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TO THE EASTERN SHORE:

BY WILLIAM M MARINE, A NATIVE.

[These lines were suggested by a recent poem in the Wicomico News, under the above caption, in which was interwoven some of the names of the greatest sons it has produced.]

Let us not search in ancient lore
To find the cultured great,
Who've given to the Eastern Shore
Names who have made the State;
Recall the humble fisherman,
The tiller of the soil,
The blacksmith and the artisan—
Those hardy sons of toil.
Their worth evokes this simple lay—
They are the truly great—
Whose influence in broadest sway
The ages shall relate.

God formed the Shore; He made its men:
The fishes in its deep;
The lark that sings, the little wren,
The gentle bleating sheep;
The oyter that clings to the ledge,
Its shape took from His hand.
And where it dwells the waters pledge,
The riches to the land.
The terrapin with diamond back
Creeps in the marshy stream—
Of wholesome food there is no lack,
The clam invites esteem.

These all are good, wisdom is shown
In marvelous display.
The Eastern Shoreman in his zone
At home inclined to stay.
A rustic born, he rustic grew,
Developed brave and fair,
Adhering always to the true—
Respected everywhere.
On Sabbath day while at the church
He heard the latest news,
How Albert coaxed at school the birch
Then trembled in his shoes.

How Doctor Marsters after school
Our Jimmy would keep in,
For violating some strict rule
Against forbidden sin.
They talked of wheat, how high it grew,
Of corn that sprouted up—
Of gardens pin like, neat and new,
And plenty's welling cup.
How soon returned the schooner fleet
With calicoes and shoes,
Molasses and confections sweet
And all the city's news.

Plain as pipe stems each little man
And big man honest grew;
But woman she surpassed the man
Who sought her out to woo.
The maidens so we must allow,
Can forge the bonds of love
And bind them round the manly brow,
With pure thoughts like above.
The smithy at his blazing forge;
The farmer from the field,
By loveliness found themselves urged
To shelter 'neath its shield.

But now the cars sweep on thro' space,
And steamboats ply their way;
The papers one another race
With news in rich display.
So that the old-time Shoreman like
Fishes are getting scarce.
Changes have reached him from the pike
That make things somewhat worse.
The civilizing marches on,
And when its course is spent,
The Shore will mourn its past far gone
And long for its content.

EAGLE ROBS FISHHAWK.

A Scene Frequently Witnessed on the Chesapeake Bay.

As the steamer Queen Anne neared the Eastern Shore on her daily trip to Queenstown some days ago, the curiosity of the excursionists was aroused by a plaintive wail overhead which could be heard above the sound of the machinery. For several minutes the people were at loss to know the origin of the sounds. Suddenly a dark body darted like an arrow from the sky into the water several hundred yards from the steamer. It struck witha splash and was soon arising with a vigorous flapping of the wings.

"It is a fishhawk," cried someone familiar with such things. In the talons of the bird was a large white fish, and as it soared upward there was a semblance of exultation in the very poise of the bird's body.

About this time another and larger bird was seen circling high up in the air. "It is an eagle," said the same ornithologically inclined informant, "and look out for sport." The successful fisher seemed to see the eagle at the same time and began to redouble its efforts to reach the nearby land. Before it had gotton many yards the eagle was seen to fold its wings and fall directly at the flying hawk. With one despairing scream the hawk released the fish. The eagle, instead of stopping when it reached the hawk, followed the falling fish, overtaking it when about 20 feet from the surface. With a dexterous side movement the eagle caught the fish and, suddenly spreading out its wings soared serenely away, leaving the unlucy hawk hovering near the spot wildly flapping its long wings and complaining in forcible terms of the manner in which he had been treated.

As the boat pulled into Queenstown the passengers saw a large fishhawk's nest perched upon a tree near the water's edge. In the nest were three young birds which looked as though they would have greatly relished the fish which their industrious parent had been robbed of.

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General Lee was seated in the rear of a car of a railroad train, going to Richmond, one day during the war, when a poorly dressed old woman entered at one of the stations. The seats were filled with officers and soldiers. The woman finding no vacant seat and having none offered her, approached the end where the general sat. He immediately arose and gave her his seat. Instantly there was a general rising, each man offering his seat to the General. But he said significantly:

"No, gentlemen, if there was no seat for that infirm woman there can be none for me." The effect of this rebuke was remarkable. One after another of the officers retired from the car, and soon General Lee and the women had it all to themselves.

General Lee rode Traveller, his pet horse, that carried him through the war, to Lexington, when he went there to assume the presidency of Washington College. One day he met a rusty, weather-beaten mountaineer lounging drowsily on the road in his rickety cart. General Lee's cordial "Good morning" aroused the old Confederate instantly.

"Whoa!" he called out to his nag. "Ain't that General Lee?" he inquired, as he climbed down and caught Traveller by the bridle.

"Yes, sir!" said General Lee wonderingly.

"Well then," said the old fellow, in a glow of excitement, "I want you to do me a favor."

"I will with pleasure, if I can," was the response.

"All right, you just get down off Traveller."

General Lee did so, and to his amazement his horse was led away and tied in the bushes, while he stood alone in the dusty road in great perplexity.

"Now," said the excited veteran, "I am one of your old soldiers, General Lee. I was with you all the way from Mechanicsville to Appomattox. I was thar every time. And I just want you to let me give three rousing cheers for 'Marse Robert.'

General Lee's head dropped in the most painful embarrassment as the first yell went sounding along the mountainside. The next yell was choked with sobs as the old soldier dropped on his knees in the dust hugging General Lee's legs, and the third died away in tears.

One night some soldiers were overheard discussing the doctrine of evolution around the camp fire when a rough, honest fellow cut short the argument by saying, with great earnestness: "Well, boys, the rest of us may have developed from monkeys, but I tell you only God Almighty could have made such a man as Marse Robert."—*Ladies' Home Journal.*

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