## The Oyster Tax ..... Issue.

A very important topic now being discussed by the press of the State is the oyster tax question. It has recently transpired that the revenues derived from tongers and dredgers licenses are inadequate to maintain the oyster navy, or oyster police force, without which the oyster beds of the Chesapeake and tributaries will be depleted in a very few years. The truth is the greed of oyster packers, vessel owners and vessel supply dealers of Baltimore, has killed the goose that laid the golden egg, this syndicate being almost the sole beneficiary of the oyster product of the state. The tongers have barely eked out a living for the past five or six years and the oyster fund, which goes to support a police force for protection of the oyster bars, annually decreases, for the same time, and is now without a dollar to pay the force. These are sad facts, but they are facts nevertheless. The tonging interests of the tide-water counties have, for years past, been allowed to select their oyster statesmen, and all other interests have united in sending them to the Legislature to make laws for the protection of the oyster beds. The fact is there has been no fixed or definite principle involved in granting these laws. Their many sections and provisions have been a mere trade or swapping of the various local interests of every section of the State. Without this bargaining the oyster laws could not have been repealed, amended or passed biennially for the last decade.

The Baltimore *Sun* has recently begun to seriously discuss the question. In a recent issue of that journal will be found the following comments:

"The proposition to tax the people of the whole State for the protection of the oyster beds reopens a question of first importance to every taxpayer of the State. There is no doubt whatever of the fact that the oyster industry, as it exists, is of vast importance to the State, but it is an industry in the sense, as has been claimed, that the coal mines of Western Maryland are, for the protection of which the State is called upon to send troops occasionlly to preserve order. The State owns the oyster beds, but is prevented by local interests from making such use of them as would yield proper income. The coal mines are private or corporate prperty. The lands may have once belonged to the State, but they have been sold to individuals and corporations, who work them and pay a steady revenue—a very large one, too—into the public treasury, and are bound to receive protection. Nothing of this sort exists in connection with the oyster beds. Nominally they are the State's. They are the preserves of the counties—prohibited to one class of citizens and reserved to the use and benefit of another class. Only a moiety of the taxes that are raised from tongers' licence goes to the oyster fund; the rest is applied to the local school funds, in addition to what is raised by direct taxation from the people of the whole State, and divided among the counties by such a plan that many counties receive more than they contribute. We do not say that all counties benefitted most from this distribution are oyster counties, but they are in it. The counties that have no oyster preserve contribute largely to the common school fund. They do not complain on this account, but they do with reason and justice protest with being made to shoulder the cost of keeping up the present oyster protective system by which the State is kept out of large revenues; by which, too, planting is practically prohibited and the interests of the whole state are practically ignored to satisfy certain local interests and claims that have no right to the concessions that have been made them. A great deal is to be said on this subject and a great deal is to be done before the question is satisfactorily settled. There is no doubt in the world that in the oyster beds, which are public property, and in the available bottoms of rivers and bays and sounds, which belong to the State, are to be found vast sources of revenue to the State if intelligently employed. It is equally true that if oyster farming were encouraged it would form a basis of taxation which would greatly relieve dry-land farmers of their present burdens in addition to adding immensely to the wealth of the State."

**Lincoln and the Highwayman.**—The following is a story of Abraham Lincoln: Lincoln was once riding along a lonely road when an ill looking man, who held a cocked revolver, suddenly faced him. "What do you want, my friend?" Lincoln asked.

"I am going to shoot you," answered the man.

"Well," said Lincoln, "I don't mind being killed, but I should like to know your reasons."

"I once vowed," said the man, "tha if I ever met a man homelier than I an I would shoot him."

Lincoln looked critically at his assail ant for a minute, and then said:

"Well, if I am any homelier than yo are, then for pit's sake shoot!"

**Making Steady Progress.**—"Yes sir," said the long-haired boarder, "I an fully satisfied in my own mind that wo men should be vested with all the privi leges of man."

"I don't see why she shouldn't b vested," chipped in the cheerful idiot "She has been coated the same as man and if this bicycle business keeps on sh will be trous"—

The dinner bell rang, and in the ma rush ensuing the rest of the cheerfu idiot's speech hit the empty air.

**Just a Marriage.**—An old negr named Mammy who had taken a "da off" to attend to that most importan function among Africa-Americans—wedding—was asked how she had er joyed herself.

"Enj'y meself! I didn't enj'y mese no how," was her reply. "'Twan't n weddin, dat ar. 'Twas jest a marryin Dere wasn't no cake nor ict-cream n nuffin else to eat wuff talkin abou 'Twan't no weddin. 'Twas jest a ma ryin."—*N. Y. Sun.*

**The Banana.**—Never cut a banan According to Spanish superstition, brings ill luck. In preparing alwa slice or jag it with a fork. Using th knife cuts through the cross, and in th land it is deemed a sacrilege. Besid it gives the fruit what the French ca "taste of the knife."

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ANN E. ELLIOTT,

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 19th day of November, 1895, otherwise they may be excluded by law from all benefits of said estate. All indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the subscriber.

Given under my hand this 7th day of May 1895. CHAS. W. C. JOHNSON, Exec'r.

*JOHN D. URIE, Attorney.*

May 11, 1895—4t.

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|---|---|---|
| Leave. A. M. | | Arrive. P. M. |
| 6.50 | CHESTERTOWN | 12.05 A. M. |
| 7.05 | WORTON | 11.50 |
| 7.10 | LYNCH'S | 11.45 |
| 7.15 | HEPBRON | 11.40 |
| 7.28 | KENNEDYVILLE | 11.27 |
| 7.41 | BLACK'S | 11.14 |
| 7.54 | LAMBSON'S | 11.01 |
| 8.08 | MASSEYS | 10.47 |
| 8.22 | DELANEY'S | 10.32 |
| 8.30 | BINGHAM'S | 10.25 |
| Arrive. | | Leave. |
| 8.40 | CLAYTON | 10.15 |

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CHESTERTOWN, May 11, 1895.


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