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J. D. LUCAS,

Clothier,

Opp. Stan's Hall.

SONG OF THE GODEN-ROD.

(CONTRIBUTED)

Over the hills, and over the meadows,
Stately and graceful the golden-rods sway,
Smiling a welcome, as Autumn approaches,
Whispering softly, "stay, beloved, stay."

The hum of the humble bee, fast becomes feebler,
The butterfly's wing is losing its gleam,
Frost is beginning to touch the green clover,
And chestnuts are dropping below in the stream.

"Good-bye, gentle flowers, the song-birds are singing,
The winds and the winter are coming this way,
But the golden-rod smiles in the lingering sunshine,
And whispers to Autumn, "Stay, beloved, stay."

ROSALIE MITCHALL SCHUYLER, Hawthorne Place.
Betterton, Nov. 25, 1907.

Good Location for Physician.

After the first day of January, 1908, the people of Ingleside and the community for seven miles in every direction will be without a physician to minister to their wants in time of sickness.

At that time Dr. James E. Graham, who has lived at Ingleside for, perhaps, twenty-five years or more, will move to Chestertown. During all these years Dr. Graham has had the confidence and love of this community and, now that he feels called to another field, some one else must take his place. This is, perhaps, the best location now in the county for a good physician, and the people of this section would hail with delight the announcement of the intention of one to locate there.

While there is no question but that a physician of good standing and reputation would be given the "glad hand" by these people, yet they would not for a minute tolerate a "shyster," after having been accustomed to the services of Dr. Graham. And whoever determines to locate there should make it a point to furnish his own drugs, as Ingleside is not provided with a drug store.

The people of this section of the county naturally feel very keenly the loss of Dr. Graham, but live in hopes of getting a competent doctor to take his place. Success unquestionably awaits the right man in this field.—Centreville Observer.

We bespeak for Dr. Graham and his family a very cordial welcome to our community, and should he decide to practice his profession here, we wish him much success. He is the father of Messrs. Harry R. and J. Jesse Graham, of the firm of H. R. Graham & Bro.

INTERESTING OLD LETTERS.

Mr. James Brice, While Looking Over Some Papers Finds Letters Written to Him by His Father in 1852 and Bills Dated 1862.

Mr. James Brice handed us an old letter written by his father, Wm. A. Brice, from Sassafras, Md., May 4, 1852, nearly fifty-six years ago. The letter is remarkably well preserved, and is interesting, not only as to composition, but in that it shows the advancement that has been made in transmitting mail matter since those long ago days. The letter is written on fine blue paper, of a much better material than is used in a great many instances to-day. There were no envelopes in those days and the paper upon which the letter was written is folded in the shape of a square, with the ends fastened with a seal. No postage stamps or postmaster's stencil were used in those days, and the office from which the letter was mailed together with the cost of sending it, 3 cents, was written upon the back upon which was the address, by the postmaster. At the time of the writting of the letter, Mr. Brice was a small boy living with his grandparents in Church Hill, in Queen Annes county, and it concludes with the following beautiful advice—"Attend strictly to your studies, and be sure to keep an eye single to the glory of God in all you say or do, and pay strict attention to what your grandpa says to you, and obey him and your grandma." Those of us who know Mr. Brice in his older days know how well he has endeavored to make his life conform to this most beautiful advice from a parent. The letter also recalls some old and familiar names of those long since gone to their reward. It speaks of *an election* being held in Sassafras district one Saturday in which all the old school trustees were "turned out" and William Welch, William Griffith, Doct. Frazier, David Stewart and William Clayton were elected.

How familiar these names are to the older residents of the county, and how different was the method of selecting school trustees in those days. To-day all trustees are appointed by the school board. At the time of the writing of the letter, Mr. Brice's father was a prosperous farmer living near Sassafras, and in many places it speaks of his farming operations. They were the days when the farms were tenanted by the owners, all of whom were frugal in their habits and who succeeded in amassing a goodly amount of this world's goods. We are informed that from the Head of Sassafras, on down the county to Kennedyville, there were on either side of the road as prosperous and as careful a set of farmers as the county ever had, and to this day that section of the county bears the impress of the efforts of those men to make Kent county the foremost agricultural county in the State.

Another interesting bit of paper shown us was a bill of goods contracted and paid for at the store of the late William Vickers, who was in 1862 located in what is now the Kent News office. The bill shows that the price of muslin in those days was fifty cents per yard, and the price of cotton, calico and other articles was high in proportion, on account of the war. The mere mention of Mr. Vickers' name will recall many happy memories in the minds of those who were his contemporaries. How well we remember his clerk, Mr. Wesley Perkins, who had a dog which he thought could lick anything for miles around, and there are those who remember very well the many pranks which were played upon "visitors" by Mr. Vickers and his clerks. It would prove extremely interesting to rehearse some of these doings of "ye olden times," but space forbids. Suffice it to say that the TRANSCRIPT is indebted to Mr. Brice or to any one else who will furnish us with any information that will recall the happy days long past to many of our older and esteemed citizens.

Officers Installed.—Rock Hall Council No. 149 Jr. O. U. A. M., installed the following officers for the next six months last Monday night: Councilor, Herbert G. Elburn; vice-councilor, Clarence C. Coleman; recording secretary, Chas. S. Portor; assistant recording secretary; Clarence E. Moffett; financial secretary, Geo. E. Coleman; treasurer, T. Benj. Durding; conductor, William Mench; inside sentinel, Newton Kendall; outside sentinel, John W. Elburn; chaplain, Chas. H. Elburn; trustees, Wallace B. Wheat, Geo. A. Downey, William Mench; rep. to State council for two years, W. W. Clayton; alternate, Geo. F. Coleman.

Wedding Bells.

THOMAS—MASSEY.

The marriage of Mr. J. A. Thomas, of New Orleans, and Miss Cora M. Massey, of Philadelphia, was solemnized in the Presbyterian Tabernacle of Philadelphia on Friday, Dec. 27, by the Rev. T. B. Oxtabee. The church was in its Christmas decoration, and with its handsome stained glass windows, made a beautiful appearance. The bridal party entered the church promptly at 12 o'clock. The bride with her brother, Mr. Norman Peach Massey, of Newark, N. J., preceded by the ushers, Mr. J. A. Perkins, of Lansdewne, Pa., and Mr. Thomas Massey, of Chestertown, was met at the altar by the groom and his best man, Mr. M. Wilber Thomas, of Chestertown. The simple but beautiful service of the Presbyterian Church was impressively read by the minister, whilst the organ pealed forth in its softest, sweetest tones Lohengrin's wedding hymn. One beautiful feature of the service was, just as the party turned to leave the altar, the sun, which had been more or less obscure all the morning, burst forth with unusual splendor, completely enveloping the bridal party in its bright rays, as if wishing them bon voyage. The bride was attired in a blue broadcloth tailor-made suit with picture hat and gloves to match, and carried a shower bouquet of bride roses and ferns. The groom and his attendants wore Prince Albert coats, gray trousers and gloves, and white vests, with bridal rose boutonieres.

After leaving the church the bridal party went to the home of the bride for a while, then out to Lansdowne to the home of the groom's sister, Mrs. J. A. Perkins, to luncheon. At six o'clock the happy couple were met at West Philadelphia station by a party of merry friends, where, amidst showers of confetti and rice, they left for their future home in New Orleans.

KNIGHT—FORD.

A quiet though pretty wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ford, near Pomona, on Thursday at high noon, when their daughter, Miss Caroline Virginia, one of Kent's prominent teachers, became the bride of Mr. William O'Brien Knight, of Washington, son of Mrs. Joanna Knight, of Chestertown. The parlor of the home was darkened, and amid a bower of holly, palms, etc., the ceremony was performed by Rev. S. R. S. Gray, rector of St. Paul's Church. Promptly at the appointed hour, to the strains of the wedding march skilfully rendered by Miss Stella Biddle, the bride entered the parlor on the arm of her father, by whom she was given in marriage. She was becomingly attired in a tailormade traveling suit of brown English cheviot, with hat and gloves to match, and carried bride roses. The groom was unattended and wore the conventional black. Immediately following the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served, after which Mr. and Mrs. Knight left on the afternoon train for a short wedding trrip. They will return to Chestertown for a visit, after which they will reside in Washington, D. C., where the groom holds a lucrative position. They were the recipients of many useful and handsome presents. Mrs. Knight and daughter, Miss Mary, attended from town.

NEWMAN—HUGHES.

Mr. William P. Newman superintendent of the Singer Sewing Machine Company, here, and Miss Henrietta Knapp Hughes were married at the home of the bride, near Rock Hall, on Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock. The ceremony was very quiet, only the immmediate families being present. Rev. Warren Burr performed the ceremony. A wedding breakfast was served after which Mr. and Mrs. Newman left via Rock Hall wharf for a wedding tour. Upon their return they will occupy a suite of rooms at the Voshell House.

Thieves Had Their Inning.

Thieves got in some slick work in town on Saturday night and the following thefts were reported to Sheriff Haddaway and his deputy:

Mr. Thomas Maslin's team was stolen from in front of James D. Lucas' clothing store sometime Saturday evening. Sheriff Haddaway was notified, and on Sunday morning he and his deputy began a search for it. The team was found and returned to Mr. Maslin on Monday morning. The team was found in front of Mr. Dewberry's gate in Queen Annes.

Mr. Cordray Loud reported to the officers on Sunday morning that some one had stolen his valuable rabbit dog.

As Mr. Loud was about to enter his parents' home, the Loud House, on Saturday night, he heard a noise in the hen house, and upon approaching found a thief about to carry off some of his mother's chickens.

Mr. John C. Smith, of Sudlersville, has located a horse that was stolen from him last May, and has taken legal action to recover the animal.

GOV. WARFIELD'S MESSAGE.

Lays Bare Wanton Extravagance in Preceding Sessions of the Legislature and Makes Important Recommendations.

The final message of Gov. Warfield was sent to the Maryland Legislature on Wednesday. It is a most remarkable State document and will undoubtedly bear fruit that will prove great benefit to the people of the State. In speaking of the wasteful [illegible] of the legislature of 1906 the [illegible] produces facts and figures that [illegible] be explained, and the more any o[illegible] deavors to find an excuse for wh[illegible] long been known to those in a po[illegible] to know, the more pitiable be[illegible] their position. The Governor [illegible] that with ordinary economy in the [illegible] two sessions of the legislature [illegible] least $150,000 would have been sav[illegible] the State Treasury. By way [illegible] parison the Governor says:

The cost of the last 12 Le[illegible] beginning with 1882, was as f[illegible]

1882	$120,075.00	1886	[illegible]
1884	101,904.96		

I was a member of these three General Assemblies and remember distinctl[illegible] the fight that was then made agains[illegible] the old custom of lump appropriations. The custom was then established of making appropriations naming and specifying the officers and compensation of each.

The cost of the Legislature of

1888	$110,495.06	1898	$155,000.00
1890	111,516.13	1900	174,630.[illegible]
1892	122,829.49	1902	155,297.6[illegible]
1894	149,509.49	1904	196,465.2[illegible]
1896	128,392.12	1906	196,821.3[illegible]

These expenses were exclusive of public printing.

He shows the following interesting figures—

Number of laborers employed at the session of 1906 in cleaning State House halls 88
Payments by Senate for Extra clerks and employes not authorized by law $46,000
Payments by House for extra clerks and employes not authorized by law $40,000
Number of extra engrossing clerks in Senate. 62
Number of extra engrossing clerks in House..65

He makes the following recommendations.

Sale of Northern Central annuity when a good price can be obtained.

Term of Comptroller and Treasurer should be four years, and the Treasurer should be elected by the people.

A graduated inheritance tax upon estates above $20,000.

Revision of the incorporation laws.

Enactment of Corrupt Practices and Primary Election laws.

Amendment of the Election laws to give greater effect to the voters' intentions.

The Govereor should be unrestricted by party committees in appointing election supervisors.

The amendment of the Constitution fixing a higher standard of qualification for voters.

Building a tobacco warehouse.

Improvement of public roads.

To establish a department of banking.

Better Pay for public school teachers.

Engrossing bills by printing.

A State University.

What the Governor says about changes in the Election Law:

It is conceded that the present election law is imperfect, and should be amended in such a way as to provide that each ballot shall be counted in accordance with the intention of the voter for all those offices for which it is possible to clearly ascertain that intent.

Changes also as to style, type and form of ballot have been suggested.

I heartily approved the bill introduced by Mr. Murphy, of Baltimore city, in the last legislature, as it was drafted along lines to meet all of the principal objections urged against the law.

What he says about the Supervisors of Eelection.

A reform in connection with election machinery which I think should be adopted is in regard to the appointment of the boards of supervisors of elections. I do not think that their selection should practically be left to the party committees of the respective parties.

The Governor should be unrestricted in selecting these important officers. He should make the appointments by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

I have during my administration, seen the abuses to which this bipartisan plan of appointment of election officers subjects us, especially in primary elections, where there is between the political managers of the two leading parties a community of interest and reciprocal arrangements.

If we want to have honest, fair and clean elections, primary and general, they should be taken away from the control of the party boss, and he should have nothing to do with the naming of election officers.

He favors an amendment with a property qualification and an educational test.

Peninsula Horticultural Society.—The 21st annual meeting of the Peninsula Horticultural Society will be held in the Opera House, Salisbury, January 14th, 15th and 16th. A very interesting and instructive program has been arranged and eminent horticulturists will deliver addresses at the various sessions. At the close of each address opportunity will be given for the discussion of the topic presented. Ladies are cordially invited to attend. Members are requested to bring samples of fruit, flowers and vegetables. Special rates at the Peninsula Hotel. Reduced railroad rates can be had by applying to Wesley Webb, Secretary, Dover, Del.

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NOTICE.
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dec.14-3t. EDWIN H. TRINKS.

FOR RENT FOR YEAR, 1908.
The farm now tenanted by S. T. Newcomb, situated on the public road leading from Swan Creek to Tolchester, about 2½ miles from Tolchester wharf and not more than four miles from the village of Rock Hall, convenient to schools churches, and etc. This farm contains 200 acres more or less, about 160 acres of which are clear, Easily cultivated, and productive, Fencing good, A nice 8 room dwelling and outbuildings all new and in first-class condition, For further particulars
Apply to
R. B. WILLSON,
dec14-3t. Rock Hall, Kent Co., Md.

BANK NOTICE.
Notice is hereby given to the stockholders of the SECOND NATIONAL BANK of CHESTERTOWN, Maryland, that their Regular ANNUAL MEETING for the election of nine Directors for the ensuing year, will be held at their banking house in Chestertown, on Tuesday, January 14th, 1908, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M.
dec.7-6t. W. B. COPPER. Cashier.

FINE LOTS FOR SALE.
Two 50 feet lots, running back 250 feet, with back entrance, adjoining my property on Washington avenue. These lots are most desirably located, well drained and will make excellent building lots. For further particulars
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FOR RENT.
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HOBART H. BARROLL,
j4-6t. ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,
Chestertown, Md.

Notice to Creditors.

Lavinia B. Harper and Jno. N. Bennett, Admrs., etc.,
vs.
Harry Davis, Admr. of Frank H. Harper.

No. 1621.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County, in Equity.

THE creditors of F. H. Harper & Son and of F. H. Harper relating to their certain business formerly conducted by him in Still Pond, Kent county, Maryland, after the death of Joseph W. Harper, are hereby notified to file their claims duly authenticated with the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Kent county, Maryland, within sixty days from the 4th day of January, 1908.

By order of Court,
HARRY DAVIS,
JOHN N. BENNETT,
Jan. 4, 1908-4t. Receivers.

W. T. HICKS,
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