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Prof. Proctor's Lecture at the Academy of Music, Baltimore.

Prof. Richard A. Proctor, the eminent astronomer, whose discoveries and researches have established the scientific world, commenced a series of three illustrated lectures on astronomy Tuesday evening in the concert hall of the Academy of Music.

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Maryland State Grange.

The seventh annual session of the Maryland State Grange, begun on Tuesday last at Baine's Hall, Baltimore. The Master, Joseph T. Moore, of Montgomery county, in the chair.

The Master in his report says that the past year was one of abundant crops, good health and increasing prosperity of agricultural interests. The grange organization, he says, has met with a hearty response in Maryland, and has resulted in an improved condition of the agricultural interest.

FRANK LAMON.—Those hapless, those senseless, causing you to be scarcely able to breathe your own air, that constant drain that is taken from your pocket all its day long, driving the blood from your chest, that continual strain upon your vital forces, rendering you irritable and fretful, can easily be removed.

LOVE AND PASSION.—Any person sending 10 cents, cash or stamps, to W. H. Montgomery, P. O. B. 21, or 14 North Street, Baltimore, Md., will have sent to them (postpaid) a specimen part of that curious book "Love and Passion," which every parent should put in the hands of his children to read.

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Fatal Railroad Accident.

A freight train going west Thursday morning on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad ran over a man at Clither's siding, a point on the road about one mile west of Sykeville.

The Rev. Father Dougherty, of St. Paul's Catholic Church in this city, has been designated by Archbishop Gibbons to preach in Baltimore a series of charity sermons, the collections to be devoted to the Catholic Church recently erected at Elvinstown, in this county.

The newly elected County Commission, Messrs. Soper, Childs, Thos. H. Galtier and J. D. Washfield, have all qualified. They held an informal meeting last Tuesday.

The telephone wire erected between Garbriell & Co's office in Baltimore and their office in this city, operates very successfully, and it is found to be of great convenience.

A Visit to Baltimore will prove highly advantageous by inspecting C. N. Oehm & Son's immense one price clothing establishment. A grand assortment of Men's Overcoats, Ulsters and Suits, ranging in price from \$5 to \$30 is now on exhibition.

Don't let prejudice keep you from giving honest enterprise a fair trial, we stand since satisfaction or refund the money. Call and see our stock of Clothing, Dry-goods, Groceries, Flour, Feed, &c. Lankin & Burke.

Mr. Robert Wilson has begun the construction of a foundation of a machine shop for Mr. Robert Kirkwood at the junction of the Frederick and Columbia Turnpikes.

Mr. F. C. Pae, Worthy Master of Limestone Valley Grange, and ex-officio member of the State Grange, was in attendance at the meeting of the latter body in Baltimore, this week.

The ladies connected with the German Lutheran Church will hold a fair in the basement of Town Hall during Christmas week.

Frederick V. Lindenberg, convicted of manslaughter for the killing of Leavelle Buley, in the Circuit Court of Baltimore county, has been released a new trial.

Dr. J. J. Martin & Son's "Pinefire Colic" which is put up in miniature champagne bottles, is as sweet as the "zephyr breathing over a bed of roses."

We congratulate Mr. H. O. Devries, of this county, upon his elevation to the position of Master of the State Grange.

Messrs. Rappaport & Cassidy have removed from the Town Hall to their handsome new store on Howard Street.

We are indebted to Mr. Nicholas Hutchesin, Jr. of the 4th district for a five gallon keg of excellent cider.

The Cloud House.

Ladies' and Gents' Dining Saloon, 415 West Baltimore St. We are bound to keep up with the times, and offer a good breakfast, dinner or supper for 25 cents.

Furniture, Mattresses, Sewing Machines, &c., cheap for cash, or on easy weekly or monthly installments, at Mr. N. Buzby's warehouse, 65 Main St., Elkton City. Goods delivered free of charge to the city, or short distance in the country.

Chew Jackson's Best Sweet Navy Tobacco. (COMMUNICATED.) Dec. 9th, 1879.

TO THE EDITORS OF THE ELICOTT CITY TIMES: I have read in your issue of last week an article signed "A Deputy Supervisor," so marked by intemperance of language and inaccuracies of statement that I am glad for the credit of the writer he has concealed his name from the public.

But he states that a base slander has been perpetrated upon a portion of our community in that portion of the report of the Taxpayers' Committee which represents the Road Supervisors of this county as composed of men "generally incompetent and grossly negligent of their duty, grossly ignorant or those seeking personal objects and petty deceptions on the county treasury."

One might imagine some palliation for the violent language of this nameless correspondent, in the fact that he professes to quote from the report of the Committee on the report of the committee itself. But when this individual assumed to be the organ of a just public indignation, it would have been the part of common prudence to examine the report itself, before undertaking to characterize it either as a base slander or a lampoon.

It is true that the report goes on to speak of the necessity of establishing a higher standard in the office of supervisors, and that in some doubtful words upon the character and importance of the office and of the qualities of the men who should fill it; and says that these duties "should be performed, in turn, by the most intelligent and best educated men, and they should not be left to the grossly ignorant nor to those who make the employment a source of personal profit and petty deprecation upon the county treasury."

It seems to me, and doubtless seemed to my colleagues upon the committee, that those general remarks by no means proper construction be so coupled with the preceding specific expressions of opinion upon the manner in which the supervisors acquit themselves of their office as to convey a charge against their honesty or integrity. There is no charge whatever made against the integrity of the present incumbents; none insinuated. The allegation is, however, distinct and positive, that they are generally incompetent or grossly negligent of their duties.

So far as the statement goes I am quite willing to meet the full responsibility of having made that statement; and I presume that the other members of the committee who come from the other districts of the county had sufficient knowledge of the manner in which the roads are kept to warrant them in concurring in the report. If "A Deputy Supervisor" has familiarized himself with the state of the roads throughout the county, and is prepared to give an intelligent testimony to the efficient management of the roads, and can show to the satisfaction of the committee that the roads are kept in repair as they should be, it will certainly be very gratifying information to them, as well as to the public.

The road law requires; section 3; that each supervisor shall cause all public roads within his district, to be kept cleared, smooth, and in good repair, with suitable drains on each side, &c., and has this requirement been fulfilled? And

the labor of the committee, yet, how I can not find on the statute book. Always desirous that investigation should be made, I hereby commit to make a full investigation of my district, which should extend from Patuxent River to Penn's shop, thence Burdette's branch, and also another road leading from Howard Chapel to Sandyville.

I especially desire that the committee do so before January, when that old committee meets in their hall for the State of Maryland! Respectfully, A. D. McLELLAN.

Accident.—On Wednesday morning about 10 o'clock A. M. J. T. Williams, of the School Board, was returning home from visiting his patients his horse fell with him about half a mile from his home and broke his right leg between the ankle and knee. The accident occurred within several hundred yards from Mr. John J. Veray's men who were at work in the field, yet it was nearly one hour before the Dr. could make himself heard. Mr. William Veray finally heard him calling and went to his assistance. He then had an ox team at his home near by, and Dr. Moorehead and Webb were sent for and reduced the fracture. We are glad to learn that the Dr. is suffering as little as could be expected from so severe an accident.

Coal.—Great reduction in the prices of coal. In order to meet the necessities of the times I have greatly reduced the prices of coal. Call and get prices before purchasing. JOSEPH W. DONSEY.

For Sale Cheap.

Two Basket Sleighs. Apply to W. N. Buzby, Furniture and Sewing Machine Dealer, No. 63 Main St., Elkton City.

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