Saint Mary's Beacon

PUBLIC LOCAL LAWS.

CHAPTER 482.

AN ACT for the better protection of game birds, song birds, insectivorous birds, in Calvert, County and St. Mary's County.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 15 H, of Chapter 206 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1898 be and the same hereby is made applicable to Calvert County and St. Mary's County, anything in said Act to the contrary notwithstanding. Provided, however, that nothing contained herein shall apply to cat-birds, red-breasted robins, larks or cedar-birds.

Section 2. Be it enacted, That any of the Public Local Laws of Calvert County or St. Mary's Couty be and the same are hereby repealed in so far so they may be inconsistent with Section 15 H, of Chapter 206 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1898.

Section 3. And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 8, 1904.
EDWIN WARFIELD, Governor.
SPENCER C. JONES,
President of the Senate.
GEORGE Y. EVERHART,
Speaker of the House of Delegate.
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, 1904.
B. L. SMITH, Chief Clerk
of the House of Delegates.
April 28, '04—3t.

CHAPTER 407.

ROADS.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with Amendments Sections 100 to 103 both inclusive of Article 19 of the Code of Public Local Laws title "St. Mary's County," Sub-title "Roads" as amended by Chapter 354 of the Acts of 1902, and to repeal Sections 103 A to 103 F both inclusive of said Article under said Title and Sub-title.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Sections 100 to 103, both inclusive, of Article 19 of the Code of Public Local Laws, title "St. Mary's County," sub-title "Roads," as amended by Chapter 354 of the Acts of 1902 be and the same are hereby respectively repealed and re-enacted with amemendments, and be it further enacted that Sections 100 A to 103 F, both inclusive of said Article under said title and sub-title, be and the same are hereby expressly repealed.

Section 100. The County Commissioners are hereby authorized and empowered to purchase in such manner and on such terms as they may deem best for the interest of the County, five mules for each of the three Commissioner District of the County, to be used in operating the three road machines now belonging to said County, and for other purposes in repairing said roads, they shall make provision for the feeding and proper care of said mules, and at the conclusion of general road work in each and every year, they may in their discretion place said mules in the custody of such persons as will properly care for them at the least expense to the County.

Section 101. The County Commissioners shall at their first meeting in May, Nineteen Hundred and Four and annually thereafter, appoint as many Road Supervisors for each election district and precinct of the County as they may deem necessary for the proper working of said Roads, said Supervisors in all cases being selected with special regard to their knowledge and skill in directing Road work, and shall be subject at all times to such rules and regulations as may be adopted by the County Commissioners with regard to the repairing, mending and perfecting the public roads of said County; the said Commissioners shall also fix the compensation of Road Supervisors and the per diem of all laborers employed to work on said Road.

Section 102. The County Commissioners shall provide in their levy of 1904, a sufficient sum of money to pay all indebtedness on account of Roads and shall then and annually thereafter levy a sum not less than five thousand nor more than eight thousand dollars for the building and repair of said Roads in any one year; provided that nothing in this Section shall prevent the Commissioners from levying an additional amount to build any bridge, the cost of which will be one hundred dollars or more.

Section 103. The County Commissioners shall so soon after each annual levy as practicable apportion the sum so levied for Public Roads among the several Election Districts and precincts of the County in exact proportion to the assessed basis of each district and precinct, they shall as far as practicable, have all Road work done in a permanent manner.

Section 2. And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage, and that all Acts and parts of Acts inconsistent with this Act, be and the same are hereby expressly repealed.

Approved April 7, 1904.
EDWIN WARFIELD, Governor.
SPENCER C. JONES,
President of the Senate.
GEORGE Y. EVERHART,
Speaker of the House of Delegates.
Office of the Secretary of the Senate:

I hereby certify, That the aforegoing is a true copy of an Act of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at the January Session, 1904.
ROBERT MOSS,
Secretary of the Senate.

CHAPTER 420.

AN ACT to add a new Section to Article 19 of the Code of Public Local Laws title "St. Mary's County" to be known as Section 119 of said Article.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That a new Section be and the same is hereby added to Article 19 of the Code of Public Local Laws, title "St. Mary's County," to be known as Section 119 of said Article.

Section 119. The Clerk to the Board of Supervisors of Elections for St. Mary's County shall receive a salary of one hundred dollars per year for services to said Board to be paid by the County Commissioners of said County after the account for services of said Clerk has been approved by the said Board of Supervisors of Election.

Section 2. And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 8th, 1904.
EDWIN WARFIELD Governor.
SPENCER C. JONES,
President of the Senate.
GEORGE Y. EVERHART,
Speaker of the House of Delegates.
Office of the Secretary of the Senate.

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ROBERT MOSS
Secretary of the Senate.

CHAPTER 544.

AN ACT to authorize and direct the County Commissioners of St. Mary's County, to levy a sum of money not exceeding $450 to build a school house for white children at or near Hillville in the sixth Election District of St. Mary's County.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, that the County Commissioners of St. Mary's County, are hereby authorized and directed to levy a sum of money not exceeding $450 for the building of school house for white children at the intersection of the three notch road and the road running to Jones wharf near Hillville in the sixth Election District of St. Mary's County.

Section 2. And be it enacted, That the board of County School Commissioners of said County, shall contract for the building of said school house by bids in the usual form awarding the same to the lowest responsible bidder, provided said bid does not exceed $450.

Section 3. And be it enacted, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 8th, 1904.
EDWIN WARFIELD, Governor.
SPENCER C. JONES,
President of the Senate.
GEORGE Y. EVERHART,
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, 1904.
B. L. SMITH Chief Clerk
of the House of Delegates.

CHAPTER 522.

OYSTERS.

AN ACT to regulate the taking or catching of oysters in the Patuxent River and its tributaries within the waters of Calvert, Charles and St. Mary's counties and in the tributaries of the Potomac River within Charles and St. Mary's counties and in the waters of Dorchester county and the Choptank River.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That it shall be unlawful after the passage this Act, for any person or persons to take or catch oysters in any manner whatever in any of the waters of the Patuxent River and its tributaries of St. Mary's, Charles and Calvert counties, or in the tributaries of the Potomac River laying in St. Mary's and Charles counties, between the first day of April and the first day of October in each year, or in the waters of Dorchester county or the Choptank River in said county, between the twenty-fifth day of April and the fifteenth day of September in each year, provided, however, that nothing in this Act shall be so construed as to prevent any person or persons from removing or transplanting oysters on private beds or taking oysters from private beds for private use during the closed season, but not for sale.

Section 2. And be it enacted, That after the passage of this Act, any bona fide citizen of St. Mary's, Charles and Calvert counties, who shall have procured a license from the Clerk of the Circuit Court of the county in which he is a bona fide resident as prescribed in the General Oyster Law of the State of Maryland, shall be permitted to use such license to take or catch oysters in the Chesapeake Bay, or in the Potomac River, at any time that oysters are allowed to be taken in said waters in conformity with the General Oyster Law of the State, and they shall be subject to all of the provisions and penalties prescribed by the General Oyster Law of the State of Maryland.

Section 3. And be it enacted, That the Clerks of the Circuit Courts of St. Mary's, Charles and Calvert counties, are authorized by this Act to issue a license to any bona fide resident of their respective counties to take or catch oysters, and shall charge the same fees for the issuing of such license, as is provided for in the General Oyster Law of the State, for tongers to pay for the privilege of taking oysters during a full oyster season in any one year, and said license shall permit such licensee to take or catch oysters in the Chesapeake Bay or in the Potomac River, at any time that oysters are allowed to be taken in said Chesapeake Bay and Potomac River, under the provisions of the General Oyster Law of the State, and the holder of such license shall be permitted to use the same in the Patuxent River and its tributaries in St. Mary's, Calvert and Charles counties, and in the tributaries of the Potomac River of Charles and St. Mary's counties, from the first day of October until the first day of April in each year.

Section 4. And be it enacted, That any person holding a license at the time of the passage of this Act, to take or catch oysters in the Patuxent River or its tributaries or the tributaries of the Potomac River in St. Mary's, Charles or Calvert counties shall be permitted to use such license for the full term for which they were granted.

Section 5. And be it enacted, That any person or persons violating any of the provisions of this Act shall be subject to the same penalties and dealt with in the same manner as is provided for in the General Oyster Laws of the State for taking or catching oysters during the closed season or without license.

Section 6. And be it enacted, That all Acts or parts of Acts, local or general, inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed, and that this Act take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 8, 1904.
EDWIN WARFIELD, Governor.
SPENCER C. JONES, President of the Senate.
GEORGE Y. EVERHART, 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 Seesion, 1904:
B. L. SMITH, Chief Clerk of the House of Delegates.
April 28.

CHAPTER 410.

CHARTER OF LEONARDTOWN.

An Act to repeal and reenact with amendments Sections 59 to 79 inclusive of Article 19 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "St. Mary's County," sub-title Leonardtown and the amendments additional thereto, as amended and enacted by Chapter 479 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1900 entitled "An Act to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sections 73 and 74 of of Article 19 of the Code of Public Local Laws, title St. Mary's County, sub-titie Leonardtown, and to change the name of the corporation mentioned therein.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 59 to 79 inclusive of Article 19 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title St. Mary's County, sub-title Leonardtown, and the amendments and additions thereto as amended and enacted by Chapter 479 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1900 be and the same are hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments.

Section 59. The citizens of the Village of Leonardtown, in St. Mary's County are and shall continue to be a body corporate by the name of the "Commissioners of Leonardtown" and by that name shall have perpetual succession, may sue and be sued, use a common seal and possess such powers, privileges and incidents as may attend to a municipal corporation, may purchase and hold real, personal and mixed property and dispose of the same for the benefit of the said town.

Section 60. The taxable and corporate limits of said town shall be accurately established and bounded and a full description of same be filed with the Clerk of the Circuit Court for St. Mary's County to be recorded in one of the deed records of said county.

Section 61. The male citizens living within the corporate limits of the "Commissioners of Leonardtown," above twenty-one years of age, who shall have resided in the town for the space of four months, and twelve months in the State of Maryland, next preceding the election, and shall be at the time a citizen of the United States, together with residents of St. Mary's County owning real estate within said corporation and possessing all the above prescribed qualifications except residing in said town, shall elect by ballot on the first Monday in May 1904 at the Court House, or at such other suitable place as may be designated by the Commissioners of the Village of Leonardtown, five (5) discreet persons, who shall have all the requisites of a voter in said town and who shall have resided within the limits of said corporation for at least twelve months next preceding the election. Three of the Commissioners elected shall serve for the term of two years and two for the term of one year, and the time each Commissioner is to serve shall be determined by lot among themselves, and annually thereafter, on the first Monday in May in each year, alternately, two and three Commissioners shall be elected to serve for two (2) years. The election to be held at some suitable and convenient place in the limits of said corporation to be designated by the Commissioners of Leonardtown.

Section 62. All elections shall be held and conducted as shall be from time to time directed by the by-laws of said corporation not inconsistent with the provisions of this Charter. The failure to hold an election, or if the citizens of said town at any time neglect to make an election at the time before mentioned the power of electing Commissioners shall not cease, but the qualified voters in said corporation may hold an election according to the by-laws of the "Commissioners of Leonardtown" at some suitable and convenient place in said corporation for the purpose of electing the requisite number of Commissioners to serve for the balance of the regular term, and in the event of no election, for any reason whatsoever, the Commissioners for the time being shall continue and remain in office, until an election be held and their successors qualify, with all the power and authority incident thereto.

Section 63. If any person elected as Commissioner shall refuse to serve as such, or his place become vacant by death, insanity, resignation, disqualification or otherwise, the remaining Commissioners may fill his place from among the qualified voters of the town. Each Commissioner, before he acts as such shall make oath before some Justice of the Peace of St. Mary's County that he will diligently and faithfully and to the best of his skill perform his duties as Commissioner without favor, partiality or prejudice, and the Justice of the Peace shall make out a certificate of such qualification and shall file the same with the Commissioners to be recorded among the records of the town.

Section 64. The said Commissioners may meet and adjourn from time to time as they shall see fit and at their first meeting after each election shall choose from their own body a president who shall preside at all their meetings, vote on all questions before them and remain in office until superseded by the appointment of a new president or until after a new election of Commissioners. They may also appoint a Clerk to their board, who may be one of their members, also a treasurer, who may be one of their members, and one and the same person may act as clerk and treasurer. Any of the above named officers shall be subject to removal by a vote of the majority of the whole number of Commissioners, and the Commissioners shall prescribe the duties of clerk and treasurer and fix their compensation by ordinance when not otherwise prescribed by this Act.

Section 65. The treasurer shall receive all moneys that may be collected for taxes, fees, fines or otherwise by any law or ordinance, directly or through the bailiff, collector or otherwise, and all such moneys shall be paid out only by order of the Commissioners. He shall subscribe to an oath for the faithful performance of his duties and give bond to the State of Maryland in the sum of at least six hundred dollars ($600) to be approved by the Commissioners, conditioned for the faithful discharge of his duties, and such other conditions as the Commissioners may prescribe, and his books shall be open to the inspection of the Commissioners and any taxpayer; and he shall, on or before the first day of May in each and every year, render a succinct and detailed statement of his receipts and disbursements for the fiscal year.

Section 66. All property within the corporate limits of the "Commissioners of Leonardtown" that is subject to taxation for County purposes in St. Mary's County shall be taxed for municipal purposes for the "Commissioners of Leonardtown" and the said Commissioners at some meeting in the month of May 1904 and every five years thereafter, or oftener, if in their judgment the interest of the town demands same, appoint an assessor, who, after subscribing to an oath to perform the duties imposed upon him without fear, favor, partiality or prejudice, shall proceed to value the real estate and improvements thereon, and all property liable to assessment and taxation under the laws of the State, judgments and private securities excepted, at a fair and just market valuation and return the same under his hand to the Commissioners of Leonardtown on or before the first day of July next after his appointment, and if any person shall feel aggrieved at the valuation and assessment of his or her property made as hereinbefore provided, he or she may appeal to "The Commissioners of Leonardtown," who shall meet not less than five nor more than twenty days after such assessment shall have been returned by the assessor, and remain in session from day to day, as long as may be necessary to hear and determine such appeal, and they shall give reasonable notice of all such meetings and may increase or abate such assessment as they may deem best.

Section 67. The Commissioners may levy on or before the last Monday of July annually on the assessable property of the town or corporation a sum sufficient for all general purposes, such taxes not to exceed twenty-five cents on the one hundred dollars worth of property. Such taxes, when levied, shall be a preferred lien upon the property assessed, and shall be due and demandable on the first Monday in August in each year, after being levied for the collection of taxes so levied, from which time said taxes shall draw six per cent. interest; the Commissioners shall annually appoint a collector of taxes within the corporate limits of said town, who may be the bailiff of said town, on or before the second Monday of July in each year, and the said collector shall within ten days after his appointment, give bond to the State of Maryland, in double the amount of taxes to be collected, and conditioned for the faithful performance of the trust reposed in him as collector, with surities to be approved by the Commissioners, and on failure to give bond within the time specified, the Commissioners shall appoint another person as collector.

Section 68. In order to inforce collection of taxes due and in arrears, it shall only be necessary to notify the delinquent taxpayer, by written notice delivered to said delinquent, or by notice posted on his or her premises, that unless his or her taxes due, and in arrears, are paid within 20 days from date of said notice with all interest and costs thereon, the property will be sold according to law, without any levy or appraisement, and after giving at least thirty days notice of the time, terms and place of sale, which place shall be the Court House door for real estate, and on premises of delinquent for personality, by advertisement in one newspaper in St. Mary's county for real estate and by posting notices in at least three public places in said corporation for personality, the collector shall proceed to sell at the advertised sale mentioned by public auction the property for cash to the highest bidder, retaining out of the proceeds amount of taxes due from such delinquent, with sixper cent. interest thereon, together with all costs of making such sale, including an auctioneer's fee and the advertisement thereof, he shall pay the surplus, if any, to the owner of the property so sold. In case of sale of real estate, the same shall be reported to the Circuit Court for St. Mary's county for ratification, which Court shall ratify the same if no objection be offered to said ratification, after the publication of an order nisi as required in sales made on the equity side of the Circuit Court of Maryland and if not redeemed within six months, the collector shall convey the same in fee simple to the purchaser or purchasers thereof. In case of sale of real estate, where it is found that part of the property upon which the taxes is levied and in default will pay the whole amount of taxes, the said collector shall sell only such part of the real estate as may be necessary to pay the said taxes. He shall be entitled to the following fees: For giving notice to enforce the payment of any tax bill the sum of fifty cents, and in addition thereto for the property to be sold he shall receive when sold a poundage fee of three per cent. of the gross amount of sale, but if the amount of bill be paid without sale after advertising he shall receive as poundage fee ten per cent. of the amount collected, these several fees to be charged against the tax bill of the delinquent taxpayer.

The Commissioners may allow such commission or sum to the collector for collecting taxes as they may deem right and proper, and in addition to the remedy above provided for the enforcement of the taxes so levied, the collector may in the name of the Commissioners of Leonardtown, by suit and execution, enforce the pay ment and collection of taxes in the manner and to the same extent as debts due and owing individuals are now or may hereafter be collected by process of law and these provisions shall apply to all taxes now levied and uncollected, and the same be collected as herein provided.

Section 69. The Commissioners shall have charge and control of the lighting of the streets of the town and shall have power to contract for lighting the same to contract with any water company for the use of water in a case of fire, for sprinkling streets and other public purposes, to employ all labor or authorize the bailiff to do so that may be necessary, and to make all contracts for public improvements and to fix the price to be paid for same. The Commissioners shall have power to make such by-laws and pass such ordinances, not contrary to law, and in conformity with this Charter as they may deem necessary for good government of the town and the inhabitants thereof, to prevent, remove and abate all nuisances and obstructions in or upon the streets, sidewalks, highways, lanes, drains, waterways, or in or upon any lot, and to provide for imposing a fine upon any person causing or creating such nuisance or obstructions, to grant permits for all buildings, and to have power to remove, or order the removal, of any building that may be a nuisance, or that may have been erected, contrary to any ordinance heretofore passed or hereafter to be passed, or that may endanger any building contiguous thereto in case of fire and to enact ordinances and impose fines for the enforcement of these provisions; to establish grades upon the streets, alleys, gutters and sidewalks of said town and prescribe the width thereof and the material of which they shall be built; to cause the sidewalks along said public streets to be graded, paved, repaired or improved; to provide for and regulate licenses, or permits for all exhibitions and shows within said corporation, or to prohibit and restrain them and to regulate and provide for a tax on dogs and bitches, to provide for and prevent the running at large of all horses, cattle, hogs, geese, chickens and other fowl upon the streets or within the limits of said town; to provide by ordinance for condemning, laying out, opening, extending and making new streets, or alleys, and for altering, straightening, widening, grading, improving or closing up, in whole or in part, any existing street or alley, and for removing trees, posts and other obstructions, and for laying out public squares, drains, water courses, and all benefits, or damages done, suffered or incurred by the laying out, opening and making of new streets or alleys, or by altering, straightening, widening, grading, improving or closing up, in whole or in part, any existing street or alley, or laying out public squares, drains or water courses shall be determined and assessed by three disinterested persons, residents of said town appointed by "The Commissioners of Leonardtown," who shall take an oath before some Justice of the Peace that they will fairly, without partiality or prejudice, value and assess the loss and damages to be suffered and incurred by any person interested, also to estimate the benefits that may accrue therefrom to each interested person.

They shall locate boundaries and prepare an explanatory map giving description of the street or alley opened, closed, extended, widened, straightened or improved. With each separate lot or parcel of ground deemed to have sustained damages or received benefits, and they shall within 30 days return to the commissioners such maps, together with the amount of damages awarded to such owner or occupant, and the amount of benefits assessed to any lot or the owner thereof, together with a certificate of their qualification which may be ratified or rejected or altered or amended in whole or in part by "The Commissioners of Leonardtown." The said Commissioners shall pay or tender to the person, his agent, guardian or representative the amount of damages so awarded by them and if any one should feel aggrieved by the decision of the Commissioners, who is in any manner effected by their decision, he may appeal to the Circuit Court for St. Mary's County, by giving written notice within twenty days from said decision, filed with the Treasurer of said Commissioners, of his desire to appeal; and on the filing of said notice the Commissioners shall cause to be delivered the papers connected therewith to the Clerk of said Court, and the same proceedings shall be had on the appeal as in cases of appeal from judgments of Justices of the Peace, provided, nevertheless, that the Commissioners of "Leonardtown" may decline to open, lay out, extend, widen, grade or straighten any street, alley, or highway, or any square, water way or drain notwithstanding the decision of said Court; but in case of refusal to do so they shall be liable for all costs incurred and shall pay the same, on appeal the Court or Jury may alter the award so returned whether of damages or benefits and award costs in its discretion. All benefits assessed by virtue of the above provisions shall be liens on the respective lots or parcels of ground on which they are assessed from the time of the final ratification of the return made to "The Commissioners of Leonardtown" and shall be collected as taxes are collected or may be collected by action at law.

Section 70. That said Commissioners may annually appoint one or more active and discreet persons to act as bailiff within the corporate limits of said town who before he proceeds to act as such shall make oath to be administered by a Justice of the Peace for St. Mary's County that he will faithfully and impartially perform the duties required of him as bailiff without favor or affection according to the best of his skill and judgment and he shall execute a bond with sureties to be approved by the Commissioners in such penalty as they may require for the faithful performance of his duties as town bailiff. The said bailiff shall have within the corporate limits of "The Commissoners of Leonardtown" all the power held and exercised by the constables of this State, he shall attend the meetings of the said Commissioners when notified by them to do so and shall perform such services and duties as are or shall be imposed upon him by law, ordinance or by order of the Commissioners; he shall arrest and take before some Justice of the Peace in St. Mary's County to be dealt with according to the laws of Maryland or the ordinances passed by "The Commissioners of Leonardtown; any person found violating any of the laws of Maryland or any of the ordinances made or passed by "The Commissioners of Leonardtown," within the corporate limits of said town and any one resisting said bailiff in the discharge of his duties shall be liable upon conviction to be punished in the same manner and to the same extent as if he had resisted a constable.

Section 71. The Sheriff of St. Mary's County shall receive and safe keep in the jail of the County all persons committed thereto by any Justice of the Peace for St. Mary's County for violating any of the ordinances made or passed by "The Commissioners of Leonardtown" or for the non payment of any fines or forfeitures which may be imposed by any Justice of the Peace of said County for the violation of said ordinances according to the term of said commitment, until discharged by due course of law or by payment of the fine forfeiture and costs, the Sheriff of said County shall also receive for safe keeping any party brought to jail with commitment, by the duly appointed bailiff to "The Commissioners of Leonardtown" there to be confined for a reasonable time until trial of party arrested and brought by said bailiff can be conveniently and properly had.

Section 72. For the enforcement of the ordinances made or passed by "The Commissioners of Leonardtown," any Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland residing in St Mary's county, shall have all the powers of ordering arrests, summoning witnesses, trying cases and inflicting fines and punishments that are now vested in Justices of the Peace by law, and shall be entitled to receive and demand the same fees as in other criminal cases, and shall pay all fines over to said Commissioners; and the bailiff in enforcing the ordinances of the town shall be entitled to the same fees as are allowed constables in criminal cases under the laws of Maryland or any future provisions thereof regulating constable's fees in criminal cases; and from any judgment rendered in the enforcement of the ordinance of the town, an appeal shall be by the party aggrieved to the Circuit Court for St. Mary's county, provided the appeal is taken within fifteen days after the rendering of such judgment, but no appeal shall stay process or execution upon judgment unless good and sufficient bond be given for payment of fines and all costs in case judgment be affirmed.

Section 73. For the purpose of carrying out the aforegoing powers, and for the preservation of the health, cleanliness, peace and good order of the community, and for the protection of the lives and property of the citizens from fire and disease, and to suppress or cause to be suppressed, abated or discontinued any and all nuisance within the limits of "The Commissioners of Leonardtown," the said Commissioners may pass any and all ordinances and by-laws from time to time necessary, and to enforce and insure the observance of the said ordinances in addition to an action in debt or such other civil remedies as may exist in such cases by law for the recovery of fees, fines and penalties thereto affixed, they may affix thereto reasonable fines and in default of payment of any fines so imposed they may provide for the imprisonment of the offenders in the county jail for St. Mary's county for a period not exceeding sixty days, or until such fines are paid; and instead of the foregoing penalties it shall be lawful, in the case of vagrancy or tramps as defined by the laws of Maryland, to sentence such vagrant or tramp to hard labor, on the public streets within the limits of "The Commissioners of Leonardtown," not exceeding ten days, and all fines and forfeitures imposed by said Commissioners by virtue of any law or ordinance shall be applied in such manner for the use of said village as may from time to time be directed by ordinance.

Section 74. All ordinances and by-laws heretofore passed by "The Commissioners of the Village of Leonardtown" and now in force and not in conflict with the provisions of this Charter, shall be valid and remain in force until the same are repealed, amended or modified by "The Commissioners of Leonardtown," and all Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland heretofore passed relating to or in any way effecting "The Commissioners of the Village of Leonardtown," and not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, shall remain in force and effect for "The Commissioners of Leonardtown" in the same manner and to the same extent and purpose as if said Act or Acts were now repealed and re-enacted so as to read in lieu of the words, "The Commissioners of the Village of Leonardtown," the words "The Commissioners of Leonardtown."

Section 75. A majority of "The Commissioners of Leonardtown" shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and in the absence of the President of their board, the Commissioners present may appoint a member president pro tem, who shall have all the powers and privileges and be subject to all the rules and regulations preserved for the president.

Section 76. "The Commissioners of Leonardtown" shall receive no compensation for their services.

Section 77. "The Commissioners of Leonardtown" shall issue no device, token, note, certificate or evidence of debt to be used as currency.

Section 2. And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the first day of May, 1904.

Approved April 7, 1904.
EDWIN WARFIELD, Governor
SPENCER C. JONES,
President of the Senate.
GEORGE V. EVERHART,
Speaker of the House of Delegates.
Office of the Secretary of the Senate.

I hereby certify, That the aforegoing is a true copy of Act of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at the January Session, 1904.
ROBERT MOSS, Secretary of the Senate.
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STATEMENT

Showing the Condition of the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York Dec. 31, 1903.

INCOME.

Total Income,	$77,389,712 76

DISBURSEMENTS.

Total Disbursements,	$48,807,615 99

ASSETS.

Real Estate owned by Company,		$34,312,133 60
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate,		89,224,920 14
Loans on Collateral,		14,217,500 00
Loans on this Company's Policies Assigned as Collateral,		16,930,100 64
Bonds and Stocks owned by Company,		198,072,507 10
Cash in Office and in Bank,		22,460,550 02
Interest and Rents due and accrued,		2,968,301 04
Net Uncollected and Deferred Premiums,		5,032,889 14
Agents' Debit Balances,	$503,290.58,	
Suspense,	$946,060.52,	1,459,351 10
Market Value Bonds and Stocks over Book Value,		16,640,731 27
Gross Assets,		$403,314,984 05

ASSETS NOT ADMITTED.

Agents' Debit Balances,	$537,261 87	
Suspense,	956,060 52	
		$1,493,322 39
Total Admitted Assets,		$401,821,661 66

LIABILITIES.

Net Reserve,	$336,346,040 00
Present Value of Amounts not yet due on Mature Installment Policies,	1,308,980 49
Net Policy Claims,	2,077,600 58
Dividends Due Policy Holders,	131,045 51
Premiums Paid in Advance,	363,151 47
Special Reserve or Contingent Guarantee Fund,	59,164,843 66
Unassigned Funds and Surplus	2,830,000 00
Total Liabilities,	$401,821,661 66
Amount of Risk in United States Dec. 31, 1903,	$1,445,228,681 00
Amount Written in Maryland during 1903,	2,538,848 00
Premiums in Maryland in 1903,	613 788.91
Loses Paid in Maryland in 1903,	499,845 40
Losses Incurred in Maryland in 1903,	524,988 35

STATE OF MARYLAND,
Insurance Department,
Commissioner's Office, March 1, 1904.

I hereby certify, that the above is a correct copy of the Statement of the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York to December 31, 1903, now on file in this Department.
LLOYD WILKINSON,
Insurance Commissioner.

D. E. DUDLEY, Manager, Baltimore, Md.
J. FRAKLIN ADAMS, Charlotte Hall, Md.
JAMES D. HAYDEN, Valley Lee, Md.
WALTER B. DORSEY, Leonardtown, Md.
April 14—3w.

BARGAINS!
Great Bargains!
at Millison's New Store House.

New season with new stock of goods. Big stock of CLOTHING

Men's Suits, good for the Fall and Winter at $1 95
A woollen suit, 3 25
Black and blue guaranteed all wool Clays, 7 50
The finest " " " " 9 50
The suits last quoted are worth $15.
Childs suits as low as 65 cents and up to 3 00
Youths suits as low as 1 50
Men's pants as low as 45 cents and up to 4 50
Child's pants, all sizes, 2 pairs for 25 cents

NEW STOCK OF DRY GOODS

with the latest style. Ladies' Oxfords, dress goods, all styles at very low prices. Cottons and Ginghams. Flannels—Red Flanneis as low as 14c and up. Men's suspenders, fine quality, as low as 9c per pair, and the silk suspender 25c Underwear for ladies and men. Havey fleece lined shirts as low as 68 cts pair. Ladies' handkerchiefs, good ones, 7 for 25 cts Men's Socks, 7 pair for 25c; Good, real wearing socks, 4 pair for 25 cents. Ladies Hosery at very low prices.

HATS, HATS, HATS, HATS, HATS.

Hats for men. Good woolen hats, very low. Look at this figure; 35 cents, and as high as $2. Heavy working shirts, 25c cents Fine shirts in Percale and F. B. foesons, 34 cents and 44 cents—really worth 75 cents.

Big Lot of PICTURE FRAMES just received. Gilt frames as low as 15 cents, according to size. Saint Pictures, with frames and glasses, for 75 cents and 98 cents; sizes 16x20.

NOW IT COMES

Special bargains in Shoes. Men's and Ladies Fine Shoes as low as 75 cents pair. $1.25 shoe will cost 98 cents. $150 shoe will cost $1.10. Low Tariff on goods, once more if you come to my store.

LIQUORS most half GIVEN AWAY.

GOOD MATTING, 9 cents. Linen Matting worth 35 cents yard, now for 21 cents.

GROCERIES. Granulated Sugar, 5c pound. Nice roasted coffee 9 cts pound. 10 boxes of Yeast Powder 25 cts. 11 bars soap for 25 cts. 3 pound can Boston Beans, 9 cts. 6 pounds of Washing soda, 10 cts. Ginger Snaps, 5c lb. Crackers, 7 cts lb, or 4 pounds for 25 cts. Rice, 5 pounds for 25 cts.

Max L. Millison,
Leonardtown, Md.
Sept 10—03n

1904. SPRING SCHEDULE. 1904.
Weems' Steamboat Co.

PATUXENT RIVER ROUTE.

On and after Saturday, March 19th.

Steamer St. Mary's

will leave Pier 8, Light Street, every Wednesday and Saturday at 6.30 a. m. for Fair Haven, Plum Point, Dare's, Governor's Run and the Patuxent River as far as Benedict. Returning will leave Benedict every Monday and Thursday at 5.30 a. m., Sotterly at 8 a. m., Millstone Landing at 10 a. m., Pearson's at 10.15 a. m., Governor's Run at 12 m., Plum Point at 1 p. m. and Fair Haven at 2.30 p. m. for Baltimore.
Freight received at Pier 8 Tuesday and Friday until 6 p. m.

Steamer Westmoreland

will leave Pier 2 Light Street every Sunday for Patuxent River direct, as far as Bristol. Returning will leave Bristol at 10 a. m., Monday, Benedict 3 p. m., Millstone at 9 p. m., Pearson's at 9.15 p. m. for Baltimore, calling at the wharves below Leitch's except when signalled from wharves on the river for passengers and perishable freight.
Freight received at Pier 2 Saturday until 6 p. m.
HENRY WILLIAMS, Agent.
Office—Pier 2, Light Street.
March 17, 1904.

Happy Russell.

Happy Russell; registered No. 4494; record 2:21½; trial 2:18, high wheel sulky; sire Mambrino Russell, No. 2008, dam, Odd Stocking, by Happy Medium, No. 400, will make the season 1904 from Hughesville to Ridge, season commencing April 1 and ending June 25. Terms; $15 for one mare; $15 for club of five mares, if paid in season. 50 cents to groom. Happy Russell leads all Maryland sires of 2:20 trotters, living or dead.
WALTER H. MUDD,
Hughesville, Md.
March 31, '04—1m.