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WOOD FOR SALE – I offer for sale the wood on 300 acres of the estate of my father, John C. Bullitt, deceased, lying on the Potomac River, in Prince William County, Virginia, on which are the well-known fisheries of OPOSSUM NOSE and TIMBER BRANCH. If no sale he made by the 10<sup>th</sup> of January 1848, then I shall want to employ twenty wood-cutters. For terms, apply to me on the premises. In the meantime I forewarn all persons from trespassing in any manner on said estate.

Benjamin C. Bullett  
Prince William County, Va.

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PUBLIC WARNING – Mr. Benjamin C. Bullett has offered for sale the wood on 300 acres of the Potomac estate of the late Alexander C. Bullett in Prince William County, Virginia, and well known as the OPOSSUM NOSE estate. Public notice is now given, that the said Benjamin C. Bullett has no interest whatever in any part of the estate of Alexander C. Bullett, deceased, whether real, personal, or mixed. He never had any interest in the estate. Alexander C. Bullett having died intestate, and his real estate, and his real estate, by the laws of Virginia, descending to his legitimate heirs at law and next of kin. Whatever interest Benjamin C. Bullett claimed in this estate he sold for value received, and conveyed to the legitimate heirs of the said Alexander C. Bullett by a regular deed of conveyance now recorded in Prince William. The undersigned having purchased this estate of the legitimate heirs of the said Alexander C. Bullett will enforce the law with rigor against all purchasers and trespassers under the spurious claims of Benjamin C. Bullett.

Phillip Otterback  
William Cockrell

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O'Neal & Lunt Auctioneers – TRUSTEE'S SALE OF "OPOSSUM NOSE," ON THE POTOMAC RIVER – By virtue of a certain deed of trust executed to the undersigned, trustees of the Potomac Mining & Reduction Company, dated the 27<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1890, and recorded in liber 39, page 454, of the record books of Prince William County, Va., at the request of the parties secured thereby, default having been made in the payment of the debt therein described, the undersigned on WEDNESDAY, the 31<sup>st</sup> day of May, 1893, at eleven o'clock a.m. in front of the Market House, in the city of Alexandria, Va., will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder that TRACT OF LAND once owned by the late Phillip Otterback, called "OPOSSUM NOSE" containing 1,034 ACRES, more or less, located in Prince William County, fronting on the Potomac River about 1 ½ miles and on Quantico Creek about 1 mile, and improved by a good dwelling house and outbuildings and otherwise. The soil is excellent; upwards of 400 acres of the tract are cleared and the residue is well timbered in pine and hard wood.

Terms of Sale: One fourth of the purchase money cash and the balance in three equal installments, payable at six, twelve and eighteen months from the day of sale respectively, secured by interest-bearing notes and deed of trust on the land, with such provisions as may seem proper to the undersigned.

For further information applications can be made to the undersigned or to  
O. E. Hine, Vienna, Fairfax County, Va.

Jas S. Edwards, 500 5<sup>th</sup> St. NW  
Charles P. Janney, Leesburg, Va.

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Prince William Notes

Mr. Detrick, of Baltimore, has purchased the tract of land near Dumfries, known as "OPOSSUM NOSE FARM" for the purpose, we are told of opening a reduction manufacture. The mine owned by the above named gentleman, and under the superintendence of Mr. H. R. Haines, is being worked day and night, giving employment to a large number of hands. Large shipments of minerals are being made to Baltimore by water. The little railroad running from the mine to Quantico Creek, with the sound of the whistle and the jingling of the bell, make our people think that sometime in the near future the "ancient town" will again be the leading town of old Prince William.