A PARISIAN BEAUTY.

MME. TALLIEN, WHO, IT IS ASSERTED, SNUBBED NAPOLEON.

A Woman Whose Entrancing Loveliness Dazzled Even the Women of the French Capital—The Mild and Inoffensive Young Bonaparte.

During the directoire Marie de' Medici's palace became the center of government and Barras reigned there under the inspiration of Mme. Tallien. It was she who organized all the fetes and ceremonies which enlivened Paris after the Terror. In 1796 the beautiful Spaniard was twenty-three and had already had an eventful past. The daughter of a financier named Cabarrus, she had married at the age of sixteen the Marquis de Fontenay, been divorced from him in 1793 and had remarried, a few months after, Tallien, the conventionnel.

Arrested May 22, 1794, she was imprisoned in Les Carmes, and it was from here that she wrote the stinging epistles to her husband which induced that wavering spirit to dare all in the attempt to set her free. Armed with a dagger in case of failure and all the courage he could muster, Tallien on the famous 9th Thermidor attacked Robespierre in a debate which brought about the fall of the "sea green monster."

The reign of terror came to an end, the prisons disgorged their victims, and Mme. Tallien received from the people the title of Notre Dame de Thermidor. The world was at her feet, and she dazzled it by her beauty and her charm, her lovers and her luxury. Even women forgot to be jealous and acknowledged what all men proclaimed. The following description is from the pen of one of her own sex, Mme. de Chastenay:

"Mme. Tallien came every day to visit Barras. I do not think it possible to be lovelier than this woman was then. I shall always see her like a fairy queen among the rest, her beautiful black hair coiled simply on her head without any ornament, round her neck a single string of large pearls. She wore a white underdress and tunic of ink crepe, and, sitting on the ground playing with a child of three, the son of one of Barras' friends, they made a group which no classic sculpture could surpass."

Barras tells us with great naivete, in his memoirs, that the "Little Corsican" only turned his attention to Josephine Beauharnais after a fruitless attempt to obtain favor with Mme. Tallien and that this lady had treated him with great disdain, telling him "she could do better for herself." This account of the affair coming from any other quarter would be more credible.

A considerable event was now to take place at the Luxembourg—namely, the reception given to General Bonaparte after the campaign of Italy. For this ceremony (Dec. 10, 1797) the courtyard of the palace was transformed into a sort of temple, and an altar to la Patrie erected in the grand entrance hall. The five directors, with Barras at their head, attired themselves as Romans, while Talleyrand, the minister of foreign affairs, was prepared with an elaborate harangue.

The scene was made additionally brilliant by the presence of many ladies, whose splendid jewels and rich dresses did honor to the occasion, while their eager faces and murmured admiration betrayed their interest in the young hero. Among these groups not the least noticeable were Mme. de Stael and Mme. Recamier—"Wit and Beauty," as Napoleon himself named them.

Alone of all the assembly the future emperor had assumed no imposing costume. His uniform, that of a general of the Revolution, suggested a character of republican simplicity, while his pallor, his gravity and quiet demeanor seemed to deprecate the ceremony of which he was the object. The tone of his speech was equally modest, his theme the pride he felt in his country's scientific conquests and her progress in the paths of peace.

Surely no government could suspect a rival in so well disposed a young man. Two years later the coup d'etat of Brumaire drove Barras from the Luxembourg, and the first assembly, which in France has borne the title of senate, began its sittings in the palace. —Hon. Mrs. E. Stuart Wortley in National Review.

Each In His Trade.

The violinist had been invited to a "family dinner," but it proved that several relatives of his host were present, and their demands for music were most persistent.

The violinist played three times, and then, when the applause after his third solo had died away, he turned to his host.

"And now, monsieur," he said eagerly, "now it is that you will show us how you sell ze flour in ze wheat pit. Can I help roll ze barrel in, monsieur?"

Food Laws In France.

Parisians who suspect adulteration in the food or drink they buy take it to the municipal laboratory and have it analyzed free of cost. The city undertakes the prosecution, if need be, of the offender, who, if the case is proved, is liable not only to fine and imprisonment, but to the exposure in his shop window of a notice of "conviction of adulteration."

Her Soft Side.

Child (pausing in front of grandmother, who is on a visit, to consider her carefully)—Granny, which side of you is the soft side? Granny—Why, darling? Child—Because mother says if I keep on the soft side of granny, perhaps she'll give me a bicycle.—Punch.

To pity distress is but human; to relieve it is godlike.—Mann.

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,
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THOMAS W. SKIRVEN,
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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 1904-5	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
492 Error	1 00
600 Galagher	77
599 S. Boyer	1 56
754 Woodall	57
225 Smith	40
423 Brock	04
467 Bennett	03
603 Garey, Ches. Nat. Bank	1 50
604 Freeman, 2nd. "	35 00
602 Garey Ches. "	26 25
Boyer	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	$21 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 67

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

ADDITIONAL ALMSHOUSE WARRANTS NOT PROVIDED FOR.

Dec. 1, 1901 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.

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 per Levy, 1904	138 80	
To Expenditures as Orders on Cash Levy	86 00	
" " " " 1903	25 20	
To Expenditures as Check on Bank		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 93
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 00
BOND FUND:		
ridge Bond, Check 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
County School Tax	41 16	Teachers Salaries	23,490 47
Books sold	56 08	Books and Stationery	2,813 24
Coal sold	1,253 99	Salary, Examiner	1,200 00
Tongers Licenses	7 08	Per Diem, Commissioners	311 00
Interest Account	1 00	Office Expenses	103 05
Check lost in mail	1,516 58	Printing	166 32
Free School Fund		Building School Houses	1,275 08
		Balance in bank	2,611 34
Total	$42,240 17	Total	$42,240 1
Balance	3,611 34		

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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	22,435 16
Special Rate	108 00	Insolvencies Allowed	2,064 78
Corporation Stock	4,969 90	Amount in Sheriff's Hands	216 66
Mortgage	1,967 56	Cash in Bank	684 49
Franchise Tax	390 03	Certificates paid Not Levied	24 70
Accounts Due	844 88	Balance	170 44
Certificates	3,000 00		
Fines	9 50		
Interest	332 48		
Additional Corporation Assessm't	74 65		
Total	$114,478 87	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.

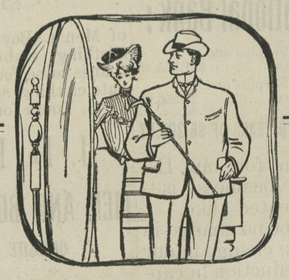
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EXHIBIT SHOWING CREDITS DUE TREASURER ON BALANCE SHOWN IN EXHIBIT H.

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, $73.00; interest, $1 05	74 65
		By same, Chestertown Water	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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