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If You Want a Kiss, Take It.

There's a jolly, Saxon proverb,
That is pretty much like this,
That a man is half in heaven
When he has a woman's kiss;
But there's danger in delaying—
And the sweetness may forsake it;
So I tell you, bashful lover,
If you want a kiss, why, take it.

Never let another fellow
Steal a march on you in this;
Never let a laughing maiden
See you spoiling for a kiss.
There's a royal way to kissing,
And jolly ones who make it
Have a motto that is winning—
If you want a kiss, why, take it.

Any fool can face a cannon;
Anybody wear a crown;
But a man must win a woman,
If he'd have her for his own.
Would you have the golden apple,
You must find the tree and shake it;
If the thing is worth the having,
And you want a kiss, why, take it.

Who would burn upon a desert,
With a forest smiling by?
Who would give his sunny summer
For a black and wintry sky?
Oh! I tell you there is magic,
And you cannot, cannot break it;
For the sweetest part of loving
Is to want a kiss, and take it.

WHY WE SHAKE HANDS AND KISS.—A learned Theban gives us the solution of this frequently conjectured problem. In the first place it is a very old-fashioned way of indicating friendship. John said to Jehonadad: "Is thine heart right as my heart is with thine heart? If it be, give me thine hand." It is not merely an old-fashioned custom; it is a strictly natural one, and, as usual in such cases, we may find a physiological reason if we only take pains to search for it. The animals cultivate friendship by the sense of touch as well as by the sense of hearing and sight; and for this purpose they employ the most sensitive parts of their bodies. They rub their noses together or lick one another with their tongues. Now, the hand is a part of the human body in which the sense of touch is high y developed; and after the manner of animals, we not only like to see and hear our friend, we also like to touch him, promote the kindly feelings by the contact and reciprocal pressure of the sensitive hands. Observe, too, how this principle is illustrated by another of our modes of greeting. When we wish to determine whether a substance be perfectly smooth, and are not quite satisfied with the information conveyed by the fingers, we apply to the mouth.

INTRODUCTIONS.—To in roduce persons who are mutually unknown is often to undertake a serious responsibility, and always to certify to each the respectability of the other. This responsibility, then, should never be undertaken without first ascertaining whether it will be acceptable to both parties to become acquainted.—Always introduce the gentleman to the lady; never the contrary. This rule is to be observed everywhere, socially or otherwise; the gentleman is the acknowledge inferior. The chivalry etiquette assumes that the lady is invariably the superior by right of her sex, and that the gentleman is honored by being presented. Where the sexes are the same, present the younger to the elder, the unmarried to the married, or the inferior in social rank or talent to the superior. A gentleman should never be introduced to a lady without first asking her permission. Upon introduction most people limit their recognition of each other to a bow. Shaking of hands is reserved until the parties shall have become friends.

ENDORSING A STORY.—A Yankee riding in a railroad car, seemed particularly disposed to astonish the other passengers with tough stories. At last he mentioned that one of his neighbors owned an immense dairy, and made a million pounds of butter and a million pounds of cheese yearly. The story produced some sensation, and the Yankee perceiving that his veracity was in danger of being questioned, appealed to a friend as follows:—"True, isn't it, Mr P——? I speak of Deacon Brown." "Y-e-s", replied the friend, "that is I know Deacon Brown, though I don't know as I ever heard precisely how many pounds of butter and cheese he made a year, but I know he has twelve saw mills that all go by butter milk."

A LEARNED professor in a college was accustomed to demand of students an excuse whenever they were dilatory at recitation. The excuse given, he invariably added: "Very well; but don't let it happen again." One morning a married student happening to be behind time, was promptly interrogated as to the cause.—Slightly embarrassed, he replied:

"The truth is sir, I had an addition to my family this morning, and it was not convenient to be here sooner."

"Very well," replied the professor, in his quick, nervous manner, "very well; but *don't let it happen again!*"

AN ingenious cobbler, says an exchange, who is known as a man of few words whose conversation rarely extends beyond the monosyllables, and who is very provident even of them, hit upon the following plan to save expense in painting all the letters of "Shoe Shop:"

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A CELEBRATED lawyer once said that the three most troublesome clients he ever had was a young lady who wanted to be married; a married woman who wanted a divorce, and an old maid who didn't know what she wanted.

IT is argued for short dresses that they give plain girls a chance. What nature has denied the face she often gives to the understanding.

PUBLIC GENERAL LAWS,

PASSED BY THE

General Assembly of Maryland,

At the January Session, 1868.

PUBLISHED BY AUTHORITY.

[CHAPTER 180.]

AN ACT

To repeal Sections seventy-four, seventy-five, seventy-six, seventy-seven and seventy-eight of Article 75, of the Code of Public General Laws, entitled Pleadings of Practice and Process, Sub-title Removal of Causes, as amended by the Act of Assembly of eighteen hundred and sixty-five, chapter one hundred and eighty-seven, and to enact the following as substitutes therefor.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That sections seventy-four, seventy-five, seventy-six, seventy-seven and seventy-eight of Article 75, of the Code of Public General Laws, entitled "Pleadings, Practice and Process," sub-title Removal of Causes, as amended by the Act of Assembly, passed at the January session of eighteen hundred and sixty-five, chapter one hundred and eighty-seven, be and the same are hereby repealed, and that the following sections be substituted therefor.

§ 74. In all suits or actions at Law, issues from the Orphans' Court or other courts sitting in equity, and in all presentments or indictments now pending, or which may be pending at the time of the passage of this act, or which may be hereafter instituted in any of the courts of this State, except the Court of Appeals, having jurisdiction thereof, the Judge or Judges thereof, upon suggestion in writing, if made by the State's Attorney, or the prosecutor for the State, or upon suggestion in writing supported by affidavit made by any of the parties thereto, or whenever any party to such cause or the counsel of any party shall by other proper evidence make it satisfactorily appear to the court, such party cannot have a fair and impartial trial in the court in which such suit or action, issue or petition, presentment or indictment is pending, or when the Judges of said Court shall be disqualified under the provisions of the Constitution to sit in any such suit, action, issue or petition, presentment or indictment, shall order and direct the record of proceedings in such suit, action, issue or petition, presentment or indictment, to be transmitted to some other court, and of a different circuit if the party applying shall so elect, having jurisdiction in such cases, which said court shall hear and determine the same in like manner as if such suit or action, issue or petition, presentment or indictment had been originally instituted therein: provided, that such suggestion shall be made before or during the time at which the issue or issues may be joined in said suit or action, issues, petition, presentment or indictment, unless the party or parties applying for such removal shall in addition to such affidavits as have herein already been provided for, further state under oath that he, she or they had come to such belief, or been convinced of the fact, since the issue or issues, in said cause, had been made, upon which additional statements being made and filed, the cause shall be removed, notwithstanding the issues had been made up.

§ 75 That when any suit or action, issues, petitions, presentments or indictments shall be removed according to the provisions of the preceding section, it shall, and may be lawful for the party at whose instance the said suit or action, issues or petition, presentment or indictment was not removed, if he, she or they shall think that justice cannot be done him, her or them in said court to which said suit or action, issues or petition, presentment or indictment, has been removed, to file an affidavit as prescribed by the preceding section in said court, to which said removal is ordered, suggesting that he, she or they cannot have justice in such court, whereupon the said court shall remove the said cause, suit or action, issues or petition, presentment or indictment to such other Court, (and of a different circuit if the party applying shall so elect) having jurisdiction in such cases, as the said court shall think will best tend to justice between the parties to the said suit or action, issues or petition, presentment or indictment.

§ 76. It shall be in the power and discretion of the Judge or Judges, should he or they think it proper, to cause a special panel of forty-eight Jurors to be selected by the Sheriff from the community at large, to try any cause or causes removed under the preceding sections of this Act, and the Court shall direct the clerk thereof to divide by ballot said number of jurors into two panels of Petit Jurors, and may take such order for the regulating the attendance of said panels as the said court shall see fit, and the said court may direct talesmen to be summoned in said cause or causes whenever necessary.

§ 77. In all criminal cases removed as aforesaid, when the party or parties to be tried therein are detained in jail, the party or parties so detained shall not be removed until the first day of the session of the court to which said case shall be removed.

§ 78. The Judge or Judges of any of the said Circuit Courts, to which any cause or causes may be removed under the preceding sections, shall allow such compensation, not exceeding the sum of forty dollars, in any one case to the State's Attorney for his services in appearing to or trying said cause or causes, as the said Judge or Judges may deem just and proper, to be borne and paid by the county from which said cause or causes may be removed, or by the city of Baltimore as the case may be.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 28, 1868.

THOMAS SWANN,
m2-1t Governor.

[CHAPTER 200.]

AN ACT

To repeal the eighty-ninth Section of Article sixteen of the Code of Public General Laws, entitled Chancery, and relating to process against non-resident infant descendants, as amended by the Act of 1864, chapter 89, and to insert in said Article in lieu of the section so repealed, the following section relating to process against non-resident infant descendants.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That section eighty-nine of Article sixteen, entitled Chancery, of the Code of Public General Laws, relating to process against non-resident infant descendants in chancery, as repealed and re-enacted by the Act of 1864, chapter 89, be and the same is hereby repealed, and that the following section be inserted in said Article, as a substitute for, and in lieu of said section so repealed.

§ 89. In every suit in Chancery by bill or petition, where the defendants, or any of them shall be infants residing out of this State in any other of the United States, or any Territory thereof, or where application is made by the guardian or *prochein ami* of any non-resident infant, to sell, lease, mortgage or exchange, the real or personal property of such infants, on the prayer or petition of the complainant or petitioner, a commission may be issued without any previous process or notice to any two persons in the discretion of the Judge of the Court in which said suit is brought, who reside near such infants, authorizing them or either of them to appoint a guardian to answer for such infant or infants, and take the answer of such infants by their said guardian, and the said Judge may prescribe the mode of authenticating the execution of such commission, and the answer of every infant in any case when returned to the Court issuing the commission shall be as effectual as if taken under a commission duly executed within the jurisdiction of such Court; provided, that if in any such suit, the party or parties complainant shall allege and prove by oath or affirmation that the whereabouts of the infant defendants is unknown to him, her or them, and that he, she or they have made diligent inquiry to ascertain the same, the said oath or affirmation where there is more than one complainant, to be made by any one, any number, or all of such parties in the discretion of the Court, or when a commission may have been issued as herein provided, and the party or parties to whom such commission may have been issued, shall refuse or neglect to execute or return the same according to the exigency thereof, beyond a reasonable length of time to be judged of by the court issuing such commission, then the said infant defendants being non-residents, may be proceeded against by notice given as provided for in the preceding section of this Article, for other non-residents, but in no case shall a bill or petition be taken *pro confesso* against an absent infant defendant.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect from and after its passage.

Approved March 28, 1868.

THOMAS SWANN,
m2-1t Governor.

[CHAPTER 203.]

AN ACT

To provide a summary remedy against Sheriffs, for making false returns to any writ of *fieri facias*, or other execution, by adding a new section to Article eighty-eight of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Sheriffs."

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the following section be added to the Code of Public General Laws, chapter eighty-eight, title "Sheriffs."

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That if any Sheriff shall make return to the Court of any *fieri facias*, attachments, *vendition exponias*, that he has seized the property of the defendant which remains unsold, or that the property heretofore levied upon remains in his hands unsold for want of buyers, or that the defendant has satisfied the plaintiff or his attorney, the debt or claim or any part thereof mentioned in the said process, the said plaintiff or his attorney may apply to the said Court for a rule on the said Sheriff or late Sheriff, as the case may be, to bring the said money into Court, or before a Judge thereof on a day to be named in the said rule, or show good cause to the contrary, and upon the failure of the said Sheriff or late Sheriff to bring the said money into Court, or before the said Judge, at the time mentioned in the said rule, or on any other day to be named by the said Judge the amount of the debt, damages, interest and costs to be ascertained by the plaintiff or attorney, or such other proof as the Judge may require, the said Court or Judge in the recess, may cause judgment to be entered by the Clerk against the said Sheriff for the plaintiff's claim, interest and costs in favor of the plaintiff without stay of execution, and without the right of the defendant to supersede or appeal from the same, provided, that the said Court or Judge thereof shall be satisfied that the said Sheriff has received the said debt, interest and costs or any part thereof from the defendant in the said process, and that his said return of process is false and untrue; and that the remedy under this section shall not prejudice the plaintiff's right to proceed against the bond of the Sheriff by suit.

Sec. 3. And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 28, 1868.

THOMAS SWANN,
m2-1t Governor.

[CHAPTER 199.]

AN ACT

To repeal Section thirty, Article forty-seven, of the Code of Public General Laws, and to re-enact the same with amendments.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That section thirty of article forty-seven of the Code of Public General Laws be and the same is hereby repealed, and re-enacted as follows:

§ 30. The illegitimate child or children of any female, and the issue of any such illegitimate child or children, shall be able and capable in law to take and inherit both real and personal estate from their mother or from each other, or from the descendants of each other as the case may be, and where such illegitimate child or children shall die leaving no descendants, or brothers or sisters, then and in that case, the mother of such illegitimate child or children, if living, shall inherit both real and personal estate from such illegitimate child or children, and if the mother be dead, then and in that case the heirs at law of the mother shall inherit the real and personal estate of such illegitimate child or children, in like manner as if such illegitimate child or children had been born in lawful wedlock.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 28, 1868.

THOMAS SWANN,
m2-1t Governor.

[CHAPTER 210.]

AN ACT

To authorize the Comptroller of the Treasury to adjust and settle the accounts due by Collectors, Sheriffs, Clerks, Registers and other receivers of the public monies, in cases where the indebtedness accrued prior to the year eighteen hundred and sixty-six.

SEC. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Comptroller of the Treasury be, and he is hereby fully authorized, and empowered to adjust and settle the claims of the State against all Collectors, Sheriffs, Clerks, Registers and other collectors or receivers of public monies, and their sureties in all cases where the said claims accrued prior to the year eighteen hundred and sixty-six, and whether said claims be now in the form of judgment or otherwise; and for the purpose of closing all such cases, the Comptroller is hereby fully authorized to compromise the same by abating the interest that has accrued, or any portion thereof, or any part of the principal debt in his discretion, so as to best subserve the interest of the State, and shall grant discharges to the said parties, and their sureties, upon the payment into the Treasury of the amount required by him, to be paid in settlement as aforesaid; provided, however, that the Governor and Treasurer for the time being, shall each approve in writing, of any such abatement before the same shall be effective; and provided further, that no discharge or acquittance under this Act, shall be effective unless the party or parties, to be benefitted by the same, shall first pay to the State's Attorney who shall have the case in hand, the legal fees, and also all fees of Clerks and Sheriffs.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That the State's Attornies shall, when required, render unto the Comptroller, all the assistance he may require in the adjustment and settlement of the aforesaid claims, and the said State's Attornies shall have power to examine evidence, and take and certify to affidavits as to the solvency of any official bond that may be in suit, or as to the solvency or insolvency of parties against whom fines and forfeitures were rendered in all cases where such fines and forfeitures from part of the State's claim against the principal, and sureties on the bond aforesaid; and the State's Attornies shall generally perform and do all other acts and things germane to the purpose of this Act, that may be required in writing, by the Comptroller as aforesaid, and shall certify and return to the Comptroller all the aforesaid evidences.

SEC. 3. And be it enacted, That in all cases wherein the Comptroller shall require the States Attornies to assist him in executing this Act, he shall allow them or any of them as compensation a commission of twenty-five per cent. on any State claim that he may collect or assist him the Comptroller in collecting, and which said claim accrued prior to eighteen hundred and fifty-one; a commission of ten per cent. in any claim he may collect or assist in collecting, and which said claim accrued between the thirty-first day of December, eighteen hundred and fifty, and the first day of January, eighteen hundred and sixty-one; and a commission of five per cent. on any claim he may collect or assist in collecting, and which said claim accrued between the thirty-first day of December, eighteen hundred and sixty, and the first day of January, eighteen hundred and sixty-six; and the Comptroller is hereby authorized to expend in his discretion under the approval of the Governor and Treasurer as aforesaid, the sum of five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, out of any monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated to pay the cost of taking and collecting the aforesaid evidence; provided, that all affidavits and other evidence that shall be taken on behalf of the party debtor to the State, shall be defrayed by said party, and the State shall not be answerable for the same.

SEC. 4. And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 28, 1868.

THOMAS SWANN,
m2-1t. Governor.

[CHAPTER 211.]

AN ACT.

To add additional sections to Article sixteen of the Code of Public General Laws, entitled Chancery, to come in after section seventy-eight of said Article.

SEC. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the following sections be added to the sixteenth Article of the Code of Public General Laws, entitled Chancery, to come in after section seventy-eight, in said Article.

§ That upon any bill being filed for the sale of any ground dedicated and used for the purposes of burial, in which lots have been sold, and deeds executed, or certificates issued to the purchasers of such lots, provided such lots shall be no longer used for burial purposes, the Court may order notice to be given by publication in one or more newspapers published in the city or county in which the ground to be sold may be situated, stating the substance and object of the said bill, and containing the names of the original lotholders, or their assignees, if known warning all the lotholders, whether they be residents or non-residents, adults or infants, to appear on or before a day fixed in such order, and show cause why the relief prayed should not be granted; and such notice shall be published as the Court may direct, not less, however, than once a week for four successive weeks, two months before the day fixed by such order for the appearance of the parties, and if such lotholders shall not appear at the time stated in such notice, a commission to take testimony may be issued by the complainant *ex parte*.

§ That after the return of such commission, the Court, upon being satisfied from the testimony that it is necessary, and would be for the interest and advantage of the parties interested that the ground should be sold, may forthwith pass a decree for the sale of the same, upon such terms as it shall deem proper, and shall distribute the proceeds of sale among the parties interested, according to their several interests, as the same shall be shown to the Court.

§ That a decree passed in a proceeding for the sale of a burial ground shall be valid to pass the title to the purchaser or purchasers of the same or any part thereof free, clear, and discharged of, and from the claims of the Corporation or Trustees, who may hold the same for the purposes aforesaid, their successors or assigns, and of all persons, an interest as lotholders in such ground, whether they are entitled as original lotholders, and whether they be residents or non-residents, adults or infants.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 28, 1868.

THOMAS SWANN,
m2-1t. Governor.

[CHAPTER 214.]

AN ACT

To repeal section one hundred, of Article thirty of the Code of Public General Laws, title Crimes and Punishments, sub-title Larceny, and to re-enact the same with an amendment.

SEC. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That section one hundred, of Article thirty of the Code of Public General Laws, title Crimes and punishments, sub-title Larceny, be, and the same is hereby repealed, and re-enacted to read as follows:

§ 100. If any person shall feloniously steal, take, and carry away the personal goods of another, under the value of five dollars, or if any person shall break into any shop, storehouse tobaccohouse, or warehouse, although the same be not contiguous to, or used with any mansion-house, and steal any money, goods or chattels, under the value of one dollar, the same order and course of trial shall be had and observed as for other simple larcenies, and being thereof convicted, he shall be deemed guilty of petty larceny, and shall restore the goods and chattels so stolen, or pay the full value thereof to the owner thereof, and be further sentenced to the Penitentiary, or to the jail of the county in which the offense may have been committed, or of the city of Baltimore, if the offense be committed in said city, in the discretion of the Court, for not more than eighteen months.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 28, 1868.

THOMAS SWANN,
m2-1t Governor.

[CHAPTER 225.]

AN ACT

To repeal the Act of eighteen hundred and sixty-four, chapter four hundred and five, relating to the establishment of a uniform system of contracting for public printing.

SEC 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Act of eighteen hundred and sixty-four, chapter four hundred and five, entitled an Act to establish a uniform system of contracting for printing all such matter pertaining to and for the use of the Legislature of the State of Maryland, and for constitutional State Convention, which authorizes and requires the Comptroller of the Treasury to contract for the public printing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That this Act shall go into operation and take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 28, 1868.

THOMAS SWANN,
m2-1t. Governor.

"IF I am not at home from the party at ten o'clock," said a husband to his better and bigger half, "don't wait for me."

"That I won't" replied the lady significantly—"I won't wait, but I'll come for you."

The gentleman returned at ten o'clock precisely.

A REVENUE assessor in Ohio, asking the usual questions, inquired, "Did your wife have an income last year?" "Yes," replied the assessed, "she had twins,—both girls."

PUBLIC LOCAL LAWS,

OPERATIVE IN

KENT COUNTY.

Passed January Session, 1868.

CHAPTER 381

An Act to amend the Public Local Laws of Kent County title "Chestertown," by repealing sections thirty-five and forty-six, and to re-enact the same as amended.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That section thirty-five of the Public Local Laws title "Kent County," subtitle "Chestertown," incorporating the citizens of Chestertown and prescribing the manner of electing Commissioners, and section forty-six of the said Public Local Law, title Chestertown, relating to the assessment of property, and the levying of taxes, be and the same are hereby repealed, and re-enacted with amendments to read as follows:

Sec. 35. The white male citizens of Chestertown in Kent County, of twenty-one years of age and upwards, the owners of real estate in said town in their own right, or in the right of their wife, and who have resided in Chestertown, or the precincts thereof, one whole year next preceeding the day of election, shall annually on the fourth Monday in May elect seven persons of lawful age, each of whom shall be the owner of real property in said town, in his own right, or in right of his wife, and shall reside therein; Commissioners for said town, and the persons so elected by the name of the "Commissioners of Chestertown" are hereby declared to be a body politic, with power to sue and be sued, and use a common seal, and the same to alter at their pleasure.

Sec. 46. The said Commissioners shall procure from the Clerk of the County Commissioners for said County, who is hereby authorized and required under the penalty of five hundred dollars, to be recovered on presentment or indictment in the Circuit Court of Kent county for their use, to furnish the same between the tenth day of June and the twentieth day of July, an assessment of all the real property and houses within the limits of said town, and the names of the persons assessed therewith, and may levy on the property so assessed such sum of money as they may deem necessary, not exceeding twenty-five cents in the hundred dollars in any one year, and may appoint and qualify a person to collect the same, and if the collector of the county taxes for the election or other district, in which Chestertown is situated, shall be appointed, it shall not be lawful for him to decline receiving and acting upon the said appointment, or refuse to execute his bond for the performance of his duty according to law, and as provided in section forty-seven of the said Code of Public Local Laws, title Kent County, sub-title Chestertown.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That this act shall take effect from the day of its passage.

Approved March 30, 1868.

THOMAS SWANN,
apr25-3t Governor.

CHAPTER 182.

An Act to amend the Public Local Law, title "Kent County," sub-title "Roads," article fourteen, by adding a new section thereto.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Public Local Law, article fourteen, title "Kent County," sub-title "Roads," be, and the same is hereby amended by adding thereto a section to read as follows:

Sec. 169. That it shall not be lawful for any person or persons, to ride, drive, or lead any horse, mare, or mule, oxen, cow or any other animal, on or over the side walk on the western side of the main road leading from Galena where the roads cross, to the Hill at Georgetown, nor on the side walk on the Northern and Eastern side of the public road leading from the Northwestern precincts of Chestertown to the western most corner of Chester Cemetery, on the road to Whaland's Mill, and any person thus offending shall be subject to a fine of two dollars for the first offence, and three dollars for every subsequent offence, to be recovered before a Justice of the Peace as small debts are recovered, in the name of the County Commissioners for Kent County, and such moneys when recovered shall be paid to them to be expended under their directions for the purpose of repairing and improving respectively the said sidewalks, which shall not exceed eight feet in width on their surface; Provided, that nothing in this act shall prevent persons riding or driving across said sidewalks to obtain access to adjoining lands, or for the purpose of entering the grounds of Chester Cemetery.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That this act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved March 28, 1868.

THOMAS SWANN,
apr25-3t Governor.

CHAPTER 349.

An Act to authorize and empower the County Commissioners of Cecil and Kent counties to build a bridge over Sassafras river from Fredericktown in Cecil county to Georgetown in Kent county, and to levy a sum of money for the same.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the County Commissioners of Cecil county and Kent county be and they are hereby authorized and empowered in their discretion, to build and keep in repair a bridge over Sassafras River from Fredericktown, in Cecil county, to Georgetown, in Kent county.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That for the construction of said bridge the County Commissioners of Cecil county, be, and they are hereby authorized and empowered in their discretion to levy on the assessable property of said county a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars, and that the County Commissioners of Kent county are hereby authorized and empowered in their discretion to levy on the assessable property of Kent county a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars; Provided, that the said bridge be constructed with a draw in the channel of said river not less than thirty-five feet in the clear in width.

Sec. 3. And be it enacted, That this act shall take effect from and after the date of its passage.

Approved March 30, 1868.

THOMAS SWANN,
apr25-3t Governor.

CHAPTER 9.

AN ACT to amend an Act entitled "An Act to authorize and empower the County Commissioners of Kent County to subscribe in behalf of said County to the capital stock of the Kent County Railroad Company and to issue bonds for the same and to provide for their redemption," passed at January Session, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, Chapter one hundred and thirty-nine, by adding a proviso to the first Section of said Act, relating to the issuing of county bonds, and the time for their payment.

WHEREAS, The County Commissioners of Kent County in the month of June last, under the provisions of the said Act, passed at January Session, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, Chapter one hundred and thirty-nine, subscribed for four thousand shares of stock in the Kent County Railroad Company, the Bonds for the payment of said Stock to be made payable within twenty years, and not in less than fifteen; and whereas, it may be advisable and expedient that the said Bonds, or a portion of them, shall be made redeemable or payable before the expiration of fifteen years, in order to lessen the burthen of taxation, therefore

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the first Section of said Act of Assembly, passed at January Session, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, Chapter one hundred and thirty-nine, relating to the issuing of Bonds by the County Commissioners of Kent County for the payment of Stock subscribed in the Kent County Railroad Company, be amended and reenacted so as to read as follows:

Sec. 1. That the County Commissioners of Kent County, or a majority of them, be, and they are hereby authorized, empowered and required, as soon as they may receive notice from the Kent County Railroad Company, to subscribe in behalf of Kent County for four thousand shares of the Stock of said Kent County Railroad Company, and in payment for said subscribers to issue Bonds in the name of the County Commissioners of said County in such sums as the President and Directors of said Railroad Company may prescribe, redeemable in such time or times within twenty years as the said President and Directors may designate, (but in not less than twenty years,) and which shall be stated on the face of said Bonds; and to each of which said Bonds shall be attached coupons for the interest thereon at the rate of six per cent. per annum, payable half-yearly; which said Bonds shall be delivered to the said Railroad Company in payment for said Stock, and which said Bonds may be hypothecated or sold and assigned by said Railroad Company; provided, however, that if the County Commissioners of Kent County, or a majority of them, and the President and Directors of the Kent County Railroad Company, shall consider and agree that it will be for the interest and advantage of the taxpayers of the county aforesaid that the Bonds to be issued by the County Commissioners to pay for subscriptions of Stock made in June last by the County Commissioners aforesaid, in the said Railroad Company shall be made payable at shorter periods of time than fifteen years, the said Commissioners may make the said Bonds, or any portion of them, payable at earlier periods than fifteen years, but in no one year shall more than one-tenth of the principal of said subscription for Stock be payable, and provided that this Act, as amended, shall not in any manner impair the obligations or contract now existing on the part of the said County Commissioners with the said Kent County Railroad Company to provide for the payment of the said Stock subscription; and that this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 6, 1868.

THOMAS SWANN,
apr25-3t Governor.

RAIL ROAD NOTICE.

THE Stockholders of the KENT COUNTY RAILROAD COMPANY are hereby notified that an instalment of FIVE DOLLARS PER SHARE OF STOCK has been called for by resolution of the Board of Directors of said Company; payable on or before the

20th day of May next.

It is all important to the success of the road that this call should meet with a prompt response from every stockholder, as the road will surely be under contract in less than ten days.

It is stated with regret, that there has been some delay on the part of certain stockholders in responding to the calls heretofore made for instalments of stock, while by others such calls have been wholly neglected. The reason generally assigned for such delay or neglect has been, that there was no assurance that a Rail Road in Kent county would ever become an established fact. That reason can no longer avail; and we hope hereafter there will be no more delinquencies.

Stockholders who have neglected to respond to previous calls have thereby forfeited their stock to the Company, and made themselves liable for its par value, but the Board of Directors, by resolution, have determined not to treat such stock as forfeited to the Company, and take at once legal measures to enforce speedy payment of its par value, provided, all the arrears on such stock are paid on or before the 20th day of May next.

RICHARD HYNSON,
Treasurer and Sec'y

Chestertown, April 11, 1868—6t

LOOK HERE!

Another New Store in Chestertown.

I WOULD respectfully announce to my friends and the public generally that I have opened a new store in Mr. J. H. Burchinal's building, adjoining Mr. B. Strauss' Clothing Store, near the corner of High and Cross Streets, where I intend to keep for sale

DRY GOODS, NOTIONS,
Boots and Shoes,
GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS,
Queens-ware, Cedar-ware, Smoking and Chewing Tobacco, Cigars, Pipes, and Confectionaries,

in fact most everything that I think will be needed in a country store, all of which will be sold at a small profit for cash or country produce. All kinds of Country Produce taken in exchange for goods.

I would further say to my old customers that are indebted to me, that I need money and will take it as a great favor if they will come in and settle with me without delay. I accommodated you when you came to me without the money, and now you ought to accommodate me and let me have the money, as it is the time for settling up. Yours respectfully,

Jan. 10, 1868—y. J. M. VANDYKE.

New Lumber Yard

AT CRUMPTON, MD.

SLAUGHTER & CATLIN,

RESPECTFULLY imform the public that they have recently commenced the Lumber business at Crumpton, and keep on hand and for sale a Large Stock, consisting of

WHITE PINE SELECT,
CULLINGS, SIDING,
2x4 RAILING, FLOORING,
HEMLOCK JOISTS,
SCANTLING, FENCE BOARDS,
2x4 RAILING, PAILING, &c.

Plastering Laths, Hair, Lime, &c., all of which will be sold at the lowest current figures.

Jan. 11, 1868—y.

NEW BOUNTIES.

United States Bounties.
State of Maryland Bounties.

AS it is confidently expected that both Congress and the State Legislature will, at their present sessions, enact laws providing Bounty for those Soldiers and Sailors who have never yet received any, it is important that those interested should have their claims in the hands of some one who will look to their interests and see that their claims are put upon file early and in due form for prompt payment.

I shall be glad to receive the papers of any who desire to avail themselves of my experience and facilities in the collection of all just claims.

All papers will be promptly acknowleged, and while in my hands will be kept in a fire and burglar proof vault, specially built for the indecreasing number of valuable papers in my possession.

WM. B. HILL,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
N. E. Cor. of Fayette and St. Paul St.,
jan18. BALTIMORE, MD.

Land for Sale.

THE subscriber offers at Private Sale about THIRTEEN ACRES OF LAND in Queen Anne's county, Md., lying on Chester River, directly opposite Chestertown.

The Buildings

are a good Frame Dwelling, one story and a half, two rooms below and two above, and Kitchen; also a Tenant House, Barn and Stable. Between five and six hundred Peach Trees and thirty or forty Apple Trees of choice varieties are now on the land, in good bearing condition. There is a Spring of excellent water near the dwelling.

The land is specially adapted to Trucking and Fruit Growing. To persons wishing to engage in that business a rare opportunity is presented for making a good bargain.

The following terms are preferred but may be modified: One-half of the purchase money cash or in sixty days, and the balance in two equal instalments of one and two years, with interest from the day of sale, secured by mortgage on the land or by bond with security.

For further information consult Hon. George Vickers or John O. Slay, Esq., my Attorneys, at Chestertown, Md.

JAMES SHUSTER.

April 11, 1868—tf.

Road Notice.

THE undersigned citizens of Kent county hereby give notice that, thirty days after the date of this notice, they intend to petition the Commissioners of said county to widen and improve the road now used by the public, commencing at the public road leading from Massey's Cross Roads to Sassafras, near the residence of D. C. Blackiston, Esq., and running thence through the lands of Messrs. D. C. Blackiston, Joseph Morris, Mrs. S. A. Morris, Mrs. Naudain's heirs, William Cummins and others, to the Delaware line.

Wm. Cummins,	Wm. J. Griffith,
Joseph Morris,	Alexander Wilson,
S. H. Blackiston,	William Casey,
C. H. B. Massey,	Samuel Casey,
Fredus Vansant,	Wm. Casey, Jr.,
Ira Vansant,	N. T. Meginniss,
Sarah A. Morris,	Stephen Boyer,
Wm. T. Morris,	G. H. J. Sparks,
Thos. A Jacobs,	T. N. Tayman,
Simon W. Boyer, Jr.,	E. Shepherd Morris,
G. H. Brice,	R. B M. Massey,
W. C. Meginniss,	William Boyer.
Jonathan Hodgson,	

April 18, 1868—3t.

Road Notice.

THE undersigned hereby give notice that, thirty days after the date of this notice, they intend to apply to the Hon. Commissioners for Kent county to widen and improve the road running from Swan Creek School House to Humphries' Point, beginning at the road gate of the Dale farm, and running down to the property known as Humphries' Point.

Howard Meeks,	Wm. P. Francis,
John Downey,	James M. Ayres,
Richard Hynson,	F. R. Rouse,
L. M. Ricaud,	S. G. Copper,
Abel J. Rees,	James Scoone,
D. R. Derrickson,	T. S. Holton.

April 25, 1868—5t.

Spring & Summer Importation 1868.

RIBBONS,
MILLINERY and STRAW GOODS.

ARMSTRONG, CATOR & CO.,

IMPORTERS and Jobbers of BONNET, TRIMMING and VELVET RIBBONS,
BONNET SILKS, SATINS AND VELVETS, Blonds, Netts, Crapes, Ruches, Flowers, Feathers, Ornaments.
STRAW BONNETS AND LADIES' HATS, Trimmed and untrimmed.
SHAKER HOODS, &c.

237 and 239 Baltimore Street, BALTIMORE

Offer the largest Stock to be found in this Country, and unequalled in choice variety and cheapness, comprising the latest Parisian novelties. Orders solicited, and prompt attention given. mr28-2m*

New Store Up Town!

AT THE OLD DUGAN STAND.

WHERE we have opened a carefully selected Stock of NEW GOODS, to the examination of which we invite our friends and the public generally. Our stock consists of

DRY GOODS,
Notions, Boots & Shoes,
GROCERIES, HARD-WARE, Queens-Ware, Cedar-Ware, Confectionary, Tobacco,

fact almost everything that we thought would be needed, all of which has been bought for the cash, at lowest cash rates, and we offer for sale at small profits for cash or Country Produce. In a word, we do not intend or expect to be undersold by any.

WM. W. PARKS & SON.

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PROVISION

AND

NOTION STORE,

OPENED DOWN TOWN,
JUST BELOW MR. THOS. B. HYNSON'S.

I have need of

COUNTRY PRODUCE

OF ALL KINDS.

I will exchange goods or pay cash for the same.

Yours, very respectfully,

JAMES W. PATTEN.

Chestertown, Feb. 1, 1868.

A NEW COAL & WOOD YARD,

IN CHESTERTOWN.

BELIEVING there is an opening for another COAL and WOOD YARD in Chestertown, I would respectfully inform the public that I will open a

Coal and Wood Yard

on Bridge Street, where the public may be supplied at short notice, with

ALL KINDS OF WOOD

OF ANY LENGTH, as I shall saw and split by Machinery. All orders left at my store will be promptly filled. R. P. STEWART.

WOOD WANTED.

FARMERS may find a ready sale for WOOD by calling on R. P