STILL POND FARMERS' CLUB.

STILL POND, March 5th, 1896.

The Farmers' Club held its regular meeting today, at the residence of Mr. W. D. Pennington. The prevailing epidemic of measles had compelled a postponement of the February meeting, and seriously interfered with this. The attendance, however was fair, and a very enjoyable day was spent by those interested in the subjects discussed. Owing to sickness, I failed to report the January meeting, so I will give a synopsis of the proceedings now. After routine business had been transacted, the question: What are the benefits of subsoiling? was discussed at length, and much difference of opinion existed. While its advocates proved that the deepening of the soil increased the store of moisture available for crops in dry seasons, it somehow failed to convince the others that there was "pay" in it.

The next subject discussed was the relative cost of labor to the price of farm products. This was highly interesting to all present. The discussion showed conclusively that the sturdy tillers were especially adapted for what is commonly called "long suffering," so it was decided that rather than embarrass the new county administration by doing anything rash, they would grin and bear yet a little longer.

The next question was: Is it advisable to plant tomatoes for canneries at five dollars per ton? This was discussed in the light of several years experience in tomato growing, and the unanimous opinion was that it would not be advisable to plant at that price.

The next question was: How early ought orchards to be plowed? The opinion was that they should be plowed as early as the frost would permit. Practical fruit growers claimed their best success followed early plowing.

The regular question was then postponed, and the club adjourned to meet at W. D. Pennington's in February, but as I stated before, this meeting was postponed until March 5th, when after being called to order the minutes were read and approved. The chairman of the committee to visit the Agricultural College, reported that he had received a cordial invitation for the committee to come at any time, and that he would try and make the necessary arrangements for an early visit.

Questions were then declared to be in order. The first was: How to protect dewberries from grit and dirt. The questioner stated that he had a patch of Lucretia that after his first picking last year, became so covered with grit (from rains) that they were worthless for market, and he would like to hear of some feasible plan for keeping them clean. Straw mulch was not thought reliable, and staking and tieing up was expensive. The best plan thought of was planting good posts at about one hundred yards distant, stretch two wires, and then put stakes every six or eight feet to them. This arrangement would last several years. The berry men then had considerable talk about varieties, and inquiries were made about the Kansas black-cap raspberry. No one, however, had tried it. The Miller was better known and received very favorable mention. It was stated that while it was as good a berry as the Queen, it was not as near liable to winter-kill, which was considered very much in its favor.

It was then asked if the insurance companies prohibited the storing of corn fodder close from the buildings. How can we store it so that it will be convenient for feeding during the winter? This was discussed at great length. It was stated that the farmer depended on his corn-fodder not only for feed for stock, but largely for shelter for the same. Sheds were covered with it, and ricks made so as to form wind-breaks, and if this was prohibited great hardships will ensue. The theory of spontaneous combustion was thought untenable, and as no feasible plan other than shreding and baling was suggested, it is hoped that no change will be necessary.

The next question was: What varieties of apples have kept best through the winter, flavor being considered first? The Lankford, Ben Davis and Sheepnose were selected in order named.

The regular question: Is it advisable to plant more peaches at the present time? was then taken up and discussed. The opinion seemed to be that it was not as a general thing, yet there might be a few favored localities where they could be successfully raised. To those who wished to try the experiment, the Elberta and a few of the old standards were recommended.

The club then selected the question: What are the chief duties of the farmer? for discussion at the next meeting, to be held at the residence of Mr. E. B. Pennington, on the last Thursday in March.

I forgot to mention that during the noon recess the ladies held a very interesting seance, Mr. Charles Hurlock and a washing machine for medium. He not only succeeded in raising some worn down spirits, but he also knocked spots out of them clothes. Mrs. W. D. P. said they were just done beautifully.

For my part, if I should ever get married I would be willing to do without a machine for awhile anyhow, but as the Irishman said: "yez may have yer linnons, an your sugar, an your hot water, but if yez haven't the 'article' yez can't make it." ANNIE ROONEY.

Written for the KENT NEWS.

"SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS."

BY MISS MAMIE A. STRONG, BELLE VIEW, MD.

In traveling the much trod path of life,
In looking the world well o'er,
As we scan each page of its well-thumbed book
We many a fact deplore.
We find, alas, as the years roll on,
Though life be new to-day,
That "sunshine and shadow'll" be
Comparisons for aye.

There's ever a sunny side to life,
And a shady side, as well,
And oft do bright, little sunbeams sleep
In the valley where shadows dwell.
And oft must one by fame renowned
See his hard-earned glory fade,
For there's scarce a rose without a thorn,
Or a light without its shade.

Ah, how fair, how bright, and fragrant
Are the roses of to-day.
How pure and white the tall-stemmed lillies
That in the breezes gently sway.
But, alas, their brilliant beauty
May 'ere the morrow fade away,
Leaving but a blighted mass
Of dismal shadows in array.

To-day we're blessing the sunshine bright,
To-morrow alters the case.
And brings but gloom and depression,
Of happiness learns not a trace.
Today is all pleasure and brightness,
Tomorrow the light is subdued
With ne'er a ray of sunshine
To cheer the solitude.

But when life's sad, sweet dream is o'er,
And when the storm is passed,
When we've crossed the thundering waves.
To the other shore at last,
There'll be no billows tossing high,
No angry, wrathful seas,
No clouds to mar the sun's bright rays,
In that fair land of peace.

There'll be no bitter parting there
From loved one's dear, as here,
No blighted hopes, no aching hearts,
No grief and pain to bear.
No sorrow e'er can touch the soul.
'Twil know no conflict sore,
And "sunshine and shadow'll" be
Comparisons no more.

There was an old negro floating in a skiff on the headwaters of the Licking. He was fishing—fish mighty fine down that way. He had a boy in the boat with him, who kept looking into the water until he lost his balance and disappeared in the river. Quicker than I could tell you, the old man had his coat off and dived for the boy. He brought him up all right, then rowed for the bank. When they got out—dripping, of course—a white man who had seen the whole business complimented the old man on his heroic act.

"He must be a son of yours," said the white man.

"No; no, sah. No son o'mine."

"Nephew, then?"

"No; no sah. No Nephew."

"Cousin?"

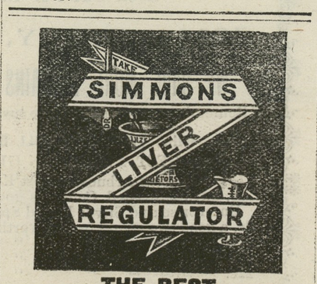
"No; no cousin."

"Then you deserve all the more credit for saving his life."

"Well, I doan, know 'bout that, boss. You see, he had all the baitin his pocket."

Better Times for Farmers.

Secretary Morton, in his annual report makes the clever and agreeable statement that better times for the farmer is just ahead, and the values of the land will increase. The farmers will be happy to learn all this and take the secretary at his word. They have been waiting for a turn in the tide for years—something that would bring wheat up to the dollar mark and their broad acres to a figure outside those met with at a sheriff's sale, and the chance for improvement is evidently justified by facts. The increase of millions to the population and the demand in foreign markets are the factors in this field of promise for the farmers. Secretary Morton has also set a lesson in economy in expenditures in his department. Out of $5,102,523 appropriated during the past two fiscal years, $1,126,268 have been returned to the treasury as the unexpended balance.



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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

SAMUEL BECK,

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 1st day of September, 1896, 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 subscribers.

Given under my hand this 25th day of February, 1896.

WILLIAM W. BECK,
Feb. 29, 1896—4t. Administrator.

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COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' ANNUAL NOTICE!

The county Commissioners of Kent County will meet at their office in Chestertown, on TUESDAY, 10th day of March, 1896, at 10½ o'clock A. M., and will continue to meet at the same place and hour EVERY TUESDAY for the purpose of noting transfers and correcting assessments, until the SEVENTH DAY OF MAY NEXT.

All persons who have sold or transferred any assessable property since their last sitting for said purpose, are particularly requested to attend at an early day to have their assessments corrected and adjusted.

Persons making application for transfer of property will be required to comply with the following section of the Code, Article 81.

SEC. 19. They shall also interrogate said person on oath in reference to any acquisition or investment made by him and not already assessed, and the amount of all such acquisitions and investments shall be added to the assessable property, and if he refuses to answer, no allowance or deduction shall be made on his assessment.

AFTER TUESDAY, TWELFTH DAY OF MAY NEXT, no alterations or corrections in the assessments will be made for the present year.

TRUSTEES OF THE POOR FOR KENT COUNTY will be appointed on the Second Monday—13th day—of April next.

A KEEPER OF THE STANDARDS OF WEIGHTS and MEASURES will be appointed on Tuesday, 14th day of April next.

All persons having accounts against the county are requested to present the same on or before TUESDAY, 28TH DAY OF MAY NEXT, otherwise they may be excluded from the levy this year. All accounts properly chargeable to the county are required to be made out in a clear manner and itemized and rendered under oath.

All applications for pensions must be made in writing, stating the condition and circumstances of the applicant and vouched for by three or more freeholders having knowledge of the facts therein set forth.

N. B.—All persons neglecting to have their assessments corrected are hereby notified that no allowances for taxes paid in error in consequence of such neglect will be made.

DANIEL HILL, PRES'T;
SAMUEL TODD,
GEORGE W. OWENS,
GEO. W. HATCHERSON,
SAMUEL J. VICKERS.
Commissioners.

Attest:—WM. H. LAMBERT, JR., CLERK.
March 7, 1896.

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