Your fare paid to Baltimore and return,

by the Retail Merchants of Baltimore, if you make purchases of $20 or more from any of the following firms:

Baltimore Is the Best Shopping Point in America

Baltimore merchants sell the same goods at lower prices than the merchants in any other city or town in America—big or small.

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We want this fact known to all consumers—and that is why these free trips are placed at your command.

Baltimore merchants offer unsurpassed assortments in every line of goods, providing the latest and best styles and most reliable grades from the leading manufacturers in all parts of the world.

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Baltimore merchants offer their customers every convenience and advantage that progressive, up-to-date facilities and modern methods can secure. No other stores anywhere in the world take better care of their customers' interests or do more to merit their good will and deserve their patronage.

Accept the Baltimore Retail Merchants' invitation to come to Baltimore at their expense and make your selections in person.

You Are Studying Your Own Best Interests When You Buy in Baltimore.

Department Stores	*Furniture, Carpets, Etc.*
JOEL GUTMAN & CO. 112 to 122 North Eutaw St.	MINCH & EISENBREY 212 to 220 West Lexington St.
HUTZLER BROS. CO. 210 to 218 North Howard St.	POLLACK'S Northeast Corner Howard and Saratoga Sts.
LAUER'S 449 to 453 North Gay St.	GOMPRECHT & BENESCH 316 to 322 North Eutaw St.
BRAGER'S Southeast Corner Eutaw and Saratoga Sts.	GUSDORFF & JOSEPH 117 to 121 North Howard St.
BERNHEIMER BROS. 311 to 317 West Lexington St.	*Clothing, Etc.*
HOCHSCHILD, KOHN & CO. Northwest Corner Howard and Lexington Sts.	ISAAC HAMBURGER & SONS Northwest Corner Baltimore and Hanover Sts.
EISENBERG'S UNDERSELLING STORE 213 to 219 West Lexington St.	LIKES, BERWANGER & CO. 8 to 12 East Baltimore St.
STEWART & CO. Northeast Corner Lexington and Howard Sts.	THE HUB Northeast Corner Baltimore and Charles Sts.
THE LEADER Southwest Corner Lexington and Howard Sts.	NEW YORK CLOTHING HOUSE 102-104 East Baltimore St.
Jewelry	*Shoes, Etc.*
CASTELBERG NATIONAL JEWELRY CO. 106 North Eutaw St.	N. HESS' SONS 8 East Baltimore St.
Pianos	L. SLESINGER & SON 106 North Charles St.
WM. KNABE & CO. Southwest Corner Park Ave. and Fayette St.	M. WYMAN 19 West Lexington St.

You may make all your purchases at one store or you may make your purchases from any number of different stores---just so your total purchases at the above-named stores amount to $20 or more the Retail Bureau of the Merchants' & Manufacturers' Association of Baltimore will refund your full round-trip fare to Baltimore and return or will refund half your fare if you purchase $10 or more.

READ THESE

DIRECTIONS:

When you arrive in Baltimore, go to any of the stores named here and ask for a

SHOPPERS' CERTIFICATE

Have your name written on it, and at each store when you make purchases have the amount of your purchases stamped on the Certificate.

When through shopping, take your Certificate to the Retail Bureau of the Merchants and Manufacturers' Association, corner Baltimore St. and Hopkins Place, show your railroad or boat ticket to the Secretary in charge, and your FULL ROUND-TRIP FARE WILL BE REPAID YOU if your total purchases at the stores printed thereon amount to **$20** or more.

If your total purchases amount to $10 or more (but under $20), half your fare will be repaid you.

Rebate of fare is limited to 100 miles in any direction from Baltimore.

SHOPPERS MUST APPLY IN PERSON WHILE IN BALTIMORE TO OBTAIN REBATES

These free trips begin October 22 and continue throughout October, November and December clear up to December 31, 1909. Don't delay. Come any day you choose. Make your shopping trip to Baltimore as soon as possible. . . . . .

MEMBERS OF RETAIL BUREAU FREE TRANSPORTATION FOR OUT-OF-TOWN SHOPPERS

Always Good For A Home Run

WE SELL

American Wire Fence

Carload on hand and prices guaranteed.

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CEMENT ON HAND.

The Carriages, Runabouts and Surreys we sell are sure to bring you home. They are made to wear and are sold under our guarantee. Terms made to suit on Carriages.

HARNESS

If you want Harness that is GOOD to look at and made to give service; that is our business, because we sell that kind. We carry every thing in Harness for light driving to heavy team, and the quality is first-class.

PAINT

We sell Masury's Tinted Lead for house painting. Also stock of Carriage Paint on hand. This Paint has stood the test and is used by all who want the best. Brushes, Oil, Turpentine and Dryer.

ROOFING

On hand and can supply you from stock Congo, Ruberoid and Tar Paper. Nails and Caps.

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Ready to take care of all repair work promptly.

WAGONS, DEARBORNS AND HARROWS

Our own make and second to none.

Hoosier & New Way Corn Planters

Best on the market to-day. Do not buy until you see them.

Hague & Hackett, Still Pond, Md.

Farming Implements.

Genuine Oliver Plows, the best on the market. Full line of Twin, Spring and Disc Harrows, Best Steel Rollers with Dust Proof Boxes. Ohio and Iron Age Sulkey Cultivators, also Hand Cultivators, McCormick Binders, Mowers and Twine, Hallock Weeder, best on the market. SUCCESS MANUAE SPREADERS.

CALL ON US WHEN YOU WANT A

Top Buggy, Surrey or Runabout

POLES AND WAGON TOPS.

Our Carriage and Wagon Harness can't be beat in price when quality is considered. Our makes of

FARM WAGONS AND DEARBORNS

speak for themselves. Call on us when you want Oil. American Wire Fencing, also Barbed, Smooth and Poultry Wire.

Blacksmithing and Wheelwrighting.

All kinds of Repairing attended to promptly.

SHAFER, REDMILE & CO

KENNEDYVILLE, MARYLAND.

THERE

has been a great many inquiries—WHEN are you going to commence your REDUCTION SALES? And in keeping with our usual custom.

THEY BEGIN TO-DAY

All Spring and Summer Stock

will be disposed of, and disposed of at our unusually low prices, that always command the attention of conservative, careful purchasers. A very good assortment awaits your inspection. Respectfully,

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Directly Opposite Court House,

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FRENCH MARRIAGES.

All Probable Future Events Arranged For In Advance.

On the appointed evening I arrived at the given time, and after an excellent dinner, at which all members of both families were present, we repaired to the great drawing room, where the chairs had been arranged in a semicircle about two small, round tables. Presently two grave old gentlemen, the family notaries, who had not been seen to smile during the whole dinner, took their seats in front of the tables, and when we were all assembled the elder commenced to read a long memoir, which he announced he had compiled with the help of his colleague. Then, to my utter amazement, he began to name all the possessions of the future bride and bridegroom—so many bonds and mortgages, so many houses, farms, woodlands, prairies, articles of personal adornment, furniture and jewels; the ways in which they might be used or disposed of, what would happen in case no children were born of the marriage, in case of death of one or the other of the parties. In fact, all the misfortunes, all the most terrible and saddest events, had been foreseen, and cold chills began running down my back as I heard each new case mentioned. I was indignant. I positively revolted. Why were miserable questions of business allowed to foreshadow the charming union of these two young people, who had known and loved each other since childhood and whose true and pure affection was innocent of all monetary interests? Could not all have been spared them?

The next day I frankly opened my heart to Jeanne and her mother, explaining the sensations I had experienced the previous evening and saying that in my country, when two persons were about to marry, as long as there was love on both sides and the man was able to support his wife all such questions were usually left undiscussed.

They both listened to me somewhat astonished, and then Mme. de R——, whose great good sense has always convinced me, replied smilingly:

"But, my dear, for us marriage is not only the joining of two young and loving hearts. We go further and consider the generations to come, the founding of a new family—a home. As every one knows, the first years are often the most difficult, and we therefore take precautions to smooth the paths of our children by settling in their presence all business matters, once and forever, and arranging things so that the new life may develop under the best of circumstances."—Scribner's Magazine.

THEY WERE STUBBORN.

A Story Illustrating the "Setness" of the Cornishman.

Your Cornishman can be very "set" and stubborn. His determination of spirit is more remarkable than admirable at times, though it may be amusing.

Mr. Hook, the late royal academician, was once, says Mr. W. H. Hudson in his book on the "Land's End," on the sands at Whitesand bay, working at a marine picture, when two natives came up and planted themselves just behind him. There was nothing the artist hated more than to be watched by strangers over his shoulders in this way, and pretty soon he wheeled around on them and angrily asked them how long they were going to stand there.

His manner served to arouse their spirit, and they replied brusquely that they were going to stay as long as they thought proper.

He insisted on knowing just how long they were going to stay there to his annoyance, and by and by, after some more loud and angry discussion, one of them incautiously declared they would stand at that very spot for an hour.

"Do you mean that?" shouted Hook, pulling out his watch.

Yes, they returned, they would not stir one inch from that spot for an hour.

"Very well," he said and pulled up his easel; then, marching off to a distance of thirty yards, he set it up again and resumed his painting.

And there, within thirty yards of his back, the two men stood for one hour and a quarter, for, as they did not have a watch, they were afraid of going away before the hour had expired. Then they marched off.

Franklin as a Swimmer.

In 1726 Benjamin Franklin was working as a printer at Watts', near Lincoln Inn Fields, and taught two shopmates to swim "at twice going into the river." With them and some of their friends from the country he paid a visit by water to Chelsea, and "in our return," he recorded, "at the request of the company, whose curiosity Wygate had excited, I stripped and leaped into the river and swam from near Chelsea to Blackfriars, performing on the way many feats of activity, both upon and under the water, that surprised and pleased those to whom they were novelties."—London Tatler.

Her Housekeeping.

Growells—Smith's wife must be a poor housekeeper. Mrs. Growells—Why do you think so? Growells—He declares he's perfectly comfortable at home every day in the year.—Chicago News.

Tree and Sea.

"By the way, what is the tree most nearly related to the sea?"

"The beech, of course."

"Are you sure? Isn't the bay tree nearer?"—London Scraps.

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