THE AGING PROCESS.

A Medical Suggestion as to How It May Be Arrested.

To drink the waters of the fountain of youth is still, in the opinion of some, within the range of possibility. A recent writer observes that man began in a gelatinous condition and ends in an osseous or bony one. He is soft in infancy; he is hard in old age. Aging is a process of ossification. After middle life has passed a more marked development of the osseous character takes place. The arteries become thickened with calcareous matter, and there is interference with circulation, upon which nutrition depends. The whole change from youth to old age is one of steady accumulation of calcareous deposits in the system. Entire blockade of the functions of the body is a mere matter of time, and the refuse matter deposited by the blood through the system stops the delicate machinery we call life. The blood contains compounds of lime, magnesia and iron. In the blood itself are these earthy salts. In early life they are thrown off; in age they are not. Almost everything we eat contains these elements for destroying life. Earthy salts abound in the cereals, and bread itself, mistakenly called "the staff of life," is one of the most calcareous of edibles. Nitrogenous food also contains these elements; hence a diet made up of fruit is best for people advanced in years. The daily use of distilled water is, after middle life, one of the most important means of preventing secretions and derangements of health. Diluted phosphoric acid is one of the most powerful influences known to science for shielding the human system from the inconvenience of old age. Use it daily with distilled water and so retard the approach of senility. To retain perpetual youth, avoid all foods rich in the earth's salts, use much fruit, especially juicy, uncooked apples, and take daily two or three tumblerfuls of distilled water with about fifteen drops of diluted phosphoric acid in each glass full. Thus will your days be longer in the land.—Medical Age.

NIGHT ATTACK AT SEA.

Boarding a Hostile Ship From a Fleet of Small Boats.

Imagine a hostile ship lying at anchor in an apparently secure position on a dark and cloudy night. There are just enough breeze and sea to make sounds on the water indistinct. Around a low headland half a mile away from the anchored vessel steal four or five boats, pulled with muffled oars and filled with armed men. They approach noiselessly.

Perhaps they are not discovered and thus reach the sides of the ship. The next instant the armed men are pouring over her bulwarks, and a desperate fight takes place on her decks. Perhaps they are discovered before they reach the vessel's side. The alarm is given. The men in the boats hear it and lash their oars through the water in a determined effort to reach the ship before the rapid fire guns can open upon them. Flashes of fire illumine the night. The searchlights send out shafts of blinding white. The sharp peals of the six and three pounders, the rapid hoarse barking of Hotchkiss revolving cannon, the vicious sputter of Gatlings, break upon the frightened air. "Give way with a will!" shout the officers of the boats as the men bend to the oars and the light guns in the bows hurl their defiant answers back at the wall sided ship. As the boats sweep up to the vessel's side gongs clang and rattles sound calling away the riflemen to repel boarders from the boats. If the boats' crews can board the ship and clap down her hatches before the crew gets on deck, theirs is the victory, but if her secondary battery is manned and her riflemen stationed before the boats are alongside, then goodby to the boat expedition, for there is nothing more pitiless than Gatlings and revolving cannon.—W. J. Henderson in St. Nicholas.

Grewsome Wedding Presents.

Among the Iloongotes, a tribe of savages in the interior of Luzon, according to A. Henry Savage Landor, "the wedding present given by the prospective groom to his sweetheart does not lack quaintness and consists of a human head, part of a breast and heart as well as a finger or two. Unless a man can produce these gifts he has to remain a bachelor, but these gifts are invariably procured. The 'inclined to wed' lies in wait in the high grass until an unsuspecting man, woman or child happens to go by, who a few minutes later is left dead upon the trail minus the anatomical portions enumerated above."

The Professor Found Out.

One of the world's greatest psychologists, desiring to know how the mind of a street boy would work if he addressed an absurd question to him, accosted a bootblack with, "Well, sonny, what time is it by your nose?" "Aw, gwan!" retorted the boy. "Mine ain't runnin'. Is yours?"

The professor took off his hat to the urchin with great gravity and departed a wiser man. His respect for newsboys is greatly increased.

Limited Desire.

The Sunday school class was singing "I Want to Be an Angel," and the teacher said to one little fellow, "Why don't you sing louder, Johnny?"

"I'm singing just as loud as I want to be an angel," answered the incorrigible Johnny.

Sympathy is due any woman whose husband has dyspepsia. It closes up the path to his heart.—Atchison Globe.

He who begins many things finishes nothing.—Simmons.

Registered Vote for Kent County.

	White.	Col.
1—Millington Precinct	275	187
Galena Precinct	296	167
2—Kennedyville, first precinct	198	132
Kennedyville, second precinct	232	154
3—Worton	366	193
4—Chestertown, first precinct	259	208
Chestertown, second precinct	239	122
5—Rock Hall, first precinct	441	56
Edesville, second precinct	293	92
6—Edesville	244	252
7—Pomona	222	177
Total 1904	3065	1708
Total 1903	3045	1729

COUNTY AUDITORS REPORT.

Result of Examination of the Public Records.

To The Honorable Board Of County Commissioners For Kent County:

Gentlemen:—In compliance with an Act of the General Assembly of Maryland passed January, 1904, we having been appointed Auditors for Kent county beg leave to state that we have examined the books, accounts, vouchers and papers of the offices of County Commissioners, Treasurer of Kent County, Board of School Commissioners and Trustees of Alms House, and find:

First. The County Commissioners on June 6th, practically closed the year though Levy was not made until June 21st. They levied.....$104,317.14
To provide for certificates issued...$64 659.65
To provide for cash of coming year.. 36,876.00
To provide for surplus..... 2,779.49
As per exhibit "A" $104,415.14

But we find certificates and warrants out unprovided for amounting to $2,158.57 as per Exhibit "B."

Note. One certificate for $216.00 and one certificate for $26.80 issued, but these two have since been provided for by former clerk.

Note We find Treasurer has been allowed a certificate for $287.76 and discount $16 30 total $304.46 for notifying delinquent tax-payers for which we can find no authority in the law.

In Exhibit "C" we show the actual expenses for the year and amount of claims presented but not provided for.

In Exhibit "D" we show the Bonded Indebtedness and cash applicable to payment of Bridge Bonds not due.

In Exhibit "E" we show funds in Bank.

In Exhibit "F" we have shown the account of Trustees of Alms House in which we regret to show a balance to be accounted for of $117.05.

In Exhibit "G" we show the account of Board of School Commissioners, showing receipts $42,240.17; expenditures $38,628.83; balance in bank $3,611.34; total, $42,250.17.

In Exhibit "H" we show the account of Treasurer, showing amounts charged to him $114,478.87 and amount to be credited to him $114,308 43, balance $170.44.

The balances unaccounted for in Alms House and Treasurer's Reports are due simply to error in accounting.

We respectfully suggest that all certificates and orders be countersigned by the President of the Board of County Commissioners and would also suggest the advisability of bonding the clerk.

All the aforegoing we respectfully submit this 25th day of October, 1904.

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EXHIBIT SHOWING FINANCIAL CONDITION OF COUNTY FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 6, 1904—BONDS EXCEPTED.

ASSETS:	
Assessment of Real and Personal	$99,689 83
Special Tax	105 00
Corporations	4.061 85
P. W. & B. R. R.	458 46
Total	$104,315 14
Surplus Levied	$2,779 49

EXPENSES:	
Certificates provided for	$64.659 65
Total Cash Levies for 1901-5	36,876 00
Cash Levied for Surplus	2,779 49
Total	$104.315 14
The Auditing Committee have found certificates issued and not provided for	$876 38
Almshouse warrants issued and not provided for	1,256 71
Total	$2,133 09
And would advise this sum be paid out of the surplus	
Ahern & Tonkin, 1903	$35 48
This item should have been provided for in a prior years levy.	
Total	$2,158 67

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CERTIFICATES OUT AND NOT PROVIDED FOR AND ERRORS.

DURING OLD BOARD.

580	Boyd, Savings Bank	$3 50
598	Johnson	63 64
124	Error	01
497	Error	1 00
600	Galagher	77
599	S. Boyer	1 56
754	Woodall	57
225	Smith	40
423	Brock	04
467	Bennett	01
601	Garey, Ches. Nat. Bank	1 50
604	Freeman, 2nd. "	35 00
602	Garey Ches. "	26 25
	Boyer	3 50
615	Rasin, Ches. Nat. Bank	1 50
607	Hurd, 2nd. "	16 10
605	Brice	53 25
603	Davis	20 25
512	Soloway, Savings Bank	7 80
513	Pinder, "	29 62
514	Carroll, 2nd. "	29 73
515	Fletcher	6 70
608	Wood, Millington Bank	15 00
609	Wilmer, Savings "	10 00
611	Smith 2 Nat. "	15 00
613	Kelley, Savings "	15 00
612	Corse, "	12 00
610	Wilkins, "	54
614	Brown, Ches. Nat. Bank	3 80
950	Parran	09
938	Error in int	01
973	Canning Company	85
1066	Usilton	30
1049	Whiteley	10
606	Ayres Savings Bank	19 75
616	Williams, "	2 50
1042	Boulter, "	10
617	Thompson, "	25 70
101	Hospital Error	100 00
194	Jewell Savings Bank	27 15
215	" "	84 38
288	Roland, Bank Savings	13 70
398	Freeman, 2d Nat. Bank	10 00
381	Ayres, Ches. Nat. Bank	80 63
457	Jewell, " "	80 25
561	Lucas " "	5 35
Total		821 92

WITNESS CERTIFICATES, COURT AND MAGISTRATES.*
DURING PRESENT BOARD:

Coleman 2d Nat. Bank		$16 50
Walls,	"	32
Carter,	"	3 70
Smith,	"	2 70
Dudley,	"	2 70
Ct. Cer. Greenwood, Savings Bank		6 15
"	"	16 38
" Conwell	"	1 57
" Walker	"	1 25
919 Bacchus, 1902	"	3 18
Total		$54 67

*Above Court and Magistrates Certificates had not been presented in list to the County Commissioners.

ADDITIONAL ALMSHOUSE WARRANTS NOT PROVIDED FOR.

Dec. 1, 1903 Jas. Brice	$ 76 68
Jan. 13, 1904 M. A. Toulson, prest.	240 00
May 4, J. S. Bradley	441 04
M. A. Toulson, Drugs	120 99
Chas. S. Smith	67 36
Thos. S. Bordley	173 97
W. L. Fowler	10 19
McIntyre & Hodgkins	52 20
Thos. W. Eliason	13 48
Geo. D. Lofland	90 80
Total	$1256 71

CLAIMS THAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN PROVIDED FOR IN PRIOR YEAR'S LEVY.

Ahern & Tonkin	35 48

RECAPITULATION.

Old Board	$ 821 92
Present Board	54 46
Alms House	1256 71
Prior year	35 48
Total	$2,168 57

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EXHIBIT SHOWING TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF KENT COUNTY FOR YEAR FROM MAY 26, 1903, TO JUNE 7, 1904.

CIRCUIT COURT:		
To Expenditures as per Levy, 1904		$9,715 87
To Orders on Cash Levy, 1903		1,254 00
To Check on Bank		7 92
		$10,977 79
ORPHANS' COURT:		
To Expenditures as per Levy, 1904		1,478 24
Amount carried forward		$12,456 03
Amount brought forward		$12,456 03
COMMISSIONERS OF KENT COUNTY:		
To Expenditures as per Levy, 1904		$5,707 95
To Expenditures as Orders on Cash Levy, 1903		700 00
To Expenditures as General Bridge Keepers' Fund, 1903		150 00
To Expenditures as per Check on Bank		65 89
		6,623 84
COURT HOUSE AND JAIL:		
To Expenditures as per Levy, 1904		$1,775 71
To Expenditures as Orders on Cash Levy		138 80
" " " " " 1903		86 00
To Expenditures as Check on Bank		25 20
		2,025 71
MAGISTRATES AND CONSTABLES:		
To Expenditures as per Levy, 1904		2,412 47
ALMSHOUSE:		
To Expenditures as per Levy, 1904	$1,540 44	
To Expenditures as per Warrants issued for payment of bills, but not provided for	1,256 71	
To Balance Farm account, net	524 31	
		3,321 46
PENSIONS:		
To Expenditures as per Levy, 1904		1,571 93
HOSPITALS:		
To Expenditures as per Levy, 1904	$1,299 62	
To Expenditures as per Check on Bank	187 50	
		1 487 12
INQUISITIONS:		
To Expenditures as per Levy, 1904		162 38
CHARITIES—MISCELLANEOUS:		
To Expenditures as per Levy, 1904		470 18
HEALTH OFFICER AND JAIL PHYSICIAN:		
To Expenditures as per Levy, 1904	$ 318 58	
To Expenditures as per Orders on Cash Levy, 1903	84 95	
		403 53
REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS:		
To Expenditures as per Levy, 1904	$2,130 00	
To Expenditures as per Orders on Cash Levy, 1903	4,423 01	
		6.553 01
SCHOOLS:		
To Expenses as per Levy, 1904	$7.912 50	
To Expenses as per Order on Cash Levy, 1903	10,000 00	
		17,912 50
PRINTING:		
To Expenses as per Levy, 1904		2,015 96
TAXES PAID IN ERROR:		
To Expenses as per Levy, 1904	241 17	
To Expenses as per Check on Bank	6 32	
		247 49
KENT AND QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY:		
To Expenses as per Levy, 1904		217 48
INTEREST ON BONDS:		
To Expenses as per Levy, 1904	$ 764 00	
To Expenses as per Order, 1903	1,400 00	
To Expenses as per Check on Bank	180 00	
		2,344 00
MISCELLANEOUS:		
To Expenses as per Levy, 1904		355 11
ROADS AND BRIDGES:		
To Expenses as per Levy, 1904	$24,570 06	
To Expenses as per Orders on Cash Levy for Chestertown, 1903	2,000 00	
To Expenses as per Orders on Cash Levy for Millington, 1903	200 00	
To Expenses as per Orders on Cash Levy for Chester River Bridge, 1903	116 98	
		26,887 04
SURPLUS FUND:		
To expenses as per Order on Cash Levy, 1903		81 42
Treasurer's Salary		1,800 00
BOND FUND:		
Bridge Bond, Check on Bank		1,910 00
County Commissioners, Check for Stamps		5 00
Certificates issued, but not provided for. See Exhibit		876 38
CHARITIES:		
Check for Drugs for small-pox cases		16 90
		$92,156 94

Amount Certificates	$64.659 65	
" paid by orders issued	6.635 16	
" paid without orders	15.800 00	
" paid by Cash	2.404 73	
" Farm account, net	524 31	
" Warrants issued but not provided for	1 256 71	
" Certificates issued but not provided for	876 38	
	$92,156 94	

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BOND STATEMENT, SHOWING ALL BONDS OUTSTANDING.

20 5 per cent. School Bonds, at $1,000		$20,000 00
10 4 per cent. Refunding Bonds, at $1,000		10,000 00
BRIDGE BONDS—4 6 per cent. Bonds at $100	$ 400 00	
3 6 per cent. Bonds at $500	1,500 00	1,900 00
		$31,900 00

These seven Bridge Bonds are not due, but the proceeds from sale of Refunding Bonds were deposited in bank and the balance applicable to payment of these bonds was held in saving account, and amounted to 1,591 52

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STATEMENT OF FUNDS IN BANK FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 7, 1904.

Amount on hand May 27, 1903	$4,157 75	Amount of checks paid during the year ending June 7, 1904	$2 404 73
		To this we add check received in exchange for a certificate, the certificate being accounted for in the item of certificates	161 50
	4,157 75	Balance	1,591 52
Balance	$1.591 52		$4,157 75

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EXHIBIT OF ALMSHOUSE ACCOUNT, ENDING MAY, 1904.

Balance Farm account		$ 524 31	Expenditures for Almshouse, per report	$3,356 49
Amount certific'e 1090 less disc't	$81.75	1 008 25	Balance to be accounted for	117 05
Warrant	$200 00			
Less discount	11.50	188 50		
Cash in Bank		98 48		
Sundry Receipts, per report		127 81		
Warrants issued for paym't of bills		1,526 19		
		$3,473 54		$3,473 54
Balance		117 05		

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EXHIBIT OF ACCOUNTS OF BOARD OF COUNTY SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS FOR THE YEAR ENDING AUGUST 1, 1904.

RECEIPTS:		EXPENDITURES:	
Balance on hand July 1, 1903	$4,154 45	Rent	$125 00
Free Book Fund	2,565 23	Fuel	2,111 87
Manual Training Department	1,500 00	Repairs	1,035 70
State School Tax	11,143 80	Incidental Expense	612 24
County School Tax	20,000 80	Furniture, Blackboards, Stoves	214 91
Books sold	41 16	Teachers Salaries	23,460 47
Coal sold	56 08	Books and Stationery	2,813 24
Tongers Licenses	1,253 99	Salary, Examiner	1,200 00
Interest Account	7 08	Per Diem, Commissioners	311 00
Check lost in mail	1 00	Office Expenses	103 05
Free School Fund	1,516 58	Printing	166 32
		Building School Houses	1,375 03
Total	$42,240 17	Balance in bank	2,611 34
Balance	3,611 34	Total	$42,240 1

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EXHIBIT OF TREASURER'S OFFICE FOR THE YEAR ENDING JULY 1, 1904.

To balance on hand	$354 15	Cash Payments of Certificates	$ 88,882 78
To assessment of real estate after corrections of errors	102,887 72	Cash Payment on Levy	22,435 16
Special Rate	108 00	Insolvencies Allowed	2,064 78
Corporation Stock	4,969 90	Amount in Sheriff's Hands	216 66
Mortgage	1,507 56	Cash in Bank	684 40
Franchise Tax	390 03	Certificates paid Not Levied	24 70
Accounts Due	844 88	Balance	170 44
Certificates	3,000 00	Total	$114,478 87
Fines	9 50		
Interest	332 48		
Additional Corporation Assessm't	74 65		
Total	$114,478 87		
Balance	$170 44		

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Auditors' Supplementary Report.

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF KENT COUNTY, MARYLAND:

We beg to hand you Exhibit "I," showing that the balance in Exhibit "H" has been accounted for. This balance having been in part due to our errors and part to the errors in the accounts of office.

J. F. M. WOODALL,
WILBUR ELIASON,
Auditors.

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EXHIBIT SHOWING CREDIT DUE TREASURER ON BALANCE SHOWN IN EXHIBIT H.

Exhibit H, to balance	$170 44	By error in footing of Orphans' Court account	$1 00
To amount of Taxes collected, not charged on books	15 54	By excess of amount of certificates paid over amount charged on Levy	9 40
To amount paid in excess of amt. on Levy	83	By duplication in charge of corporation taxes, interest	74 65
Total	$186 81	By same, Chestertown Water Co.	1 35
		By additional insolvences in the sheriff's hands	50 00
		By Melvin certificate of 1902	7 67
		By duplicate payments for which checks were issued, thus decreasing bank balance	27 74
		By check which was drawn on State Fund incorrectly charged to him	15 00
		Total	$186 81

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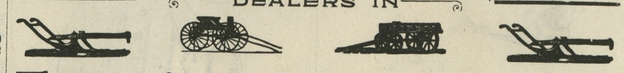
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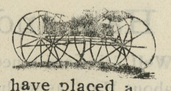


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