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Parties having Real or Personal
Property for sale can obtain de-
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TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE.

BY virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court for St. Mary's county, in Equity, No. 1033, N. E., passed in a cause wherein Thomas J. Combs is complainant and Mary E. Voll et al. are defendants, the undersigned Trustee, will offer at Public Sale, at the Court House door in Leonardtown, on

TUESDAY, June 13, 1905,
AT 12 O'CLOCK, M.,
all those tracts or parcels of land, comprising the home farm of the late John F. Combs, situate in the First Election District of St. Mary's county on the road leading from St. Inigo's to Scotland, and called and known as

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71 acres, more or less,
Pt. Harbour, containing

One and nine-tenths acres, more or less.

This farm is in a fine state of cultivation, is convenient to churches, schools and steamboat landing and is improved by a commodious new dwelling and the necessary out-buildings.

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OUR GROCERY LINE is complete and of the very best grade, and the prices are always the lowest. Our aim is to keep on hand at all times a full and complete stock in every line. We are agents for the

AMERICAN CHEMICAL WORKS FERTILIZER, and are prepared to sell you any goods in that line at low as any one in the county.

IF YOU NEED ANY-thing in Wall Paper we can offer you a very pretty assortment and at prices that will astonish you.

WE WILL GIVE the top of the market for Eggs at all times.

Thanking you for past favors and soliciting a continuance of them, we are, yours to command,

Drury & Saunders.
AT THE SISTERS' GATE.

St. Mary's Female Seminary.

The closing exercises of the St. Mary's Female Seminary, St. Mary's City, will take place on WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14, 1905, at 2 P. M. The public cordially invited.

Senator Jacob Rohrbach, of Frederick, Md., has been invited to address the graduating class.

J. PARRAN CRANE, President of Board of Trustees.
JOS. H. KEY, Secretary.
Mrs. LUCY V. MADDOX, Principal of School.
May 18-d.

Court Postponed.

His Honor, Judge Crane, being compelled to be absent from the county on the First Monday in June, which is the regular day for the convening of the June Term of the Circuit Court for St. Mary's county, notice is hereby given that the said term of said Court will be held on FRIDAY, the 9th day of June, instant.

By order of the Court,
ENOCH B. ABELL,
June 1-2s, Clerk.

Walk In!

Those ladies, gentlemen or children, who desire to purchase shoes, are invited to drive down to Miller's "Wharf" step into the store, look over the present stock, with the privilege of ordering any size or style desired.

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St. Mary's Packing & Manufacturing Company.
CHARLES E. STIRLING, Manager.
\$500

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FOR COUNTY TREASURER.

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Pelham-Breathed Battery.

By H. H. MATTHEWS.

PART XVII.
Trevilian Station Fight.

After the death of General E. B. Stuart, May 12, 1864, the cavalry and Breathed's battery were engaged daily with Sheridan's cavalry along the Potomac and South Annarivers. We hardly knew what it was to go into camp for more than a few moments at a time. Sheridan had extended his lines to such great length that we had to move from point to point in order to prevent him from turning our flanks or penetrating our rear. From May 16th to the 19th McGreggor's and Breathed's batteries were actively engaged with the enemy's

actively equipped horse batteries. We lost a number of horses, but had the consolation of knowing that we inflicted serious losses upon the enemy, which fact is proven by Sheridan's official reports. On May 20th, Gen. Lee began his movement paralleling Grant's lines in the direction of Richmond. On May 31st we encountered a heavy force of the enemy—infantry and cavalry—moving in the direction of Cold Harbor. We attacked them at once and staid with them the entire day, notwithstanding the disparagement of numbers. The enemy at last gave way, moving in the direction of the Grapevine bridge on the Chickahominy river. Previous to this movement we encountered Custer's brigade, the best in the Federal army, between Hanovertown and Haw's Shop, in which Fitz Lee and his side-partner, Breathed, gave Custer a severe drubbing. Custer in his report of this action says, "My loss was very heavy." Sheridan says his "loss was greater in the Haw's shop affair than in any other engagement of the campaign." The casualties among his officers were particularly heavy. Our loss was small. The enemy retired after dark in the direction of the Pamunkey river. Lieut. Chas. Ford, a gallant officer in McGreggor's battery, who was with us, was instantly killed. Breathed's battery was in a most deplorable condition as to horses. We had been constantly on the go from the early part of the campaign up to the present time, frequently fighting all day and marching at night to the next position. I often wonder how we stood this terrible strain upon tired and exhausted systems; nothing to eat worth recording; hardly any clothes to wear; no shoes in many cases; stockings were considered an extravagance not to be thought of. Our only stock in trade was a love for the South and her hallowed institutions, consecrated by the blood of patriots who had shed it in the holy cause, and a patriotism that fired every true heart to exert every effort to hurl back from Virginia's sacred soil the unwelcome intruder. This was the secret that kept us shoulder to shoulder to shoulder and enabled us to bear any kind of hardships and to overcome obstacles that under any other circumstances would have caused us to hesitate before we moved. Many a poor Southern boy's bones are scattered over the battlefields of the South, whose patriotism was his incentive to duty. On June 1st the enemy made his appearance at Bottom's bridge in force. Fitz Lee and Breathed were on hand as usual disputing his crossing. We kept them back with shell and canister, driving them in the direction of Gaines' Mill. On the 3rd the enemy at dawn attempted to turn our left flank, where Kershaw and Breckinridge were stationed. We took a hand in this fracas and were warmly engaged with the enemy, repulsing him and driving him in the direction of the Pamunkey. On the 4th, Fitz Lee and Breathed were stationed on and along the north bank of the Chickahominy river, Bottom Bridge being the central point. The enemy's cavalry made several demonstrations, but were checked by the ever-vigilant Fitz Lee. Skirmishing was kept up for several days. While Grant and Lee were contenting for position on the fields of Cold Harbor and Gaines' mill, Sheridan started on that fateful day, known as the Lynchburg raid. Their object was, according to Sheridan's report, to proceed to Charlottesville or Lynchburg and with Gen. Hunter cut the Virginia Central R. R. and Orange & Alex. R. R. near Gordonsville, bringing Hunter's command over to the Army of the Potomac in front of Richmond. On June 7 Sheridan crossed from the south side to the north bank of the Pamunkey river at New Castle with Torbert's and Gregg's divisions of cavalry and 4 batteries of horse artillery. In the meantime General Lee had been advised of this movement. Gen. Wade Hampton was ordered to take one division of cavalry and his own. He selected Fitz Lee's as the other, and on the 8th of June we left in front of Gaines' mill, marching rapidly day and night, via Hanover Junction, along the line of the Virginia Central R. R., encamping near Louisa C. H. on the evening of the 10th. Hampton, who had taken a different route, encamped near Trevilian Station. Hart's and Thompson's batteries were with him, under the command of Major R. P. Chew. Hampton having learned from his scouts that Sheridan had crossed the North Anna river at Carpenter's ford, determined to attack him at daylight the next day, the 11th. Gen. M. C. Butler, of Hampton's division, marched out with flying colors to meet the great Sheridan—that modest, truthful man—who in his report of the Yellow Tavern calamity stated "that the

cavalry under his command could march any where and any time they pleased, notwithstanding the superiority of numbers of the C. S. cavalry." He knew when he made that statement that it was false. The C. S. cavalry had become so demoralized that one brigade did not number as many men as one of Sheridan's regiments. Butler soon met the enemy, and with Hart's battery drove him back upon his main body. P. M. Young came up with his brigade, driving them steadily. Hampton, expecting to form a junction with Fitz Lee at Clayton's store, did not press them too far. While Hampton was driving Gregg, news came that the enemy was in his (Hampton's) rear. This proved to be true. Custer had moved to the left and rear and had passed through a wooded lane in Hampton's rear, cutting in two his division and Fitz Lee's, who had been detached near "C. H. Fitz Lee, when he discovered the situation of things, as was his wont, vigorously attacked Custer. Breathed went into action immediately and for about 2 hours were lively. We were about in canister distance of Pennington's battery. The contest was stubborn, neither battery being willing to limber up as long as there was a round of ammunition in sight. Pennington in his report states "that he lost from the opening battery (Breathed's) 44 men and officers." We had two men wounded. Gen. L. L. Lomax, who commanded a brigade in Fitz Lee's division in that action, in a letter to me under date of Feb. 9, 1903, states: "At Trevilian's Station Breathed ran his battery close upon Sheridan's right flank and added much to Sheridan's defeat. It was in my hearing, on this occasion, that when a shot would strike near the battery he gave the order: 'Move up closer; they have got the range, boys.' Hampton had to change front, moving around in the direction of Gordonsville, facing Trevilian Station. While this movement was going on, Breathed charged Custer, smiting him hip and thigh, forcing him back upon Fitz Lee, who was moving in the direction of the Station. Fitz Lee immediately attacked his old classmate, Custer, capturing a number of wagons, ambulances, four of Pennington's caissons and Custer's headquarters wagon, containing all of his official papers and the celebrated Fanny correspondence which the Richmond papers had so much amusement out of. Things about this time were very much changed. Custer was between Hampton and Fitz Lee, and riding like Tam O'Shanter got out of the mess. The lines of the Confederates were very peculiar, indeed. Hampton was on the north or Gordonsville side of the Station. Sheridan was between Hampton and Fitz Lee, who was on the south side. Time after time did Sheridan assault our position, but in every case he was repulsed. Night coming on put an end to the conflict. Fitz Lee during the night moved by the left flank, and by daylight had placed himself with Hampton, ready to meet the great Sheridan whenever he considered he was ready to start again for Charlottesville. General Hampton formed his line of battle immediately upon the arrival of Fitz Lee on the left side of the railroad, with Breathed's battery on his right, Butler being on the extreme right with Hart's battery." In this position we quietly awaited Sheridan's onward march to Lynchburg. We waited until nearly 3 P. M., when Hampton determined to give him battle. He advanced his line steadily. Sheridan threw Torbert's division against Butler and Hart. Torbert was repulsed, notwithstanding his superior force. Time and time again did Torbert try to brush Butler out of his path, but Butler would not be brushed. Hart's battery moved Torbert's men down at every discharge, until Torbert gave it up, for a while at least. Fitz Lee, by Hampton's direction, sent Wickham's brigade to the support of Butler, taking position on Butler's left. Breathed accompanied the brigade, and as usual did good service by disputing the right of Torbert. We held this position until we discovered that the enemy had been severely handled and was contemplating a flank attack, when the battery withdrew and took a position near the railroad, close to Lomax. Torbert tells the same old story: "It was impossible to drive them from their position except by a large force, for they had been reinforced by three regiments of infantry. It was not deemed expedient to make the sacrifice, as we had as many wounded as we could take care of; ammunition was getting short and rations shorter; was ordered to suspend and withdraw to Trevilian's Station. A number of my wounded I had to leave for want of transportation." Very busy, indeed! So much for Torbert. We will now return to Fitz Lee. Fitz Lee took Lomax's brigade across the Gordonsville road, so as to strike the enemy on his left flank. Butler and Wickham threw their brigades against the enemy's line in such way as to cover the flank movement of Fitz Lee, who, on reaching the Gordonsville road, threw Lomax and Breathed's battery against Custer in such a way and in such a determined manner that the result could have been easily told. Breathed threw double shots of canister in their ranks, the cavalry charging. The battery advanced with the cavalry, one section firing while the other section advanced in a gallop to an advanced position. Certainly an animated scene long to be remembered. This movement was so successful, that the enemy desisting it expedient for the good of the service, fell back in great confusion, leaving his dead and

wounded on the field. This virtually ended the battle of Trevilian Station, lasting two days.

The casualties among the Federal cavalry were very great. (As evidence of this I refer the reader to the Official Reports of Sheridan and his subordinates. Gen. Sheridan lost in this action 1207 men, four caissons, wagons and ambulances, including Custer's headquarters wagon. Hampton's loss was 560 men. Sheridan withdrew from the field under cover of night, crossing the North Anna at Carpenter's ford, encamping at Studly Grove on the night of the 11th. In this movement Sheridan accomplished nothing that he had started out to do. His boasted circular that he issued to his command—"that his command could go anywhere and at any time"—had gone to the winds, and he was forced back in his dreams of battles and conquests. In connection with this affair wish to say, with a great deal of emphasis, that the assertion made by one Wells in his book entitled "Hampton and his men," in which he professes to make the statement that Fitz Lee's lack of co-operation with Hampton was the direct cause of Custer getting in Hampton's rear and cutting Hampton and Lee in two, is pronounced false in every particular. I not only know this from my own observation, but from Gen. Hampton's reports of the affair found in the official records of the war, recognized authority by all intelligent soldiers. This report can be found in vol. 30, series 1, part 1, page 108. He says in part: Major-General Fitz Lee co-operated with me heartily and rendered valuable assistance." What more could I say to show the appreciation he had of the very valuable assistance rendered by General Fitz Lee. I will conclude this article in General Hampton's own words, as it would be presumptuous on my part to attempt a description of subsequent events that had been so graphically painted by the noble successor of that greatest of them all, the peerless, chivalrous Major-General G. B. Stuart, the guiding star of the Cavalry Corps of the Army of Northern Virginia. Gen. Hampton says:

"The enemy in his retreat across Carpenter's ford kept down on the north bank of the stream. As he had a pontoon bridge with him which enabled him to cross the river at any point, I was forced to keep on the south side, so as to interpose my command between him and Grant's army, which was seeking to rejoin. During several days while we marched on parallel lines I constantly offered battle, which he studiously declined, and he followed the northern bank of the Mattaponi and Patuxent, until he came to the shelter of his gunboats at the White House, where he crossed during the night. Here he met a strong reinforcement with supplies, and after crossing a day to move down the river, thence across the country to the Forge Bridges, where he crossed the Chickahominy. Chambliss' brigade which joined me two days previously, attacked him at this point and drove him some distance. Fearing that he might pass up the James river, through Charles City C. H. and Westover, I took position near Nance's Shop, his position was a strong one. As the enemy engaged the enemy Chambliss was thrown forward, and by a movement (handsome) executed connected with him, and the two brigades were thrown on the flank of the enemy. At the same time Gen. Fitz Lee charged the enemy's works, who, after fighting stubbornly for a short time, gave way, leaving his dead and wounded on the field. As soon as the enemy gave way, I brought up the Phillips and Jeff Davis Legions (mounted) ordering them to charge. This they did most handsomely, driving the enemy 3 miles in confusion. We captured 157 prisoners, including 1 colonel and 12 commissioned officers.

Sheridan in his report says: "Gregg was attacked by the whole Confederate Cavalry Corps, and after a stubborn fight, which lasted until dark, was forced to retire in some confusion."

This is another one of the barn burner's misstatements, to put it mildly. In the first place, the entire cavalry corps was not with us. W. H. F. Lee's division was not there. The only troops were Chambliss and Gary. I have a few notes to say about Fitz Lee and his works. When Fitz Lee was ordered to assault the enemy's works Breathed was placed in the center. As soon as the command forward was given, the first section of Breathed's battery went into action, while the second section went forward in a gallop and took position; then the first section would do likewise. All of these movements were made under a terrific fire from Pennington's battery and the cavalry. The enemy's works that we could look into the muzzles of their artillery. We crossed the James river on pontoons June 26 and by easy marches reached Petersburg and took position on the right of the army.

(To be Continued)

The "Lazy" Microbe.

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"Young man, can you sit up and make love to a girl every night and do your work during the day?" "No, sir. And I've decided to give up my job, as I can't keep it and do justice to the girl."

A Grim Tragedy is daily enacted, in thousand of homes, as Death claims, in each one, another victim of Consumption or Pneumonia. But when Coughs and Colds are properly treated, tragedy is averted. F. G. Huntly, of Oakland, Ind., writes: "My wife had the consumption, and three doctors gave her up. Finally she took Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, which she used, and to-day she is well and strong." It kills the germs of all disease. One dose relieves. Guaranteed at 50c and \$1.00 by Loker & deWaal, druggist. Trial bottle free.

When a girl is two her father is pleased when she goes into his pockets when he comes home at night; when she is ten he is irritated, and when she is thirty he gets mad.

Some people are so very afraid that they will be cheated, as to make themselves ridiculous. Here is a story to the point, related of a careful and sedate druggist, who for fifty years has occupied the same corner, and all his dealings, medically, is a very scrupulous man. Not long since a person of not particularly liberal practices, and with a close man, came to the "Good Samaritan" with a recipe that he wished put up and the man of drugs proceeded at once to attend to it. While engaged in weighing out the compound the customer, with a smile intended to be "childlike and bland," said to him:

"Now, doctor, be sure and give good measure."

The doctor paused, holding the scales at rest, while he looked over his spectacles at the man before him.

"Sir," said he, solemnly, "if I were to give you the merest grain more than this recipe calls for, you would be in h—l in five minutes."

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A Missouri paper says that a new judge arose to charge the jury, and spoke as follows: "Gentlemen of the jury, charging a jury is a new business to me, as this is my first case. You have heard all the evidence as well as myself. You have heard what the learned counsel have said. If you believe what the counsel for the plaintiff have told you, your verdict would be for plaintiff; but if, on the other hand, you believe what the defendant's counsel has told you, then you will find a verdict for the defendant; but if you were like me, and don't believe what of them said, then I'll be damned if I know what you'll do. Constatable, take charge of the jury."

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