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A Grand Wonderland Display for the children. Thousands of toys are here, in wonderous variety—Santa Claus has certainly transformed our store into fairyland. Only a few items can be mentioned.

All Kinds Christmas Tree Ornaments.

an endless variety. Prices range from 1 cent upwards. Rubber Rattles all sizes and styles.

DOLLS From 5c to $1.75.

Jointed Dolls, bisque head, moving eyes, silk hair, life-like features - - 25c

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Large collection of all kinds of Children's Books from . . . . 5c to 25c
Toy Stoves and Ranges . . . 10c
Toy Pianos . . . 23, 40 and 98c
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Mechanical Automobiles—for either boy or girl . . 50c
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Beautiful Holiday Handkerchiefs .....5c to 25c
No more popular gift for man woman or child than handkerchiefs.
Hand-knit Bed Room Slippers.....$1.25
Toilet Case, and Albums—Another lot just arrived, prices very low.
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7½ French Mixture per lb.....5c
Good 10c Mixed Candy for.....7½c
Broken Candy an elegant assortment of excellent quality 10c
Fancy French Mixture per lb.....10c
Clear Toy Candy per lb.....10c
Peanut Taffey per lb.....10c
Best Layer Raisins per lb.....10c
Good Cream Chocolates per lb.....12½c
The Best 4 A. Mixtures.....25c
The Finest Mixture of Cream Chocolates, French Creams, Butter Cups, Bon-bons, etc., for.....18c
The Best 40c Cream Chocolates lb...30c
Large New English Walnuts pound, 12½c
Best Soft Shell Almonds.....18c
Best Large Butternuts 12½c
Cocoanuts 5c
Headquarters for Lowney's Chocolates and Fancy Box Candies.

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BETTERTON NEWS.

Harry Knotts, the efficient salesman of Owens & Co, has returned to his duties after a vacation which he spent gunning at his home near Queen Anne.

Littleton Moore has returned to Philadelphia where he will resume his duties at Keith's New Theatre. Mr. Moore is an able and experienced stage man.

Miss Virginia Holt, of Hillsboro, has returned home after a pleasant visit to Mrs. Howard Owens. While here she spent several days gunning and was fortunate in bagging a partridge and 3 ducks.

Miss Violet Moore has returned home after an extended visit in Baltimore.

Wm. E. Greet, of Phila., spent a few days here with his uncle, Alexander Wheeler.

Miss Elsie Crew, of Kennedyville, was home Sunday.

Louis Sykes and Thos. Silcox visited Baltimore Tuesday.

Miss Bessie Leigh has returned home after a week's visit to friends in Balto.

A most pleasant informal dance was given in honor of Miss Virginia Waters Holt at the Chesapeake on Saturday.

Coasting and gunning are the pastimes of our populace.

Messrs. Wheeler, Brice and Crew had two lucky days gunning this week—five geese one day and three geese and 32 ducks another. Several others have bagged one goose this season.

County Commissioners.—The commissioners met Tuesday and approved the following accounts:

Sam'l E. T. Startt Magis certif.....	$ 3 96
L. J. Keyser Shf. board of Pris.....	309 25
Wm. B. Usilton Sons job work and audit report.....	300 74
Wm. T. Anderson Jur. of Inqst. on Sadie Wright.....	1 00
Deby Graves pension.....	8 00
Thos. Tucker Road Work 1st. Dist.....	10 80
Henry Robinson masonry 2nd "	17 50
H. D. Hendrickson road work 2 "	21 00
G. W. Watts " " 3 "	15 20
Aran W. Taylor " " "	16 70
A. H. Crew " " 4 "	25 00
L. J. Ford " " "	10 40
Harry Cacy " " "	19 02
Jno. F. Rice " " 5 "	9 24
R. N. C. Ayres " " "	4 20
Bartus C. Hatcherson " " "	4 75
J. E. Dority " " 3 "	21 65

THE Delaware railroad offices are to be removed from Clayton to Wilmington, according to report from high sources. This means that Clayton will reeeive a terrific blow.

CHURCH NOTES.

Rev. W. L. White preached a strong sermon to the Daughters of America on Sunday evening. The church was filled with members of the various orders.

The Christian Workers meeting in Christ Church Sunday evening was lead by Mrs. Raloh Barnett whose subject was "Decision." Mrs. J. H. Sides rendered a solo, duet by Miss Flora Wheatley and Prof. Bowers; duet and quartet by Mrs. W. R. Aldridge, Mrs. J. Hydie Thompson, Prof. Bowers and Mr. F. G. Usilton; a reading by Miss Mayme Thompson.

Rev. J. B. Jones, the earnest and vigorous pulpit orator, is expected to spend a week in Chestertown in January and to preach every night in Christ M. P. church. A warm welcome awaits this popular ex-pastor.

It is reported that at the next session of the Wilmington M. E. Conference which meets in Wilmington the preachers and officials will have to look out for individual invitations and offers of Wilmington hospitality or will pay their own way for the first time in the history of the Conference. Chestertown can do better than that.

The usual services will be held in Christ Methodist Protestant Church. The morning Sermon-Theme will be, "The Ointment of Spikenard;" evening, "The Women of Christ's Circle. The Sisters of Bethany." You are invited.

IT is said that the Prohibition party candidates in the city polled less than 1 per cent. of the total vote cast, and for this reason the party has lost its place on the official ballot. They will therefore be unable to nominate candidates for Mayor, Comptroller or President of the Second Branch City Council except by petition, and except in the Second Legislative district they have also lost their right to nominate except by petition candidates for the Legislature next fall or for the Council next spring. The total vote cast by the Prohibitionists in the city was 731, while in order to have retained their place on the official ballot it was necessary to poll 1,040. The Prohibition candidates have in former elections received as high as 2,300 votes in the city. The total official vote in the State was announced as 3,034, as compared with 4,674 four years ago, showing a loss of 1,640 votes in the recent campaign.

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Santa Claus Has Taken Possession and Extends You a Cordial Welcome to the Grand Opening Display and Sale of Gift Goods, Toys and Dolls.

Dolls of Every Sort and Size

25c Dolls

UNDRESSED KID BODY DOLLS, 12½ inches high; bisque head; jointed at hips and knees.
UNDRESSED JOINTED DOLL, 14 inches high; bisque head and moving eyes; jointed at hips, knees, elbows and shoulders.
DRESSED DOLLS, 14 inches high; bisque head, dressed in assorted colors, with shoes and stockings to match.
UNBREAKABLE WOOD DOLLS, with cap.
RAG DOLLS, 14 inches high, with dress and hood.

50c Dolls

DRESSED JOINTED DOLLS, 15 inches high; bisque head, moving eyes; assorted colored dresses, with hat, shoes and stockings to match.
INFANT RAG DOLLS, with long slip petticoat and cap; can be undressed.
UNDRESSED KID BODY DOLLS, with bisque head and moving eyes; jointed hip and knee, with shoes and stockings.
WORSTED DOLLS, 14 inches high, with voice; assorted colors.

$1.00 Dolls

KID BODY DOLLS, 21 inches high with pretty bisque head, large moving eyes, sewed wig, shoes and stockings.
DRESSED DOLLS, 17 inches high, with bisque head and moving eyes; completely dressed from underwear to hat.
GENUINE HANDWERCK JOINTED DOLLS, 21 inches high; bisque head, with moving eyes and sewed natural hair. An unusual bargain.
KID BODY DOLLS, flesh pink color, 16 inches high; bisque head and moving eyes, sewed wig and jointed hips and knees. A very fine quality.

A great variety of Large Dolls in Kid Body, jointed, dressed, as well as Walking Dolls and French Dolls, up to $2.00 each.

Visit the Wonderful Toyland!

By Far the Largest Stocks in the City.

Everything New and Good to Make the Children Happy.

BOYS' VELOCIPEDES—the durable kind; some have rubber tires. $1.38 to $5.98.
GIRLS' TRICYCLES, black enamel with upholstered seats. $2 98 to $6.98.
DOLL GO CARTS of Rattan; some are reclining and have rubber tires. 59c to $6 00
GIRLS' SLEIGHS of every conceivable kind. 25c to $3 00.
AUTOMOBILES, made of steel; enameled in colors; some have sprocket wheels and chains and go as fast as a bicycle. $5 50 to $60.
BOYS' SLEIGHS—the low kind; Strongly made. 25c to $2.75.
FLEXIBLE FLYERS, made of steel with wood tops; steer well with the feet and go like lightning. $2.50 to $6 00.
GIRLS' CUTTERS, for young children; you push them like baby carriages. $1.50 to $6.00.
BLACKBOARDS—Some stand on the floor, some hang on the wall and others are made of real slate 23c to $4 25.
PIANO STOOLS—Various kinds and sizes 25c to 50c.
HORSES, covered with skin; some on wheels and others on rockers. 25c $10.00.

ROCK HALL ITEMS

Rev. and Mrs. Burr returned from their vacation spent in North Carolina among their Children, on Wednesday of last week. Notwithstanding a serious illness of Mrs. Burr, while in the South land, which necesitated special medical attention, their trip was one of real pleasure and joy. Never the less, they were equally as joyous to get back to their parsonage home, and among their parishoners. Mr. Burr occupied his pulpit Sunday morning, very much to the joy of a good assembly of the membership, and friends of the Church. His text was, Preach the Word, 2 Tim, 4: 2. and the reverend gentleman did preach the *word* with freedom, and with power, and greatly to the edification of the faithful ones.

The M. E. Sunday School has now under consideration the Christmas tide entertainment, which promises to be a most royal affair to a membership of 436.

Mr. Joseph Downey with the assistance of his family, is making elaborate preparations in the turning of his corner store room recently vacated by Mr. Kramer into a Christmas emporium for the coming holidays.

Messrs. Miller, Crew and Alexander & Son, are also making large preparations for the holidays. Their preliminary displays are to say the least fascinating. It will be well worth while for Santa Claus to give our merchants a call.

The "Mississini," has broken out again among certain of the oystermen, we hear that a number of our watermen intend going to Mississippi in the near future, we wish them good luck, but it is likely they will find when they get there, it will not begin to compare with dear old Kent in favorableness.

Mr. T. E. Jones has retired from the oyster tonging business, and on Monday moved to Baltimore where he has secured employment for himself and sons, many good wishes go with Mr. Jones and his family, nevertheless many regret the loss of so estimable family from our midst.

There are also many regrets that Mr. Wm. J. Morrison has been transferred from Kent to Talbot, he is the biggest kind of a hustler and his magnificent work in this section has made many friends, we are glad of the honor conferred upon him, he is in every way worthy of his promotion, and we wish him unbounded success in his new field.

Ben Hur recitals before the I.O.O.F. Lodge here is proving a drawing card. The Lodge has just elected the following officials for the ensuring term: N. G., J. A. Greenwood, V. G., J. R. Ryan; Rec. Sec., J. W. Boyer; Finan. Secv., S. B. Colyer; Treasurer, B. H. Coburn; Chap., M. L. Maslin; Representative to Grand Lodge, W. T. Harrison.

Mr. Saunders, has moved from Gray Town to his son's place, and Mr. Wm. Culley will occupy the place vacated by Mr. Saunders.

Captains G. T. Sewell and Henry Smith in conjunction with the weather man have boosted the price of oysters to the 50 and 55 cent mark, as a consequence good humor prevails among the tongmen.

The young men of the 5th District held a delightful dance at the K. of P. hall last evening. The patronesses were Mesdames John C. Brice, A. Carroll Wilson, J. C. Ringgold, J. Walter Sutton, W. O. Selby. Reception committee was Hynson Beck, J. Raymond Walbert, J. Mack Wilson. The floor committee was Notley O. Wilson, Wm D. Maslin, Wm. W. Camp, Charles A. Jessup.

SASSAFRAS ITEMS.

Mrs. W. H. Spry is entertaining Miss Winnie Stevens, of Harrington, Del.

Mrs. John F. Ernest and Mrs. Robert S. Griffith were entertained by Mrs. Rachel Strody near Golt's on Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Laura Townsend is being entertained by Mr. and Mrs Chas. Fillingham.

Mrs. Belle Caulk is being entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sheppard near town.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Duryea, of near Warwick entertained at an elaborate dinner on Friday last and among the guests were Mrs. John F. Ernest, of Sassafras, Mrs. I. Gunkie and daughter Miss Bessie, of Warwick, Mrs. John R. H. Price, of near Warwick, a most charming day was enjoyed by all.

Dr. I. Veasey Wallace, of Chesapeake City one of our most eminent physicians was seriously bitten by a vicious dog while visiting a patient one day last week. His friends here trust there will be no serious results therefrom.

Mr. S. Willis Lusby, of Cecilton, visited Sassafras on Tuesday.

Mr. William Knight, of Baltimore, visited Sassafras on Thursday last.

Rev. F. Cain preached in the Rehoboth M. P. Church here on Sunday morning to a large congregation.

Rev. M. Smoot preached in the M. E. Church on Sunday afternoon which was well attended.

Master J. F. Ernest Jr. and Douglas Ernest had one of the swiftest sleighing teams out on the speedway. Mr. Unit Horsey, of Galena, was driving a beautiful pair of high steppers also to a stylish cutter. There were over a dozen very fine teams out. We noticed Mr. Frederick Robinson from over in Cecil in a fine team also.

The rector of the Earleville church, Rev. W. A. Coale and wife, were entertained most beautifully by Mr. and Mrs. I. Calhoun for the day on Tuesday last. Mr. and Mrs. Calhoun have a beautiful home on the banks of Sassafras River at the edge of Sassafras our quaint old town, and always do entertain most hospitably.

There will be a musical and entertainment in the town Hall in the near future.

It is reported we are to have two weddings soon.

The school was closed here last week on account of the scarlet fever, but resumed school duties this week.

We do think the colored families that have the scarlet fever should be quarantined.

Mr. Jacob T. Shallcross visited Chestertown on Tuesday last.

Miss Sarah Ford, of Cheswold, Del. and Miss May Toulson, of Cayotts, visited relatives here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Biggs and children, of Chesapeake City visited her parents Mr. and Mrs. John Johnston here for several days last week and her brother Mr. Herbert Johnston near Golts last week.

JUDGING from the description of the men who blew open the safe in the Southern Maryland Savings Bank and secured $3,000, they are the came parties who cracked safes at Church Hill, Cordova and Bridgevill. They secured their tools from a blacksmith shop, entered the bank by breaking a pane of glass and then blew open the safe with nitro-glycerine. They took all the cash in the safe and escaped without arousing the inhabitants of the village.

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And Prices Right.

Ladies and Gentleman we have landed at our store and warehouses

47 LOADS OF GOODS!

The very goods you want and when you see them and hear our prices you will say that we don't want them. Go they must.

Eggs Wanted 28c Spot Cash. 30c in Trade.

Our Purchase!

consists of Candies, Rasins, Nuts, Figs, Dates, Toys all styles; Tree Ornaments, and Cakes, Crackers, Gold Medal Flour and a thousand other things

Baking Days!

Saturdays, Dec. 10, 17 and 24, we will bake your fruit cake. But cakes must be in by 10 o'clock a. m.

CHARLES S. SMITH,

STILL POND NEWS.

Miss Mary Anderson is visiting her parents at Cecilton.

Mrs. A. J. Hackett is visiting parents at Worton.

Goldey Warren, of Washington College, visited his parents here.

Mrs. John Robinson and children have returned from a visit to Delaware City and Phila.

Mrs. Owen J. Haughey and daughter, Marguerite of Wilmington, have returned from a pleasant visit to her sister, Mrs. Mary Plummer.

Mrs. B. B. Price at Fredericktown entertained Mrs. Mary Plummer and her cousin, Ben Price, Sunday.

Messrs. Charlie Hague and Charlie Severson are visiting in Baltimore.

Miss Katie Capps has been visiting Miss Ruth Robinson.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Krusen are visiting their son at Vineland, N. J.

Bayard Crew, of Betterton, has a position with Wm. Medders.

Wm. Krusen led the Epworth League service Sunday.

The W. H. M. S. of the Millington M. E. church, will meet at Mrs. John P. Ahern's, Thursday, Dec. 15, at 7 p.m. A full attendance is desired.

EARLEVILLE NOTES.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Duhamell have been entertaining their daughter, Mrs. Mary Bateman, of Baltimore.

Miss Edith Chase Alderson has been appointed teacher for No. 7 school, vice Miss Cora Anderson, resigned.

Mr. Charles Manlove, of Atlantic City, and John Manlove, Cecilton, were entertained by Mr. Robt. Register.

Mrs. Harry J. Clark has returned from a delightful visit to Wilmington and Philadelphia. Mrs. Daniel Smith entertained her at a 4 o'clock tea.

Mr. James Davis, an aged gentleman living near here, is lying very ill at his home.

A number of gentlemen gave a dance in Mechanic's Hall Wednesday night.

The exercises held by Earleville public school at Thanksgiving were most entertaining and instructive.

Mrs. R. J. Duhamell returned Wednesday after a visit to Mrs. Maxwell Woodall.

Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Evans, of Middletown, has been visiting here.

Mr. Wallace Duhamell and mother have removed from Earleville to the house recently purchased from William Wooleyhand, Reybold's wharf.