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FOR PRESIDENT:

HON. ARTHUR P. GORMAN,

OF MARYLAND.

IN ANOTHER COLUMN will be found the speech of Delegate Cecil R. Atkinson, of Kent, against the Haman Oyster bill in the House last week. This is the one speech of any length that has been made upon the subject, and viewed from the standpoint of Mr. Atkinson's loyalty to his constituents, it is a vigorous and opportune speech. Delegate Atkinson has been careful throughout the entire session of the Legislature to represent his constituents' wishes in all matters, and he will return to Kent with an enviable record as a representative in the General Assembly. Delegate Isaac Gibbs has also done effective work in securing votes against the Haman bill, and should be given due credit, for in doing so he has represented his county constituents.

DEFEAT OF HAMAN BILL.

THE BALTIMORE SUN'S ranting over the defeat of the Haman Oyster bill reminds one of the actions of a baby over its milk. We want to remind the Baltimore *Sun* of the fact that the interests of the people of the Eastern Shore of Maryland are just as vital as those of the people of any other part of the State. The Lord has been just as lavish in the distribution of coal in the Western part of the State, the mines of which are controlled by a vicious monopoly that filches from the pockets of the hard-working people of the Eastern Shore a premium of $3 or more on every ton of coal they are compelled to use, as He has in the distribution of oysters in the waters of the Chesapeake Bay. A bill has never been, nor is it likely ever to be, introduced in the Maryland Legislature to rid the people of this unjust burden. Had the Haman Oyster bill been allowed to become a law, it would have been a question only of a few years before every patch of bottom of the bay would have been controlled by a monopoly just as vicious and which would have made every consumer of oysters pay a premium of 25 cents or more on every gallon consumed, and which would have wiped out of existence every tidewater village and settlement that has arisen out of the profits of the oysterman's toil. Who has ever heard who the backers of the Haman bill are? They have never been divulged and they may never be. In a few years, when the crabbing industry becomes a little more profitable than it is at present, the people of the State, who enjoy a monopoly of this industry, just as they should of all the products of the land and water which Providence has provided so lavishly for man's use, we may expect to find a Haman crab bill introduced in the Maryland Legislature, whose provisions will be so productive of good to the entire State as the Haman Oyster bill was claimed to be by its friends. The Baltimore *Sun*, in numerous instances, is beginning to lose that splendid reputation for conservatism which she once so enviably enjoyed and is fast assuming a position of hostility to the people's best interests, when she advocates a measure such as the Haman Oyster Bill. If the *Sun* would prove her loyalty to the people of the State of Maryland, never let her advocate anything so Republican in its doctrine as the Haman bill. The people of the Eastern Shore are anxious for the development of the entire State. They take an especial pride in the welfare of Baltimore city, the queen city of the South, and in the entire State, but we are opposed to the development of the classes and the degradation of the masses. That is the worst sort of retrogression. The Eastern Shore of Maryland is opposed to a monopoly of the oyster bottoms of the bay, and not to the progress and development of Maryland. The friends of the Haman Oyster bill may as well learn that, with the closing of the Legislature, and stop trying to play politics with such dangerous fire. The Eastern Shore is prepared to doff her hat to every man whether he be from Baltimore city or not, who helped to kill the bill.

Proper Treatment of Pneumonia.

Pneumonia is too dangerous a disease for any one to attempt to doctor himself, although he may have the proper remedies at hand. A physician should always be called. It should be borne in mind, however, that pneumonia always results from a cold or from an attack of the grip and that by giving Chamberlain's Cough Remedy the threatened attack of pneumonia may be warded off. This remedy is also used by physicians in the treatment of pneumonia with the best results. Dr. W. J. Smith, of Tanders, Ala., who is also a druggist, says of it: "I have been selling Chamberlian's Cough Remedy and prescribing it in my practice for the past six years. I use it in cases of pneumonia and have always gotten the best results." Sold by M. A. Toulson.

LEGISLATIVE NEWS.

A bill providing for a special audit of the finances of Kent county annually has passed the House, and will likely become a law.

A bill to regulate suits before justices of the peace in Kent county has also passed the House.

Delegate Atkinson has introduced a bill in the House which provides for the incorporation of the Chestertown Waterworks Company, Electric Light and Power Company and the Nicholson Ice Plant.

The Haman Oyster bill came up in the House on Wednesday. It was so amended as to render it practically dead.

The election bills given in another column passed the Senate on Thursday. It is likely to be so amended in the House as to exempt Kent from using party designations.

The law to make a Police Justice for the First Election District in this county has been amended so as to apply to the Galena Precinct only. With this amendment the law will not be operative in the Millington precinct.

The bill exempting mortgages from taxation passed the House on Tuesday. It now goes to the Governor for his signature.

THE NEW SCHOOL BILL.

The general educational bill, which is now before the Legislature for its consideration, involves the efficiency and usefulness of our public school system. It revises the whole school law and incorporates such new features as will give to Maryland a system which will meet new demands and will be in keeping with the progressiveness of our state. Every precaution has been taken to prevent drastic features from creeping in, and I am persuaded that every fair-minded man will say, upon careful examination, that the bill is the embodiment of conservative views.

1. The state board becomes a continuous one, two members being appointed biennially for a term of six years. The Governor and state superintendent are also members and minority representation is provided.

2. Large facilties for training teachers and requiring our normal schools to make practice teaching a feature of the work.

3. Give authority to county school officials to consolidate schools when practicable.

4. Further restrictions in the certification of teachers.

5. Making minimum county school tax rate fifteen instead of ten cents.

6. Requiring county school boards to pay not less than $300 as an annual salary to teachers where holding a proper certificate and who have an average attendance of not less than fifteen pupils.

7. Providing a uniform school year of not less than nine months.

8. To provide an increase of 25 per cent. in state school appropriations, making an annual appropriation of $1,000,000 instead of $750,000.

These changes will bring to our state school system the essential features of uniformity which are necessary to make it a state system. Heretofore it has been such only in name and not in fact.

With all the requirements now made on public education the state school tax has not increased, but has actually decreased. Because of this and extra cost of living there has been a diminution of salary which has driven very many of our best teachers from the ranks and the exodus is growing larger each year. Unless something is done speedily our system of public education must decline in efficiency and teaching must be entrusted to less competent hands.

M. BATES STEVENS.

THE ELECTION BILL.

The following is the election bill which is now before the Maryland Legislature for passage. The bill we are advised will be amended in the House of Delegates to except Kent county.

Section 1—Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland. That Sections 50 and 114A of Article 33 of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Elections," be and the same are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, so as to read as follows:

50. The form and arrangement of ballot shall be as follows; All ballots shall contain the name of every candidate whose nomination for any office specified in the ballot has been certified and filed according to the provision of this article and not withdrawn in accordance herewith. The names of candidates for every office shall, except in case of candidates for Presidential elections, be arranged under the designation of the officer. Above the group of names of the candidates for each office, and upon a separate line immediately underneath the designation of the office, there shall be printed in bold, plain, Roman capitals, 12-point (pica) type, an appropriate direction or instruction to the voter, informing him of the number of persons for whom he may lawfully vote for the particular office mentioned immediately above each such direction, thus: "Vote for one," or "Vote for two," or "Vote for six," as the case may be. To the name of each candidate for State office or candidate for Congress shall be added the name of the county or city in which the candidate resides. Ballots shall be so printed as to give to each voter a clear opportunity to designate by a cross (X) in a square at the right of the name of each candidate, and at the right of each question his choice of candidate and his answer to such question. Such square shall be at least one-half of an inch in size. If a candidate is named for the same office on two or more certificates of nomination, his name shall be printed on the ballot but once. The names of candidates for the offices of election of President and Vice-President of the United States shall be arranged in groups, as presented in the several certificates of nomination papers, and the several groups shall be arranged in such order of the surnames of the candidates for President as the several boards of supervisors shall prescribe in the city of Baltimore and in the several counties, respectively. If candidates for Presidential Electors are nominated at large, and for the several Congressional districts, the name and place of residence of the candidates at large shall be put at the head of each group, and the names of the other candidates, with their places of residence, including the numbers of the Congressional district in which they reside, shall follow in numerical order. The surname of the candidates of each political party for the office of President and Vice-President shall be placed above the group of candidates for elections of such party. There shall be left at the right of the surname of the candidates for President and Vice-President, so formed as to include both names, and to the right of the name of each elector, a sufficiently clear square in which each voter may designate by a cross (X), his choice for electors. All candidates for office shall, as far as possible, be placed in one column, but where the names to be printed upon the ticket are over 36, then another column shall be added, in which names shall be printed, and when two or more columns are used the same number of names shall, as far as possible, be printed in each column, and the initial letter of the given or Christian names of the several candidates in each column shall be printed directly beneath each other in a vertical line. A constitutional amendment, or any question to be submitted to the popular vote, shall be printed in the same column with the names of candidates.

INSTRUCTION TO VOTERS.

114 A. At least 30 days before every State election the Attorney-General shall prepare full instructions for the guidance of the voters of such election, as to obtaining ballots, as to the manner of marking them and as to obtaining new ballots in place of those accidentally destroyed, with such other instructions as shall, in his opinion, be necessary and proper. Said instructions shall be furnished by the Secretary of State to the several boards of supervisors of elections, who shall cause the same, together with copies of Sections 61, 62 and 63 of this article, to be printed in large, clear type, on separate cards, to be called "Cards of Instructions," and said boards of supervisors shall furnish 12 of the same, with ballots for use in each election precinct. They shall also cause to be printed, on light cardboard or heavy sized paper, 10 or more copies of the form of the ballot provided for each voting place, at each election therein, of a considerably magnified size, which shall be called "Specimen Ballots," and the same shall be furnished with the other ballots prepared for each voting place. On the morning of said election the said supervisors of election shall cause to be posted conspicuously in each polling place said cards of instruction and largely magnified specimen ballots, and one of said cards of instruction shall be fixed in each booth or voting compartment, and the said specimen ballots shall be conspicuously displayed in said polling room and on the outside of the building wherein said voting shall take place. Not less than three of said cards and three of said specimen ballots shall be posted outside of the guard rails, and not less than three of each of same shall be securely and conspicuously posted on the outside of the building in which the polls are held, before the balloting begins, in such position that the same may be easily examined by the public. It shall also be the duty of the several boards of supervisors of elections, on the morning of said election, to cause to be conspicuously posted in such polling place, and in each voting booth of each polling place, separate tickets or lists containing the names of the candidates of each political party, with a designation of the several offices for which they are candidates, so that voters may thereby be aided in selecting the candidates for whom they wish to vote and in marking the official ballot, accordingly.

And be it enacted, That this act shall not apply to Baltimore city nor to the counties of Baltimore, Dorchester, Queen Anne's Wicomico, Carroll, Washington, Alleghany, Cecil, Kent, Montgomery, and Harford, and that Section 50 and 116 A of Article 33, of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Elections," shall remain in full force and effect in all the counties not excepted.

MORTGAGEES' SALE
—OF A—
Small and Valuable Farm
Situated in Kent County, Md.

BY virtue of the power of sale contained in a mortgage from William H. Faxter to William Foley, the 28th day of December 1887, duly executed, acknowledged and recorded in Liber S. B. No. 10, Folios 319, etc., one of the Land Record Books for Kent county, Md., which said mortgage was by several assignments duly assigned to the undersigned for collection as on reference to the said Land Record Book will more fully and at large appear. The undersigned, as assignee of said mortgage, will sell at public sale in front of the Court House door in Chestertown, Md., on

Tuesday, April 12, 1904,

between the hours of 11 o'clock A. M. and 12 o'clock noon, all that

Tract of Land or FARM,

lying and being in the Fifth Election District of Kent county, Md., situated on the public road leading from Swan Creek to Tolchester, lying on the east side of the said road called the Bayside road and about one and one-half miles from Tolchester. It is the same farm which is now occupied by Mr. William W. Jewell, and is known as the "William Baxter Farm" It contains

74 ACRES and 3 ROODS

of land, more or less, and is particularly described in the mortgage above recited.

The improvements consist of

A SMALL

DWELLING

outbuildings, etc.

TERMS OF SALE—One-half of the purchase money cash on day of sale and the residue in two equal installments payable in six and twelve months, with interest on all unpaid purchase money from day of sale. Title papers at cost of purchaser.

HOPE H. BARROLL,
Assignee.
CHAS. H. HURLOCK, Auct. m19-ts.

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PERSONAL PROPERTY
AT PUBLIC SALE.

THE undersigned, intending to discontinue farming on The Kilpatrick Farm, near Lynch's Station, Kent county, will sell on

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30, 1904,

beginning at 10 A. M., the following Personal Property:

STOCK.

5 HEAD WORK HORSES,
ONE PAIR OF GOOD MULES,
1 Yoke Big Oxen, 6 Head Cows,
One Bull,
15 Head of Sheep, 16 Head of Hogs.

Farm Implements:

1 Farm Wagon, nearly new;
1 Dearborn, 1 Ox-Cart,
1 McCormick Binder, in good order;
1 Empire Wheat Drill, used two seasons;
1 Buckeye Mower, in good order;
1 Horse Rake, 1 Disc Harrow,
1 Little Diamond Caltivator,
1 Roller, 5 Rolls of Felt Roofing,
1 Hand Corn Sheller, 1 Grain Fan,
1 Block and Fall with Rope,
2 Two-Horse Plows, 1 3-Horse Plow,
1 Fifty-Tooth Twin Harrow,
2 One-Horse Plows, 3 Hand Cultivators,
2 Sets Wagon Harness, 5 Sets Plow Gears, 1 Set of Dearborn Harness,
7 Work Bridles, 7 Work Collars,
2 Three-Horse Trees, 3 2-Horse Trees,
Lot of Forks, Hoes and other things too numerous to mention.

Household and Kitchen Furniture.

1 Cook Stove, 1 Hot-Air Stove, 2 Sets of Chairs, 2 Tables, 3 Rolls of Matting and other things too numerous to mention.

TERMS OF SALE.—All sums of $10 and under, cash on day of sale; all sums over that amount a credit of nine months will be given on note with approved security. No property whatever shall be removed from the premises and no title shall pass to the purchaser until the full terms of sale as above stated are complied with.

WM. T. CLARK.
HOPE H. BARROLL, Attorney.
CHAS. H. HURLOCK, Auct. m12-ts.

PERSONAL PROPERTY
—AT—
PUBLIC SALE

THE undersigned is going to discontinue farming and will sell at public sale at her residence, near Turner's Creek on

Wednesday, April 6, 1904,

at Ten o'clock A. M.,
THE FOLLOWING PROPERTY:

12 Head of Good Horses,
SOME FINE MARES IN FOAL;
3 PAIR GOOD MULES,
10 Head Cows
30 HEAD SHEEP, with Lambs:
LOT OF FINE SHOTES,

5 Farm Wagons, 2 Orchard Wagons, 2 Good Deering Reapers, new; Corn Planter, with Phosphate attachment; a Good Bickford & Huffman Drill, eleven tooth; a good Horse Cart, with Harness; new Sled Marker, 3 Twin Harrows, 2 Sulky Cultivators, 8 Spring Tooth Harrows, 4 No. 40 Oliver Chilled Plows, 3 Two-Horse Oliver Chilled Plows, 3 small Plows, A. and B; 12 Sets of Plow Harness, 5 Sets of Wagon Harness, 8 One-Horse Cultivators, 2 Mowers, one Deering and one McCormick; 1 Extra Two-Horse Hay Rake, 1 Good Roller, 3 Randall Harrows, 1 Hyland Horse Power Fan, Half Bushel, 3 Clover Seed Seeders, 4 Brier Scythes, 3 Grass Scythes, Spades, Shovels and Hoes, Farm Bell, Anvil, Grindstone, Milk Box and Milk Cans, 2 Drop-foot Carriages, 3 Peach Riggings, 2 Feed Cutters, Bench and Vise, Carriage Tongue and Harness, lot of Corn Knives, 4 Hedge Knives, Sheep Shears, 1 Good Extra Broad Axe, 2 Crowbars, 1 Wire Stretcher, 2 Mauls, 2 Log Chains, 5 Wedges, 1 large Cook Stove, nearly new; 1 Big Cook Stove, 2 Scythes and Cradles, 1 New Weeder, Shovels and Forks, 1 Hereford Bull, 3 Axes, Root Cutter, 1 Set Platform Scales and Beam and Pea, 2 Bushel Basket, 4 Three-Horse Trees, 6 Two-Horse Trees and 2 Four-horse Trees, lot of Single Trees, long and short; 1 Riding Saddle, 1 Very Large Cooking Pot.

TERMS.—All sums of $10 and under, cash; all above that amount a credit of Nine months, with approved security.

MRS. M. F. HEPBRON,
Charles H. Hurlock, Auct'r. m19-ts

PRIVATE SALE
—OF—
COLLEGE LOT.

THE undersigned, as attorney for owner, offers at private sale the college lot situated in Chestertown, Md., of which Mrs. Janet Hall, late of Kent county died, seized and possessed. This is one of the most desirable building lots and also as investment. It contains

Two Acres of Land,

more or less, and has a front on Washington Avenue of about One Hundred and Ninety-five feet and running back to Mount Vernon street Four Hundred and Forty Five feet, six inches by and with Campus Avenue. This property adjoins the land of Miss Jane Blackiston on the east and is bounded by the aforesaid streets on the north, west and south and it can be easily and profitably divided into four lots of one-half acre each. For further information as to terms, etc., apply to

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