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THERE will be no "spelling reform." President Roosevelt will spend a very unhappy Christmas in consequence.

THE TRANSCRIPT extends its best wishes to its readers and patrons for a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT sent a special message to Congress the other day dealing with his recent trip to Panama. The thing that seems to have struck the President most seriously in his recent trip was *only one mosquito*. Panama will soon be annexed.

GEN. JOHN M. HOOD, president of the United Electric Railways Company of Baltimore, and one of the most prominent citizens of that metropolis, died on Monday. Gen. Hood did much for the financial welfare of Baltimore city, and his loss will be keenly felt.

A CALL has been issued to the Democratic editors of the State to lunch with ex-Gov. Frank Brown at the Hotel Rennert, Baltimore, on January 1, at which time a conference will he held respecting the future of the Democratic party and its policy. It is just possible also that somebody's boom for Governor will be launched at the luncheon.

WE CALL THE ATTENTION of our readers to the splendid article in this issue by Prof. Milton Melvin. Prof. Melvin makes a strong plea to the parents to visit the schools to see what their children are doing and what is being done for them. This is one of the greatest needs in the schools to-day. He also states some very pointed facts in reference to the comparative costs of educating children in various schools. Prof. Melvin is not giving an opinion. He is merely stating facts, and leaves the matter open for discussion by those most interested. Consolidation of schools, for more accurate and satisfactory work at less expense to the tax-payers, is a serious problem now, and is being discussed throughout the entire country. In fact the plan is being successfully operated in several States throughout the Union, and we hope the people of Kent will feel free to discuss the matter through our columns. The School Board and Superintendent want to know the people's wishes, and we shall be glad to publish letters upon the subject. We call attention also to another very interesting article by Economy and Efficiency, which bears upon the same subject and is well worth reading. Let us hear from the people. Prof. Melvin will furnish another interesting article early in January upon the subject of Language Work.

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.

The town Commissioners and the Chestertown Water Company have put in seven fire plugs this week—four to replace old ones and three in new locations. Mr. W. T. Sutton did the work. These plugs are costly things but the water company and town authorities are certainly doing right in this matter. Every precaution should be taken against fire.

MESSRS EDITORS:—The above is an item of news clipped from the Kent News. This is interesting, but what in the world is the use of all these fire plugs if there is no water to come out of them? There has not been a fire which has occurred in Chestertown, since the establishment of the company, when there has been enough headway at the beginning of the fire, *the critical moment*, to throw a stream of water twenty-feet. More attention should be paid to the furnishing of a good supply of water at all hours and then there would be some feeling of security in the event of a fire occurring. At present there is absolutely none among the citizens of this town.

The Water Company expects us to pay our rent in advance, in spite of the fact that the water is yellow, dirty, discolored, unfit for drinking, unfit for washing and unfit for anything else at frequent intervals. My own basin fills two gallons of water in 20 seconds, I have let it run a full hour before it would run clear and then it was so discolored it was unfit for drinking purposes. How many gallons of water did the Company lose by this operation in trying to furnish a glass of water? I heard one gentleman say he opened three spigots and let them run the same way for several hours in his house before he could get water clear enough to use on the table. Every house wife in town makes the same complaint about the water being allowed to run for hours at a time before the washing dare be immersed in the yellow fluid furnished by the company. Perhaps it will be better hereafter. Let us hope so.

One gentleman turned on two spigots to get clear water, and before he got what he desired not only overflowed his basin, but his house and a foot or two of water in his cellar. How much water did the Company lose in this effort to furnish good water?

GOOD WATER.

Editors of the Transcript: In last week's issue of the Kent News there were some very interesting facts relative to consolidation of the rural schools of our county and the query, should the smaller schools in Kent be closed. Closing a school, without some provision for the pupils of that school, would work a hardship and provoke conditions which our school officials would wisely seek to avoid. If I am correctly informed, they are clothed with the authority to close a school when the average attendance is below a certain per cent. or provide a conveyance to enable those pupils to attend an adjoining school or the consolidation of two or more schools when they think it practicable.

If they are vested with this power, why hesitate in the execution of a plan which will be to the advantage of the tax-payer? When a pupil costs the county between thirty and forty dollars a year for tuition, it exhibits conditions which, if possible, should be speedily remedied, and if consolidation is the remedy apply it at once.

Consolidation, like free books, the graded system and the manual training, will meet with opposition, but in the near future it will be as firmly established not as a fad but as a necessity, as economy because it will decrease the number of teachers and produce more efficient schools.

The little school house on the corner is doomed and the town and village schools will be the centres of learning.

Oak Grove and a part of Copper's and Sandy Bottom schools could be assimilated with Fairlee; Swan Creek, Gratitude and Island school with Rock Hall; Skinner's Neck with Piney Neck, which leaves Edesville those remaining from Sandy Bottom and Swan Creek. This assimilation would reduce the schools to four and would not require an additional teacher, in those schools from the assimilation. This would save the salary of six teachers, fuel and other expenses of six schools or approximately $2,500, and if it costs $1000 to convey these pupils to nearest schools (which I doubt) there would be a net gain of $1500.

This territory does not comprise more than one-fifth of the county and illustrates what consolidation would do.

Yours for Consolidation,

ECONOMY AND EFFICIENCY.

Worton, Md.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—Our school is making rapid strides towards completion. We, the patrons, highly appreciate the interest all took in trying to aid our children by building the long-needed school room in the village. Our teachers and our children are cold and shivering. Allow us to use this medium of thanking each and all who pushed it to the front. The contractor, W. B. Lecompt, has done himself credit in beautifying the building, the gables and belfry being done in pointed shingling, which adds very much to the appearance.

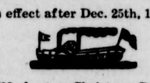
RESIDENT.

WINTER SCHEDULE.

Sassafras River and Tolchester Lines.

(Weather and Ice Permitting.)

In effect after Dec. 25th, 1906.



(No boat on Christmas Day.)

TUESDAYS.

Steamer will leave Fredericktown at 12.00 noon, Shallcross at 12.30 P. M., Cassidys at 12.45 P. M., Betterton at 1.15 P. M., Gales at 2.15 P. M., Tolchester at 3.00 P. M., arriving in Baltimore about 6.00 P. M.

Will leave Baltimore Tuesdays at 7 A. M. for Betterton and Sassafras River Landings stopping at Gales and Tolchester on the return trips.

TOLCHESTER SCHEDULE.

Saturdays leave Baltimore at 7 A. M. and 2.30 P. M. Leave Tolchester at 9.00 A. M. and 4.30 P. M.

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PUBLIC SALE —OF— PERSONAL PROPERTY

THE undersigned, as administrators of the estate of the late Capt. Andrew Woodall, will sell on the Smith Farm, near Lambson's, Kent county, Maryland, tenanted by Mr. M. Antone, on

Wednesday, Jan. 9, 1907,

COMMENCING AT 10 O'CLOCK A. M.,



9 HORSES AND MARES

FOUR COLTS

13 COWS, 20 STEERS,

6 Heifers, 3 Calves,

12 HEAD OF HOGS,

500 BUSHELS CORN ON THE COB.

1 Grain Drill, 1 Dearborn, 4 Plows, 1 Sulky Cultivator, 6 Hand Cultivators, 1 Spring Tooth Harrow, 1 Hay Rake, 2 Binders, 4 Farm Wagons, 3 Hay Riggings, 1 Mower, 1 Stump Puller, 1 Grindstone, 4 Scythes, 1 Vice, 20 1, 2, 3 and 4-Horse Trees, Hoes, Forks, Shovels, etc., 1 Seed Sower, 1 Saddle, 4 Sets Wagon Harness, 1 Set Dearborn Harness, 12 Sets Rope Harness, 12 Collars, 1 Horse Trough, 4 Tons Hay, 1 Cook Stove, Hogsheads and Barrels.

TERMS—All sums of $10.00 and under, cash: over that amount a credit of Eleven Months will be allowed on bankable note.

JAMES E. WOODALL,
ANDREW W. WOODALL,
JAMES F. M. WOODALL.
Administrators.

J. FORD CAULK, Auctioneer. d22-ts.

PUBLIC SALE —OF— PERSONALTY.

THE undersigned, as administrators of the estate of the late Capt. Andrew Woodall, will sell on the "Rose Hill" Farm, in Cecil county, Maryland, on

Thursday, January 10, 1907,

COMMENCING AT 10 O'CLOCK A. M.,

16 HORSES & MARES

FIVE COLTS.

14 Cows and 32 Steers,

5 CALVES, 1 BULL,

16 HOGS, 6 SOWS AND 20 SHOATS.

36 Hens and 3 Turkeys,

800 Bushels Corn on the Cob.

4 Farm Wagons, 1 Dearborn, 1 Peach Wagon, 3 Hay Riggings, 2 Drills, 1 Roller, 3 Hand Cultivators, 3 Sulky Cultivators, 1 Spring-Tooth Harrow, 1 Corn Mill, 1 Hay Rake, 1 Hay Tedder, 3 Binders, 1 Fan, 1 Corn Sheller, 1 Belt, 6 Tons Hay, 2 Hay Forks and Rope, 1 Mower, 14 Bridles, 14 Collars, 1 Slop Barrel, 1 Grindstone, 1 Farm Bell, Shovels, Forks, Scythes, 27 1, 2, 3 and 4-Horse Trees, 2 Sets Wagon Harness, 6 Sets Chain Harness, 8 Sets Rope Harness, 1 Cook Stove and Fixtures.

TERMS.—All sums of $10.00 and under, cash; over that amount a credit of Eleven Months will be allowed on bankable note.

JAMES E. WOODALL,
ANDREW W. WOODALL,
JAMES F. M. WOODALL,
Administrators.

J. FORD CAULK, Auctioneer. d22-ts.

PUBLIC SALE —OF— Personalty

THE personalty on the Canning or Gooding farm in Kent county, near Galena, will be sold at Public Sale on the said farm, on

Thursday, Dec. 27th, 1906,

commenceing at 10 o'clock A. M.



14 HEAD OF HORSES

And Mares, 2 Colts.

20 Cows, 20 Steers

5 HEIFERS and 1 BULL

12 HEAD OF HOGS

TEN TONS OF HAY,

600 Bushels Corn on Cob

4 Farm Wagons, 2 Hay Riggins, 1 Dearborn, 2 Sets Wagon Harness, Collars, Bridles and Halters, Plow Harness, 1 Set Dearborn Harness, Forks, Shovels, Hoes, &c., 1 Twin Harrow, 1 Hay Fork, and Rope, 1 Peach Body, 1 Horse Trough, Axes, Hedge Knives, Scythes, &c., 2 Binders 1 Mower, 1 Grindstone, 1 Fan, Lot One, Two, Three and Four-Horse Trees, 1 Seed Sower, 2 Hay Tedders, 1 Hay Rake, 1 Roller. 1 Drill, 2 Spring-Tooth Harrows, 2 Sulky Cultivators, 4 Hand Cultivators, 1 Cook Stove and Fixtures, Kitchen Furniture, Lot Chickens, Canning House Machinery, &c.

TERMS:—All sums of $10 and under, cash; over that amount a credit of 11 months on note with approved security.

JAMES E. WOODALL,
ANDREW W. WOODALL,
JAMES F. M. WOODALL,
ADMINISTRATORS.

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Clocks, 20 styles..... **65c to $15.50**

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$7.50 and $5 Bracelets .... **$2 to 2.50**

$2.00 and 1. Child's Necklace..... **99c**

50 and 75c Gold-Filled Cuff Buttons..... **25c**

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Seeded Raisens	10c
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Citron	18c
Butter	30c lb
American Granulated Sugar	4¾c
Large Sacks Fine Salt	90c
S. A. Salt	80c
Horse Blankets	$1.25 to $6.00
Lap Robes	$2.00 to $6.00

All Kinds Men's and Boy's Gum and Leather Boots

from $1.25 to $4.25; Men's and Boy's Suits and Overcoats. Give me a chance to show you my goods and quote prices. Eggs 40c doz. in trade.

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Black's, Md.

J. F. Thompson,

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Men's Cadet Kid "	2.50
Men's Box Calf Blutcher,	2.50
Men's Pat. Colt Blutcher,	2.50
Men's Pat. Colt Buttons,	2.50

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1.25 Heavy Fine Worsted Shirts	.98		
1.25 " " " Drawers	.98		
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Notice to Creditors.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscribers have obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county, letters testamentary upon the personal estate of

WILLIAM MORRIS,

late of Kent county, Md., deceased.

All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned on or before the 4th day of June, 1907, otherwise they may be excluded by law from all benefits of said estate. Given under our hands and seal this 27th day of November, 1906.

WALTER T. MORRIS,
JAS. E. MORRIS,
Executors.

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HERBERT E. PERKINS,

ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,

Chestertown, Md.

Office on Court St. opposite Court House.

Notice to Creditors.

NOTICE is hereby given that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county, letters of administration, c. t. a., upon the personal estate of

WILLARD MELVIN,

late of Kent county, Md., deceased.

All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned, on or before the 31st day of May, 1907, otherwise they may be excluded by law from all benefits of said estate. Given under my hand and seal this 20th day of November, 1906.

WM. F. MELVIN.
Administrator, c. t. a.

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