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THE LAST SESSION of the 58th Congress will convene on Monday, and will continue until March 4th, 1905.

READ THE LETTERS of "Citizen" and "Merchant" in the People's Column this morning. They are both of vital interest to the people of Chestertown, and manifest a decided interest in public affairs.

THE people of Kent county don't want any "machine" in politics now and they don't need any "oil." *They* run the whole shooting match now, and the action has become automatic and self-lubricating.

IT IS NOT FAIR TREATMENT to the business interests of Chestertown that the schedule of the Kent train should be changed to their detriment. Those who have traveled on the road since the change say there is absolutely no need for it. Why this discrimination against our business interests?

AT A MEETING of some of the Republican leaders in Baltimore on Tuesday, at which Senator McComas was not invited to be present, the question of the advisability of Congressman Jackson making a contest in the First District was taken up, and after considerable discussion it was decided that Mr. Jackson is to call his people in the various counties together some day next week, and after a general conference will then make his decision in the matter. Some of the leaders entertain grave doubts as to the wisdom of a contest in the First District. It is well they do.

THERE has been some talk during the week of an extra session of the Legislature to substitute another form of disfranchising amendment for the Poe amendment, to which there seems to be some objection in parts of the State. It is thought that by means of an extra session the friends and foes of the Poe amendment can reach some agreement whereby an amendment pleasing to all may be adopted. Evidently the intelligent and responsible voters of the State regardless of party, desire an amendment that will eliminate the illiterate voter, but the present amendment is pleasing to some and obnoxious to others, and hence the movement on the part of some of the Democratic leaders to remove this difficulty.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT has been taking in the St. Louis Exposition during the past week. He made a brilliant speech on the fair grounds the other day, and remarked that he would endeavor to be the President of *all* the American people. This means that he will be the President of the Trusts, the President of all those who are oppressed by the excessive tariff duties, and of the people of the South, who desire the co-operation of the whole world in the settlement of the great race problem. If President Roosevelt will deal with all classes as he indicates that he will do, he will retire from the Presidency with the heartiest commendation of the people of the country and with one of the greatest records in history. The President complimented the Maryland Building and exhibit very highly. Governor Warfield replied to the telegram of President Francis very gracefully.

THE NEXT CONGRESS.

Returns of the elections for members of Congress held November 8th, compiled by the clerk of the House of Representatives, show that there were elected 251 Republicans and 135 Democrats, which will give the Republicans in the Fifty-ninth Congress a majority of 116, a gain of 84 over their membership in the present Congress. It has been stated in some newspapers that this is an unprecedented majority, but Chairman Babcock, of the Republican Campaign Committee, furnishes figures, showing that large as will be the majority of the Republicans in the next House, it has been exceeded in former years. Mr. Babcock says:

"In the election of 1894 the House membership was 356, of which the Republicans elected 244, or 68.54 per cent. of the whole, a majority over the Democrats of 140, and a majority over all of 133. In 1904, out of a total membership of 386, the Republicans elected 251 members, 65 per cent. of the whole, or a majority of 116 over all, as against a majority of 133 over all in 1894. The Fifty-fourth Congress contained 3.54 per cent. more Republicans than will the Fifty-ninth.

"In 1894 there was one Republican vacancy in the Fifteenth Pennsylvania District, which would have increased the number of Republicans to 245."

SINCE THE FIRE of Saturday night, discussion with regard to providing the town with adequate fire apparatus has been revived, and several very feasible plans have been suggested by our citizens by which Chestertown can be provided with a most excellent apparatus. Possibly the best plan has been suggested by one of our citizens who is possessed of expert knowledge on the subject of machinery, appliances, etc. His plan is to instal on the river front a gasoline engine of 100 lbs. pressure and to lay mains in the most important streets of the town whereon suitable fire plugs may be placed that will afford a sufficient flow of water to be used in case of the most dangerous fire. This gentleman estimates that the cost of the engine, the laying of the mains and of the fire plugs and hose would be $15,000, and in order to raise the amount he advocates the bonding of the town for that sum, the interest on which would be $600. The increase in the town tax to meet this interest would be so small as to make it of litte burden to the tax-payers, and yet every one would have far better protection to their property than they now have. He also argued that the decrease in fire insurance rates due to the installation of adequate fire apparatus would more than offset the increase in taxes to the property holder, and at the end of the year he would be better off. Some such plan as the above should be adopted by the people of the town. Our commissioners are powerless to do anything unless directed by the people, and yet the commissioners get the blame for a great many things for which they are not in the least responsible. Some of these days Chestertown will be visited by a frightful conflagration such as has stunned the business interests of many of our towns and cities in the State, and it will not be the fault of the town commissioners if the town is swept. The people should take some action in this matter. They should give our commissioners authority to provide the means for proper protection against fire, and if the water supply at present is insufficient, if the fire plugs and hose are practically useless, the people, through their commissioners, should provide for the protection of property at once by the installation of a far better equipment than the town now has for fighting fires. Let us not wait until the town burns down to take some action.

PEOPLE'S COLUMN.

☞ The columns of the TRANSCRIPT are open to the proper discussion of all topics of public interest or importance. Whether the editors agree with the sentiment expressed or not, the people should and may be heard through the TRANSCRIPT's columns—the paper will be the People's Forum from which they may be heard on all subjects—purely personal matter excepted. The Editors are not responsible in any manner for articles that appear in this column.

CHESTERTOWN, MD., Nov. 28, 1904.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—Several nights ago we witnessed another illustration of our unpreparedness to fight fire, but if conditions had not been so favorable we might to-day be counting the cost due to our indifference in neglecting to use reasonable means of protection. The indifference of our people in the matter of fire protection is nothing short of stupidness, the penalty of which we will have to pay some day. That this town is unprepared to fight fire is in evidence each time we have a fire, and was again impressed upon us in that we neither had water or system in this case to assist us. If we do not need a better water supply and fire department in this town for fighting fire it is because we must feel that we are by an act of Providence exempt from the distressing effect of this destructive element. To any one who witnessed the exhibitions (at the fire referred to) due to lack of water and the absence of discipline and system, only these thoughts could come, viz., amusement and disgust. Amusement, due to ridiculous acting; disgust, at the results of our efforts to fight the fire. Just picture men hustling and elbowing men in their efforts to get water on the fire only to find after they have done all that is needed in coupling hose to hydrants and nozzle hose, and then brace themselves preparatory to receiving the thrusts due to a mighty rush of water—which d-o-e-s n-o-t r-u-s-h, don't one feel cheap? W-e-l-l y-e-s. What are the facts as regards our water supply for fighting fire? On the night of the fire we attached 100 feet of hose to the fire hydrant located on the corner of High street and College ave., only to find that the water would not rise 10 feet. Perhaps such results do not disgust men, and perhaps they do; but waiving our disgust, what are we going to do if such conditions exist and we are facing the possibility daily of having a fire to contend with? Are we willing to trust to good luck, Providence, the bucket brigade, or any other condition excepting preparedness to meet such emergencies? Those who have depended on anything short of being prepared have always been the losers. Are we an exception? Hardly, though so far we have not been called on to pay the penalty due to our negligence to prepare for emergencies. There is not the slightest excuse for existing conditions, as we have within easy reach an inexhaustible supply of water which we can apply to our needs for reasonable security to our town. If any one is depending on our present supply of water as a protection against fire it is evident that they have not given any thought to existing conditions. There are many reasons why our present water system cannot profitably be used for high pressure duty (a necessity in case of fire), and even if it was suitable, so far as pressure goes, the fact that the water supply is very limited should cause us to look to some other source for an ample water supply. For about $15,000 a system of water mains, fire hydrants and pumping station could be installed, which will give ample protection to the most valuable parts of our town. The expenditure of this money would not increase the burden of taxes, as it would be more than offset by a decrease in the rate of fire insurance, which is abnormally high because of our poor protection against fire. Our present water supply is suitable for domestic purposes and should not be tampered with in trying to use it for fire protection. Many reasons for saying this can be given. That we need better facilities for fighting fire than we have should be patent to all of us, and if the expenditure of $20,000 is needed to get these facilities the money would be well spent, even if there was no offset in a decrease of fire insurance rates, as it would give greater security to the many valuable buildings which are now at the mercy of a fire if once started. In considering the installation of a fire protection system we should aim to get the best results for the money invested, and also aim to avoid much expense in the cost of maintaining it. If this article will cause a thorough discussion of our present helpless condition and will result in a careful consideration of what is best to do to meet our needs in the line of preparing for emergencies in case of fire, the writer will be pleased. CITIZEN.

THE CHESTERTOWN TRANSCRIPT, Chestertown, Md., Gentlemen—The new schedule of the Delaware Division issued on Sunday morning makes the morning train leave Chestertown at three minutes after 7 o'clock. From Chestertown to Masseys is not quite 20 miles, and the schedule time is one hour and thirty minutes to make this distance. The same train leaves Centreville at 41 minutes past seven and reaches Masseys, a distance of 25 miles, in one hour and three minutes. Chestertown has 3200 inhabitants, Centreville has some 1700. Centreville enjoys on its line a passenger train in the morning while Chestertown has a freight and passenger train, mixed. Delicate ladies and young children are subjected to the most terrible bumps and jars such as try the nerves of strong healthy men in the shifting and taking up of cars.

If an accident were to happen to a passenger on this line a suit for damages would cost the company more than it would save in six months by running this monstrosity over the line in Kent county!

Bringing the mail south the Centreville train leaves Masseys at 9.51 and the mail reaches Centreville at 11 minutes before 11 o'clock. Coming south the Chestertown mail leaves Masseys at 4 minutes before 10 o'clock and reaches Chestertown at 11.26, or 37 minutes after the Centreville train arrives. It can hardly be supposed that the Pennsylvania officials wish to discriminate against the people of Kent county and the citizens of Chestertown. Can you not call the attention of the railroad to the great inconvenience and loss of time caused by the wretched traveling accommodations furnished by the morning train and the delay in the delivery of our mails? Certainly, if the matter be brought to the attention of the railroad officials by the community at large they will listen to the protests of their patrons and some steps in this direction should be taken. For many years, until the Pennsylvania officials took hold of the railroad in Kent, we had no afternoon train, but the travel on the road has more than trebled since better accommodations, in the shape of an afternoon train, have been furnished.

As the Kent News truly remarked last week, "the new schedule makes us leave much earlier and it makes us get back much later." Is it not time for the people to make known their needs? MERCHANT.

Mortgagee's Sale

—OF A—

Small and Valuable Farm,

Situated in Kent County, Md.

BY virtue of the power of sale contained in a mortgage from Wm. H. Baxter to William Foley, the 28th day of December, 1887, duly executed, acknowledged and recorded in Liber S B. No. 10, folios 319, etc., one of the Land Record Books for Kent County Md., which said mortgage was by several assignments duly assigned to the undersigned for collection as on reference to the said Land Record Book will more fully and at large appear. The undersigned, as assignee of said mortgage, will sell at public sale in front of the court House door in Chestertown Md., on

Tuesday, January 3rd, 1905,

between the hours of 11 o'clock A. M. and 12 o'clock noon, all that

Tract of Land or FARM

lying and being in the Fifth Election District of Kent county, Md., situated on the public road leading from Swan Creek to Tolchester, lying on the east side of the said road called the Bayside road and about one and one-half miles from Tolchester. It is the same farm which is now occupied by Mr. William T. Jewell, and is known as the "William Baxter Farm." It contains

74 Acres and 3 Roods

of land, more or less, and is particularly described in the mortgage above recited.

The improvements consist of

A SMALL DWELLING, Outbuildings, etc.

TERMS OF SALE:—Cash on the day of sale. Possession will be given on Jan. 1st, 1906, and all crops growing on farm are reserved. Title papers at cost of purchaser.

HOPE H. BARROLL, Assignee,
CHAS. H. HURLOCK, Auct. n26-ts.

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will come, and unless you have your horse shod you will not be prepared for it. You can have him shod at our place and get comfort and safety for him. We make this line of work a specialty, and you run no risk of bringing your horses to us; our experience has taught us to take care of the foot and you save the horse from many evils caused from improper shoeing. No foot, no horse is as true today as when first uttered. Try us when you want your horse shod.

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StillPond, Md.

PUBLIC SALE.

The undersigned will sell at public sale at KENNEDYVILLE, MD., on

SATURDAY, December 10,

AT TEN O'CLOCK A. M. SHARP,

60 Head of Cattle

—CONSISTING OF—

40 Heifers, 10 Steers and 10 Bulls.

Stock from one to two years old. This is a fine lot of Young Cattle, and will be sold for the high dollar.

TERMS OF SALE.—Ninety days will be given by purchaser giving bankable note with approved endorser, interest added.

S. G. CALDWELL.
GEO. W. PADLEY, Auctioneer. d3-2t.

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF

Valuable Real Estate,

in the Village of Still Pond.

BY virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court for Kent county, Maryland passed in chancery cause entitled J. Evan Thomas vs J. Lawerence Thomas et al., No. 1004 Chancery, bearing date the 25th day of October 1904 the undersigned as trustee will offer at public sale at the risk of William Pratt, former purchaser, in front of the Court House Door, in Chetertown, Maryland on

Tuesday, December 6th, 1904,

between the hours of 11 A. M. and 12 oclock noon,

All that Lot of Land,

belonging to the heirs of the late Richard S. Thomas containing or supposed to contain three and one-half acres of land more or less.

This property lies in the centre of the village of Still Pond between the street or road leading to the Kennedyville road and the new road or street running to the creamery. It was surveyed and laid off in building lots by Comegys Brown, as will appear by plot of said survey filed in the papers of said cause. The property will be offered as a whole in accordance with the said survey and plot which shows the same as bounding along the centre or north side of a new street or road laid down and marked by yellow and blue lines on said plot. It begins at the corner of the said new street or road opened and leading to the creamery formed by its intersection with the public road or street which leads through said village to the public road leading to Kennedyville, and running thence in an easterly direction along the centre of the said new road or street leading down to or past the cannery binding on the Parrott lands, and thence in a north-westernly direction along the lands of John W. Robinson, John B. Parrott's heirs and William T. Redding to the public road or street leading as aforesaid to the public road to Kennedyville and then in a south westerly direction by and along the centre of said public road or street leading from the intersection of the said new street or road leading down by the creamery to the place of beginning. (Excluding therefrom and thereout the house and lot of land belonging or formerly belonging to the heirs of Jacob Sutton and known as the "Medders Lot.")

TERMS OF SALE.—One-third of the purchase money cash on the day of sale and the balance in three equal instalments of six, twelve and eighteen months from the day of sale and to be secured to the satisfaction of the trustee by the note of or bond of the purchaser. All title papers at purchaser's cost.

HOPE H. BARROLL,
C. H. HURLOCK, Auctioneer. Trustee.

Trustee's Sale

—OF A VALUABLE—

HOUSE AND LOT OF LAND

situated near the village of Sassafras in the First Election District of Kent County, Maryland.

BY VIRTUE of a decree of the Circuit Court for Kent County, Maryland, passed in chancery cause entitled William T. Lucas et. al., vs. George Lucas, et. al., No. 1485 on the chancery docket of said court wherein the undersigned was appointed trustee to sell the real estate mentioned in said proceeding, I will offer at public sale, on

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1904,

between the hours of 11 o'clock A.M. and 12 o'clock noon, in front of the Court House door in Chestertown, Maryland,

ALL THAT HOUSE AND TRACT

OF LAND situated near the village of Sassafras in the First Election District of Kent county, Maryland, and of which the late George Lucas died, seized and possessed, it being the same lot of land and house which he purchased from the late Dr. Charles H. B. Massey.

This property lies on the south side of the public road leading from Sassafras to Coldwell, bounded on the north by by the said public road; on the east by the lands of James D. Davis; on the south by the lands of Jesse L. Sheppard, and on the west by the lands of Jas. A. Pierce, fronting on the said public road one hundred and forty six feet, more or less, with a depth of 116 feet, more or less, and improved by a two-story frame dwelling of four rooms in fair condition and can be made a comfortable home at small expense and is nicely situated.

TERMS OF SALE:—One-third of the purchase money cash on the day of sale and the residue in two equal instalments payable in six and twelve months respectively from the day of sale. All unpaid purchase money to bear interest from the day of sale and to be secured to the satisfaction of of the trustee. All title papers at the cost of purchaser.

HOPE H. BARROLL, trustee.
CHAS. H. HURLOCK, Auct. n19-ts.

PUBLIC SALE

—OF—

Galena Real Estate.

THE undersigned, as attorney for the owner, will offer at public sale in front of the hotel in Galena, Kent county, Maryland, on

Saturday, December 3d, 1904,

at 2.30 o'clock P. M.,

All That Lot of Land

on Main street, in Galena, Kent county, Maryland, now occupied by Dr. J. W. Latimer, and adjoining the property of Dr. E. A. Scott, containing a little more than

1½ ACRES OF LAND.

This lot is improved by a Comfortable

Frame Dwelling

and Stable. It is finely located, and is a very desirable and comfortable home.

Possession will be given January 1st, 1905.

TERMS OF SALE:—One-third of the purchase money cash on the day of sale, the residue in two equal instalments in six and twelve months from tha day of sale. The deferred paymepts to bear interest from the day of sale and to be secured to the satisfaction of the undersigned. Title papers at cost of purchaser.

LEWIN W. WICKES,

Attorney's Sale

—OF—

A VALUABLE HOUSE

AND LOT OF LAND IN CHESTERTOWN, KENT COUNTY MARYLAND.

BY VIRTUE of competent authority the undersigned, attorneys for the owner, will offer at public sale in front of the Court House door in Chestertown, Kent county, Maryland, on

Tuesday, December 13, 1904

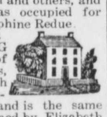
between the hours of 11 o'clock A.M. and 12 o'clock noon,

All that House

AND

LOT OF LAND,

situated and being on the south side of Front St. in Chestertown, Kent county, Maryland. This property adjoins the brick dwelling belonging to the heirs of the late Hiram Brown and others, and is the same lot of land which was occupied for many years by the late Miss Josephine Redue.



The improvements consist of a Comfortable BRICK DWELLING and fronts on the south side of Front street 67 feet and 4 inches, more or less, and runs in a South Easterly direction towards Chester river 160 feet, more or less, and is the same property which was formerly owned by Elizabeth Comegys, and which is mentioned in the will of the said Elizabeth Comegys bearing date the 3rd day of March in the year 1823, duly executed, admitted to probate and recorded in Wills Liber No. 10, folios 290, in the office of the Register of Wills for Kent County, Maryland as on reference thereto will more fully and at large appear.

TERMS OF SALE:—One-fourth of the purchase money cash on the day of sale and the residue in three equal instalments payable in twelve, eighteen and twenty-four months from the day of sale. All unpaid purchase money to bear interest from the day of sale and be secured to the satisfaction of the undersigned. All title papers at the cost of the purchaser.

HOPE H. BARROLL,
RICHARD D. HYNSON,
Attorneys for owner.
CHARLES H. HURLOCK, Auct. n19-ts.

TRUSTEE'S SALE

—OF—

GALENA PROPERTY

of the late JEREMIAH PEACOCK.

BY VIRTUE of a decree of the Circuit Court for Kent county, in Equity, passed in a cause wherein Edward Peacock is complainant and Charles Peacock and others are defendants, the undersigned, as trustee, will offer at public sale in front of the Hotel in Galena, Kent county, Maryland, on

Saturday, Dec. 3d, 1904,

BEGINNING AT 1.30 O'CLOCK P. M.,

the following real estate located in Galena, Kent county, Maryland, which was owned by the late Jeremiah Peacock, deceased.

No 1. That lot of land on Phelps avenue adjoining the lands of J. Thomas Pennington and John D. Boyd, now tenanted by John F. Voshell, having a front of about 100 feet and an even depth of about 150 feet. Improved by a two-story FRAME DWELLING with six rooms and a stable.

No. 2. That lot on the corner of Phelps avenue and Virginia street, having about 94 feet on the first named street and about 90 feet on the last named street. Improved by a CARPENTER SHOP and Stable. Tenanted by John D. Boyd.

No. 3. That lot on Virginia Street adjoining lot No. 2 and the lands of Unit R. Horsey and Wm. T. Hicks, now tenanted by Frank A. McCauley, having a front of about 80 feet and an even depth of about 94 feet. Improved by a two-story FRAME DWELLING with five rooms.

No. 4 That lot on Virginia St., adjoining the lands of James W. Walls, now tenanted by Wm. T. Boyd, having a front of about 43 feet and 6 inches and an even depth of about 192 feet. Improved by a FRAME DWELLING with six rooms.

NO. 5.—That Lot on Virginia street, adjoining Lot. No. 4, now tenanted by C. F. Lehman, having a front of about 41 feet and an even depth of about 192 feet. It is improved by a FRAME DWELLING, with six rooms.

NO. 6.—That Lot on Virginia street, adjoining Lot No. 5, now tenanted by Emory Smith and Charles Nickerson, having a front of about 51 feet and 10 inches and an even depth of 192 feet. Improved by a FRAME DWELLING, with six rooms and Summer Kitchen.

NO. 7.—That lot on the Main street leading from Galena to Georgetown, adjoining the M. E. Church parsonage, and now tenanted by Capt. Geo. J. Tarbutton, having a front of about 47 feet and an even depth of about 245 feet. Improved by a comfortable DOUBLE TWO-STORY FRAME DWELLING, with eight rooms and Kitchen and a Large Stable. This lot has a right of way 10 feet wide over Lot No. 8 to the stable in the rear.

NO. 8.—That Lot on Main street, adjoining Lot No. 7, and now tenanted by Charles E. Lane, having a front of about 48 feet and 4 inches and an even depth of about 299 feet. Improved by a comfortable DOUBLE TWO-STORY FRAME DWELLING, with eight rooms, Shed Kitchen. Stable and Ice-House. This lot is subject to a right of way 10 feet wide next to Lot No. 7 for the use of Lot No. 7 to the stable in the rear of the last mentioned lot.

NO. 9.—That Lot on Main street adjoining Lot No. 8 and now tenanted by Samuel J. Caldwell, having a front of about 45 feet and 6 inches and an even depth of about 299 feet. Improved by a FRAME DWELLING, with six rooms, Summer Kitchen and Stable.

All other buildings on this lot belong to the tenant and will be removed by him.

NO. 10.—That Lot on Main street, adjoining Lot. No. 9, and now tenanted by John N. Vansant, having a front of about 54 feet and an even depth of about 299 feet. Improved by a FRAME DWELLING with six rooms and a stable.

NO. 11.—The reversionary interest in that lot on Main street adjoining the property of James W. Walls and Wm. A. Whitaker, having a front of about 18 feet and an even depth of about 73 feet and 8 inches.

The building on this lot belongs to Charles E. Lane and will not be sold.

This lot is under lease to Charles E. Lane at an annual rental of twenty-one dollars.

The above peoperties are in good condition and are desirable either as homes or as investments.

Possession will be given January 1st, 1905, and the purchasers will be entitled to the rents for the month of December, 1904.

TERMS OF SALE.—One-third of the purchase money cash on the day of sale, the residue in two equal instalments in six and twelve months from the day of sale. The deferred payments to bear interest from the day of sale and to be secured to the satisfaction of the trustee.

All title papers at the cost of the purchasers.

LEWIN W. WICKES,
JOHN H. GREENWOOD, Trustee.
Auctioneer.

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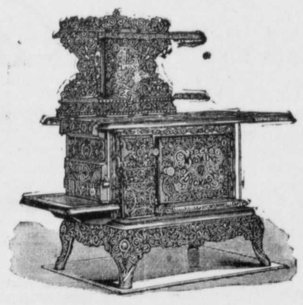

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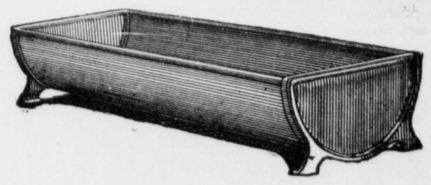

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