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an exceptionally good suit of clothes for some particular function—a wedding, a reception, or perhaps a journey—we've just what you want.

That dependable merchandise—different from the ordinary found in smaller places—because they fit and are full of fashion. Price—a little less than concerns under greater expense and buying in two and three dozen lots can afford to sell.

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James D. Lucas.

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A few choice BUFF LEGHORN COCKERELS, if ordered at once, $1.00 each. They are from great laying stock, yellow legs and buff to the skin.
Also, LOCUST POSTS cut to your order, in lengths to suit.
CHARLES H. SKIRVEN,
jan23-3t. Chestertown R. R. No. 2.

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THREE HOUSES for rent at Lankford. All Dwelling Houses in good repair and rent reasonable.
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HOUSE AND LOT FOR RENT FOR 1904.

At Quaker Neck Wharf. Address
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FOR RENT.

HOUSE ON HIGH STREET, known as the Gleaves house; has 7 rooms with large garden and cellar; water in yard. May be rented at once. Apply to
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FOR RENT FOR 1904.

DWELLING AND STORE-ROOM on Corner of High and Mill streets, knowns as Sappington's store. A good stand for grocery. Address
MRS. MARTHA H. BAKER,
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FOR RENT.

STORE ROOM FOR 1904.
1st. Store Room on High Street directly opposite Voshell House.
Call on or address
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NOTICE TO STOCKMEN.

Having removed to Fairlee, I am now in a better position to treat and cure your SICK HORSES, CATTLE, Etc., with the best medicines that I have for sale at all times. It is guaranteed to cure any and all diseases when others fail. To be convinced, when you have a sick animal give me a call by telephone, letter or postal.
JOHN F. RICE,
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FOR SALE.

A GOOD SORREL MARE, 5 years old, fine driver and sound in every particular. For particulars apply to
A. LEVINE, The Jeweler.
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FOR SALE.

TWO FRESH COWS calves with them.
THOS. W. SKIRVEN,
j30-3t.* Fairlee, Md.

YOUNG CATTLE for Sale.

BOARS for Hire or to put out. Cash paid for POULTRY, OLD BUCKS and PIGS.
JOHN GALE & SON, agts.
ja2-tf. Live Stock Dealers, Hanesville, Md.

ALL MAKES OF SEWING MACHINES

REPAIRED AND EXCHANGED for new ones at fair prices. Send postal card to
A. H. SUPPLEE,
d12 3m. Betterton, Md

TURKEY SUPPER
HOTEL IMPERIAL.

On TUESDAY EVENING, February 23, 1904, from 6 to 9 o'clock the Hotel Imperial, Chestertown, will serve a TURKEY SUPPER to celebrate its 2nd anniversary. Tickets 50c. Feb.13 2t.

FOR SALE.

ONE 200 EGG PINELAND INCUBATOR in good order.
f13 3t. KENT NEWS OFFICE.

WANTED

A GOOD, KIND, SETTLED WOMAN, to live with a family of three and help with child. House has all modern improvements, hot and cold water, &c. Will treat a suitable person as one of the family.
Addres N. C. B. SCHLATTER,
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FOR SALE:

The Farm known as the "Howard Farm" near Turner's Creek containing 265 acres of land. For particulars address
F. H. HARPER,
j30-tf. Still Pond, Md.

WANTED.

In every town and city, AGENTS to sell an article which would be used in every household. Energetic men or women can make good money. Only one in a town. Write at once. No. 17 DAILY RECORD BUILDING, Baltimore, Md 1t.

WANTED.

WHITE GIRL for general housework and cooking in family of three. Want girl more for companion than for general housework. Will pay $2.50 per week and can assure girl a good home. Write, giving full particulars, to
MRS. E. M. STRADLEY,
jan23 2t* 5837 N. Park Ave., Phila., Pa.

NOTICE.

Parties in need of NURSE IN SICKNESS apply to
MRS. ALFRED COLEMAN,
jan23-4t*. Edesville, Md.

FOR SALE.

WHITE WYANDOTTES.
Choice Hens and Cockerel. Bred for layers.
C. W. CREW,
feb13-3t. Worton, Kent county, Md.

NOTICE TO HOLDERS
OF BURIAL LOTS IN
CHESTER CEMETERY

The Chester Cemetery Company by recent action of its Board is now prepared to enter into a contract with its lot owners to keep their lots in first class order perpetually. This guarantees the owner that his lot will be taken care of, not only after his death but even after the death of all the family.

There is no sadder sight in a cemetery than to see the lot of a one-time prosperous owner in weeds, briars, overgrown bushes, &c., and for the reason that the family have either all died, removed or else forgotten their duty to the remains of the ancestors.

Those who secure a contract as above will have no apprehensions of this fate to their lots. For terms apply to
JOHN H. SIMPERS,
Treasurer of Chester Cemetery Co.
6 mos. Chestertown, Md.

Galena Bank
—OF—
Farmers' Trust, Banking and Deposit Company,
GALENA, MD.

Transacts a General Banking Business.
Interest allowed on deposits subject to check.
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Pes't Local Board, Galena, Md.
RICHARD S. WALLIS,
Cashier, Galena, Md.

CHRIST METH. PROT. CHURCH,
REV. D. L. GREENFIELD, Pastor.

The Twenty Third Anniversary of Christian Endeavor will be celebrated at 7.30 p. m. Addresses will be made by Miss Marianne Hardcastle and others. New hymns will be sung with Orchestral music.
2.30 p. m.—Sunday School.
6.45 p. m.—Christian Workers' Song Hour.
At the morning service the sermon Theme will be, "The Consuming Fire."

FLORIDA.

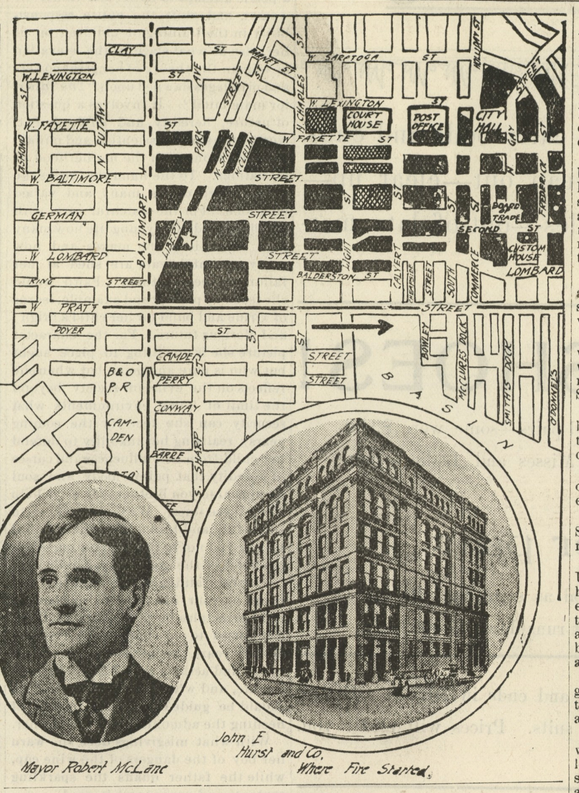
Two Weeks' Tour via Pennsylvania Railroad.

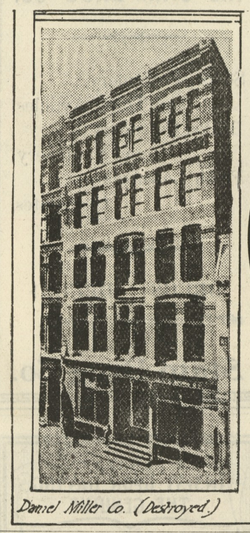
The second Pennsylvania Railroad tour of the season to Jacksonville, allowing two weeks in Florida, will leave New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, and Washington by special train on February 16.

Excursion tickets, including railway transportation, Pullman accommodations (one berth), and meals en route in both directions while traveling on the special train, will be sold at the following rates: New York $50.00; Trenton, $49.00; Philadelphia, Harrisburg, Baltimore and Washington $48.00; Pittsburg, $53.00; and at proportionate rates from other points.

For tickets, itineraries, and other information, apply to ticket agents, or to Geo. W. Boyd, General Passenger Agent, Broad street Station, Philadelphia.

Map of Baltimore's devastated district, wherein hundreds of buildings have been destroyed, at an estimated loss of $200,000,000. The fire worked its way eastward from Baltimore street down to the water front. The origin of the fire was in the Hurst wholesale dry-goods house. Mayor McLane, whose portrait is shown, directed the firemen in person, taking the place of Chief Horton, who was injured by an electric wire.

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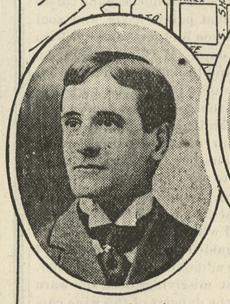
Mayor Robert McLane

John E Hurst and Co. Where Fire Started.

BALTIMORE'S GREAT FIRE!

Starts in John E. Hurst's Big House Sunday Morning at 10.48 and Burns Until Monday at 5 p. m. O'clock.

"Fire Proof" Buildings a Mockery!

Heart of the City Wiped Out!

22 BANKS, 11 BIG TRUST COMPANIES AND ALL THE GREAT STRUCTURES AMONG THE RUINS!

Loss Estimated at $ 100,000,000!

Dynamiting Buildings—Help From Many Cities—Legal Holiday for 10 Days—Soldiers on Guard—Not a Life Lost—All Newspaper Buildings but one Burned, but they Move to Washington and Publish Papers.

Baltimore's commercial and financial life is practically at a standstill today as a result of the worst conflagration in the history of the city. With a large portion of the wholesale and jobbing district wiped out, with the most important banking and general financial institutions of the city either destroyed or badly crippled; with a great manufacturing section burned over, with some of its important wharf-front property destroyed, and with a residential quarter in the southeastern portion burned to the ground, Baltimoreans face the after-effects of one of the most terrible calamities that has ever come to blight an American city.

At the present moment it is impossible to calculate with anything approaching accuracy the total of property damaged. It has been variously estimated at anywhere from $150,000,000 to $200,000,000. It is believed that there have been sacrifices of human life, but no official reports are as yet in the hands of the police. A number of serious accidents have been reported.

From 11 o'clock Sunday morning to 5 o'clock on Monday afternoon the Baltimore city firemen were valiantly endeavoring to check the wall of flame that constantly was eating its way onward. In this work they were ably seconded by aid sent from other cities, firemen having come from Philadelphia, Washington, New York, Chester, York, Willmington, and other cities, in addition to the firemen from the various sections of Baltimore county.

Not alone has the very cream of the Baltimore business and financial district been burned over, but, by peculiar fatality, every one of the sky-scraping office buildings, except the Fidelity, have been either gutted or so badly damaged as to present a scene of practical destruction. In this list of supposedly fire-proof buildings, but a few days ago the pride of the community, the Continental, the Equitable, the Calvert, the Maryland Trust, the Law, and the Union Trust, are mere shells, in several cases large portions of the walls having fallen. Accompanying these went almost all of the most modern financial homes of the city, including 22 bank buildings.

Baltimore is now under martial law, and for ten days the soldiers fully armed and equipped, more than two thousand in all, will patrol the streets. Their work will be supplemented by more than 800 of the 1,000 men that constitute the police department of the city, aided by 256 policemen from Philadelphia and 32 from Washington.

In addition to the declaring of martial law for ten days throughout the fire district, Brigade Commander Lawrason Riggs ordered closed all saloons in the downtown district.

As the result of a public meeting in the mayor's office at the city hall the the Legislature passed a special bill authorizing the mayor and city council to make a temporary loan of an indefinite amount.

A portion of it will go for sustaining the municipal buildings, rehabilitating the fire department, continuing the fight against the fire, and cleaning away the debris. A big force of men will be put on this latter work.

The Legislature also made a special appropriation of $250,000 from the State treasury. This money will be placed at the disposal of Governor Warfield, who is to appoint an advisory committee of five, with Mayor McLane as a member. This committee is to aid in the distribution of the funds.

Local Interest In The Fire.

Chestertown citizens could not have been more concerned than they were in the Baltimore fire. The News bulletins were read with anxious hearths and the telephone was kept busy answering queries from all over Kent. Operators Misses Anna Bryan and Ella Bacon deserve credit for their efficient and patient service. It is said that the bulletins posted here informed the people of Chestertown more about the fire than many visitors to the city learned.

Mr. J. H. Thompson and Geo. B. Twilley received Philadelphia papers Monday and were besieged with customers. The Sun arrived Monday night having been printed in Washington, as as were all the other Baltimore papers.

The great blaze could be plainly seen in town and from various points in the county, while the explosions of dynamite were distinctly heard. The flames were so noticeable that Mr. Howard Dodd in driving from Still Pond thought the fire was at Worton and drove to the Station only to find the light as far away as when first noticed.

In various parts of the county particies of burned paper were picked up. Messrs. George Bell and Vincent Lee, near town, say they picked up quantities of charred paper on some of which could be read the names of J. W. Patts & Co., Adam Express, etc. Messrs. Elmer Leary, J. J. Scoon, Jeff. Ayres, W. E. Deford, and others at Rock Hall state that a constant shower of cinders fell on Monday.

"Cody Loud" says he had gotten a position in the Union Trust Building and was to have entered on duty Monday morning. He had also sent his best suit to a tailor to be cleaned and this tailor was burned out.

The offices of J. Henry Baker, Esq., at 10 East Lexington, was not injured.

Mr. James G. Beck, agent, has received notice from all his insurance companies that they are on the scene and will pay promptly all losses.

The Armstrong, Cator Campany has bought the Benedict Building, at 102-104, 106, and 108 Hopkins place, and will open for business early next Monday morning. The building was occupied by Benedict Bros., shirt and overall manufacturers, and this firm will seek other quarters. The purchase price was $90,000. The building is a large, five-story brick structure recently built.

Mr. Allen Harris, purser of the Emma A. Ford, was in Baltimore this week. He says his company had five hours in which to get up steam and remove their boats. The Emma towed the Corsica while the Gratitude towed the B. S. Ford out of the basin. All the boats left the harbor and sought safe places down the river. There was a general exodus.

J. W. Chapman Jr., Esq., lost his law books and office furniture in the Maryland Trust Building. Mr. Chapman was sick and unable to get out, but his wife, assisted by friends, succeeded in saving many valuable papers. He has temporary quarters in Odd Fellows Hall, Saratoga and Liberty street.

Mr. J. W. Lambert was in Baltimore and viewed the fire from a distance and says it was an awful sight and that he was glad to return home.

Mr. Chas B. Dodd was thrown out of work by the fire. Mr. Kennard Aldridge who works in the railroad office, was removed to temporary offices at Camden Station.

Misses May Cannon and Flora Wheatley were visiting friends and were glad to return home from the devastated city.

Mr. Bert Nicholson's place was burned out but he saved 16 machine's and opened an office on Howard street.

Mr David B. Stewart was burned out. Stevens Bros. 226 S. Charles street, were not harmed and write that they are O.K.

The building in which Mr. Wm. B. Usilton was employed was burned and he was unable to locate any of the other employes until Tuesday. He writes to the News that it is impossible to see any of the fire ruins with satisfaction because of the strict guard now on duty and that all is chaos and aggravation.

Miss Agnes Estes was visiting her grandmother on Light street and says they bundled up all household goods and moved to Federal hill!

Among the anxious seekers for news was Mr. R. F. Parks who had bought a large quanity of seed from W. A. Simpson Co., 110 South street, and paid about $2500 for same. This place was destroyed and Mr. Parks does not know the extent of his loss.

J. Cordray Loud, Jr., John Hadaway and Miss Adelaide Howard, were students from Kent at the Bryant & Stratton's business College, which were burned.

Several of our citizens have stock in banks and they were of course anxious to hear from the fire. One gentleman has $2,000 in the Merchant while a well-known lady has several thousand in another bank. They will likely be minus dividends for some years.

Among those who have visited the ruins this week were Messrs. Samuel Vannort, J. W. Chapman, Marion deK. Smith, R. D. Hynson, L. W. Wickes, W. W. Beck, W. W. Hubbard, Howard Turner, Philip G. Wilmer, Walter Hadaway, John C. and Foster Cannon, M. A. Toulson, Frank H. Howard, W. T. Sutton, Daniel Hill and son, Robert, Elmer Leary.

Marion deK. Smith, Esq., visited the scene of the fire this week and says it is the greatest scene of desolation he ever saw. He says that the burned district extends from Liberty street to Jones' Falls, and from Fayette street to Pratt and the basin. At St. Paul street the fire crossed Fayette and burned up to Lexington, O'Neil's wall having saved that street. The indications are that the city will buy wharf property and widen the streets along the water front and in the burned district.

Miss Susie Belle Culp has been a sufferer from her ear and was at the City Hospital and had to be removed on a stretcher. There was about 300 patients removed. The hospital was threatened but not destroyed.

Mr. Alday Clements says paper was picked up on the streets of Crumpton.

SOME BIG FIRES RECALLED

The fire at Baltimore will be memorable in the annals of conflagrations in this country, some of the most destructive of which are herewith recalled:

In a fire involving a total loss of $8,000,000, Paterson, N. J., lost the chief part of her business section and a large portion of her homes on February 9, 1902.

On May 3, 1901, a fire in Jacksonville, Fa., which raged for twenty-four hours, did $10,000,000 damage.

On April 26, the Ottawa and Hull fire occured. The flames practically destroyed the companion City of Hull, and, leaping across the Ottawa river, burned part of the Canadian capital itself. The loss was $17,000,000, and at least seven people perished.

In the fire which occured on the pier of the North German Lloyd Steamship Company at Hoboken on June 30, the same year, over 150 persons lost their lives. Many of these were on board the steamships Saale and Main. The property loss was nearly $7,000,000.

The Boston fire of Nov 9, 1872, started at the corner of Kingston and Summer streets. It spread rapidly to the North and east, consuming everything in its path, until noon of the following day, when it was subdued. Ordinary appliances for fighting fire were of no avail, and dynamite was finally resorted to check the path of the conflagration. Sixty-five acres were laid waste, 14 lives were lost, and 800 buildings were destroyed. The property loss was $80,000,000.

The great fire in Chicago began on Sunday night, October 8, 1871, in a wooden barn on De Koven street, on the west side. Numerous lumber yards there were quickly lightened, and a high wind carried the flames across the Chicago river and into the South side, closely built up with stores and warehouses. The fire raged all the next day, sweeping everything before it. The glare could be seen for a hundred miles over the prairie and the lake. People were crazed with terror, and drunkenness, arson, burglary, and murder, added to the horror of the scene. On Tuesday morning the headway of the fire was checked, but parts of the charred debris smouldered for months. The fire destroyed an area of nearly three and a third square miles, 98,500 people were rendered homeless and over 250 were killed. The total direct loss of property amounted to $196,000,000 and 56 insurance campanies were rendered insolvent as a result.

New York's greatest fire started on the night of December 16, 1835, and before it was subdued by the blowing up of all buildings in the path of the flames, 674 buildings—the finest in the city—had been destroyed, with a total loss of $17,000,000, but no one was killed or seriously injured.

In Europe the greatest fire in recent years occured on November 20, 1897, in the Cripplegate district of London. It burned over four acres, occupied mainly by business houses and destroyed property valued at about $25,000,000.

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