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WILLIAM FORD

late of said county, deceased. All persons having claims against deceased's estate are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned on or before the 23rd. day of November, 1925, otherwise they may be excluded from all benefits of said deceased's personal estate.

All persons indebted to this estate must settle at once.

Given under my hand this 19th day of May, 1925.

DAVID B. FORD,
Executor.

May 19, 1925.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned has obtained from the Orphans' Court for Kent County letters of administration on the personal estate of

ADDIE BRAMBLE

late of said county, deceased. All persons having claims against said deceased's estate are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned on or before the 6th, day of December 1925, otherwise they may by law be excluded from all benefit of said deceased's personal estate.

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Cut In School Budget

Shall the progress of the schools be retarded for the sake of reducing the tax rate?

Two weeks ago in the columns of this paper it was announced that the County Commissioners of Kent County, Maryland, had reduced the county tax rate for their fiscal year ending June 15, 1926, three cents, making the rate $1.47 on every $100 of assessable property on which the full rate is charged.

For the current year, the sum of one hundred twelve thousand six hundred twenty-eight dollars and sixty-nine cents ($112,628.69) was allowed all of which has been turned over to the Board of Education of Kent County, Maryland, except one hundred eighty-nine dollars and seventy-two cents ($189.72. For next school year ending July 31, 1926, the sum of one hundred six thousand two hundred eight dollars ($106,208) has been appropriated, which is six thousand four hundred twenty dollars and sixty nine cents ($6,420.69) less than was appropriated for the year just ending.

According to the figures given the Board of Education, the assessable basis on which the full county tax rate will be charged during the current fiscal year of the county is fourteen million, five hundred fifty-four thousand one hundred thirty-six dollars ($14,554,136.) The reduction in the rate of 3 cts. on each $100 makes four thousand three hundred sixty-six dollars and twenty-four cents ($4,366.24) less in taxes to be paid. It can readily be seen from the above figures that the schools are expected to bear not only all of the reduction in the county tax rate but one thousand fifty-four dollars and forty-five cents ($1054.45) besides.

The items of the budget in which reductions were made are given below showing the amounts requested from the county by the Board of Education and the amounts allowed by the County Commissioners:

Items	Amt Requested	Amt. Allowed
Office Expenses	$ 1043.00	$ 300.00
Printing and Advertising	300.00	100.00
Other Costs of General Control: (Expenses of Board Members, Superintendent, Attendance Officer and Clerk attending State meetings	200.00	
Salary of Colored High School Teachers	963.75	963.00
Salary of Colored Elementary Teachers	11360.00	11220.00
Institutes and Associations	200.00	
Teachers' Meetings	50.00	
Summer Schools	1200.00	800.00
Text Books	2250.00	1000.00
Materials of Instruction	1235.00	800.00
Other Costs of Supervision: (Expenses of Supervisor in Attendance at State Meetings, Clerical Service for supervisor, stationery for supervisor, etc.)	400.00	
Other costs of Instruction: (Expenses incident to graduation exercises, programs, diplomas, etc.)	200.00	
Janitors' Wages	4947.00	4000.00
Janitors' Supplies	300.00	150.00
Fuel	7458.25	7000.00
Water Light and Power	310.00	300.00
Other Costs of Operation. (Gasoline and oil for engines and pumps in the larger schools, floor oil and disinfectants, cleaning school rooms and toilets before the opening of schools in September)	700.00	
Repair of Buildings and Upkeep of Grounds	9775.00	3500.00
Repair and Replacement of Equipment	5520.00	1000.00
Rent of School Buildings	210.00	200.00
Health Service	275.00	
Transportation of Elementary School Pupils where schools have been closed and buildings disposed of in past years	4461	2800.00
Transportation of High School Pupils: (3-4 of cost requested of the county. Parents of high school pupils transported were to be asked to pay the other one-fourth	3356.25	
Other Auxiliary Agencies: (Books for Teachers Professional library)	100.00	
Insurance: (Adequate insurance on buildings is not carried at this time and the reduction in this item means that some of the insurance already carried will have to be dropped)	1200.00	600.00
Contributions to State Teachers Associations	25.00	
County Celebrations, Exhibits at County, State and National Meetings	150.00	
Improvements to School Sites	300.00	
New Building at Turner's Creek. The old building was destroyed by fire last November	2000.00	
New Equipment: (Fire escapes for six of the large school buildings)	3000.00	
Alteration of Old Buildings: (Storm inclosures at rear of five of the large buildings)	300.00	
Interest on Short Term Loans (This amount was expended to pay interest on old notes carried over from previous year. To do this money allowed for other purposes had to be used. It was understood that money spent for interest on short term loans would be refunded by the County Commissioners the following year)	1063.50	

The amounts required of the county to meet the needs of the schools for the year 1925-26 as shown in the budget presented to the Board of County Commissioners of Kent County, Maryland, on May 19, 1925, are:

For Current Expenses	$125,994.25
For Capital Outlay	5,600.00
For Debt Service	4,063.50
Total	$135,657.75
Amount of reductions shown above	30,119.75
Total	$105,538.00
Increase in the amount allowed by County Commissioners for salaries of white high school teachers over the amount requested by the Board of Education	670.00
Total amount allowed by County Com.	$106,208.00

With that amount, it will not be possible to keep the schools of the county open the number of days required by state law and the State reserves the right to withhold its aid, which amounts to approximately one-third the cost of the schools in the county, if the schools are not kept open the number of days specified in the school law.

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LOUIS C. ROBINSON, Secretary.

Her Answer to His Letter

By CLIFFORD HOWARD

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HAD the postman been a more observant person he would have seen that the letter he handed to the young woman at the door was both unexpected and disturbing. As it was, however, he passed on without noticing the sudden pallor that overspread her face nor the haste with which she stepped back into the house and closed the door.

Alone, and safe from observation, she stood for a moment in the narrow entry and gazed fixedly at the letter in her trembling hands. "I knew it; It is from Allen!" she whispered.

It was written in pale ink and the chirography was cramped and uneven, making it difficult to decipher. Her hands shook as she smoothed out the folds in the paper and held it up so that the light from the window might fall upon it. Then, in half murmur, half whisper, she read the letter aloud to herself, slowly and haltingly:

HOTEL GRAFTON
Portland, Ore., Sept. 11, 1904.

My Dear Mary:

You will be surprised to hear from me after all this time. I have not written to you since I left Buffalo. That was two years ago last March. I suppose you thought you would never hear from me again, and I thought so, too. I was desperate and hopeless and I thought it was all up with me. I drifted about out here until the spring of 1903, and then I made a strike for gold in Alaska. It was a last chance and a hard one, but I struck it and luck came my way and I cleared up more than a hundred thousand, and all I want now to complete my fortune and make life worth living is for you to forgive me, Mary, and take me back. I know I did wrong not to write to you or send you any word; but I was desperate and I wanted you to forget there was such a man as me. I thought my life was a failure and I did not dare to ask you to marry me and share my bad luck with me. But it is all over now and I love you the same as I always did, and I want you to say it is all right and you will come out to me here and make a home for me. You need never think about work any more. I will build you a house fit for a queen and you can have your horses and servants and all the money you want to buy books and fine dresses. Don't say "no." I have made a man of myself for your sake, Mary, and I love you and I want you. Answer at once and tell me it is all right and say you will come.

It is going on three years since I have heard anything of you. Are you well and are you still hard at work with your typewriting? And how is the twin—Susan? Does she look as much like you as ever? I will never forget how you let me take her to the entertainment that night thinking all the time it was yourself. That was a great joke on me.

I wish I could come myself to fetch you, but I am in a business deal out here that won't let me get away for several weeks, and I can't wait that long for you. Don't think about the expense of the trip. I will look after that. Only say you will come and be my wife. I love you. I love you.

ALLEN.

She laid the letter down, and, turning toward the window, gazed out vacantly into space. A mist had begun to fall in the shadowing twilight, giving to the world without an aspect of utter dreariness. For several minutes the ticking of the clock on the corner shelf was the only sound that broke upon the somber stillness. The woman at the window sat motionless, save for the troubled heaving of her bosom. Her thin, worn hands lay on her lap, tightly clasped, while her upraised face, pale and tense, gave sign in mute distress of the torturing conflict that was burning within her heart.

A tear trickling down her cheek aroused her from her reverie. Mechanically she dried her eyes and then, turning slowly from the window, allowed her gaze to wander about the room in deliberate contemplation of its tokens of poverty and hardship. Everything about her, from her faded dress to the few, cheap pictures on the wall, spoke of toil and struggle and want. It was nothing new. She had been accustomed to it for years; but there was that in her expression now that revealed a sudden aroused and bitter realization of her cheerless surroundings; a passionate revulsion of feeling; a revolt against the conditions that so long had bound her to a life of drudgery and care.

"But, no, no— it is not alone because of this! It is not because of this!" she cried in sudden outburst of self-confession. "It is because I love him, and always have loved him!"

There was a note of defiance in her voice, as of one who has reached a determination in the face of some opposing will, a victory of the heart over the forces of mind and of judgment.

Opening a drawer in the table she took from it a small bottle of ink and a sheet of note paper, and with the eagerness born of impellent resolution she made answer to the letter. She wrote rapidly and without hesitation, speaking aloud each word as she wrote it:

Baltimore, Md., Sept. 18, 1904.

Dear Allen:

Yes, I will come. All is forgiven. I am alone now. Sister is no longer with me. I have suffered much since I saw you last. You must expect to find me altered in many ways. Answer soon and tell me how and when to come. I send you my heart's best love. It has been yours during all these dreary months of silence, and shall be yours till I die.

Always your loving
MARY.

She had scarcely signed it, when, with a little cry of fright, she hastily drew her pen through the signature; and snatching up the letter, tore it to bits. With the same impulsive haste she picked up the letter from Allen, put it back into its envelope and deftly resealed it. Then, across the face of it, in an unsteady hand, she wrote: "Return to writer. Mary Sedgwick died April 25, 1903."

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G. B. TAYLOR,
Kent Co. Roads Engineer.

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ORDER NISI

In the Orphans' Court for Kent County Maryland.

In the matter of the estate of Annie Toulson, deseased,

Ordered, this 5th, day of May, 1925 by the Orphans' Court for Kent County Maryland, that the sale of the Real estate of Annie M. Toulson, deceased, made and reported by Mary F. Coburn, Executrix of Annie M. Toulson, deceased, under and by virtue of power of sale contained in the Last Will and Testament of Annie M. Toulson, and by authority contained in an Order of the Orphans' Court passed the 10th. day of March, 1925, be ratified and confirmed unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before 14th, day of July, 1925, provided a copy of this Order be inserted in some Newspaper printed and published in Kent County once in each of four successive weeks before the 9th day of June next.

The report states the Total amount of sales to be $351.00.

EDWARD A. SCOTT
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ORDER NISI

In the Circuit Court for Kent County

In equity No. 2351.

R. Hynson Rogers, Assignee vs. Harry J. Jeffers, et al.

ORDERED this 3rd day of June, 1925, by the Circuit Court for Kent county in Equity, that the sale of the mortgaged Real Estate mentioned in these proceedings, made and reported by R. Hynson Rogers, Assignee, undtr and by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in mortgage from Harry J. Jeffers aod wife to James H. Sides, dated June 23rd, 1917, and duly assigned to R. Hynson Rogers, be Ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 8th, day of August next;—Provided, a copy of this Order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Kent county, once in each of four successive weeks before the 6th. day of July next.

The Report states the amount of Sales to be $1250.00

True Copy, ROBERT R. AYRES, Clerk
Test, ROBERT R. AYRES, Clerk.

NOTICE

All persons having bills against Kent county must present them properly vouched for before June 2nd, or they will be paid by certificate without interest, due January 31st, 1926. The law is positive that no interest may be paid. We will treat all alike. It is your duty to see that your bill is in this office by June 2nd. By order of the Commissioners.

m2-tf JOHN MEDDERS, Clerk.

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