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WHEN our courts are releived by law of many petty appeals and insignificant larceny cases there will be a long stride made toward a betterment in conditions and greater economy in court expenses.

THE Denton town commissioners have contracted for a new brick engine house, together with material for proposed water-works at a little over $9,000. Mr. C. S. York will superintend the erection of the plant.

The vacancy in the legal staff of the Pennsylvania Railroad on the peninsula left by the death of Judge Russum has just been filled by the appointment of Henry R. Lewis, of Caroline, as counsel for the road in Caroline county, and Marion DeKalb Smith as its counsel in Kent county.

IN another column Mr. S. F. Smith publishes a card withdrawing from the contest for town commissioner. Mr. Smith entered the contest against the advice of his best friends, and his withdrawal is the result of their persistent solicitation, so that the field is now clear for the unanimous re-election of Col. W. J. Vannort. The office is a thankless job and but few men are willing to consent to take upon themselves its onerous duties, much less to enter a contest for same.

CHESTERTOWN has experienced summer heat this week, the thermometer on Tuesday and Wednesday registering 86°. A drought was reported on Monday from the West, while out in Nevada, Wyoming Idaho and Montana snow storms prevailed and snow was piled up to a depth of six inches in many places, with a cold wind howling. It is a most remarkable exhibition of climate possibilities in this country, and the suffering that came with the high temperature was almost as serious as that which followed the lowering of the temperature during the winter months.

CHESTERTOWN owes a debt of appreciation to the recent Grand Jury and in particular to Officers S. E. Cooper and Wm. A. Hudson for the excellent work accomplished. On Thursday two well-known violators of the local option law, viz, Roger Garrity, white, and Pete Coleman, colored, were convicted and other well-known characters were presented charged with similar offences. Public sentiment we are glad to note is driving *reputable* violators, if we may use such a term, from our midst, the traffic being conducted almost entirely by negroes and men of little character. With such police officers and diligent Sheriff backed up by the Court, jury and public sentiment this business will soon be broken up. Judge Martin on Thursday, in sentencing a prisoner, remarked very justly that the purchaser of liquors was just as guilty as the dispenser and should be just as liable, but the law excuses him in order that the latter might be more easily detected. Let the good work go on.

WILL NOT BE HANGED

Burke's Death Sentence Commuted to Life Imprisonment.

Governor Smith has commuted the death sentence of Lloyd L. Burk to imprisonment for life. This act of clemency was decided upon after two reprieves upon the recommendation of Judge Edward H. Brown, who sat in the case, and of all the jurors who tried the prisoner. The recommendation was also made by Rev. D. L. Greenfield, of the Methodist Protestant Church; Rev. Edward J. Creed, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and a large number of other prominent citizens and residents of Queen Anne's county.

On February 25, at the earnest solicitation of a number of prominent men from Queen Anne's county, Governor Smith granted a reprieve to Burk, who then under sentence to be hanged at Centreville on Friday, February 28. This reprieve was for one month, or until March 28. This date proved to be Good Friday, and the Governor was not inclined to have the law enforced on that day, so a second respite was given the condemned prisoner. The second respite was for four weeks, or until April 25.

Petitions and solicitations was renewed. The counsel for the prisoner brought great pressure to bear upon the Executive, but he would not take the decisive step until Judge Brown, of Queen Anne's county, who sat in the case, and jurors who rendered the verdict, and others earnestly petitioned for clemency, that the Governor consented to substitute life imprisonment for the death penalty. This was finally decided Tuesday night and the order was issued accordingly.

Burke was carried to the Maryland Penitentiary Sunday and is now known as No. 16207 and is engaged in making shirts.

Mr. Burke's parents reside near Chestertown and their many friends were glad to hear of the Governor's action.

Trustee's Sale

—OF—

ONE OF THE

MOST VALUABLE ESTATES

In Kent County Md., Containing 375 Acres of Land.

BY VIRTUE of a decree of the Circuit Court for Kent county, Maryland, passed in chancery cause entitled Charlotte A. Strong et. al. vs. Robert Wickes et. al., being No. 1351, wherein Hope H. Barroll was appointed Trustee to sell the real estate hereafter described, the undersigned will offer at public sale in front of the Court House Door, in Chestertown, Maryland, on

TUESDAY, May 27, 1902

Between the hours of 11 A. M. and 12 o'clock noon, ALL THAT

Valuable Plantation

OR ESTATE, CONTAINING

375 ACRES

OF LAND, situate, lying and being on Eastern Neck Island, in Kent county, Maryland, on the waters of the Chester river and the Chesapeake Bay. This is one of the handsomest and most desirable estates on the Chesapeake Bay. Its peculiar location, lying as it does at the mouth of Chester river, at this point three miles wide, with the waters of the Chester river on the east side and those of the Chesapeake Bay on the west, with an unsurpassed river and bay view, make it one of the most valuable tracts of land now on the market. For years past PEACHES FROM THIS FARM AND EASTERN NECK ISLAND have commanded the HIGHEST MARKET PRICES in Baltimore and other markets. It has been many years since any estate as fine as this on the Island has been offered for sale. The land is well adapted to the growth of all Grains, Fruits, Berries, Grass and everything else which can be grown on the most productive soils in Kent. It is within one mile of the wharf of the Chester River Steamboat Co., on Eastern Neck Island. The shores of the farm are close to the interesting, valuable and LARGEST OYSTER BEDS; the Fisheries here are valuable, and for the last century its shores have been known for its fine Swan, Wild Geese and Duck Shooting.

The Fine Dwelling

is a large and commodious FRAME STRUCTURE of Ten or Twelve Rooms, with a wide and attractive Porch, surrounded by ample shade. There is a Barn, Stable, Dairy, Meat House and other buildings on the farm. Any one wishing a home on the shores of the Chesapeake Bay, or to any one desiring a profitable investment, this farm offers a most attractive opportunity. It is about six miles from the thrifty and thriving village of Rock Hall, the proposed terminus of the projected Kent County Railroad, and the last landing of the Centreville Line of Steamers, in daily communication with Baltimore. The present tenant of the farm is Mr. James E. Newcomb, who will take pleasure in showing it to any intending purchaser. This estate was formerly the residence of the late James P. Wickes.

TERMS OF SALE:—As prescribed by the decree are one-third of the purchase money cash on the day of sale, and the residue in two equal installments, payable in one and two years respectively. 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 cost of purchaser.

HOPE H. BARROLL, TRUSTEE.

J. H. GREENWOOD, Auct'r.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

Notice is hereby given to all the creditors of the late Charlotte A. Wickes and all other persons who may be interested in the proceeds of the sale of this estate, to file their claims on or before the 26th day of August, 1902, duly authenticated, with the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Kent county, otherwise they may by law be excluded from any share in the distribution of the proceeds of sale in this cause. After that date an audit will be stated, distributing the trust estate.

HOPE H. BARROLL, TRUSTEE.

Any intending purchaser can make satisfactory terms by arranging with the undersigned for assistance in compliance with the terms of sale.

ap26-ts. HOPE H. BARROLL, ATT'Y.

THE Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered at Grace Presbyterian Church at 3 p. m. tomorrow and at Worton Presbyterian Church at 7.30 p. m. Sunday Schools as usual.

CHRIST M. P. CHURCH.
REV. D. L. GREENFIELD, Pastor
9.30 A. M.—Testimony Meeting.
10.30 A. M.—Public Worship. Theme—"The Upper and the Nether Springs.
2.30 P. M.—Sunday School.
6.15 " —Junior Endeavorers.
6.45 " —The Christian Workers Meeting.
7.30 P. M.—Evangelistic service. Subject—"Our Human Courts and the Court of God."

DEATH'S DOINGS.

Mrs. Mary J. Maslin, widow of John J. Maslin, died at her home on High street Wednesday, after an illness of two months with erysipelas, aged 76. The deceased was a daughter of the late James Edes and has spent most of her life in Broad Neck, removing to Chestertown only a few years ago. She was a good woman, abounding in those Christian graces that made her life a blessing to others. Her children were brought up in the fear of God, and today are an honor to her and to her example. They are Wallace M. Maslin, Mrs. Walter Gale, Mrs. William Duyer, Mrs. William Wagoner, Mrs. Webster Stoops, Mrs. J. V. Kilbourn and Frank Maslin. The funeral was held yesterday, Dr. D. L. Greenfield officiating, Undertaker Ferguson in charge. The bearers were grandsons of the deceased and interment in Chester cemetery.

Mrs. Wm. Hamilton died in Baltimore Thursday. She was the daughter of Mr. James L. Sparks, of Chestertown, and leaves a husband and three small children.

Rev. K. M. Bull was in attendance at the meeting of New Castle Presbytery in Wilmington last week.

Rev. A. H. Covey, of Bond will preach at the Almshouse, Sunday afternoon, April 27, at 3 o'clock. Special music will be rendered.

PUBLIC LOCAL LAW.

Passed by the Maryland Legislature, Session of 1902, and Operative in Kent County, Maryland.

CHAPTER 371.

AN ACT authorizing the County Commissioners for Kent county to provide for the refunding of the Jail and Bridge Bonds of said county at a lower rate of interest and to issue bonds therefor.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the County Commissioners of Kent county are hereby authorized in their discretion to borrow on the credit of said county an amount not exceeding Ten Thousand Dollars, and to issue coupon bonds therefor in sums of not less than than one thousand dollars, to be signed by the President of the said Board of County Commissioners and countersigned by the Clerk thereof, and under the corporate seal of said commissioners, bearing interest at the rate of four per cent., payable semi-annually on the first day of June and December in each year, which bonds shall be exempt from all county or municipal taxation, and the due or over due coupons for interest shall be received by the Treasurer of said county in payment of county taxes; said bonds shall be payable in sums of one thousand dollars in each of the years beginning with nineteen hundred and twelve, and each year thereafter until fully paid, said bonds to be numbered consecutively and to be redeemed in the order in which they are numbered.

SECTION 2. *And be it enacted*, That said County Commissioners are authorized to advertise at least once a week for two successive weeks in two newspapers published in said Kent county, for sealed proposals for the negotiation of said bonds on a day to be named in said advertisement; said County Commissioners shall, in their office in the Court House in Chestertown, open all bids received and award the said bonds to the highest bidder, provided no bid less than par shall be accepted.

SECTION 3. *And be it enacted*, That the County Commissioners of Kent county shall, in each and every year, levy upon the assessable property in Kent county such sums of money as may be necessary to pay the interest on the said bonds as said interest shall become due, and also to levy such sums in addition as may be required to pay or redeem said bonds, beginning with the levy of nineteen hundred and eleven, until all said bonds shall have been paid.

SECTION 4. *And be it enacted*, That beginning with the year 1911 each member of the Board of County Commissioners of Kent county shall be subject to a fine of not less than $100 and not more than $200 who shall fail to vote to provide by levy for the payment each year of the proportion of bonds as herein directed to be paid each year, said fine to be inflicted by any Court or Justice of the Peace before whom any such member of said Board shall be convicted of the dereliction of duty herein prescribed.

SECTION 5. *And be it enacted*, That the proceeds of the sale of said bonds shall be applied to the payment of the indebtedness of said county growing out of the issue of bonds under Chapter 252, Acts of 1884, commonly known as Jail Bonds, and Chapter 85, Acts of 1890, commonly known as Bridge Bonds, which issue of bonds shall be paid off and cancelled as the same mature, all funds remaining in the hands of said Board of County Commissioners and not immediately expended for the purpose for which the bonds hereby authorized are issued, shall be deposited in some bank in Chestertown at the highest obtainable rate of interest, subject to be drawn and applied to the payment of the bonds above mentioned as the same hereafter mature.

SECTION 6. *And be it enacted*. That all local laws and parts of local laws inconsistent with the provisions of this Act be and the same are hereby repealed.

SECTION 7. *And be it enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

[Approved April 8th, 1902.]

JOHN WALTER SMITH, Governor.
JOHN HUBNER, President of the Senate.
NOBLE L. MITCHELL, Speaker of the House of Delegates.

Office of the Chief Clerk House of Delegates.

I HEREBY CERTIFY, That the aforegoing is a true copy of an Act of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at the January Session, 1902.

B. L. SMITH, Chief Clerk of the House of Delegates.

IN MEMORIAM.

MRS. MARY A. MASLIN died at her home in Chestertown Wednesday, April 23, 1902, aged 75 years.

Day by day we saw her fade,
And slowly sink away;
Yet in our hearts we often prayed
That she might longer stay.
A precious one from us has gone,
A voice we loved is stilled;
A place is vacant in our home,
Which never can be filled.
Nobly at her post she stood,
Our mother, kind and true;
Beloved by all her friends so well,
And kind to all she knew.
Tears within her children's eyes,
The children's breaking heart,
Can only tell the agony,
How hard it is to part.
Farewell, dear mother, thou art at rest,
And shall forever be;
You could not stay on earth with us,
But we can come to thee.

BY HER CHILDREN.

UP-TO-DATE BARBER SHOP.

The Cross Street Barber Shop of J. S. Vandegritt is prepared do Shaving, Hair Cutting, Shampooning and Hair Dressing in the most artistic manner. Everything clean; instruments sterilized.

TWO LADY BARBERS have been engaged. A visit insures repetition. Only skilled artists employed.

al9 3t. J. S. VANDEGRIFT.

ORATORICAL CONTEST.

An Interesting Event in Stam's Hall Last Evening.

The fourth annual oratorical contest between representatives of Maryland Colleges was held in Stam's Hall last night. Weber furnished the music. The program was as follows:

Welcome to the Association, President Reid, of Washington.
Reply, Dr. James W. Reese.
Music.
Introductory Remarks by the President of the Association, Prof. Edward J. Clarke.
Oration—"Christian Ethics in Industrial Problems," Gideon Ireland Humphries, Western Maryland College.
Music.
Oration—"The Mission of Our Flag," Vernon S. Bradley, St. John's College.
Music.
Oration—"The Light of Knowledge," H. K. Bradford, Maryl'd Agricultural College.
Music.
Oration—"America," Horace W. Nicholson, Washington College.
Music.
Decision of the Judges.
Alternate Orators:
Emmett F. Hitch, Washington College.
T. Spencer Crane, St. John's College.
Robert Richard Carmen, West. Md. College.
A. R. Hirst, Maryland Agricultural College.

The officers of the association are: President, Prof. Edw. J. Clark, A. M.; vice-president, Prof. James W. Reese, Ph. D.; treasurer, Prof. James W. Cain, A. M. The judges on thought and composition are Judge James Alfred Pearce, Chestertown, Md.; Bernard C. Steiner, Ph. D., Baltimore Md.; Rev. C. Ernest Smith, D. D., Baltimore, Md. Judges of delivery, Rev. Dr. Turner, Washington, D. C.; Hon. Geo. M. Upshur, Baltimore, Md.; Dr. M. Bates Stephens, Denton, Md.

PROPOSALS

—FOR—

County Bonds.

UNDER an Act of the General Assembly of Maryland, Chapter 371, Session of 1902, authorizing the County Commissioners of Kent county to issue bonds for the refunding of certain Jail and Bridge Bonds, the Board of County Commissioners will receive proposals, under seal, until

TUESDAY, May 13, 1902

AT TWO O'CLOCK P. M.,

For COUPON BONDS to the amount of Ten Thousand Dollars

($10,000)

which bonds shall be in sums of not less than One Thousand Dollars ($1,000) each, bearing interest at a rate of four per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, on the first day of June and on the first of December in each year, which bonds shall be exempt from all county and municipal taxation, and the due or over-due coupons for interest shall be received by the Treasurer of the County in payment of county taxes; the said bonds to be paid in sums of one thousand dollars in each year, beginning with 1912, and each year thereafter until fully paid; said bonds to be numbered consecutively, and to be redeemed in the order in which they are numbered.

The Board will, on the day and at the hour above named, in their office in the Court House in Chestertown, proceed to open all the bids received and award the said Bonds to the highest bidder; provided, that no bid less than par shall be accepted. All proposals shall be directed to the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners for Kent county.

A deposit equal to Five per cent. of the sum bid for shall accompany all proposals. Said cash deposits will be returned to bidders when not accepted.

Bonds will be issued on the first day of June, 1902, and in sums of One Thousand Dollars each.

By order of the Board.

DANIEL HILL, PREST.;
LEWIS P. ATWELL,
PERRY B. RASIN,
GEO. M. HADAWAY,
LOUIS C. AYRES,
County Commissioners.

H. THEO. JEWELL, Clerk. ap26-td.

AGENTS WANTED—Life of T. DeWitt Talmage, by his Son, Rev. Frank DeWitt Talmage and associate editors of Christian Herald. Only book endorsed by the Talmage family. Enormous profit for agents who act quickly. Outfit ten cents. Write immediately CLARK & CO., 222 S. 4th St. Philadelphia, Pa. Mention this Paper.

MONEY TO LOAN.

$1,000 AND UPWARDS TO LOAN on real estate in Kent and Queen Anne's counties. Apply to

SIDNEY P. TOWNSHEND,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
jan18-3m. Chestertown, Md.

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THEY ARE HERE.

Our Spring and Summer Styles in FINE FOOTWEAR have arrived and we invite you to call and see them.

All we ask is that you come in and let us show the handsome new styles for this season. Some of them are beauties.

We claim to carry the handsomest and most perfect fitting shoes to be found in town, as we deal in shoes only.

We guarantee satisfaction and at prices that will meet the size of any pocket-book.

Men's Shoes $1.00 to $5.00.
Ladies' Shoes 75c to $4.00.
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In all the new kinds of leather, also a very choice line of Men's and ladies Oxford Ties and Slippers in Patent and other kinds of stock.

When you want the latest in shoes come to the Shoe Store. It costs no more to have the latest style and freshest goods if you seek them in the right place. Keep up with the crowd.

See our windows! Every shoe shown can be duplicated in your size inside,

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The Shoe Man. Under Stam's Hall.

JAMES D. LUCAS.

MANLY THOUGHTS

The young man's fancy turns lightly to thoughts of—

SHIRTS

in Spring and for this season we are showing the largest line of Shirts to be seen in any one store in Kent county. Genuine Madras and Percales with detached Cuffs for only 50c (see window display) and there are other grades up to $1.50.

HATS

Yes, our line for the spring is complete; and we have Hats to fit all heads and purses, all colors, shapes, sizes and prices.

CLOTHING

Only a few more lines to come in before our stock will be completed. Will tell you about it NEXT WEEK.

JAS. D. LUCAS,

OPPOSITE STAM'S HALL.

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