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Dry Goods, Groceries,

BOOTS, SHOES, NOTIONS.

WHITE GOODS, HARDWARE, TINWARE, GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS, CLOTHING, CHINA,

and everything usually kept in a well-appointed general store. This store is really divided into departments, among which we mention with pride the Millinery Department, the Clothing Department and the Shoe Department. In them a complete line of goods is carried, and at prices that deserve the attention of this neighborhood.

Our Line of Harness

is first-class and complete, and will be sold at rock bottom prices, while the Sleigh Bells and Carriage Robes go at such low prices as to invite the attention of purchasers.

PATENT MEDICINES

are constantly kept in stock, and the general line of merchandise sold at my store will be found to be just a little lower in price than others who make greater pretentions. During the month sweeping reductions will be made in order to reduce this enormous stock, and for every dollar invested we guarantee full value received. Don't forget the full and complete line of

OILS, PAINTS, TRUNKS, VALISES, Etc.

Special Notice.—Full Line of LADIES' COATS and DRESS GOODS, and TRIMMINGS in connection with our Millinery Department a Specialty.

A call solicited.

W. S. MASLIN.

R. S Crew's Royal Bargain Store,

ROCK HALL, KENT COUNTY, MD.

OUR STOCK CONSISTS OF GENERAL MERCHANDISE,

Embracing in its different departments full and complete lines of goods at such low prices as to establish for us the reputation of being

"The Leaders in Bargains."

Four years of unprecedented success has placed as in the front ranks of Kent county merchants, and we enjoy to-day the confidence of the entire community, and number among our customers its leading citizens and closest buyers. Our leading lines of goods constantly kept on hand are

DRY GOODS, BOOTS AND SHOES, READY-MADE CLOTHING, HATS AND CAPS, GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS, GROCERIES, CONFECTIONERY OF ALL KINDS, Chinaware, Tinware, Gum Goods, Hardware, Patent Medicines, and a very choice line of

TOBACCO AND CIGARS.

SPECIAL MENTION.—We are now opening for the Christmas Holidays the most complete line of Novelties ever placed on exhibition in Rock Hall. The stock consists of a most beautiful line of Toys for the children, and "Old Kris" will find displayed upon our counters the most complete line he has ever inspected. Beautiful Dolls, all prices, Express Wagons, Lovely Glassware in fancy and plain patterns; Lamps, and everything to interest the buyer who is looking for low prices. This enormous stock must be reduced, and we have made sweeping reductions on many articles, and a call will convince all that we are the reliable advertisers of facts. Crew's Royal Bargain Store is the leading establishment of this neighborhood, and in purchasing your Christmas stock be sure you give me a call. Notice price list in change of advertisement next week. Respectfully,

R. S. CREW,

Dec. 13, 1894. Rock Hall, Md.

Extraordinary Announcement!

JAMES A. CASEY, a progressive Rock Haller, is now offering to the people of this county special low prices on his entire stock in order that the bulk of goods now upon our shelves can be reduced. For fifteen years we have been catering to the wants of the trade here, and all during that time we have never thrown out catch penny advertisements in order to hoodwink the people, but a steady, straightforward plan adopted in the beginning has been continued to the present time, and now for the future we promise greater bargains than have ever been shown in Rock Hall.

THE STOCK

Embraces a general line of goods, and consists of Dry Goods, Groceries, Boots and Shoes, Hardware, Notions of all kinds, including special bargains in Underwear and Hosiery, together with a first-class supply of Gum and Rubber Goods, so extensively used by our oystermen. The approaching holidays get nearer and nearer every day, and don't forget that we are fully prepared to meet your wants, as we can supply you with a complete line of goods at prices unequaled in this community. Our Grocery department receives special care, all the goods being bought for spot cash at headquarters, enables us to place in the homes of our people a line of fresh groceries at prices which are considered rock bottom. In the Boot and Shoe department there are many bargains awaiting you, and a call will convince you that we advertise bargains. Remember, we carry everything to be found in a well-appointed store, and from this time on sweeping reductions will be made, and a number of goods during this month will be closed out at prices that will astonish you. Look out for change of advertisement next month.

JAMES A. CASEY,

Dec. 13, 1894. ROCK HALL, MD.

WILLIAM R. COLEMAN,

Two Large Stores— ROCK HALL —AND— PINEY NECK.

in which is kept a complete and general line of merchandise, consisting of dry goods, boots and shoes, groceries, notions, confectionery and everything usually found in a complete establishment. While at Rock Hall be sure to call at our store and we will save you money, and when you are at Piney Neck call on us and be convinced that our prices are such as to astonish you. Our trade is growing and we are constantly gaining the confidence of the people, and to those who favor us with their trade we guarantee satisfaction. During this month we propose to reduce our stock, and in doing so we have greatly reduce the price of many useful articles that will interest close buyers. For the Christmas holidays we will be headquarters for Confectionery, etc., that will please the little folks. Give us a call.

WM. R. COLEMAN.

Dec. 13, 1894. Rock Hall and Piney Neck.

KRAMER & FRIEDMAN,

PINEY NECK,

Headquarters for LOW PRICES.

OUR STOCK OF GOODS CONSISTS OF GENERAL MERCHANDISE,

Embracing everything usually found in a complete store. In our line of Dry Goods we would say that our low prices in the past have brought to our store the closest cash buyers, while the

GROCERY LINE

is unequaled in the district. Everything the housekeeper needs will be found at our establishment, and the Boots and Shoes go at such prices as to astonish those who give us a call. For the approaching holidays we have been very careful to study the wants of our people, and by being spot-cash purchasers from headquarters we are enabled to give you a line of Christmas goods suitable for presents, etc., that other stores cannot compete with us. Be sure and give us a call, as during this month our large stock will be greatly reduced in prices.

KRAMER & FRIEDMAN,

PINEY NECK.

And down the western sky.
In upland pastures, where the grass
With frosted dew was white,
Like snowy clouds, the young sheep lay
That first blest Christmas night.

The shepherds slept, and glimmering faint,
With twist of thin blue smoke,
Only their fire's crackling flames
The tender silence broke,
Save when a young lamb raised his head,
Or, when the night wind blew,
A nestling bird would softly stir,
Where dusky olives grew!

With finger on her solemn lip
Night hushed the shady earth,
And only stars and angels saw
The little Saviour's birth.
Then came such flash of silver light
Across the bending skies
The wondering shepherds woke and hid
Their frightened, dazzled eyes.

But all their gentle, sleepy flock
Looked up, then slept again,
Nor knew the light that dimmed the stars
Brought endless peace to men,
Nor even heard the gracious words
That down the ages ring:
"The Christ is born, the Lord has come,
Good will on earth to bring!"

Then o'er the moonlit, misty fields,
Dumb with the world's great joy,
The shepherds sought the white walled town
Where lay the baby boy.
And, oh, the gladness of the world,
The glory of the skies,
Because the longed for Christ had smiled
In Mary's happy eyes!

—Margaret Deland.

A CHRISTMAS LEGEND.

The Miraculous Walking Stick of St. Joseph Took Root and Blossomed.

There is a legend interesting in connection with the custom of extending festivities from Christmas to Twelfth day, or Epiphany. According to tradition, St. Joseph, while passing through the town of Glastonbury, rested on a hillside. His walking stick of dry hawthorn he thrust into the earth, when it immediately took root and the next day blossomed. Every year thereafter it blossomed on Christmas day, which was Jan. 6, old style. This thorn tree had two trunks and grew to an immense size. Many singular instances related of it obtained general credence.

Once in Queen Elizabeth's time a Puritan, hoping to root out the superstition attached to it, hewed down the larger trunk, but when he attacked the other he was miraculously prevented from accomplishing his task. His ax slipped, cutting his leg seriously, and a chip flew up and put out one of his eyes. The severed trunk lay for years attached to the earth by a mere fragment of bark, yet it grew and flourished. Even after it was taken away and thrown into a ditch it continued to blossom, while the standing trunk, all cut and mangled near the roots, spread out its branches in a great circle and bloomed luxuriantly.

A long time afterward the second trunk was cut down, but the shoots from it were said to be growing in many places, each claiming to be the Glastonbury thorn. It is on record that when the change of style was made in 1763 people were greatly perplexed, wondering on what day the Glastonbury thorn would blossom. A great crowd collected on Dec. 25, N. S., and finding no blossoms watched the tree until Jan. 6, the old Christmas day, when it bloomed as usual. To allay the excitement this caused the old day was observed for awhile in many places.—New York Journal.

Christmas Greens For the Churches.

The most popular method for Christmas church decoration just now is to have a number of gothic designs in wood, which can be worked out very easily with evergreen leaves and holly, producing an excellent effect. These frames have the advantage of lasting from year to year. Wire frames of different shapes and sizes are also used to some extent and prove very desirable because of their lightness, a large cross, heart or anchor of wire frame frequently going in places where a similar article worked on wood could not be placed. The scarlet berried holly, the dark green and shining leaved ivy, green bloom pots of evergreen shrubs and the red Virginian creeper have all been utilized latterly for decorating the churches. Inscriptions by means of holly berries or in colored immortelles are also made, the latter being preferred, because some of the berries used at Christmas are poisonous, and children pick them up when they fall to the ground. Very thin lines of delicate looking green are carried from side to side so as to intersect each other in squares, and the crossed trellis work thus formed is dotted with flowers.—Brooklyn Citizen.

The Holly and the Ivy.

From the earliest times green boughs have been associated as one of the outward expressions of joy, and repeatedly in the Bible do we find allusions to them, notably in Nehemiah, where we read, "Go forth unto the mount and fetch olive branches, and pine branches, and myrtle branches," to make booths thereof, and "there was very great gladness." Decorations may thus be claimed as decidedly Scriptural in their origin. The popular evergreens are rosemary, bay, laurel, holly and ivy, and in folklore we have many and frequent allusions to all of these. The hellebore, or Christmas rose, and the Christmas thorn, which flowers about this season, along with laurestina and arbutus, are freely used in English decorations. A very quaint poem tells of the claims of the ivy and holly for precedence. Popular opinion places the holly inside and the ivy outside a dwelling.—Selected.

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Kent County. - - - - - Maryland.

Are the pioneers in the local manufacture of

Building Materials

of every class and description. Framing, Flooring, Shingles, hard-wood materials and everything essential to a thoroughly equipped planing and saw mill always in stock. Materials of the best and in quantities to meet every demand of the local market.

J. F. LEARY,

Near Rock Hall, Md.,

Dealer in General Merchandise

Consisting of

DRY GOODS, BOOTS & SHOES, NOTIONS,

Hardware, Clothing.

GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS, CONFECTIONERY, STATIONERY, HATS AND CAPS,

and a complete line of all kinds of goods usually found in a first-class general store.

SPECIAL NOTICE.—During the approaching holidays we will be headquarters for Santa Claus. Our fruits, consisting of Raisins, Currants, Lemons, Oranges, Apples, Cocoanuts, etc. Also Confectionery of all kinds, will be sold at prices in keeping with the dull times complained of. To please the little folks will be sold at astonishingly low prices. We mention a few prices deserve the attention of close buyers: Raisins 8c, Currants 5c, Citron 15c, Seedless Raisins Cocoanuts 6 to 8c, Walnuts and Butternuts 15c, Almonds 20c, Broken Candy, Mixture, and French Mixture 10c lb, or 3 lbs for 25c. A No. 1 Gum Drops, Chocolate Drops, Cream Caromels and French Mixture at 25c a lb. Pure Extract of Lemon and Vanilla, my own Ground Cloves, Allspice, Cinnamon, Mace, Ginger, Pulverized Sugar, also children's Books, Express Wagons, etc. This stock is complete, and prices so low as to astonish all give me a call. Our lines of Drugs and Medicines are fresh, and a full stock constantly kept hand. Prescriptions carefully and accurately compounded at all hours, day or night. I respectfully ask for a share of your patronage, believing that I can save you money on your purchases Jewelry, Perfumery and Fancy Soaps. Resp'y, etc.,

J. F. LEARY, Near Rock Ha

MILLER BROS., Rock Hall,

CORNER STORE. (Successors to A. Casey.) CORNER STORE.

Dealers in General Merchandise

CONSISTING OF

Dry Goods, Groceries, Boots and Shoes, Notions of all kinds, embracing a line of Hosiery Underwear for the cold weather, that is unequaled in the country for the low prices charged choice line of Cigars and Tobacco are constantly kept on hand, and to those who enjoy smoke or chew, we can please you. In our Grocery Department will be found everything the housekeeper needs. Our Coffees, Teas, Sugars and Salted Meats are secured in large ties direct from headquarters at low cash figures, and that accounts for the low price to sumer. The Boot and Shoe department is just a little better than you usually find in a store. We can furnish ladies, misses and children with the leading styles of footwear, the men's department we are considered the leaders both in durability and lowness of pr call attention, with much pride, to our Dry Goods showing. The Dress Goods, Muslins nels, etc., are all new and fresh stock, selected with great care to meet the wants of our and will be offered to the trade at tempting prices. We desire also to call attention to our play of Christmas Goods for the "useful presents," so generally given at this season of the The line of Fruits and Confectionery are here in large quantities, and prices in keeping with hard times. Don't forget that we can supply your Christmas wants.

☞ Special Notice.—On Saturday morning we will open

A SPECIAL BARGAIN COUNTER

and upon it will be placed many useful articles far below the selling price of other houses, and before supplying yourselves with winter goods be sure and give this "bargain counter" your attention. Look out for change of advertisement next month. Butter and Eggs taken in exchange for goods, and we always allow the highest market price. A call solicited.

MILLER BROS.,

Dec. 13, 1894. ROCK HALL, MD.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

ROCK HALL'S CHEAPEST STORE

G. E. CALLAWAY, dealer in general merchandise, consisting of Dry Goods, Boots and Shoes, Groceries, Confectionery, Fruits and Notions. During this month we have made sweeping reductions in prices, and to the people of this neighborhood who favor me with a call, will and can save them money. In our Dry Goods department we would say that many goods in Muslin, Calicoes, Ginghams, Dress and Apron Goods, Wool Kerseys, Cotton Goods, etc., will be sold regardless of cost. Special Notice. All of our Notions, Tablecloth, Linens, Oil Cloth and White Goods will be closed out at reduced prices, while our Overshirts, Undershirts Vests, Hoods, Hosiery, Gloves, Knitting Cotton, Spool Cotton, Buttons, Collars, and Cuffs be a little underneath others of this community. Our Grocery department will be headquarters for the housekeeper at prices that will be very tempting. Shoes a specialty and big bargains await you. Give me a call as we will not be undersold in anything.

G. E. CALLAWAY.

☞ *AGENTS FOR TREES AND FLOWERS.* *ROCK HALL,*

SNYDER'S SHAVING PARLORS,

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HAVING located permanently in Rock Hall, I am prepared to do Shaving and Hair Cutting in latest styles. Trimming of Ladies' and Children's Bangs and Shampooing a specialty.
Music furnished for parties, etc.
Give me a call.

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