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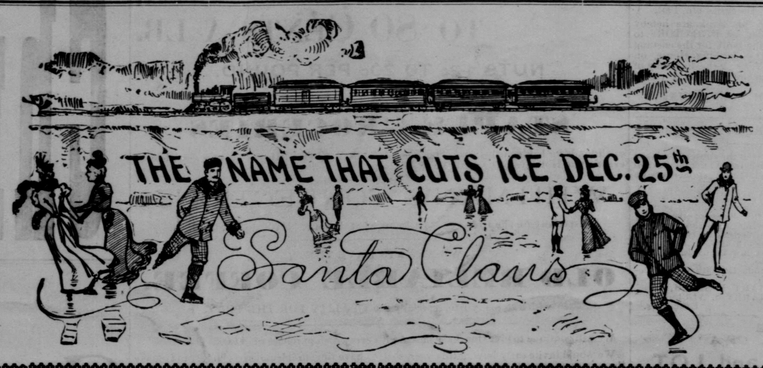
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Just 10 Ladies' Colored Trimmed Hats, in desirable Styles, that were $6, $8, $10 and $15,

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TOYS, DOLLS AND GAMES IN VAST ARRAY.

Santa Claus himself couldn't have conjured more clever inventions nor prepared greater assortments than we have here for the young folks.

Bring the Children Now. Don't Wait.

Buy your Christmas Presents now before the great rush comes and selections are the best.

Our display of Rugs and Art Squares surpasses any ever shown here.

GLOVES. GLOVES.

Gloves for Holiday are always acceptable, right and proper. One cannot have too many. Gloves that are bought now for holiday presents can be exchanged at any time after Christmas.

2-clasp French Kid Gloves, in black white and colors, **$1.00.**

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For Women, you will find all the latest Novelties, with handles nobby and irresistible to womenfolk. Some of gold, silver, pearl, gun metal, English box and furze. Prices range from

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An immense variety at most attractive prices. Our Handkerchief Department is now overflowing with the Choicest Handkerchiefs of every kind to suit all tastes, ages and stations. We do not claim to be the only Handkerchief House but we do claim we have Handkerchiefs to suit everybody. Ladies' Fine Embroidered Handkerchiefs, Swiss Embroidery, Hemstitched, Scalloped and Lace trimmed.

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Have all the latest New York and Paris styles.

We are the only people in Carroll County that can supply them.

IF YOU WANT ANYTHING **Photographic See Us First.**

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Ready for Christmas.

MY STOCK IN NOW READY FOR YOUR INSPECTION.

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Silver, Gold or Cut Glass Christmas.

Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, of every description, Sterling Silver Novelties in Mirrors, Military Hat and Cloth Brushes, Files, Hooks, Seals, &c.

Cut Glass in the Richest Designs.

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THE CELEBRATED 1847 **Rogers Bros. SILVERWARE.**

Fancy China, in Limoges and Haviland quality. Bric-a-Brac, Umbrellas, Card Cases and Pocket Books. Every article must be as represented or replaced by new.

Buy now and have laid back, thus getting first chance and avoid the rush.

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The Highest Cash Prices Paid for Fresh Cows. Apply to or address,

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SALE BILLS printed on short notice and at reasonable rates.

Dr. JAS. E. SHREEVE, Jr.,

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WESTMINSTER, Md.,

Has opened an office opposite the Montour House, at No. 62 W. Main street.

He solicits your patronage.

Extraction, Plate, Crown and Bridge Work guaranteed.

Porcelain Fillings a speciality.
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OF A LARGE STOCK OF

Dress Goods, Readymade Clothing, BOOTS, SHOES, HATS, CHINA, QUEENSWARE, Groceries, &c., in New Windsor, Md.

We are now offering the entire stock and fixtures of one of the largest stores in this county, at prices so low that everybody will be amazed. Our reductions do not simply cover a few odd sizes or some inferior goods, but

Every Article Has Been Thoroughly REDUCED.

THIS IMMENSE STOCK AND OUR LIMITED TIME INSURE

THE MOST TEMPTING PRICES.

Think of 3500 yards of seasonable Dress Goods, plain and in colors, at from 19c to 79c; Trimmings to match.
1600 yards of Silks to go at 19c to 49c.
An almost endless variety of HATS AND CAPS as low as 10c a piece.
Ladie's Waists that sold as high as $1.25, go at 13c.
About 50 Children's Coats, ranging in price from 98c to $2.49.
25 Men's heavy rain Coats, at less than cost.
2000 yards of Carpet at less than cost.
2700 yards of Calico, 2000 yards of Apron and Dress Ginghams.
2000 pairs of Shoes, at prices to suit all.
An almost endless variety of fine Queenware for the Holidays, at the lowest prices ever quoted.
3000 worth of Readymade Clothing, for Men, Youths and Boys, and at prices to suit everybody. A large line of Groceries at greatly reduced prices. Soaps at from 1c per cake to B. F. Babbitt's at 7 cakes for 25c. A visit will convince you how completely we have cut all prices.

Our Holiday Goods will be open Dec. 15.

GEO. O. BRILLHART,
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SPECIAL NOTICE TO DECEMBER SUIT and OVERCOAT BUYERS.

SHARRER & GORSUCH,

Westminster, Md.,

Carroll County's largest and best Clothing Store, offer special bargains in new stylish

OVERCOATS and SUITS this MONTH.

HAVE YOU SEEN OUR LONG FULL BACK BELT

OVERCOATS for $8.00 and $9.00?

Positively the best Coats ever sold for the price—regular $10.00 and $12.00 values.

25 of the new Brown and Grey mixed Overcoats, the great craze this season for stylish dressers. These are elegant Coats and we offer them this month at big reduction. Splendid Overcoats for Youths and Boys at low prices. Bring the Boys in.

A lot of those stylish Scotch Suits, single and double breasted goods, equal to finest tailor made suits, at special reduced prices.

Good Suits for Men and Boys $4.50 to $8.00. Knee Pants Suits, some with Vests. See our prices.

50 of those $20.00 quality Suit patterns, made to order this month for $15.00.

Try a pair of our famous Cord Pants, for Men and Boys, the kind that are made right and wear right. No matter what price Underwear you need, get it here. Our 38c quality is best for price. Handsome Fur Collars and Gloves.

oct 11 1y 9 SHARRER & GORSUCH, Westminster, Md.



A Charm Above The Ordinary

are the thoughts of Christmas and nice presents. To be nice they need not be expensive. PHOTOS are the best to send away to friends. Do no let Mothers or Fathers put off coming to me for

Photos, Crayons and Frames,

any size and latest styles, at moderate prices. The busy season is commencing so come as early as you can. By my ONE MAN METHOD you need not mind the weather, rainy or cloudy.

KODAKS AND FILMS ON SALE.

feb 1904 1y Both Phones. MITCHELL'S ART GALLERY, Above Bowerss' Store, Westminster.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF CARROLL COUNTY.

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for Public Schools for year Ending July 31st, 1904.

Receipts.

Balance on hand July 31st, 1903	$ 3,806.25
State School Tax	20,535.44
State Free School Fund	1,933.99
State Free Book Fund	4,938.00
State Donation (Manchester Academic)	200.00
County School Tax, 20 cents on the $100	33,020.00
Manual Training	1,500.00
Liquor License	5,288.51
For Permits from adjoinining Counties	604.50
Donations for School Libraries and Maps	64.50
For Cash Sales of Books	30.35
For Sale of Lumber (left over from repairs at School House)	1.25
For Check from Fire Insurance Co., (Spring Mills School House)	2.00
Borrowed from The Deposit & Trust Co.,	6,000.00
	$ 78,025.09

Disbursements.

Rent for Buildings, Water, and Ground	$ 348.75
For Apparatus and Furniture	961.85
For Repairs	1,400.85
For Fuel	5,249.77
For New Buildings	2,823.23
For Teachers' Salaries	46,597.46
Kindergarten and Manual Training	1,261.82
Sanitary Costs and Incidentals	939.35
Salary of Secretary, Treasurer and Examiner	1,300.00
Salary of Assistant Treasurer and Examiner	600.00
Per Diem of School Commissioners	600.00
Donations to School Libraries	103.14
Tution Fees for Permits paid to adjoining Counties	237.25
Office Expenses, Postage and Account Books	124.25
Expenses of State and County Associations	89.25
Expenses of Teachers' Institute	91.40
Expenses of Teachers' Examination	9.00
Commencement Exercises	20.91
Attorney's Fee	100.00
Printing	97.05
Advertising	43.75
Discount and Interest	58.00
Loans, (Deposit & Trust Co.)	6,000.00
Books and Stationery for Pupils	4,829.54
Freight and Expressage	98.30
Hauling and Distribution of School Supplies	168.41
Balance on hand July 31st, 1904	3,901.76
	$ 78,025.09

nov 25 3t S. SIMPSON, Treasurer.

C. and P. TELEPHONES REACH Everywhere.

Low Rates, Best Service.

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DOYLE & HAINES,

WEST MAIN STREET,

Westminster, Md.

Just received, 150 bags of new TIMOTHY SEED of this year's crop. Also the best 21 oz. FODDER YARN.

It will pay you to call and see samples of FERTILIZERS before purchasing elsewhere.

Bickford & Huffman and Ontario GRAIN DRILLS.

The Ross Ensilage and Fodder CUTTERS lead the world.

Osborne CORN HARVESTERS, known the world over for their efficient work.

Call and examine our stock.

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JOB Printing of all kinds done promptly at reasonable prices. Call for estimates.

Do you want Job Printing? If so give us a call. We can print anything you want from a small Card to a large Poster.

The Passing Year.

By the brave things thought or spoken,
By the true deeds simply done,
By the mean things crushed and conquered,
And the bloodless battles won,
By the days when the load was heavy,
Yet the heart grew strong to bear,
By the days when the heart was craven,
Lacking the strength of prayer,
By the hour that crept slow-footed
And the hour that crept on wings,
The time when the harp was silent,
The time when we swept the strings,
By the dearth, the dole, and the labor,
The fullness, reward, and cheer,
By the book of the angel's record,
We measured the passing year.

The Ranchman's Daughter.

(CONTINUED FROM NOV. 25TH.)

CHAPTER II.

"Well, 'Senor Calistra' took the notice of his discharge quietly enough," said Wharton to Stella, as they drew near home that afternoon.

"Why, father, I thought you said his time would not be up for three months yet, and that you intended to wait until the end of that time, thus giving your new foreman opportunity to master the situation.

"So I did, but I decided I would not have such another chance as that fight afforded me; and indeed the fellow seems pretty well cowed. You do not know, little girl," taking her hand in his and stroking it lovingly "that the main reason why I let you, leave me alone for four long years was because I feared you were becoming too fond of Calistra. There, now, wait," as she made a movement of dissent. "You were but a child, motherless, with your old nurse only to counsel you; and he is an unusualy handsome man and engaging enough when he wants to be. I could not tell you what the man really was; I learned much after you left—that for some time, in Mexico, he was practically a highwayman; that he has treated more than one woman brutally, and more of the same kind. That he understood the handling of stock, their ailments, and how to treat them, no one can deny. But he cannot be trusted. He brought with him from Mexico drugs, the ingredients of which no one here knows but himself and with these he can excite animals to frenzy or render them helpless almost when and where he will. I fear we are not through with him yet, but we are prepared, I trust, for anything he may attempt."

When her father first spoke, the girl had flushed scarlet, and seemed on the point of an indignant denial, but she said, calmly:

"Perhaps your fears were not ill founded, father, but you need have no uneasiness now. A Mexican bandit, however handsome, no longer has any fascination for your once 'wild prairie flower.' But there is much, I am glad to say, of which my life at school and abroad has not robbed me, among other things, my love for my horse, my dogs and my rifle."

"I am glad to hear that; and I know they are ready to give you a warm welcome. Among the dogs, Bevis and Frolic have aged somewhat, but your pony looks scarcely a day older and can doubtless carry you into Prairieville for the mail—if you care to go—as quickly and easily as of yore."

"How delighted I am to know that. I shall wish to take my usual ride as often as the weather permits. But there is the dear old ranch. How homelike and familiar everything looks!" and her lovely face beamed and her eyes filled with tears as she gazed upon the home where she had first seen the light, and where her gentle mother's eyes had closed upon all things earthly not long after. The same thoughts were mirrored in her father's eyes as he turned to her and said very tenderly:

"Welcome home, litle girl."

"I shall not leave you again, father," she cried, placing her arms around his neck and kissing him.

"Don't make rash promises," he said, half sadly, half playfully. "My darling little daughter is too beautiful to be left long with her old father in this out of the way place."

"Stella seemed to be on the point of entering a protest, then checked herself as the vehicle drew up in front of the house.

John Lomax quickly learned to hold his own with the best of the cowpunchers. He mastered the bucking broncho, could hit his mark from horseback, the animal at full run, the best two out of three shots, and could lasso as many cattle in a given space of time as even Tom Brinkley. He recognized Moreo's authority—which was never abused—as a matter of course, and he was admired and liked by every cowbow on the ranch.

At Stella's suggestion the ranchman, before leaving Prairieville, had invited the young invalid strsnger, George Milton, to spend a month at the ranch. He gratefully accepted,

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