loved ones engaged in a conversation for a few minutes, during which the soldier was told why the other two parties were present. Then no time was lost in having the wedding proceeded with, before suspicion was aroused. When it was time to leave the three departed as if nothing unusual had happened.

MCKINLEY'S CAREER.

Sergeant McKinley was arrested April 6 by the local police on the charge of the larceny of eighteen pairs of shoes, five army coats and a like number of army blankets, valued in all at $119.25. He was tried by court-martial at Fort McHenry Wednesday on this charge, and the verdict of the trial is anxiously awaited for by Mrs. McKinley. She said that if her husband was found guilty she would not remain in Baltimore, but would go to live with her parents at Chestertown, Md.*

In speaking of her marriage she said that she loved her husband, and thought that if she had any feeling for him at all the least he could expect of her was that she become his wife.

Sergeant McKinley was connected with the recruiting station until arrested, from the time it was opened, a period of about two years. He was regarded by his superior officers and other associates as a very clever and efficient man, and was very well liked. The day before his arrest he mysteriously disappeared from the recruiting station, causing considerable comment in military circles. It was thought by some that he had met with an accident or foul play. Captain Wheeler, who is at present and who was at the time of McKinley's disappearance, in charge of the recruiting station, reported to the police that the articles named were missing. McKinley was cleverly captured the day after his disappearance by means of a decoy letter sent by Sergeant E. Schulte, of the Central district.—*Baltimore American.*

* No such persons as Miss Belle Cosden and her parents can be found in Chestertown. The young lady may be from Kent, or she may have intended to mislead the authorities.

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