Large Closing Out Cloak Sale ...

Many garments at less than Manufacturers Cost. $15.00 Ladies' Wraps now $10.00; $25.00 Wraps now only $15.00; $12.50 Wraps now only $8.00. Infant's and Misses' Coats as low as 90c. $15.00 Long Newmarkets as low as $2.50. Examine them at once, it will pay.

Ready Made Clothes Makred Down 20 Per Cent.

FOR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS WE HAVE SILK AND LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS, SILK MUFFLERS, KID GLOVES, POCKET BOOKS STAMPED GOODS OF ALL KINDS.

We are showing the handsomest line of all woal Ingrain Carpets you ever saw in this market, and from now until January 1st you will be allowed special prices on these goods. Come and look at them.

Remember We Pay You To Deal With Us.

With our new Cash register we give you a check with each purchase, and when your checks amount to $20 we redeem them by presenting you with a fine Gloria Silk Umbrella.

M. B. NICHOLS, EASTON, MD.

The Easton Gazette.

Easton, Maryland, December 26, 1896.

CHRISTMAS IN 1862.

HOW THE SOLDIERS SPENT THE DAY ON THE RAPPAHANNOCK.

The Two Armies Swapped Christmas Dinners Across the River—They Were Brothers, not Foes.

The snow still fell; the keen wind, raw and fierce, cut to the bone. It was God's worst weather in God's forlornest, bleakest spot of ground, that Christmas day of '62 on the Rappahannock, a half mile below the town of Fredericksburg. But come, pick up your prostrate pluck, you shivering private. Surely there is enough dampness around without adding to it your tears.

"Let's laugh, boys."

"Hello, Johnny!"

"Hello yourself, Yank!"

"Merry Christmas, Johnny!"

"Same to you, Yank!"

"Say, Johnny, got anything to trade?"

"Parched corn and tobacco—the size of our Christmas, Yank."

"All right; you shall have some of our coffee and sugar and pork. Boys, find the boats."

Such boats! I see the children sailing them on the small lakes in our Central Park. Some Yankee, desperately hungry for tobacco, invented them for trading with the Johnnies. They were hid away under the banks of the river for successive relays of pickets.

We got out the boats. An old handkerchief answered for a sail. We loaded them with coffee, sugar, pork, and set the sail and watched them slowly creep to the other shore. And the Johnnies? To see them crowd the bank and push and scramble to be first to seize the boats, going into the water, and stretching out their long arms! Then when they pulled the boats ashore and stood in a group over the cargo, and to hear their exclamations: "Hurrah for hog!" "Say, that's not roasted rye, but genuine coffee. Smell it, you uns." "And sugar, too." Then they divided the consignment. They laughed and shouted, "Reckon you uns been good to we uns this Christmas day, Yanks." Then they put parched corn, tobacco, ripe persimmons into the boats and sent them back to us. And we chewed the parched corn, smoked real Virginia leaf, ate persimmons, which, if they weren't very filling, at least contracted our stomach to the size of our Christmas dinner. And so the day passed. We shouted, "Merry Christmas, Johnny!" They shouted, "Same to you, Yank." And we forgot the biting wind, the chilling cold; we forgot that those men over there were our enemies, whom it might be our duty to shoot before evening.

We had bridged the river—spanned the bloody chasm. We were brothers, not foes, waving salutations of good will in the name of the Babe of Bethlehem, on Christmas day in '62. At the very front of the opposing armies the Christ Child struck a truce for us—broke down the wall of partition, became our peace. We exchanged gifts. We shouted greetings back and forth. We kept Christmas, and our hearts were lighter for it, and our shivering bodies were not quite so cold.—*Harper's Weekly.*

STERLING SILVER.

Beautiful Solid Silverware. Very cheap at Shannahan & Wrightson Hdw. Co.'s. 3t

Stockholders' Meeting.

There will be a Stockholders' meeting of the Farmers' Packing Co., on Monday, Jan. 11th at 10 a. m.

12-26-3t* L. S. FLECKENSTINE, Sec.

Now is the time to buy a gun or anything in the sporting line very cheap. Have a large stock to dispose of at some price.

12-12-4t NEVIUS & FRAMPTON.

Weddings at Royal Oak.

The marriage of Miss Alice Pastorfield, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. T. Pastorfield, of Royal Oak, to Mr. William T. Moody, of Baltimore, was solemnized Monday evening at the residence of the bride's parents. The ceremony was performed by Rev. L. G. Martin. The bride was gowned in a stylish costume of royal purple cloth and velvet, trimmed with white brocade satin, lace and brown marten fur. The groom wore the conventional black suit. The wedding was very quiet and informal. After the ceremony was over, the bride and groom received the good wishes and congratulations of the family and friends present. A half-hour was pleasantly spent, when the happy pair took a carriage for Double Mi ls, en route for Baltimore. Showers of rice and old shoes followed them. The bride was the recipient of many handsome and useful presents, including silver, cut glass and bronze, besides many useful household articles. After a brief wedding trip Mr. and Mrs Moody will reside at 1150 Argyle avenue, Baltimore.

At the residence of the bride's father, Capt. C. R. Leonard, on Tuesday evening, Mr. Chas. Fairbank and Miss Bertha Leonard were wedded. The ceremony was performed by Rev. L. G. Martin. Only the members of the contracting parties were present. The bride wore a becoming dress of garnet novelty cloth. After the ceremony was concluded a collation was served. Mr. and Mrs. Fairbank will reside in the future with the groom's father, near Royal Oak.

Miss Annie M. Seymour, the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Seymour, of Royal Oak, was married to Mr. Harry B. Merwin, of St Michaels. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Edwin Gardner in the parlors of the M. E. parsonage. A few friends who knew of the event awaited the coming of the bridal party, and after the ceremony had been solemnly and impressively read by the clergyman, came forward and offered their congratulations. The bride wore a stylish suit of blue and black cloth, trimmed with jet and white silk, with hat and gloves to match. The happy pair took the train for a wedding trip through Delaware, after which they will be at home in St. Michaels.

Royal Oak Items.

The annual Sunday School entertainments of the Ferry Neck and Royal Oak M. E. Churches will be held on Monday and Wednesday evenings respectively. An admission of ten cents will be charged to each of these.

Mrs. T. A. Lloyd and children, of Trappe, are visiting her family here.

Mr. George Ross and family moved to Cedar Point farm last week, and Mr. Frampton of Tilghman's Island came to Sub-Treasurer Hammond's farm, which Mr. Ross vacated.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union held a Parlor Meeting at its new headquarters last Saturday evening.

Mr. Marion Martin, son of Rev. L.G. Martin, pastor of the M. E. Church, South, who has been acting as salesman for Wm. H. Valliant at Bellevue, is now very ill at his home here.

Mr. Henry Cheers, who has been very ill, has almost entirely recovered.

Miss Nettie Burns, of St. Michaels, spent last Sabbath with her cousins, near here.

Mr. Albert B. Duke is visiting friends in Tappahannock, Va.

Tours to Florida.

No district in America presents, during the Winter season, so many varied attractions as the State of Florida. Besides its delightful climate, which to one escaping from the cold and unhealthful changes of the North seems almost ethereal, it is pre-eminently a land of sport and pleasure. Along its eleven hundred miles of salt-water coast and in its twelve hundred fresh-water lakes are fish of almost every conceivable variety, from the migratory tribes common to Northern waters to the tarpon, pompano, and others of a more tropical character. Nowhere in all our broad land can the angler find a greater variety of game or better sport.

Here also the most enthusiastic hunter finds satiety. Deer, turkeys, bears, panthers and wild cats roam at large through the more sparsely settled regions, while birds of all kinds may be found in abundance throughout the State. The more novel sport of alligator and manatee hunting may also be indulged in by the more adventurous tourist.

With its matchless climate, its orange groves, its rivers and lakes, its boating and bathing, its fishing and hunting, and its extensive forests, Florida presents unrivaled attractions for the valetudinarian, the lover of nature, the sportsman and the explorer.

To this attractive State the Pennsylvania Railroad Company has arranged four personally conducted tours during the season of 1897, leaving by special train January 26, February 9 and 23 and March 9. The first three tours will admit of a sojourn of two weeks in this delightful land; tickets for the fourth tour will be valid to return till May 31 by regular trains.

Rates for the round trip, $50 from New York, $48 irom Philadelphia, and proportionate rates from other points.

For tickets, itineraries and other information apply to ticket agents, special booking offices, or address Geo. W. Boyd, Assistant General Passenger Agent, Broad Street Station, Philadelphia.

11th Street Opera House, Philadelphia.

Dumont's Minstrels have made great preparations for the holidays, and a rare bill will be presented for Christmas and New Year's weeks. The old "Kriss Kringle" custom is revived of presenting toys, candies and useful gifts to the children and patrons in general. This will be hailed with delight by our out of-town friends, who usually derive a great deal of fun and satisfaction in seeing the little ones receive the presents and hear their screams of delight at the very funny burlesques presented for the holidays. There will be a local sketch called "Chr stmas Joys and Toys," another entitled "Our Holiday Visitors, or Perils of the City," and still another, "In Wonderland, or the Black Brownies." To this great carnival bill are added new ballets, sketches, dances and satires of unusual excellence and apropos to the merry holidays. The matinees on Christmas day and New Year's will be given at 25 cents for reserved seats; no higher. A special matinee will be given on Monday, December 28, at the usual popular prices, including Wednesday and Saturday matinees. The gifts, candies and presents are distributed at every performance, beginning Monday, December 21. A great novelty has been secured direct from Paris, and will be seen here shortly. It is the largest and best "Kinematographe" ever seen in Philadelphia, and is a marvel of lifelike, animated pictures, life-size and wonderfully comical. Watch the papers for its first appearance at the Eleventh Street Opera House.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

Useful, ornamental, handsome and cheap. Lap Blankets, Robes, Skates, Fine Cutlery, Razors, Scissors and hundreds of other attractions at Shannahan & Wrightson Hdw. Co.'s.

Fire Insurance.

The Grangers' Insurance Co. is still able to insure country property cheaper than any company in the State. Other companies have raised their rates; ours are still the same.

L. S. FLECKENSTEIN, Agent,
12-12-tf Easton, Md.

Stop that cold air from coming in alongside the windows and doors by using the Ornamental Weather-strips. For sale by Nevius & Frampton. The same put on at slight cost. 12-12-4t

Guns

WE HAVE GOT THEM AT ALL PRICES.

Sporting Goods.

OUR SPORTING LINE IS COMPLETE WITH a FULL SUPPLY OE THESE GOODS.

DUPONT'S SMOKELESS AND BLACK POWDERS, SOFT AND CHILLED SHOT, BLUE RIVAL NITRE SMOKELESS AND TRAP SHEFLS, CRIMPERS, CHARGERS, EXTRACTORS, RECAPPERS, DECAPPERS, CLEANING RODS, WADS, LOADED SHELLS PRIMERS, HATS, COATS, LEGINGS, GUN CASES, GUN OIL.

Blankets.

FINEST ASSORTMENT IN TOWN. STABLE, LAP AND HORSE BLANKETS. A DARK FUR ROBE AT $4.75. AN ALL SCOTCH WOOL BLANKETS 76x08 $3.00.

Iron Pots.

FOR DRYING LARD. SIZES 15-20-25-30 GAL. CHEAP.

Meat Choppers .. and Stuffers,

TRIUMPH MEAT CUTTER, NO KNIVES OR PLATES, CUTS 2 LBS MINUTE, $1.50.

GIANT MEAT CUTTER, 2 LBS. MINUTE, $1.75.

GIANT MEAT CUTTER, 3 LBS. MINUTE $2.50.

GIANT MEAT CUTTER, 5 LBS. MINUTE, $3.50.

BUTCHER KNIVES, FODDER YARN, BUSHEL BASKETS, COAL HODS, SHOVELS, AXES, TINWARE, AT LOW PRICES.

ALL KINDS OF SEWING MACHINES REPAIRED BY US AND ALL WORK GUARANTEED.

Nevius & Framptom

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

Alexis G. Pascault, Trustee,
vs.
Charles M. Jump and wife.

In the Circuit Court for Talbot County.
In Equity.

Notice is hereby given to all persons interested that the auditor will proceed to make an audit in the above entitled cause on

MONDAY, DECEMBER 28TH, 1896,

At his office in Easton. Persons having claims against the fund are hereby notified to file their claims with the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Talbot county on or before that day, otherwise they may be excluded from all benefits of the fund.

OSWALD TILGHMAN, Auditor.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

Notice is hereby given that the subscriber hath obtained from the Orphans' Court of Talbot county, in the State of Maryland, letters testamentary on the personal estate of

HENRY CORNISH, COL'D,

late of Talbot county, deceased. All persons having claims against the said deceased's estate are hereby warned to exhibit the same properly authenticated to the subscriber on or before the

1ST DAY OF JULY, A. D. 1897,

otherwise they may be by law excluded from all benefits of the said deceased's estate. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment.

12 19 4t RACHEL ANN CORNISH, Executrix.

Easton National Bank of Maryland

DECEMBER 10, 1896.

Notice is hereby given that the President and Directors of this Bank have this day declared a dividend of FIVE PER CENT., less taxes, deducted there from, paid by the Bank payable to the stockholders, or their legal representatives, on or after this date.

L. S. & C. R. THOMAS, Cashier.

Farmers and Merchants National Bank.

Notice is hereby given to the stockholders of this institution that an election will take place at the Banking house on Tuesday, January 12th, 1897, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 1 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of electing directors to serve for the ensuing year.

12-12 1mo. F. C. GOLDSBOROUGH, Cashr.

Tax Payers Take Notice.

All town taxes for 1895, unpaid by Jan. 1st, will be collected according to law. 1896 taxes are over due and must also be paid at once.

CHAS. E. NICOLS, Collector.

Large English Berkshires.



I have the finest lot for sale ever offered in Maryland. Boars and Sows all ages, sired by Comely Boy, No. 37462, a son of the famous imported hog Lord Windsor, with 37 prizes to his credit. His weight is 900 pounds and his owners refused $1000 cash for him. Come and see them, or write for catalogue. Cut prices for THIRTY DAYS.

11-14 t1-16 H. W. WARNER, CORDOVA, MD

CHRISTMAS NOVELTIES

Pearl Paper Knives, 25 cts.

Cut Glass Salts, With Fine Silver Spoons, For 50 Cents.

Silver Nail Files and Button Hooks For Only 75 Cents.

All The Newest Styles In Pocketbooks.

Half Poud 4711 Transparent Soap, 15c.

Dawson & Jenkins.

Grain Shipping.

The business formerly conducted by C. R. Leonard & Bro., is now conducted by E. T. Leonard, member of the late firm. All business intrusted to my care will receive most careful attention. Office in GAZETTE building, Easton. H. E. LEONARD, Manager.

EDMUND T. LEONARD.

We are not in the business to

Give Fresh Drugs Away

nor to sell them at or below cost. We must make a profit or have

To Quit ... Business

However, having such a large trade, we are able to buy cheaper and consequently we sell to you cheaper. It is the same way with toilet articles and everything else we sell. Come and see about it.

HUGHES, Druggist.

Talbot Savings .. Bank.

No. 16 Dover St., Easton, Md.

Deposits ...

Of twenty-five cents and upward are received on Book account.

Interest ..

Is allowed for every entire month the deposit may be continued, computing from the first day of the month succeeding the deposit.

Money deposited in this bank at 4 per cent. compound interest will pay you better in the long run than to attempt to loan it yourself at a higher rate unless you are thoroughly familiar with the business of loaning.

Guardians, Trustees, Holders of Trust Funds, Children, Associations Societies, Lodges, etc., may deposit in their own names and subject to their own order.

YOU ARE INVITED TO OPEN AN ACCOUNT WITH US.

Accounts Strictly Confidential.

J. B. BENNETT, President. W. W. SPENCE, Cashier.

FOR SALE.

Barred and White Plymouth Rock Cockerels, $1.00 each.

MRS. A. M. C. MOORE,
11-21-4t Royal Oak, Md.

WANTED—SEVERAL FAITHFUL MEN or Women to travel for responsible established house in Maryland. Salary $78 payable $15 weekly and expenses. Position permanent. Reference. Enclose self-addressed stamped envelope. The National Star Building, Chicago. 26t-to-3-3-97.

NOTICE.

The undersigned hereby give notice that thirty days after Dec. 1st inst. they will petition the Commissioners of Talbot county to establish a public landing on Tred Avon river near the wharf of the B. C. & A. Ry. Co., known as Double Mills wharf, and near the road leading from Easton to said wharf.

HENRY R. THOMAS,
FRANK M. TILGHMAN,
JACOB M. WARRINGTON,
GEORGE M. KILMON,
JOSEPH M. MOORE,
CLIFTON A. JONES,
ALFRED THOMAS.

Miss Mary Proctor,

Daughter of the late Prof. R. A. Proctor

Lecturer on Astronomy.

SUBJECTS { Other Worlds than Ours / Flowers of the Sky.

For further information, apply to MISS MARY PROCTOR, 29 East 46 street, New York City.

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WILL SELL ALL XMAS GOODS AT COST THIS WEEK, WE INTEND TO SELL 'EM OU

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BOOTS, SHOES AND GROCERIES.

A complete line of specialties. Call a convinced. We have a stock that w prise you for quantity and variety. low. E. H. FURNESS& No. 9 S. Har

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The undersigned offers for sale at less than the cost four years ago, the upon which he resides, containing a

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conveniently situated near Easton within 10 minutes walk of Bloomfield station and bordering upon the salt water. The land is nearly all ariable of No. 1 quality and in high state of cultivation. The equipmen which is complete will be included if desired. A rare opportunity for capitalists to prove their faith by works and take advantage of the booming prices said to be the result of the late election.

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