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that are particularly stylish in shape and made in a very skillful manner, are the kind we are showing.

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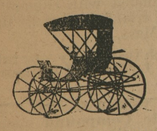

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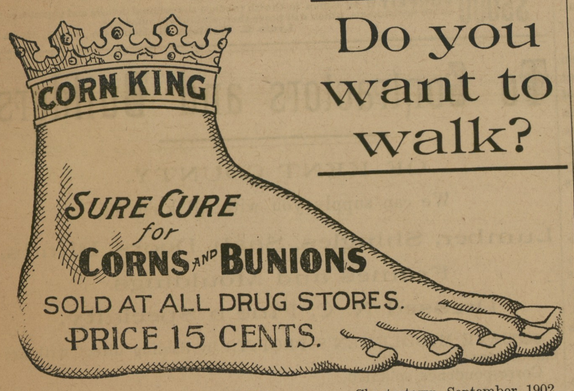
Feb. 28, 1903



Do you want to walk?

Turtle Creek, Pa., March 26, 1903.
J. S. Vandegrift, Chestertown, Md.
Dear Sir:—Please send me box of Corn King for a friend. I have recommended it to him as it proved perfectly satisfactory to me. Yours respectfully,
CHARLES SENART,

Baltimore, Md., August 1, 1901.
J. S. Vandegrift, Chestertown, Md.
Dear Sir:—Please send me half dozen bottles of Corn King. I received a bottle of you at Tolchester and it proved satisfactory.
JOHN MANIUS,
1808 E. Lombard St.,
Baltimore, Md.

Chestertown, September, 1902.
J. S. Vandegrift, Chestertown, Md.
Dear Sir:—I suffered with a very large corn for many years, Corn King finally removed same and gave relief.
J. W. BIGLOW,

Baltimore, March 4, 1903.
J. S. Vandegrift, Chestertown, Md.
Dear Sir:—I have tried everywhere and cannot purchase the Corn Cure in Baltimore, inclosed find one dollar ($1) for which please send me what amount of Corn Cure it will pay for.
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CHURCH UNION SEEMS POSSIBLE

Rev. Dr. F. T. Tagg, Representative of Methodist Protestant Church, Returns From Conference and Says Results Achieved Point to Early Consummation of Project to Unite M. P. Congregational and United Brethren Churches — Details With Subcommittee.

The organic union of the Congregational, United Brethren and Methodist Protestant denominations now seems to be a foregone conclusion.

Rev. Dr. F. T. Tagg, of Baltimore, who attended the general committee meeting at Pittsburg this week as one of the accredited representatives of the Methodist Protestant Church, returned yesterday, and expressed the sentiments of the entire committee when he said that there was every reason to believe that the union would go through in short order. Rev. Dr. Tagg also said that the meeting was entirely harmonious and that the members of the three committees were ready to lend their hearty support to the consolidation scheme. As a result of the meeting a subcommittee was appointed to work out the preliminary details of a union. This committee will meet in Washington on May 27 to complete the work. The findings of this committee will then be reported to the general committee, and it in turn will make known its decision to the general bodies of the three churches.

CECIL TO GO DRY.

Hotel and Saloon Keepers Preparing to Give up Business.

On and after Friday next Cecil county will go dry, as on this date the present license law will expire and local option will go into effect. The question was submitted to a vote of the people in November last, and license was defeated by the narrow margin of about 62 votes. Unless repealed by the Legislature, the present law will stand for four years. Hotel proprietors are making preparation to close up business, many removing from the county. In Elkton two of the largest hotels in the county, will be closed, one remaining open.

Under the new law anyone desiring to purchase liquor must first apply to a regular practicing physician in Cecil county, who must apply in person and procure the same. The county received from fees under the present law about $3,000 a year, and all incorporated towns in which hotel licenses were granted received one-half of all license money. The liquor men are preparing to test the constitutionality of the new law, and will likely carry it to the Court of Appeals. The Anti-Saloon League of Cecil County is preparing to have a strict enforcement of the law.

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Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

Annual Report

—OF THE—

COMMISSIONERS OF CHESTERTOWN

For the period from April 20th, 1902, to April 20th, 1903,

REVENUE.

Balance on hand Apr. 20, 1902	$2,257 47	
Corporation tax levied 1902	2,718 85	
Water Rent from Insurance Company	200 00	
Cart License	11 09	
Sewer Taps	50 00	
Fines	7 45	
Dog License	68 55	
Show License	27 00	
County Treasurer for road levy, 1902	2,000 00	
Sale Fire Hose	8 02	
Forfeit Money Electric Railroad	1,000 00	
Int. on delinquent taxes	7 60	
Taxes collected by Sheriff	69 87	
Addi'l taxes not on books	31 22	
		$8,452 12

EXPENDITURES.

Work and Material on Streets		
Labor	$354 80	
Hauling	146 75	
Paving	80 55	
Bricks, flag-stone, cement	542 64	
Shells	247 86	
Hauling shells	37 95	
Unloading shells	17 04	
		1,427 50
Sprinkling Streets:		
W. C. Sutton, for tank, engine and pipe	$231 12	
G. W. Copper, erecting tank and hose	42 67	
Painting tank	11 50	
A. L. Hudson, running sprinkler	64 50	
Coal	90	
		$350 69
SEWERS.		
Relaying Queen St. sewer	$30 00	
Church Alley sewer	34 99	
Opening High street sewer	12 81	
		$77 80
STREET LIGHTING.		
Electric Light Co.		$1,185 92
Small-pox expenses (doctor's bill not in)		$1,525 95
SUNDRIES.		
T. W. Eliason, for lumber	$100 93	
J. K. Aldridge, hardware	21 44	
Pub. statement, ordinance, &c	50 00	
Repairs to watchman's clock	1 50	
Clock slips	2 00	
Cart numbers	2 16	
Bridge boards	13 00	
Magistrates cost, town cases	6 45	
Election expenses	5 00	
W. J. Vannort, loan and int.	101 25	
Penn. R. R. Co.	200 00	
Water rent	590 00	
Ledger	1 20	
Repairs to pump	4 00	
Blacksmith's bill	7 05	
Bailiff's assistant and clerk	1,062 50	
Charities	7 77	
M. deK. Smith, atty. to com.	100 00	
Stamps and envelopes	4 30	
Insolvencies and removals	46 55	
Insolvencies returned by the sheriff for 1901	11 81	
Taxes in Sheriff's hands	41 83	
		$2,380 74
Total Expenditures		$6,948 70
Balance in hand		$1,503 42

WM. J. VANNORT,
CHAS. L. DODD,
W. B. COLEMAN,
Commissioners of Chestertown.
Test:—M. WILBUR THOMAS, Clerk.

GRAND JURY REPORT.

Kent County Jurymen Recommend An Examination of County Finances by an Expert

The Grand Jury for Kent county composed of the following members T. Romie Strong, Wm. G. Smyth, Geo. W. Owens, Wm. E. Willson, Samuel Burgess, Charles M. Brown, J. Page Gale, Arthur M. Brown, Geo. T. Williams, Geo. Spencer Boulden, Wm. T. Nicholson, Wm. T. Brice, Jos. W. Harper, James L. Beck, Ed. W. Emory, Wm. R. Price, Josiah Massey, Jr., James W. Wood, Richard Groves, Clifton Hurtt, Hiram M. Brown, Ellsworth Bowers, Walter Francis, brought in this report:

GRAND JURY ROOM,
CHESTERTOWN, KENT COUNTY, MD.

To the Honorable, the Circuit Court for Kent County, Maryland.

The Grand Jurors of the State of Maryland, for the body of Kent county, beg leave, through their foreman, to respectfully report to the Honorable Judges of said Court, that they have been in session six days, and during that time have examined six constables and 68 witnesses. Made 14 presentments and found 14 true bills. We have visited the jail and premises in a body and found them clean and neat and the prisoners comfortably provided for.

We desire to call the attention of the authorities responsible therefor to the unsanitary condition of the public water closets in the rear of the jail. We desire to thank the Court and officers of the court for their kind attention during this session.

We the Grand Jury for Kent county desire to report to this Honorable Court that they have every reason to believe that the finances of Kent county are in a deplorable condition, and that the Board of County Commissioners, even upon their own showing, demand a fair, impartial and expert investigation since we are satisfied the recent report of an investigation made by their own attorney and another, has not and will not satisfy the people.

We respectfully ask, of the Court, if it be in the power of the Court so to do, to employ such expert as the Court may deem competent, and have such expert's itemized report submitted to this Grand Jury upon some date hereafter to be named in order that the same may be considered and such action taken as may be proper by this Grand Jury. If, however, the Court thinks it not right to appoint such expert, then we respectfully ask if we, as the Grand Inquest, have the right to employ such an impartial expert as will make a thorough investigation and show beyond a doubt the present large floating indebtedness of the county, itemized and returned some day hereafter to be named, so that we may examine and determine what shall be done with his report.

T. ROMIE STRONG, Foreman,

The County Commissioners received a copy of the above report and acknowledged same in a letter to the Court in which they state that they will communicate more fully in a few days.

FRANCHISE LAW IS HELD VALID.

The United States Supreme Court Monday decided the case of Jackson W. Giles vs. the Board of Registrars of Montgomery County, Ala.

Giles is a colored man who was denied the privilege of registering as a voter under the new constitution of Alabama, and the case was brought to test the validity of the portion of the state constitution bearing upon this question. The relief sought was denied on the ground that the case was political.

Justice Holmes, who delivered the opinion, said that for the court to interfere would be unheard of relief in cases presenting only political questions.

Justices Brewer and Brown united in a dissent which upheld the jurisdiction of the federal courts on the ground that, as Giles was denied the right of voting for a member of Congress by refusal of the right to register, a federal question was involved.

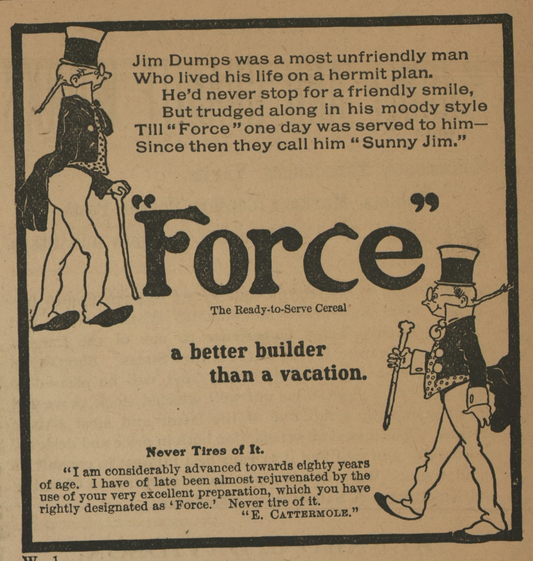
Justice Holmes' written opinion was not made public, but he made quite an extended statement from the bench, reciting at some length Giles' petition, in which Giles claimed to speak not alone for himself, but for 5000 other negro adults of Montgomery county, who, he claimed, would be disfranchised as a result of the enforcement of the sufferage provisions of the state constitution of 1901.

The case had been dismissed below for want of jurisdiction, but Justice Holmes said a majority of the court were of the opinion that the Supreme Court should not confine itself to the question of jurisdiction, but should consider the case on its merits. He then announced that it would be impossible to grant the relief asked.

He pointed out that while Giles is contending that the franchise system of Alabama is a fraud, he declares his competency as a voter under it, and closed by saying that it was beyond the power of a court of equity to grant the petition.

Justice Harlan, in dissenting, said that in his opinion the case should have been dismissed for want of jurisdiction alone, as was done in the Circuit Court, and he criticized the court's opinion, saying that it left the question of jurisdiction in the air, and that he was not willing to be a party to such a proceeding.

Justice Brewer delivered the other dissenting opinion, in which Justice Brown concurred. They expressed the opinion that the Circuit Court should have been reversed and that it should be directed to assume jurisdiction of the case.



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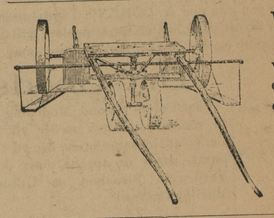

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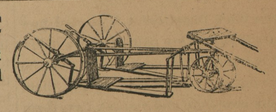

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