The Transcript.

SATURDAY, DEC. 4, 1909.

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EDITORS.

CONGRESS convenes next Monday. There'll be a warm time around the Capitol during the Christmas month.

Now that Thanksgiving is past, all eyes are turning towards the coming of Old Kris. He'll be here to-day three weeks.

SENATOR J. CHARLES LINTHICUM, of Baltimore, will introduce in the coming Legislature a bill to consolidate the colleges of the State, including Washington College, into one great State university.

THE population of Chestertown has been practically the same as it is to-day for the last ten years, and yet at this late day, with a tax rate of **$1.41** to burden the people of the county, and to materially affect the value of their land, and with a rate of **$1.81** to burden the people of the town and to visibly affect the value of their property, the retiring Board of County Commissioners has added $3000 per year more to Chestertown's annual allowance, claiming that the law requires it, but in reality because being absolutely blinded to the interest of the tax-payers, they were governed by motives which are perfectly plain to all tax-payers. Instead of endeavoring to keep the tax rate down and relieve the tax-payers of an unjust burden they seemed determined to make the rate as high as they possibly could make it, by squandering in the last six months of their administration thousands of dollars on the roads and elsewhere, not one penny of which should have been spent. The people will not forget this two years hence.

A VISIT to the progressive town of Easton last week revealed many improvements since it was our good pleasure to be a resident there. New and handsome homes have been erected, old ones have been remodeled and beautified, sidewalks are being made of asphalt, and the town has two of the handsomest and best equipped banks and the finest postoffice room we have seen in any town of a similar size. Through the courtesy of Mr. Henry Holiyday, the able cashier, who succeeded the venerable General Thomas, we were shown through the Easton National, which is one of the strongest banks on the Shore in point of revenue. It is without exception the finest banking house we have ever seen in a country town. Its massive columns, beautifully decorated ceilings, tile flooring and mahogany wood finishings, blend with such beauty and harmony as to attract the eye at every point, and the general arrangement of the interior is such as to afford the most complete accommodation to both officers and patrons. We regret exceedingly that we were unable to visit the new Savings Bank, for we are told that it is a worthy rival of the Easton National in beauty and finish. It would be a pleasure for us to describe in detail the many improvements we noted, and the means that are being employed to make the town thoroughly up-to-date, but space forbids. Suffice it to say that the spirit of progress is manifest to a quondam resident, and leads us to believe that there is harmony and enthusiasm among the citizens there for the development of their town. It was a great pleasure for us to renew many of our old acquaintances and a source of regret that we were unable to meet more. It felt extremely much like home to us, and brought back to us many happy recollections of the days that are gone but not forgotten.

WE BELIEVE the Board of County Commissioners made a great blunder last week when they decided to increase the appropriation to Chestertown from $2000 to $5500, upon the assumption that the law allows it. We do not wish to do or say anything that will be detrimental to the advancement of the welfare of our town. But to make the people of the county pay for improving the streets of our town when they are already confronted with a tax rate of $1.41, largely through the extravagance in the use of their money on the public roads of the county, is nothing short of an imposition, and the action of the retiring board of commissioners should be rescinded by the present board. The present above all others is the most inopportune time in the world to increase any appropriation, when the county is almost swamped by reason of somebody's wasteful extravagance. We want Chestertown to have every dollar it is entitled to by law, but there is a time for everything, and we do not think the people of the town or county should be subjected to an extra burden when they have about all they can carry now. The population of Chestertown has been practically what it is for ten years, and yet a Board of County Commissioners that is largely responsible for an outrageous tax rate, because they allowed so much of the people's money to be squandered on the public highways, upon its retirement from office, increases the appropriation for Chestertown $3000 a year, spends more than $12,000 on the roads in one district in the county from the day of the primaries in June to the day of their retirement—December 1—and expresses a willingness to do other things with the county's money—what for? That the incoming Board of County Commissioners may be made to bear the political effect of their wastefulness of the people's money. If Chestertown wants an additional supply of money to improve its streets let its own inhabitants who reap the greatest benefit from such improvements pay for the cost of improvement as every other town does. Let the town be bonded for a respectable sum that will be of some service—and never for once let us cast such a reflection upon ourselves as to be willing to make the people of the entire county pay for the improvement to our thoroughfares. If this increased appropriation is allowed to stand it will be the greatest injustice to the people of the county, who should remember who it is that has squandered all of their money since the day of the primaries last June. We are property owners in Chestertown, and we are willing with the rest of the inhabitants to pay for the cost of improvements, but we are heartily opposed to spending any more of the people's money at this time than can be possibly helped. If the people of Chestertown want improved streets let us have an enabling act to bond the town for a proper amount of money, and pay for the bonds out of the town tax rate. This will be putting the cost of improvement where it belongs. The town gets $2000 a year from the county now for the improvement of its streets, and besides, the tax rate was increased this year from 30 to 40 cents, and we venture to say that our High street road is one of the worst pieces of road in Kent county, although the county gives us $2000 a year to improve our streets. The old board of commissioners levied a tax rate of $1.25 the very first business day after the primaries. This was 13 cents higher than it was last year. Since the primaries in June the old board has allowed to be spent in the Third and Sixth Districts—both combined having the least number of miles of road in the county—close to $13,000, and they have allowed an additional $3000 to Chestertown, all of which must be provided for in the next levy. To say the least of it this is by no means an enviable record, and so far as the tax-payers are concerned it is a blessing that a new board has taken control, especially if it will do what we believe it will—square up accounts and place the blame for the expenditure of the people's money just exactly where it belongs, before they do anything else, in order that the people may have it for future reference.

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.

DEAR SIRS:—Is there anything which our late Board of County Commissioners has done which is more inequitable and unjust to the rest of the county than their last act in giving to Chestertown $5500? How can they tell what Chestertown's proportion of the Road Levy will be until the Road Levy is actually struck for 1910? Are the tax-payers throughout the county willing for Chestertown to receive $5500? If they are, well and good. But why did not the Commissioners announce their intention and let the public judge them? The tax-payers of this county are opposed to such conduct. Let us hope that the present Board of County Commissioners will take advanced ground and refuse to pay this levy. Let the Town Commissioners sue the County Commissioners. Then let the Circuit Court determine whether or not the county has this money to pay. Let the matter be ventilated and the light of publicity shine on this $5500 levy. Then if the county is willing to stand this every year for Chestertown, well and good, meanwhile let us insist that our Legislators and Senator repeal this law. If Chestertown wants good roads and good streets let Chestertown tax the property within the town for this purpose and be given a reasonable and proper sum to assist from the County Treasury. There has been for years much quiet opposition to the payment of $2000 to the town. The writer thinks this sum is reasonable and does not object to it. But when it is made 2½ times as much, as a tax-payer, I earnestly protest.

TAX-PAYER.

DEAR SIRS:—The Public School in Chestertown has lost so much time during the present fall that it seems the work of our school will never satisfactorily be caught up with, unless some provision is made. Would it not be a good idea for our School Board during the rest of the school year to hold school every Saturday and give holiday only for Christmas day at Christmas? Certainly all the parents and children will agree to this. Then, if necessary, keep two weeks longer in June next so that our children may come up to the standard required by the School System.

Yours respectfully,
PARENT.

[Christmas comes on Saturday this year, Parent, and besides, if the children of Chestertown ever learn who you are, they will make things warm for you for attempting to put such notions as these in the minds of the School Board.—EDS.]

Sells Restaurant Business.—Mr. Geo. E. Lambert made his debut as a real estate broker in Chestertown this week, by selling on Tuesday, the restaurant business on High street, heretofore conducted by Mr. John G. Roland to Mr. Bedford Titter, the well-known oyster man. The price is private, but Mr. Lambert made a good sale on his first venture in the real estate world.

MORTGAGEE'S SALE

—OF—

Valuable Real Estate

in Butlertown, Kent Co., Maryland.

BY virtue of a power contained in a mortgage from George Andrew Butler and Caroline Butler, his wife, bearing date of June 11th, 1906, to William J. Vannort, duly executed and recorded in Liber J. T. D. No. 13, folio 442, etc., a Land Record Book for Kent county, the undersigned will offer at public sale at the Court House Door in Chestertown, Maryland, on

TUESDAY, DEC. 21, 1909, at 11 o'clock A. M.:

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND located in the Third Election District of Kent county, in Butlertown, adjoining the lands of Alex. Butler and James H. Jamar, containing ONE ACRE, THREE ROODS and TWENTY-SIX PERCHES, more or less, and improved with a TWO-STORY FRAME HOUSE and KITCHEN in need of repairs. Will make a nice home or profitable investment.

TERMS—Cash on day of sale.

WM. J. VANNORT, Mortgagee.
JOHN H. GREENWOOD, Auctioneer. d4-ts.

PUBLIC SALE

—OF—

PERSONALTY.

THE UNDERSIGNED, intending to discontinue farming, will sell at public sale on the "Cummings" farm, near Kennedyville, on

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1909,

BEGINNING AT 10.30 A. M., THE FOLLOWING PERSONAL PROPERTY:

11 Horses and Colts

One bay mare, Cora, 6 years old, in foal; one bay mare, May, 5 years old, fine roadster; one sorrel mare, Alice, 4 years old, nice roadster; one brown mare, Belle, 15 years old, in foal; Percheron colt, yearling, fine size; 6 weanling colts.

6 Young Milch Cows

SOME SPRINGERS.

—FARMING IMPLEMENTS—

One Farm Wagon, 1 Hay Riggin, 1 McCormick Binder, 1 Deering Mower, 1 Hay Rake, 1 Roller, good as new; 1 Bickford and Huffman Drill, good as new; 1 Spring Tooth Harrow, 1 Twin Harrow, 1 Corn Sheller, 1 Seed Sower, 1 Grindstone, 3 Hand Cultivators, 1 3-horse Plow, 1 2-horse Plow, 1 1-horse Plow, 1 1-carborn, 1 Buggy, no top; 1 set of Platform Scales, will weigh up to 1000 lbs.; 2 2-furrow Plows, 1 set single 1-carborn Harness, 1 Dearborn Pole, 1 double set of Wagon Breech Harness, Plow Gears, Single Trees, Hoes, Shovels, Forks, Etc.

☞ THREE TONS GOOD TIMOTHY HAY.

TERMS—All sums of $10 and under, cash; over that amount a credit of nine months will be allowed on bankable note with approved security. No property removed until terms are complied with.

d4-ts. GEORGE F. LANE.
ANDREW W. VANSANT, Auct.

SALE

—OF—

VALUABLE

Chestertown Property.

UNDER and by virtue of the power contained in the last will and testament of Mary J. Lambert, late of Kent county and State of Maryland, deceased, as well as the power contained in an order of the Orphans' Court for said Kent county, the undersigned as executrices of the said Mary J. Lambert will offer at public auction the following described property, in front of the Court House Door in Chestertown in said Kent county, on

The 7th Day of December, 1909,

Between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 1 o'clock P. M., to wit:

All That Lot of Land

AND IMPROVEMENTS,

situate at the south corner of Queen street and Maple avenue in said Chestertown, duly described in a deed from Wm. H. Lambert to Mary J. Lambert, bearing date the 5th day of July, 1901, and recorded among the Land Records of said Kent county in Liber J. T. D. No. 5, folio 166, etc., having a frontage of 45 feet 9 inches on said Queen street and a frontage of 105 feet 10 inches on said Maple avenue and having a depth of 69 feet 9 inches from said Maple avenue along the lands of Laura T. Lambert. The improvements consist of

A LARGE

FRAME DWELLING

wood house and other outbuildings. This property will first be offered in two separate lots or parcels, one of which shall be a building lot having a frontage of 38 feet on said Maple avenue and lying immediately adjoining the land of said Laura T. Lambert, said building lot to have an even depth of 69 feet 9 inches, the other parcel to be all the remainder of said real estate. It will then be offered as a whole and sold subject to the ratification of the Orphans' Court for Kent county in the manner the most money will be realized.

The stable upon the building lot is reserved in either instance and is to form no part of this sale, whether the sale be in parcel or as a whole, the right to remove said stable being a conditional one of the present tenant.

TERMS OF SALE AS FOLLOWS:—$500.00 cash on day of sale and balance in cash upon the ratification of the sale by the said Orphans' Court, deferred payments to bear interest from day of sale and all title papers to be at the expense of the purchaser. Possession given January 1, 1910.

MARY ALICE BURCHINAL,
ANNA G. ELLEGOOD,
Executrices of the last Will of Mary J. Lambert.

NOTICE—A suitable loan can be negotiated on the above property by applying to

n13-ts. SIDNEY P. TOWNSHEND.

Ordinance Against Stove Pipes.

Be it enacted and ordained that the use of stove pipes in all buildings is prohibited except where such stove pipe or pipes enter into brick chimney solidly constructed, extending either from the ground or from below the joist or after of building to at least 2½ feet above the roof.

Be it enacted that the use of stove pipes through all stud partition is prohibited unless the partition where the pipes go shall be bricked up around the pipe to a point not less than 12 inches both below and above the pipe.

Be it enacted that the fine for the violation of either of the above Ordinances shall be One Dollar for each and every day of the violation of same.

Be it further enacted that where such violation do now or may hereafter exist, and where notice has been given of the same, if the parties owning such property fail to remedy same within five days of such notice, the Commissioners of Chestertown shall proceed at once to have same removed or remedied and all costs connected with such removal or remedying shall be at the expense of the owner of the property and shall be a lien on said property.

Passed October 4th, 1909.

COMMISSIONERS OF CHESTERTOWN,
THOMAS S. BORDLEY, Clerk. n27-tf.

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1 package Royal Gem Coffee..13½c
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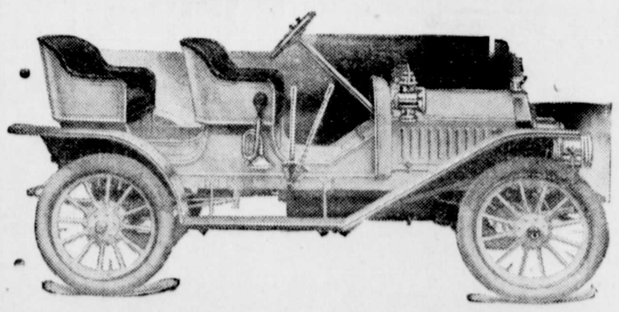

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