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ANNUAL STATEMENT

BY THE

COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLES COUNTY,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30TH 1883.

Published by Order of the County Commissioners of said County in pursuance of Section 2 of Article XXVIII. of the Code of Public General Laws, which provide that

"The County Commissioners shall make out and publish annually in at least two newspapers published in their respective counties, if there be two, *a detailed, minute and accurate* [illegible] *of the expenses of their said county*, specifying therein each particular item of expense, and for what and to whom paid, and shall also deliver to the Sheriff of their respective counties as many copies of such statement as there are election districts of said county, at least ten days before each general election, and the Sheriff shall, within six days after the receipt of said copies, set one of them at the place of holding elections in each election district."

LIST OF ALLOWANCES.

Judges of the Orphans Court.

Geo. P. Jenkins	$200 00
W. E. W. Rowe	224 00
R. S. Corry	216 00
	$640 00

Judges and Clerks of Election.

John I. Jenkins	$12 00
Dan J. Bragonier	12 00
Water W. Milstead	12 00
Geo. B Lancaster use B. G. Stonestreet	12 00
Charles C. Perry	12 00
W. I. Acton	12 00
Thos. L. Hannon use B. G. Stonestreet	12 00
Wm. A. Boarman	12 00
Jno. H. Chappelear	12 00
B. Len Higdon	8 00
Wm. H. Wade	8 00
Henry H. Bowie	8 00
Henry Delozier	8 00
Wm. H. Price	8 00
Thos. Norman	8 00
Adrian Posey	8 00
Robt. T. Barbour use A. Posey	8 00
Emanuel McWilliams " Thos H. Ching	8 00
Z. F. Freeman	8 00
S. B. Sheriff use Edw. Edelen	8 00
Julian Perry	8 00
B. F. Dement use Jno. W. Warring	8 00
Wm. H. Cox	8 00
Richd. A. Boone	8 00
Henry A. Turner	8 00
Noble E. Barnes use J. A. Lyon & Co	8 00
J. Fred. Tiver " Bean & Wright	8 00
Francis P. Jenkins " A. Posey	8 00
Cataldus H. Posey	8 00
Jas. A. Franklin	8 00
Benj. Welch Jr	8 00
Benioni Milstead use Roberts & Owens	8 00
John Leland " Jos. Stein	8 00
E. L. Sheriburn " B. G. Stonestreet	8 00
Jno A. Johnson	8 00
Jno. T. B. Perry	8 00
Benj. G. Harris use G. A. Huntt	8 00
[illegible]	8 00
E. C. Cox use Jno. W. Warring	8 00
J. J. Darg " J. A. Lyon & Co	8 00
Sylvester Mudd	8 00
C. A. Webster	8 00
G. L. Murray	8 00
	$396 00

Magistrates and Constables.

Geo. F. Beatle	$ 2 85
Thos R. Halley	7 35
Edw. L Smoot	11 85
Thos. D. Stone	11 85
B. F. Blandford	50
Jas. A. Franklin	10 25
Geo. W. Waters	4 00
William Nevitt	7 00
Wash. Page use Roberts & Owens	1 75
W. W. Dunnington	15
Jno. H. Freeman	50
Thos. H. Murray	25 25
Albert Farrall use A. Posey	15 30
A. M Bryan " R. W. Bryan	14 65
Same " T. E. Maddox	5 95
Richd. W. Hart	2 30
Geo. L. Yoe use A. Posey	22 85
Chas. A. Webster	4 20
Thos. W. Speake	15 55
C. A. Beatle use Thad Mudd	12 45
Geo. A. Goldsmith	75
R. B. Herbert	20 00
	$198 90

Pauper Coffins and Expenses

J. M. Gill use J. W. Montgomery	$ 4 00
J. M. Proctor	4 00
Same use Thos. I Boarman	6 00
Henry Christ	4 00
Jno. B. Luckette	6 00
Henry M. Allen	4 00
Edward Edelen	2 00
F. Hughes Wills	6 00
R. W. Wilkerson	6 00
J. M. Carpenter	6 00
W. B. Thompson use C. V. H. Thompson	12 00
J. E. Norris	6 00
Mrs. E. Carpenter	6 00
W. H. Trotter	44 00
Thad Mudd	4 00
Wm. H. Cox	6 00
Jno. F. Boswell	6 00
W. M. Shackleford use G. W. Carpenter	4 00
Thos. J. Moran	6 00
Wm. Boarman use A Posey	6 00
Mrs Ellen Nally	6 00
J. R. Clark & Son	12 00
J. E. Joy & Co	24 00
	$190 00

Crow, Owl and Hawk Scalps.

Joseph H. Padgette	$ 1 12
Geo. L. Murray & Co	6 31
A. Farrall use A. Posey	6 56
Chas. D. Carpenter	75
B. W. B. McPherson	6 62
Richard Semply	94
W. M. Montgomery	1 81
J. W. Wheatly	75
D. J. Bragonier	2 12
F. Oscar Medley	1 06
Edward Edelen	6 74
R. S Corry	9 12
Jno. W. Garner	93
J. T. S. Tennison	13 31
Mary J. Proctor	1 47
Theodore Gross	1 00
T. R. Farrall	19 95
Jos. T. Wade	56
Richd. Farrall	2 87
J. M Carpenter	8 25
W. M. Jameson	4 43
Thos. Skinner	7 75
Roberts & Owens	21 87
Jos. Stein	31 06
Robert J. Mills	4 55
Thad Mudd	29 31
W. J. Acton	1 25
P. A. Sasscer	18 25
F. R. Wheatly	1 87
J. R. Hicks	2 50
J. A. Lyon & Co	10 18
M. L. McPherson	5 12
Henry Hall	1 00
Jno. F. Thompson	1 02
W. McK Borroughs	3 46
Charles Small	1 00
Washington Hicks	26 44
W. Albert Perry	12 66
Alfred Nally	1 25
G. I. Chappelear	7 25
J. R. Perry	1 12
Huntt & Murray	1 30
Thos. C. Wilkerson	62
Thos. R. Milstead	1 30
Wm. E Turner	2 18
Geo. I. Tolson	2 90
Robt. R Hancock	2 06
B. M. Edelen	1 93
J. W. Warring	23 49
Bean & Wright	6 50
H. G. Robertson	3 50
Adrian Posey	1 43
G. F. Campbell	75
M. Greenbaum	41 56
T. Yates Robey Jr	10 87
H. L. Dent	18 93
Edward Burch	3 87
Thomas Woodland	2 12
	$409 90

Extra Road Work and Material

Willie Luckette use G. I. Chappelear	$ 1 00
Chas. A. Webster	1 50
Hugh Mitchell	10 50
J. B. Wills	1 00
William Thomas use C. V. H. Thompson	85
A. W. Marlow	2 25
P. A. Sasscer	1 00
F. A. Carpenter	5 00
W. T. Cox	3 25
Jas. A. Adams	25
Geo. T. Campbell	3 00
Wm. T. Hindle	4 50
Elizabeth Burgess	1 76
William Cox	10
A. D. Cobey	1 37
Mrs. Mary Penny	70
J. W. Golden	45
A. L. Welch	3 00
M. Chapman	10 55
F R Burgess	7 75
John L. Budd	09
James Keech	05
Richard Thomas	20
Lucy Gough	16 11
Hillery Thomas	30
Willie Gough	1 05
Wm A Fisher	1 50
J. B Latimer	1 25
Henry Harris	10
Rev J M Todd	10
William Hungerford	10
Wm B Matthews	1 00
J H Kiansmon	60
Thomas Darnell	90
B. H. Mattingly	10
S G Lancaster	10
W A Posey	1 80
John Wills	4 32
P Read Wills	50
H C Page	35
Anthony Winkler	6 75
William Cox	1 50
William N Sanders	1 50
T Y Roby, use J R Hicks	23 34
F B Green	3 71
Ann L. Robey's heirs	60
W E W Rowe	30
C M Martin	1 50
M R Robey	10
Francis Rozier	30
John W Jenkins	75
George P Jenkins	1 10
Benjamin Warren	15
Potomac Fruit Growers Association	1 35
Henry A Butler	20
B D Tubman, use J R Hicks	2 22
Flora Martin	60
Thomas B Berry	75
James L. Hicks	1 75
Joseph Young	4 68
Henry E. Mudd	1 75
[illegible]	90
[illegible]	1 50
George Forbes	10
C A Webster	10
C C Gardiner	10
Sylvester Mudd	5 30
Thomas H Murray	10
W M DuBois	10
A M Freeman	85
Thomas A Carrico	50
M L McPherson	6 25
Caleb Reeves	10
M B Robey's heirs	05
William Cross	10
Richard Douglas	10
Jere Dudley	05
Saml A Mudd's heirs	30
George H Gardiner	5 95
Eliza Tasker	25
F L Dent	3 10
R M Dent	1 00
F D Gardiner	7 65
Thomas L Gardiner	05
Richard Wheatley	05
Dr H H Bean	15
Mrs A M Bowling	1 81
William J. Boarman	33
Rev Edw'd Southgate	20
George W Berry	4 47
M E Keith	3 13
Catherine P Adams	1 56
George W Waters	93
	$191 61

Allowances for Room Rent.

H. Cox Nevitt, use Wm. Cox	$ 5 00
W. T. Hindle	10 00
T. A. Smith	10 00
John E. Ware	10 00
Chas A. Neale	10 00
F. B. Green	10 00
R. T. Knott	10 00
H. L. Mudd	10 00
R. P. Wall, use Bean & Wright	10 00
J. M. Carpenter	5 00
Joseph Stein	5 00
J. Rufus Perry	5 00
Elizabeth Duffy	5 00
E. C. McPherson	5 00
H. A. Turner	5 00
J. H. Chappelear	5 00
W. Herbert Berry	5 00
Total	$125 00

Allowances to Jurors of Inquest.

Wash Page, use Roberts & Owen	$10 00
Thos R. Halley	5 00
W. W Dunnington	5 00
T. Jeff Norris	1 80
Wash Page, use Roberts & Owen	1 80
Z. F. Haller	1 80
Douglas Plowden	50
Martin Hayden	50
Eugene King	50
James Ross	50
Joseph Tubman	50
Arthur Mitchell	50
Moses Gains	50
William Garden	50
William Craig	50
John Rowe	50
David H Reed	50
William Smallwood	50
Theodore Gross	50
S. A. Carrington	50
John B. Luckett	50
R. D. Tubman	50
B. Barclay	50
Wm. T. Clagett	50
J. P. Brawner	50
G. M. Clagett	50
J. H. Gibbons	50
C W. Mitchell	50
B. T. Jenkins	50
J. A. Clements	50
W. D. Plowden	50
James R. Simmes	50
Rich'd Pearson	50
Benedict Wise	50
Wm A Bagley	50
George Butler	50
R K Forrest	50
John Rowe	50
Luke Hayden	50
F W Forrest	50
Martin Hayden	50
J A Clements	50
John Carpenter	50
William Hanson	50
William James	50
Llewellyn Scott	50
Thomas Dean	50
Thomas Haislip	50
John J Brawner	50
Josias Milstead	50
Arthur Carroll	50
James Haislip	50
John M. Rye	50
C. C. Small	50
Total	$49 50

Jurors Lunatico Inquirendo.

George A. Huntt	50
H Cox Nevitt	50
J Douglas Brawner	50
B L Burch, use A. Posey	50
Thomas Cocking	50
George A. Wade	50
Thomas T Owen	50
B L Wheeler	50
John T Davis	50
John H. Jenkins	50
G P Oliver	50
R. T Knott	50
Total	$6 00

Allowances to Officers.

L M Southerland,	Clerk of Court	$1,452 74
	Sheriff	[illegible]
James F Matthews	State's Att'y.	900 00
James M. Harvey	Register	515 90
L Allison Wilmer	Att'y to Com.	245 00
Wash Burch	Jailor	150 00
James A Mason	Crier to O. C.	112 00
Total		$4,575 64

Collectors Assessments and Insolvencies.

Wm P Harvey	Insolvencies	$ 54 63
John T Higdon	"	5 02
John H Chappelear	"	75 60
Uzziel Wright	"	50 77
Same	Assessments	56 78
Cataldus H Posey	Insolvencies	81 08
Same	Assessments	174 04
Edward Edelen	Insolvencies	21 66
Same	Assessments	36 05
Thomas F Nicholson	"	62 59
Same	Insolvencies	27 77
Total		$637 01

Miscellaneous Purpose.

Walter Hill, Taxes paid in error	$ 17 15
Dr. J H Reeder, vaccinating paupers	41 00
Rich'd W Wilkerson, service to pauper	30 00
Sydney E. Mudd, Appearance Fees, use A Posey	20 00
Rich'd H. Edelen, Appearance Fees	16 66
John Richards, bringing prisoner to jail, use G W Waters	3 00
George W Adams, removing tree from road, use G W Waters	50
Dr John T Digges, medical services to prisoners	32 50
Dr S W Dent, vaccinating paupers	28 50
Same attending small-pox	41 00
Dr Benj Smith, vaccinating paupers	95 00
Dr Robert Digges, medical examination	10 00
Dr. P. W. Hawkins, medical examination	10 00
George A. Huntt, board bill	15 00
Dr W. J. Boarman, medical examination	15 00
Maria Dyer, services to pauper	12 00
James F Matthews, attorney to Registration officers and Lunatic cases	75 00
Charles A Wade, repairs on jail	1 00
Sydney E. Mudd, trial fees, use A. Posey	60 00
John H Mitchell, Appearance and Trial Fees	50 00
Sydney Stone, bringing insane pauper to jail	10 00
L. M. Southerland, sundries for jail	13 00
George A. Huntt, board for prison's	12 00
George A. Wade, sundries for prisoners	12 98
Independent Republican for printing A. Posey, Appearance and Trial Fees	25 00
L. Allison Wilmer, Trial Fees	35 00
Same, Appearance Fees	10 00
Wash Burch, janitor and sundry services	55 00
Port Tobacco Times	30 00
Maryland Independent	400 00
Roads and Bridges	400 00
Insane Paupers	8000 00
School Board	2000 00
Treasurer and Clerk's salary	3500 00
Trustees of the Poor	800 00
Furniture for Court House	3000 00
Jury Fund	40 00
Contingent Fund	3000 00
	1000 00
Total	$22,917 29

Summary of Accounts.

Dr.

To allowance to—

Orphans Court	$ 640 00
Judges and Clerks of Election	396 00
County Officers	4,575 64
Room Rent	125 00
Magistrates & Constables	198 90
Coffins for Paupers and expenses	190 00
Jurors of Inquest	55 40
Crow, Hawks and Owl Scalps	409 90
Registration	545 50
Extra road work and material	191 61
Assessments and Insolvencies	637 10
Miscellaneous Charges	22,917 29

Collectors 6 per cent. for collecting $6,453-58 State Tax and $29,957 88 [it being amount of County expenses exclusive of amount paid by Corporations] $ 2,184 68

Collectors 6 per ct. for collecting $2,184 68 131 08

Amount of overrating	325 62
State Tax	6,453 58
Total	$32,978 13

Amount of Property in Charles Co. Subject to Taxation.

First District	777,017
Second District	996,345
Third District	884,722
Fourth District	783,830
Amount in Corporations	66,398
Total	$3,508 312
94 cts. on $3,508,312 same being county rate	32,978 13
18¾ " " State rate	6,453 58
	$39,431 71

JAMES A. ADAMS.
GEO. I. CHAPPELEAR.
JOHN W. MONTGOMERY.
CHAS. R. JOHNSON.
Commissioners for Charles County.

TRUE COPY:—Test.
F. D. MUDD, Clerk.

If the wages of sin is death some old sinners we know of are a long time drawing their salary.

A man's thumb is a small thing, but when he wants to drive a nail it covers more surface than a house.

A young lady when presented with a pair of opera glasses asked: "How in the world am I to keep them on?"

"Why do divers go to sea, George?" Why, to get at the bottom facts. Now run away and think upon a hard one.

"I jump at conclusions," remarked the cat when she grabbed for a rat's tail as he went out of sight down a hole.

Select Reading.

Breaking the Sabbath.

"But what is it about your pa and ma being turned out of the church?" said the grocery man. "I hear that they scandalized themselves horribly last Sunday."

"Well, you see, me and my chum put up a job on pa to make him think Sunday was only Saturday, and ma she fell into it, and I guess we are all going to get fired from the church for working on Sunday. You see they didn't go to meetin' last Sunday because ma's new bonnet hadn't come, and Monday and Tuesday it rained, and the rest of the week was so muddy no one called, or they could not get anywhere, so Monday I slid out early and got the daily paper, and on Tuesday my chum he got the paper off the steps and put Monday's paper in its place. I watched when they were reading it, but they did not notice the date. Then Wednesday we put Tuesday's paper on the steps, and pa said that it seemed more than Tuesday, but ma she got the paper of the day before and looked at the date and said it se med so to her, but she guessed that they had lost a day somehow. Thursday we got Wednesday's paper on the steps, and Friday we rung in Thursday's paper, and Saturday my chum he got Friday's paper on the steps, and ma said she guessed she would wash to-morrow, and pa said he believed he would hoe in the garden and get the weeds out, so it would look better to folks when they went by Sunday to church. Well, Sunday morning came, and with it Saturday's daily paper, and pa barely glanced it over as he got on his overalls and went out in his shirt sleeves a hoeing in the front garden. And I and my chum helped ma carry water to wash. She said it seemed like the longest week she ever saw, but when we brought the water and took a plate of pickles to the hired girl that was down with the mumps, we got in the lilac bushes and waited for the curtain to rise. It wasn't long before folks began going to church, and you'd died laughing to see them all stop in front of where ma was washing and look at her, and then go on to where pa was hoeing weeds and stop and look at him, and them drive on. After about a dozen teams had passed I heard ma ask pa if he knew who was dead, as there must be a funeral somewhere. Pa had just hoed into a bumble bees nest, and said he did not know of any that was dead, but knew some that ought to be, and ma she did not ask any foolish questions any more. After about twenty teams had stopped, ma she got nervous and asked Deacon Smith if he saw anything green; he said something about desecration and drove away. Deacon Brown asked pa if he did not think he was setting a bad example before his boy, but pa said he thought it would be a good one if the boy could only be hired to do it. Finally ma got mad and took the tub behind the house where they could not see her. About 4 o'clock that afternoon we saw a dozen of our congregation, headed by the minister, file into our yard, and my chum and I knew it was time to fly, so we got on the back-steps where we could hear. Pa met them at the door, expecting some bad news, and when they were seated ma she came in and remarked it was a very unhealthy year and it stood people in hand to meet their latter end. None of them said a word until the elder put on his specks and said it was a solemn occasion, and ma she turned pale and wondered who it could be, and pa says, don't keep us in suspense, who is dead? and the elder said no one was dead, but they called as a duty they owed the cause to take action on them for working on Sunday. Ma she fainted away and they threw a pitcher of water down her back but they all swore it was Sunday and they saw ma washing and pa out hoeing as they went to church, and they had called to take action on them. Then there was a few minutes' conversation I could not catch, and then we heard pa kick his chair over and say it was more tricks of that darned boy; then we knew it was time to adjourn, and I was just getting through the back fence as pa reached me with a barrel stave, and that's what makes me limp some."—*Peck's Sun.*

Home Politeness.

A boy who is polite to his father and mother is likely to be polite to every one else.

A boy lacking politeness to his parents may have every semblance of courtesy in society, but is never truly polite in spirit, and is in danger, as he becomes familiar, of betraying his real want of courtesy.

We are all in danger of living too much for the outside world, for the impression which we make in society, coveting the good opinions of those who are in a sense a part of ourselves, and who will continue to sustain and pe interested in us, notwithstanding these defects in deportment and character.

We say to every boy and every girl, cultivate the art of courtesy and propriety at home—in the sitting room and in the kitchen as well as in the parlor—and you will be sure in other places to deport yourself in a becoming and attractive manner.

When one has a pleasent smile and demeanor, it is a satisfaction to know that these are not put on, but that they belong to the character, and are manifest at all times and under all circumstances.

Eat Your Breakfast First.

Dr. Hall is authority for the following thoughts upon breakfasting before much exercise in the open air, particularly in the districts where fever and ague are abundant. Breakfast should be eaten in the morning before leaving the house for exercise or labor of any description; those who do it will be able to perform more work with greater alacrity than those who work an hour or two before breakfast. Besides this, the average duration of life of those who work will be a number of years greater than those who do otherwise. Most persons begin to feel weak after having been engaged five or six weeks in their ordinary avocations.

A good meal reinvigorates; but from the last meal of the day until the next morning their is an interval of some twelve hours; hence the body in a sence is weak, and in proportion cannot resist deleterious agencies whether of the fierce cold of mid-winter or of the poisonous miasm which rests upon the surface of the earth wherever the sun shines on a blade of vegetation or a heaf of offal. This miasm is more solid, more concentrated, and hence more malignant about sunrise and sunset than any other hour of the twenty-four because the cold of the night condenses it, and it is on the first few inches above the soil in its most solid form; but as the sun rises it warms and expands and ascends to a point high enough to be breathed, and being taken into the lungs and swallowed with the saliva into the stomach, all weak and empty as it is, it is greedily drank in, thrown immediately into the circulation of the blood and carried to every part of the body, depositing its poisonous influence at the very fountain head of life. If early breakfast were taken in regions where chills and fever and ague prevail, and if, in addition, a brisk fire were kindled in the family room for an hour, including sunrise and sunset, these troublesome maladies would diminish in any one year not ten-fold, but a thousand fold, because the heat of the fire would rarify the miasmatic air instantly and send it above the breathing point. But it is "troublesome" to be building fires night and morning all summer; it being no "trouble," requiring no effort, to shiver and shake by the hour, weeks, and months together.

A Few Words on the Marriage Question.

'I understand,' began the president of the Lime-Kiln Club, as the meeting opened in due form, 'dat quite a number of de members of dis club am gwine to be mar'ied doorin' de summer. Dat's all right, an' I wish 'em much joy, an' shall be glad to witness de obsequies of each an' every one. But, I want to say a few words in gineral. In de fust place, am you gwine to mar'y fur love or fur a sort o' bizness partnership? If you answer fur love, let me warn you to be sartin dat you doan' mistake de sentiment. Many a young man who thought his heart torn by love has plunged into matrimony to diskiver dat he simply had an admiration for a $30 set of false teeth an' a high instep. If you answer fur a sort o' bizness partnership, let me warn you not to expect too much. You won't love de woman, an' she won't trust you. It will be a sort o' hoss trade in which both parties will be cheated and both continuer to be mad about it. You kin git along arter a fashion, an' people who see her on your arm at a circus won't know how you fight at home.'

'If you mus' marry, let common sense have a show in de transaction. Doan' go off yer feet bekase you meet a gal who kin sing like a robin, smile like a rose an' jump off a street kyar without boderin' de driver to stop. A wife will have much to do besides singin' and cultivatin' dimples. If you am gwine to mar'y ax yerselves how fur $10 per week will go when divided up for clothes an' pervishuns an' house rent an' fewel an' incidentals. Befo' you fall in love wid a gal who looks too sweet fur anythin' in a red plush sacque, kinder figger on how many sich duds your income would afford her. Befo' you am all broke up ober a gal who plays de pianner, talks French, paints landscapes an' reads poetry, jist sit down an' figgure who am to cook yer meat an, taters, patch yer cloze, darn yer socks an' help ye make $12 buy $15 worth of things. Befo' ye let a pa'r o' flashin' eyes an' a cunnin' dimple captivate ye, look aroun' a little and see if de owner has got a temper like a wildcat. Marriage am a lottery simply bekase people take each odder unsight an' unsesn.'—*Detroit Free Press.*

Morsels for Sunday Contemplation.

God fishes souls with a line; the devil with a net.

All those who know their mind do not know their heart.

In prosperity work is a duty; in misfortune it is a refuge.

Among intelligent people antipathies are more irreconcilable than hates.

We pass often from love to ambition, but we seldom return from ambition to love.

In the adversity of our best friends we often find something that is not displeasing to us.

Absence diminishes the ordinary passions and increases the great ones, as the wind extinguishes the candle and lights the fire.

There are persons who have more intelligence than taste, and others who have more taste than intelligence. There is more vanity and caprice in taste than in intelligence.