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## FORWARD

Members of the Harford County Genealogical Society:

SPECIAL PUBLICATION (SP) #43 is the fifth, and for some time to come the final, installment of the transcriptions from the business records of the J. C. TAYLOR MARBLE CO. This installment covers years 1935-1937 of the 1935-1946 ledger. The additional years are deferred to respect the standard "75 year window of privacy" and the Society will not publish newer data until the appropriate time has passed.

Notations used:

Each record in the ledger was transcribed as accurately as possible into the "Entry:" field. Any 'editorial comments' made are in braces "{...}." Records were typically for tombstones, grave markers, and monuments, but included corner posts, post and rails, and cornerstones, as well as other marble, slate, and granite products.

The "**Surname:**" field was usually completed with the ledger "record label," and was usually the surname inscribed on the tombstone. Often, other surnames were mentioned in the "**Entry:**" text, such as the buyer, the intended recipient, estate administrator, or other associates. Every surname listed in "**Surname:**" and "**Entry:**" fields has been included in the **INDEX**. Records for surnames found in the "**Entry:**" fields simply refer the reader to the record containing the associated surname, ex. "{see page ##, <surname>}. Lastly, "???" are used to indicate questionable spellings of the data.

To enhance the index, the transcriber completed the "**Where:**" field with the *most likely* delivery location, if mentioned. This determination was based upon the descriptive text in the "**Entry:**" field, plus other records in other Ledgers, and crosschecked against the Cemetery Records card file in the Family History Library of The Historical Society of Harford County, Inc.

This "**Where:**" field attempts to provide a specific reference to unique locations where products and services were delivered, while minimizing the use of aliases. Typically listed is the name of the church, followed by the name of a location or village, associated with the cemetery. For clarity, text after a dash "-" is the location, and may be the only determinable reference. In the case of private burial grounds, the phrase "FAMILY =" is used in place of the church name, and followed by the burial ground's Family surname.

If a surname appears more than once on the same publication page, the page number is listed multiple times in the index as an indication of such.

Your board hopes that you enjoy - - and, of course, find something useful.

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# INTRODUCTION

by Dr. J. Arch Phillips, Jr.

## THE J. C. TAYLOR MARBLE WORKS

As I have approached the introductory remarks for each of the preceding volumes of J. C. Taylor's business ledgers, the challenge has been to bring a fresh perspective to each one. Volumes 1 thru 4 contain extensive reports about Mr. Taylor and his business in the village of Jarrettsville. On this occasion, for Volume No. 5, I hope you will indulge me as I reproduce the following account as it appeared in *The Bel Air Times* published in late March, 1928.

### FIFTY YEARS IN BUSINESS

*Sunday, April 1, will mark the fiftieth anniversary of the opening of Mr. J.C. Taylor's Marble and granite cutting shop in Jarrettsville. Mr. Taylor was born June 20, 1857, at New Market, Pa., and began his trade in the marble-cutting establishment of W. C. Meade & Co. January 26, 1874.*

*On April 1, 1878, he came to Jarrettsville and opened a marble shop for himself in a wagon shed owned by Mr. Martin Kurtz. The following year he erected his present shop building near that place. About two years later, in 1880, he married Miss Ida Jarrett, daughter of William B. and Mary Virginia Jarrett. From this union there are seven children, as follows: Mrs. Jesse Butler; Charles H. Taylor, Vice President Park Bank, Baltimore; Wm. A. Taylor, President of LaMotte Chemical Products Co., Baltimore; Mrs. A. H. St. Clair, Rocks; Mrs. G. A. Brookhart, C. Bland Taylor and Miss I. Lucile Taylor.*

*Soon after his marriage he built a house and moved his shop to its present location. He still occupies the first shop he erected, though not on its original site. Through the years his business has been greatly enlarged, and for the past 15 years his son, C. Bland Taylor, has been a member of the firm, which is now known as J. C. Taylor & Son.*

*Mr. Taylor was the pioneer in this work in Harford County, and while others have opened shops since he began, his is now the only shop in the county devoted to the marble and granite cutting business. THE TIMES extends its congratulations to Mr. Taylor, and takes this means of testifying to the integrity, industry and intelligence that have contributed to much of the long life and success of this firm.*



*Jesse Taylor house just south of the Kurtz Funeral Home*

(Note: Mr. & Mrs. Taylor had nine children. Mildred E. died at age 18 in 1918 during the flu

epidemic and Archer Jarrett Taylor died in 1927 at age 31, the remaining seven surviving in 1928. Their daughter Lucile, the youngest was my mother. She and my father were married October, 20, 1928.)

Mr. Taylor remained active in the business until he retired at age 89 in 1946. J. C. Taylor & Son continued to operate under C. Bland Taylor until his retirement in 1965, and subsequently under the ownership of George P. (Pete) Shelton until his death in 1976, after which the business was sold to Silbaugh Memorials. J. C. Taylor died at home in Jarrettsville on June 19, 1955, one day short of his 98<sup>th</sup> birthday.

It has been my continuing privilege to share the stories of my Grandfather Taylor and his long and productive life with members and friends of the Harford County Genealogical Society.

J. Arch Phillips, Jr.



(Above) Jesse Taylor, age 80, in front of Jarrettsville UMC, just east of the town square.

(Right) 1907 J. C. Taylor advertising favor.

5528 A STITCH IN TIME

1878 1907

**J. C. TAYLOR,**  
DEALER IN

**Marble and Granite, Monuments, Headstones, Sc.**

JARRETTSVILLE, MD.

ESTIMATES FREE BOTH PHONES

1907 JANUARY 1907						
SUN.	MON.	TUE.	WED.	THU.	FRI.	SAT.
<i>Jan 20</i>	<i>Jan 21</i>	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	<i>Jan 27</i>	<i>Jan 28</i>

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**Surname:** LOWE                      **Where:** CENTRE ME - FOREST HILL                      **Page:** 1                      (1935-1946)  
**Entry:** J. Stewart Lowes' Granite Monument and Markers was put up Feb 25th 1935 Centre Cemetery Forest Hill. ordered by Mrs Stewart Lowe Forest Hill MD 300.00 Paid March 4th 1935 300.00

**Surname:** DILLWORTH                      **Where:** ST JOHNS - KINGSVILLE                      **Page:** 1                      (1935-1946)  
**Entry:** Estella and James R. Dillworth's F/C Black Granite Monument was put up March 4th 1935 Kingsville Episcopal Cemetery. Ordered by Remington Dillworth, Glen Arm, P.O. MD 339.00 Paid March 4th 1935 339.00

**Surname:** REMINGTON                      **Where:** ST JOHNS - KINGSVILLE                      **Page:** 1                      (1935-1946)  
**Entry:** {see p.1, DILLWORTH}

**Surname:** CROW                      **Where:** MT ERIN - HAVRE DE GRACE                      **Page:** 1                      (1935-1946)  
**Entry:** John T. and M. Elizabeth Crow's Granite Monument was put up March 28th 1935 Mt. Erin Havre de Grace, MD R.D. 175.00 Paid March 28th 1935 175.00

**Surname:** QUARLES                      **Where:** DARLINGTON CEM                      **Page:** 1                      (1935-1946)  
**Entry:** Edward Quarles Markers was put up April 10th 1935. Darlington Cemetery ordered by Mrs Edward Quarles 4550 Connecticut Ave N.W., Washington, DC 50.00 Paid April 25th 1935 50.00

**Surname:** LAMBDIN                      **Where:** MOUNTAIN CH - JOPPA                      **Page:** 1                      (1935-1946)  
**Entry:** Francis Marian Lambdin's Marker was put up April 17th 1935 Mountain Cemetery ordered by Mrs Ernest Keastner, 602 E. 34th St., Baltimore, MD. Approved by Mr. Walter Sellers, Bel Air 45.00 Paid May 6th 1935 {assumed to be 45.00 -page folded or torn}

**Surname:** KASTNER                      **Where:** MOUNTAIN CH - JOPPA                      **Page:** 1                      (1935-1946)  
**Entry:** {see p.1, LAMBDIN}

**Surname:** SELLERS                      **Where:** MOUNTAIN CH - JOPPA                      **Page:** 1                      (1935-1946)  
**Entry:** {see p.1, LAMBDIN}

**Surname:** GROSS                      **Where:** TRINITY - JOPPA                      **Page:** 2                      (1935-1946)  
**Entry:** 4 Marble posts put up for Mr John H. Gross April 17th 1935 Trinity Lutheran Church, Joppa, MD ordered by Mr John H. Gross, Joppa, MD R.D. 8.00 Paid April 17th 1935 8.00

**Surname:** COALE                      **Where:** FRIENDS - DARLINGTON                      **Page:** 2                      (1935-1946)  
**Entry:** Sarah D. Coale's Marker was put up April 22nd 1935 Darlington Cemetery ordered by Mr James D. Hull, 2603 Lyndhurst Ave, Balto. MD 25.00 Paid May 1st 1935 25.00

**Surname:** HULL                      **Where:** FRIENDS - DARLINGTON                      **Page:** 2                      (1935-1946)  
**Entry:** {see p.2, COALE}

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**Entry:** Byram?? S. and Rosa M. Johnson's Granite head stone was put up April 18th 1935 Rock Run Cemetery ordered by Miss Dora B. Johnson, Aberdeen, MD R.D. 133.00 Paid April 18th 1935 133.00

**Surname:** LANTZ                      **Where:** TRINITY - JOPPA                      **Page:** 2                      (1935-1946)  
**Entry:** Walter J. Lantz's Bronze tablet was put up April 17th 1935 Trinity Cemetery, Joppa ordered by Mrs Walter J. Lantz, Edgewood, MD 55.00 Paid April 30th 1935 55.00





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