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The term farm is of [illegible] derivation. In England it [illegible] certain portion of land in pasture or cultivation held in lease by a tenant from the proprietor. In the United States it means a certain portion of land within fixed metes and bounds, whether in pasture or cultivation, which is held by the owner, whether he may chance to cultivate it himself or lease out the right to some one else to do so. There are in the United States between six and seven million farms. Between forty-eight and fifty thousand of these are located in the State of Maryland. One can readily see that an immense amount of the wealth of the country and State is wrapped up in its land. The owners of this land are the largest supporters of the State and should be the more influential citizens of the State. The assessor can easily lay his hand upon his property and the tax collector has no difficulty in finding it when the taxes fall due. It can't be transferred temporarily or hid away in vaults. There itis Nothing but an earthquake can remove it.

It is a matter of interest to us to know how those who now hold the land came in possession of the right to do so. In Maryland it seems to have been brought about in this way, "Land titles were given to Lord Baltimore" in common and socage, "and he was empowered to transfer it in fee to any person or persons willing to purchase the same."

"The terms for taking up land, especially in the back country between the Potomac and the Susquehanna rivers were most liberal. Persons having families could take up 200 acres, single or unmarried 100. The price was about four shillings per hundred acres to begin three years after settlement." What a rush there would be now to take up the land at any such price.

The mode of procedure was as follows: "The purchaser went to the land office, paid the purchase price and received a certificate. The certificate was an order to the surveyor general who delivered it to the county of the locality in which the land to be taken up was located. This deputy surveyed the land and then returned the warrant to the surveyor general. This warrant described the metes and bounds of the farm and all necessary information. When satisfied all was correct the examiner affixed his endorsement and sent it to the land office, where the patent was drawn up. If the purchaser already had contiguous land or it was preoccupied by some one who had not established a right, an extra charge was made. The warrant for a patent was available at any stage of the proceedings."

The title thus obtained could be transferred by sale or could be handed down from parent to child, or willed to any one to whom the rightful owner might see fit to give it. Those now possessing the land have obtained their right by one or another of these several means.

Maryland ranks twenty-seventh in population among the States and forty-first in her land area. She has according to the last census 48,923 farms valued at $286,167,028. The average size of these farms is put at 163 acres. The farms have decreased one-half in size since 1850, while the landed estate has increased in value nearly $82,000,000. The negroes own 122,000 acres of land mostly in very small holdings of a few acres, estimated at 48 acres.

It is an interesting fact to note that of the 5,057,145 farmers, three-fifths of them own the land and live on it. This speaks well, not only for the present but for the future welfare of our State. No country community can hold its own or progress materially where the owner of the soil does not live on and manage the estate. For this reason the large land owner is by no means a blessing to any rural community.

The farm is attractive or unattractive because of its locality and surroundings or because of the character of the soil. Even where the conditions are adverse, the farm may be made attractive by its skillful owner, who knows how to build up the soil and surround himself with those comforts and conveniences which add greatly to the pleasure of life.

There are farms that have become famous in the land. Their history is most closely interwoven with history of the State and nation. They owe their reputation in large measure to those who lived on them. There are those who in turn are more largely indebted to the farm for their greatness than to anything else. It was here they acquired those sterling qualities which fitted them for the position in life they filled. In his matured age, many a man has gone back in thought to the farm on which he was reared, and longed for the peace and quietness, with the pure air and glorious sunshine and unhampered freedom which were his. He who lives near to the ground, who can enjoy nature in its green fields and see all that pertains to the farm, lives more, while he lives, than does the man who is deprived of these. This is not mere sentiment. It is a fact most strongly manifested when we see our cities being emptied, whenever the opportunity presents itself for their citizens to seek the country.

The farm is to the writer an interesting subject. The farmer himself is equally as interesting. In our next article we will have something to say about this much ridiculed, but most valuable members of society, who with all that may be said of him, is the man who makes [illegible] who is the corner [illegible]

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