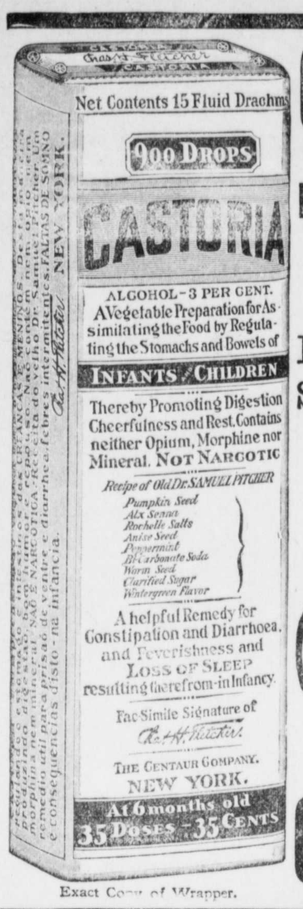

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Hicks' Forecasts For January.

A regular storm period is central on the 9th, extending from the 7th to the 12th. The moon is full, at an eclipse node on the 8th, on the equator on the 12th, and in conjunction with both Saturn and Neptune on the 9th. The crisis of this period will fall on the 8th to the 12th. General and severe cold will cover most parts of the country as a sequel to this storm period.

A reactionary storm period is centra on the 14th, 15th and 16th. The moon passes last quarter on the 16th, and is on the celestial equator on the 13th, Jupiter is in quadrature, and Saturn in opposition with sun and earth, on the 17th. Marked changes in barometric pressure, rise in temperature and general signs of winter storm and weather will usher in this period, followed by rain, snow and fierce winds. Storms will be followed by very cold weather out of the northwest. General cold will fill the gap following these reactionary perturbations.

A regular storm period runs from the 18 h to the 23rd, being central on the 20th. Added to this vulcan period, the quadrature of Jupiter and opposition of Saturn, the inferior conjunction of mercury, and the moon in conjunction with earth and sun, at a solar eclipse node and in perigee, will all combine to bring about violent winter storms and weather.

A reactionary storm period falls on and touching the 25th, 26th and 27th. The conjunction of moon, earth and sun at an eclipse node, and in perigee on the 23rd, promises to prolong general rain and snow into this reactionary period. The moon being on the celestial equator on the 26th, coming up from its south declination, will exert its usual influence in modifying the temperature and exciting magnetic and electric tendencies. Naturally we are to expect a change to warmer, south winds, falling barometer, cloudiness and increasing storms of rain and snow within a day or two of Friday, the 26th. These storms will be followed promptly by rising barometer, winds shifting to west and north, and change to cold, clearing weather. Taking it as a whole, January promises to be a month of average winter storms and weather.

Blow to Liquor Interests.

The United States Supreme Court on Monday put a double set of teeth into the Prohibition laws of all the "dry" states.

In affirming the c[illegible]onality of the Webb-Kenyon act the Court took the longest step that has yet been taken to make prohibition really prohibit. This act is designed to prevent the shipment of liquor from nonprohibition states into prohibition states, and in sustaining it the Court has cut off the bootlegger from his base of supplies. Federal authority now supplements state authority in the enforcement of prohibitory legislation.

This decision of the United States Supreme Court will create more consternation in many of the prohibition states than anywhere else outside of express officers and wholesale liquor houses which cater especially to the prohibition trade. State goverments no longer have an excuse for failing to enforce prohibition. The ancient plea that state authority was nullified by Federal authority and that there could be no state interference with inter state commerce has lost its force. Hereafter when a prohibitory amendment is submitted to the people of a state they will know that they are voting for prohibition—not for a system that spells prohibition for part of the population and full personal liberty for the rest.

Lloyd-McMaster Families Entertained.

In accordance with their annual custom, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Lloyd, of Pocomoke City, entertained the Lloyd-McMaster family at a delightful dinner on New Year's Day. Besides Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd their son, Francis and daughter, Miss Nan, the following members of the family were present:

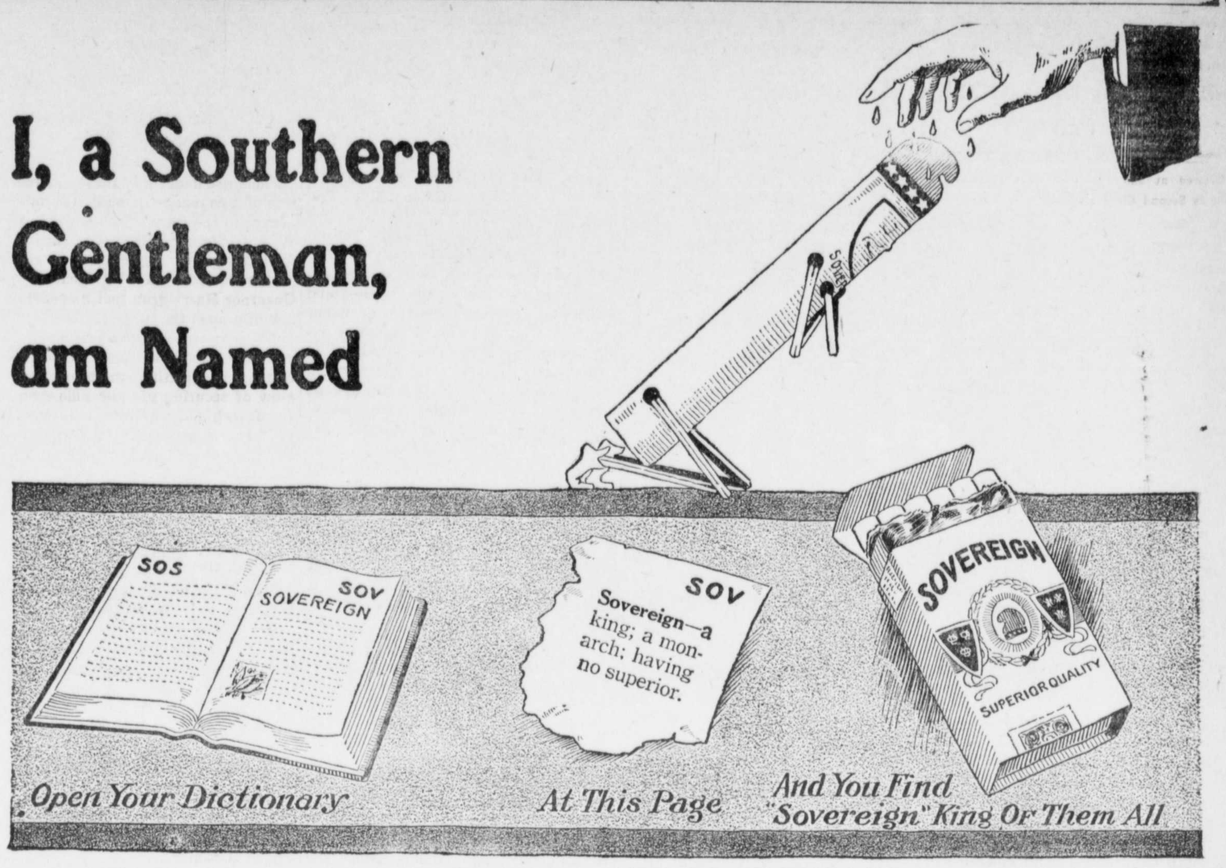
John S. McMaster, of Jersey City, N. J.; Frank J. McMaster, of St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. E. B. Freeman, of Norfolk, who was formerly Miss Mollie Lloyd; Dr. and Mrs. E. J. Clarke, of Chestertown, latter before her marriage being Miss Bertie Lloyd, of Pocomoke City; Mr. and Mrs. E. W. McMaster, Miss Miriam Dickinson and Mr. Edgar N. McMaster.

Much interest also centered in a facsimile copy of an original manuscript of Parson McMaster's, which J. S. McMaster presented to members of the family as souvenirs. This manuscript was written by his grandfather the late Rev. Samuel McMaster who followed the Rev. Francis Makemie as pastor of the old Presbyterian church at Rehoboth.

Wanted to See Townsend.

Owing to the extra amount of travel over the Delaware road, Saturday, incident to the return home of holiday visitors, all trains were finding it rather difficult to maintain their usual schedules, and train crews were doing all in their power to save every minute possible. When the afternoon train pulled out from Townsend and the busy conductor was passing through the car, gathering up tickets, an old lady pulled his coat and asked; Have we reached Townsend? "Gracious, yes," replied the conductor reaching for the signal rope. The train came to a sudden stop and was then backed up to the station. When the train reached the platform the conductor, with a "Please, hurry madam," seized the old lady's grip and started for the door. The old lady gazed at him in astonishment a moment, and replied: "I don't want to get out. I know a lady that lives here and I wanted to see what the town looked like." Amid a burst of laughter and a "Lord bless the woman" from the conductor, the grip was returned and the train again started on its way.

I, a Southern Gentleman, am Named



Well, way back in 1901, after I had been in this bright, happy world for several days, I began to get worried like. I didn't have any name.

Folks were calling me "it" and "the new one" and "whatdya-call-it." I didn't like it a bit. Then one day I heard the Big Chief telephoning all his department heads to meet in his office.

Pretty soon they all came filing in. Tall chaps, short chaps, fat chaps and skinny chaps. "Now that he is here," said the Big Chief, "what will you name him?"

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