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REV. T. DE WITT TALMAGE is critically ill with inflammation of the brain. His death is looked for at any moment as the doctors say there is no hope for him

GOV. SMITH has issued his proclamation calling the General Assembly of Maryland to meet Wednesday, April 16, to enact a law fixing the rate of State taxation for the years 1902 and 1903 and providing for the levy of State taxes for those years.

THE Easton Gazette, Republican seems to be "agin" the tongers. It says:

"The Haman oyster bill was defeated, the tongmen are jubilant. Nevertheless something is wrong with the condition of things. It would probably be better to have no oyster laws for at least two years, and let the State run riot. Then the tongmen and dredgers would welcome any legislation for the preservation of the beds and the propagation of the oyster."

THE Centreville Record celebrated its 27th anniversary last week. Under the pilotage of that veteran writer, Col. W. Scott Roberts, aided at present by Mr. S. Chester Coursey, the Record continues to hold a high place in journalism. We are glad that our neighbors across the river have emerged from the conflict of words and hope that they will hereafter dwell together in unity and love.

IT seems as if Col. W. J. Vannort is to have a formidable opponent for the office of town commissioner. Mr. S. Frank Smith announced his candidacy this week and states that his platform is "music with restrictions, a system for collecting garbage, for the present police officers and for progress." He promises to give the town his faithful and earnest service and to aid the Ladies Improvement Society in their good work. Col. Vannort and Mr. Smith are both members of the Republican party and the fight promises to be heated. The election takes place Monday week. May the best man win.

DO IT WITHOUT COST.

Legislature Should Repair Tax Levy Blunder Without Extra Session

We are glad to see that there is a disposition on the part of our Senators and members of the legislature to do the square thing. If the NEWS does work that is not up to contract or delivers a piece of printing uncompleted the damage is repaired without a cent cost to our customers and so it is in every other vocation. The Maryland Legislature adjourned leaving an important part of their work uncompleted. They made a blunder, and now the proper and just thing to do is to repair the mistake free of cost. They have all received their pay for *unfinished* work.

Senator Robert M. Dixon, of Talbot county, in discussing the proposed call of the Legislature together in extra session, says: "The failure of the General Assembly to enact the Tax Levy bill was a blunder or mistake of the Legislature, and the Legislature owes it to the State to repair its own mistakes at its own cost. This is a fair business proposition. If you employ a man to do a piece of work and he fails to do it right you expect him to keep at it until he does get it right, and you ordinarily do not pay him until he succeeds. It is necessary for the Legislature to be in session only a single day to repair this blunder and enact the tax law. The members of the Legislature owe it to the State that they do this without charge. I believe every one of them has a railroad pass to Baltimore, and the only expense they would be put to would be a meal or two. I think that this one law should be passed, and no other, not even an appropriation bill to pay the cost of the extra session. There should be no cost for the extra session, and I hope the members and officials will be unanimous in declining to provide or take any per diem."

President John Hubner, of the Maryland Senate, and Senator Johnzie E. Beasman, of Carroll county, said: "the dispatch containing an interview with State Senator Dixon, taking the ground that the Legislature should repair its blunder without cost to the State, meets with our most hearty approbation. I am sure," added Mr. Hubner, "that the majority of the Senators will agree to attend the extra session without asking compensation."

State Senator Putzel said that if the Democrats would agree to be in session only one day he would donate his per diem and would be willing to pay the expenses of any other man who was unwilling to do so.

Mr. William H. Forsythe, Jr., member of the House of Delegates from Howard county, stated yesterday his intention of offering an order as soon as the House meets by which the members will waive all claims for their per diem and mileage. Mr. Forsythe has calculated that unless this is done the cost to the State per day will be about $6,540.

Reading Clerk Townsend, of the House, said he is willing te perform his duties without pay. Mr. Isaac Lobe Straus has stated that he will do all within his power to have his friends in the House withhold claims for attendance and mileage. He will also insist that no other measure than the Tax Levy Bill be considered.

KENT'S PUBLIC ROADS.

Better direction and more intelligent labor on the public highways are subjects now occupying public consideration in every county of Maryland. With the passage of the frost of the winter comes from every region of the State a loud complaint of the unfitness of the roads. This complaint, although repeated in Maryland for many springs, will not be repeated forever. The farmer and the villager are coming everywhere to feel that something is lacking to the scheme which supplies them with ditches of mud or ridges of sand to lighten their roads and lengthen their journeys. This feeling of lack must finally lead in every case to a right search for its remedy. This search has begun in some cases already. Baltimore county has an enlightened road law and its highways are under care of one man who knows how they ought to be treated and is responsible for all the mistakes he may make. He is making use of such aid as the Highway Division of the Maryland Geological Survey can give him. Only a few weeks ago the best interests of Cecil county assembled in Elkton to talk about roads. They are now agitating for the best methods that the best advice can suggest to them. They too have called on the Highway Division. The Commissioners of Howard county have had the co-operation of the Maryland Geological Survey in two important pieces of work. In Harford county the Woolsey road is coming to completion under the Highway Division's specifications. Prince George's new law puts the improvement of the roads leading from the District of Columbia, and to be maintained by the liquor license fees, under the direction of the Survey. New road legislation has also been under consideration in Wicomico and elsewhere.

Technical skill in road craft, individual authority and responsibility, bredth of plan and thoroughness of purpose, are the chief lacks in the Maryland highway system, as it is seen by Mr. A. N. Johnson, the Highway engineer of the Maryland Geological Survey. Mr. Johnson came to Maryland from the Massachusetts Highway Commission. Massachusetts is noted for the most perfect system of highways in the United States, and for the most improved methods of maintaining her superiority. The Maryland engineer is familiar, therefore, with the traditions and practices of road administration held and followed where roads are best. His duties in connection with the State Geological Survey the past two years have sent him all over Maryland and before the commissioners of nearly all its counties.

"Close study of the roads and road methods in all the counties of the State," says Mr. Johnson, "has satisfied me that most of the road funds, as applied at present, are wasted. But it also convinces me that there is a practical remedy for the scant improvement in the roads of the State, for which more than half a million dollars is paid annually. That the present system prevailing is most of the counties does not improve the roads from year to year no one doubts.

"The important point to establish is a remedy within the means of the county treasuries. After much study of all the conditions effecting both the administration and methods used under the present systems there no longer remains any doubt concerning the cause of the failure of these methods. It is the dissipation of funds each year over too much road.

"Such a method can never result in any improvement from year to year. It may be true that the road tax of a single county is not sufficient to improve in a substantial manner all the county's roads. Yet the tax in all the counties is enough to improve properly parts of all the roads. At present each of the 100 or 3000 supervisors in a county is alotted, say, $20 a mile. What does he do with it in most instances? Find the worst place in his piece of road and improve it in a thorough manner even if 100 yards consumes all his appropriation? On the contrary he usually spreads his money over the whole extent of that piece of road with the object of making as much of a show as possible. All that is now accomplished with half a million dollars each year is a little useless scratching of the road beds. If the supervisors will concentrate their efforts to improve only a small part of the road under their charge, so that next year will bear evidence to the work done this year, when we shall see real improvement in the roads.

"In order to reach the best results there must be a general system outlined and intelligent direction can be secured only by the employment of a skilled road engineer, or road builder, for each county, or perhaps of one for two adjoining counties, who would have general charge of all the improvements. In other words, put the road expenditures on a business basis. How much would be accomplished by a number of workmen on a large building, each one left to build here or there according to his own ideas? The structure that would result would be a fitting monument to the present road-system.

"In addition to pointing out defects and giving general advice, usually admitted as 'all well enough,' but sometimes termed 'not practical,' the Highway Division of the Maryland Geological Survey is ready to give practical aid with practical suggestions which will result in a real and substantial improvement to the roads without additional tax levies. The services of the Division are at the disposal of the county officials without charge. When necessary, surveys and plans are made and, if any considerable amount of work is to be done on a piece of road, a supervision of the construction will be undertaken. The State offers to the counties skilled aid in the improvement of their roads and it only remains for the county officials to avail themselves of this opportunity that this advantage may be secured to the people, to whom it belongs."

THE same conditions exist in Talbot as in Kent in regard to labor and the colored children. Col. Hadaway of the Ledger says:

"Three months of schooling a year is enough for negro children,—say December, January and February. In that time they can get as much "Learning" as they can assimilate. They would then have nine months for industrial purposes, and as a race they would be far better off. The negro once occupied a noble position in agriculture. The false education, so called, he gets in the public schools has deprived him of that position."

TRUSTEE'S SALE

OF THE

Chestertown Property

of the Late Thomas S. Wickes.

BY virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court for Kent County, in equity, passed in a cause wherein A. R. Wickes and others are complainants and Hope Wickes and others defendants, the undersigned, as trustee, will offer at public sale at the Court House Door, in Chestertown, Maryland,

On TUESDAY, April 15th, 1902,

beginning at 11 o'clock, a. m., the following real estate located in Chestertown, Kent County, Maryland, which was owned by the late Thomas S. Wickes, deceased:

No. 1.

That lot of land on High street having a front of about 18 feet and depth of 132 feet and 1 inch, and 20 feet and 3 inches wide at the back; improved by a TWO-STORY BRICK FRONT BUILDING and One Story Frame Back Building, making a store room 15 feet wide and about 90 feet long. In this property the late Thomas S. Wickes for many years conducted a general merchandise business and it is in the business part of Chestertown. A right of way 8 feet in width at the back of this property gives access to Cross street. This property and right of way is subject to and annual ground rent of $10.70.

Possession will be given upon ratification of sale.

No. 2.

That lot of land on High Street know as ths FIDDIS PROPERTY, adjoining parcel number one, now occupied by the Isaac Robinson Company, having a front of about 33 feet and 8 inches, and an even depth of 131 feet; improved by a Two Story Frame Store Building. A fine business location.

Posession will be given upon ratification of sale.

No. 3.

That lot of land on High street adjoining parcel number two, having a front of 15 feet 4 inches and even depth of 131 feet; improved by a Two Story Frame Building built in 1893. This is a splendid building and can be adopted to any buisness purpose.

Possession will be given upon ratification of sale.

No, 4.

That unimproved lot of land on Cannon street adjoining the lands of Chapman and Lambert and lying back of and adjoining parcel number three and the property of Wm. R. Maul, having a front on Cannon Street of about 31 feet and 8 inches and an even depth of 168 feet. Good building site. Warehouse and stable of the Isaac Robinson Company exempt from this sale.

Possession will be given upon ratification of sale.

No. 5.

That unimproved lot of land on Cannon street adjoining parcel number four, lying back of parcel number two, having a front of about 35 feet and 4 inches and an even depth of 168 feet. Good building site. Warehouse and stable of the Isaac Robinson Company exempt from the sale.

Possession will be given upon ratification of sale.

No. 6.

That unimproved let of land on the corner of Maple avenue and Front (or Water) street, adjoining the property of the heirs of the late W. N. E. Wickes, having a front of 46 feet and 2 inches and an even depth of 165 feet to Chester River. The best building location in Chestertown.

Possession will be given upon ratification of sale.

No. 7.

That lot of land on Queen street adjoining the properties of W. H. Lambert, and Mrs. Lydia C Shaw, now tenanted by Frank E. Duyer, having a front of 49 feet and 9 inches with a depth of 105 feet and 2 inches and a width at the back of 23 feet and 9 inches. The improvements consist of a TWO-STORY FRAME DWELLING HOUSE, containing five rooms and kitchen with a cellar under the whole house. There is also a frame stable. This property is located upon the most desirable portion of Queen street. It is subject to the use of a way three feet wide running back from Queen street for the lot owned by Mrs. Lydia C. Shaw and next to her property.

Possession will be given January 1st, 1903. The purchaser will be entitled to the rents from day of sale.

No 8

That lot on Maple avenue adjoining the lands of William J. Vannort and property formerly owned by Harry Rickey, having a front of 24 feet and 6 inches and an even depth of 132 feet, improved by an old ONE STORY FRAME HOUSE.

No. 9.

That lot in Lynchburg, Chestertown, now occupied by Caroline Brown, having a front on Lynchburg street of 100 feet and an even depth of 80 feet, improved by a STORY and a HALF DWELLING with kitchen attached. This lot can be divided into five or six building lots, and by the erection of small dwellings can be readily rented to advantage.

Possession will be given upon ratification of sale.

This sale affords a rare and unequalled opportunity to secure business houses in the best business location in Chestertown, resident sites and investments in town property.

TERMS OF SALE:—One-Third of the purchased money cash on the day of sale, the residue in two equal instalments in one and two years from the day of sale; the deferred payments to bear interest from the day of sale and to be secured to the satisfaction of the trustee.

Title papers and revenue stamps at cost of purchasers.

LEWIN W. WICKES,

J. H. GREENWOOD, Auct. TRUSTEE mar8.

Mortgagee's Sale

—OF A—

Valuable Farm

SITUATED IN WORTON DISTRICT OF KENT COUNTY, MD.

BY VIRTUE of a decree of the Circuit Court for Kent county, Maryland, sitting as a Court of Equity, bearing date the 10th day of February, 1902, appointing the undersigned Trustee to sell the real estate hereafter described, I will offer at public sale in front of the Court House Door in Chestertown, Kent county. Maryland, on

TUESDAY, April 15, '02

between the hours of 1 o'clock P. M. and 2 o'clock P. M, ALL THE RIGHT, TITLE INTEREST AND ESTATE OF GEORGE R. BECK AND ALPHONZA, BECK in and to

ALL THAT FARM

situated in Worton district, Kent county, Maryland, on the public road leading from Catt's Corner to Smithville, and immediately adjoining the village of Smithville, together with ALL WOOD LOTS thereunto belonging or adjacent thereto, which said farm it is supposed contains

193 Acres

OF LAND, MORE OR LESS, and the same was devised by James Beck of George to his daughter, Mrs. Margaret A. I. Stephens, and his son, George R. Beck, to each an undivided moiety in fee simple, subject to the life estate therein of Mrs. Millicent R. Beck, recently deceased, which said farm is now tenanted by William H. French, and was in part conveyed to the said James Beck of George by Joseph B. Baker and wife by deed dated March 7th, 1865, and recorded in Liber J. K. H., No. 4, folios 642, &c.; and by another deed from James Harper et. al. dated Dec. 26th, 1866, recorded in Liber J. K. H., No. 6, folios 192, &c., as on reference to same will more fully and at large appear.

THE IMPROVEMENTS consist of a COMFORTABLE

Frame Dwelling,

with eight rooms, in fair repair, a good Ten-Horse STABLE, BARN and other Outbuildings, in fair condition and repair.

It is divided into seven fields, the soil is of fine natural quality and is easily improved, and retains well whatever is put on it. Mr. Wm H. French, who is at present the excellent tenant on said farm, will gladly show it to any intending purchasers.

TERMS OF SALE.

One-third of the purchase money cash on the day of sale, and the residue in twelve and eighteen months in two equal installments from the day of sale. All unpaid purchase money to bear interest from the day of sale, and to be secured by the note or notes of the purchaser to the satisfaction of the Trustee All title papers at the cost of the purchaser

The purchaser will receive one half of the landlord's share of corn and will pay $19.50 for one-half of clover seed.

HOPE H. BARROLL, TRUSTEE.

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