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Testimonials.

KENNEDYVILLE, MD., Jan. 3, 1894.
T. R. HUBBARD & SON—*Gentlemen*:—I used your Peerless Phosphate on Tomatoes and Corn spring of '93 with gratifying results, notwithstanding the extraordinary drought. Will use it again this spring.
Yours respt., LEWIS C. JUSTIS, JR.

WORTON, Dec. 27, 1893.
Gentlemen:—In answer to your question, will say that I think your Tomato Phosphate can't be beat. Whilst I say it myself, the finest average of Tomatoes I ever saw grow were of my own growing this last season, and that, too, with your Phosphate. They were universally admired as my wagons were hauling to the cannery. I believe it to be a first-class stuff, and expect to use more this coming season. W. H. FRENCH.

MR. WM. R. ALLABAND, of Wyoming, Del., says: I used your Fertilizer on Tomatoes by the side of Green Bone Phosphate and Sun Guano. The Green Bone was cracked so high I put it next to the road to show off big, and the Sun Guano next, and the last, Hubbard's, away back, as its merits were kept quiet; but when visitors came to see my patch of Tomatoes, I always pointed out the ground on which all three kinds were, and Hubbard's got the credit of being far superior to the others. When picking time came it was all and all. I have used it on other crops with the same result, and believe it to be the best Phosphate on the market.

MR. J. B. HANWAY, of Joppa, Harford, Md., used the first year 8 tons; next, 24 tons; next, 55 tons; and the next he and his brother used and sold together 98 tons, and it not only gave satisfaction last season, but wherever used.

JAMES R. MASSEY, of Darlington, Harford, Md., says he grew for the canners. Used our goods alongside of Dis. Animal Bone and Oriole Phos., and that his product netted him $14 more per acre.

CHESTERTOWN, MD., 1893.
T. R. HUBBARD & SON—*Gentlemen*:—Yes, the ton of your Tomato Phosphate purchased of you and used last year, did well. I had my Tomatoes in a young pear orchard of one-year-old trees. I applied the Phosphate by sowing broadcast and cultivating it in. The fruit was large, smooth and perfect, and whilst it is almost incredible, feel sure that my yield was 16 tons to the acre, but I know that Lamotte paid me for over 15 tons per acre. I know it did splendidly for me.
Respectfully, R. S. EMORY.

CHESTERTOWN, January 3, 1894.
Gentlemen:—I am frank to say that I consider your Tomato Fertilizer a most excellent article. I happened to have a little of Lister's on hand which cost several dollars more than yours, and when I came to the cannery Mr. Downey asked me why it was that some loads of my tomatoes were better than others. I answered, that is easily explained, the good ones are grown with Hubbard's Phosphate. I will want more the coming season.
Respectfully, JAS. A. FRENCH.

CHESTERTOWN, Jan. 2, 1894.
Gents:—In reply to your question as to my opinion in regard to your Tomato Goods, must say it is a good goods from the fact the finest Tomatoes grown and brought to my cannery were grown with your Phosphate. I remember one of my growers would bring some loads that were particularly fine, while others were not. I asked what made the difference, and he replied Hubbard's was used on the best, while another that cost more money, on the others. I believe your Tomato Phosphate to be an excellent article. JOSEPH DOWNEY.

MR. ROBERT MOFFETT, near Chestertown, says:—Notwithstanding the drouth last year the PEERLESS made him the finest tomatoes he ever saw, and that this can also be vouched for by his neighbors.

Please send for one of our Tomato circulars as we have devoted several pages of same to TOMATO Culture telling how to grow a crop from beginning to end.

T. R. HUBBARD & SON,
Manufacturers, Chestertown, Md.
Feb. 3, 1894.

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in order to stay within reach of the wearer, considering this, we have marked our goods accordingly. Our past business transactions we find our best advertisement giving a near One Hundred Cents worth for his Dollar means his future custom. It is useless to say that we are first among clothiers as every one is already educated to this. Experience is one of the chief essentials in merchandising and this we possess, which affords us the opportunity of obtaining best goods at lowest figures. We are thus enabled to offer Men's Suits, consisting of Serges, Flannels and Cassimeres at $4, $4.50 and $5; Men's Wool Suits in Chiviots &c., $5, $5.75, $6 and $7; a complete line of Diagonals, Fancy Worsted and Cassimeres, something nobby, $8, $9 and $10. Youth's Suits, a large assortment, $2.50, to $8; Children's Suits, age 4 and 15 the Finest ever exhibited. Men's Pants, a most complete line at a comparatively low price. Our (Strong Hale) Unlaundered Shirts at 45 cents is a good one. Balbrigan Shirts, 25 and 38 cents, best for the money. Percale Shirts in attachable and detachable collars and cuffs to suit the wearer, for 50c., 75c. and $1. Boy's Waists, 25 to 38 cents. Our line of Hats and Caps is complete and consists of all the New and Nobby Styles in Stiffs, Crush and Straws.

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Our friends and visitors will find us ever willing and pleased to show them our goods cheerfully, and awaiting their calls, we remain,
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MARKED THEIR LARGE STOCK OF SPRING PURCHASES
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Written for the KENT NEWS.

THE SONG OF SPRING.

BY MAMIE A. STRONG, BELLE VIEW, MD.

Away o'er the broad, fair landscape,
Far o'er the deep, blue sea,
Above the dancing, sparkling waves
There cometh a song to me.
Making the sweetest cadence;
And born on the breeze's wing.
Be it ever so faint a murmur,
I know it is the voice of spring.

'Tis soft and low, but I hear it,
And the world is keeping time;
In tones so sweet and mellow,
In a vivid tuneful rhyme.
'Tis heard in the early morning,
In the glow of the sunny noon.
In the solitude of the twilight hour,
And under the shining moon.

The birds in the treetops hear,
And carol that glad bright strain.
Tremble the twigs and the leaflets,
In time with the bright refrain.
The tall old willow waveth,
And her lofty branches spread,
And the blades of the green grass quiver,
And the violet lifts its head.

'Tis heard in the sunlight garden,
Where the budding flowers grow.
They bow and unfold their petal,
And the tall-stemmed lily bends low.
The butterfly pauses to listen,
As he sips from the heart of the flowers
And the noisy cricket softens his tone,
As he chirps in the shady bowers.

'Tis heard in the lonely forest
And gladdens the heart of the dove
The streams and founts flow musically on
To the great old sea they love.
The blue of the sky grows deeper,
And the sun has a brighter ray.
All nature joins in the chorus,
And the heart of the world is gay.

TENCH TILGHMAN'S RIDE.

The Surrenderer of Cornwallis—Tilghman's Night Gallop From Rock Hall Through Kent and on to Philadelphia.

Baltimore News.

Brigadier-General Bradley T. Johnson, C. S. A., of this city, has written a life of Gen. George Washington, which is now in the press of Appleton & Co., New York and London. It will form one volume of the series on "Illustrious Commanders," edited by General James Grant Wilson. General Johnson has been a close student of the life of the Father of this Country and is eminently fitted to write thereon. From proof-sheets, The News is able, through the courtesy of General Johnson, to give chapter 15, dealing with the surrender at Yorktown, and General Tench Tilghman, an ancestor of State Senator Oswald Tilghman of Talbot county, to its readers:

The army of Cornwallis consisted of 7000 British regulars. That of the allies was composed of 5500 Continentals, good troops, seasoned by marches, battles and campaigns; Virginia militia, who for the preceding year had been thwarting Cornwallis up and down the James, the Pamunkey and the Rappahannock, under Lafayette, and were now under command of Thomas Nelson, Governor of Virginia; and 7000 French, as fine troops as ever fought under the lilies. Washington began his investment in the regular way. He drove in Cornwallis' outposts, forced the evacuation of his advanced works, and opened parallels against his heavy fortifications around his position on deep water. The first parallel was opened October 6, at 600 yards from the British works; the second, on the 11th, at 300 yards. Two redoubts advanced from the British line, seriously incommoded the working parties of the attacking force, and it became necessary to silence them.

Hamilton, on the general staff, was commanding a light battalion under Lafayette. The reduction of the left redoubt (the American right) was intrusted to Lafayette and the Americans; of the right, to the French. The regiment Gatinais was to lead the French storming party. It had been formed from that of D'Augergne, of which De Rochambeau had been colonel, and was known as "D'Auvergne sanstache." In the detail for the attack Lafayette gave the right to Major Gimat, of his staff, with the Rhode Islanders.

Lincoln Receives Cornwallis' Sword.

At 2 o'clock the British army marched out along a road on which the Americans were formed on the right and the French on the left, facing inward—Washington and staff on the right of his own line, De Rochambeau and staff on the left of his, facing Washington. They marched with shouldered arms, colors cased, and their drums beating a march. The terms of surrender required that they should beat a British march, so they selected as the one for the occasion one called "The World Turned Upside Down." Cornwallis, unworthy of his character and unfortunately for his fame, was unable to face the inevitable, and sent General O'Hara to represent him in the mortifying ceremony. Superbly mounted and perfectly equipped, O'Hara, when he reached the end of the line, turned his horse over to General Washington, to whom he tendered his sword, with "Lord Cornwallis's excuses and regrets that indisposition compelled his absence on so interesting an occasion." Cornwallis had received Lincoln's sword at Charleston on precisely the same terms he was now being forced to comply with, and General Washington, bowing to General O'Hara, directed him to General Lincoln, to whom he was to deliver his sword and to surrender, and whose directions he was to obey. So Lincoln marched the British column out into the open field, where they grounded their arms in sulks and temper.

The surrender was over by 4 o'clock and the news must at once be sent to the Congress. Who should have that honor? On the brilliant staff of the commander-in-chief, besides Hamilton and Laurens, was Tench Tilghman of Maryland. He was of that family which in England had made its mark by intellectual vigor, and in the provinces of Pennsylvania and Maryland filled the first place in the revolt against the mother country. He was from the Eastern Shore of Maryland and from the county of Talbot, which for eight generations has been the centre of a noble culture and a generous chivalry. His uncle had been president of the Revolutionary Convention of Maryland, and every man of the breed able to ride a horse was in arms for his country.

Tilghman's Ride.

Hamilton and Laurens had their chance in the assault on the redoubt and the negotiations for the surrender, so fairness required that Tilghman should have the honor of bearing the news of victory to Congress. By 6 o'clock on the evening of the 19th, with his dispatches in his breast pocket, he had his horse on an open sailboat flying down the York river. Out in the open bay he turned his bows North, but lost a whole night aground on Tangier shoals on account of the ignorance of his boatmen. Reaching Annapolis he found that a dispatch, dated the 18th from De Grosse to Gov. Thomas Sim Lee, had preceded him by a day, so he turned at once with his horse and boat across the bay toward Philadelphia. He lost a day in a calm between Annapolis and Rock Hall, in the county of Kent. From there to Philadelphia is about 80 miles as the crow flies. De Grasse's courier had passed through the country the day before. The people were on tiptoe to hear the news from York. Their hearts stopped as they imagined they heard the great guns of the English and the French booming over the waters in the still night. Mothers, wives, sisters, daughters and sweethearts all looked with wistful eyes to the South for some sign of the issue of the struggle.

It was the supreme effort of American liberty. It was the very crisis of freedom. But the flower of Maryland was in that fight, and the lower counties on the Delaware, had sent their bravest and best to back their brethern of the Eastern Shore. One of the miracles of history, attested time and again by indisputable evidence, is that when the minds and hearts of a whole people are at a white heat of excitement and expectation, knowledge come to them independent of the senses. The Greeks believed that the great god Pan spread the knowledge of victory or defeat at the time of their occurrence hundreds of miles away. The result of the battle of Plataea was known the day it was fought, and the news of Thermopylae spread over Greece through the silent chambers of the air carried by the arrows of light. The victory of Pharsalia was known in Rome at the time it occurred, and the events of Waterloo were discussed on the London Stock Exchange before it adjourned on the afternoon of June 18.

Speeding Through Kent.

So when Tench Tilghman landed at Rock Hall for his hundred miles' ride through the country, he found the hearts and minds of men and women aglow with a divine frenzy. They felt what had occurred without knowing it, and were wild for confirmation by knowledge. Up through Kent without drawing rein, this solitary horseman sped his way. When his horse began to fail, he turned to his nearest kinsman—for they were mostly of the same blood—and riding up to the lonely farmhouse would shout, "Cornwallis is taken! —a fresh horse from Congress!" and in a minute he would be remounted and pushing on in a free gallop. All the night of the 22d he rode up the peninsula, not a sound disturbing the silence of the darkness except the beat of his horse's hoofs. Every three or four hours he would ride up to a lonely homestead, still and quiet and dark in the first slumber of the night, and thunder on the door with his sword-hilt, "Cornwallis is taken!—a fresh horse for the Congress!"

Like an electric shock the house would flash with an instant light and echo with the pattering feet of women, and before a dozen greetings could be exchanged, and but a word given of the fate of the loved ones at York, Tilghman would vanish in the gloom, leaving a trail of glory and of joy behind him. So he sped through Kent across the head of Sassafras, through Christiania, by Wilmington, straight on to Philadelphia. The tocsin and the slogan of his news spread like the fire in dry grass, and left behind him a broad blaze of delirium and of joy.

"Cornwallis is Taken!"

"Cornwallis is taken!" passed from mouth to mouth, flew through the air, was wafted on the autumn breeze, shone with the sunlight. "Cornwallis is taken! Liberty is won! Peace is come! Once more husbands, fathers, brothers, sons, lovers, shall return to the hearts that gave them to the cause! Once more shall joy sit on every hearth, and happiness shine over every rooftree." When or where in all the tide of time has such a message been carried to such a people? Liberty with justice! Peace with honor! Victory with glory! Liberty, peace, justice, victory, honor, and glory now and forever, one and inseparable! These were the tidings that Tench Tilghman bore when he rode into Philadelphia at midnight of the 23d, four days from the army of York. The dispatch from De Grasse had been received but the Congress and the people waited for Washington. Nothing was true but tidings from him.

Rousing the President of the Congress—McKean—Tilghman delivered his dispatch to him, and the news was instantly made public. The watchmen as they went their rounds, cried, "Twelve o'clock, all is well and Cornwallis is taken!" In a minute the whole city was wild; lights flashed in every window; men, women and children poured into the streets. The State House bell rang out its peal, "Liberty throughout the land to all the inhabitants thereof!" And 13 sovereign and independent States were proclaimed to the world.

Stub Ends of Thought.

The drunkard is usually a self-made man.

Complaining of the drought never brings rain.

You may be in the path of success, but headed the wrong way.

Our contentment is often in inverse ratio to the amount we possess.

No matter how hard the times are, men always manage to get tobacco.

Sit down on the do-nothing stool and you will come to the poor house.

A religion that does not keep you from being kind to your horse is not worth having.

The man who always seeks the most comfortable seat in church is not always the most religious.

Plowing a horse with a big sore on his shoulder is a poor indication of a sound moral character.

The man who lets his harvesting machine stand out in the open field all winter blames the government for his lack of success.

He Obeyed Orders.

In some Texas town it is impossible to ascertain when any particular train leaves without going to the depot and inquiring of the agent how many hours behind time the train is. Colonel Yeger, who lives in Austin, wishes to go to San Antonio on the eleven o'clock train, so he said to his colored servant:

"Sam, go down to the depot, and see what time the eleven o'clock train leaves?"

It was three o'clock when Sam returned.

"Well, when does the train leave?"

Hit's done leff, boss. Hit leff at ha'f-pas' two, sah."

"What!"

"I did jess what yer tole me. Yer tole me ter see when der train leff, an' I watched it till it was plain outer sight on de-udder side ob de Colorado Ribber."

ALL OF THE big World's Fair buildings were sold at a private sale by the South Park Commissioners this week. L. C. Garrett, a St. Louis contractor, bought the lot for $75,000. This purchase includes the great Manufactures Building, Machinery Hall, and all the buildings of Administration, Electricity, Mines, Agriculture, Fisheries, and Transportation. The only structures not named in the purchase are the Art building, now the property of the Field Columbian Museum, the Convent La Rabida, the two service buildings into which the exposition camp has gathered its effects and the Forestry Building. The purchaser will begin the demolition of the buildings at once.

JOHN WANAMAKER'S life is insured for $1,700,000, by far the largest amount of insurance carried by any American, and with one or two exceptions, probably the largest amount carried by any body in the world. The premiums on this enormous sum amount to $90,000 annually, which of itself would be a pretty good line of insurance for the ordinary mortal

ADVERTISING begun in England over 250 years ago. It is said that the first advertiser gave notice of the loss of his horse, and offered a reward for its return, and that the advertisement was successful.

THE blood of persons dying of contagions may be dried and kept for, and it will then produce the same infections.

JAPANESE dresses and hairpins are handed down from generation to generation. Fashions never change in Japan.

THE Empire of Morocco is the most important state that is absolutely without a nehspaper.

A GERMAN physician claims to have cured twenty cases of frost bite by the use of electricity.

IN Spain water in which a wedding ring has been dipped is thought good for sore eyes.

THE surface of the moon is as great as that of Africa and Australia combined.

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