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 Howard and Lexington Streets

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This month is the month of clearance—summer goods must be gotten out before September comes. And we are doing this just as thoroughly as we do everything else.

The lots are small—too small for detailed mention—but the savings are very, very big.

Our Mill Order Department is equipped to give prompt and accurate service. Samples of Silks, Dress Goods, Wash Fabrics and more will be cheerfully sent if you will write for them.

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OPERA HOUSE COMPANY'S REPORT

SUBMITTED BY PRESIDENT BORDLEY AT RECENT MEETING

Enterprise Proves A Judicious Undertaking. Old Board Of Directors Re-elected For Ensuing Year. Prospects Most Flattering.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Centreville Opera House Company, held Thursday evening, August 1st, the old Board of Directors, consisting of, Messrs. James Birdley, C. A. Basford, W. H. Gibson, Alfred Green, Spencer Wright and M. O. Ford, were re-elected for the ensuing year.

President Birdley submitted the following report:

August 1st, 1907.

Gentlemen—As Chairman of your Board of Directors, I have called you together at this time for the purpose of submitting the formal report of our stewardship.

Circumstances and conditions beyond our control, have made it necessary to delay from time to time this statement, but I believe when the whole matter is considered you will see and understand that this report has been so long deferred, and we hope you will fully agree with your Board that the time has not been opportune until now.

It will, perhaps, be best for me to go somewhat fully into the subject, that there may be no misunderstanding or question of doubt, touching our position or actions, along the lines of our duty and service.

Reference to the Charter under which we are empowered to act will show that we have at no time, or in any way, exceeded our authority, but upon the contrary have had that instrument constantly before us for our guidance and direction. It will appear also that according to the terms of this Charter there were no



specified limitations. The only limitations were those not specifically enumerated as within the scope of our power and privileges.

After accepting the plans offered by the Architect, we submitted same, under his directions, for bids. The divisions and arrangements of the contracts as accepted for the building proper were all accomplished under the management of the architect, and are as follows:

- For Concrete Blocks (Cooper) \$4,200.00
- erection of walls of block (J. A. McAllen) 1,000.00
- woodwork and completion of building (Culp) 8,050.00
- heating (Stemmer & Co.) 1,425.00
- seating in Auditorium 470.50
- stage furnishings 325.00
- hanging alleys 725.00
- electric wiring (Peadar) 400.00
- gas fixtures (Welsbach) 312.70
- building sites 1,858.00

\$20,751.20

As the Treasurer's report will disclose, these several items aggregate \$20,751.20.

The amount shown in excess of these figures, without going into detail, is accounted for as follows:

After long delay and great urging, the Cooper contract was abrogated, but not until a payment of \$1,000 had been made him, upon the written order of the architect; he having supplied only sufficient blocks to bring the walls to the ground level. In every instance we required, of course, an approved bond from all the contractors, and with the exception of that of Cooper, they were given through a bonding company. His, however, was a mortgage bond approved and accepted by our architect as good and sufficient, but which proved, unfortunately, to be without value.

Therefore, we were forced to enter

"Regular As The Sun" is an expression as old as the race. No doubt the rising and setting of the sun is the most regular performance in the universe, unless it is the action of the liver and bowels when regulated with Dr. King's New Life Pills. Guaranteed by Forman & Keating, druggists, etc.

into a substitute contract for bricks to complete the building, which contract was made with the Messrs. Culp. This change from blocks to bricks necessitated the cancellation also of the McAllen contract for the erection of the walls. These and other changes were made at an additional cost of \$3,207.82 (making the sum total of \$23,959.02). These combined changes and charges therefore constitute the largest direct additional cost connected with these unfortunate and expensive delays. Without detailing the items, I would simply remind you of the unvarying experience of all builders, viz: that in the erection of any considerable structure, changes, here and there, additions, alterations, etc., not originally contemplated, have been responsible for other differences in the cost, all of which will duly appear in the Treasurer's report, as per vouchers submitted.

After many months of labor and worry, and after numberless sleepless nights of thought and calculation, we have at length completed our task, and we are ready, and do hereby present to you, the owners, a structure that should prove a credit to our town and county, as well as a pride to ourselves.

Forgetting the many unpleasant and trying things that have passed and are now behind, we say with great sincerity and faith that "all's well that ends well."

Now, we who have planned and developed this structure, from its conception through all of its various stages, to completion, and who have watched with parental anxiety, care and pride, its progress during all these many months, feel prepared to advise, and that with the intelligence born of knowledge, wherein are both the weakness and strength of this our offspring. You will therefore, I know, bear with me a while longer and detail some of the peculiarities we have discovered.

It has been suggested to some among us that we have built beyond the needs, etc., of the town and community. That the structure is too large for the place. To this statement we cannot subscribe, and for the following good and sufficient reasons, viz: Progress means progression. To build only for the present would, to the least observer, be an evidence of weakness and of inexcusable shortsightedness, if not positive proof as well, of decadence. Progress requires that we should in all things prepare for the future. If we conclude that present conditions are all sufficient, we thereby acknowledge defeat and publish to the world our foolishness. As nothing remains stationary, we must either go forward and ever higher or backward and progressively lower. We should prefer to lead rather than to follow, and in this up to date movement we are distinctly leaders, the evidence and proof of which comes to us on every hand. The encroachments of neighboring places and from strangers leave little doubt that already both the town and the county are reaping the benefit of our enterprise and courage. Let us, on the other hand, also consider it from the business and financial side, this having, perhaps, a more personal bearing on the judgment and prudence of those initiating and promoting it. Consider for a moment the personnel of your stockholders. The "orders," composed of the most successful and careful of our citizens, "Old Fellows," "Knights of Pythias," "Royal Arcanum," and the time honored "Free Masons," the two first named, in their official capacity, owning a controlling interest. Then the individual members thereof in their personal relation are large holders of the stock. In addition thereto, another considerable block is held by active business men, representing all the associations and professional interests of the town and county.

Therefore, who have we a reasonable right to expect to be interested in the success of this enterprise?

First, community of interest should guarantee general sympathy and good will from all. Those per-

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Chronic Diarrhoea Relieved

Mr. Edward E. Henry, with the United States Express Co., Chicago, writes, "Our General Superintendent, Mr. Quick, handed me a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy some time ago to check an attack of the old chronic diarrhoea. I have used it since that time and cured many on our trains who have been sick. I am an old soldier who served with Rutherford B. Hayes and William McKinley four years in the 23d Ohio Regiment, and have no ailment except chronic diarrhoea, which this remedy stops at once." For sale by Forman & Keating.

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 The load seems lighter—Wagon and team wear longer—You make more money, and have more time to make money, when wheels are greased with
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FRIDAY, AUG. 16, 1907

BY BOAT AND SPECIAL TRAIN.

31st, B. S. Ford will leave her stopping points as follows:
 Chestertown 7:45 A. M., Piney Grove 7:15, Rolph's 7:25, Bookers 7:45, Quaker Neck 7:55, Ashland 8:07, Cliffs 8:20, Spaniards Point 8:30, Bopps 9:30, Queenstown 9:25, Centreville by train 8:58.

Special train to the Beach leave Queenstown Pier at 9:25 A. M., arriving at Rehoboth at 11:25 A. M.
 Train leaves Rehoboth at 4 P. M.

Nearly 5 Hours at the Beach
 Fare from all River points \$1.25
 " Centreville via train \$1.00
 Children under 12 yrs. half fare.

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ATTEND
 St. Peter's
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 Wednesday, Aug. 21st, 1907.

Addresses by eminent speakers.
 Music all day by the Centreville Band.

FIVE GRAND PRIZES.
 \$15, \$10, \$8, \$5 and \$3.

Entrance Fee to Knights, \$1.

Dinner, Supper and Refreshments Served on the Grounds.

GENERAL ADMISSION:
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Wheelwright, Blacksmith and Carriage Repair Work done in all of their branches.

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RAILWAY DIVISION
 Schedule effective June 25th, 1907.

EAST BOUND.		WEST BOUND.	
P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.
109	103	106	114
3:00	7:15	7:25	10:05
5:50	10:06	8:12	10:55
6:21	10:29	8:18	10:58
6:28	10:44	9:16	11:02
7:05	11:09	9:44	11:02
7:25	11:26	10:16	11:02
7:54	11:53	10:19	11:02
8:09	12:08	10:54	11:02

* Daily. † Daily, except Sunday.
 T. Murdoch, Gen. Pass. Agt. Wiliard Thomson, Gen. Manager.