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GIVE THE MANN BILL A SHOW.

The Richmond *News-Leader* for some time has been hammering away in opposition to the Mann bill, which is now before the Legislature, and while conscientious in its efforts, we believe the imagination and thought of the writer is very much influenced by his personal wishes in the matter, and consequently his argument seems to be all one way. We may be influenced just as much in the opposite direction as the *News'* writer and fall subject to the same charge. We suppose we would have to "acknowledge the corn."

In Monday's paper the editor of the *News-Leader* has nearly a column article to show that local option had no bearing upon reducing or increasing crime throughout our State, citing the records of our State penitentiary for the five years during which half the State has been under local option, and also making comparisons of prohibition States with that of ours, somewhat to the detriment of the prohibition States. We have not the facts at hand, but we venture to say that while the records of the State penitentiary practically show a stand-off during the last five years, the number of criminals during almost any five years previous to that period will show a gradual increase from year to year. To make our argument good we might turn back to the time the penitentiary was instituted and see that the number of criminals has gradually increased on an average from year to year. So that if for the last five years the number has been kept at a standstill, when our increase in population and the spread of civilization are considered, local option, though only half in force throughout the State, must be credited with having checked the natural increase of crime. No one ever before attributed Maine's stunted growth to prohibition. Her resources and advantages are exceedingly small, and because other parts of the country offer much greater opportunities to young men the State has been depleted of progressive citizens. Neither is it fair to make comparison of crime in the Carolinas any more than it would be to take Kentucky or certain portions of Texas. The temperament of the people is different, laws are different, and their execution enforced or unenforced as it may be.

The CITIZEN has never advocated prohibition and cannot say that it desires to see this State a prohibition State, but we do wish to see such a law as the Mann bill become operative and the democracy of the people given exemplification. We know from actual experience that local option has had a wonderful effect as a deterrent upon crime within our own county confines; and if here, why not elsewhere? In this we speak from knowledge of the facts and not from comparisons where the cases are not parallel.

THE bill which Senator Cromwell, of Norfolk, has presented to regulate the sale of fertilizers may be of some little benefit to the farmer, but it is unnecessarily stringent upon the manufacturer and dealer. If carried out the benefit to one will not begin to offset the injury done to another class of our people. Unless special provision is made for it we do not see how the farmer of Tidewater is to procure his raw fish fertilizer on anything like the cheap terms he now does, if, as Senator Cromwell proposes, all goods must contain at least eleven per cent. vegetable matter. Distinction should be made between manipulated commercial products and raw material; otherwise the farmer will have to pay more for his raw fish, which is made the basis for so much of the goods handled throughout Virginia, and but for which the farmer would have to pay a highly increased rate for his manures.

THE question has arisen anent the new Constitution affecting the collecting of taxes. Those negroes who were disfranchised have received information that the poll-tax cannot be forcibly collected. Such of them as own real estate are offering to pay tax on the realty and demanding separate receipts of the county collectors. This is a subject which calls for immediate attention by the Legislature.

Say what you may about it, the failure of prohibition in Amherst county was due to the one fact that the public sentiment of Amherst county was not in favor of prohibition.—*Times-Dispatch.*

We thought that Judge Campbell was the cause of this failure. The newspapers and some of the witnesses told us so.

LYNCHBURG is said to be considering the advisability of drawing its water supply from Pedlar Creek, in Amherst county. Is Lynchburg local option that she should want the medicated water from a creek and county that have recently become so notorious?

THE Orange *Observer* celebrates its twenty-second anniversary by moving into a new building. The editor says that henceforth his paper will be printed in a parlor. So much for the refining influence of woman at the helm.

DEATH OF SENATOR LECATO.

The Friend of the Fisherman and Oysterman Passes Away.

Dr. Geo. W. LeCato, State Senator from Accomac county, and one of the noblest and ablest of Virginia gentlemen, modest and retiring, but sincere and true to every high feeling, died Thursday night at New Ford's Hotel, where he had lived during his attendance on the present session of the General Assembly.

The *Times Dispatch* echoes the sentiment of all who knew him in the following: "His anxiety to be here and to discharge his legislative duties moved him to come to Richmond when because of his feebleness, he would better have stayed at home, but his sense of duty was such that no persuasions of family or friends could induce him to remain away. And here he fell at his post, his work well done and a good and distinguished name well earned."

DOINGS IN CONGRESS.

The President will reappoint Crum to the Charleston collectorship during the recess of Congress.

The Senate ratified the Panama Canal treaty. Senators Daniel, Martin, Morgan, Pettus and Teller cast the only votes in the negative. Poor old Senator Morgan nearly collapsed when the fight finally ended. He had made the fight of his life, probably his last fight, to have the Nicaragua route selected. "I voted against the treaty because I wanted an American canal controlled by Americans," said Senator Martin. "I thought as we were going to build a canal at a cost of millions of dollars, it should be under our absolute control. The Panama Canal will not be. The treaty provides that the canal shall be policed by the Colombian Government. This is my chief objection to the treaty," Senator Martin concluded, "and there are many minor reasons."

POLITICAL.

When northern and southern Democrats divide, there are enough on either side to defeat the whole party. When Republicans divide—oh, well they never do, not so as you would notice it.—*Greenville Reflector.*

A prominent Democrat of Northumberland county seems to think that if the Hon. W. A. Jones had given as much attention to the currents of Coan river during the last session of Congress as he did to the currency of the Philippines, he would probably have been spared the grief of having his bill supplanted by that "iniquitous measure" that "finally passed."—*Potomac Progress.*

"It does smack a trifle of injustice," remarks the Newport News *Time-Herald*, "to lay at the door of Senator Martin every political disagreement that bobs up in this State." Our keen-witted contemporary never said a more timely thing. We believe that there are vulnerable points in the Junior Senator's political record; but we also believe that he is doing excellent work for his State in Washington, that he does not receive enough credit for this, and that the habit of charging him with all the political wire-pulling in the Commonwealth is growing tiresome to the public. Give a man a fair show! —*Norfolk Landmark.*

FISH AND OYSTER NOTES.

Old England and New England both are having trouble over oysters caught from waters where there are sewage dumps.

In the New Jersey Legislature the House has passed a bill prohibiting fyke and pound-net fishing in the waters of the State. This is at the instigation of the "kid glove" hook-and-line sports.

A combination of oyster growers and dealers, representing invested capital of about $3,000,000, and the largest in the oyster trade in the country, has been formed under the name of the Rhode Island Growers' Association.

The recent heavy rains have made the water in the upper Rappahannock very muddy and fresh, which, if continued, would prove destructive to oysters. For the past two seasons oysters have died from the spring freshets to a great extent.

Much regret is expressed among the leading oyster people that April of this year is not to be taken off. The bill shortening the season does not become effective until July 1st next. It is stated that the Chesapeake Bay is full of Jersey boats here after seed oysters.

NEWS ITEMS.

The state of Maine voted overwhelmingly for prohibition.

Epworth League Conference assembles in Danville Thursday to Sunday of next week.

The czar has issued a decree providing for freedom of religion throughout his dominions, establishing, to some degree, local self-government.

John D. Flannagan, of King and Queen, has returned from Omaha, whither he went to see a former slave of his family's, who had signified his purpose to make Mr. Flannagan his heir. Old John was delighted to see his former master's son and before Mr. Flannagan left signed the necessary papers giving him eight valuable lots in the city of Omaha and a number of lots in Sylvester, Mich., worth several hundred thousands of dollars.

LEGISLATIVE DOINGS.

The Barksdale pure-elections bill has passed both branches.

Senator Wickham thinks the Legislature will sit until August.

The House passed the bill appropriating $200,000 to the Jamestown Exposition.

Judge Campbell has been officially notified that the Legislature will vote on his removal in twenty days' time.

By the close vote of 28 to 33 the House killed the Cumming bill, which provided for Congressional redistricting.

It has been ascertained that no local dispensary act can be passed by the Legislature as it would be unconstitutional.

The Senate passed the bill making the office of Commissioner of the Revenue elective all the time. The House has not yet concurred in it.

Delegate S. Wilkins Matthews, of Accomac, may succeed the late Dr. LeCato as Senator. Mr. Matthews is probably the leading member of the Legislature from Tidewater.

York and James river delegates insisted on abolishing patent tongs, and succeeded, as the matter was sprung suddenly and no evidence could be immediately procured to resist the project.

Considerable surprise was occasioned in Confederate circles and elsewhere by the failure of the Governor to sign the bill passed by both branches of the Legislature to place the statue of General Robert E. Lee in Statuary Hall, Washington. The bill became a law without the Executive signature, after the expiration of five days from the time it was sent to the Governor. Governor Montague was asked last night why he did not approve the measure. "I do not approve of it at this time," he said. *Times-Dispatch.*

SOME BILLS INTRODUCED.

Bill to amend the "Land-Grabbers' Act."

Messrs. Lyell and Lawson have introduced bills relieving the Treasurers of Lancaster and Middlesex of delinquent tax bills.

Senator Cromwell, of Norfolk county, presented a bill to amend the law regarding the sale of fertilizers. The bill requires manufacturers to file with the Commissioner of Agriculture a guaranteed analysis of each brand sold in the State, stating the "sources from which the phosphoric acid, nitrogen and potash are derived." The bill further stipulates that no fertilizer shall be sold which does not contain as much as 11 per cent. of plant food. No manufacturer shall change the composition for a year after registering with the commissioner, and then not until the consent of the commissioner shall have been obtained, and to pay a fine of $25 to $200 for each offence.

OYSTER FIGHT OFF.

When House bill 95, relating to the breaking of the Baylor oyster survey, was reached, a substitute was offered by Mr. Cardwell, and the latter was engrossed, and later passed. This action was the result of a compromise between Mr. Jordan, the patron, and the oyster people.

The substitute measure reads as follows:

1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia, That W. D. Cardwell, E. C. Jordan and S. Wilkins Matthews, members of the House of Delegates and Julian Bryant and Asa D. Watkins, members of the Senate, be and they are hereby created and appointed a Special Joint Committee, and are hereby authorized and directed to investigate and report to the General Assembly all the facts, as far as they may be able to ascertain them, in connection with the proposed leasing out of the barren area and exhausted oyster rocks, beds and shoals within the Baylor Geodetic Survey; and said Special Joint Committee is directed to report specially:

First: How much bottom, if any, there is within the said survey, which was either barren at the time said survey was made or which has become so exhausted by overwork or otherwise as not to be profitable to be worked by the licensed tongmen of the State authorized to work the same, and which will not reseed itself naturally within three years.

Second: How much, if any, of such barren or exhausted bottom is, for any cause, worthless for planting purposes, so that the same will not be applied for by planters.

Third: How much, if any, of such barren or exhausted bottom can be leased out to planters without injuring or endangering the profitable natural oyster rocks within said survey.

Fourth: Whether or not the leasing of such barren or exhausted bottom would be to the best interest of all the people of the State.

Fifth: How much, if any, ground suitable for planting purposes and which will probably be taken up by the planters, there is outside of the said survey.

Sixth: Any other facts which said committee may deem useful to the General Assembly in determining this question.

2. The said committee is authorized to sit during the session of the General Assembly, as well as during the vacation of the same, and may employ one clerk and a surveyor, should the said committee deem either or both necessary.

3. The Auditor of Public Accounts is hereby authorized to draw his warrant upon the treasury for the necessary expenses, etc.

4. The Board of Fisheries is hereby authorized and directed to render the said committee all the assistance they can, including the use of one of the police steamers.

New Boat for Weems Line.

The Weems Transportation Company, of this city, has purchased from Wilson M. Vineland, of Milton, Del., the steamer Emma Reis, which arrived here Saturday. The vessel was brought here by Captain Palmer, who has run her on a passenger and freight route between Milton and Philadelphia. The Emma Reis is to be used on one of the Weems routes in the lower bay.

The Reis is a vessel of 187 tons gross register, 114½ feet long, and has passenger and freight accommodations. She was built at Milford, Del., in 1900.—*Baltimore Sun 16th.*

Richmond County.

EMMERTON.

B. B. Griffith & Bro., popular merchants of this place, have now on exhibition a handsome line of spring goods, which can be purchased for a song i. e. if you can sing well. They have also nearly completed their canning factory.

Mrs. W. E. Headley and Miss Sadie Biscoe, of Tidewater, are welcome guests of Miss Mamye Hanks this week.

Our community has been greatly saddened by the death of Mrs. Virginia Schools. We extend to the bereaved ones our sincere sympathy.

Miss Margaret Cralle visited Miss Helen Oldham Sunday.

Mrs. Griffith, of Hague, is visiting her sons, Messrs. Griffith, of this place.

Miss Crapster, one of Maryland's most fascinating young ladies, who is teaching private school here, has won the admiration of all who have had the pleasure of meeting her—(one especially).

Marvin Hammock & Bro., our hustling saw-mill men, have recently purchased another new mill and located near the Folly.

A. E. Woolard, who has been so critically ill, we are glad to report convalescent. PINKY.

PEARSON'S ISLAND.

This community was made sad by the death of Miss Emm Waring, which occurred at her home in Essex about three weeks ago. Miss Waring was well known in this neighborhood, having taught school near here for several years and made many friends while on this side.

Mrs. James Dickerson, of Sion House, left recently for Lambert's Point to attend the bedside of her mother, Mrs. Jeffries, who is very sick at that place.

Miss Levicie Scrimger, who is attending the Warsaw female school, visited her parental home recently.

Rev. W. E. Wright has accepted a call in North Carolina and will leave in a few weeks to take charge of his new field.

Mr. and Mrs. Carson and little daughter, of Long Island, N. Y., who have been visiting relatives and friends at this place and Suggett's Point, will return to their home this week accompanied by their niece, Miss Sarah Carson, who has spent the past fall and winter with her cousin, Mrs. S. E. Cralle.

I have heard considerable talk about the bad roads of late, but I think walking must be good around here, as three young fellows from this place stumped it for about seven miles one night recently to a social gathering, and after indulging in the light fantastic until a late hour returned home about day with muddy shoes and sore feet.

J. A. Allison & Bro., oyster packers of this place, have closed their house for the season.

Fishermen around here are busy putting out nets. Some have succeeded in catching shad, one having caught forty at one haul.

T. K. Hale, who has been traveling the Northern Neck for the past three weeks, returned to Baltimore. YOU DON'T KNOW, DO YOU?

SHARPS.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Webb Smith are in deep sympathy with them over the death of their little baby, Cora Elizabeth, aged six months and a few days. This bright and interesting child was taken ill on Monday of last week and died on Thursday night. Funeral services were conducted at the parents' home by Rev. Richard Edwards, amid a large crowd of friends and relatives. The remains were laid to rest in Farnham Baptist cemetery on Saturday evening.

Death has robbed them of their treasure,
Of the one they loved so well;
Taken from this world of sorrow,
Safely home with Him to dwell.
Gone from earth—yes, gone forever,
Tear dimmed eyes shall gaze in vain,
We shall see her form oh, never,
Never more on earth again.

We are glad to report Mrs. W. B. Cook improving after a severe spell of sickness.

Much has been said about the roads in other places, but nothing about the roads in our section. I don't think there are any roads in the county as bad as between Sharps and Ivondale (J. H. Lemoine's). A wagon can scarcely get over them in some places without a breakdown, or else the people have to unload their wagons in order to pass through. They are in worse condition then ever known before.

The fishermen are all very busy getting their nets and traps out, few shad have already been caught.

Miss Emma Fisher, of Essex county, has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Edith Smith.

Delano, the sewing machine agent, was in our village a few days lately.

L. Rude and son, of Tilghman Island, Md., are in our midst sinking an artesian well for Andrew Davis.

Eugene Van Pelt has been in Lancaster county of late with his little son, Eugene, who was taken sick while visiting his aunt, Miss Gertie Beane. Mrs. Van Pelt was unable to accompany her husband on account of her baby being sick. We are glad to report both children as improving.

Miss Nannie Headley, of Cowart, is spent last week with her parents.

Clarence Smith has accepted a position as clerk for H. P. Wright in the village.

Little Harry and Merium Walton have been quite sick, but are improving.

George Allison, jr., and sister Annie spent Sunday before last in the village.

NEWLAND.

SOME DEATHS—BIRTHDAY PARTY—MARRIAGE—PERSONALS.

Mrs. Dorothy Balderson, aged 83 years, after a short illness died on the morning of the 26th ult. at the home of her son, S. N. Balderson. Her remains were interred in the family burying ground at G. W. Balderson's, Rev. G. M. Connelley reading the services. The following sons and daughters survive the deceased, viz: Messrs. S. N., G. W. and C. W. Balderson, and Mesdames Cornelia A. Scates, Virginia White, of Westmoreland, and Mary J. Smoot, of Baltimore. Many grandchildren survive also.

Jane Jackson, colored, and a small child of Simon Sorrel, colored, both died on the morning of the 28th ult.

Mr. and Mrs. James A. Scates gave a birthday party on Wednesday evening, of the 4th, in honor of their son, Robert J. Quite a large crowd of young people were present, and refreshments, consisting of ice cream, cake, lemonade, candy, oranges, nuts and apples, were served abundantly. Vocal music was rendered by the young people.

Mrs. C. C. Balderson, of Washington, is visiting her father, J. A. Scates, here.

James B. Bowen has returned to Lancaster Courthouse, and will be employed as engineer for the firm of lumber dealers, Gardy & Goad. Mr. Bowen is an expert in his line.

Judge Ware, of Essex county, was here recently.

There were quite a number of parties here the past two weeks.

S. K. Scates has returned from a business trip to Washington.

Measles is quite an epidemic at Foneswood.

Judge R. H. Beale has ordered a local option election to be held in Stonewall District on Thursday, April 16th. A strong fight on both sides is expected. We think the "drys" will win.

E. B. Blake, of the traveling fraternity, was here recently and was guest at Mrs. C. A. Scates'.

Dr. A. C. Fisher, of Emmerton, was here recently visiting patients.

Linwood I. Peed has received his $2,000 insurance from the Virginia Fire and Marine Insurance Company for his recent loss by fire. He is making ready to rebuild his storehouse near the same site.

Misses Hattie E. Pullen, Lizzie Hall, Tabitha G. Snyder and John R. Campbell have closed their schools.

John L. Sanders is still much indisposed. We hope for his speedy recovery.

The Rappahannock Sunday school was organized on the first Sunday in this month.

Quite a lot of large herring are being caught from Cat Point Creek, about six or more miles from its mouth.

Rev. G. M. Connelley, who has been sick, has greatly improved we are glad to report. STAR.

Northumberland Co

HARVEY'S NECK.

Farmers are busy planting potatoes and getting ground ready for tomatoes.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Henderson spent Sunday with W. C. Whaley.

Rev. F. W. Claybrook spent Saturday night at the lovely home of Capt. I. M. Bussell.

Mrs. Will Christopher and children spent several days last week near Hopeside visiting relatives.

Miss Ruby Clark was the guest of Miss Edna Snow from Friday until Sunday.

W. A. Rowe gave an oyster roast Friday p. m. which was highly enjoyed by the young people of this community. Willie is a bright and energetic young man and may prosperity ever smile upon him.

Capt. W. B. Clark arrived in the Great Wicomico river Saturday night loaded with oysters for Booth Bros.

Those on the sick list are, Miss Allyne Clark, Mrs. Julius Whaley and children, Clifford Bussells and Claus Stegemen. SUNSHINE.

MISKIMON.

We extend our congratulations to C. E. Dawson and wife on the birth of their eleventh son—four of which unfortunately are dead. In view of the fact that our native population is decreasing, we concur sincerely with that Pennsylvania legislator who wishes to pension the parents of large families. It is a regrettable circumstance that large families are not so numerous now as they were during the last generation.

In regard to Senator Thos. S. Martin we would say that with all due respect to Gov. Montague, ex-Gov. Tyler, Gen. Fitzhugh Lee and the rest of the aspirants for his seat, Senator Martin is in the right place and should by all means be kept there.

Marvin Gill has been sick with the pleurisy for several days. Also J. C. Chilton has had a bad case of grip.

Baily G. Crowther and wife were among us last Sunday driving their fine span of bays.

J. B. Marsh, in trading with Magruder Beatly, has secured a fine young pair of horses. One of them trots the mile in 2:40.

Your correspondent is informed of the marriage of Thos. Boyd and Miss Dora Eubank today (Tuesday). We wish them a happy sojourn.

This neighborhood will be well represented at the drama at Heathsville tonight. THUBAN.

BLUFF POINT.

The county roads about here are in very good condition.

Miss Evia Shehigh is spending some time with her aunt, Mrs. W. D. Chitwood.

Raymond Crowther, who has been home on a visit, has returned to Baltimore.

Capt. and Mrs. W. D. Potter, how were called to the bedside of Mrs. Potter's father who died two days after their getting to Long Island, have returned home. We sympathize with the bereaved family.

Mrs. Clay Crowther is very ill at her home. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Conway Sanford is having a packing house erected on his place by Messrs. Sanford and Ross. This will be a great benefit to our people.

Having spent some time in the town of Crisfield, I had the opportunity of hearing the advisability of a transportation line between the Rappahannock river and that place so as to include landings and all the creeks from Windmill up to Great Wicomico or Reedville. The object is to bring the soft crab and oyster industries to that town, and would, if properly looked after, put the fresh fish catch of the spring in New York and eastern markets 48 hours sooner than via Baltimore. The first caught on Monday would be sold in New York the same day as the Tangier catch. It also would be profitable to our farmers, as a day means all in early trucks. Besides there are several family ties between the counties which would encourage the enterprise. If our business men of this section will make the effort they can rely on the business men of that town lending a helping hand towards raising the stock.

Miss Enid Kelley, who has been away attending school at Rustburg, has returned home.

Willie Sears spent a few days at his parental home. ENJOY.

VILLAGE.

Mr. Leslie Winstead and Miss Anna Dawson were married Sunday at the residence of Porter Boyle, Rev. E. F. Garner officiating.

Messrs. L. H. and I. G. Lewis will soon begin the erection of a canning factory at this place.

Kirk Headley is visiting his home here, and incidentally taking large orders for goods for a Baltimore house which he is representing through the Northern Neck.

Two horsetraders near here are contemplating a settlement of their "misunderstanding," in the fistic arena. HAMLET.

SAMPSONS WHARF.

A few of our truckers have tomatoes in hot beds for early markets.

The weather has been very damp the last week or two. But despite the rainy weather, the familiar face of Harry, is seen four times a week, with that determined spirit with which he is possessed to turn out rain or shine. He is unlike the poet and author, Willie Perciful, whom "Idle-wild" touch so beautifully with his magic pen in your last issue, and who was never kissed by any one except his mother. She only did it to keep him quiet when he was a wee wee tot, so as not to disturb the other children. There is quite a contrast between the two, for Harry has been kissed by all species and ages, sexes and sizes from a finger long to six feet. He has also figured in scores of love affairs. He was out one day recently with his comely and beautiful Cleopatra in an open buggy, while the rain poured down in torrents and ran off the stalwart telephone pole at the rate of three gallons a minute, without even an overcoat. But this is only one of the many hardships he has undergone in the last two months. But he takes it with the greatest pleasure. He has even boasted of living 48 hours on love and four bananas. This, and many other such misfortunes, we will wager is what touched the poetic inspiration of Willie and is accountable for the "Measly Shame" and "Splendor of shameless love." This is not Light Horse Harry Lee of Revolutionary fame, but honest, upright, home-loving, law abiding Harry Kerst, the beloved and efficient mail carrier from Sampsons to Lara, who is always accomodating and anxious to please, and it is thought he will come over on the Lord's side before his neighbor ships his first barrel of peas. SAILOR LAD.

DRAMA AT REEDVILLE.

The Heathsville Dramatic Troupe will render a drama, "The Silent Detective," at Reedville town hall on Wednesday, March 25th. Doors open at 7; play begins at 8. Admission, 25 cents; children, 15 cents.

BUILDING LOTS FOR SALE

In Reedville. 100 feet front. From $60 to $125. Terms to suit purchaser.

MORRIS & TOWLES,
Reedville, Va.

AFRO-AMERICAN NOTES.

Frank Waddy arrived recently day from Germany where he has been for the past two years. He also traveled extensively and has had an interesting experience.

Mrs. Margaret Taylor, of White Stone, died on Wednesday of last week after a long illness and was buried at Mt. Vernon Baptist cemetery on Friday following. She leaves a husband and four children to mourn their loss.

Mrs. S. J. Newman, our school teacher, spent Saturday and Sunday recently with her parents at Millenbeck.

Misses Mary Reed and Ora Ball, of Baltimore, are visiting relatives at Tombs.

Owing to the absence of Rev. D. Tucker Rev. D. H. Chamberlayne, of Calvary Baptist church, filled Sharon's pulpit on Sunday afternoon.

Mesdames Clara Gaskins and Martha E. Parks are among the sick at this writing. Miss Fannie Parker, who has been critically ill, is improving.

Mrs. Mary Smith, of Baltimore, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Belle Johnson, of Tombs.

Mrs. Lettie Corbin, who has been quite sick, is now improving.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Toulson, of Fleets Bay, will hold their 15th anniversary on April 3d.

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PAINE'S CELERY COMPOUND

Has Made People Well When Every Other Remedy Has Failed.

Paine's Celery Compound cures disease! It has saved the lives of thousands of sufferers. It has made the weak strong, vigorous, and happy.

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Overworked and tired women stand in urgent need of this health giving prescription to make and keep them well. All women should take advantage of the remarkable power of this best of medicine for restoring vigor to the blood and strength to the nervous system. The all-important thing for nervous, run down, and sleepless women is that Paine's Celery Compound fortifies the whole physical system, and by correcting digestion and regulating the nerves, it insures sound, refreshing sleep. In every case of sickness Paine's Celery Compound completely and permanently brings back health. Mrs. Mary M. Myers, Baltimore, Ohio, saved by Paine's Celery Compound after the failures of able physicians, gratefully writes as follows:—

"I suffered for eight years with nervous prostration and the general debility common to women, and had such pains in my back that I could not get around the house. I used several remedies and consulted several of the best physicians without obtaining any relief. Paine's Celery Compound restored me to health.

"I also want to say to all mothers that Paine's Celery Compound is a splendid medicine for their children."

TIES WANTED.

30,000 chestnut ties, 6x6 and up, on face, 8 feet long. 20,000 white oak ties, 8½ feet long; and 5,000 red oak ties same length. Good prices paid.
W. G. BEANE, Miskimon, Va.

DO YOU GET UP WITH A LAME BACK?

Kidney Trouble Makes You Miserable.

Almost everybody who reads the newspapers is sure to know of the wonderful cures made by Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy.

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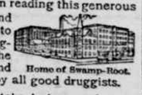
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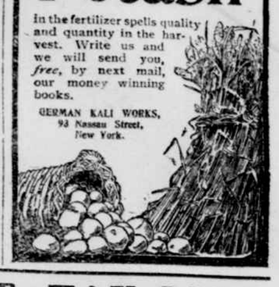

DELINQUENT TAX LIST.

A list of real estate delinquent for non-payment of taxes assessed thereon for the year 1901, to be sold pursuant to an Act approved February 26, 1886, Sec. 637, to provide for the annual sale of lands delinquent for taxes and county levies, as amended by an act approved March 2, 1900.

Name of persons charged with tax.	Quantity of land charged.	Local description of land.	Aggregate taxes, levies, penalties and expenses.
Ashburn, A. A.,	1¼ Acres.	Carter's Creek.	$ 73
Ashburn, A. A.,	2 "	Part Corrotoman.	42
Brown, Bastine,	66-100 Acre.	Near River View.	42
Barrack, S. A.,	10 Acres.	Home Tract.	56
Corsey, James.	10 "	Sligo.	1 23
Cunningham, John,	2 "	Whealton.	1 07
George, John W.,	20 "	Near Rehoboth Church.	1 74
Mitchell, C. A.,	8 "	Myers' Creek.	3 16
Stoneham, Lizzie E.,	28 67-100 "	Maidley.	4 21
Ball, Lewis,	16 "	Mud Creek.	2 22
Campbell, Adam,	3 "	Near Rehoboth Church.	20
Conway, Daniel,	8¾ "	Woodbine.	1 44
Fauntleroy, Addison and Ann,	10¼ "	Part of Barracks.	1 44
Jackson, Madison,	5 "	Woodbine.	1 38
Jones, Thomas M.,	8 "	Adjoining James Boswell.	1 31
Nutt, Sarah, heirs,	29 "	Near Rehoboth Church.	1 69
Norris, Joseph,	20 "	Near Lebanon.	1 44
Nutt, Lewis,	3 "	Woodbine.	42
Newman, L. P.,	1½ "	Lancaster Creek.	18
Payne, Lewis,	6 "	Spring Hill.	84
Sydnor, Charles,	12 "	Part of Holyoke.	1 65
Sanders, Nixon,	1 Acre.	Old Toms.	98
Tomlin, Mortimer,	23 Acres.	On Western Branch.	3 20

The real estate above mentioned, or as much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy the taxes, levies, interests, costs and charges due thereon, will be sold at public auction on the first day of the following April Court, between the hours of ten in the morning and four in the afternoon, in front of the Courthouse, unless the amount for which said lands are delinquent, together with the interests, costs and charges shall have been previously paid to R. M. SANDERS, Treasurer.
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