

A DAILY MAIL FOR KING GEORGE

Tons of Mail Hauled Overland Without Compensation.

NEW WHARF BEING ERRECTED

Great Demand for Work Horses and the Supply Inadequate.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) COMORN, VA., April 1.—Arrangements are rapidly maturing for the early establishment of a daily mail service from Port Conway to King George Courthouse, which will supply a long felt need. Under the proposed schedule, which the United States Postoffice Department regards with favor, the mails will leave Port Conway every morning in time to serve Dogue postoffice and reach King George Courthouse at one hour to connect with the mails from Fredericksburg; and then return via Dogue to Port Conway in the afternoon. Under the present schedule, mail matter for Port Conway and Dogue has to go around via of Gen. Gulvy, Shiloh, Jersey and Welcome, and hence by a special route from Port Conway to Dogue; or else (and as often) so from King George Courthouse to Fredericksburg and thence via of Millford, Bowling Green, Port Royal and across the Rappahannock River. Mail matter by the former route does not reach Port Conway and Dogue until the day after it leaves King George Courthouse, although the posts are only five or six miles apart by direct road; while that which goes by Fredericksburg and through Potosylvania and Caroline has to lay over in Port Royal many days at a time, when the Rappahannock is blocked by ice. A petition, signed by many of the leading citizens of Fredericksburg and King George, will be presented to the Postoffice Department, in Washington, in a day or two, praying "Uncle Sam" to compensate the mail carrier from Fredericksburg to King George for hauling tons of mail matter that ought to have been, but would not be, hauled by the Rappahannock steamboats the past winter, while navigation was suspended. A great deal of mail matter for the Northern Neck is carried by the Rappahannock steamers, but during the long freeze the past winter, the carrier on the overland route from Fredericksburg to King George had to haul a vast quantity of that accumulated steamboat mail down in wagons, involving great hardship and extra expense. It is for performing this extra arduous work that the carrier asks to be paid. The demand for work horses in King George this spring far exceeds any ever known here. Some of the farmers are riding day after day in their endeavors to buy teams, and there are those who cannot begin the work of plowing their fields for corn until they find work animals. Some few persons have horses for sale; but disposed to take advantage of the situation, they are asking enormous prices. They want \$150 apiece for horses that would not bring even \$100 eighteen months ago, and some of the farmers declare that they will let their fields lay uncultivated rather than pay such exorbitant prices. Very ordinary colts—such as sold at \$50 this time last year—have brought \$100 spot cash this week. The fact is, there are, comparatively, very few horses here, and no \$100 seems able to satisfactorily account for this sudden scarcity. Dr. Joseph H. Low, of Chicago, is having a wharf erected at Oakes Brow, on the Rappahannock River, the magnificent King George plantation recently purchased by him from Mr. R. V. Turner, of Port Conway. It is said to be Dr. Low's purpose to have this wharf completed in time for him to land his "kisses and chatels" on when he arrives here from the West about the 1st of May. The postoffice at Welcome, this county, which was destroyed by fire a month ago, together with the store and dwelling house nearby, is again open for the service of patrons. Mr. W. H. King, the postmaster, received necessary supplies from the Postoffice Department at Washington some days ago. Poloma Baptist Church, near here, which is without a pastor, has arranged for Rev. W. S. Jackson, of Stafford, to fill the pulpit on the second Sunday in this month—one week from to-morrow. Mr. J. J. Orkist, one of King George's leading merchants, spent this week in Baltimore, buying his spring stock of merchandise.

A BIT OF VERSE Original and Requested Poems

Martem Pascent. (By E. W. W.) Amid the thunderous roar of heavy guns, List thou the quick, sharp clink of steel. Base Gain with Fame in commerce joins! And, slender where the warm, dark blood-stream runs. Great Mammon, waxing fiercely, bold, Would harvest heaps of blurred gold. Just where the cruel, cold, bright sabre flashes. The changeful price of bonds is made; The lender leaves all kindly shade, And where the armored, hurrying legions clash. While Mars, well-pleased in fury storms, Inconstant Wealth her love-smile makes. The implements of war and soldiers' bread Must be with lenders' money bought; With lenders' gold are battles fought; Then stay thou not to shroud or count the dead— Let lenders more "investments" take Their "interest" through the years to make! Alas, this traffic large with Death and Fate! This heartless trade in human life, Through others' useless, deadly strife! The God-god's votaries love most madly well— Themselves they damn to withering Hate. Their brothers leave to any Fate! If manhood rose to stature great within Lenders' pulsing, mortal breast, He'd proudly lift his noble crest, And holly scorn and loathe as full-formed sin That needless war which sought his aid; He'd spurn its gains, nor be afraid. Let kings and princes, queens, yea rulers all, Their virtuous, potent influence try— With them who bonds would sell or buy— War's mighty thews to melt, his heart appal, withholding from his murderous hand The dead are falling fast— Culpeter, Va., March 23, 1905.

CHATHAM, VA. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) CHATHAM, VA., April 1.—Those not disposed to observe the Lenten season are enjoying the dancing class recently begun by Miss Lucy Dabney, which meets on Monday and Thursday nights of each week. Mrs. Ross Carter recently returned from Richmond, where she passed the winter with relatives. Miss Zaida Ganaway returned this week to Lynchburg after a pleasant visit to Miss Belle Reid. Mr. James May, of Richmond, is visiting his home. J. H. Whitehead returned from Lynchburg on Saturday.

Italy's King Speaks English. No foreign sovereign knows the English language better than the King of Italy, who, when a boy, was made to speak it in place of his native tongue. As a younger King, Victor Emmanuel III kept a diary, in which he recorded the events of his life in English.

Return the Flags. Return the flags and let them rest.

Where they are cheered and loved the best, Where once they waved from vale to crest, Were torn by shot and shell; Where valor shone both day and night in that fraternal, bloody fight, Where each one fought for love and right, Through that red, burning hell. Return the flags to Southern States The emblems of wild gallantry, To show the world o'er land and sea That equal rights prevail, And that the Union is secure, Supported by the brave and pure, Who love and work and still endure Through sun or rain or hail. Return the flags to Southern States To banish every lingering hate, To show the world that love and fate Rule o'er this land to-day, And that united we shall stand, To fight and fall for this great land, And be a glorious Union band— Immortal Blue and Gray. Return the flags to those who weep, And in their hearts still fondly keep Sweetest love for those who sleep, And once in battle stood, And fought like lions day by day, While staring in their gory way, To rout and wound and smash and slay, With Jackson, Lee and Hood. Return the flags of "White and Red" To those who bravely fought and bled, With "cross-braves" flying o'er the dead— Emblem of their story, And let them work for lasting peace, That confidence may still increase, And give to us eternal life, Of Union and "Old Glory."

Russian Armies Retreating. This poem, first published in the Boston Evening Transcript of September 9, 1904, will be recognized as prophetic in view of the present situation in Manchuria: We're marching on to freedom, in the dark before the dawn; The shells are hurrying round us, and the rapid shriek on high, We're marching on to freedom, through the black and bloody morning; A crimson thread in the east, and creeps across the sky. We're hopelessly defeated; let the joyous news be shouted, Our armies are in full retreat and soon we shall be free. Outfought and out-annoyed, outflanked and raked and routed, Three hundred thousand beaten men are singing like the sea. Our forces fill the valleys full; the plain is overflowing; Our bayonets clothe the trampled earth like beds of sloping corn. Above the distant mountain tops, the light is slowly growing; A scarlet line in the east, and soon it will be morn. O grave, where is thy victory? O death, where are thy slaying hands? We die that Russia may be free; we lose that she may gain. There's blood upon the road we take, but still we take it singing. Our triumph is in our defeat, our glory in our pain. We're marching on to freedom through the blood-red light of morning; The cannon roar behind us, and the dead are falling fast— You can see our patient faces, in the crimson of the dawn; We've suffered through the weary night, but day has come at last. For we're beaten—beaten—beaten! Let our lives be hurled about, We've lost the tyrant's battle now, and such we shall be free. Wronged, robbed, oppressed, tormented,

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A Storeful of New Garments for Women

We Have Surprised Everybody This Season by Our Large and Usually Handsome Gathering of Women's Apparel for Spring Wear.

It is natural to look for unusual effects, latest fashion's touches, tone and distinction among costumes that cost \$50.00 or more. You need not look that far at THALHIMER'S. Find all these qualities here among the practical suits for steady service—suits that cost between \$15.00 and \$50.00.

Ladies' Tailored Suits.

Every one fashionable, up to the latest mode; all the Skirts plaited, and different each to each. Every kind of Jacket—short, Redingote, Eton, surplice—transformed by new fashion. Instances, out of an unduplicated assortment:

At \$17.50. Panama Suits, the new poplin blouse, trimmed with stitched taffeta silk and mohair braid; skirt cut full 9-11 gore plaited; colors blue and brown. Our best selling suit.

At \$20.00. A line of Suits made up of fine broadcloths, covers and Panama cloths, in the coat and blouse styles. Those expecting to pay about \$25.00 for a suit could do better by buying one of our \$20.00 Suits.

Bright Silk Suits.

Any woman can find a quiet hour of enjoyment admiring these handsome Suits. The new styles—their variegated grace—might be described, though inadequately. But only your eyes can give any picture of the exquisite new colorings that these Suits of genuine chiffon taffeta possess.

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A vast assortment, including black and silk coats. Smartly cut, correct in the very latest styles and handsomely tailored. Prices range from \$5.00 up, according to the quality. The best coats made for immediate wear. \$5, \$6, \$7.50, \$10, \$12.50, \$15 and \$20.

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Spring Coats for Children.

Fashion claims styles even among the little ones—fashion, good taste and good sense to-gether—for never was an assemblage so picturesque, simple, beautiful and childlike as the ones we are now showing. Mothers, bring your own ideas or come and get new ones. You'll be pleased either way. Pongee Coats, \$3.48 to \$7.48. Reefers, three specials, at \$3.48, \$3.98 and \$4.98. Taffeta Coats, \$5.00, \$6.48 and \$7.48.

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Women's Knit Underwear.

Monday we place on sale the famous "Rich-clieu" Underwear for women, purest white, Lisle and Lisle finish, in fine ribbed fabric, in every imaginable style. Vest, high neck, short and long sleeves, 25c and .50c. Pants, French band, knee and ankle lengths, 25c and .50c. Tights, open or closed, knee length, .50c. Union Suits, low neck, knee length, sleeveless, tight knee or umbrella style, suit, 50c, 75c and \$1.00. Pants, umbrella style, lace trimmed, 25c, 50c and .75c.

Men's Spring Weight Underwear.

We are showing a complete range of Bal-brigan and Wool Mixed Underwear for immediate and summer wear. Men's Balbrigan Shirts and Drawers, ribbed and plain, at 25c, 35c, 50c and .75c. Men's Merino Shirts and Drawers at 50c and \$1.00.

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New Laces for Spring.

We have them here in elegant profusion, in all the latest designs and patterns, in all fashionable shades, in Bands, Edges, Insertions, Allowers, Gallons and Collars, in Point Venise, Point Gaze, Oriental Applique, Bruges, Alencon, Marquise, Duchess and Princess. All are marked at our popular prices.

Special... Art Sale The Craig Art Co. 107 E. Broad St.

The balance of the fine collection of Water Colors and Oil Paintings will be sold or returned to the artists by Wednesday night. This is an unusual chance for bargains, as they are sold regardless of cost. It will pay you to invest for the future.

From the porch I hear the horn Winding through the grove and pine To the breeze-blown fields of corn. Tell me, whispering winds of Southland, As ye come by hill and dell, Tidings of the home, Gray Friars, My Nancy, is she well? I am dreaming of that lady, Of my laughing sweetheart, Nan, And the battle line consenting, I am homing if I can. In the rustling of the willows, By the romance chanting brook, I can see her, sunlit, laughing, See her beckoning as I look, Columnar porch in all its roses, And old Mary at the churn; There the darkies in the lowgrounds— Home, whichever way I turn. Now I hear the negroes reaping And the cradles in the wheat; Dusky children singing, bending, Swishing music, low and sweet, In the garden heartsease blooming, Scarlet cressets, blue-bells, all, And the mother, wistful, looking— Stately lady, lithesome, tall. Mother! Mother! Nan! I'm coming! Purloughed, homeward coming, Nan; And the battle won and ended Scarce ason as the I gather, But the bugles call me gather, Where the men are falling in; Blow your bugles! Blow forever! God will let the gray men win! Hark! the bugle—"Charge!" It's sound— Rally, men! Charge! Charge! I say; Now the sabre, clanking, ringing, With its charge and ours the day, What's it, mummy? What's it of dreary? Night is sweeter than the morn, And I love the moonlight dripping On the wing, avoiced corn. Hold him, Billy! hold the bridle, Till I get the saddle true. Now, Sir John, we'll be the leaders Of this chase if I know you! Will the greyer lowering the mill-pond, Hurry back behind the hill, Take his course straight through Oculm- gree. If I shall find us near him still. Is the sun so early sinking In the arms-sheltered West? Who's that singing near the willows? Hush, don't call me, let me rest! I'm a soldier, Ired, weary. On the battle's storm-blown sea, For a moment let me slumber, I'll be up at reveille. Still I hear them calling, calling 'Cross the pines, and fields, and stream, Nancy's voice the sweetest rest to me, Like the music of a dream. Is it darling, you that's calling, Be at home to her, her home? Home! the dear old home, Grey-friars— God bless Nancy! Yes, I've come! Falling on the waters, drifting, Are the red leaves autumn found— Silence, solemn, silence rest to me, On the stars, battle ground. Soldiers left him, kindly, gently, In the colors let him be, Red and blue, and white stars crossing, Nancy'll find by and by. W. DUDLEY POWERS.

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King and Queen Notes.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.) WALKERTON, VA., April 1.—L. Gordon Walker, of Richmond, and Miss Mattie Tiller, of Emporia, who were married in Washington on the 29th instant, after a brief trip to New York, arrived in Walkerton on the 28th to visit at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Walker. After a brief stay, they will be at home to their friends in Emporia. Mrs. Horridge Childister, of Romney, W. Va., is on a visit to her brother, Mr. W. H. Walker. Mrs. Lucy D. Stacy and daughter, Louise, of Richmond, are on a visit to relatives in Walkerton.

King William Notes.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) HYBLA, VA., April 1.—Miss Anderson, of New Kent county, is visiting Mrs. W. T. Trimmer, of Walkerton, Va. Mr. H. F. Garber has recently moved his saw mill near Walkerton, where he will be until about the first of August. Mr. V. A. Ford, who has knocked senseless by a baseball a few days ago, is getting along nicely. The Hybla Athletic Club (formerly the Aqueduct Juniors) will begin practicing April 1st, at 3 o'clock on the old grounds.

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