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SECTION II. *And be it further enacted,* (by the authority aforesaid,) That the said foregoing section hereby proposed as an amendment to the Constitution, shall be, at the next general election to be held in this State, submitted to the legal and qualified voters thereof, for their adoption or rejection, in pursuance of the directions contained in Article 14 of the Constitution of this State; and at the said general election the vote on said proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be by ballot, and upon each ballot there shall be written or printed the words, "For the Constitutional Amendment," and "Against the Constitutional Amendment," so that the voter may elect; and immediately after said election due return shall be made to the Governor of the vote for and against said proposed amendment, as directed by the said fourteenth Article of the Constitution:

Approved April 9th, 1898.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LLOYD LOWNDES, Governor of the State of Maryland, in pursuance of the provisions of Section one of Article fourteen of the Constitution of the State, do hereby order and direct that a copy of said bill proposing said Constitutional Amendment be published in at least two newspapers in each county, where so many may be published, and where not more than one may be published, then in that newspaper, and in three newspapers in the city of Baltimore, one of which shall be in the German language, once a week for at least three months preceding the next ensuing general election, (which said general election will be held on Tuesday, the seventh day of November, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine,) at which election the said proposed amendment shall be submitted, in the form and manner prescribed by the General Assembly, to the qualified voters of the State for adoption or rejection.

THE GREAT SEAL OF MARYLAND.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of Maryland.

Done at the city of Annapolis on the 13th day of July, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and ninety-nine.

LLOYD LOWNDES,
Governor of Maryland.

By order of the Governor:

GEORGE E. LOWEREE,
Secretary of State.

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cantaloupes and tomatoes, or tall corn and good tobacco. The farms in the section are very large, old estates in the main. If there was a railroad through the portion described it would soon develop and become the garden spot of Maryland. It only needs the division of these estates into small farms, every one of which could be made in a short time an ideal home. The crops of cowpeas seen growing forcible indicates that this plant in the near future will become an important factor in reclaiming worn or over-worked lands in the State. It is recognized by all intelligent farmers that no crop has yet been introduced that possesses the same value for increasing soil fertility and furnishing it with needed humus in as rapid or great a degree as cowpeas. As a fodder product and pasturage it is equally a peer. The almost continuous fields of corn and tobacco made it seem as if there was enough to supply the whole country.

A discription is given of Mr. Weems' farm, and the club members were warm in their expressions of commendation of the same. After dinner with Mr. Weems at Tracy's Landing the party embarked on the bugeye oyster boat Florence and Annie for a sail on the bay. Ten miles or so out the wind ceased to blow and a dead calm prevailed until past midnight. Fortunately the secretary had his satchel with the official papers, so the meeting was held on the boat, the full moon and a ship lantern enabling the minutes and the excellent essay of Mr. Franklin Weems on "Rotation of Crops" to be read. Exceedingly interesting discussions followed, the meeting lasting until past midnight. The boat reached Tracy's Landing on the return at 4 o'clock Sunday morning. After breakfast several members of the club visited the old Weems burial ground, near by, which is situated in a grove of oaks of wondrous proportions.

There are only 12 members of the Patuxent Planters Club, but they represent over 6,000 acres of farming lands. Dr. Richard S. Hill is president and Franklin Weems secretary. The guests at this meeting were Capt. R. W. Silvester, of Agriculture College, and Mr. G. O. Brown. On the return trip to Marlboro a different route was taken, so as to visit the old, historical St. James' Church. The building is in a excellent state of preservation and it was gratifying to find the surfoundings, which contain a number of tablet-marked graves, had but recently been put in excellent condition.

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Fresh beef is sent from Australia to Manila in refrigerator ships. The meat is frozen, and it said to be of excellent quality. It not only makes good soup, but the men get juicy cuts for roasts and steaks out of it also.

It will take 130 tons of bacon a month to supply the troops. The Commissary Bureau is making a specialty of the bacon for the Philippines. It is being cured in Chicago, especially for this use, and after a method designed to preserve it from deterioration by climatic changes.—The bacon is cured for 40 days by what is known as the dry-salt cure. It is then wrapped in burlaps and placed in cases the strips being prevented from coming into contact with each other to avoid bruising the meat.

One of the items of this big order is 76,000 pounds of plug tobacco.—There will also go with this consignment 11,000 pipes of assorted kinds and several thousand pounds of fancy smoking tobaccos, in tin cans and packages.

Beef is High.

Householders have observed of late that there has been a sharp advance in the price of beef. They have been waiting for it to drop, but their hopes are not likely to be realized for some time. The best grade of Chicago beef, which at this season generally costs $4.25 a hundred pounds, now costs $6.25. This price is for cattle on the hoof, and applies principally to Herefords, regarded as the finest for eating purposes. Baltimore dressed beef, which now costs $5.25 a hundred, formerly brought only $4.50. The advance in the price of beef is attributed to the trust, which controls the markets in nearly all the large cities, and also to the scarcity of cattle. Three or four years ago cattle were unusually plentiful, with the result that many of the raisers lost money and went out of the business. Those in the business now are making money.

No Right To Ugliness.

The woman who is lovely in face, form and temper will always have friends, but one who would be attractive must keep her health. If she is weak, sickly and all run down, she will be nervous and irritable. If she has constipation or kidney trouble, her impure blood will cause pimples, blotches, skin eruptions and a wretched complexion. Electric Bitters is the best medicine in the world to regulate stomach, liver and kidneys and to purify the blood. It gives strong nerves, bright eyes, smooth, velvety skin, rich complexion. It will make a good-looking, charming woman of a run-down invalid. Only 50 cents at Feldmeyer Bros. Drug Store.

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Changes—Assistant Surgeon D. G. Beebe, from the Monadnock to the Bennington; Capt. J. McGowan, from the Monterey to command of the Monadnock; Ensign J. H. Holden, from the Oregon to the Naval Station at Cavite; Commander E. H. C. Lentze, from the Monadnock to the command of the Monterey; Assistant Surgeon J. C. Thompson, from the Baltimore to the Castine.

The following naval officers on the Asiatic Station have been ordered home. Assistant Surgeon W. M. Wheeler, Surgeon H. D. Wilson and Surgeon L. W. Atles.

The Consumption of Quinine.

More than 125,000,000 grains of quinine have been consumed by American soldiers during the past year. In some cases men who were in the hospitals in Cuba and Porto Rico used as much as 300 grains a week, and hardly any have failed to use the drug at some period of their service. It is stated that the people of this country consume one-third of the quinine of the world, the drug being used in the preparation of many patent medicines, tonics, bitters, cold cures, etc., as well as in pills and in bulk, and a considerable quantity is consumed in the manufacture of hair tonics, The official figures in the Treasury Bureau of Statistics show that there were imported last year, into the United States, 1,539,056,750 grains of quinine, and as there was practically no export of this article, this means that the consumption of quinine was about twenty grains for each inhabitant. As is well known, quinine, Peruvian bark, and calisaya bark are the products of the cinchona tree, which is a native of western South America, more particularly of Peru and Ecuador. Now, however, but a small part of the supply comes from that region. At present two-thirds of the quinine consumed is produced in Java from cultivated trees. For many years the Dutch government was urged to undertake the cultivation of this plant from Peru. Finally this was accomplished and a large number of specimens of the different varieties were obtained by botanists, who took them to Java in 1852. The English government also started cinchona plantations in India which now produce large quantities of quinine.—*Scientific American.*

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