COUNTY AUDITORS REPORT.

Result of Examination of the Public Records.

To The Honorable Board Of County Commissioners For Kent County:

Gentlemen:—In compliance with an Act of the General Assembly of Maryland passed January, 1904, we having been appointed Auditors for Kent county beg leave to state that we have examined the books. accounts, vouchers and papers of the offices of County Commissioners, Treasurer of Kent County, Board of School Commissioners and Trustees of Alms House, and find:

First. The County Commissioners on June 6th, practically closed the year though Levy was not made until June 21st. They levied.....$104,317.14

To provide for certificates issued...$64 659.65
To provide for cash of coming year.. 36,876.00
To provide for surplus..... 2,779.49

As per exhibit "A".....$104,415.14

But we find certificates and warrants out unprovided for amounting to $2,158.57 as per Exhibit "B."

Note. One certificate for $216.00 and one certificate for $26.80 issued, but these two have since been provided for by former clerk.

Note We find Treasurer has been allowed a certificate for $287.76 and discount $16.30 total $304.46 for notifying delinquent tax-payers for which we can find no authority in the law.

In Exhibit "C" we show the actual expenses for the year and amount of claims presented but not provided for.

In Exhibit "D" we show the Bonded Indebtedness and cash applicable to payment of Bridge Bonds not due.

In Exhibit "E" we show funds in Bank.

In Exhibit "F" we have shown the account of Trustees of Alms House in which we regret to show a balance to be accounted for of $117.05.

In Exhibit "G" we show the account of Board of School Commissioners, showing receipts $42,240.17; expenditures $38,628.83; balance in bank $3,611.34; total, $42,250.17.

In Exhibit "H" we show the account of Treasurer, showing amounts charged to him $114,478.87 and amount to be credited to him $114,308 43, balance $170.44.

The balances unaccounted for in Alms House and Treasurer's Reports are due simply to error in accounting.

We respectfully suggest that all certificates and orders be countersigned by the President of the Board of County Commissioners and would also suggest the advisability of bonding the clerk.

All the aforegoing we respectfully submit this 25th day of October, 1904.

J. F. M. WOODALL,
WILBUR ELIASON,
THOMAS W. SKIRVEN,
Auditors.

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EXHIBIT SHOWING FINANCIAL CONDITION OF COUNTY FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 6, 1904—BONDS EXCEPTED.

ASSETS:	
Assessment of Real and Personal..	$99,689 83
Special Tax	105 00
Corporations	4.061 85
P. W. & B. R. R.	458 46
Total	$104,315 14
Surplus Levied	$2,779 49

EXPENSES:	
Certificates provided for	$64.659 65
Total Cash Levies for 1901-5	36,876 00
Cash Levied for Surplus	2,779 49
Total	$104.315 14
The Auditing Committee have found certificates issued and not provided for	$876 38
Almshouse warrants issued and not provided for	1,256 71
Total	$2,133 09
And would advise this sum be paid out of the surplus	
Ahern & Tonkin, 1903	$35 48
This item should have been provided for in a prior years levy.	
Total	$2,158 67

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CERTIFICATES OUT AND NOT PROVIDED FOR AND ERRORS.

DURING OLD BOARD.

580 Boyd, Savings Bank	$3 50
598 Johnson	63 64
124 Error	01
497 Error	1 00
600 Galagher	77
599 S. Boyer	1 56
754 Woodall	57
225 Smith	40
423 Brock	04
467 Bennett	03
601 Garey, Ches. Nat. Bank	1 50
604 Freeman, 2nd. "	35 00
602 Garey Ches. " Boyer	29 25 3 50
615 Rasin, Ches. Nat. Bank	1 50
607 Hurd, 2nd. "	16 10
605 Brice	53 25
603 Davis	20 25
512 Soloway, Savings Bank	7 80
513 Pinder, "	29 62
514 Carroll, 2nd, "	29 73
515 Fletcher "	6 70
608 Wood, Millington Bank	15 00
609 Wilmer, Savings "	10 00
611 Smith 2 Nat. "	15 00
613 Kelley, Savings "	15 00
612 Corse, "	12 00
610 Wilkins, "	54
614 Brown, Ches. Nat. Bank	3 80
950 Parran	09
938 Error in Int.	01
973 Canning Company	85
1066 Usilton	30
1049 Whiteley	10
606 Ayres Savings Bank	19 75
616 Williams. "	2 50
1042 Boulter, "	10
617 Thompson, "	25 70
101 Hospital Error	100 00
194 Jewell Savings Bank	27 15
215 " "	81 38
288 Roland, Bank Savings	13 70
368 Freeman, 2d Nat. Bank	10 00
381 Ayres, Ches. Nat. Bank	80 63
457 Jewell, " "	80 25
561 Lucas " "	5 35
Total	821 92

WITNESS CERTIFICATES, COURT AND MAGISTRATES.*
DURING PRESENT BOARD:

Coleman 2d Nat. Bank	$16 50
Walls, "	33
Carter, "	3 70
Smith, "	2 70
Dudley, "	2 70
Ct. Cer. Greenwood, Savings Bank	6 15
" " "	16 38
" Conwell "	1 57
" Walker "	1 25
919 Bacchus, 1902 "	3 18
Total	$54 07

*Above Court and Magistrates Certificates had not been presented in list to the County Commissioners.

ADDITIONAL ALMSHOUSE WARRANTS NOT PROVIDED FOR.

Dec. 1, 1903 Jas. Brice	$ 76 68
Jan. 13, 1904 M. A. Toulson, prest.	200 00
May 4, J. S. Bradley	441 04
M. A. Toulson, Drugs	120 99
Chas. S. Smith	67 36
Thos. S. Bordley	173 97
W. L. Fowler	10 19
McIntyre & Hodgkins	62 20
Thos. W. Eliason	13 48
Geo. D. Lofland	90 80
Total	$1256 71

CLAIMS THAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN PROVIDED FOR IN PRIOR YEAR'S LEVY.

Ahern & Tonkin	35 48

RECAPITULATION.

Old Board	$ 821 92
Present Board	54 46
Alms House	1256 71
Prior year	35 48
Total	$2,168 57

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EXHIBIT SHOWING TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF KENT COUNTY FOR YEAR FROM MAY 26, 1903, TO JUNE 7, 1904.

CIRCUIT COURT:		
To Expenditures as per Levy, 1904	$9,715 87	
To Orders on Cash Levy, 1903	1,254 00	
To Check on Bank	7 92	
		$10,977 79
ORPHANS' COURT:		
To Expenditures as per Levy, 1904		1,478 24
Amount carried forward		$12,456 03
Amount brought forward		$12,456 03
COMMISSIONERS OF KENT COUNTY:		
To Expenditures as per Levy, 1904	$5,707 95	
To Expenditures as Orders on Cash Levy, 1903	700 00	
To Expenditures as General Bridge Keepers' Fund, 1903	150 00	
To Expenditures as per Check on Bank	65 89	
		6,623 84
COURT HOUSE AND JAIL:		
To Expenditures as per Levy, 1904	$1,775 71	
To Expenditures as Orders on Cash Levy	138 80	
" " " " 1903	86 00	
To Expenditures as Check on Bank	25 20	
		2,025 71
MAGISTRATES AND CONSTABLES:		
To Expenditures as per Levy, 1904		2,412 47
ALMSHOUSE:		
To Expenditures as per Levy, 1904	$1,540 44	
To Expenditures as per Warrants issued for payment of bills, but not provided for	1,256 71	
To Balance Farm account, net	524 31	
		3,321 46
PENSIONS:		
To Expenditures as per Levy, 1904		1,571 96
HOSPITALS:		
To Expenditures as per Levy, 1904	$1,299 62	
To Expenditures as per Check on Bank	187 50	
		1,487 12
INQUISITIONS:		
To Expenditures as per Levy, 1904		162 38
CHARITIES—MISCELLANEOUS:		
To Expenditures as per Levy, 1904		470 18
HEALTH OFFICER AND JAIL PHYSICIAN:		
To Expenditures as per Levy, 1904	$ 318 58	
To Expenditures as per Orders on Cash Levy, 1903	84 95	
		403 53
REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS:		
To Expenditures as per Levy, 1904	$2,130 00	
To Expenditures as per Orders on Cash Levy, 1903	4,423 01	
		6,553 01
SCHOOLS:		
To Expenses as per Levy, 1904	$7,912 50	
To Expenses as per Order on Cash Levy, 1903	10,000 00	
		17,912 50
PRINTING:		
To Expenses as per Levy, 1904		2,015 96
TAXES PAID IN ERROR:		
To Expenses as per Levy, 1904	241 17	
To Expenses as per Check on Bank	6 32	
		247 49
KENT AND QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY:		
To Expenses as per Levy, 1904		217 48
INTEREST ON BONDS:		
To Expenses as per Levy, 1904	$ 764 00	
To Expenses as per Order, 1903	1,400 00	
To Expenses as per Check on Bank	180 00	
		2,344 00
MISCELLANEOUS:		
To Expenses as per Levy, 1904		355 11
ROADS AND BRIDGES:		
To Expenses as per Levy, 1904	$24,570 06	
To Expenses as per Orders on Cash Levy for Chestertown, 1903	2,000 00	
To Expenses as per Orders on Cash Levy for Millington, 1903	200 00	
To Expenses as per Orders on Cash Levy for Chester River Bridge, 1903	116 98	
		26,887 04
SURPLUS FUND:		
To expenses as per Order on Cash Levy, 1903		81 42
Treasurer's Salary		1,800 60
BOND FUND:		
Bridge Bond, Cheek on Bank		1,910 00
County Commissioners, Check for Stamps		5 00
Certificates issued, but not provided for. See Exhibit		876 38
CHARITIES:		
Check for Drugs for small-pox cases		16 90
		$92,156 94
Amount Certificates	$64,659 65	
" paid by orders issued	6,635 16	
" paid without orders	15,800 00	
" paid by Cash	2,404 73	
" Farm account, net	524 31	
" Warrants issued but not provided for	1,256 71	
" Certificates issued but not provided for	876 38	
	$92,156 94	

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BOND STATEMENT, SHOWING ALL BONDS OUTSTANDING.

20 5 per cent. School Bonds, at $1,000		$20,000 00
10 4 per cent. Refunding Bonds, at $1,000		10,000 00
BRIDGE BONDS—4 6 per cent. Bonds at $100	$ 400 00	
3 6 per cent. Bonds at $500	1,500 00	1,900 00
		$31,900 00
These seven Bridge Bonds are not due, but the proceeds from sale of Refunding Bonds were deposited in bank and the balance applicable to payment of these bonds was held in saving account, and amounted to		1,591 52

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STATEMENT OF FUNDS IN BANK FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 7, 1904.

Amount on hand May 27, 1903	$4,157 75	Amount of checks paid during the year ending June 7, 1904	$2,404 73
		To this we add check received in exchange for a certificate, the certificate being accounted for in the item of certificates	161 50
	4,157 75	Balance	1,591 52
Balance	$1,591 52		$4,157 75

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EXHIBIT OF ALMSHOUSE ACCOUNT, ENDING MAY, 1904.

Balance Farm account	$ 524 31	Expenditures for Almshouse, per report	$3,356 49
Amount certific'e 1090 less disc't	$81.75 1 008 25	Balance to be accounted for	117 05
Warrant	$200 00		
Less discount	11.50 188 50		
Cash in Bank	98 48		
Sundry Receipts, per report	127 81		
Warrants issued for paym't of bills	1,526 19		
	$3,473 54		$3,473 54
Balance	117 05		

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EXHIBIT OF ACCOUNTS OF BOARD OF COUNTY SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS FOR THE YEAR ENDING AUGUST 1, 1904.

RECEIPTS:		EXPENDITURES:	
Balance on hand July 1, 1903	$4,154 45	Rent	$125 00
Free Book Fund	2,565 23	Fuel	2,111 87
Manual Training Department	1,500 00	Repairs	1,035 70
State School Tax	11,143 80	Incidental Expense	612 24
County School Tax	20,000 80	Furniture, Blackboards, Stoves	214 91
Books sold	41 16	Teachers Salaries	28,660 47
Coal sold	56 08	Books and Stationery	2,813 24
Tongers Licenses	1,253 99	Salary, Examiner	1,200 00
Interest Account	7 08	Per Diem, Commissioners	311 00
Check lost in mail	1 00	Office Expenses	103 05
Free School Fund	1,516 58	Printing	166 32
		Building School Houses	1,275 03
Total	$42,240 17	Balance in bank	2,611 34
Balance	3,611 34	Total	$42,240 1

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EXHIBIT OF TREASURER'S OFFICE FOR THE YEAR ENDING JULY 1, 1904.

To balance on hand	$354 15	Cash Payments of Certificates	$ 88,882 78
To assessment of real estate after corrections of errors	102,887 72	Cash Payment on Levy	22,436 16
Special Rate	108 00	Insolvencies Allowed	2,064 78
Corporation Stock	4,969 90	Amount in Sheriff's Hands	216 66
Mortgage	1,507 56	Cash in Bank	684 40
Franchise Tax	390 03	Certificates paid Not Levied	24 79
Accounts Due	844 88	Balance	170 44
Certificates	3,000 00	Total	$114,478 87
Fines	9 50		
Interest	332 48		
Additional Corporation Assessm't,	74 65		
Total	$114,478 87		
Balance	$170 44		

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To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners of Kent County, Md.:

We beg to hand you Exhibit "I," showing that the balance in Exhibit "H" has been accounted for. This balance having been in part due to our errors and part to the errors in the accounts of office.

J. F. M. WOODALL,
WILBUR ELIASON, } Auditors.

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EXHIBIT SHOWING CREDITS DUE TREASURER ON BALANCE SHOWN IN EXHIBIT H.

Exhibit H. To balance	$ 170 44	By error in footing of Orphans' Court account	$ 1 00
To am't of taxes collected not charged on books	15 54	By excess of amounts of certificates paid over amount charged on levy	9 40
To amount paid in excess of amount on levy	83	By duplication in charge of corporation taxes, $73.60; interest, $1.05	74 65
		By same, Chestertown Water Co.	1 35
		By additional insolvencies in Sheriff's hands	50 00
		By Melvin certificate of 1902	7 67
		By duplicate payments, for which checks were issued, thus decreasing bank balance	27 74
		By check which was drawn on State Fund incorrectly charged to him	15 00
	$186 81		$186 81

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1.95	Worth $3.00.	Scotch Net Lace Curtains.
2.85	Worth $4.00.	Scotch Net Lace Curtains.
3.60	Worth $5.00.	Scotch Net Lace Curtains.
2.75	Worth $4.00.	Irish Point Lace Curtains.
3.85	Worth $5.00.	Irish Point Lace Curtains.
4.75	Worth $6.50.	Irish Point Lace Curtains.
5.65	Worth $8.00.	Irish Point Lace Cnrtains.
7.25	Worth $10.00.	Irish Point Lace Curtains.
19.50	Worth $25.00.	Brusssels Lace Curtains.
3.15	Worth $4.00	Tapestry Portieres.
3.65	Worth $5.00	Tapestry Portieres.
4.86	Worth $5.00	Tapestry Portieres.
8.65	Worth $10.00	Tapestry Portieres.
10.50	Worth $12.50	Tapestry Portieres.

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$1.50 for $2.00 All Wool Smyrna Rugs; 30x60 inches.
69c for 85c All Wool Smyrna Rugs; 18x36 inches.
$2.50 for $3.25 Velvet Rugs; 27x60 inches.
.50 for $8.00 Reversible Jute Smyrna Rugs; 6x9 ft.
$12.50 for $15.00 Reversible Jute Smyrna Rugs; 9x12 ft.
$19.00 for $22.50 Reversible All Wool Smyrna Rugs; 9x12 ft.
$25.00 for $30.00 Wilton Velvet Rugs; 9x12 ft.
Turkish and Persian Rugs—all sizes—are shown in splendid assortments.

WOMEN'S WAISTS—SPECIAL PRICES.

At $2.00. Women's Waists of Oxford Gray English Flannel front of broad box-pleats; rows of silk tailor stitching and gunmetal buttons making a buttoned vest effect; tucked back; collars and cuffs with rows of silk tailor stitching.

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ORPHAN'S COURT NOTICE.

There will be an extra meeting of the Orphan's Court on THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20th. There will also be a meeting of the Orphan's Court on THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10th, Tuesday, Nov. 8th, being Election Day and a legal holiday.

Test:—
JAMES E. MORRIS,
Register.

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DEMOCRATS, make but TWO cross marks on your ballot next Tuesday—one in the square opposite the names PARKER and DAVIS and the other in the square opposite the name THOMAS ALEXANDER SMITH. Make your cross mark *entirely* inside the square. Do not let it get across the lines or even touch them. Make only TWO cross marks.

JUDGE PARKER'S GREAT ARRAIGNMENT.

In one of the greatest speeches of the campaign, Judge Parker made the following significent, yet truthful arraignment of the Republican party in its methods of conducting the present campaign. Read, it voters, it will open your eyes:

"The spectacle of demanding campaign funds now presented to this country is, when rightly regarded, of a character to shock the moral sense. * * * It must, I firmly believe, be condemned as nothing short of scandalous.

"It is said by Mr. Hay that the character of Mr. Lincoln furnishes the standard for Mr. Roosevelt in his conduct as President. I do not have to pause to hear your thundering 'No' when I ask, Would Lincoln have done or permitted this to be done?

"The whole performance is a shameless exhibition of a willingness to make compromise with decency in order that sums of money may be gathered together sufficiently vast to justify the insolent boast even now that there is no question as to the success which by such a course the Republican managers so confidently predict.

"We now hear again the same old parrot cry that the business interests of the country cannot be entrusted to the keeping of one-half of its people. And that cry wells up from the throats of men whose interest it is to preserve untouched the statutes which permit them to collect tribute from the people.

"This State will be carried, I believe, for them (Herrick and Harrison) and for the national ticket because there will be added to the strength of the Democratic hosts thousands of independents and Republicans who realize that the time has come for a change of measures and of men."

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

The County Commissioners met on Tuesday with full board present.

The following accounts were passed:

ROAD WORK.

Wm. Steel, 1st dist	358.30
J. W. Holden, 1st dist	35.40
A. W. LeSage, 2nd dist	36.44
H. M. Robinson, 2nd dist	12.50
Aron W. Taylor, 3rd dist	27.77
John Henry Crewe, 3rd dist	25.75
Frank Gilpin, 3rd dist	8.24
G. W. Hayes, 5th dist	13.30
Wm. Atkinson, 5th dist	18.00
Jas H. Groves, 5th dist	6.20

MISCELLANEOUS.

W. L. Fowler, order for Almshouse	10.19
Chas. S. Smith, order for Almshouse	67.36
Dr. H. G. Simpers, Local Register	33.80
Milton E. Baker, for glass in Courtroom	1.50
M. W. Thomas, postmaster, for stamps	1.00
Samuel Hicks, Justice of Peace salary	58.65
Robert Calder, " " fees	13.10
J. T. Lamb, Court certificates	17.50
Dr. C. W. Whaland, vaccinating	35.50

Order issued for permit to parties for free treatment at the Md. General Hospital, Mrs. Faucett. Patient to Franklin Square Hospital, John Pearce, for treatment.

Contract for the construction of a bridge upon the Clark road as advertised, was awarded to the York Bridge Co., their bid being $2,148.00.

W. H. Gulick & Co	$2,398
Belmont Iron Works	2,750

York Bridge Co. the lowest they received the contract for $2.148.00.

AGED LADY ASSAULTED.

Brutal Attack Upon Mrs. Rebecca Grason, Near Rising Sun.

Constable Benjamin Briscoe, of the Sixth district of Cecil county, took to the county jail at Elkton late last Friday night William St. Clair, whom he arrested on a charge of brutally assaulting Mrs. Rebecca Grason, an aged lady, at her home near Rising Sun. St. Clair had been drinking freely on Friday and in the afternoon he went to Mrs. Grason's home while her husband, John Grason, was away. Observing that the intruder was under the influence of liquor she began to scream and fled to the garret, but St. Clair quickly followed. Mrs. Grason undertook to fight him off. He grabbed her by the hair and dragged her to the ground floor. Mrs. Grason was rendered unconscious and in that condition was found by her husband when he returned home. Several of the neighbors and a physician went to her assistance. In a short time she was revived enough to tell of the assault, and St. Clair was arrested a short while thereafter. Mrs. Grason is in a serious condition.

State Bankers' Association.

A delightful two days session of the Maryland State Banker's Association was held in Annapolis last week, and was attended by delegates from nearly every banking institution in the State. Mr. H. H. Haines, of Rising Sun, Cecil county, the retiring president of the association, made a splendid address which was full of counsel to the young men, and other speeches were made by prominent financiers of the country. One of the most delightful features of the meeting was a charming reception to the bankers on Thursday evening given at the Executive Mansion by Gov. Edwin Warfield and wife. Gen. John Gill, of Baltimore, was elected president of the association for the ensuing year. Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur W. Hubbard and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bradford Copper represented the Second National Bank, from Chestertown, and they report having had a most delightful visit to the ancient city on the Severn.

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