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I will offer some Bargains the balance of the season in both new and second-hand. I have two Ladies Bicycles, perfect wheels. Examine them at **$37.50**

Bicycle Bells	25
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MY HARNESS

are honest values, and my NETS made of good OAK tanned stock, are good bargains at $1.35 for 5 Bar, 40 Lashes. Body and Breast, mind, none of your little short nets. I have better ones too. WHIPS from 30c. to $1.00.

ISAAC ROBINSON,
STILL POND, MD.

PROCLAMATION!

WHEREAS at the January session in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-six of the General Assembly of Maryland a bill was passed proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State by adding an additional section to Article fifteen thereof, to be known as Section eleven of said Article, which said bill and amendment are in the words following, to wit:

CHAPTER 459.

AN ACT to amend the Constitution of the State by adding an additional Section to Article fifteen thereof, to be known as Section eleven of said Article.

SECTION 1. *Be it Enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, (three fifths of all the members of the House concurring), That the following additional section be, and the same hereby is, proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of this State: and, if adopted by the legal and qualified voters thereof as herein provided, it shall stand and be known as Section eleven, of article fifteen of said Constitution:

11. Appointments in the Civil service of the State, in the municipalities and counties of the State, shall be made according to merit and fitness, to be ascertained as far as practicable by examination, which shall be competitive, except appointments which are subject to confirmation by the Senate, and the General Assembly shall pass all such laws as may be necessary more fully to carry into effect the provisions of this section.

SECTION 2. *And be it Further Enacted by the Authority Aforesaid*, That the foregoing section, hereby proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of this State shall be, at the next general election held in this State, submitted to the legal and qualified voters thereof for their adoption or rejection, in pursuance of the directions contained in Article fourteen of the Constitution of this State and at the said general election the vote on said proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be by ballot, and upon each ballot used at said election shall be printed, after the lists of candidates, the question concerning the adoption or rejection of said proposed constitutional amendment, so that each voter at such election can designate thereon in the manner prescribed by law, whether his vote is "For the Constitutional Amendment," or "Against the Constitutional Amendment" as he shall elect, and immediately after said election due return shall be made to the Governor of the State of the vote for and against said proposed amendment, as directed by said fourteenth article of the Constitution.

Approved April 4th, 1896.

NOW THEREFORE, I, LLOYD LOWNDES, Governor of the State of Maryland, in pursuance of the provisions of Section one of Article fourteen of the Constitution of the State, do hereby order and direct that a copy of said bill proposing said consitutional amendment be published in at least two newspapers in each county, where so many may be published, and where not more than one may be published, then in that newspaper, and in three newspapers in the City of Baltimore, one of which shall be in the German language, once a week for at least three months preceding the next ensuing general election, (which said general election will be held on Tuesday, the Second day of November, eighteen hundred and sinety-seven), at which election the said proposed amendment shall be submitted in the form and manner prescribed by the General Assembly, to the qualified voters of the State for adoption or rejection.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of Maryland.

THE GREAT SEAL OF MARYLAND.

Done at the City of Annapolis on the first day of July, in the year of Our Lord eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

LLOYD LOWNDES,
Governor of Maryland.

By order of the Governor:

RICHARD DALLAM,
Secretary of State.

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5c. can buy one Package Rolled Oats, choice quality.

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Brooms 10, 12½ and 15 cents each.

Yours for Business during August,

R. F. PARKS,
Aug. 14. 1897. Chestertown, Md.

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

MARY L. M. BEASTON,

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 15th day of February, 1898, otherwise they may be excluded by law, from all benefits in said estate. All indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the subscriber.

Given under my hand this 10th day of August, 1897.

MARION DEK. SMITH,
August 14, 1897—4t. Administrator.

Number 1270 Chancery.

Order Nisi.

Carolene L. Hynson and Richard D. Hynson, Executors of Richard Hynson, deceased.
versus
Henry Urie and Sarah Urie, his wife.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County, in Equity.

ORDERED, this 23d day of July, 1897, that the sale of the real estate mentioned in these proceedings, made and reported by RICH'D D. HYNSON, attorney named in mortgage in above cause, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 25th day of September next;—Provided, a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Kent county, once in each of three successive weeks before the 25th day of August next.

The report states the amount of sales to be $426.00.

SAMUEL G. FISHER, CLERK.
True copy, Test:
SAMUEL G. FISHER, CLERK.
July 24, 1897—4t.

No. 1253 Chancery.

Order Nisi.

Security, Trust and Safe Deposit Company
versus
Emma E. Groves.

In the Circuit Court for Kent Co., in Equity.

ORDERED, this 6th day of August, 1897, that the sale of the Real Estate mentioned in these proceedings, made and reported by MARION DEK. SMITH, Trustee, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 8th day of October next;—Provided a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Kent County, once in each of three successive weeks before the 7th day of September next.

The report states the amount of sales to be $3,346.75.

SAMUEL G. FISHER, Clerk.
True copy—Test:
SAMUEL G. FISHER, Clerk.
August 7, 1897—4t.

Written for the Kent News.

A WONDERFUL REPTILE.

Caught By a James River Fisherman Just the Shape of the River.

A New York traveling man recently arrived at Norfolk from a trip through Virginia and tells of a remarkable discovery, which was recently made by fishermen up the James river near City Point a few days ago.

"I had heard a good deal about the scenery along the river," said he, and wanted to visit two or three of the battle grounds of the late war, so I finished up my business at Petersburg and went over to City Point, General Grant's old headquarters. A great many of the darkies get their living up that way by net fishing. The morning after I reached City Point, a man told me some of the fishermen had caught a strange animal, and if I went up to Peter Jackson's shanty I could see it. Accordingly, I got into a boat and paid one of the old Uncle Tom darkies a quarter to row me up to the place. He had heard of the discovery and said it was some "wonderful beast" that no one in those parts had ever seen before. Fully a hundred colored brethren of all sizes and descriptions had gathered around by the time we had arrived. The night before while Jackson and his brother had been hauling their net there was an unusual commotion, and after dumping the fish they were astonished to find a remarkable looking reptile a little less than three feet in length. It at first made a lively fight, but was finally laid out by a blow from an oar. The superstitious negroes were almost afraid to row ashore with it, but curiosity finally overcame their fear. I do not wonder that the darkies were so scared. It had 14 or 15 claws attached to short legs something like an alligator, also an enormous mouth, which had been pried open and was lined with ugly rows of teeth. The tail was shaped like that of a whale and the web-footed claws showed that it belonged to a species, which could swim. Its color was dark green, the claws being red, also portions of the tail and the inside of the mouth as well. It had one large eye, and a long slim tongue like that of a snake. I am frank to say that I never saw anything like it before, and if I had been out with the boys any during the week, would of thought sure that I 'had 'em' but I had been sober as a judge for months before.

"The thing was taken up to Richmond, and from there sent North to some naturalist I believe. It was sent on the steamer Virginia of the James river route of the Old Bay Line. I came along on the same trip, and the officers of the boat had quite a discussion about the animal or reptile. We spread it out on a piece of paper, and one of the pilots while examining, suddenly made an exclamation. Before we could ask him what was the matter he hastened out and came back with a map of the James river. Wonderful to say, the shape of the thing was almost similar to the many curves in the stream. The Chickahominy and other rivers which flow into the James river, corresponded with the legs of the animal, and where the river was largest it was broadest. The tail was located near Richmond, and its mouth when opened was very similar to the shape of the Hampton roads between Old Point Comfort and Norfolk. The officers of the steamer were so impressed with the likeness, that one of them made a drawing of it I believe, and sent it to the headquarters of the Baltimore Steam packet Company which operates the James river line of steamers between Baltimore and Richmond.

I should think that the Smithsonian Institute at Washington would like very much to get this curiosity. It may have been a Southern alligator, which had gotten out of his latitude and into the James, but I never seen an alligator before which had a red tail and tongue and was of such a vivid greenish tint.

THE SOUTHERN FIELD.

A Paper Devoted to the Development of the South.

Another edition of "The Southern Field" has been issued by the Southern Railway Company, and is now ready for distribution. It treats fully of the agricultural, manufacturing, mining and business interests of the South, and is a most comprehensive and interesting publication. Copies will be mailed free upon application to John M. Beall, District Passenger Agent, Southern Railway, 828 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

THE ANNUAL LEVY.

In pursuance of chapter 203, section 87, B, Act of 1870, of the Public Local Laws for Kent county, the undersigned, County Treasurer hereby give notice that the annual levy for 1897, has been made by the county commissioners, and a county tax rate of 90 cents on the $100 has been declared to meet such indebtedness.

As prescribed by law, a State Tax of 17¾ cents on the $100 has been imposed for and to use of the State of Maryland.

Notice is hereby given that all COUNTY and STATE TAXES ARE DUE AND PAYABLE SEPTEMBER FIRST, 1897, and if not paid before January 1898, interest will be charged and collected from Sept. 1st.

Levies are payable January 1st, but will be received any time in payment of county taxes.

Discount will be allowed on State Taxes only, as follows: 5 per cent. in August, 4 per cent. in September, 3 per cent. in October.

☞ The treasurer will be ready to receive Taxes on and after Wednesday, Aug. 4th, 1897, at his office in the Court House, Chestertown.

Respectfully,
WILLIAM D. BURCHINAL,
a7-tf. TREASURER.

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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

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They will also continue DRESSMAKING.
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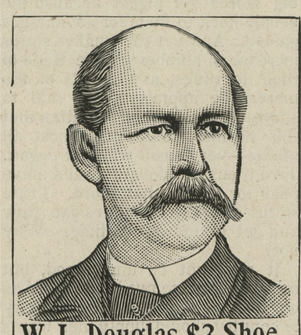

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NOTICE:
The County Commissioners will meet EVERY TUESDAY on and after this date, Tuesday, Sept. 29, 1896.
By order of the Board,
WM. H. LAMBERT, JR.
s26-tf. CLERK.

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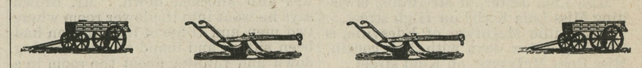

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