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AN UNUSAUL OPPORTUNITY TO ACQUIRE A HOME OR INVESTMENT

which far surpasses many foreign investments that are pictured as "Vision of Gold," but which has nothing intrinsic about them.

NOW You Can Buy 10-ACRE TRACTS

within walking distance of Chestertown, and it is the experience that such tracts near other towns have advanced wonderfully.

TEN ACRES is about 418 feet by 1045 feet, a good size piece of land, just right for TRUCKING, POULTRY AND FRUIT.

These tracts are on stone State road adjoining the lands of Mr. James T. Anthony.

Being in walking distance of Washington College and Chestertown High School, they are doubly desirable.

One can erect a dwelling at $1,500 and his property would stand him around $3,500.

You Don't Have To Buy 150 Acres and Tie Up $8,000 to $10,000

and "live out of the world," and have trouble with farm labor; with a tax of 90 cents and a road that is always good, these tracts will always be in demand.

I Predict These Tracts Will Bring $250 Per Acre In Two Years.

This is not an idle assertion. The prices on these lots run from $110 to $150 per acre. One lot has been sold while writing this advertisement. For further information, call or write.

KENT COUNTY LAND COMPANY

J. WATERS RUSSELL, Broker,

CHESTERTOWN, - - MARYLAND

WHO IS SANTA CLAUS?

A Query Prompting One of the Pretty Legends of St. Nicholas.

History says St. Nicholas, the patron saint of Christmas, was bishop of Myra, in Lycia, and that he died about 326.

Tradition fills in the meager details with a number of legends. Among his flock—so runs one—was a nobleman with three daughters. From being rich he became so poor there remained no way of obtaining food for the maidens, who, having no bread to eat, wept continually, while their father grew more and more desperate. St. Nicholas heard of the family's plight, and, taking a handful of gold, he repaired to the nobleman's house one night while the maidens slept and the father sat alone weeping.

A cloud showed St. Nicholas an open window in the nobleman's home. So he threw in the gold, and it fell at the feet of the nobleman, who, when he found it, returned thanks and presented it to his eldest daughter as her wedding portion.

PAPA'S PART.

Mother is in desperation,
And so is sister Sue,
For Christmas celebration
Buying the presents due;
Ann is a frazzled maiden
Exhausted by shopping frays;
Tom, with his arms o'erladen,
Hangs to the strap and sways.
Lurching—his bundles (bother!)
Around the car he spills.
Everybody works but father.
He simply pays the bills!
—Lester Lestaire.

GET RICH MAKING TOYS.

Demand For Novelties Affords Good Workmen Profitable Employment.

New designs in toys are as eagerly looked for by toymakers as the new designs of a Paris dressmaker. Some of the best artists make small fortunes by designing new toys. A notable case of this kind is that of Caran d'Ache, the eminent French black and white artist. His physicians had ordered him to take a rest. Partly to amuse himself and partly to entertain some children he began to whittle some little toys out of wood. Out of these grew his famous toys showing King Edward bagging pheasants, Emperor William on a boar hunt, Carlos killing mountain sheep and President Roosevelt drawing a bead on a grizzly.

Paris is the only city that regularly holds toy expositions, and at these one may see every sort of toy made in the world. The United States keeps a permanent exhibition of the toys of all nations and times in the ethnological space in the national museum. From India, China, Africa, Alaska, Australia, from the remotest past down to the living present, these toys have been gathered.

THE SEASON FOR TACT.

Thoughtlessness In Yuletide Gifts Often Shatters Friendships.

Many a pleasant friendship has been broken by ignorance of good form in gift making. Many a social career has been nipped in the bud by a present ill chosen or wrongly sent.

If you are rich and have some friend who has lost her money be careful that your gift does not reflect your knowledge of her financial straits. Remember that somehow she will manage to buy the obviously necessary thing, while her heart still hungers for the dainty, the luxurious touches of life.

Again, there is the wealthy friend of your family to whom you brought letters of introduction when you came to town. She has not taken you into the bosom of her family, but occasionally at her large and general functions she has entertained you. Choose no gorgeous gift in such a case. Rather send her a beautiful flower on Christmas morning with a well worded greeting or the newest book about which her world is surely talking.

MERRY CHRISTMAS, BABY.

Merry Christmas, baby, with life
just begun!
Years of rosy footsteps, blithely
may they run.
Childhood yet beyond thee proffers
fun and play.
Farther on the shadows lie—oh, so
far away!

Sunlight shimmers o'er thee from
the morning skies.
Heaven smiles before thee in thy
mother's eyes.
Laughing in her arms, baby, in that
light divine
Love, the sweetest life can give, is
this moment thine.
—Helen Holt in Leslie's Weekly.

THEY ALL WORK FOR SANTA.

Fathers, Mothers, Grandparents and Children Who Make Toys.

Though Santa Claus begins getting ready for the next Christmas the minute he unharnesses his reindeer, yet he never could make enough toys to go around if he did not have a lot of people to help him.

In Germany there are several villages where everybody works at toymaking, not only the mothers, fathers and children, but even grandmothers and grandfathers. For generations these families have made toys—dolls, tin soldiers, doll furniture, little wooden wagons and wooden animals of all kinds. In many homes the children begin helping in this work when they are so small they can hardly sit at the common working table. Often a whole family will earn only 60 cents a day.

Children Cry
FOR FLETCHER'S
CASTORIA

With the Coming of Middle Age

There is a letting down in the physical forces often shown in annoying and painful kidney and bladder ailments and urinary irregularities. Foley Kidney Pills are a splendid regulating and strengthening medicine at such a time. Try them. Sold by M. A. Toulson, druggist.

"A Merry Christmas to You!"

What cheer, what warmth these words convey as they flash over the wires between friends far and near.

The Bell Telephone makes the holidays cheerier by reaching stores in town, helping in preparations and bringing all in close touch—banishes distance and loneliness.

You May Build Your Own Line. Write for Booklet.

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CLOTHING FOR ALL and a fine and up-to-date assortment of

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Ladies' Tailor-Suits, Top Skirts

An especial fine assortment. Shirtwaists, Ladies and MISSES COATS.

Underwear and Sweaters for Men, Ladies and Children. Men's Top Shirts, Neckwear, Hosiery and Gloves.

A full and up-to-date line of Dress Goods for Dress and all other needs.

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A large line and low prices and the most celebrated brands.

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OUR FURNITURE LINE is now complete for your household and in this we can save you from 20 to 30 per cent.

We cordially invite your inspection to convince yourself of the right goods and of lowness of price.

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The Standard of Cements are bought in large quantities and sold exclusively by

J. D. BACCHUS, Chestertown, Md.

A Household Medicine

That stops coughs quickly and cures colds is Foley's Honey and Tar Compound. Mrs. Anna Pelzer, 2526 Jefferson St., So. Omaha, Neb., says: "I can recommend Foley's Honey and Tar Compound as a sure cure for coughs and colds. It cured my daughter of a bad cold and my neighbor, Mrs. Benson, cured herself and her whole family with Foley's Honey and Tar Compound. Everyone in our neighborhood speak highly of it." Sold by M. A. Toulson, drugg st

A Mail Carrier's Load

Seems heavier when he has a weak back and kidney trouble. Fred Duehren, Mail Carrier at Atchinson, Kan., says: "I have been bothered with kidney and bladder trouble and had a severe pain across my back. Whenever I carried a heavy load of mail, my kidney trouble increased. Some time ago I started taking Foley's Kidney Pills and since taking them I have gotten entirely rid of all my kidney trouble and am as sound now as ever. Sold by M. A. Toulson, druggist.

R. F. PARKS & SON

CHRISTMAS IS COMING TO OUR STORE, TOO!

THOUGH we are not offering any "Bankrupt Stock at Bankrupt Prices" we have attractive, desirable, substantial merchandise at spot cash prices. Our motto: "Best Values Obtainable for the Money" And we will make attractive prices for the Holidays

10c Outing Flannels, new and attractive stock, for 8½c per yard
12½c Dress Ginghams, Bates' Best Goods, for 10c per yard.
10c and 12½c Dress Ginghams, Remnants of Best Goods, 8½c yard.
Fruit of Loom, 4-4 Bleached Muslin, 8½c.
7c and 8c Apron Ginghams, remnants, 6¼c.
Good Feather Bed Tick, 15½c.
Good Sheeting, Bro. 10-4, 24c.
Best Values in Silk Finished Poplins, 25c.
Bed Blankets, in white, plaids and colored, in prices ranging from 48½c pair to $10.00.
Bed Comfortables (Oh, we have some beauties!) in Lamb's Wool filled, at $9.75.

Sweater Coats! Sweater Coats!

For Ladies, Gents, Misses and Children, best stock, best prices. The range of prices is from 25c to $5.00.

Handkerchiefs! Handkerchiefs!

For Men, Women and Children. Fancy Boxes, for children, from 15c to 25c. Fancy Boxes, for ladies, from 50c to $1.00.

Table Napkins, Table Linens,
Towels, Bureau Scarfs,
Bureau Sets, Etc.,
from $1.25 to $2.00.

China, Cut Glass, a nice little assortment.
Tea and Dinner Sets, in variety.
Dinner Sets, embracing 100 pieces, $10.98.
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CARPETS, MATTINGS,
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Oh, we have just what the people want

ART SQUARES in Wools, Moquets, Brussels, Pro-Brussels, Etc.
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