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TOP SPINDLE, nicely finished, goes at $42.00.

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

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the subscribers have obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county letters of administration on the personal estate in Kent county, Maryland, of

ROSALIE A. BOGLE,
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 22d day of February 1898, 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 subscriber.

Given under my hand this 17th day of August, 1898.

NEWTON S. BOGLE,
JAMES A. PEARCE,
Aug. 21, 1897—4t. Administrators.

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.

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.

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PITHY SERMON.

George H. Hepworth in the Sunday "New York Herald."

Do the Best You Can.

Do that which is good, and thou shalt have praise of the same.—Romans, xiii, 3.

In its last analysis, what is religion? Brushing aside the definitions with which the world is flooded, and which are apt to be more or less confusing, what do you think God requires of a man who would seek his approval? Your object being to make most of the present and to properly prepare for the future, what is necessary for the accomplishment of these two ends?

We are interested, of course, in what the interpreters of Christ's words will say on this subject, but their statements are not binding unless we agree with them. That which does not appeal to our personal judgment can have very little influence in our lives, and it would be a sorry and disastrous thing to substitute what others think for what we ought to think out for ourselves. Your conscience and your sense of duty are very solemn affairs, and in your obedience to them your character is involved. It is nothing to you that all the world believes a doctrine; you must convince yourself of its truth or it will be worthless as a factor in your conduct.

Let us, therefore turn away from all conventions and councils and lay the open Testament on the table before us. If you be one in the vast congregation of humble folk who heard the Christ when he preached on the shores of Gallilee, or had been invited to sup at the house of Lazarus when the Lord blessed it with His presence, and had heard Him discourse on this subject, what would you have thought He regarded as the prime essential of religion?

I believe you would have come away from Bethany with the very solemn impression that when a man honestly does the best he knows how under any given set of circumstances he fulfills every requirement. If we all did that much the millennium would no longer hesitate to come. Our trouble is we know what is right but lack the courage to do it. Men's brains are twenty-four hours ahead of their wills and hearts, for every man knows that wrong will bring him unmitigated evil and that right is as sure to vindicate itself as the sun is to rise to-morrow. We need but one thing—the honesty to follow out our convictions. The poor creature who wrecks his soul sees the right clearly, but does not dare do it. He tries to persuade himself that he may avoid the consequences of his misdeeds, but never in a single instance has he succeeded in accomplishing that impossibility.

If you do the best you know how you may make mistakes of judgement, but your heart will be pure and your conscience will be clear. Doing the best you know how is not easy work, but it is the same kind of work spiritually that gymnastics is physically—that is, it develops the soul and insures increase of health and strength. To do the best you know how is about as difficult and certainly as ennobling a task as you ever set yourself to, for it requires independence of character, fortitude under the burden of opposition, the determination to be right with yourself even though you must be wrong with the world, and the ability to find in the consciousness that you have done your duty as you understand it a satisfaction which fully repays you for your effort.

You cannot go far amiss if you do what you yourself think is right. Your judgement in the matter will grow by what it feeds on. You will have a clear eye and a generous soul. You will respect yourself and be respected even by those who differ from you in opinion. You will be a thoroughly manly man, full of courage to meet an emergency and full of charity for your weaker fellows who have fallen under some great temptation. The man who has always done the best he knew how is no ordinary person; he is one of our ideals, blessed with the good will of the world and the smile of Heaven.

I yield to none in my reference for the Christ who shines upon the ages in the splendor of His divine personalty.

He tells me that if I love God because God is my best friend, and love my neighbors because we all have a common destiny, have the stint that has been set me, and at the end of my days' work the sun will set radiantly and the promise of an eternal day will make me glad to exchange the present with its curious limitations for a future in which I shall have a larger ambition and greater opportunities for development.

I must keep the gradeur of my future in mind. I must remember that this is God's world, and that its laws represent His wisdom and love. I must do the best I can, the thing which I believe to be just and true, no matter who tells me nay and no matter at what cost. Then I shall become high-souled and all my experiences will contribute strength, even when I am suffering hardship and bereavement.

That is a doctrine both encouraging and invigorating, enabling a man to become all soul instead of all body, so that when he reaches the end he will feel like one who has been on a long journey but is at last going Home, and he will hear the voice saying, "I go to prepare a place for you, that where I am there ye may be also."

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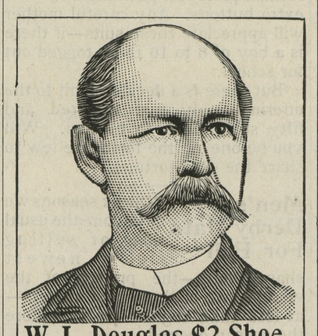

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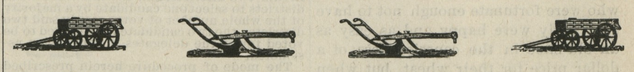

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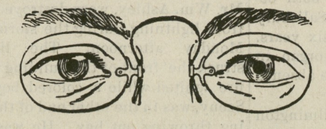

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