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SATISFACTION FROM MR. HANNA.

(Philadelphia Correspondent Chicago Times-Herald.)

Forty newspaper men corral Mr. Hanna. As he says, they are "four deep" all around him.

"How about Timmy Woodruff?" asked a New York reporter. "Is he to be nominated?"

"I hope not," replied Hanna.

"What is the matter with him?"

"Well, I don't want to say anything unkind of him, but he is no good."

"Allison?"

"He won't have it, I am sorry to say."

"Bliss?"

"Mr. Bliss is not a candidate; I wish he was."

"Long?"

"A good man; I hear all the New England delegates are for him."

"Dolliver?"

"He's a candidate, and would make a great campaign."

"Odell of New York?"

"First time I ever heard of him as a Vice-Presidential possibility."

"Scott of California?"

"Good idea. I am told the whole Pacific coast is for him."

"Have you fixed up the platform yet, Mr. Hanna?"

"No, I am not a carpenter; but I hear there are to be about a thousand carpenters in this Convention, and that means we'll have a good job done before we get through."

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Leave Queenstown.....8.45 a. m.
Arrive Baltimore about.....11.30 a. m.
Leave Baltimore.....3.15 p. m.
Arrive Queenstown.....6.00 p. m.
Arrive Chestertown about.....8.00 p. m.

STEAMER B. S. FORD

Leave Centreville.....7.00 a. m.
Stopping at landings on the Corsica river, Bogles, Jackson creek and Kent Island.
Leave Jackson Creek.....8.30 a. m.
Leave Kent Island.....9.00 a. m.
Arrive Baltimore about.....11.15 a. m.
Leave Baltimore.....3.30 p. m.
Arrive Centreville about.....7.45 p. m.

SPECIAL.

Leave Centreville, Saturday only....8.00 p. m.
Leave Baltimore, Sunday only.....5.00 p. m.

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Leave Baltimore.....4.00 p. m.
Arrive Rock Hall.....6.15 p. m.

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COL. AVERETT'S RESPONSE.

The Eloquent Answer to Kent's Addresses of Welcome Extended to the Democratic Editorial Party on its Recent Visit.

Mr. Chairman, Citizens of Chestertown, Members of the Association: When the venerable and venerated President of the Maryland Democratic Editors' Association, the handsome gentleman from Harford County passed by some able orators and graceful speakers and selected one so unworthy as myself to voice our gratitude to you for your delightful entertainment, I was for a time at a loss to understand his action; my confidence in him was shaken and grave fears for his health sprang up. But a glance at the map of Maryland sufficed to reestablish my confidence in him, for I noted that he had designated the member of the association who, save one, was located furthest from your beautiful county, and therefore the less liable to suffer at your hands for his inevitable failure to properly measure up to the occasion. He felt that after the pleasures of the fleeting hours here were over, I could return to the mountains of Allegany, and there, three thousand feet above your tide be safer than any other member of the association could be. However, I am no unwilling victim upon the altar of the association, but consider it a privilege to express, even in imperfect manner the grateful feelings of those you have welcomed so graciously and with such evident sincerity to your midst; words, always inadequate to express deepest feeling, must be considered, sir, by you, as merely the crude vehicles. You must believe in the real and true feeling of pleasure and satisfaction which is ours and accept our thanks in the degree of heartiness unsurpassed even by your most gracious welcome.

It is recorded of the Great Napoleon that when he entered Moscow on his ill-starred March to Russia, and beheld the Kremelin destroyed, he smote upon his breast and wept. When questioned by his Marshell Ney he said his grief was not so much for the loss of Moscow as winter quarters for his army, but because he found so great was the terror of his name that her citizens preferred to destroy the idols of their home rather than to permit him to share in the enjoyment of them, and I confess that no surprise would have been ours if on the arrival of our editorial army of devestation we had found the good people of your beautifull county following Moscow and barring your doors against us, instead of welcoming us with such kindly words and hearty greeting. The terror of the editorial appetite I find has spread throughout the length and breadth of Maryland, and it is indeed a brave and hospitable people who can extend the hand of welcome to such famed trencher men as we, but I assure you, sir, that we, like John Falstaff, will carry away nothing that we do not devour, except kindly memories of your place and people, and that we shall contrive to so curtail our stay as not to breed a permanent famine in your midst.

It did not need your kindly words of welcome to assure democratic editors of welcome in Kent county. Your local press, with its well-deserved prosperity attests the fact that he well doth fare who casts his editorial net in the hospitable waters of your county, and the splendid record of your party service assures us that democrats are always welcome here. We feel at home among you and my only fear is that some of our unmarried members, perhaps envied by by our benedicts, will be so charmed by the smiles of your fair women as to be unwilling to leave with us at the appointed time, and that once again our party's power will be needed.

The democratic party of the State of Maryland owes a debt of profound gratitude to the people of your county, and to the entire Eastern Shore of the State There in your neighboring county of Worcester, was cradled and reared to manhood that great just man, our present Governor, John Walter Smith, for whom we thank you. To the votes you gave him in November last we owe in part the restoration of the party and the people to its ancient and honorable hold to its place in power; to his splendid common sense and sterling honesty we owe in part the fact that we have to-day in the State a reunited party, reunited, and we believe henceforth indivisible, ready and willing to restore the State of Maryland to her pristine place among the sacred sisterhood of States, and so able and willing in November next to proclaim to all mankind that government of the people, for the people and by the people, according to the ark and covenant of the Constitution, shall not perish from among the nations of the earth.

This hour is pregnant with great hopes and greater fears. The Democratic Editors' Association of Maryland, whose members are the sleepless sentinels of liberty in nation and in State, have come among you like the ancient Greeks to be refreshed and gird up their loins for the coming fray. Whereever the oriflame of true democracy shall require to be borne this fall, there you will find them beneath the flag and on the firing line. The record of this association is one of which it is justly proud and it faces the future with the same resolute courage that has made it invincible in the struggle for popular government in the past.

It was that grim, mastiff-faced old man, the Cardinal DeRichelieu, who said that it takes a race of fighters to breed a race of writers, and that after war comes its history. But we are greater now, my friends, than in the times of Richeleau. We not only write history but we make it, too. This association has been the faithful conservator of the people's interests and it is due to its influence, as much as to any other human cause, that the State of Maryland is to-day once more redeemed and disenthralled from the position of being a mere petty satrapy in the agglomerated empire of March Aurelius Hannah.

To keep her free, to assure her participation in that triumph of good government in which all true citizens, regardless of party, deserve, and we believe desire, to share, is one of the objects of our deliberations here, and we feel that we are indeed fortunate in having come to Kent for this purpose.

The name itself should be an inspiration to us in council, for it was from Kent, in the ancient times, that the greater number of sturdy yeomanry, who wrung Magna Charta from King John of England, marched to their noble work.

It was from Kent that Cromwell drew the sturdiest of his sturdy blades who supported him in his great fight to preserve the Constitution of England against the encroachments of a King, and it shall be from the younger Kent, please God, that there shall go forth notice to all mankind that in the coming struggle to preserve to the American people those pinciples of free government which are embedded in our own Constitution that Maryland shall not lag superfluous, but that true to the faith of her fathers she will take her stand in November next, once more among the Democratic States of this Union, and so help administer the final and fatal blow to the dream of empire that flatters with its rainbow hues the waning hours of William the weak, and elect some great tribune of the people who believes that the Constitution follows the flag and that the flag must not remain where the Constitution may not remain with it.

Yes, here in the younger Kent, in this garden of peace and plenty, here where liberty and the pursuit of human happiness is yours of right and is enjoyed to an extent not elsewhere possible, you have your own traditions and your own history, of which you are justly proud, and from which you draw so much of that inspiration which makes your county great. You will recall that your county enjoys the proud distinction of being in the earliest settled portion of the State.

You will find pleasure in the fact that Kent Island, which until 1661, was part of your domain, after being settled by Claiborne with his band of loyal followers several years before the Maryland charter was granted, became at once prominent by his gallant efforts to protect the settlement from the jurisdiction of Lord Baltimore, and you will find much of interest and much of profit in pursuing those early chapters in Maryland history, clustering as they do about your hearthstones.

Chester, as this beautiful city, your county seat, was so long known, was incorporated in 1706 and is the third oldest town in the State to enjoy a special charter; St. Mary's standing first with 1667 as its birthday and Annapolis some forty years younger, counting its incorporation from 1705. Your county seat further enjoys additional signal honor from the State, which recognizing its importance, from the earliest days made it one of the public ports and as such it became a place of very considerable provincial power.

But not alone in commerce and industry was your county prominent. In arts and letters in its earliest days it held commanding position, and it is indeed more than fortunate that on the threshhold of the great struggle to preserve the nation, of which Washington was the founder, that we, the democratic editors of the State he loved, are permitted to assemble within the shadow of that college which bears his name, and which honored itself by honoring him with the degree of DL. Turning back to that period of your life as a community, it is little wonder that the men and women of Kent bear themselves with pride and so worthily maintain the traditions and so strongly support the principles exemplified in the life and character of the greatest American. It is no wonder that your brainy men go making history while your beautiful women continue to make irresistable those homes of which Maryland is so proud.

Turning again to the pages of that history we find that here in 1782 was erected that college to which I have referred, and that two years later you had as your distinguished guest Gen. Washington himself. While in the preamble to the college charter occur the following significant words: "In honorable and perpetual memory of the illustrious Commander-in-Chief of the Armies of the United States." Could you ask a legacy more precious or a text more potent in these hours when the nation trembles and the dark days of Valley Forge sweep to the front with their portentious warnings?

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