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PEERLESS!

TRADE MARK

CORN and TOMATO PHOSPHATE!

The leading farmers and canners throughout New Jersey, Delaware and Maryland speak in its highest praise, declaring it to be positively THE CHEAPEST, THE SAFEST and THE BEST in use. Once a trial, always a patron. Wouldn't it be a good idea for you to try them? Farmers who have not tried our Tomato Phosphate will consult their interest by doing so upon their next crop. Many farmers think that all Phosphates are alike, but a fertilizer apparently the same by analysis on paper may show a Vast difference when tested on the soil.

Testimonials.

KENNEDYVILLE, MD., Jan. 3, 1894.
T. R. HUBBARD & SON—*Gentlemen:*—I used your Peerless Phosphate on Tomatoes and Corn spring of '93 with gratifying results, notwithstanding the extraordinary drought. Will use it again this spring.
Yours respt., LEWIS C. JUSTIS, JR.

WORTON, Dec. 27, 1893.
Gentlemen:—In answer to your question, will say that I think your Tomato Phosphate can't be beat. Whilst I say it myself, the finest average of Tomatoes I ever saw grow were of my own growing this last season, and that, too, with your Phosphate. They were universally admired as my wagons were hauling to the cannery. I believe it to be a first-class stuff, and expect to use more the coming season. W. H. FRENCH.

MR. WM. R. ALLABAND, of Wyoming, Del., says: I used your Fertilizer on Tomatoes by the side of Green Bone Phosphate and Sun Guano. The Green Bone was cracked so high I put it next to the road to show off big, and the Sun Guano next, and the last, Hubbard's, away back, as its merits were kept quiet; but when visitors came to see my patch of Tomatoes, I always pointed out the ground on which all three kinds were, and Hubbard's got the credit of being far superior to the others. When picking time came it was all and all. I have used it on other crops with the same results, and believe it to be the best Phosphate on the market.

MR. J. B. HANWAY, of Joppa, Harford, Md., used the first year 8 tons; next, 24 tons; next, 55 tons; and the next he and his brother used and sold together 98 tons, and it not only gave satisfaction last season, but wherever used.

JAMES R. MASSEY, of Darlington, Harford, Md., says he grew for the canners. Used our goods alongside of Dis. Animal Bone and Oriole Phos., and that his product netted him $14 more per acre.

CHESTERTOWN, MD., 1893.
T. R. HUBBARD & SON—*Gentlemen:*—Yes, the ton of your Tomato Phosphate purchased of you and used last year, did well. I had my Tomatoes in a young pear orchard of one-year-old trees. I applied the Phosphate by sowing broadcast and cultivating it in. The fruit was large, smooth and perfect, and whilst it is almost incredible, feel sure that my yield was 16 tons to the acre, but I know that Lamotte paid me for over 15 tons per acre. I know it did splendidly for me.
Respectfully, R. S. EMORY.

CHESTERTOWN, January 3, 1894.
Gentlemen:—I am frank to say that I consider your Tomato Fertilizer a most excellent article. I happened to have a little of Lister's on hand which cost several dollars more than yours, and when I came to the cannery Mr. Downey asked me why it was that some loads of my tomatoes were better than others. I answered, that is easily explained, the good ones are grown with Hubbard's Phosphate. I will want more the coming season.
Respectfully, JAS. A. FRENCH.

CHESTERTOWN Jan. 2, 1894.
Gents:—In reply to your question as to my opinion in regard to your Tomato Goods, must say it is a good goods from the fact the finest Tomatoes grown and brought to my cannery were grown with your Phosphate. I remember one of my growers would bring some loads that were particularly fine, while others were not. I asked what made the difference, and he replied Hubbard's was used on the best, while another that cost more money, on the others. I believe your Tomato Phosphate to be an excellent article. JOSEPH DOWNEY.

MR. ROBERT MOFFETT, near Chestertown, says: Notwithstanding the drouth last year the PEERLESS made him the finest tomatoes he ever saw, and that this can also be vouched for by his neighbors.

Please send for one of our Tomato circulars as we have devoted several pages of same to TOMATO Culture telling how to grow a crop from beginning to end.

T. R. HUBBARD & SON,
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Feb. 3. 1894.

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Chestertown, Md., March 3, 1894.

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BOY'S OVERCOATS, the pile is low,	1.75 to	3.50
MEN'S SUITS, without reserve,	3.50 to	10.00
YOUTHS' SUITS, age 13 to 19,	2.50 to	6.00
CHILDREN'S SUITS, now is the time,	90 to	3.50
Men's Pants including fine stripes,	75 to	3.50
Boy's Knee Pants,	25 to	50

Such offerings as referred to above we suffice to say would be money safely invested for the ensuing year if not in ready need. Thanking you for all past patronage and soliciting a future continuance, we remain

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Legal Notices.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the subscribers have obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county letters testamentary on the personal estate in Kent county, Maryland, of

AMANDA M. HURTT,
late of Kent county, Maryland, deceased.

All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned, on or before the 25th day of September, 1894, otherwise they may be excluded by law from all benefit of said estate. All indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the subscribers.
Given under our hands this 22d day of March, 1894.
SAMUEL BECK,
JOHN D. URIE,
March 24, 1894—4t. Executors.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county, letters of administration on the personal estate, in Kent county, Maryland, of

FREDERICK H. TAYLOR,
late of Kent county, Maryland, deceased.

All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned, on or before the 25th day of September, 1894, otherwise they may be excluded by law from all benefit in said estate. All indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the subscriber.
Given under my hand this 22d day of March, 1894.
ROBERT C. MORGAN,
March 24, 1894—4t. Administrator.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county, letters of administration on the personal estate of

JOHN BORDLEY, Colored,
late of Kent county, Maryland, deceased.

All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned, on or before the 18th day of September, 1894, otherwise they may be excluded by law from all benefit of said estate. Given under my hand this 14th day of March, 1894.
JOHN D. URIE,
March 17, 1894—4t. Administrator.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county letters of administration on the personal estate, in Kent county, Maryland, of

AARON W. WELCH,
late of Kent county, Maryland, deceased.

All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned, on or before the 12th day of September, 1894, otherwise they may be excluded by law from all benefit of said estate. All indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the subscribers. Given under my hand this 6th day of March, 1894.
J. F. M. WOODALL,
March 10, 1894—4t. Administrator.

WILLIAM W. BECK, Attorney.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION.

Temple Robbins, William C. Robbins, plaintiffs,
versus
Samuel Benton Cacy, Bennena Cacy, his wife; Dudley Biscoe, J. Edward Biscoe, Oscar Lee Elbin, Henry Scott Elbin, defendants.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County, in Equity.

THE object of this suit is to procure a decree for the sale of certain Real Estate in Kent county, Maryland, of which a certain Martha J. Elbin died seized, and to have the proceeds of sale distributed amongs the parties to this suit in proportion to their interests.

The Bill of Complaint states that a certain Martha J. Elbin was in her lifetime seized and possessed of certain real estate in Kent county, aforesaid, and more particularly described in said bill, and the said Martha J. Elbin being so seized and possessed of said real estate, some time in the month of December, 1887, departed this life intestate, leaving the following children and heirs at law, namely: Temple Robbins, formerly Temple Elbin, who intermarried with William C. Robbins; Bennena Cacy, formerly Bennena Elbin, who intermarried with Samuel Benton Cacy; Dudley Biscoe, and J. Edward Biscoe, children of Mary F. Biscoe, formerly Mary F. Elbin, who died before her mother.

The Bill further states that the said Martha J. Elbin had a son, William Elbin, who died before his mother, leaving the following children, and heirs at law of the said Martha J. Elbin, namely: Oscar E. Elbin and Henry Scott Elben, and that the said Oscar Lee Elbin and Henry Scott Elbin do not reside in the State of Maryland.

That the said real estate is not susceptable of division amongst the persons entitled thereto according to their respective interests without loss and injury to the parties entitled to the same, and that the said Temple Robbins is entitled to have the said real estate sold and the proceeds of sale divided amongst the parties entitled thereto according to their respective interests.

It is thereupon this 22d day of March, 1894, ordered that the plaintiff, by causing a copy of this order to be inserted in some newspaper published in Kent county, State of Maryland, once a week for four successive weeks before the 25th day of April, 1894, give notice to the said Oscar Lee Elbin and Henry Scott Elbin, non-resident defendants, of the object and substance of this bill, and warning them to appear in this court in person or by solicitor on or before the 15th day of May, 1894, to show cause, if any they have, why a decree ought not to pass as prayed.
SAMUEL G. FISHER, CLERK.
True Copy, Test:—
SAMUEL G. FISHER, CLERK.
March 24, 1894—4t.

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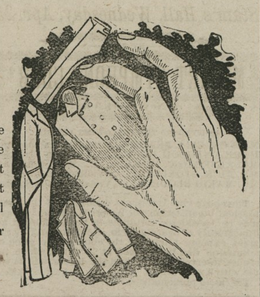

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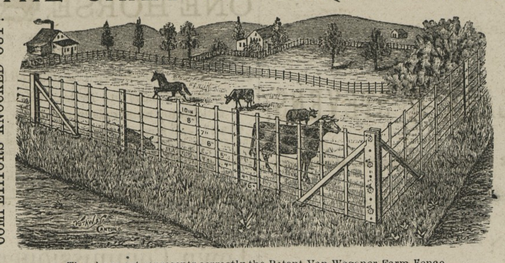

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100 Pair of Boy's Knee Pants, 10 to 90c.;
300 Odd Coats, 75c. to $2.90; Men's Suits, $3.00 to $10;
Boys' Suits, Jackets and Knee Pants, 95c. to $5;
350 Men's and Boys' Overcoats, 95c. to $7;

100 Dozen Men's and Boys' Overalls, 39 to 63 cents; a Large Line of Men's and Boys' Gloves, 25 cents to $1.25; Extra Heavy Floor Oil-Cloth, 25 cents per yard; Best Table Oil-Cloth, 19 cents per yard. TINWARE:—4 Quart Coffee Pots, 18 cents; 3 Quart, 14 cents; 2 Quart, 10 cents; ½ Gallon Tin Cups, 5 cents. HARDWARE:—Cut Nails, 2½ cents per pounds; Man's Axes, 56 cents; Carriage Bolts, 3 and 4x5-16, 8 cts. per dozen; Padlocks, 5 to 18 cts.; Auger Bits, ¾ inch, 5 cents; 9-16 inch, 8 cents; Hand Saws, 25 cents to $1.67; Hatchets, 8 to 42 cents; Saw Handles, 8 cents; Spring Balance, 24 Pound 8 cents; Two-foot Rule, 7 cents; Half Soles, 10 cents; Headlight, 8 cents.

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LOOKING BACKWARD.

What Has Been Done in Piney Neck—A Growing Church.

DEAR KENT NEWS:—Will you give me space in your instructive columns to take a partial retrospect of the last two years of my life? As you have never refused me the privilege of speaking on your pages, and as they never fail to give comfort to all who read them, I will proceed to "speak for myself."

Just two years ago I was attending the Wilmington Conference Academy at Dover, and watched with a yearning heart the news of all papers, expecting to find an opening somewhere that I might fill. The *reason* I wished for work, was not that my school days were over, and my education completed, but that I might be enabled to go through school, coming out mentally equipped to do the work of the ministry.

It was one day in June of '92 when I chanced to see among the items of your inteligent News as likewise I did in other papers an advertisement asking for a young man to take charge of a congregation in the lower part of the county of Kent. As it is in the Easton District of the Wilmington Conference, I put in my application to the presiding elder, Rev. Alfred Smith (a true man of God) and was sent by his order to take charge of Piney Neck Church, and preached my first sermon to those generous people on the 25th day of year and month mentioned above. This church was formally a part of Rock Hall charge, but owing to some misunderstanding then existing between the officials of the two churches, the former concluded to *try* and run their church on an inaependant scale by having a pastor for *themselves*, alone. They have proven the plan to be a good one by their hearty co-operation with their pastor in the cause of the right, and by paying him every dollar of his salary and sending him away with a light heart, full of love and gratitude for their generosity and kindness as manifested unto him, at which time he could truthfully sing in the language of the poet—

Our friends on earth we meet with gladness,
While swift the moments fly;
Yet ever comes the thought of sadness,
That we must say good-bye.

Piney Neck is a small, yet a beautiful section of land, situated in the fifth election district of Kent county, Md., and lying between two creeks which separate it from Quaker and Skinner's Necks. It is about one and a half miles wide by two and a half long, and contains about 370 inhabitants, seven-eights of whom depend solely upon oystering, fishing and crabbing, &c., for a livinghood. Hence, Mr. Editor you will join me in saying, that $375 to be expended for church purposes in a community like this, and this amount to be raised by one third of 360, is saying a great deal for the people of Piney Neck. When we take into consideration the existing fact of the financial depression which is universally felt here as well as in other parts of our beloved America.

When I began work among these good sturdy people, the membership of the church was composed of but twenty persons including the active and the inactive. The beginning, however, I found sinner as well as saint always ready to shake hands with the pastor. And I wish to state that the behavior of the people of Piney Neck church is not as degrading as has been reported by those who know less about them than I know; but, rather they are as nicely behaved people as I ever had the pleasure of delivering the message of salvation to, and are ever careful to listen to whatever is for their spiritual or temporal good. No, my patient reader, they *do not* cut harness, they *do not* steal carriage whips, they *do not* get drunk, they *do not* swear, they *do not* fight, and *neither do they* throw peanut hulls; *nor do they do any of these things* during service at the church. And he who has succeeded me (and I am sure he is my superior), I am safe in predicting for him a happy time, socially, spiritually and *financially*. Sixty-five conversions, over fifty accessions to the church, and the awakening of many lukewarm ones is the result of my less than two years' work in this, my first field of tireless labor. And I am greatly indebted to the NEWS for the comfort it has given me in perusing its pages for the last two years, and for the privilege it now gives me of thanking the people of Piney Neck and adjacent vicinities, for the respect and high esteem. May it forever last! for in the onward march of life we can sing—

"No parting words shall ever be spoken
In that bright land of flowers,
But songs of joy, and peace, and gladness
Shall evermore be ours."

W. M. LISTER.

THE SAN JOSE SCALE.

An Insect Which Is Destroying Thousands of Fruit Trees.

The United States Department of Agriculture will issue in a few days an emergency bulletin, treating of the San Jose scale of California. The discovery of this insect on peach trees in Southern Maryland has been reported in the *Sun*. Active measures will be taken by the government to destroy the insect in all localities where it is found. Fruit-growers who notice this scale in their orchards should at once notify the Agricultural Department and send specimens.

Mr. L. O. Howard, acting entomologist of the department, in conversation yesterday with a reporter of the sun, said:

"The San Jose scale was imported into California in 1870 on some trees brought from Chili by James Lick the founder of Lick Observatory. In 1873 it began to attract the attention of the fruit-growers. When Professor Comstock visited California, in 1879, it had spread over half the state. Professor Comstock was the first name and described it. He considers it the most destructive scale insect known in North America. In ten years after Professor Comstock's visit it had spread over the entire fruit-growing section of the Pacific Coast, reaching up to Britise Columbia on the north and Mexico on the south, notwithstanding quarantine and inspection laws, which are very rigid in California. With a view to preserving the reputation of the State, Californians were anxious the scale should not get into the Eastern States.

Virginia and Maryland.

"In 1893 it was found on a few pear trees near Charlottesville, Va., and in March, 1893, at De Funiak Springs, Fla., and near Riverside, Charles county, Md. The spreading to Mexico and Florida was due to direct importation of the nursery stock from California, but in the Virginia and Maryland outbreaks there had been no importations from California, and the entrance of the scale into these orchards has been traced to purchases of nursery stock from Eastern dealers, in whose nurseries California trees must have been growing sufficiently long to have infested the other stock. If this view of the case be true, these dealers probably sent infested stock to many parts of the East where scale is not yet known to exist. In the meantime the department is trying to stamp out the diseases and strongly urges all fruit-growers to make immediate examination of their orchards.

To Detect the Insect.

"This scale insect affects all sorts of deciduous fruit trees, including the most important fruit crops with the single exception of the Black Tartarian cherry. It ruins the fruit and will kill the trees in three or four years. The insect itself is a small, flat, round scale, a little lighter in color than the bark of the tree and will be found most abundantly upon the younger limbs and twigs. It is at this season of the year about one eighth of an inch or less in diameter, and there is in the middle of each scale a small, elevated, shiny, blackish, rounded point. Sometimes the centre of the scale appears yellowish. The wood underneath the scale is apt to be discolored and somewhat purplish.

"When the insect is abundant, the bark is completely hidden by a close layer of these scales, which are then hardly distinguishable to the naked eye and give the appearance of a slight discoloration or a slight roughening the bark. No other scale upon apple, pear, peach, cherry, or plum trees possesses these characteristics, and the insect ought therefore to be readily distinguished.

"The full-grown insect is motionless. The young animals are active crawlers, but even the young would not crawl more than 100 feet in their life time. They are, however, carried from orchard to orchard by insects upon which they crawled, and by birds which fly from tree to tree.

Remedies Suggested.

"When a tree has become thoroughly incrusted the cheapest and best plan is to cut it down and burn it. When the insect is just beginning to spread over a tree, or has partly spread over a tree, there are several good washes may be applied. The best ones are severe, and for that reason can only be applied in winter time, as in the growing season they would seriously injure the tree. The first winter wash is a combination of 30 pounds of resin, 9 pounds of caustic soda, 4½ pints of fish oil, and water to make one gallon of mixture. The other winter wash is a combination of 10 pounds of unslacked lime, 5 pounds of sulphur, 4 pounds of stock salt, and water to make 15 gallons.

"The early summer washes are to be applied when the young are hatching and before they have begun to form scales. The first summer wash is a kerosene emulsion. To make it, take two gallons of kerosene oil, one gallon of strong soapsuds and churn violently together until a butter-like emulsion is formed. In using mix one part of the emulsion with fifteen parts of water. The other summer application is a resin wash made like the winter resin wash, except that the resin, caustic soda and fish oil are each reduced two-fifths in amount.

"On very choice trees by hydrocyanic acid gas may be used. It is expensive, but effective. This last method was used successfully on the Charlottesville scale. A water-proof tent is pulled over the trees and under this tent hydrocyanic acid gas is generated by combining in a stone jar cyanide of potassium and sulphuric acid. This sounds like a very expensive and impractical method, but it is in large practice today in California in orange groves infested with red scale. It is a good remedy on account of its thoroughness—it kills them all.

Extensive Interests Threatened.

"If this enemy is not enegetically treated at the start it threatens to cripple the entire fruit-growing interests of the United States. The Eastern Shore States have no laws regulating the traffic in diseased nursery stock, and unless laws are speedily enacted to protect fruit-growers serious consequences may be developed.

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Fish Hatching for Maryland Waters.

For upwards of twenty years the waters of Maryland have been supplied food-fish by artificial hatching. This mode of furnishing the young fry for the purpose of stocking the rivers of Maryland with food-fish met with bitter opposition on the part of many when it was started. It was denounced as a useless expense. That it has proven a great success in increasing the supply of fish no one at all acquainted with the statistics will attempt to successfully controvert. The fish-hatching houses in the state under the care of the Maryland fish commission are about to begin operations, and millions of fish are artificially hatched by them. Before the hatching of fish was practiced the spawn was delivered in the water by the mother fish, and then was carried by the tide until it caught upon some object and there, by the action of the tide, was hatched. Many million eggs were annually destroyed by eels and other scavengers and the supply of the food-fish gradually lessened until it was found that some more protective plan would have to be put into execution. The first move in the direction of artificially protecting the spawn was channel hatching. This method was employed for several years by the Maryland fish commission. For this purpose boxes about two feet long by two feet wide and about three feet deep and lined with netting, were provided, into these boxes were placed the fish spawns, together with the melt, and the box was then anchored in the waters in places where the tide would have a direct effect upon it. By the tide passing in and out the eggs were always in motion and were hatched. As the eggs hatched the young fish would swim out until all the eggs had become fish. It was found that the boxes were often disturbed by boats running them or by high tides washing them ashore and after a few years the present mode of hatching was adopted, whereby the spawn is carried to the hatching houses, which are generally arranged in some building near a mill pond, where the waste water can be used. It is necessary to have experts to gather the spawn and hatch the eggs, as the water must be of a proper temperature and the eggs carefully handled. The hatching-houses at Salisbury, Sharptown and Tuckahoe are the largest on the Eastern Shore and are capable of turning out many millions of young fish every season. Some years ago millions of herrings were hatched in these houses. Now the commission pays more attention to shad and German carp.

Seignorage—What is it?

What is meant by seignorage (pronounced seen-yur-age)? ask people who have not posted themselves. Seignorage is simply toll, charged by the government for coining silver dollars from your bullion, like a miller charges you toll for grinding your corn into meal. Persons desiring to sell silver to the United States or to get it coined into dollars for themselves take it to the treasury department or to the mint in form of bullion, which is bars of pure silver. Pure silver is too soft to wear in dollars. The standard American silver dollar contains altogether 412½ grains of metal. Of this 371¼ grains are pure silver. The rest or one-tenth of the whole weight is alloy, chiefly copper. This leaves on the hands of the government in pure silver one-tenth pure silver that it took from the weight of every dollar to add the necessay alloy. The government keeps this for its own to defray expenses of the coinage. It is called the government's seignorage. There is now in the treasury vaults some $50,000,000 worth of seignorage that has been left over from the coinage of the many silver dollars since the the resumption of silver coinage in 1878. This is what Mr. Bland wants made into silver dollars and put into circulation.

DON'T DIET.—If you have dyspepsia, indigestion, habitual constipation or sick headache, don't diet. You need the strength that food gives. Eat whatever you want but take one of Dr. Deane's Dyspepsia pills after meals until cured. If you are constipated get bottle with white label, otherwise with yellow.

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