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A STATEMENT

[T]he receipts and disbursements of Kent [Co]unty for the year 1855, made out and [publ]ished by order of the County Com[missi]oners agreeably to the Act of As[sembl]y:

[Amo]unt of property liable to State taxa[tion]:		$4,716,456.00
[...] 15 cts. in the $100		7,074.68
[...]on Watches,		89.74
" Plate,		41.17
[Amo]unt of property liable to [Co]unty Taxation,		4,739,265.00
[...]on the above at 31 cts. [...] the $100;		14,691,72
[...]on Gates,		39.00
[Amo]unt of property liable to [sc]hool taxation,		3,585,302.00
[...] on the above at 11 cts. [...] the $100		3,943.83
Disbursements.		
[...] County Commissioners [a]nd Clerk,		738.58
[...] Justices of the Orphans [C]ourt and Register,		384.25
Expenses of Circuit Court.		
[...] Clerk, State's Attorney, [S]heriff and Crier,		1489.73
[...]liffs,		36.00
[...] Jurors attending Octo[be]r Term, 1855, and A[pr]il Term, 1856,		1200.00
[W]itnesses to Oct. Term, 1854, viz:		
[...] Young		1.00
[...]a Copper		1.12½
[...] Eliza Cotton, f.n.		1.12½
[...] Hawkins,		1.12½
[...]rd Thomas		.75
[...] H. Shriver		1.25
[...]n H. Pearce		1.50
[...]M. Jacobs		1.44
[...] Du[y]er		3.00
[...]eters use Dulaney Rasin		1.75
[...]rd Mansfield		75
[...]iam Welch		1.50
[...]rew Woodall		1.81
[...] Foster		1.75
[...]H. Russell		75
[...] W. Lynch		1.12½
[...] Schwatka		1 37½
[...] Medders use T. Lusby		1.75
[...]A Orem		1.12½
[...]y A Coleman		1.94
[...]H Godwin		1.12½
[...]es S Butler		1.50
[...]S Leaverton		1.12½
[...]. Maslin		1.25
[...]bbeth Ford		75
[...]ry Hynson f.n.		75
[...]n Dorsey fn		75
[...]ed Thomas		1.62½
[...]L Clayton		2.75
[...]s Leaverton		2.75
[...]ert Kemble		2.50
[...]G Crisfield		1.75
[...] Vickers use T Lusby		75
[...] N. McDaniel		75
[...] April Term, 1855.		
[...] Murphy		1.00
[...]oe Robert use S A Biddle		1.00
[...]P Francis		75
[...] Byram		75
[...]l G Copper		1.50
[...] W Satterfield		1.50
[...]H Anthony		75
[...] Crouch		75
[...]s Clayton		2.06
[...] A. Duyer		75
[...] Duyer		75
[...] N McDaniel		75
[...]el W Ashley		1.69
[...]min Jones, use W B Wilmer		1.25
[...]V Philips		75
[...] Slaughter		1.25
[...]oe Bedford use Thos Slaughter		1.25
[...]es J. Spear Jr		2.00
[...] Blakway		2.00
[...]H Willson		2.00
[...]es Stanley		1.50
[...]rd Redding		1.50
[...] Hadaway		1.25
[...]s Morris		1.50
[...]el Cox		75
[...]s Spear of Geo.		2.00
[...]l Milby		75
[...] Johnson fn		1.25
[...] Clark		1.25
[...] Wilson fn		1.25
[...] Crawford		75
[...]h Moffett		1.50
[...]rt C. Morris,		1.50
[...] Schwatka		1.37½
[...] Foster		4.00
[...]e Spear, M X Roads		4.00
[...]rose Spear use C T Lusby		6.18
[...]rd Robinson		3.00
[...] Redding use C T Lusby		6.00
[...] Redding Jr use of same		6.00
[...]R Boyer		3.00
[...] Crisfield		1.94
[...]J Lynch		2.00
[...] Redding		4 25
[...]y T Hukell		2.00
[...] Meginnis		2.00
[...] Pennington		3.50
[...]Morris		4.37½
[...] Smith of C		1.25
[...] Young		1.00
[...] Copper		1.12½
[...] Crew		1.50
[...]Hawkins		3.75
[...]annort		2.62½
[...] Orem		3.67½
[...] Hatcheson		1.06
[...] Smith		94
[...]d Rasin		1.06
[...]Crawford		75
[...]d Thomas		75
[...] Duyer		2.50
[...] Thomas		1.62½
[...]aslin		4.50
[...] Wilson		11.62½
[...]oung use W B Wilmer		10.68
Wm H Anthony		4.50
John W Carroll		2.25
Wm Byram		3.75
Thos Slaughter		10.50
Negro Medford, use T Slaughter		10.50
Martha Rasin		5.25
Joseph Rouse		5.25
Robert H Rouse		3.75
Sam'l G Copper,		6.00
John W Satterfield		6.00
Justices of the Peace.		
Lemuel W Ashley		7.30
G M Hart		7.14
John E Stewart		2.17
C T Lusby		8.64
James Graves		26.95
Constables.		
Wm H Hamilton		14.83
John W. Carroll		17.78
Dulaney Rasin		17.93
Wm A Rollison		22.81
Jesse K Hines		9.67
James H Pennington		11.54
John T Hurtt		12.00
Coroner.		
John W Carroll		45.18
Jurors of Inquest, viz:		
Thos. Lusby		50
Edward Carty		50
Daniel P. Cox		50
Geo. N. Hines		50
James H. Weer		50
S. H. W. Mansfield		50
Joseph H. Clinton		50
Henry H. Simms		50
Charles Sutton		50
Edward Sutton		50
Wm. L. Bowers		50
Tho. L. Bowers		50
Wm. P. Morris		50
John Wilson		50
Jno. M. Bartlett		50
Elias Walraven		50
Daniel Crew		50
John Crew		50
Swet Wilson		50
Joshua Clark		50
Geo. T. Spay		50
William Stanley		50
Wm. Watts		50
John L. Bowers		50
David Arthur		50
Simon Wickes		50
Wm. W. Byram		50
Wm. W. Dugan		50
Wm. Webb		50
Wm. Register		50
Benj. Duyer		50
Wm. Burke		50
Jas. O. Rasin		50
John F. Barnett		50
S. W. Canday		50
Wm. Conyer		50
Thos. Lusby		50
Edw'd Carty		50
Benj. Elliott		50
John Bordley		50
John N. McDaniel		50
Jas. E. Journey		50
George Bennett		50
Wm. Bacchus		50
Evan W. Lynch		50
Sam'l A Smith		50
Wm. H. Palmer		50
James M. Vickers		50
David Biddle		50
Jas. Hamilton		50
A: F. Fowler		50
Robert Calder		50
C. H. Kenton		50
Levi Fiddis		50
Simon Wickes		50
Edw'd Garty		50
Wm. Webb		50
Geo. L. Clayton		50
Wm. T. Hynson		50
John H. Morgan		50
Wm. W. Byram		50
Wm. H. Palmer		50
Geo. C. Atkinson		50
Tho. D. C. Ruth		50
Henry H. Simms		50
J. Gallagher		50
John L. Ringgold		50
Daniel P. Cox		50
Geo. Jeff. Vickers		50
Edward Mansfield		50
James Copper		50
Crow Heads.		
Charles T. Lusby		.30
Isaac Gale, Jr.		2.58
John D. Welch		3.84
Geo. H. Wilson		5.46
Sam'l Clark		66
Jas. W. Phillips		2.52
Francis Baker		6.78
James Lamb		1.44
Wm. A. Brice		11 16
Wm. H. Hamilton		54
Miscellaneous Accounts.		
Thos. Lusby, Jailor		159.90
Birdzell Fowler		1.67
Thos. Lusby		1.50
Richard Peacock		22.52
Eliza Cockran		11.80
Joseph Griffith		20.54
Charles Davis		11.88
John Bosee		1.00
Wm. Burk		11.38
Joseph P. Ireland		4.00
Wm. P. Francis		2.75
Wm. N. E. Wickes		2.25
Wm. H. Hamilton		12.06
Earnest & Benjamin		4.39
Edward Mansfield		103.38
E. E. Miller		25.95
Hamilton & Atkinson		30.13
Thos. W. Eliason		32.71
James H. Pennington		16.52
Thos. Baker		2.00
A. W. Melvin		3.12
Jas. F. Gordon, Treasurer of School Fund		50.00
Wm. Byram, Standard Keeper		36.00
Dr. Wm. H. Meteer		10.00
Dr. T. H. Crane		6.00
Commissioners of Chestertown for Market House		50.00
Commission for the Collection of State Tax	$432.33	
" County "	883.84	
" School "	236.63	
For the Public Roads under the Direction of the Supervisors.		
For the 1st District		1100.00
" 2nd "		1100.00
" 3rd "		1100.00
Allowances for New Roads.		
For the Road across Ratcliffe Creek to Quaker Neck		$550.00
For the Road in Still Pond to Richard Turner's Landing		1800.00
Robert Beswicks for Damages on said Road		100.00
Capt. Price do		66.00
Mrs. Araminta Brooks, do		238.00
William Stanley do		35.00
George Gale do		245.00
Richard H. Harris do		60.00
Mrs. Mary Crew do		85.00
Mrs. Sarah M. Camby do		85.00
George Gale, Surveyor		16.00
Daniel Jones, Examiner on said Road		8.00
Joseph Howard "		8.00
Isaac Parsons "		8.00
For the Road near the Union Meeting House		30.00
Wm. W. Parks for Damage on said Road		149.38
John H. Gemmill do		76.00
John T. Skirven Examiner		2.00
John Gale "		2.00
John D. Welch "		2.00
E. F. Perkins, Surveyor		3 00
Wm. Bell, chain carrier		1.00
Tho. L. Bowers "		1.00
For Skinner's Neck Road		
Charles Cacey, for Damages		12.00
Abraham Taylor "		20.00
J. V. Crosley "		20.00
John Riley "		18.00
Geo. T. Maslin "		12.00
Thomas Kelley "		5.00
James Bolten "		35.00
E. E. Bacon "		15.00
G. T. Maslin, chain carrier		1.50
Wm. Kelley "		1.50
Joe. Sisco—use Tho. R. Browne		23.00
Tho. P. Gresham, Surveyor		10.00
Hiram Jones Examiner		6.00
John C. Wilson "		6.00
For the Examiners on the Road to Wilmer's Point—		
Edward Boyer		12.00
David B. Stuart		12.00
John E. Cacy		6.00
C. J. Scott, Surveyor		18.00
For Expenses on the Road through Wm. Ayres, Still Pond		
Hugh Wallis Examiner		4.00
J. L. Price "		4.00
J. A. Roseberry "		4·00
C. J. Scott, Surveyor		16.00
Expenses on the Harmony Road:		
Hugh Wallis		10.00
George W. Spencer		8.00
Samuel Comegys		8.00
E. F. Perkins, Surveyor		15.00
Tho. S. Welch, chain carrier		3.00
Wm. J. Greenwood "		2.00
Wm. Welch		1.00
Leonard Pennington		2.00
Jas. E. Howard		2.00
Accounts Allowed for Sundry Articles Furnished Paupers.		
Charles Stanley		12.00
James Urie		1.00
Samuel Clark		2.12
Wm. B. Hewett		3.00
Simon W. Boyer		8.00
O. F. Sutton		7.50
Aaron Benton, fn.		5.00
John T. Dodd		18.10
Samuel L. Usilton		2.50
Out Pensioners in 1st E. District		220.00
Out Pensioners in 2d E. District		180.00
Out Pensioners in 3d E. District		220.00
Primary Schools.		
1st E. Dis't 9 Schools $150 each,		1350.00
2nd " " 8 Schools 150 "		1200.00
3rd " " 8 Schools 150 "		1200.00
Total amount of Assessments, Levies and Disbursements.		
State assess. $4,716,456.00 at 15 cts in the $100		7,074.68
County assess. $4,739,265.00 at 31 cts in the $100		14,691.72
School assess. $3,585,302.00 at 11 cts in the $100		3,943.83
Watch Tax		89.74
Plate "		41.17
Gate "		39.00
		$25,880.14
Cr. by State Tax	$7,074.68	
" " watch "	89.74	
" " plate "	41.17	
Col. com. on State tax	424.48	
" " County "	881.50	
" " School "	236.63	
" " watch "	5.38	
" " plate "	2.47	
" " Gate "	2.34	
By Levy List	16,623.70	
		$25,382.09
Balance to meet insolvencies and incidental expenses,		498.05

By order of the Commissioners for Kent county, Md. A. W. MELVIN, Clk.

I hereby cerlify that the above is a correct statement of the Levy of 1855, taken from the books of the Commissioners for Kent county.

Attest— A. W. MELVIN, Clerk.

Oct. 20, 1855.—4w.

Valuable Farm for Sale.

THE undersigned will sell at private sale a valuable farm near the I.U. Church, containing about

250 *ACRES,*

of which 60 is in

WOOD AND TIMBER.

This farm is in a high state of improvement, (1000 bushels of lime having been applied within the last 4 years) and has a fine meadow ditched and under drained, and at this time cultivated in corn.

A FINE PEACH ORCHARD,

in full bearing, and also an Apple Orchard. The farm is mostly under good post and rail fencing.

THE BUILDINGS

are all in complete order, the water excellent, and the property in all respects desirable.

THE TERMS

are as follows:—$2000 in cash, and the residue to be secured by bond and mortgage, payable at the expiration of 6 years (or longer, if desired) with interest payable annually from the execution of the deed.

Possession given at the end of the year, with the privilege (if desired) to make immediate improvements. Address

E. MANSFIELD, Chestertown, Md.

Oct. 13, 1855.

For Sale.

THE representatives of the late Harriet Copper, will sell at private sale, all those several

LOTS OR PARCELS OF LAND,

situatsd at Goose Hill, in Kent county, Md., on the public road leading from Chestertown to Georgetown X Roads, about three miles from the former. These lots are suppose to contain about

7 ACRES OF LAND.

The improvements are a FRAME DWELLING and necessary *Out-Buildings*, all in good order, and a very superior *Apple Orchard.* For further particulars apply either to Thos. F. Copper, Lynch's Corner, or David A. Benjamin, Chestertown.

Oct. v, 1855.—tf.

NEW & SEASONABLE GOODS.

W. N. E. WICKES, has just returned from the city with a beautiful assortment of **FALL GOODS** which he is now opening. His stock comprises a variety of *Ladies Dress Goods*, beautiful patterns; fine cloths, cassimeres, vestings, Hats and caps, boots and shoes, ladies and children's shoes, perfumery, fancy articles, hardware, queensware, stoneware, groceries, &c. &c. The public are respectfully invited to call and examine for themselves.

Sep. 22, 1855.

CORN SHELLERS & STRAW CUTTERS.

A LARGE assortment of superior Corn Shellers, including Readings Patent capable of shelling 1000 bushels of Corn per day, also Hand and Power Shellers with various other Patterns at different prices. Hay, Straw and Fodder Cutters, of the most approved construction, and in great variety. Sausage Choppers and Stuffers. Double Michigan, Eagle and Bar share PLOWS.—Superior Ox-Yokes and Bows; Grain Fans, Farmers Boilers, Corn and Cob Mills, Lime and Guano Spreaders, &c., &c., for sale wholesale and retail, by

PASCHALL MORRIS & Co.
Agricultural Warehouse and Seed Store,
N. E. Cor. 7th and Market Sts., Philadelphia.

Oct. 13, 1855.

PEACH TREES FOR SALE.

THE subscriber offers for sale, at his nursery near Odessa, Del., thirty thousand Peach Trees, ready for this fall or next spring's planting, embracing seventeen varieties of selected fruit and budded from bearing trees. Letters by mail will be promptly attended to.

J. B. FENNIMORE,
Prospect Hill Farm, Del.

Oct. 6, 1855.—tf.

LAND FOR SALE.

A lot land adjoining Thos. W. Hynson, John Duyer, and John F. Yearly, Esqs., containing 10 Acres. Apply to

EBEN JONES, Near the premises.

Oct 13, 1855.

PUMP MAKING,
WELL DIGGING, &c. &c.

THE undersigned respectfully informs the citizens of Kent county, that he is prepared to put in Pumps, dig Wells, &c., at the shortest notice, and at prices that cannot fail to please. All work will be warranted. All orders left at the Office Kent News, or at McDaniel Hotel, will be promptly attended to. URIAH CLARK.

Church Hill, Aug. 1855.

BRICK! BRICK!—100,000 BRICK, a prime article, for sale by *Abel J. Rees.*

Rees' Corner Md., Aug. 22d, 1855.

MATTING.—The undersigned has just received a large quantity of good Matting, which he will sell cheap.

May 12, '55. W. N. E. WICKES.

THE KENT NEWS,

A WEEKLY NEWSPAPER

Devoted to Agriculture, Literature, Politics, and General News.

EDWARD MANSFIELD, PROPRIETOR.

TERMS:

$1.50 payable in advance—$2 at the expiration of the first six months, or $2.50 at the end of the year. To CLUBS—5 copies for $6—10 copies for $10. No subscription received for a shorter period than six months, and no paper will be discontinued until all arrears are paid.

Single papers 5 cents.

TERMS OF ADVERTISING.

Advertisements not exceeding ten lines will be inserted three times for $1 and 25 cts. for every insertion thereafter—larger ones in proportion. A liberal deduction made to yearly advertisers. Advertisements must have the number of times marked, or they will be published till forbid and charged accordingly.

SPECIAL NOTICES.—All Communications of a personal nature will be charged for at the rates of fifty cents a square for the first insertion, and twenty-five cents for every subsequent insertion.

Obituary notices, when they exceed six lines, will be charged at the rate of fifty cents a square.

Proceedings of public meetings, except those of a religious or charitable nature, will be charged for at the usual rates, those handing them in will be held responsible.

AMERICAN PLATFORM,

Adopted by the National Council, at Philadelphia, June 5th, 1855.

I.—The acknowledgement of the Almighty Being who rules over the Universe;—who presides over the councils of nations,—who conducts the affairs of men, and who, in every step by which we have advanced to the character of an independent nation, has distinguished us by some token of Providential agency.

II.—The cultivation and development of a sentiment of profoundly intense American feeling; of passionate attachment to our country, its history and its institutions; of admiration for the purer days of our national existence; of veneration for the heroism that precipitated our Revolution; and of emulation of the virtue, wisdom and patriotism that framed our constitution, and first successfully applied its provisions.

III.—The maintenance of the Union of these United States as the paramount political good; or, to use the language of Washington, "the primary object of patriotic desire," And hence—

1st. Opposition to all attempts to weaken or subvert it.

2nd. Uncompromising antagonism to every principle of policy that endangers it.

3rd. The advocacy of an equitable adjustment of all political differences which threaten its integrity or perpetuity.

4th. The suppression of all tendencies to political division, founded on "geographical discriminations, or on the belief that there is a real difference of interest and views" between the various sections of the Union.

5th. The full recognition of the rights of the several States, as expressed and reserved in the Constitution; and a careful avoidence, by the General Government, of all interference with their rights, by legislative or executive action.

IV.—Obedience to the Constitution of these United States, as the supreme law of the land, sacredly obligatory upon all its party and members; and steadfast resistance to the spirit of innovation upon its principles, however specious the pretexts. Avowing that in all doubtful or disputed points it may only be legally ascertained and expounded by the judicial power of the United States.

And, as a corollory of the above:

1. A habit of reverential obedience to the laws, whether National, State, or Municipal, until they are either repealed or declared unconstitutional by the proper authority.

2. A tender and sacred regard for those acts of statesmenship which are to be contradistinguished from acts of ordinary legislation, by the fact of their being of the nature of compacts and agreements; and so, to be considered a fixed and settled national policy.

V.—A radical revision and modification of the laws regulating immigration, and the settlement of immigrants. Offering to the honest immigrant who from love of liberty or hatred of oppression, seek an asylum in the United States, a friendly reception and protection. But unqualifiedly condemning the transportation to our shores of felons and paupers.

VI.—The essential modification of the Naturalization Laws:

The repeal by the Legislature of the respective States, of all State laws allowing foreigners not naturalized to vote.

The repeal, without retractive operation, of all acts of Congress making grants of land to unnaturalized foreigners, and allowing them to vote in the Territories.

VII.—Hostility to the corrupt means by which the leaders of parties have hitherto forced upon us our rulers and our political creeds.

Implacable enmity against the prevalent demoralizing system of rewards for political subserviency, and of punishments for political independence.

Disgust for the wild hunt after office which characterize the age.

These on the one hand.- On the other: Imitation of the practice of the purer days of the Republic; and admiration of the maxim that "office should seek the man, and not man the office," and of the rule, that the just mode of ascertaining fitness for office is the capability, the faithfulness, and the honesty of the incumbent or candidate.

VIII.—Resistance to the aggressive policy and corrupting tendencies of the Roman Catholic Church in our country, by the advancement to all political stations—executive, legislative, judicial, or diplomatic—of those only who do not hold civil allegiance, directly or indirectly, to any foreign power, whether civil or ecclesiastical, and who are Americans by birth, education, and training—thus fulfilling the maxim: "AMERICANS ONLY SHALL GOVERN AMERICA"

The protection of all citizens in the legal and proper exercise of their civil and religious rights and privileges; the maintenance of the right of every man to the full, unrestrained, and peaceful enjoyment of his own religious opinions and worship, and a jealous resistance of all attempts by any sect, denomination or church, to obtain an ascendency over any other in the State, by means of any special privileges or exemption, by any political combination of its members, or by a division of their civil allegiance with any foreign power, potentate, or ecclesiastic.

IX.—The reformation of the character of our National Legislature, by elevating to that dignified and responsible position men of higher qualifications, purer morals and more unselfiish patriotism.

X—The restriction of executive patronage, especially in the matter of appointments to office, so far as it may be permitted by the Constitution, and consistent with the public good.

XI—The education of the youth of our country in schools provided by the State; which schools shall be common to all, without distinction of creed or party, and free from any influence or direction of a denominational or partisan character.

And, inasmuch as Christianity, by the Constitutions of nearly all the States; by the decisions of the most eminent judicial authorities, and by the consent of the people of America, is considered an element of our political system, and, as the Holy Bible is at once the source of Christianity, and the depository and fountain of all civil and religious freedom, we oppose every attempt to exclude it from the Schools thus established in the States.

XII—The American Party, having arisen upon the ruins and in despite of the opposition of the Whig and Democratic parties, cannot be in any manner responsible for the obnoxious acts or violated pledges of either. And the systematic agitation of the slavery question by those parties, having elevated sectional hostility into a positive element of political power, and brought our institutions into peril, it has, therefore, become the imperative duty of the American party to interpose for the purpose of giving peace to the country and perpetuity to the Union. And as experience has shown it impossible to reconcile opinions so extreme as those which separate the disputants; and, as there can be no dishonor in submitting to the laws, the National Council has deemed it the best guarantee of common justice and of future peace, to abide by and maintain the existing laws on the subject of slavery, as a final and conclusive settlement of that subject in spirit and in substance.

And regarding it the highest duty to avow their opinions, upon a subject so important, in distinct and unequivocal terms, it is hereby declared as the sense of this National Council, that Congress possesses no power, under the Constitution to legislate upon the subject of slavery in the States, where it does or may exist, or to exclude any State from admission into the Union because its constitution does or does not recognise the institution of slavery as a part of its social system; and expressly pretermitting any expression of opinion upon the power of Congress to establish or prohibit slavery in any Territory, it is the sense of the National Council that Congress ought not to legislate upon the subject of slavery within the Territories of the United States and that any interference by Congress with slavery as it exists in the District of Columbia, would be a violation of the spirit and intention of the compact by which the State of Maryland ceded the District to the United States, and a breach of the national faith.

XIII—The policy of the Government of the United States, in its relations with foreign governments, is to exact justice from the strongest, and do justice to the weakest; restraining by all the power of the government, all its citizens from interference with the internal concerns of nations with whom we are at peace.

XIV—This National Council declares that all the principles of the Order shall be henceforward every where openly avowed; and that each member shall be at liberty to make known the existence of the Order, and the fact that he himself is a member, and it recommends that there be no concealment of the place of meeting of subordinate councils.

E. B. BARTLETT, of Kentucky,
President of National Council.

C. D. DESHLER, of New Jersey,
Corresponding Secretary.

JAS. M. STEPHENS, of Maryland,
Recording Secretary.