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A CHRISTMAS VOICE.

BY LOUISE CHANDLER MOULTON.

Oh, the merry bells of Christmas!
Hark! hark! do you hear them ring?
And the merry, merry Christmas carols,
Do you hear the children sing?
And the winsome, blithesome bonny ladies,
Do you see their smiling eyes?
And the shining of their silken raiment,
And their cheeks' carnation dyes?

Ah, the city's face is smiling, smiling, also,
And the city's heart is glad,
And the city lights are gaily, gaily shining,
And the world with mirth runs mad;
But I hear an undertone of wailing,
From hearts where Christmas never goes,
Ringing up, up to the bending heaven,
The story of the poor man's woes.

"Food, or we perish, oh, our brothers!
For the love of heaven give us bread!
Say your grace and eat your Christmas dinners,
Let the wine of your feast be red—
But the grace shall bring a curse, instead of blessing,
If it goes up mingled with our cries;
If no human ear will hear our pleadings,
They shall echo to the far-off skies.

"Shall wives and weans lie starving at your thresholds,
Dying there for lack of fire and food?
Are they not heaven's children, too, my fellow Christians?
They are human flesh and blood.
Oh, the Father's hand has not been shortened,
And His vision is not dim—
If your needy brothers perish at your gateways,
You shall answer unto Him."

THE BABES IN THE CLOUDS.

An American True Story.

Just ten years ago there suddenly burst upon the Western World a magnificent stranger from foreign parts, "with all his travelling glories on." It was the great comet of 1858 on the grand tour of the universe.

We remember that comet-summer, not so much for its great astronomical event as for two singular incidents that more nearly touched our human sympathies, which will grovel in poor earthly affairs, even within sight of the most august celestial phenomena.

One pleasant Saturdy afternoon during the comet's appearance, an æronaut, after a prosperous voyage, descended upon a farm in the neighborhoood of a large market town in one of the Western states. He was soon surrounded by a curious troup of the farmer's family and laborers, all asking eager questions about the voyage and the management of the balloon, that, secured by an anchor and a rope in the hand of the æronaut, with its car but a foot or two above the ground, was swaying lazily backward and forward in the evening air. It was a good deal out of wind, and was a sleepy and innocent monster in the eyes of the farmer, who, with the owner's permission, led it up to his house, where, as he said, he could hitch it to his fence.—But before he thus secured it his three children, aged respectfully ten, eight, and three, begged him to lift them "into that big basket," that they might "sit on those pretty red cushions."

While the attention of the æronant was diverted by more curious questioners from a neighboring farm, this rash father lifted his darlings one by one into the car.—Chubby little Johnny proved the "ounce too much" for the aerial camel, and brought him to the ground; and then, unluckily, not the baby, but the eldest hope of the family was lifted out. The relief was two great for the monster. The volatile creature's spirits rose at once; he jerked his halter out of the farmer's hand, and with a wild bound mounted into the air. Vain was the æonaut's anchor. It caught a moment in a fence, but it tore away, and was off, dangling uselessly after the runaway balloon, which so swiftly and steadily rose that in a few minutes those two little white faces peering over the edge of the car grew indistinct, and those piteous cries of "papa!" and "mamma!" grew faint and fainter up in the air.

When distance and twilight mists had swallowed up voices and faces, and nothing could be seen but the dark cruel shape sailing triumphantly away with its precious booty, like an aerial privateer, the poor father sank down helpless and speechless; but the mother, frantic with grief, still stretched out yearning arms towards the inexorable heavens, and called wildly up into the unanswering void.

The æronaut strove to console the wretched parents with assurance that the balloon would descend within thirty miles of the town, and that all might be well with the children, provided it did not come down in the water or deep woods. In the event of its decending in a favorable spot, it was thought that the older child might step out, leaving the younger in the balloon. Then it might again rise and continue its voyage.

"Ah, no," replied the mother, "Jennie would never stir from the car without Johnny in her arms."

The balloon passed directly over the market town, and the children, seeing many people in the streets, stretched out their hands and called loudly for help.—But the villagers, though they saw the bright little heads, heard no call.

Amazed at this strange apparition, they might have thought the translated little creatures small angel navigators on some voyage of discovery, some little cherubic venture of their own, as heading towards the rosy cloudlands and purple islands of sunset splendor, they sailed deeper and deeper into the West, and faded away.

Some company they had, the poor little sky-waifs. Something comforted them and allayed their wild terrors—something whispered them that below the night and clouds was home; that above was God; that wherever they might drift or clash, living or dead, they would still be in His domain and under His care—that though borne away among the stars they could not be lost, for His love would follow them.

When the sunlight all went away and the great comet came blazing out, little Johnny was apprehensive that the comet might come too near their airy craft, and set it on fire with a whisk of its dreadful tail. But when his sister assured him that the fiery dragon was "as much as twenty miles away," and that God wouldn't let him hurt them, he was tranquilized, but soon after said, "I wish he would come a little nearer, so I could warm myself, I'm so cold!"

Then Jennie took off her apron and wrapped it about the child, saying tenderly. "This is all sister has to make you warm, darling, but she'll hug you close in her arms, and we will say our prayers and you shall go to sleep."

"Why, how can I say my prayers before I have my supper?" asked little Johnny.

"Sister hasn't any supper for you, or for herself, but we must pray all the harder," solemnly responded Jennie.

So the two baby-wanderers, alone in the wide heavens, unawed by darkness, immensity and silence, by the presence of the great comet and the millions of unpitying stars, lifted their little clasp-hands and sobbed out their sorrowful "Our Father," and then that quaint little supplementary prayer:

"Now I lay me down to sleep,
I pray the Lord my soul to keep;
If I should die before I wake,
I pray the Lord my soul to take."

"There! God heard that, easy; for we are close to him up here," said innocent little Johnny.

Doubtless Divine Love stooped to hear the little ones, and folded them in perfect peace—for soon the younger, sitting on the bottom of the car, with his head leaning against his sister's knee, slept as soundly as though he were lying in his own little bed at home, while the elder watched quietly through the long hours, and the car floated gently on in the still night air, till it began to sway and rock on the fresh morning wind.

Who can imagine that simple little child's thoughts, speculations and wild imaginings, while watching through those hours? She may have feared coming in collision with a meteor—for many were abroad that night, scouts and heralds of the great comet—or perhaps being cast away on some desolate star island; or more dreary still, floating and floating on, night and day, till they should both die of cold and hunger. Poor babes in the clouds!

At length, a happy change, or Providence—we will say Providence—guided the little girl's wandering hand to a cord connected with the valve. Something told her to pull it. At once the balloon began to sink, slowly and gently, as though let down by tender hands; or as though some celestial pilot guided it through the wild currents of air, not letting it drop into a lake or river, lofty wood or impenetrable swmap, where this strange, unchildlike experience might have been closed by a death of unspeakable horror, but causing it to descend as softly as a bird alights on a spot where human care and pity awaited it.

The sun had not yet risen, but the morning twilight had come, when the little girl, looking over the edge of the car, saw the dear old earth coming nearer—"rising towards them," she said. But when the car stopped, to her great disappointment, it was not on the ground, but caught fast in the topmost branches of a tree. Yet she saw they were near a house whence help might soon come, so she awakened her brother and told him the good news, and together they watched and waited for deliverance, hugging each other for joy and warmth, for they were cold.

Farmer Burton, who lived in a lonely house on the edge of his own private prairie, was a famous sleeper in general, but on this particular occasion he awoke before the dawn, and, though he turned and turned again, he could sleep no more. So at last he said to his good wife, whom he had kindly awakened to inform her of his unaccountable insomnolence: "It's no use; I'll get up and dress myself, and have a look at the comet."

The next that worthy woman heard from her wakeful spouse was a hasty summons to the door. It seems that no sooner did he step forth from the door of his house than his eyes fell on a strange, portentous shape hanging in a large pear tree about twenty yards distant. He could see no likeness in it to anything earthly, and he had fancied it might be the comet, who, having put out his light, had gone down there to perch. In his fright and perplexity he did what every wise man would do in a like extremity—he called upon his valiant wife. Reinforced by her he drew near the tree, cautiously reconnoitering. Surely never pear tree bore such fruit.

Suddenly there descended from the thing a plaintive, trembling little voice: "Please take us down; we are very cold."

Then a second little voice said: "And hungry too; please take us down."

"Why, who are you? And where are you from?"

The first little voice said: "We are Mr. Harwood's little boy and girl, and we are lost in a balloon."

The second little voice said: "It is us, and we runned away with a balloon.—Please take us down."

Dimly comprehending the situation, the farmer getting hold of a dangling rope, succeeded in pulling down the balloon.

He at first pulled out little Johnny, who ran rapidly a few yards towards the house, then turned round and stood for a few moments curiously surveying the balloon. The faithful little sister was so chilled and exhausted that she had to be carried into the house, where, trembling and sobbing, she told the wonderful story.

Before sunrise a mounted messenger was dispatched to the Harwood house with glad tidings of great joy. He reached it in the afternoon, and a few hours later the children themselves arrived in state, with banners and music, and conveyed in a covered hay wagon and four.

Joy-bells were rung in the neighboring town, and in the farmer's brown house the happiest family on the continent thanked God that night.

Improve the Evenings.

An exchange very aptly says that with the return of lengthened and pleasant cool evenings, comes the query to all, how shall we best improve them? There are a thousand pleasant ways of spending a fall or winter evening within the reach of those who have command of their own time; and prominent among these is indulgence in literary pursuits. How few, comparatively, of the young people of the present day appreciate as they should the inestimable privileges they enjoy? Surrounded, as are the young, with all the opportunities necessary for the cultivation of a literary taste, not one in a thousand appears to improve these golden chances. Occasionally, it is true, we meet with a young man, or a young woman, who firmly grasps the idea that "knowledge is power," but these are the exceptions, not the rule. Thousands of young men, who have comfortable homes—whose parents are willing to supply them with books and papers,—instead of availing themselves of these advantages, spend their long fall and winter evenings in idle loungings around corners, or in company with frivolous associates, male or female. Thus, winter after winter passes away, each one bringing them nearer to the age of manhood, but not fitting them for the proper discharge of the duties that a full manhood requires. They enter upon the busy stage of life with none of those safeguards which a cultivated intellect throws around its possessor. They start life laboring under a thousand disadvantages, and confronted by innumerable obstacles which disappear like shadows before the well-informed mind. The fact that they do not contemplate adopting a professional career does not in any degree relieve them from the charge of being untrue to themselves, their friends, and their country, while thus frittering away the most precious hours of their lives in idle indifference, and too frequently in the company of those association with whom is contamination. How many of them will resolve to turn over a new leaf, and improve the long evenings?

WINTER.—Winter, with its brown fields, its bleak hills, its leafless trees, and twilight-looking mountains, is upon us. We breathe no more an air fragrant with the breath of flowers and freighted with the music of the song birds of summer, for the flowers have fallen asleep beneath the earth's warm covering and the birds have flown before the chilly winds that sweep down from the polar seas, bringing with them snow and ice, and frost, and causing the body to shiver and the step to quicken. The dull leaden clouds, in ragged masses, hurriedly march across the sky, throwing a veil over the beautiful walls that arch the world, while every object expresses an air of desolation. But there is one bright picture amid all this dreariness, where the heart drinks in draughts of delight, and that is to be found around the fireside.—Here we can gather during the long evenings, and though the rain may patter, and the winds moan, and the snows beat, we can smile, and talk, and find pleasant enjoyment in reading.

A MODEL LOVE LETTER.—*My Deer Deer Henery:*—I embrace this present opparchoonity to let you know how I had a spell of the aigur, and I hope theas few lines may find you enjoying the same Blessin! Why don't you rite 1 sweate line to tell your sufferin Kathrun all about her sweet Henry. Oh my sweet henry—my turkle dove—my pidging—my deer deer Henry, how my poor sole is longing for yore sweet voice—think i hear him singing yankey doodle as he kums from his plow now. Oh my deer henry, do kum and lets git marrid right off. So no more at present but remain your loving

KATHRUN ANN TILDEN.

To my sweet henry.

P. S. Part Sekkund. Jeems Baslet has rased a noo house, and Sally does live so snug; but she fites him sumtimes when he's a little Anthony over. My sweate henry lets us keep house, and if you luv me, I won't whip you indeed, nor I won't look at nobody else, so i won't. Daddy sais as how I must git marrid, because I've been a cortin too long already. So no more at present.

P. S. Part Thurd.

my pen is bad, my ink is pail,
my luv to you shall never fale,
for henry is my own true luv,
my Larc, my Duc, my Turkle Duv.

P. S. Noty Beny. Mother's ded, and Robert has the fever. So no more at present from your luving KATHRUN ANN.

To my Deer henry over the Nallyganics in Pennsilveeny State.

A LADY had a magnificent cat. Mrs. Jones, a neighbor, ordered her servant to kill it, as it alarmed her canary. The lady sent mouse traps to all her friends, and when two or three hundred had been caught, she had them put into a box which was forwarded to the cruel neighbor, who eagerly opened what she hoped was some elegant present, when out jumped the mice, to her great horror, and filled her house. At the bottom of the box she found a paper directed to her from her neighbor, saying, "Madam, as you killed my cat, I take the liberty of sending you my mice."

A YOUNG Cincinnati dentist was introduced to a fashionable beauty the other evening, and gracefully opened the conversation by saying, "Miss——, I hope I may consider that we are not entirely unacquainted. I had the pleasure of pulling a tooth for your father not long ago."

VENDUE.

THE subscriber, about to discontinue farming, will sell at public sale, at his residence near Urieville, on

Monday, December 21st, 1868,

the following property, namely:

7 Head of Horses,

TWO COLTS,
2 COWS, 10 HOGS,
1 Wagon and Harness, 1 Horse Cart;
1 Reaper, 1 Drill, 1 Corn Sheller,
1 Fan, 4 Cultivators, 2 Harrows,
3 Plows, Carriage & Harness,
1 Dearborn and Harness,
Household and Kitchen Furniture.

Sale to commence at 10 o'clock, A. M.

TERMS.—All purchases of $10 and under cash; all over that amount a credit of 6 months with note and approved security. No property to be removed till the terms are complied with. Purchaser to pay for stamps.

d12-ts. C. C. SMITH.

VENDUE.

THE subscriber, intending to remove on a smaller farm, will sell at public sale at his residence on Hon. George Vickers' farm, in Quaker Neck, on

TUESDAY, December 22d, 1868,

a portion of his personal property, viz:

4 GOOD FARM HORSES,
two of them fine travellers;
3 Fine Milch Cows,
34 GOOD SHEEP,
1 York Carriage, 1 Dearborn, 1 large Peach Wagon, 1 good Farm Wagon, 1 Kirby Reaper and Mower, used one season, 1 Ox-Cart, 1 steel-spring Wheat Rake, 1 Cider Mill,
A lot of Plows, Harrows, Cultivators, &c., &c., and about 4,000 lbs. good Corn Blades.

Sale to commence at 10 o'clock, A M.

TERMS.—All sums under $10 cash; on sums over that amount a credit of nine months with approved security. No property to be removed until the terms are complied with.

JOHN C. MONEY.
WM. H. HAMILTON, Auct'r.
J. N. USILTON, Manager. d12-2t.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

BY virtue of a writ of fieri facias, issued out of the Circuit Court for Kent county, and to me directed, at the suit of James Spear, against the goods and chattels, lands and tenements of James Godwin, I have seized and taken in execution all the right, title, claim and interest of the said James Godwin, of, in and to all that

HOTEL PROPERTY

situate, lying and being in Massey's Cross Roads, Kent county, Maryland, consisting of the

HOTEL BUILDING,

Stables, Carriage House, &c., in fair condition; together with the

LOT OF GROUND

attached, and belonging thereto.

The property is now occupied by Mr. Frost, who will shew the premises to any one desiring to purchase. It is a good stand for business, being within seventy-five yards of the Depot on the Queen Anne's and Kent County Railroad.

And I hereby give notice, that on

MONDAY,

The Twenty-first of December, 1868,

at 11 o'clock, A. M., on the premises in Massey's Cross Roads, I will sell the said property so seized and taken in execution, to the highest bidder for cash to pay said debt, interest and cost due and to become due thereon.

JOS. E. GILPIN, Sheriff.
Sheriff's Office, Nov. 27, 1868.

SUNDAY SCHOOL FAIR.

The Ladies of the M. E. Sunday School of Chestertown will hold a Fair at the Town Hall, commencing on Tuesday, December 22d.

They have a large number of Fancy Toys, also Confectionery, etc, which will be sold at prices as low if not lower than they can be bought elsewhere. SUPPER will be served every evening, at a moderate price.

The public are earnestly requested to patronize the undertaking, as its object is to furnish the School with a proper Library. d5-3t.

NOTICE. The Second Annual Session of the Parochial School of Chester Parish, for Boys and Girls, will begin on Thursday, October 1st, at 9 o'clock, A M. No pains will be spared to make the instruction given in the school thorough and systematic. For terms, &c., apply to the REV. MR. GOODWIN, Queen Street.
sep12-tf.

MILLS TO LET.

The undersigned offer to let their Mill property for the ensuing year, consisting of Grist Mill, Saw Mill, Blacksmith and Wheelwright Shops, all in good order and doing a good business. Enquire of ISAAC PARSONS, ROB'T NICHOLSON, or THOS. C. PARSONS.
n14-tf.

FOR RENT, THREE PLEASANT ROOMS, two below and one up stairs. Apply to SARAH J. RAWLEIGH, Chestertown.
d5-3t.

FOR RENT, that desirable property late in the possession of Richard Hodges, at Edesville, consisting of DWELLING and STORE ROOMS, with Garden and two Lots set in Peach Trees. For terms apply to HOWARD MEEKS, Adm'r of Rich'd Hodges, dec'd.
d5-3t.

FOR RENT, in whole or in part, the house on the corner of Market Space and Spring Avenue, now occupied by J. J. Pearce. Apply to R. HYNSON.
d5-3t*

FOR RENT, for the year 1869, at Harmony, two DWELLING HOUSES and a WHEELWRIGHT and BLACKSMITH SHOPS. It is a good business stand. Apply to WM. ARCHIBALD, Harmony, Kent Co.
d5-3t*

LADIES' DRESS GOODS,

in Fancy, Plain Mode, and High Colors, offered at less than ruling prices, by
October 31st. THOMAS S. WICKES.

SALT in large well filled sacks, BUCKWHEAT FLOUR of the best family brand on hand and for sale by
Dec. 5. TH. S. WICKES.

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF A VALUABLE FARM

On Chesapeake Bay.

BY virtue of a Decree of the Circuit Court for Kent county, as a Court of Equity, the undersigned as Trustee, will expose to public sale at the Voshell House, in Chestertown, Kent county, Maryland, on

TUESDAY,

THE FIFTH DAY OF JANUARY, 1869,

at 11 o'clock, A. M., all that

VALUABLE FARM,

OR TRACT OF LAND,

in Kent county, Maryland, commonly called

"Kennard's Point,"

of which the late Dr. William M. Gemmill died seized, and containing

510 ACRES,

More or less. The Farm is situated on Chesapeake Bay, and is bounded by the same and Churn and Still Pond Creeks; adjoins the lands of E. P. Janvier and others, and is about twelve miles from Chestertown. The situation is one of the most elevated and salubrious in the county

THE DWELLING

is of Brick, new, capacious, and finished in modern style.

The land has been limed, is of excellent quality and productive. The Farm has a sufficient quantity of WOOD, and receives large amounts of Drift Wood from the Bay. There is a considerable

Peach Orchard

on the Farm. Also, TENANT HOUSES and OUT HOUSES in fair condition.

Vessels sail weekly from each of the above named Creeks to the city of Baltimore. The farm is divided into fields sufficient for cultivation. This is considered one of the finest estates in the county.

TERMS.—The terms prescribed by the Decree are cash on the day of sale, or on the ratification of the sale, at the option of the Trustee. But these terms may be materially modified to suit purchasers.

JOSEPH B. BAKER, TRUSTEE.
Dec. 5, 1868—ts.

SALE OF A VALUABLE FARM

On Chester River.

BY virtue of a Decree of the Circuit Court for Queen Anne's County, the subscriber, as Trustee, will sell, on

SATURDAY,

The Twenty-sixth day of December inst.,

at Katzenberg's Store, in Church Hill, Md., between the hours of 2 and 4 o'clock, P. M., all that FARM known as

Rolph's Landing,

CONTAINING FROM

160 TO 190 ACRES OF LAND,

to be accurately ascertained by a survey before the day of sale.

This farm is handsomely located on Chester River and possesses all the advantages of deep water, substantial improvements, and fine soil. A public road on the margin of the farm leads to one of the principal steamboat and grain Landings on the river, where there is a

SUBSTANTIAL WHARF,
GRANARY,
GRANARY KEEPER'S HOUSE AND STORE,

all belonging to the farm, and whence steamboats ply daily to Baltimore, and grain boats once a week.

There is also on the farm a

TWO-STORY FRAME DWELLING,

BARN, STABLE, CORN HOUSE, and other out houses, all in good order, and APPLE and PEACH ORCHARDS.

The farm may be offered in parcels and as a whole. Plots and certificates will be exhibited at the sale, and further particulars then made known.

TERMS.—One thousand dollars of the purchase money will be required in cash on the day of sale, and the residue in equal instalments in twelve, twenty-four and thirty-six months, with interest from the day of sale, to be secured by bond or bonds of the purchaser or purchasers, with security to be approved by the Trustee. Stamps at the expense of the purchaser.

LLOYD TILGHMAN, TRUSTEE.
P. F. T. BLAKE, Auct'r. d5-ts.

For Sale Cheap

In Middlesex county, Virginia,

About 1,000 Acres

of good Land, in lots to suit, part cleared and part in extra fine virgin Timber fronting on main road and Peyanketank River.

BUILDINGS GOOD.

PEACH ORCHARD of earliest kinds, one year out, 1600 trees will market ten days earlier than Maryland or Delaware. Splendid soil and climate for early fruit and vegetables.

Also, a superior WATER POWER & MILL SEAT. Price low and terms easy. Rappahannock steamboat from Baltimore in about ten hours—lands at North End, within 2½ miles of the farm. Apply to W. C. CONRAD, Wood Port, Sandy Bottom P. O., Va., or JOHN H. GEMMILL, within one mile. d5-8t.*

NOTICE. All persons indebted to the undersigned are hereby requested to come forward and make immediate payment. Persons whose accounts have been standing for six months or over, are hereby notified that unless their bills are settled by the FIFTEENTH OF DECEMBER NEXT, I shall be forced to collect them according to law. After this date I shall sell for CASH exclusively, except to those who will pay promptly in ninety days.

Nov. 28—3t. JAMES A. SHAW.

TREES and PLANTS.

The undersigned, as agent for Mr. N. Barnard, will receive orders for Fruit and Ornamental Trees, and Plants of all kinds. He can be found at the store of Mr. J. L. Stam, Chestertown. [s19tf.] W. S. STAM.

Mules! Mules!

ONE PAIR OF MULES AND ONE HORSE for sale by N. BARNARD,
sep19tf. Still Pond, Kent Co., Md.

A VALUABLE FARM

On Chester River,
AT PRIVATE SALE.

THE undersigned will sell at Private Sale their FARM lying in Kent county, Md., containing about

350 ACRES,

nearly all arable and under good fencing. It is about five miles from Chestertown, lying directly on Chester River, convenient to Churches, Schools, Mills, &c.

The Improvements

are a FRAME DWELLING with Kitchen attached, Barn, Granary, and other Out-Buildings, all in good order. Also, two Tenant Houses.

A Fine Apple Orchard and about 300 *Peach Trees in bearing.*

TERMS OF SALE:—One-sixth cash; one-sixth in twelve and one-sixth in eighteen months and the residue in four years—the purchaser to give bond with approved security for the credit payments, with interest from day of sale. For further particulars consult R. HYNSON, Esq., our Attorney. FORD & BARKMAN.
Nov. 21, 1868—tf.

Small Farm for Sale

THE undersigned, intending to remove to Virginia, offers at private sale his farm situate near Belair, Kent county, Md., adjoining the lands of Messrs. I. C. Taylor, John T. Shirven and Comegys Cosden, and containing

About 60 Acres.

The land is all arable, except a small meadow, and divided into three fields—one of which is in Peach trees (about 1,900) planted last spring. The Dwelling is brick, and with some repairs might be made a very comfortable house. A pump of good water in the yard.

The farm lies in a good and improving neighborhood, and is within a mile and a half of a mill, churches and school. The Railroad will pass within half a mile of the farm on the western side.

This farm will be sold a bargain. For further particulars consult the undersigned, or address him at Chestertown, Md.

jy25-tf WM. R. APSLEY.

CHRISTMAS GOODS!

WM. F. BAKER,
COURT STREET, Chestertown

Has just received a large supply of Goods suitable for the present season and approaching CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS. He has

Pure Sweet Cider

by the barrel or small quantity.

APPLES in any quantity. RASINS, FIGS, CURRANTS, ALMONDS, NUTS, &c.

Also, PURE CIDER VINEGAR.

I will also have on hand an assortment of

Confectionery, Toys, &c.

Those in want of anything in my line will find it to their interest to call and see my goods before making their Christmas purchases.

WANTED—All kinds of POULTRY, EGGS and BUTTER at highest cash price.

WILLIAM F. BAKER,
Dec. 5. Court Street.

Chestertown Bakery AND CANDY MANUFACTORY!

Corner High and Queen Sts.

CANDY AT CITY PRICES! CANDY AT CITY PRICES!
ORANGES, LEMONS, CITRON, CURRENTS,
RAISINS, ALMONDS, FILBERTS,
WALNUTS, GROUND NUTS,
AT CITY PRICES.
KISSES, TAFFE, CAKES, BREAD, &c.,
At City Prices.

To get the worth of your money, call at HUDGINS' BAKERY and supply yourselves for Christmas at City prices. d5.

PANIER SKIRTS.

B. B. PERKINS & SON, have opened a large assortment of superior Black Alapacas, for Panier Skirts. Prices 40, 50, 62½, 75, 1.00 1.25, 1.50.

They would also call the attention of the Ladies of the county to their *unusually large* assortment of DRESS GOODS at city prices.

Good KID GLOVES, white, black and colored, at $1.75.

LADIES' FURS.

We are also dealing in Ladies' Furs, from the lowest to the finest grades. Old setts of Furs altered and repaired.

Our Motto is still, Quick Sales and Small Profits, *for cash.*

Nov. 21, 1868. B. B. PERKINS & SON.

NOTICE. The Board of School Commissioners will meet on FRIDAY, Dec. 18th, for the purpose of auditing all claims against them. All persons having bills against the Board are notified that they must be filed with the Secretary at least three days before the day of meeting. No accounts will be received on the day of meeting.

By order of the Board,
n28-3t. W. F. MASSEY, Sec'y.

CAUTION.

ALL persons are cautioned against gunning upon the farm of the undersigned in Morgan's Creek Neck, or in any manner trespassing upon the same. The law will be enforced against all who disregard this notice

n28-3t. B. H. GARDNER.

Stolen or Strayed from the subscriber, on or about the 20th of October, a LIGHT BAY STALLION, with one white hind foot; nearly four years old, and not yet broken. A liberal reward will be given for any information concerning it.

JAMES J. GINN,
n21-3t. Head of Sassafras, Kent Co.

TAKE DUE NOTICE!

All parties indebted to me, who have not yet paid up, will please do so on the 1st of January next. I shall place EVERY ACCOUNT in legal train for collection. My books are with Messrs. Turkheimer & Catlin, at the old stand.

n21-tf. LEVI MASTBAUM.

$100 REWARD.—The above reward will be paid to the person or persons that stated to the *Commissioners* of Kent county, that the undersigned voted for U. S. Grant. This was done merely to keep me from being appointed Constable for the 5th Election District. This reward will be paid to the person or persons who will prove this to be a fact. JAMES S. CASEY.
Nov. 28, 1868—3t*

CAUTION.—All persons are hereby cautioned from trusting my wife, TILLIE FREEMAN, on my account, as I will pay no debts of her contracting.

Nov. 28, 1868—3t. PERRY FREEMAN.

Woolen Goods.

A FULL and well assorted stock now on hand, many of them received during the past week.

WOOLENS FOR MEN'S WEAR,
WOOLENS FOR BOY'S WEAR,
WOOLENS FOR GENERAL FARM USE and FAMILY WEAR.

As these goods were all obtained under the best auspices known to men of business, they are offered for sale upon terms as reasonable as are being offered by any other legitimate and reputable mercantile house on the Shore.

A general line of STAPLE AND FANCY DRY GOODS on hand, and Fresh Goods constantly coming in. TH. S. WICKES.
Chestertown, Oct. 10, 1868.

HEAVY KERSEYS;
CASSIMERES,
YARNS, AND
FLANNELS,
just received and for sale at Factory rates, by THOMAS S. WICKES.
Chestertown, October 3, 1868.

WM. KNABE & CO.,
MANUFACTURERS OF
GRAND, SQUARE AND UPRIGHT
PIANO-FORTES.

WAREROOMS—350 West Balt. St., near Eutaw, BALTIMORE, MD.

THESE instruments have been before the public for nearly thirty years, and upon their excellence alone attained *an unpurchased pre-eminence* which pronounces them unequaled.

Their TONE combines great power, sweetness and fine singing quality, as well as great purity of intonation, and evenness throughout the entire scale.

Their TOUCH is pliant and elastic, and entirely free from the stiffness found in so many Pianos. In WORKMANSHIP they are unexcelled, using none but the very best seasoned material, the large capital employed in our business enabling us to keep continually an immense stock of lumber, etc., on hand.

All our Square Pianos have our new Improved Overstrung scale and the Agraffe Treble.

We would call special attention to our late improvements in Grand Pianos and Square Grands, patented August 16, 1866, which bring the Piano nearer perfection than has yet been attained.

Every Piano fully warranted for Five Years.

Sole wholesale Agency for Carhart & Needham's Celebrated PARLOR ORGANS AND CHURCH HARMONIUMS.

*WM. KNABE & CO.,
No. 350 West Baltimore St., near Eutaw,
oc24-y. Baltimore, Md.

BOUNTIES!

I am still receiving all classes of State Claims for Collection, upon my usual Commission of ten per cent. NO CLAIMS BOUGHT.

No Charge unless Successful.

Notwithstanding the recent Limitation Act, it is believed that provision will be made for the payment of the large class of just Claims still unsettled.

Papers entrusted to my care will be kept in a *Fire-proof Vault*, specially built in the office for the purpose.

ALL KINDS OF U. S. BOUNTY, PAY AND PENSION CLAIMS still promptly collected by

WM. B. HILL,
ATTORNEY AT LAW.
N. E. Cor. of Fayette and St. Paul St.,
sep19-y BALTIMORE, MD.

BURNS & SLOAN,
132 Light Street Wharf,
BALTIMORE, MD.,
OFFER FOR SALE A COMPLETE ASSORTMENT OF WELL-SEASONED
Building Lumber
LATHS AND SHINGLES,
FENCING AND PALES,
ASH, OAK & WALNUT,
AT LOWEST PRICES.
ALSO, DOORS, SASH & BLINDS.
May 16, 1868—y.

A STOCK OF NEW JEWELRY,
Silverware, Watches,
CLOCKS, NOTIONS, &c., NOW OPEN AT
E. T. WILLIS'

THESE goods have been purchased of honorable wholesale dealers and manufacturers, at the lowest cash prices, and *will* be sold at reasonable figures. The styles will be the latest and most fashionable designs. It is useless to enumerate articles; all that is asked is to call and examine for yourselves. Any article not found in the stock on hand, can be procured in a few days, from a find Gold Watch down to any article, however small, usually kept in a similar establishment. The determination is to do strictly a legitimate business, *always* representing in their true character goods offered for sale.

Attention may be called, however, to a fine assortment of FINGER RINGS, 18k., suitable for engagement, wedding or other purposes; BREAST PINS, Ear Rings, Sleeve Buttons, &c. TABLE CUTLERY.—Joseph Rodgers & Sons' celebrated manufacture.

REPAIRING of Watches, Clocks and Jewelry done in workmanlike manner.

E. T WILLIS.

N. B.—Work will not be kept on hand longer than six months after being fixed. If not called for in that time, will be sold for charges.

March 14, 1868. E. T. W.

A Minute Well Spent.

LOOK at B. STRAUSS' PRICE LIST of Clothing and Furnishing Goods.

No Such Prices since '57.

STOCK TO BE REDUCED!
LOW PRICES!
GOOD GOODS!

DESIROUS of reducing my Stock as much as possible by the first of January, I have concluded to offer for Thirty Days only, goods at the following cash prices:

Heavy Business Suits 10, 12, 15, 18 and $20.
Good Working Pants 1.50, 1.75, 2.50, 3.00.
Dress Cassimere Suits 15, 18, 20 and $24.00.
Black Cloth and Doeskin Coats 6.00 to 20.00.
do. Pants 4 to 10.00, Vests 2 to 5.00.
Good Overcoats of all styles and qualities, with prices to place them within reach of all classes.

HATS, CAPS, and General FURNISHING GOODS will be sold at astonishing low rates.

An examination into these facts will convince you that "THIS IS NO HUMBUG."

COME! examine the Stock and price the Goods, even if you do not purchase.

Strike until the last foe be dead,
Strike for the stars and strips over your head,
Strike for the land we all adore,
Then strike for B. Strauss' Clothing Store!

B. STRAUSS,
Corner High and Cross Sts., Chestertown.
Nov. 14, 1868.

Farmers Look to Your Interest.

BLACKSMITHING DONE AT REDUCED RATES.

THE undersigned having taken the up-town Shop recently occupied by Alfred L. Benjamin, is now prepared to do all kinds of

BLACKSMITHING

AT REDUCED RATES, and guarantee it to give satisfaction.

Particular attention paid to repairing of Carriages. Also, GUNSMITHING done in workmanlike manner.

I respectfully ask a share of your patronage, believing we shall be mutually benefited, as I am determined to work at Reduced Rates.

HENRY G. [illegible]
Chestertown, May 30, 1868.

CASSIMERES, KERSEYS & [illegible] a very large stock now on hand, purchased [illegible]