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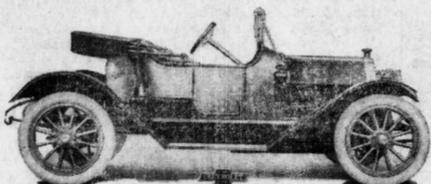
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Trains leave Mechanicsville at 1:40  
 P. M., arrive at Brandywine at 3:50,  
 P. M. Pope's Creek Line leaves Brandy-  
 wine at 6:17, P. M. Arrive in Balli-  
 more at 6:35 P. M., and Washington at  
 5:40 P. M. Trains connecting with the  
 Pope's Creek Line at Bowie leave  
 Washington 7:45 A. M.; Baltimore at  
 8:30 A. M. No Sunday trains to or  
 from Mechanicsville.

Mail Stage leaves Leonardtown every  
 day, except Sunday, for Mechanics-  
 ville at 7:30 A. M.; leaves Mechanics-  
 ville at 1:30 P. M.; mail is sorted, not  
 later than 1 P. M.

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 happy. It may be mother  
 or father, sister or brother. It  
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 selves.

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 Each piece has been carefully  
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 Everyone who deals with Voigt is  
 pleased.  
 Nov. 12-1r.

**HOTEL  
 SAINT MARY'S**  
 Leonardtown,  
 Maryland.

HOTEL ST. MARY'S is a  
 new building equipped with  
 gas, steam heat, hot and cold  
 water, well furnished rooms,  
 with telephones and splendid  
 service.

Since the first of November  
 the establishment has been  
 under the management of W  
 A. Fenwick, who for the past  
 12 years has made such a  
 success of the "Donald" in  
 Washington.

The meals are excellent  
 and service is prompt and  
 courteous.

The management caters  
 to the county patronage.

There is a grill room and  
 the Bar is unexcelled.

All in all Hotel St. Mary's is  
 the most completely equipped  
 hostelry in Southern Mary-  
 land.

You can always be ac-  
 commodated.  
 Rates moderate.

**Wm. A Fenwick, Prop.**  
 Dec.-19-1r.

**EVERYTHING FOR  
 BUILDING EXCEPT  
 THE HARDWARE**

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BEST Prices paid for old Rubber,  
 Boots, Shoes, Copper, pew-  
 ter, Brass, etc. McKinley Company,  
 (Beacon Office), Leonardtown Md.

[Written for the Beacon.]  
**THE HERRING.**

The shades of night were falling fast,  
 When by my door there chanced to pass,  
 A man as welcome as a king,  
 For in his hand he held a string  
 Of Herring.

Said I "The cold wind's icy breath,  
 Has nearly frozen us to death;  
 Our grub has all been duly carved,  
 Please let us have before we're starved  
 Some Herring."

Said he "The weather is so nice,  
 To fish our nets we break the ice—  
 It's been so blessed cold this Spring,  
 We can't catch a ding-busted thing  
 But Herring."

I purchased some and calmed the fears  
 Of wife and kids who sat in tears;  
 "Don't weep, my dear," I told my wife  
 Here's something that will save your  
 life,  
 Here's Herring.

Then down we sat, nor woe, nor weal,  
 Could keep us from this one square  
 meal;  
 In tender, loving thankfulness,  
 We tackled our first Spring mess  
 Of Herring.

And when at last I met my fate,  
 And enter at the Pearly Gate,  
 I'll ask St. Peter to give me  
 Instead of milk and honey, three  
 Fat Herring.—  
 SOLOMON.

**"Moll Dyer"**

There are many traditions in old  
 St. Mary's connected with the early  
 settlement of the State and with  
 times of a later date, which if col-  
 lected and published, would be of  
 great interest and pleasure to our  
 people. Hardly a neighborhood  
 but has its old story to be recounted to  
 the timid children by some old dame  
 of a past generation. The old peo-  
 ple are passed away and these old leg-  
 ends with them. The new genera-  
 tion looks to other things than to the  
 freiside stories of the olden time.  
 It would be well, while yet time,  
 for some lover of legendary lore,  
 however, poor and humble his ef-  
 forts may be, to gather these old  
 legends and preserve them from  
 irrevocable loss. The forms, at  
 least, should be preserved, if but  
 in moulds of clay that, hereafter,  
 some great master may make those  
 forms divine. An Irving would have  
 found in them rich material  
 out of which to weave many beauti-  
 ful legends. But for some humble  
 chronicler, the great "Wizard of  
 the North" could not have given  
 to the world his masterpieces of  
 fiction.

The following story has often  
 been heard by the writer and many  
 are the believers in its authenticity:

Many, many years ago, a century  
 perhaps, when witchcraft was more  
 believed in than now and when Cot-  
 ton Mather held sway in the land of  
 the Puritans, there lived in an old  
 hut at a place about one mile south-  
 east of the County Alms House an  
 old hag who bore the reputation of  
 being a witch. In those days when  
 believers in the occult science were  
 many, a witch was the bane of any  
 locality. There were those who  
 were fearful of incurring her enmity  
 and those who fearfully tested  
 her powers in discovering their hid-  
 den fate. She was known far and  
 wide by the name of Moll Dyer, and  
 more than this, no one knew with  
 any positive knowledge. She was  
 of a tall and commanding  
 figure, as all witches are expected to  
 be, but, it is said, through the  
 wreck of years, one could see glimpses  
 of a former beauty.

Her history no one knew, but  
 there were stories told of her in an-  
 other day and in another country  
 where her lot was different and  
 where all that was refined and beau-  
 tiful waited on her every step.

Her tattered dress would at times  
 reveal patches of an embroidered  
 kerchief or a bit of faded lace, which  
 might recall far off Summers when  
 the banquet hall rang with the  
 music of her laughter and courtly  
 men worshipped at the shrine of her  
 loveliness.

Some great sorrow which crushed  
 hope and love out of her young life  
 came upon her and with hate for  
 her kind in her heart, she sought a  
 distant shore to live out, alone and  
 unloved, the remnant of her mis-  
 erable existence.

These were only stories of her  
 life, not, however, gathered from  
 her, for, whenever an allusion to  
 her former life was made she would  
 at once cease conversation and re-  
 main silent for many days and on  
 such occasions, it was thought the  
 most evil effects of her witchcraft  
 were felt.

The hut in which she lived served  
 her with shelter during the cold  
 Winter months, but in Summer she  
 would roam the country around  
 gathering simples for her incanta-  
 tions and living upon the alms of  
 the people who were afraid of of-  
 fending her by denial.

Moll Dyer was a name too often  
 used in those days to hush the cries

of the little child into trembling re-  
 pose, and meeting her on the road  
 in certain places and at certain  
 times, portended dire calamities.  
 The cry of the Banshee, the falling  
 of a tree at Rockwood or the ghos-  
 tly walk of the White Lady were  
 no more certain omens of evil.

The story runs that Moll Dyer  
 lived for many years in her old hut  
 and although a great portion of the  
 community were anxious to get clear  
 of her, she continued, however, to  
 live there in spite of all protests.

When a witch is about, any individ-  
 ual mishap, any storm-swept  
 crops or any blighted harvest is laid  
 at her door, and Poor Moll must  
 have been accountable for many  
 sins of which she was never guilty,  
 but, at last, there came a great af-  
 fliction upon all the people, and by  
 universal opinion the plague was  
 attributed to her evil influences.

What this calamity was the story  
 does not relate. Maybe some terri-  
 ble epidemic of disease or some  
 great loss of lives or property by  
 storm and flood. Anyhow, it was  
 enough to arouse the whole com-  
 munity and the people determined  
 to rid themselves of Moll Dyer and  
 her blighting witchcraft. But how  
 could this be done without failure  
 and without bringing down upon  
 them greater evils?

After long consultation it was  
 agreed to destroy Moll Dyer's hut  
 by fire and force her to seek shelter  
 in another place. It was mid-Win-  
 ter and such a Winter as the old  
 legends knew. It is related that on  
 a dark, stormy and freezing night  
 her hut was surrounded and fired  
 by the avenging people. With bare-  
 ly time to save herself, she escaped  
 from the flames and fled to the  
 woods.

She was not pursued, and the peo-  
 ple returned to their homes hoping  
 that they would be plagued no longer  
 by the dark arts of the witch.

Nothing was heard of her for sev-  
 eral days, until a boy hunting for  
 his cattle in the woods espied her  
 kneeling on a stone with one hand  
 resting thereon and the other raised  
 as if in prayer. Her life had gone  
 out in the dark, cold night, and she  
 still rested in her suppliant position,  
 frozen stiff with the Winter's cold.

The story runs that she offered a  
 prayer to be avenged on her per-  
 secutors and that a curse be put upon  
 them and their lands.

Years have passed since then, the  
 march of civilization have gone on,  
 the light of religion and science  
 have swept away many of the su-  
 perstitions of our forefathers, the  
 occult art has lived its life and rests  
 in the shades of the past, to serve  
 for a time to heighten the interest  
 of a novel or create a "Witch of  
 Prague," but there are those who  
 firmly believe in the old tradition  
 herein related, and such belief has  
 come down to us in everlasting re-  
 cords, as the stream nearby the hut  
 is known to this day as Moll Dyer's  
 Run, and the stone but a short dis-  
 tance away, upon which she knelt is  
 now pointed out to the curious,  
 bearing upon its face the clear im-  
 pression of her knees and hands.

Many times have belated travelers  
 on this road seen the ghost of Moll  
 Dyer making her midnight visita-  
 tions to her accustomed haunts. It  
 is told by those who have the cour-  
 age and endurance to watch, that  
 once in each year, on the coldest  
 night of Winter, she may be seen  
 wending her ghostly way from a  
 point South of the Run, where the  
 remains of the hut can yet be faintly  
 seen, to where the stone is, and  
 kneeling in the same attitude as on  
 the fatal night, as if praying that  
 her curse may be continued.

There are those who think that  
 her prayer was heard when she asked  
 that the lanes be made barren  
 and the flocks decimated, as the  
 country for several miles around the  
 location of the hut is, to this day,  
 with few exceptions, desolate and  
 unproductive.

No Cheese-parer.

The late George A. Hearst, the New  
 York millionaire art collector, was  
 noted for his generosity to his em-  
 ployes.

To a reporter who once congratulated  
 Mr. Hearst on the high wages and  
 unusual comforts that his employes re-  
 ceived, Mr. Hearst said:  
 "I don't believe in cheese-paring  
 economy in the treatment of those  
 whose hard work makes a man's suc-  
 cess. Cheese-paring economy, applied  
 in that way, seems to me as mean  
 and paltry as the Yankee man."  
 "A Yankee man was summoned  
 from his evening paper by his wife's  
 frightened cry:  
 "George, come quick! The cook  
 has tried to kill herself by inhaling  
 gas!"  
 "God gracious!" growled George,  
 as he rushed to the kitchen, leaped  
 over the cook's prostrate form, and  
 turned off the cook—"good gracious,  
 think what the gas bill will be this  
 month!"

**GROW SOUND APPLES;  
 NOT WORMY ONES.**

Destroy the Codling Moth and Insure  
 Sound Fruit.

T. E. SYMONS,  
 Maryland Agricultural College.

The Codling Moth is the insect  
 which makes your apples wormy and  
 unfit for storage. This pest can be so  
 efficiently controlled that it is utter-  
 ly for the fruit grower to fail to  
 take the precautions necessary to in-  
 sure 90 per cent. sound fruit.

The eggs of the Codling Moth are  
 laid on the twigs early in the spring.  
 As soon as these hatch, the young  
 larvae crawl to the blossom clusters,  
 and enter the calyx end of the little  
 apple. Poison introduced into the  
 blossom at this time will destroy most  
 of these larvae before they have a  
 chance to injure the fruit. This can  
 be done by spraying the trees with  
 the following mixture before the petals  
 have nearly all fallen:

Mixture No. 1.  
 Concentrated Lime Sulphur, 1 gallon.  
 Water, 40 gallons.

Arsenate of Lead, 2 to 3 pounds.

Mixture No. 2 (Bordeaux).  
 Concentrated Lime Sulphur, 4 pounds.  
 Copper Sulphate, 5 pounds.  
 Water, 50 gallons.

Arsenate of Lead, 2 to 3 pounds.

Either mixture will do the work re-  
 quired. Mixture No. 2 showing better  
 results with later sprayings. These  
 materials should be thoroughly mixed  
 and applied first as the petals fall  
 and again days later before the calyx  
 closes up. It is sometimes necessary  
 to spray again about the first of July  
 to catch the second brood which may  
 have escaped the early spray.

**Plans Summer Session  
 For Rural Teachers.**

Agricultural College Will Give Courses  
 in Teaching Agriculture in  
 Country Schools.

With our rapidly increasing popula-  
 tion, the demand for more food stuffs  
 is increasing daily, while the new land  
 we can bring under cultivation is com-  
 paratively small in area. We must  
 learn to use what we have to better  
 advantage. The school with its  
 country teacher, trained in agricul-  
 ture and home making, will do much  
 toward improving our methods.

To prepare teachers in such work,  
 the Agricultural College has provided  
 a six weeks' summer course, beginning  
 June 22nd. Instruction will be given  
 in Elementary Agriculture, Domestic  
 Science and Art, Industrial Handwork,  
 methods of Teaching, History of Mary-  
 land, State and National Constitutions,  
 Chemistry, Botany, Zoology and  
 Entomology that will give them an op-  
 portunity for practical, first hand study  
 of subjects that deal directly with  
 country life. This season of the year  
 is the most favorable for such study  
 at the Agricultural College as the Col-  
 lege Farm with its garden, orchards,  
 field crops and fertilizer crops is at its  
 best.

Any teacher or prospective teacher  
 who enrolls for this course will have  
 living expenses only to meet with  
 every chance for outdoor life and en-  
 joyment as well as study. This puts  
 a rare opportunity for preparing with  
 increased community usefulness within  
 the reach of every rural teacher in the  
 State.

**HUMUS PUTS  
 LIFE IN THE SOIL**

Helps Store Plant Food and Water.  
 The Key To Better Crops.

W. E. HANGER,  
 Maryland Agricultural Experiment  
 Station.

We should be planning for the im-  
 provement of our poorer soils and the  
 rearing of our better soils in high  
 productive condition. Nothing will  
 help more in this improvement than  
 filling the soil with humus or organic  
 matter by the use of manure, turning  
 under green crops, or growing a heavy  
 sod.

Let us see what this humus or  
 organic matter will do for the soil.  
 Humus improves the physical condi-  
 tion of the soil. It makes it lighter  
 or puts "life" into it.  
 This makes it easier to work. Humus  
 acts like a sponge in holding soil  
 water, storing a great deal of it, and  
 setting the balance run off very slowly.  
 Humus also makes a warmer soil since  
 soils containing it are darker in color  
 and warmer just as a dark suit of  
 clothes is warmer to wear than a  
 lighter colored one.

This humus or organic matter also  
 furnishes food for the soil bacteria.  
 These bacteria are what break up  
 plant food so it can be used by the  
 crop. They thrive best in soils having  
 plenty of humus or organic matter. The  
 hard bare spots on which nothing will  
 grow that we sometimes find in fields  
 lack humus and bacterial life. The  
 humus of any kind in the soil is  
 built up by the use of manure, turning  
 under green crops, or growing a heavy  
 sod.

Besides storing up plant foods, the  
 humus by making the bacterial life  
 possible, causes soil acids to form.  
 These in turn free the plant food  
 locked up in the soil so that the crops  
 use it. Since humus is so much need-  
 ed in the soil, we are safe in saying  
 that before we can expect much of a  
 crop of any kind from unproductive  
 land, we must provide organic matter  
 either in the form of stable manure or  
 green manure crops.

Few States have greater agricultural  
 possibilities with our long seasons, fine  
 climate, abundant rainfall, varied soils  
 adaptable to such a variety of prod-  
 ucts, as well as proximity to the best  
 markets in the world.

No agriculture can rise higher than  
 the measure of the men who till the  
 land. Hence, the vital necessity of  
 specially trained men, in the pro-  
 gressive age, who shall be able to master  
 these problems.

Lions Make Excitement.

Three lions broke loose and attach-  
 ed a mule harnessed to a cart drawn  
 a cinematograph rehearsal, recently  
 at Lurix, Germany. They killed and  
 devoured the animal, after which two  
 of the animals were captured. The  
 third escaped into the country.

Advertising Effect Lost.

Advertising is difficult in Central  
 and South America because so large  
 a part of the people can neither read  
 nor write.

**I LIVE  
 IN STOCK**

**ADVANTAGE OF THE ANGORAS**

Goats are Much Hardier Than Sheep, Neg-  
 So Liable to Disease and Neg-  
 Greater Variety of Feed.

In the mountainous regions of Asi-  
 atic Turkey is the ancient city of An-  
 gora, celebrated for the long-haired  
 goats bred in that vicinity. Hare An-  
 goras, the most valuable of all breeds  
 of goats, reaches its perfection. The  
 fineness of its hair and the remark-  
 able fact that many other animals in  
 that region possess long, silky hair has  
 been ascribed by some authorities to  
 some peculiarity in the atmosphere,  
 the altitude or soil.

At the present time there are in the  
 United States between 350,000 and  
 400,000 animals of some kind or blood  
 strain, and yet the domestic produc-  
 tion of mohair does not equal the home  
 demand by a large amount. Many  
 dollars' worth of mohair is imported  
 annually into the United States, and still  
 in Texas alone there is sufficient moun-  
 tain land to raise not only all the mohair  
 now imported, but enough to ex-  
 port several million dollars' worth an-  
 nually, says Farm and Ranch.

There are four profits to the Angora  
 —the mohair, the increase, the ferti-  
 lizer and the land they free from brush  
 and weeds. There is a wide difference  
 between the shearing weight and the  
 shearing value of goats. Some will  
 shear as much as 15 pounds of mohair  
 per year, but the average for the  
 United States is about two and one-  
 half pounds. Some mohair brings as  
 much as \$6.50 per pound, but the av-  
 erage is about 35 cents per pound. Mohair  
 ranging from 12 inches to 20  
 inches in length brings from \$3 to  
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Mohair under 12 inches in length  
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