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THERE is no "IF" about it. It is a plain statement of fact, which cannot be contradicted.

"IF" a bull frog had wings he wouldn't be hopping around on his legs. Ain't it so?

SAY, YOU, Baltimore Sun State Press Critic, what difference does it make whether the farm in the Fourth District of Cecil county or its owner, C. K. Lynch, contains 86 acres, just so Turner Bros., of Betterton, got a good thing when they saw it? Do you want us to establish a school of English for your benefit?

BALTIMORE CITY has a good sized school squabble on its hands. Whatever you do, protect the teachers' interests, and if the members of the School Board cannot work in harmony for the good of the system the Mayor should investigate the matter and put out the disturbing element.

COUNTY Surveyor Gilbert B. Taylor will please accept our thanks for a very comprehensive drawing of a plat of land in Talbot county which he resurveyed by warrant of the circuit court for that county, in the case of Turner vs. Goldsborough, agent. The map is a fine specimen of Mr. Taylor's splendid ability as a draughtsman.

GOVERNOR CROTHERS has appointed a number of editors of Democratic papers throughout the State as a committee on publication to further the interests of the great jollification meeting to be held in Baltimore on January 17, 1911. It is planned to have all the leading Democrats of the country present to enjoy a great Jackson Day celebration of the recent Democratic victory throughout the country. The TRANSCRIPT is represented on the committee by the Senior editor, and the paper will do all it can to assist in making the celebration a great success.

THE Baltimore Sun one day last week contained a most excellent article descriptive of Chestertown and it advantages, from a staff correspondent. The people of this town greatly appreciate the compliments paid them by the Sun, which is doing much to bring to the attention of the world the attractions and business advantages of our Eastern Shore towns. Chestertown is the center of the Garden of Eden, and its people are duly grateful for their goodly heritage. If the Bentztown Bard wants to sing of Mince Pie, hambones are sweet, possum meat is very, very fine, or sausage and buckwheat, to a new tune, let him come over for his inspiration.

THERE is a right and wrong side to every question. Judge Pearce is certainly on the right side when he upholds the reason for declaring a tax-rate of $1.85 to be, *to pay back debts.* That is the only reason such a rate was levied, and until the contrary can be proven to the people beyond the question of a doubt, there is no room for "IF" nor "BUT". Judge Pearce's letter to the commissioners is the worst blow yet, and the enemies of the commissioners, who are seeking to ascribe improper motives to them without being able to prove their charges, are being brought to account by such public spirited citizens as Judge Pearce and hundreds of others in the county.

New Telephone Lines.

The Diamond State Telephone Company is making a most commendable effort to give Kent county splendid service and this week the following telephone companies have been organized:

Worton Telephone Company.—Subscribers—Ralph P. Williams, Harry T. Williams, George T. Williams, agent, Cooper Bros., Herbert M. Matthews, Henry S. Rasin, George W. Meekins.

The terminus of this line will be at the home of Mr. Rasin, near I. U. Church. Work has been commenced and the line will probably be opened for service January 1.

The Worton Point Company—Subscribers—C. R. Skirven, J. R. Usilton, Carroll B. Hazazar, Walter Taylor, Willard Pinder, agent, Wm. B. Willis, Carson W. Harris, J. W. Ivens, Jr., Walter T. Morris, Churn Creek, Laurence S. Costelle, S. Grollman.

The terminus of this line will be at the home of Mr. Harris, and it is hoped to have the service ready by January 1.

The company is stringing two wires to Locust Grove to take in ten subscribers. The line will be ready for service next week and the subscribers are A. R. Chrisfield, G. M. E. Glenn, Robt. R. Hill, G. W. Sutton, W. S. Hurlock, J. Harry Jarvis, E. B. Pennington, Jr., E. S. Hurtt, Jas. Archibald, Raymond H. Bonwell. The service is free as far as Locust Grove, beginning next week. Let the good work go on until there is free service from one end of the county to the other.

JUDGE PEARCE'S LETTER

We gladly give space to Judge Pearce's letter in another column, in which he objects to the heading of our article in last week's issue which, he states, places him in the position of indorsing the Anti-Organization. We were probably not as explicit in the wording of the heading as we might have been, but at the same time we fail to see how Judge Pearce could conceive the idea that we stated that he indorsed the Anti-Organization, when the subject matter had nothing to do with any other question than the Anti-Organization tax rate of $1.85 which his Honor strongly indorses not only in his letter to the commissioners, but even more strongly in his letter to the editors in another column. The heading of the article published last Saturday, no part of which can be read without destroying the sense of the other, is as follows:

JUDGE PEARCE INDORSES THE ANTI-ORGANIZATION

Tax Rate of $1.85 Which was Levied by the Commissioners to Pay the County's Indebtedness as They Knew it at the Time They Struck the Levy.

We can very easily see why Judge Pearce should not desire to be classed as a factionalist, because it is, as he says, not proper for a judge to meddle in factional politics, and though Judge Pearce's indorsement of the tax rate of $1.85, is an open indorsement of the commissioners who declared the tax rate, all three of whom are Anti-Organization men, and were responsible for the tax rate, and such indorsement is an indorsement of the Anti-Organization's financial policy, and to that extent an indorsement of the Anti-Organization—still in order to prevent Judge Pearce, who is a distinguished and honored member of the Bench, as well as a large tax-payer, from thinking that we desired to class him as a factionalist, it may have been more in keeping with his views to have worded the heading of the article differently. We have the highest regard for Judge Pearce and the greatest respect for the dignity and responsibility of his high office, and we have no doubt that his strong indorsement of the action of the commissioners in declaring a tax rate that would be sufficient to pay the county's indebtedness as they knew it at the time, will do much towards improving financial conditions in the county, and setting at rest all unwarranted statements which heretofore have been made regarding the reason for such a high rate. Judge Pearce is a business man of prudence and wisdom, and his opinion expressed to us and to the commissioners regarding the tax rate, comes from a man who knows what the observance of good business methods means in the conduct of the county's affairs. We hope his Honor will accept these statements in good faith, believing that we had no intention to bring him into factional politics against his will, but simply that the people may know that he strongly indorses and approves of the action of the commissioners in declaring a tax rate that will clear the county of indebtedness, as the commissioners saw it at the time they struck the levy, ascribing as he does to such action the term, *"good business policy."*

IN CHURCH CIRCLES.

Chestertown M. E. Church—Rev. Louis E. Barrett, D. D., Pastor. Services next Sunday, Dec. 4th, as follows: 10.30 A. M., preaching by the pastor. Subject — "Who? Why?" 2.15 P. M., Sabbath School and Pastor's Bible Class. 7 P. M., song service, followed by sermon by the Pastor. Subject, "The Prodigal Coming to Himself." Fourth in series on parable of Prodigal Son. All welcome to these services.

Rev. Dr. F. T. Little preached an able and impressive sermon to the fraternal orders of the town on Sunday morning. It was an inspiring sight to see so many men assembled together in church. Dr. Little's sermon was full of patriotism and force.

Miss Bertha Stone, of Baltimore, sang a beautiful solo in Christ M. P. Church last Sunday evening. Miss Stone has a sweet voice, and her singing was very much appreciated.

Mr. J. Frank Wheatley led the Christian Workers service in Christ M. P. Church last Sunday evening. A feature of the service was a quartette by Mr. and Mrs. Fred G. Usilton and Mr. and Mrs. J. Hydie Thompson.

Special committees on church union from the Methodist Episcopal, Methodist Protestant and Methodist Episcopa South, General Conferences have been holding interesing sessions in Baltimore this week. The great rock upon which the question of union seems now to be stranded is the present power of the bishops. The Methodist Protestants desire to limit this power before a union is made, it is claimed. The question of union will finally be settled by the votes of the members of the churches in their respective conferences, and here is another rock.

The Dorcas Society supper on Wednesday evening was largely attended, and a sumptuous repast, consisting of roast pig, fried oysters, fine ham, salads, Maryland biscuits, pickles, etc., with coffee, chocolate and tea, was served in splendid style. A good sum was realized.

The new "Convention Heater" of the Manuel Heating Company, Indianapolis, Minn., is now being installed in the Kennedyville M. P. Church, to be used for the first time next Sunday. Revival services in the evening at 7 o'clock.

PEOPLE'S COLUMN.

☞ The columns of the TRANSCRIPT are open to the proper discussion of all topics of public interest or importance. Whether the editors agree with the sentiment expressed or not, the people should and may be heard through the TRANSCRIPT's columns—the paper will be the People's Forum from which they may be heard on all subjects—purely personal matter excepted. The Editors are not responsible in any manner for articles that appear in this column.

CHESTERTOWN, Nov. 26th, 1910.

EDITORS OF THE CHESTERTOWN TRANSCRIPT—DEAR SIRS:—On my return this evening from court at Easton I have read the article in the TRANSCRIPT of this date, headed, "Judge Pearce indorses the Anti-Organization." That statement is unwarranted, and ought not to have been made. My letter to which you refer was addressed to the County Commissioners as a corporate body, and not to that part of the body which happens to be connected with that wing of the Democratic party known as the Anti-Organization, and the correspondence had exclusive reference to my recommendation for the enlargement of the vault of the Clerk's office which I believe to be necessary for the protection of the public records. The commissioners who signed the letter addressed to me, referred to the extraordinary rate of the present year as a reason for not taking immediate action in the matter. I have no disposition to recede from, or qualify, the opinion expressed in my reply that it was good policy for the tax-payers that the levy for 1910 should be sufficient to discharge all existing indebtedness. That question is one in which every tax-payer is interested, and upon which each has a right to speak as a citizen, and not as a politician. In expressing that opinion I did not enter upon any political subject, and my judgment as to the policy of prompt payment of public debts can only be construed as an indorsement of that policy as applied to the levy then made.

Since I have been on the bench I have studiously avoided participation in any factional controversy, or the expression of any opinion in respect thereto. For this reason I have thought it wiser not to take part in primary elections, and have not done so, and I must now decline to be represented as indorsing "the Anti-Organization." I do not think it proper for a judge to meddle with the political management of his party, or to give public expression in reference to the merits of factional controversies except under extraordinary circumstances, rarely occurring.

I must therefore ask you to give space in your columns to this letter, a copy of which I have requested the Editors of the Kent News to publish, in order that both wings of the party may be promptly informed of my disavowal of the position in which your article would place me if I remained silent.

Yours very truly,
JAMES A. PEARCE.

Our Advertiser's Interest.

Mr. John Schofield, Still Pond's Big New Store proprietor, is getting ready for a fine Christmas display, and is going to think for the public what to give as gifts. They have nice packages already prepared for the ladies, and articles of all descriptions to please the children, as well as the grown ups. His big store will be a wonderland next week. So go early and get a choice selection.

Watch for Kilbourn & Bramble's big adv. next week. They will tell you a Christmas story worth remembering and full of profit to your pocketbook. They are making big preparations for Christmas. Watch and wait.

Old Kriss will be at Medders & Co.'s big stores next week. He'll tell you all about it in his big adv. next week.

Pollack's, one of Baltimore's biggest and best furniture stores, is offering fine inducements in handsome rugs and furniture for Christmas gifts. See adv. for particulars.

If you want to take a fine Christmas cruise, consult the adv. of the Merchants & Miners' Transportation Company in this paper.

Abe Coher, Sandy Bottom's department store man, is right there with the goods and the prices this week. Big bargains on best goods. His Christmas assortment will be great. Watch for it next week in the TRANSCRIPT.

The general commission firm of W. S. Bishop & Co., of New York, has been in business for 50 years, and they are known far and wide for their reliability and prompt attention to business. Send your poultry where you are sure to get your money. They pay top prices for poultry and furnish you with quotations every day. See adv. page 1.

The Stam drug store company has a fine display of Chriatmas goods. They are open for your inspection now.

Beck & Ivens, real estate brokers, will have an important change of adv. for next week. This firm has some of the most desirable farm and water front sites in Kent county for sale, and they will offer you some real bargains next week.

Fine display of Christmas novelties at M. A. Toulson's big drug store on the Square.

The Transcript is a Winner.

The fact that the TRANSCRIPT is a most admirable advertising medium has been demonstrated in a most striking manner on four different occasions within the past two weeks.

And so it goes. Here is the evidence of the value of the TRANSCRIPT to all advertisers. It is the most widely-read paper in Kent county, and hence it cannot help but be a big drawing card for those having any business with the public. Try it for your Christmas business. It is a winner every time.

THE TRANSCRIPT wishes the merchants of the town and county the best Christmas trade they have ever had, and we can assure our readers that if they do their Christmas shopping among our advertisers they will get full value for their money.

House of Correction Needs More Prisoners.

Governor Crothers is anxious that judges and magistrates heed the needs of the House of Correction and send more prisoners to that institution in order that it may have enough labor to meet its obligations to contractors. "I desire it known," said the governor, "that I want the judges, magistrates and justices throughout the State to send prisoners who come before them to the House of Correction when the conditions permit. The State's contracts to furnish labor should be adhered to, and whenever it is possible I think that prisoners should go to the House of Correction instead of to other institutions. I would like to have mention made of this, and a more direct notice may be given to those in authority about the matter later on." The manager's complaint was that the House of Correction has not been getting its full share of prisoners.

PUBLIC SALE
—OF—
13 Head of Horses
And One Pair Mules

12 of these are Navajo Indian horses. All broken to ride and will prove to be good workers and drivers and fine saddle horses. 1 fine size Brown Mare, on

SATURDAY, December 10, '10,
AT 2 O'CLOCK SHARP.
AT VOSHELL HOUSE STABLES
Chestertown, - Maryland.

TERMS—Ten months bankable note with approved surety, with interest from day of sale added. No property to be removed until terms are complied with. A. S. BROWN, Owner.
JOHN D. URIE, Attorney.
ANDREW VANSANT, Auct'r.

Public Sale
—OF—
VALUABLE
Personal Property

The undersigned, as attorney for the owner, Mr. Samuel L. Merchant, will sell at public auction on the farm whereon the said Samuel L. Merchant now resides, known as the B. F. Merchant or Hurtt farm, situated near Galena and adjoining the farms of W. Holt Woodall and C. O. Burns,

ON THURSDAY, DEC. 15, 1910.

beginning at 10.30 o'clock A. M., the following described personal property:

13 Head of Horses,
Mules and Colts.

1 Bay Mare, Fashion, 1 Bay Horse, Prince, 6 years old, 1 Bay Horse, Dan, 8 years old, 1 Black Horse, Charley, 14 years old, 1 Bay Horse, Belton, 7 years old, 1 Bay Mare, Mollie, 8 years old, 1 Bay Horse, John, 3 years old, 1 Brown Horse, fine size, 3 years old, 1 Pair of Mules, Jack and Jennie, 12 and 13 years old, 1 Bay Colt, 2 years old, May, 1 Black Colt, 2 years old, 1 Bay Colt, 2 years old. All of these horses are good workers and some excellent drivers.

20 Cows and Heifers,

20 Head of Cows and Heifers, some are fresh and some will soon be fresh, one fine Bull, eighteen months old.

Forty Head of Native Ewes.

IMPLEMENTS

One Deering Binder, all in good order; one wheat 11-hoe drill, nearly new, one Hay Rake, nearly new, one Deering Mower, one Corn Planter, one Randall Harrow, one Disk Plow, one Springtooth Harrow, Plows and Cultivators, Forks, Shovels, Hoes, Two Hay Forks, 2 Farm Wagons, and Harness, Plow Harness and Collars, Bridles, one Grain Fan, Keystone Corn Sheller, one Dearborn, one Drop-foot Carriage, one Runabout, one Sleigh, Grindstone, Farm Bell, two grand Domestic Heaters Few household goods, one Sharple's Separator No. 4, in good order, nearly new, one Churn.

TERMS OF SALE—All sums of $10 and under, cash; on all sums over that amount a credit of 12 Months will be given on bankable note with approved security, and with interest added. No property to be removed until terms of sale are fully complied with.

A. W. VANSANT, Auctioneer. WM. W. BECK, Attorney.

Christmas Goods
ON DISPLAY

and we invite your inspection, as we have made greater preparations than ever before for the Christmas trade. Rich Assortment, Right Prices.

Rote's Jewelry Store.
CHESTERTOWN, - - MD.

Subscription to the Transcript $1 00 per annum.

PUBLIC SALE
—OF—
VALUABLE PERSONALTY

The undersigned intending to discontinue farming will offer at Public Sale on the farm where he now resides, in Queen Annes County, two miles from the town of Millington, on

Wednesday, December 7, 1910

commencing at 10.30 o'clock, the following valuable property, viz:

SIX HEAD OF HORSES

1 Bay Mare, Jennie; 12 years old, good work mare, 1 Bay Horse, Prince; 7 years old, good worker and driver and fearless, 1 Yellow Mare, Nellie; 8 years old, good work mare, 1 Yellow Horse, Charley; 6 years old, good work horse, 1 Yellow Horse, Star; 3 years old, well broken, 1 Brown Horse, Sherman; 17 years old, good work horse.

TWELVE HEAD OF COWS

12 Head of good Cows, several of them close springers all of them quiet and most all of them young. 1 two-year-old Holstein Bull, 1 Heifer and two bull calves.

IMPLEMENTS.

1 Hay Rake, good as new; 1 Superior Grain Drill Eleven Hoe, good as new; 2 Farm Wagons, in good order; 1 Good Covered Dearborn, in good order; 1 Horse Cart, in good order; 1 Grass seeder, in good order; 1 Acme Harrow, in good order; 1 Fifty Tooth Hinge Harrow, good as new; 1 Hallock Weeder; 1 Three Horse 98 Oliver Plow; 1 Three Horse South Bend Plow; One 1-Horse Plow; 1 Roller, in good order; 1 Manure Spreader, in good order; 7 Sets of Plow Harness; 6 good Work Collars; 4 Carriage Collars; 7 Work Bridles; 2 Sets Wagon Harness, in good order; 1 Set of Double Harness; 1 Set of Dearborn Harness, in good order; Shovels, Spades, Hoes and Rakes; Three-horse Trees, 2-horse Trees, 1 4-horse Tree, 6 Corn Knives, 8 Milk Cans, 2 Sulky Cultivators, good as new; 3 Small Cultivators. One Deering Binder, in good order, 1 McCormick Grass Mower, in good order, 1 Hay Riggin, good as new, 1 Sleigh and Bells, 1 Grain Fan, 1 Corn Sheller, in good order, 1 Grain Half Bushel Measure, 1 Star Corn Mill, good as new, One Schauber Corn Cutter, 1 Dearborn Pole, 1 Bradley Corn Planter and other articles too numerous to mention.

TERMS OF SALE—All sums of $10 and under cash; over that amount a credit of 12 months will be given on bankable note with approved security. No property to be removed until terms of sale are complied with.

W. J. BAMBERGER, Owner.
ANDREW VANSANT, AUCT.

Getting ready for Christmas?

You don't need to wait until the week before Christmas to select that Victor or Victor-Victrola.

Come in now and pick it out—we'll arrange to deliver it at any time you say.

There's a Victor at every price —$10 to $250. Easy terms to suit.

Victor — His Master's Voice

Free Free

A Gold Watch With Elgin or Waltham Movements. . . . . to any one sending me the name of any party who you think will buy a piano.

I will see the party, and when the piano is sold, I will send you this beautiful watch FREE.

If you send me the name of any one who wants to buy an organ I will see the party, and if I sell him an organ, I will give you a GOLD WATCH, with New England movements, FREE.

Do not forget we have a splendid stock of Pianos, Organs, Sheet Music and Sewing Machines.

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CHESTERTOWN, - MD.

DR. C. P. GILPIN DENTIST.
CHESTERTOWN, MD.
HIGH STREET, OPPOSITE THE OLD STAND
OFFICE HOURS:—8.30 to 12 A. P. M.

☞ Teeth extracted by local anesthetics and comparatively without pain.
Having enlarged my office and added many new conveniences, I am able to offer my patients much greater comfort while under treatment than in the past. nov. 29-tf.

$2,000
Worth of Suits and Overcoats

have just been opened and added to Bordley's already large stock of Clothing.

These goods were purchased last Tuesday, and because of the lateness of the season with the wholesalers, were bought for 33⅓ per cent. cheaper than they could have been bought two months ago, and will be sold in the same way.

Among the goods were fifty Scotch Cheviot Suits, worth $12.50. They will be sold for the astonishingly low price of

$8.50.

Overcoats worth $10.00 and $12.00 will be sold for $6.00 and $8.00.

☞ All the stock that was saved from the fire will be sold for any reasonable offer made.

Respectfully,
Thomas S. Bordley.

SPECIAL - NOTICE!

Many people were waiting for our new advertisement but we were too busy preparing to move into our new building. We will give the people the benefit of cut prices on all goods before they are moved in.

BE CONVINCED BY THESE PRICES

25c Floor Oil Cloth, per square yard	19c
35c Extra Heavy Rag Carpet go at	22c
60c All Wool Carpet go at	39c
35c Ingrain Carpet only	22c
35c Extra Heavy Matting, a big lot	20c
$18.00 Farmer Girl Cook Stove	$15 50
Airtight Stoves from	85c to $10.00

GREAT REDUCTION IN DRY GOODS

12½c Flannette, per yard	7½c
8c Apron Gingham, per yard	5c
12½c Dark Percales	7c
Ladies' Underwear only	19c
Men's Undershirts or Drawers	39c

Another big reduction on best SNAG-PROOF Footwear.

$7.00 Snagproof Hip Gum Boots, go at	$6.00
$5.00 Snagproof Short Gum Boots, go at	$4.50
$3.50 Snagproof Bottom, Plain Top Gum Boots	$2.90
$1.25 Men's Artics	99c

We are getting ready for our immense stock of Christmas Goods which we have in our new building.

A LITTLE CUT IN GROCERIES TO MAKE ONE TAKE NOTICE

American Granulated Sugar, lb	5c
1 Gallon Coal Oil	7c
5 Gallon Oil Cans	39c
7 Packages Washing Powder	25c
1 Barrel Crystal Patent Flour, very best grade	$5.39
No. 12 Single Barrel Gun and 1 Box Shells	$3.49
1 Sack Best Fine Salt	85c
Very Best 25c Pepper, pound	18c
Used Lard Cans, good as new	2 for 25c
New Seeded Raisins, pound	7c
New Seeded Rasins, 12-oz. package	6c
40c Walter Baker's Best Chocolate, pound	29c
Pound Package Postum	19c
50c Package of Any of Fairfield's Powders	25c
7 Boxes Sea Gull Yeast Powder	25c
7 Bars Lighthouse Soap	25c
7 Boxes Korn Kinks	25c
12½ Pounds Hominy	25c
Three 12½c Cans Chipped Beef	25c

Many other bargains here which will pay you to come down and visit.

We pay highest price for Eggs, Butter and all other Country Produce.

Look out for our NEW CHRISTMAS ADVERTISEMENT. We have best goods at Least Prices.

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Sandy Bottom Department Store.

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