The Transcript,

CHESTERTOWN, MD.,

Thursday Morning Jan. 3, 1884

C. G. WOODALL
Editor and Proprietor.

WE are just entering upon the new year 1884. We wish it may abound in happiness and prosperity to the readers of the *Transcript*. May crops be plentiful, and may providence send good health.

THE session for 1884 of the Maryland Legislature, organized at Annapolis yesterday. A preliminary caucus was held at Barnum's hotel on Monday night. According to the Baltimore *Sun*, Dr. Bishop openly declined to become a candidate for president of the Senate. Mr. Henry Lloyd, of Dorchester is said to be the favorite after Dr. Bishop. Dr. Pembroke Thom, of Baltimore, will probably have an easy victory for Speaker of the House.

FROM the outlook the Maryland Legislature for 1884 will have plenty of important work in hand. The oyster question is one big with importance and is likely to test the wisdom and discrimination of our legislators in properly dealing with it. The question of calling a constitutional convention, which has been made prominent by recent discussion, will also probably come up. This question may be soon settled, but if it be, as is probable, settled by determining not to call a convention, then there will arise important questions relative to legislative amendments to the constitution. The electing of a United States Senator in place of the Hon. James B. Groome is also an important matter that the legislature will have to deal with. It is likely that many other questions of high importance, not to consider the minor questions, will come to the front after our legislature is well under way.

—The weather made moving a very disagreeable business this year.

—The big John Wanamaker ad. has rather encroached upon our space.

—Mr. Thos. Moody, whose hand was wounded some time back by a buzz saw, died on last Thursday morning of lock-jaw, resulting from the wound.

—The Catholic fair and festival, which closed in the basement of the Church of the Sacred Heart on last Saturday evening, netted $425.

—The New Year has made a disagreeable beginning. Slush, mud and drizzle have made it generally uncomfortable.

—The steamer George Law has been withdrawn from the Chester river route and will be off till further notice.

—The Cecil *Democrat* corrects the *Transcript* for calling a terrapin "a water bird." Well, now, if a terrapin is not a water bird, why isn't it so? Will the Cecil *Democrat* be kind enough to tell us that?

—We learn that Mr. Tilghman Shafer, late county commissioner from the second district, has been dangerously ill. We are glad to state, however, that he is now convalescing.

—James A. Pearce, Esq., as trustee, sold on Wednesday at the Voshell House, the property located on High street, known as the "Simon Wickes property." Mr. T. W. Wickes bought the building in which his drug store is located, consisting of a store and dwelling, for $7,500. Mr. T. S. Wickes bought the part now occupied by him as a store for $4,000, making the whole to bring $11,500.

—Mr. C. W. Kennard, of C. W. Kennard & Co., in company with Mr. L. C. Justis, of Kennedyville, expected to leave for Florida yesterday, where they will spend the winter. The trip is to combine business and pleasure. Our friend Justis has promised to let the *Transcript* hear from him, and also to bring us back a live aligator, which we are to train up as a fighting editor, and introduce to all dissatisfied parties who come in to get satisfaction.

—John Wanamaker never stops. No sooner is the Christmas tide-over, than, without waiting to catch his breath, he is into something else. This time a great Reduction Sale—the first in six years. He is too careful of his reputation to make such an announcement without meaning a good deal by it. Well, whatever it is, 'it is an ill wind that blows nobody good.' We have the big advertisement on the other page, and the people have the bargains, and Wanamaker has his own way which we candidly admit is a pretty good way generally. Out of nearly two millions of dollars' worth of goods, there must be something that most everybody wants when it can be had a little off the regular price; and this is the time for excursion parties down to the big town and the big store.

Orphans' Court, Monday, Dec., 31, 1883—Present, Judges Walker, Hyland and Stevens.

Joel C. Slaughter filed his official bond as Register Wills in the sum of $7000 which was approved and ordered to be filed in the clerks office for record.

John J. Roeder, administrator of Maria Roeder, deceased, returned his first and final administration account, which was examined, passed as stated and ordered to be recorded.

On application, letters testamentary on the personal estate of Edward Slaughter, deceased, were granted and committed unto Marion deK. Smith, who filed his bond in the penal sum of $1000, which was approved and ordered to be recorded.

Marion deK. Smith, the trustee appointed to sell the real estate of Isaac Caulk, deceased, filed his bond in the penal sum of $1000, which was approved and ordered to be recorded.

Charles M. Sutton, administrator of Andrew J. Sutton, deceased, returned his account of sales of the personal estate of the said deceased, which was received and ordered to be recorded.

James S. Harris, administrator of Daniel Crew and acting guardian to Thomas B. Crew, Florid M. Crew, Robert S. Crew, Howell Caldwell Crew and Fountain Crew, returned his guardian accounts, which were examined, passed as stated and ordered to be recorded.

On application, Jas. S. Harris was appointed guardian to Thomas B. Crew, Florin M. Crew, Robert S. Crew, Howell Caldwell Crew and Fountain Crew, who filed his bond in the penal sum of $2,000, which was approved and ordered to be recordered.

Wanamaker's Grand Depot.

There is no doubt but that one of the greatest sights of Philadelphia is Wanamaker's great store known as the grand depot. The immense building is located near the Pennsylvania railroad station and is convenient to visitors who reach the city by any of the branches of that road. The first impression the stranger receives on entering the "grand depot" is that with a thousand salesmen and a hundred varied departments, there must be confusion and bapmuzzard work in transacting business. On close observation, however, he will find that business is transacted with perfect method, even to the minutest detail.

A visitor may look around at will, without being asked to buy. If, however, he manifests a desire to examine any article the politest attention is shown him.

We said that the grand depot is one among the "sights" of Philadelphia, and so it is. It is an institution that every one who visits Philadelphia should see.

A Christmas Sunday School Entertainment in Golena.

Editor Transcript.—A well lighted hall, an artistically decorated platform and a crowded audience, was the inspiration that incited the M. E. Sunday School of Galena to the unwonted execution of its public Christmas exercises on the evening of Dec. 28. Dr. Vincent always gets up a good Sunday School or jubilee exercise, but it strikes us that the one publicly rendered on the evening above mentioned was uncommonly good, or the execution better than ordinary. The exercises were introduced by a very appropriate hymn and prayer and a soul-stirring instrumental piece by the excellent organist Miss Lena Ireland. Class recitations followed, led respectively by the Misses Marion Benny, Mattie Meier and Sallie Meredith, in the general divisions of *Night, Dawn of Day* and *Noonday*, interspersed with some very sweet carols, to which the church choir added great volume in the choruses. These recitations were very interesting and instructive, the superintendent, Thomas Meredith, summing up at the close the lessons to be drawn therefrom. "On a Christmas Morning," a gleeful song, was much enjoyed at this juncture. Other class recitations, with the Misses Wright and Steel as leaders, followed, and were pronounced good. Herbert Benny also recited a piece at this point which was well delivered and worthy of greater notice. That part which seemed to please those present most was the Infant Class exercise. Three little six-year-old "toddlers"—Gussy Wright, Katie Mulford and Harry Sallaway—made very *short* speeches that elicited *very long* applause from the audience. Of course an *encore* brought them out again, to the continued amusement of the spectators. The address of the pastor, Mr. Townsend, was also quite short, but full of wit and calculated to elicit *both applause* and *cash* from those present. Miss Carrie McCauley sang "Beautiful Song" in a very sweet and graceful manner, to which the choir added a beautiful chorus. The Misses Nettie Sallaway, Emma Lane and Rena Gooding each gained merited credit by excellent and appropriate recitations. Last, the "Lilly Song," sung by six young ladies, swinging baskets of lillies in rythmic motion, added much to the beauty of the exercises. A great deal of credit is due to the "getters up" of this Christmas entertainment, and particularly to *somebody*, (which rumor asserts to be Miss Lizzie S.) for the elocutionary effect with which the different pieces were recited. Cake and other refreshments were duly enjoyed by the members of the school after the congregation was dismissed and the children indulged in a healthful "romp"

OBSERVER.

Peninsula Items.

Henry Adams, living near Marshy Hope, Misspillion hundred, a son of Wm. Adams, while trying to brush the snow from the shaft which was running the belt which was driving the force pump of his steam engine, last week, had his coat caught in a band and then in a wheel. He was drawn in in an instant, and carried around with irresistible force at each revolution of the wheel. A brother who went to extricate him was struck by him in one of his revolutions and knocked senseless. The engine was stopped as soon as possible and the unfortunate man, who had been entirely denuded of his clothing while being drawn into the machinery, extricated in an insensible condition. His left collar bone was broken and also his leg near the ankle. Two ribs were also broken and his right arm was torn two-thirds of the way through the arm-pit. His condition is critical and recovery doubtful.—*Sussex Journal.*

Literary Notes.

The Art Amateur for January, consisting of sixty folio pages, is the largest and best number yet issued of this popular magazine. More than a hundred illustrations are given, not counting numerous full-size supplementary working drawings for china-painting, wood-carving, hammered brass, monograms, and embroidery designs from the South Kensington Royal School of Art Needlework. The Pedestal Fund Art Loan Exhibition is fully and critically noticed, with a biography of M. Bartholdi and pictures of his best sculptures. There are two fascinating pages of illustrations of the matchless collection of Cosway miniatures, shown by Edward Joseph, of London, with other works of art, at the Loan Exhibition; and interesting examples are given of the new very artistic Haviland 'gres' ceramic ware.

THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION QUESTION.

WHAT SOME MEMBERS OF THE CHESTERTOWN BAR THINK UPON THE MATTER.

The question of calling a Constitutional Convention to meet sooner than 1887 has become a matter of pretty general discussion throughout the State. The *Transcript*, in order to ascertain how the proposed convention might impress the various members of the Chestertown bar, sent out a representative to obtain views upon the question.

R. HYNSON, Esq., when called upon said:

I cannot see that there is any urgency to warrant the calling of a constitutional convention by the legislature soon to convene. The present constitution is probably defective in many particulars, but these defects can be reached by legislative amendments, without the calling of a special convention.

The law provides for submitting to the people in 1887 the question of altering the present constitution. That time is only about three years off. Public affairs have been conducted under the constitution as it now stands during the past seventeen years with reasonable facility and promptness, and there is no apparent reason why they cannot be so conducted three years longer, when the question of making radical changes in the constitution can be submitted to the people. If all this agitation by the Baltimore press of the question of calling a speedy convention has its origin in the fact that Baltimore wants to enlarge her boundaries, certainly this matter could be remedied if thought proper, by legislative amendment.

Frequent change without urgent necessity in the organic law of a State is, to say the least, bad policy. While the constitutional law of a State should not be so inflexible as not to admit of needful changes when such changes become of undoubted necessity, the organic law should at the same time not be considered of so little importance that it can be swept out of existence periodically, upon trivial objections. The present constitution was framed by some of the best and wisest men of their time, and has fulfilled its purpose in the main with fairness and justness. There are some provisions of the present constitution, however, which time has shown may be improved upon. The judiciary system of the State, I think, might be better constructed. I would divide the State into five appellate districts—one to Baltimore city, three to the Western Shore of Maryland and one to the Eastern Shore, making the Appeal Court to consist of five judges, and these to be relieved entirely of district duty. I would not increase the number of circuit judges, but would enlarge their sphere of duty. I would abolish the Orphans' Court and enlarge the duties of the Register of Wills. I would have a circuit court judge hold quarterly sessions in each county, for the performance of Orphans' Court duties. The less important and more mechanical portion of these duties I would impose upon the Register of Wills. As to the judicial tenure, I would make it extend until the incumbent should have reached the age of seventy years, unless he be in the meantime physically or mentally incapacitated. I would also have him constitutionally ineligible to any other office upon his acceptance of the judicial office, until two years after he had passed the age limit for which he was elected. Even if he should resign the judgeship, he should still be rendered ineligible to any other office until two years after the time for which he had been elected had expired. I would not, however, affect the tenure of the present judges, and would not apply the age condition until after the expiration of the terms for which they are elected.

Another matter calling for constitutional amendment is the present short tenure allotted to a number of elective offices. The frequency of elections is very demoralizing in its effect upon a community. It has a tendency to take the attention of citizens too much from their legitimate affairs and to engender too large an office-seeking class. Every election, too, necessarily stirs up a degree of strife and bad feeling that should be rendered as little frequent as possible. There is the consideration, too, that in many offices, when a public servant has fairly learned the duties of the office, he is compelled to step out and a raw hand takes his place, thus depriving the State of skillful service.

But these, that I have mentioned, and all other desirable constitutional changes, could, I think, be effected with less expense and the desired object be as effectively attained by legislative amendment as by the holding of a special constitutional convention.

JAMES A PEARCE, Esq., referred the *Transcript* interviewer to a letter previously written the Baltimore *Sun* as embodying his views. In it Mr. Pearce says:

The considerations in favor of such a convention, I concede to be both numerous and weighty, but my convictions of the evil policy and bad effect of frequent changes in the organic law of the State are such that I am not prepared hastily to yield my assent to the propriety of calling a convention, and I should not hesitate to express an adverse opinion but for the existence of the constitutional requirement to take the sense of the people upon this question in the year 1887. This, however, inclines me to hesitate in the utterance of a deliberate opinion without fuller consideration of the details of the present constitution and of the changes in affairs since its adoption. I do not regard the question of expense, in view of the fact that we must act in 1887, as worthy of serious consideration, and in seeking to reach a sound judgement for myself, I am disposed to consider mainly whether the present time offers any special advantages for healthy and enduring work which we may not reasonably expect in 1887.

'You have stated what you deem to be these advantages fairly and strongly, and they may be summed up, I think, as follows:

'First.—That the State, as the result of the late election, after strong demand for and general concession of the need of reform in political methods and measures, still remains firm in the democratic faith.

'Second.—That no element in the party can be expected to be more sensitive to the obligation thus imposed than that upon which special responsibility has been devolved by the election of their representatives under pledges for these reforms.

'Third.—The assurance of a minority republican representation in the convention sufficiently strong and presumably reputable to guard against the mere partisan use of power by the majority.

'Fourth.—That there is no guaranty that there will not be in 1887 excitements and contentions in the party tending to the selection of unwise delegates and to the adoption of an instrument marked by haste or prejudices, and to these may be added:

'Fifth.—The possibility—remote though it be—of devolving the duty, if delayed till 1887, upon the republican party, which in a democratic State could not but be regarded as a calamity. Many of the matters to which you refer might be revised with advantage to the State, but I do not think the defects of the present constitution press so hardly upon the people as to necessitate a convention to remodel it, and I am disposed to believe that all vital reform can be gradually effected by constitutional amendments.

'If I mistake not, Massachusetts has continued from 1780 up to the present time under the same constitution, though during that period nine amendments relating to various matters, and some of great importance, have been adopted. Vermont is still under her original constitution of 1793, with four amendments, and North Carolina lived under her original constitution of 1776 up to 1868, when, in submission to the mandate of the federal government, the Southern States altered their constitutions to conform to the will of the victors. The ground most frequently taken now in favor of a new constitution in Maryland is the need to change the judiciary system; but whatever may be its defects, and it is certainly not free from them, I regard the certainty and permanence of judicial tenures as more important to the State than the correction of any minor defects which may exist in the judicial system, and I believe the desire for a change is greatly exaggerated.

'The best material for the bench can only be secured, and the highest qualities of judges so obtained can only be brought into constant action, by the assurance on their part that without some paramount necessity their tenure shall not be disturbed either by legislation or a convention. At this time the personnel of our courts is in the main excellent; many of its members have been recently re-elected in recognition of able and faithful services rendered; and I should look with deep regret upon the throwing open so soon again of all those places in the State to the hot and uncertain competition of personal and professional ambition, and of political arrangements and affiliations.

'I concur with most of my brother lawyers in the opinion that a smaller and an independent Court of Appeals would be preferable. But if this is to be attained, as is generally suggested, only by reducing the six of the circuits and diminishing the salaries of circuit judges, thus at once lessening the standard of material and narrowing the scope and contact of the bench, I must consider the change of more than doubtful expediency. In spite, therefore, of considerations which seem to favor the calling of a convention at this time, I prefer to bear longer with such defects as exist, unless the doctrine of permanence in judicial tenure, which I believe to be of paramount importance, can be adopted by a provision for the retention of the present judges for the terms for which they were elected, and for postponing until that time the operations of any new system which may be adopted.'

W. M. SLAY, Esq., said:

So far as my observation goes, without giving the subject any special attention, I see no urgent reason for a convention. At the same time, I am glad of the prospect of a general discussion of the subject. After sixteen years of vigorous growth, it is certainly not out of place to direct our attention within and try to find what needs the times have developed. It is the privilege of the people and the time is auspicious for a fair consideration of the matter. My hope is that their conclusions will be reached without too much influence from the ambitious schemes of politicians or the self-interest of those in office.

MARDEK. SMITH, Esq., the State's Attorney for Kent county, said:

I have not given the question much thought and I hardly feel able to express an opinion about the advisability of calling a convention for the purpose of making a new constitution. The present constitution was adopted by the people only 16 years ago, but it seems that Maryland is notorious for changing her organic law. Though a young man, I have already lived under four constitutions in this State. With many I find the present judiciary system objectionable. I see but little reason for it—certainly not sufficient to warrant the expense of a change. The section prohibiting the Legislature from changing the boundaries of any of the counties without the consent of the inhabitants of the particular territory affected, works a hardship in the case of Baltimore city in her endeavor to take in the "belt." I firmly think that the city ought to have that adjacent territory, but that and the greater part of the other patent reasons I have read as offered for the cause of the call might be effected by amendments. The only thing really needed, which could hardly be accomplished by amendments, is the doing away with so many elections. Had the present constitution been adopted one year earlier or later, our State and Congressional elections would have then come in the same year, thereby saving a considerable item of expense.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.

Are you disturbed at night and broken of your rest by a sick child suffering and crying with pain of cutting teeth? If so, send at once and get a bottle of MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP FOR CHILDREN TEETHING. Its value is incalculable. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Depend upon it, mothers, there is no mistake about it. It cures dysentery and diarrhoea, regulates the stomach and bowels, cures wind colic, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, and gives tone and energy to the system. MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP FOR CHILDREN TEETHING is pleasant to the taste, and is the prescription of one of the oldest and best female physicians and nurses in the United States, and is for sale by all druggists throughout the world. Price 25 cents a bottle.

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BARRON—HOPKINS.—In Port Deposit, Dec. 20th, by Rev. J. A. Weigand, WM. I. BARRON of Baltimore, to Miss LAURA V. HOPKINS, of Port Deposit, Md.

In Memory of Ellenora L. Betton.

"God gives us love; something to love He lends us. But when that on which love throve
Has grown to ripeness, love falls off and we are left alone."

On the 18th day of December, 1883, in her 23d year, at Tallahassee, Florida, the subject of this brief memorial laid down the earthly life, and entered upon the heavenly.

Her life was short, but beautiful; she had scarcely budded into womanhood, but possessed all the seriousness and dignity of maturity, with the grace and simplicity of childhood. She was one of the innocent few who did not lose her identity in the mysterious transformation from child to woman—and for her

"Nature preserved by individual right, a young lamb's heart among the full grown flock."

Those who knew her perfect pureness of mind, sweetness of temper, and delicacy of organization—while they mourn for the loss to those dear to her—will yet rejoice that she is safe in the Eternal Arms. And they find comfort in the thought so beautifully expressed by Wordsworth in his sweetest sonnet—

"What hadst thou to do with sorrow,
Or the injuries of to-morrow?
Thou wert a dew drop, which the morn brings forth,
Not framed to undergo unkindly shocks,
Or to be trailed along the soiling earth;
A gem that glitters while it lives
And no forewarning gives;
But the touch of ill, without a strife
Slips in a moment out of life."

NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Kent county will be held at the Court House in Chestertown, on Monday, January 7th, 1884, at 11 o'clock A. M.

N. G. WESTCOTT, Sec'y.

Dec. 20—3t.

Notice to Travelers.

Take notice that TRAVEL over Radcliffe Bridge will be suspended, except for foot travelers, until further notice.

By order, T. W. RUSSELL, Clerk Co. Comm'rs.

Nov. 15-tf.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent co., letters of administration on the personal estate in Kent county, Maryland, of

GEO. L. MASLIN,

late of Kent county, deceased.

All persons having claims against said deceased, are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with proper vouchers, to the undersigned, on or before the 15th day of July, 1884, or they will be excluded by law from all benefit in said estate

Given under my hand this 11th day of Dec., 1883.

THOS. C. MASLIN, *Administrator.*

Dec. 13, 1883—4t.

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A great variety at C. F. STAM'S.

COLLARS, Bridles, Back Bands, Traces and Plow Lines at lowest prices.

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OUR BLANKETS at $1.00 a pair; Our Blankets at 85 cts. a pair; Our Bed Comforts, large and heavy at 90 cts. at

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ORDER NISI.

GEO. MASLIN & Others,
VERSUS
BESSIE MASLIN.

In the Orphans' Court for Kent County. On the 18th day of December, 1883.

ORDERED, that the sale, made and reported by Samuel Cacy, trustee, for the sale of the real estate decreed to be sold in the above entitled case, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary be shown on or before the 19th day of February next.—Provided, a copy of this Order be inserted in some newspaper, printed in this county, once in each of three successive weeks before the 18th day of January next.

The report states the amount of sales to be $776.

W. S. WALKER,
W. A. HYLAND,
WM. STEVENS,
Judges of the Orphans' Court.

Dec. 20, 1883—4t.

ORDER PUBLICATION.

In the Orphans' Court for Kent county. December 4th, 1883.

ORDERED, that the sale of the real estate of William Bowman, late of Kent county, deceased made and reported by William A. Cleaver, executor of the said deceased, be ratified and confirmed, unless caused to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the fifth day of February next—Provided, a copy of this Order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Kent county, once a week for three successive weeks prior to the fourth day of January next. Report states the amount of sales to be $9350.00.

ROBERT NICHOLSON,
THOS. J. SHALLCROSS,
R. B. WILLSON,
Judges.

True Copy—Attest:
JOEL C. SLAUGHTER,
Dec. 6, 1883—4t. Register of Wills.

Blooded Stock.

For sale by E. J. Plummer, Worton Md., as agent for the well-known importers and breeders, N. P. Boyer & Co., of Chester county Penn.

Seventy-five head of Jersey Heifers in calf, for Sale Cheap.

To make room for new importations we will sell seventy-five head of pure blood Jersey Heifers in calf, at $85 to $125 each, as to age, style and earliness in calving. They are all very large and handsome, good colors and finely developed in all points that go to make up a first-class dairy cow, for butter or milk. Are all from first-class thoroughbred Jersey cows, making 14 to 17½ pounds of butter per week, and are served by solid colored Herd Registered Jersey bulls. Due to calve in March, April, May and June.

These heifers are all sired by the celebrated Herd Registered Jersey Bulls, Lord Darnley No. 3730 Lowrie No. 2484, and Earl of Willow Glen No. 2843; all solid color, full black points. They have been served by Imported Devon bull No. 7910 (of the celebrated Cocmassie strain), one of the best young Jersey Bulls that ever left the Island. Rapier No. 3743, Winsome Boy No. 5496, Maurus No. 4639, and Hercy Douglas No. 3769. These bulls are all from the very deepest milking strains, and from the very best butter families. Solid colors, full black points. They cannot fail to produce very fine calves.

Carefully boxed, delivered on board the cars, free, with feed, &c., for their trip, warranted to reach purchasers safe. Also, for sale, thoroughbred and imported sheep; thoroughbred and imported hogs; improved breeds of poultry. Full information as to prices may be had upon inquiry of

E. J. PLUMMER,
Worton, Md.

The following certificate is held:

COATSVILLE, PA., Dec, 12, 1883.

This is to certify that E. J. Plummer is our duly authorized agent in Kent county, Maryland, for the sale of blooded stock, seeds, &c.

N. P. BOYER & CO.

Dec. 20, 1883—y.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING.

And Sparks

is on hand with the finest assortment of goods he has ever had to offer you, and at prices astonishingly low. We can only name a few of our leading articles.

In PLUSH GOODS we have a fine assortment, consisting of Albums, Work-boxes, Satchels, Purses, Perfume Stands, &c., &c.

PLATEDWARE.—Castors, Pickle Jars, Butter Dishes, Napkin Rings, Cake Baskets. Get our prices before buying Bohemia Glassware, Fine Glassware.

CLOCKS.—A beautiful assortment and very cheap.

Handsome LAMPS, suitable for Christmas presents, cheaper than ever.

TOYS, TOYS, TOYS.—We have by far the largest stock in Kent county. Express Wagons, Dolls, Carriages, Sleds, and everything to please the children.

CONFECTIONERY.—In this line we have every thing you can wish for.

FRUITS of all kinds. Raisins, Figs, Grapes, Currants, &c., &c.

Look in the window and see the Dancing Monkey and Growling Bear. Now don't fail to call and look at our goods and get our prices, before buying.

SPARKS',
Dec 13, 1883. opposite Court House.

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—AT—

STAM'S DRUG STORE!

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Fine Selection.
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Lowest Prices.

We Want You to Look at Them!

COLIN F. STAM.

HOLIDAY GOODS!

—AT—

M. A. TOULSON'S

Ladies and Gents who intend making Christmas presents will find it to their ADVANTAGE to call and examine our varied stock so complete.

M. A. TOULSON.

Christmas Goods!

Work Boxes, Toilet Cases, Odor Stands, Whisk Holders, Comb and Brush Holders in beautiful Plush and Satin Cases. These goods are very select, and will please you. Would be glad to have you examine them.

COLIN F. STAM.

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FOR THE HOLIDAYS!

THE public are invited to call and examine our Large and Well Selected Stock of

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SUCH AS

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of which we always aim to keep the *very Best* on the market. All these goods now open for inspection. We aim to keep the best fresh goods, and by fair dealing and a disposition to please all, we hope to merit a continuance of the patronage so kindly granted us in the past.

Very respectfully,

WM. H. LAMBERT.

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THE subscriber respectfully informs the citizens of Chestertown and vicinity that he has opened near the Catholic Church, in Chestertown, a

Merchant Tailoring Establishment

and has on hand a fine assortment of

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Charles W. Jones, living near Mr. P. A. M. Brooks' woods, will act as my agent to deliver all orders, but the sales Must be made by me. All persons are forbidden to take anything out of the said woods unless by my or Charles W. Jones' permission.

WILLIAM PERKINS.

March 8, 1883.

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—AT—

Stam's Drug Store.

THE CHOICEST SONGS,
DANCES, WALTZES and MARCHES,

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Call and look over our stock.

COLIN F. STAM.

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IRON FRAME

Cultivator,

For putting Corn Ground in order for Wheat.

We made great improvements in our Cultivators for this fall's trade. Every tooth is adjustable and guaranteed not to choke in any filth or corn stubs.

We have the finest lot of best Cultivator TEETH we ever had. We made some this fall that are stronger than any made before by us.

CHAPMAN & LAMBERT.

Sept. 13, 1883.

COOK STOVES! COOKSTOVES!

RANGES! RANGES!

The EXCELSIOR is ahead, one of the *BEST* Cook Stoves in use for wood or coal. 6 or 8 kinds of cook Stoves, and *guarantee* all the stoves we sell. Ranges of three or four manufactures, and selling at very reasonable prices at

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I keep on hand or can supply at short notice, any Periodical published. Harper's, the Century Company's, and Appleton's publications can be furnished either by the year or by the single number. Munroe's Seaside Novels, among which are represented the best English and American novelests, kept constantly on hand, at

M. A. TOULSON'S
Drug Store, Chestertown, Md.

Nov. 30, 1882.

DR. T. H. COOPER,

HOMEOPATHIC,

Office Main street, opposite Voshell House,

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Having permanetly located in Chestertown, can be found all day and evening at office, except otherwise professionally engaged.

Special attention given to women and chil

June 21, 1883.

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THE Barber Shop at the old stand, corner of High and Court streets, formerly conducted by Woolford & McCoy, is now conducted by

WOOLFORD

Prompt and polite attention shown to al customers. April, 1881.

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The new Remington Carbon Plow is not surpassed in any particular, and it is superior in form, finish, metal and light weight to any other cast plow made, being one-half cast steel, has all the hardness and scouring qualities of the chilled plow, and is much stronger. The above plow is sold on a guarantee We respectfully refer parties to Messrs J. Z. Clark, Fletcher Melvin, Louis C. Justis, and others Call and examine this plow, and you will buy.

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Cinnamon, Cloves, Allspice, Ginger, Mulucca, Olive Oil, Mustard—whole and ground, Tumeric.

PERFECTLY PURE.

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To Our Customers.

We have a large supply of Coffees, Flour, and Provisions, &c., prior to the late sharp advance in prices, and are prepared to give our patrons the advantage of our good luck: we have a good article of New Orleans Molasses at a *reasonable* price.

J. B. SAPPINGTON.
Leader in Low Price

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The Largest assortment in town at the CORNER DRUG STORE.

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Silver Ware.

The Finest Stock and the Best Goods we have ever had in stock.

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New Goods!
Immense Stock!
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BED ROOM SUITS, BUREAUS, BEDSTEADS, WARDROBES, EXTENSION TABLES, CHAIRS of almost every style, REED CHAIRS, Rattan Chairs, Carpet Chairs, CHILDREN'S CHAIRS, in many beautiful styles.

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It would be almost impossible to enumerate all the different articles.

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Dec. 20, 1883.

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—AT—

LUCAS' JEWELRY!

American GOLD WATCHES,
SILVER WATCHES,
GOLD CHAINS,
GOLD BRACELETS,
WEDING RINGS,
SET RINGS,
EAR RINGS,
BREAST PINS,
STUDS,
SLEEVE BUTTONS,
LOCKETS,
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Rogers' Triple Plated Silver Ware

FRENCH CLOCKS;

CLOCKS FROM $1 TO $5,

SPECTACLES, &c.

HE GUARANTEES HIS GOODS

to be always exactly what he represents them to be.

Call and see his Stock before purchasing your Holiday Presents.

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Just below T. W. Eliason's Store.

Dec. 13, 1883.

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HAVING arranged for the Schooner BONITA, capacity 4000 bushels, we are now prepared to handle freights with quick dispatch and promptness, and will receive Grain at Travilla's and Double Creek public wharves; Buckingham landing, Chestertown, Quaker Neck wharf, and other landings on Chester river. Any orders left at the office of Joseph Turner, Esq., will receive personal attention.

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Dec. 6—tf.

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Toilet Sets and Vases, beautifully decorated. Exceedingly Low in Price—we want you to especially examine these.

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Kent Co., Smyrna & Del. Bay R. R.

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Connecting with Delaware Rail Road at Clayton

On and after Monday, December 21st, 1883, until further notice trains will run as follows:

GOING NORTH.	Passenger No. 1. Daily.	Passenger & Freight No. 3. Thursdays only.
LEAVE	A.M.	P.M.
Chestertown	8 00	2.00
Worton	8 20	2.20
Lynch's	8 30	2.30
Still Pond	8 40	2.40
Kennedyville	8 55	2.55
Blacks	9 10	3.10
Lambson	9 25	3.20
Masseys	9 40	3.35
Delanys	9 55	3.50
*Bingham	10 10	4.00
arr Clayton	10 25	4.10
leave "	11 08	4 31
" Middletown	11 42	5.06
" Wilmington	12 40	6 05
arr Philadelphia	1 40	7.05
Baltimore	3.20 p m	8 32
New York		10.20p m

GOING SOUTH.	Passe'r & freight No. 2 daily exc, pt Thursdays.	Passe'r & freight No. 4, Thursdays.	Passe'r & Thursdays only.
LEAVE	A.M.		P.M.
New York			
Baltimore	9.30	.....	12 10
Philadelphia	11 55	8 00	3 06
Wilmington	1 15	9 05	4 06
Middletown	2 14	10 11	4 42
arr Clayton	2 35	10 40	5 05
leave "	2 43	11 15	5 10
" Binghams*	2 53	11 30	5 20
Delanys	3 03	11 40	5 25
Masseys	3 18	11 55	5 40
Lambson	3 32	12 10	5 5
Blacks	3 46	12 25	
Kennedyville	4 00	12 40	
Still Pond	4 10	12 50	
Lynchs	4 16	12 55	
Worton	4 26	1 05	
arr Chestertown	4 40	1 20	

Stations marked thus (*) have no agents.

Freight for Delanys and Bingham's must be prepaid.

The morning trains make connection at Clayton with the Delaware Railroad going North and South.

Passengers on morning train to and from Baltimore change cars at Wilmington.

Freight carried at low rates to all points and must be at Stations 30 minutes before starting time, in order to insure dispatch.

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