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FOLLOW THE

MAJORITY

get in line, and do it early. The verdict of the largest percentage of any one body is generally accepted as correct, as you can fool some people all the time, all the people sometimes. BUT you can't fool all the people all the time. The inference then to be deducted is, Trade at an Establishment where most of the most conservative customers are to be seen trading.

GET IN LINE

and soon as you can, in order to avoid the holiday rush, for it will be very much more satisfacory to both you and us. You will have more time to make selections and a more varied assortment to select from. This has been the largest (BY FAR)

BINKS (After the Club)—Gee, if I only had one of "them things" I'd stay here till morning.

Suit and Overcoat selling season we ever had. A great many lines have been restocked several times. But its getting late for us to expect replenishments from manufacturers, as we are now placing orders for next summer.

Our Big and Little Boy's

Suits and Overcoat department has received a liberal share of trading and we have been complimented on both selections and prices by a good many ladies who have been trading in the city.

SEPARATE TROUSERS for all sorts of pocketbooks and shapes of Men, Boys, and Children.

THE LARGEST

and most up-to-date line of Gloves ever displayed in Kent or Queen Anne's Counties, they are going too. Neckwear, Nice quality Suspenders, Collars and Cuffs, Shirts, and came near omitting HATS and CAPS, But you all know about our large distributions of HATS.

LOOK this list over, and if in need, we will be pleased to serve you. Come early as you can.

Respectfully Yours,

MOODY & LUSBY

Opposite Court House, - Chestertown, Md.

HEAVY ICE IN BAY

Six Inches Thick Above Betterton—Emma A. Ford Running, Leaving Baltimore 2 p. m.—Conditions Grow Serious.

The latest reports regarding the ice in the upper part of the Chesapeake bay are that it will take but a few degrees more of cold to completely block navigation. The Anthony Groves, of the Ericsson Line, struck the heaviest ice at Betterton. Officers of the boat said that the crust in the Chesapeake and Delaware canal was about three inches thick.

"We had but little trouble, however," said the officer, "until we were off Betterton. There solid ice spread over the bay as far down as Pooles Island. At Betterton the snow broth and ice were fully six inches thick, and gave us considerable trouble before we could tie up at the wharf. It was necessary to ram some of the ice before the steamer could force her way through. We do not expect to lose trips unless the grip of the ice is considerably tightened."

On the Sassafras River.

The steamer Susquehanna, of the Tolchester Company, failed to make landings at Betterton and Buckneck, on Worton creek, Tuesday and Capt. Eliason has decided to withdraw the regular schedule and replace it with "weather and ice permitting". The boat got within a mile of Betterton Wednesday and several passengers reached her by walking out on the ice. The Port Deposit boats have been withdrawn.

The steamer Emma Ford, Capt. William Taylor, has not missed her trips to Chestertown. Solid ice was encountered by the Ford as far down the river as Booker's wharf yesterday. The greatest was met in Queenstown creek, where solid ice several inches thick was struck. No stops on the route were missed, however. On and after Monday the Ford will leave Baltimore at 2 p. m. This is a change for the better.

STILL POND NEWS.

The Farmers' club was entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. Shafer last Thursday. Those presedt were Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Pennington, Miss Lizze Pennington, Mr. and Mrs. A. Crawford, Capt. and Mrs Daniel Hill, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. L. Redmile, Mr. and Mrs. W. Hagan, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Miller, Judge F. H. Harper, Rev T. F. Beauchamp, Mr. J. Jarrel. At 5 o'clock the meeting adjourned to meet January 7th at Capt. D. Hill's.

A very pleasant evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Robinsons' Tuesday evening. All kinds of games were played until 10 o'clock when all were invited out to refreshments. Among those present were, Misses Davis, Ruth Robinson, Daisy Severson, Mary and Katie Capps, Messrs. Clarence Biddle, Jack Whiteley, John Jervis, Ernest Briscoe, Carl Lynch, Willie Thompson, Harry Ricards, Carl Norris, and others.

The Epworth League was led Sunday evening by Miss Jennie Coleman, the subject being "Good and bad Habits."

Many went to Betterton to meet the boat this week, but on account of the ice the boat could not get in.

Mr Price Stanley and El. Crowding visited town Monday.

Miss Elsie Ricards who has been visiting friends at St. Georges has returned home.

Miss Moffett spent Sunday the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. L. Ford.

SANTA CLAUS LETTERS.

Children Make their Appeals to Old Kris Through the News—He Will Answer Each One the Best He Can.

Old Kris is indeed rich in the love of the little ones. Mrs. Kris, too, has received her share of attention. The NEWS feels proud of the unselfish spirit of our little readers and as one expresses it, they "Could not be happy unless others were happy, too," Below will be found a number of the letters sent to Old Kris through the NEWS. He has promised us to answer each one of these letters at Christmas and to bring each little girl and boy as many of the things they want as they can afford.

The gift most frequently requested is a doll. Even the small boy longs for this cherished treasure—when he doesn't want a billy goat.

Should the weather, such as we are now enjoying continue, surely Kris Kringle, with his reindeer and sleigh, will have but little, if any, trouble reaching the homes of his many little friends.

Some of the letters forwarded were as follows:

Hynson Loud, Chestertown R. R. 2—I want you to bring me a sweater, a pair of gum boots, a sled and lots of candy and nuts and don't forget my brother and sister.

Frances Bacon, Chestertown—I am a little girl five years old and think I have been a right good girl and would like for you to stop at our house. I would like to have a stove, and some cooking utensils with it, some blocks, some nice picture books a doll, nuts and candy from the candy kitchen and don't forget that I have a brother and sister.

J. Alvin McCauley, Galena—Won't you please bring me a big express wagon. I am one of seven children and me and my brother Granville, have all the wood to put on the back porch and need a wagon. If you can not bring us both one, bring one between us; our plates you will find on the dining table please fill with candy, nuts and oranges and dear Kris do not forget my dear good Mama and we have a sweet new baby sister since you were here last Xmas, little Eva; bring her a stick of mint candy. Mary, my four year old sister wants a baby coach.

Beula Davis, Rock Hall—I would like for you to bring me a writing desk, a black board a pair of gum boots No. 10. I go to school now and I will need them. Please bring Mama a pocket purse and bring me some candy, nuts and oranges, and please remember all of my cousins, Catherine, Frances, Arnold and Carl, and please don't forget little Edna she is so nice, bring her a little rattle.

Freddie F. Robinson, Chestertown—I do not want much this year as you have so many to go to, I want some nuts and candy a horn, a jack in the band box, a drum, and a penknife and hobby horse, please do not forget my little sister and three little brothers. I live up by Mrs. Ringgolds store.

Lindsey Severson—Still Pond—I am a little boy four years old, I try to be a good boy. Please bring me a velocepide, pair gum boots a little sled, pretty tree, candy, nuts and oranges.

Lilly Elizabeth Jester—I am a little girl just eight years old, sometimes I am a good girl. I hope you will bring me a carriage for my dolly, a pair of shoes, two pair of stockings, a pair of gloves, hair garters, candy, nuts, oranges, dates, figs and lots of other good things to eat.

Joseph Walter Jester.—Please bring me a nice warm cap, two pair of stockings, a pair of gloves, candy, nuts, oranges, bananas, dates, figs and a nice toy. I am a good little boy.

Frank Beaton Jester,—I am a pretty good little fellow and hope you will bring me everything I want, let that be a nice warm cap, two pair of stockings, Gloves, and a good pair of shoes, Candy, nuts, oranges, bananas, dates figs and lots of other things. If you think we will have lots of snow you can bring me a sled.

Josie Cox, Locust Grove—I am a little boy 9 years old go to school every day. Please bring me a pair of boots, pistol and caps, candy, jump jack, nuts, oranges, mouth organ, cars, and drum.

Catherine Cox, Locust Grove—Will you please bring me a doll baby, a horn, candy nuts, apples, oranges and a little horse I saw down in Mr. Harper's store, please don't forget me Kris for I am a little girl four years old. Don't forget mama and papa.

Nannie Ryan, Rock Hall—Well as Xmas is drawing near and as you come to see me every year I will write again asking you for a few presents kindly leave under our tree a pretty doll, I have one but she is getting too old and ugly, a set of dishes, a little stove, different kinds of games, some nuts, oranges candies, apples, and shooting crackers and please sir don't slight papa, sister and brother bring them something also remember my school teacher Miss Lillian Maslin she deserves something nice and pretty. I must close and not take so much time in waiting trusting you remember your little girl.

Birtha Cox, Kennedyville—I want you to bring me a sled, a nice pair of shoes an album and a nice story book: please do not forget my little sister and baby brother, we all want nuts, candy, oranges, apples, and everything that is nice.

Lelia Everet, Chestertown—I want you to bring me a doll couch, doll bat, wash board and tub and work basket. I will not ask you to bring me anything more, but will be pleased with anything you bring me, good bye, be sure to come see me and sister.

Charles Hodgkins, Jr., Chestertown—Please bring me a pair of gum boots, a football a sled, trim my tree and bring some candy, nuts, oranges and story book.

Catharine Price, Millington—I am one of the little girls that got all of my toys burned please bring me a go-cart, a doll, nuts, candies and oranges. I live up to my uncle Johns house now, please bring my papa, mama, aunty and uncle John something too, bring my aunty a pound cake.

Irving Sparks, Chestertown—I want you to bring me a tin express wagon, air rifle, alcohol engine with lot of works, egg shape leather foot ball, pony and carriage, a set of harness, a rain coat, a little train of cars that run by steam on a track and a piano.

James Blackiston, Chestertown—I am eight years old, I have neither a father or mother, I am living in Chestertown with my uncle Will. If you please bring me a express wagon, a sweater, a pair of gloves and candy I would like to have a sled but I will try to be satisfied with what I have got, please do not forget other boys and girls, good bye.

Addie Everett, Chestertown—I want you to bring me a coach, wash board and tub. I have 3 dolls, I do not want any doll hats for my doll, I want a work basket. I have a little brother he wants a rattle, I want a orange, an apple, candy, nuts and a Xmas tree, that is all, good bye.

Calvin Cox, Locust Grove—Please bring me a pair of boots, a pistol that shoots caps, a half dozen boxes of caps, candies, oranges, and nuts.

Stewart Price, Millington—I am sure that you want to hear from the boys and girls, I am one of the little boys that got all my toys burned. Please bring me a pair of gum boots, an express wagon, some nuts, oranges, candies figs and apples, I live up to my aunties house now, please bring my papa, mama, aunty and uncle John something too.

Mary Lillian Taylor, Church Hill—I am a little girl 6 years old, please bring me a large doll, a fur set, a ring, dishes, candy, nuts oranges and all you can spare, please don't forget my school teacher, Miss Bertha Barton.

Pearl M. Taylor, Church Hill—Please bring me a doll, a ring, a large Christmas book. I am eight years old and I am in the third reader, don't forget Uncle Charlie. Please don't forget to bring us the KENT NEWS for next year, as papa and mama can not get along without it, please bring me nuts and candy.

Merie Smith, Rock Hall—Here I come again to tell you what I want, please come through the front door as it will be too warm to come down the chimney as we sit up rather late, please come and leave my Christmas tree, a set of furs, a pair of golf gloves, a doll baby dressed in blue, a pair of shoes, some handkerchiefs and all kinds of eatables.

Ruth Smith, Rock Hall—I have been a very good girl and I dont want you to forget me Christmas, please leave at my home a pair of golf gloves, a big china doll dressed in long clothes, a little doll for my little brother. Hope. Good bye.

Mildred Maslin, Pomona, Md.—I am a little girl three years old have never seen you but have heard a great deal of talk about you. I would like you to trim my tree, bring me a doll baby, a doll carriage, some toys, nuts, candy, oranges and bananas if you please.

Horton Money, Still Pond—I am a little boy nearly four years old, and I want you to please bring me a pair of gum boots, a knife, some candy, nuts, and oranges, and I want a big wagon to bring my mama wood in.

Mabel Money, Still Pond—I thought as it was near time for you to come around I had better write and tell you what I would like you to bring me I want a pair of gum boot to go out in the snow, some cardy, nuts, and oranges, don't forget my mama, she likes candy too.

Lillie Durham, Millington—Please bring me a doll, a set of dishes, a picture book, some candy, cakes, and a writing desk.

Bessie M. Walters, Chestertown—I am a little girl five years old, I am staying in town with grandma and grandpa, I thought I would let you know what I want:—I want a real Christmas doll, a pony, sleigh, little gears and little whip, nuts, candy, oranges, apples. Please don't forget my sisters Josephine and Mamie, mama and papa, way down in Pine Neck.

Elsie May Dixon, Millington—I am a little girl nine years old and I thought I would write and tell you what I want Christmas I want you to bring me a bed stead for my doll, some candy, nuts, oranges and some raisins, and my brother Cooper wants you to bring him a sled and some candy, nuts and oranges, and my sister Florence wants a doll baby, a piano, some nuts, candy, and some oranges. We girls and boys will try and be good, good bye.

Helen Kendall, Chestertown—I dont want you to forget me, for I have been a very good girl, I dont want very much, I want a sled, a nice large doll, some games to play, a lot of candies, a nice set of dishes and a Christmas tree. Please don't forget to bring my kitty some pretty bows of ribbon for its neck. And dont forget little Dorothy. I think this is all, so good bye.

Daisy Latimer Tarbutton, Galena—Please bring me a sled, a baby coach, wash tub, little black dog, tin kitchen, doll baby, rocking horse, Christmas tree, candy, oranges, and nuts I am a little girl five years old, and will be good until Christmas. Please dont forget to bring Fan a new shirt.

Wilkins Trew, Lankford—I would like to have an auto, engine, cars, express Wagon and a tricycle, thats all.

William N. Hague, Lankford—Please bring me a pair of gum boots, a book bag, a small pocket book, and a gun that shoots shot, and please do not forget to trim my tree real pretty, and bring me plenty of candy, nuts and oranges. Please do not forget my brother Earle he is four years old, he wants a pair of rubbers a wheel barrow, a small pocket book, candy, nuts and oranges, do not forget Mamma and Papa.

Ethel Lecompte, St. Pauls, Md.—Will you please bring me a doll, a doll carriage, some candy, nuts and oranges, please do not forget my little brother, Nelson.

Walter LeCompte, St. Pauls, Md.—Will you please bring me a wagon, a large horn, some candy, nuts, and oranges and please do not forget my Papa and Mama my papa is a carpenter and has had a good year this year, he says please bring him plenty of work next year.

Roy Barnette, Chestertown—Please bring me 25 tools, a sled, an iron safe with key, a train with track, and fill my stocking with good things.

Master Carl Apsley, Rock Hall—I am a little boy five years old and I have moved from the house I used to live in and now I live in a new house close to the church, I want you to bring me a sled and anything else you please, I have been a right good boy, I want nuts, candy and oranges, and please do not forget my mama and papa, who live way down the road, and don't forget all the other little children and please trim my Christmas tree for me, I hope I have not asked too much.

Letters have also been received from the following whose letters came after the above:

Chestertown — Margaret Slaughter Smith, Louise Miller Strong, Bessie L. Nelson, Freddie W. Davis, Merle and Sallie White, Ruth R. Allen, Mary Maslin, Arthur, Ely, Charley and Harvey Coleman, Mary Clark, William Tomlinson Smith.

Millington—Alfred L. and Norman Robinson, Jr, George and Elsie Neal.

Galena—Hattie May Galaway, Leslie H. Sutton, Esther Cochran, Sara S. Pennington, Victor H. Stradley, Elsie Lehman, Willie Starr, Lizzie Powell, Elsie Dixon, Howard Fowler, Ovah Spry, Hiram Powell, Louise Jervis, Andsey Smoot, Edna Ford, Leroy McCauley, Ella Cochran, Fannie Wood.

Locust Grove—Lewis Greenwood.

Church Hill—Viva Thawley.

Cliff City—Vickers Crouch, Elsie Legg and Blanche E. Hickey.

Rock Hall—Carville Melvin, Genevieve Hersch, Margaret Burgess, Bertie C. and Mary H. Culley and Elma Elburn.

Fairlee—Florence, Eva and Louise Copper.

Masseys—Rubin and Raymond Joiner.

Kennedyville — Beulah Robinson at her grandfather's in Morgnec, Heston and Johnny Cox.

Lankford—Lidia Hendrix.

Still Pond—Tommie Plummer.

PERSONAL TIDINGS....

About You and Your Friends—The Going and Coming of Persons You Know.

Mrs. M. A. Wilkins and daughter, Miss Jennie, went to Baltimore by train Monday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Grape who died Monday.

Mrs. M. A. I. Stevens has been the guest this week of her brother, Mr. Reese Beck, on Maple avenue. Mr. Beck has been in poor health but is somewhat better.

Mrs. Wm R. Aldridge and daughters are visiting relative in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Sappington visited Baltimore friends this week.

Mr. and Mrs James P. Parrott have removed from Scott's Point to Cannon street opposite corner to Capt. Pheffer's store.

Judge and Mrs. Joseph A. Wickes and children have been visiting in Baltimore.

Mrs. Wm. J. Vannort is in Baltimore visiting her daughter.

Mrs. Jennie Byron returned Saturday from a visit to Baltimore relatives.

Mrs. Harry Graham and children are visiting in Washington.

Dr. Brown, specialist of Johns Hopkins Hospital, was in town last week.

Daisy, the eight-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Patrick, was seriously burned about the head, face and hands on Friday evening last.

Mr. John G. Seeney, tenant on Col. W. J. Vannort's Flatland farm, was carried to Baltimore this week for an operation for appendicitis. Dr. Urie is his physician in Baltimore.

H. W. Vickers, Esq., went to Elkton Monday to take part in the Constable murder case.

Mrs. G. E. Lambert has been visiting friends in Baltimore this week.

Miss Ada Barnett returned from a protracted stay in Baltimore Tuesday as did Miss Edith Fallowfield.

Capt. G. F. Satterfield and wife are spending the winter at Citz Point, Virginia. Capt. Frank is not fighting ice this winter.

Misses Lena and Florence Rasin have returned home from a five weeks visit among friends and relatives in the North. Messers. Herbert J. Watson and H Cloyd Dilworth, of Wilmington, Del. are visiting the parental home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. G. Rasin near Still Pond.

Miss Bessie Webb is now spending a short time in Baltimore with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Roeder.

Mr. Joshua Bryan, near Chestertown, has returned from Baltimore, where he was under the care of a specialist, but he is little improved.

Miss Anna G. Lambert has accepted a position as assistant secretary in Mr. W. W. Hubbard's offices, to take effect January 1st.

Miss Wheeler Peterson is visiting her parents in Southern Maryland.

Mr. Jos. Vernon, brother of the late John Vernon, arrived in Chestertown Thursday night from an absence of 28 years in Northern Dakota. He has not been heard from for years and his relatives did not know his whereabouts.

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Finest, bright, new Grenobles, the very best on the market and they run very fancy this year, only **13c** pound.

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Extra large and this season they they run particularly large and good, **12c** pound.

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Finest California Soft Shell Almonds, the kind that break easy, only **17c** pound.

Mix Nuts,

All new Mixed Nuts and all our own mixing—no bad nuts about them, **12½c** pound.

8c Good French Mix Candy **5c**.
10c Fine Mixed Candy, **7½c**.
15c Fancy Mixed Candies.....**10c**
Good Chocolate Drops, **12½, 15c**
Finest 25c Mixed Candy, Bon Bons, Chocolates, Butter Cups, etc. **18c**
Large Juicy Cocoanuts.....**5c**
Fine Large Layer Figs at....**12½c**
Best Cranberries, per quart.....**9c**
Sweet Florida Oranges, dozen for only.....**19, 25, 30c**

What you want we have and you will find the price right.

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Real China Cups and Saucers, Fine Toilet Cases, Work Boxes, Manicure Sets aud many useful and fine articles for presents.

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Ladies' 10c Fine Cambric.....5c
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Men's 10c Fine Cambric, only.....5c
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Large $1.25 Shoo Flies, Hobby Horse, Sleds, etc, and the best value you ever saw for only **98c**

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A Drum for.....**13c**

Large Drums for **25c**

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The child drawing the number of this Doll will be presented with same on **Monday**, December 26th. The Doll has a certain number up to 200, and the numbers are placed in a box. Each of the girls are entitled to a free draw. No charge and no purchrse required—all Free for the girls.

Free for the Boys.

The Boy drawing the correct number, between 200 and 400, of the large Saddle Seat, Iron Wheel

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The 7 Athol Range $10.00
The 8 Athol Range $12.90
The $18.00 Tropic Range, only.....$13.90

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We have just closed a deal on the Isaac Sheppard CELEBRATED "EXCELSIOR" COOK STOVES, and purpose to give our public the benefit of our fortunate deal. If you want a stove this is your chance.

The $25.00 Large Excelsior Cook $18.90
The $30.00 Large Excelsior Cook.....$21.90

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