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A GOODLY NUMBER OF REPUBLICANS have expressed their approbation of the TRANSCRIPT's reference last week to ex-democratic office holders. One prominent republican said: "The only trouble was you didn't get half of them."

PHILADELPHIA will have the republican presidential convention next year. June the nineteenth will be the date of the assembling of the national republicans. The vote was twenty-five for Philadelphia and twenty-four for Chicago as the convention city.

COL. WILLIAM J. VANNORT was referred to as follows by the Baltimore *News* last week: "Col. William J. Vannort, of Kent county, was in the city yesterday. Colonel Vannort believes that Mr. Lloyd Wilkinson, of Worcester county, will be made Speaker of the House of Delegates. In speaking of the special session for congressman from the first district to succeed Governor-elect Smith, he said he did not believe the republicans would put up a candidate, if an election was ordered, on account of the expense, which would necessarily be incurred. Colonel Vannort was the republican candidate for Governor in 1891 against Hon. Frank Brown."

A PROMINENT Chestertown republican is strongly in favor of a whipping post for Kent county. A whipping post would result in a ten per cent. cut of taxes in the county. The class of petty criminals who seek winter quarters at the expense of county tax-payers would be greatly reduced by a sound flogging administered for each offence. Under present conditions the police courts and a prospect of free board and absolute idleness form the most potent incentives to crime and the greatest drain upon county finances. Try the whipping post, and should it prove a failure, then the boarding feature of the jail may be reinstated in all its glory. The old sentiment that it is brutalizing to soundly flog a man sufficiently vicious and degraded to become a violator of the law, is a worn-out fallacy.

THE REPUBLICAN ORGAN writhes in a righteous indignation, a fit of holy horror that the fair name of the community should be beclouded, besmirched and injured by a full ventilation of the abominable practices and reprehensible methods of republican politicians and an all too unscrupulous journalistic mouthpiece. There is little wonder that the highly virtuous editor and his equally virtuous pals should squirm and twist when their schemes are laid bare, and their overriding of common decency and the social welfare and good order of the entire community is fully ventilated. It is entirely natural, and was expected that in the face of public indignation as expressed by an outraged people, they should disclaim all knowledge and all complicity in the questionable work. "The argument" for these negro roughs "was made before Judge Harlan—a democrat," they say. Who made this masterful "argument?" What citizen of Chestertown acquainted with the facts surrounding this particular case, and informed as to the conditions which exist, could feel warranted in taking advantage of a mere technicality in a justice's commitment to set at large negro roughs regularly convicted of the crime of assaulting and terrorizing negro voters because they dare exercise their right to cast a ballot as they saw proper? There are republicans in Chestertown and in Kent county, who would spurn such an insinuation,—there are others in Chestertown who stand condemned, and so far as public opinion goes, convicted of this outrage, the apologies of the republican apologist to the contrary notwithstanding. The most remarkable feature of the Harris case is that democrats, those implacable foes of the colored race should sue for the extension of mercy to a man having a black skin. Did not the unselfish and pure republican press and windy politicians during the recent campaign, preach that no good thing could come out of a democratic Nazareth? Did they not say that the gentlemen referred to as having asked the Governor to extend executive clemency to Frank Harris, a colored murderer, were the unalterable foes of the negro race, and desired that they be disfranchised and returned to an ignoble bondage? These gentlemen have asked the Governor to exercise his prerogative in a legal, orderly way, it is but fair to presume, and had satisfactory reasons to the contrary been presented, the convicted man would or should have served out his full sentence. The movers for the pardon of Harris have placed themselves on record, in striking contrast to the *unknown* parties who asked that the negroes, Taylor and William and Bill Goldsborough be set at large. The TRANSCRIPT will remain the "opposition organ" when the best interests of the community are threatened, abridged by political jugglers and parties whose chiefest claim to confidence and respectability is their own windy wouthings.

FROM GALENA.

The festival and supper of the Galena Cornet Band was a great success, socially and financially.

From what we can hear the field is overflowing with candidates for all places to be filled.

Farmers are busy hauling their corn while the roads are good. This has truly been an ideal climate during the past fall.

Our pump and windmill man, William Steel, is too busy to talk about political appointments. He's a bustler and a first-class workman, and as a result is always busy.

An interesting shooting match at live pigeons took place on Saturday. Mulford and Vansant, of Galena, carried off the laurels. Aiken, of Warwick, and Simmons, of Cecil, were outclassed by the Galena sportsmen, and were scarcely in the contest at any time.

Mr. Robert A. Wilson is busy hauling the lumber for his big 40x60 feet machine shops. It will be a big affair and well-stocked.

Mrs. E. A. Ireland has greatly beautified her property by having it neatly painted. Mr. C. F. Lehman, the Galena artist, did the work.

A SURE CURE FOR CROUP.

Twenty-five Years' Constant Use Without a Failure.

The first indication of croup is hoarseness, and in a child subject to that disease it may be taken as a sure sign of the approach of an attack. Following this hoarseness is a peculiar rough cough. If Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is given as soon as the child becomes hoarse, or even after the croupy cough appears, it will prevent the attack. It is used in many thousands of homes in this broad land and never disappoints the anxious mothers. We have yet to learn of a single instance in which it has not proved effectual. No other preparation can show such a record—twenty-five years' constant use without a failure. For sale by M. A. Toulson.

THE RAILROAD DEAL.

Is the Chester River Line Included in the Deal for the Baltimore & Delaware Bay Railroad?

The rumored purchase of the Baltimore and Delaware Bay Railroad by the Pennsylvania Railroad, remains unconfirmed, though many persons believe that the deal has been completed and that the local road will pass under the new management the first of the year. Indeed, information let drop by one of those in a position to know some of the inner secrets, go to strengthen this belief, though the Pennsylvania management continue to go no farther than they did to Supt. Stacey, who was told, when he visited New York since the reported deal, that they would let him know should the purchase be consummated. Of course this did not of necessity mean that the whole matter was not at that moment completed.

About two weeks ago increased interest was given the situation, by a rumor that the Chester River Steamboat line was also included in the deal contemplated by the Pennsylvania management. This was scarcely credited until the following interesting item appeared in the Baltimore *Sun* on Monday morning, which gave much color to the report! The *Sun* said:

"The announcement made in the *Sun* of Saturday that negotiations were pending for the purchase of the Wheeler Line of steamers by New York parties has created much speculation, and it has been stated that this is but a primary step toward securing the practical control of the steamboat lines which ply between Baltimore and the Eastern Shore of Maryland.

"'The movement,' said a prominent railroad man, 'has been expected in some quarters for some time and the negotiations have been so quietly conducted that it was a surprise that a leak had let the matter out. There is well-grounded suspicion that the Pennsylvania Railroad is behind this step to secure the Wheeler Line, and there are other lines which come to Light street which, it is thought, will be also absorbed.

"The Pennsylvania Railroad, which has lately acquired the Baltimore, Chesapeake and Atlantic Railway property and the steamboats of that company, is preparing to consummate a deal for other companies, thereby giving it the absolute control of all the Eastern Shore lines. This statement is strengthened by the fact that the Pennsylvania Railroad has recently acquired the Baltimore and Delaware Bay Railroad, which runs from Bombay Hook, Del., to Chestertown, Md., and in a measure parallels the route of the Queen Anne Railroad. This newly acquired road will figure in the new move which is now on tap, as it is known there is a charter already in existence which grants to the road power to continue its tracks from Chestertown to Rock Hall, from which point the Chester River Steamboat Company now carries freight and passengers. The proposed plan is to extend this road to Rock Hall, which is about an hour and a quarter's run from Baltimore by steamer. This would enable the Pennsylvania Railroad to bring both passengers and freight from points in Delaware to Baltimore in a shorter time than can now be done over its present route by way of Porter's and Newark. In addition to the shortening of the route, the road will pass through the most fertile part of the Eastern Shore and will give to the Pennsylvania Railroad entire control of all the railroads on the peninsula except the Queen Anne's, and this property may also be acquired if the present proposed program goes through, for if the Pennsylvania Railroad purchases the Chester River Steamboat Company's property, which would enable the Pennsylvania Railroad to connect with the proposed extension of the Baltimore and Delaware Bay Railroad from Rock Hall to Baltimore and would by this proposed route be able to make the trip from Rock Hall to Baltimore in an hour and a quarter, while the Queen Anne takes two and a quarter hours to come from Queenstown to Baltimore, this would bottle up the Queen Anne road, which is practically surrounded by the lines of the Pennsylvania Railroad, which road now reaches every county of the Eastern Shore, while the steamers of the Baltimore, Chesapeake and Atlantic Railway and the Wheeler Line cover every available landing place along the water-ways of the peninsula.

"I am prepared to hear of the consummation of these plans at any time. I know, as others do, that the Pennsylvania Railroad never leaps in the dark, but when once started she usually lands the object of her pursuit."

This was followed on Tuesday by the interesting news item given below:

"An official of the Chester River Steamboat Company, in speaking of the report that the property of that company was being considered in connection with the deal, said: 'I have not been approached by any representative of the Pensylvannia Railroad company in reference to the sale of this property. The only information we have is what we have heard on the street and seen in the newspapers, and until some proposition is made we are not in a position to discuss the matter.'

"Capt. W. C. Eliason, president of the Tolchester Steamboat Company, when asked if any proposition had been made looking to the purchase of his line, said: 'I have not been approached on the subject in any manner and do not expect to be, as our business is principally excursion business, and I do not think the Pennsylvania Rail road is seeking that sort of business.'

"An official of another line of steamers, in discussing the matter, said: 'I am thoroughly convinced that the Pennsylvania Railroad intends to put in operation just such plan as was outlined in the *Sun* of Monday. Should that corporation acquire the Wheeler Line and Chester River property it would control absolutely both freight and passenger traffic on water and land on the Eastern Shore peninsula. The Pennsylvania is combining its interests in every quarter. It has only been within the last year that all of her branch railroad lines which run on the Eastern Shore of Maryland have been merged into the Delaware division, and operated under one head. As the property of the Baltimore, Chesapeake and Atlantic Company has passed into its possession, it is a natural sequence that competing lines should be purchased by the Pennsylvania Company.'

"It has also been reported that the Adams and United States Express Companies were in the deal. The Adams Express Company formerly operated over the lines of the Baltimore, Chesapeake and Atlantic Railroad, but was superseded by the United States Express Company when the Baltimore, Chesapeake and Atlantic passed into the control of Mr. J. E. Searless. The stealers of this company touch every important oyster shipping point on the Eastern Shore of Maryland, as well as some points on the Eastern Shore of Virginia, and in the last few years the shipment of oysters by express has grown to be an immense business, rates being made from the point of shipment to points in the West as far as Dakota. The revenue to the express company on this class of business has been large. The United States Express Company's contract expires in March of next year, and as the property has now passed out of Mr. Searles' control and is owned by the Pennsylvania Railroad, over whose lines, both rail and water the Adams Express Company has exclusive rights, it is thought that the United States Express Company will have to give way to the Adams Express Company. The Adams Express Company has been operating over the Wheeler Line and its contract with the Wheeler line expires in March next. The Adams Express Company, it is said, is anxious to have the Pennsylvania Railroad Company buy the Wheeler Line, in which event, it is said, the United States Express Company would be excluded from every point reached by the Pennsylvania Railroad on the Maryland-Delaware peninsula, thus practically annihilating the United States Company's business in that section which the company has been energetically building up in the last five years and which has brought them large returns.

"For these reasons, it is said that the United States Express Company's officials may make a bid for the Wheeler Line and before allowing the Pennsylvania Railroad Company to procure it, may buy the property itself in order to protect its interests on the Eastern Shore."

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, } ss.
LUCAS COUNTY,

FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure. FRANK J. CHENEY.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.

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9.30—Class Meeting.
10.30—Sermon—"The Guiding Star." Reception of converts to probationary life in the church.
2.15—Sunday School and revival service.
6.45—Epworth League devotional meeting.
7.30—Sermon—"Ruth's Choice." A discourse to young ladies, to be followed by revival service.
All are cordially invited to these services.
E. C. SUNFIELD, Pastor.

BANK NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given to the stockholders of the SECOND NATIONAL BANK OF CHESTERTOWN, Maryland, that their regular ANNUAL MEETING for the election of Nine Directors for the ensuing year, will be held at their banking house, in Chestertown, on TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 1900, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M.

d14-5t. W. B. COPPER, Cashier.

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d7-2t. E. F. PERKINS, Att'y.

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MONEY TO LOAN on first mortgages. Amount to suit the borrower.

LEWIN W. WICKES,
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FOR RENT FOR THE YEAR 1900.

House on High St., now occupied by Mrs. Kate B. Johnson. The house is roomy and convenient. Water in kitchen, Latrobe Stove in parlor, with heaters to third story. Good side yard. Rent low to good tenant.

Apply to
J. B. SAPPINGTON,
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Dairy Cows will, on the same rations, both increase the flow of milk and percentage of butter fat. It builds up the system. For Horses fed on Baume' Food will keep in fine condition, with bright eyes, sleek coat. It greatly aids digestion and builds up the constitution.

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Our counters are now loaded with beautiful goods suitable for holiday gifts. All departments are full.

Beautiful Books will be found in variety. Dainty little volumes of religious thought. Bibles, Fascinating Fiction, and Story Books for boys and girls. Cards, Calendars and pretty Booklets are in fascinating variety. Then, too, we have Beautiful Mirrors, Ink Stands, Celluloid Cases with Combs and Brushes, Ladies' Work Boxes, Furnished Jewel Cases, Manicure Sets, Glove and Handkerchief Boxes, Fan Cases, Necktie Cases, Photograph Cases, Cuff and Collar Boxes, Shaving Sets, Whisk Broom Holders, Music Rolls, Wall Pockets, Clocks, Single Combs and Brushes, Portmanteaus, Gentlemen's Purses, Bill-Books and Card Cases.

Prices have all been adjusted to suit the purses of the purchasing public. Every arrangement has been made to show goods without unnecessary delay. A cordial invitation is extended to the purchasing public.

With compliments of the joyous Xmas season,

M. A. TOULSON.

Sheriff's Tax Sale.

BY VIRTUE of authority vested in me, as Sheriff of Kent county, by Act of Assembly creating a County Treasurer, and providing for the collection of State and county taxes, the undersigned will sell at Public Sale,

On Tuesday, January 9, 1900,

between the hours of two and three o'clock P. M., at the Court House Door, in Chestertown Maryland,

All that Lot or Parcel of Land,

containing Two and One-Half Acres, more or less, improved by a one and a half story frame dwelling, and assessed to G. P. Lindsey, colored, situate and lying in the Seventh Election District of Kent county, Md., near the old Quaker burying ground, on the road leading into the Comegys Brown farm, and adjoining the lands of J. B. Hossenger and W. T. Cann.

The sale will be made to pay and satisfy taxes due on said property for the year 1898, as follows:

County Taxes.....$2.64.
State Taxes.....50c.

together with interest and all costs due and to become due thereon.

d21-ts. BEDFORD ROE, Sheriff.

SHERIFF'S TAX SALE.

BY VIRTUE of authority vested in me, as Sheriff of Kent county, by Act of Assembly creating a County Treasurer, and providing for the collection of State and county taxes, the undersigned will sell at Public Sale,

On Tuesday, January 9, 1900,

between the hours of two and three o'clock P. M., at the Court House Door, in Chestertown, Maryland,

All that LOT or Parcel of Land,

containing Two Acres, more or less, and improved by a two-story frame dwelling, and assessed to Samuel Turner, colored, situate and lying in the Seventh Election District of Kent county, Md., on the road leading to the Comegys Brown farm, and adjoining the lands of James Yorker and W. T. Cann.

The sale will be made to pay and satisfy taxes due on said property for the year 1898, as follows:

County Taxes.....$1.90.
State Taxes.....36c.

together with interest and all costs due and to become due thereon.

n21-ts. BEDFORD ROE, Sheriff.

The Voshell House.

Remodeled and Improved.

HAVING rented the Voshell House, one of the old and most widely-known hotels on the Eastern Shore, I wish to announce to the public that this old and popular hostelry will be conducted in the most approved and up-to-date way. The house will be thoroughly heated, remodeled and otherwise improved for the accommodation of guests.

The Table

will always be served with the best the seasons afford, temptingly prepared and served under the personal supervision of my wife.

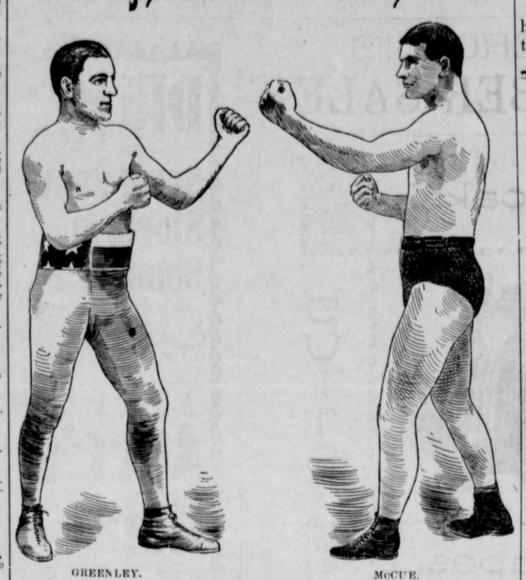
The rooms, bed and beding will be kept airy and sweet, and everything done with an eye single to the comfort and convenience of my old friends and patrons, the traveling public. A cordial welcome will be recorded to all who call. Very truly,

GEO. E. LAMBERT,

BOXING CONTEST!

UNDER THE MANAGEMENT OF THE EUTAW ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION OF BALTIMORE, WILL BE HELD IN

STAM'S HALL,
Thursday, December 21st, 1899.



GREENLEY. McCUE.

Not a "prize fight," but purely a scientific exhibition of the manly art of self-defence. Following is the program: The Star bout between

JACK McCUE, of Baltimore, and
CHAS. GREENLEY, of Chestertown,

—TEN ROUNDS.—

Next will come Young Kinney, of Baltimore, and Jack Lackey, of Washington, (ten rounds). Abe Ulman, of Baltimore, and Tom Williams, of Troy, N. Y. (ten rounds). Jimmy Farran, of Richmond, and Kid Henaming, of New Jersey, (six rounds).

This exhibition is guaranteed to be first-class in every particular. The contestants are all men of reputation. McCue, who will be one of the boxers, was sparring partner for Joe Gans, of Baltimore, for three years, having quitted him last July. Gans is the champion light weight of the world, and conceded by all to be the most scientific sparrer in the business. McCue will be in town on Tuesday, and will take daily runs of twelve to fifteen miles preparatory to the bout.

Jack McCue is fast rounding into form for his bout on the 21st with Greenley, the hard-hitting Chestertown blacksmith. In speaking of the bout McCue says Greenley is a very nice fellow and just the kind of a man that needs very close watching in a boxing bout. McCue also says: Oh, well, the morning of the 22d will tell the tale, and Greenley will know he was boxing on the night of the 21st. Take a hand in it, boys, and give the Chestertown boy a good send off. All together—root for Chestertown.

☞ Remember the date, THURSDAY, December 21st. Tickets 75c. and $1.00.

PUBLIC SALE
—OF—
Personal Property

THE undersigned, having rented a smaller farm, will sell at public sale on the Beaston farm, where he now resides, near Kennedyville, Md., on

Thursday, December 21, '99

commencing at 10 o'clock A. M., the following desirable Personal Property, to wit:



5 Head Horses,

GOOD DRIVERS AND WORKERS;

19 Head of

Milch Cows and Heifers,

all good milkers and a number of them will be in profit soon.

Farming Implements:

3 Farm Wagons, in good order;
1 Deering Binder, in good order;
1 Large Family Sleigh, 1 Ox Yoke,
2 Coal Stoves, in excellent condition;
1 lot Creamery Milk Cans,
Lot of Iron Cultivators and Plows,
1 Double A Harrow,
Lot of Wagon Harness and lot of Plow Harness,
1 Drill, 1 Fan,
1 Dearborn, 1 York Carriage.

One Hyland Horse Power and Corn Sheller,

TERMS OF SALE:—All sums of $10 and under, cash; all sums over that amount a credit of Twelve Months will be given on notes payable at the Second National Bank of Chestertown Md. Interest added with approved security. No property to be removed until terms of sale are complied with.

JOHN P. VANDYKE.
C. H. HURLOCK, Auct. df-ts.

AT THE
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A Magnificent Stock
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THE MOST ARTISTIC!
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Come in, you will be surprised.

STAM DRUG COMPANY,
CHESTERTOWN, MD.

Notice to Creditors.

George Clough, et al.,
vs.
Henry Severn, et al.

In the Circuit Court for Kent county, in Equity.

No. 1311.

ORDERED this 11th day of December, 1899, by the Circuit Court for Kent County, Maryland, that Hope H. Barroll, Trustee in the above entitled cause, is directed to give notice to all persons having claims against the estate of Charles L. Severn, and other parties interested in the proceeds of sale of the Real Estate sold in this cause to file their claims duly authenticated with the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Kent County, Maryland, on or before the 15th day of January, 1900, and to cause a copy of this order to be published in some newspaper printed and published in Kent County, once in each of three successive weeks before the 15th day of January 1900.

JAMES A. PEARCE,
True Copy—Test:
d14-4t. JAMES T. DIXON, Clerk.

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R. F. PARKS'

DECEMBER GREETING.

OUR OFFERINGS of SPECIAL SPOT CASH VALUES, for the holidays, are interesting and attractive.

Have bought largely of Queensware, Glassware, and Fancyware, for the occasion.

Window Shades!

10c buys Felt Shade on Spring Rollers.
30 buys Fine Oil Shade on Spring Rollers.
50 buys Fine Fringed Dalord Oil Shades.

Special Grocery Prices! FOR XMAS.

11c buys 3 bars Babbit's Soap.
25 buys 12 bars Dandy Soap.
15 buys 4 lb. Package Gold Dust.
90 buys 25 lb. Best Buckwheat Flour.
5 buys Best Granulated Sugar.

25 to 30 nine and ten piece Chamber sets to select from.

1.99 buys your choice of 20 sets (9 pieces) freely decorated. 1.99
4.99 buys a freely decorated fifty-six piece tea set. 4.99
16.00 buys a freely decorated 106 piece English dinner and tea set. 16.00
55c buys 1 doz. Fine Flint Glass Tumblers, 55c

TABLE LINEN—Cloths and Napkins.

16c buys good Turkey red Damask, worth 20c. 16c
20c buys good Turkey Red Damask, worth 25c. 20c

Handkerchief—Plain and Fancy. Worked in Variety.

Blankets—White & Col'd.

50 buys a 10-4 white flannel Blanket 50
Blankets from 50c. to $7.00 per pair.

Buyers of **Carpets, Rugs, Mats** and **Oil Cloths,** look to your interest. Our stock is the largest.

25c buys a good rag carpet. 25c
24c buys a good Jute carpet. 24c
25c buys a good Ingrain carpet. 25c
55 to 60 buys a good 13 pairs all-wool extra 55 to 60

Mattings! Mattings!

Special prices for the holidays.

12½c Extra good Jointless Matting 12½c

Robes, Blankets, etc.,

Special Prices.

Ladies' Coats & Capes,

Closing out regardless of cost.

Tickings & Muslins

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12½c Buys Extra Good Feather Ticking. 12½c

Yours for business,

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Look at THESE PRICES

Best Broken Mixture, - 9c
Society Mixture - 9c
Twentieth Century Mixture 10c
Assorted Fancy Dice - 10c

The finest I have had for many years.

MRS. D. GRUBER.

A Happy Christmas and a Joyous New Year

Are the season's greetings to our friends and patrons. The "Grand Opening," which was in every way a success, has become a pleasant memory to hundreds of delighted children and parents, and the great Christmas festival stands at the threshold with its limitless joys. Eyes should "look love to eyes" at this joyous season of feasting and gift-making, and so far as possible the shadows of life should be forgotten. Beautiful gifts have a value far above and more sacred than their worth in dollars and cents. Appropriateness, of course, means something, but it is the senitment which inspired the giving which clothes them with a measure of sacredness.

Our immense stock is not depleted, but there remains a bewildering abundance of beautiful goods from which to select a holiday gift of friendship and love. The time is too short and we are too busy to do more than to extend a cordial invitation to the people everythere to come and see if not to purchase—a welcome to all. A word to the wise is sufficient.



A Christmas Vision After Attending Miller Bros'. "Opening."

The Realm of Santa Claus.

As the joyous, happy Christmastide belongs peculiarly to the Children, we will say just a word to interest them first of all. A peep into our bewitching corner which Old Kris has named "Gift-dom" will make them sing with joy before Christmas morning. Name them all! No! No!! No!!! Don't ask us to enumerate the entrancing gifts for the little ones. We have everything they can desire to delight their dear little hearts at Christmas time. Toys without limit and of all kinds. Dolls—Big Dolls and Little Dolls, White Dolls and Black Dolls, far-sighted and near-sighted, cross-eyed and straight-eyed, crying Dolls and silent Dolls, Dolls which wink and blink, and Dolls which look all the more beautiful because their great lustrous eyes never close upon their delighted little possessors. China-limb Dolls, glazed and bisque heads; patent washable and unbreakable Dolls, Dolls with natural curls, Dolls dressed for the New Year's ball, and tiny limbs which are yet to be dressed. Knit worsted Dolls, absolutely unbreakable, jointed and unjointed; penny babies and charming visions which delight the eye because almost as large as a "sure enough baby." Doll Shoes, Doll Stockings, and even tiny Doll "billy bottles" from which the dainty little creatures take their half dozen daily meals of milk. Rubber goods, too, Rattles, Balls—in short, all kinds of bewitching visions in dolldom. Indeed, anything, from a Jewsharp to a Four-horse Wagon. Ten thousand gems of fascinating beauty are crowded into the "Children's Corner." Christmas tree decorations, games, books and ten thousand other etc's., etc.

But the Boys.

Ah! We had forgotten the boys—the rollicksome fellows who don't believe in "visions of dolldom," but want balls and bats, Jewsharps, slingshots and harmonicas. Not a bit of it! We did not forget to remember them when we "stocked up to the ceiling." Just listen—here comes the Junior Express Wagon, Goat Sulky, Wheelbarrows, Velocipedes, Shoo-Fly Horses, Tricycles, Rocking Horses, and the Sleigh freighted with a ton of pleasure to every square inch. Base-Balls, Foot-Balls, Bats Banks and Safes in which the savings may be stored away, Marbles, and even Toys run by steam for a trip to far-away Klondike. Toys which really run; Games, Swords, and Pistols with sure enough caps, Drums, Bugles and Horns with which to welcome our royal old visitor on Christmas morning. Boys, we are out of breath. The TRANSCRIPT is not half large enough to hold the names of half the splendid things which Old Kris has left for you. Get mother and father to bring you down to our great opening and see for yourselves. It will be a delightful memory for the rest of your lives. There will be lots of room for the boys and the girls and all their beautiful treasures. Now, this is only a glimpse into your department; there are Doll Cradles, Noah's Arks with every fish and fowl known to the good old folk who crossed the flood. But we can't tell you all, so you must come and see for yourselves.

All the World Loves a Lover.

Of course it does, and there are rare and beautiful gifts for this class. We are all lovers. The Christmastide is a season of love of father and mother, sister and brother, and every-day friends become lovers in the bestowal of charming gifts. Now, just listen as we enumerate a few of our dainty Christmas offerings of love from friend to friend. Beautiful Celluloid Cases with Combs and Brushes, Ladies' Work Boxes, Furnished Jewel Cases, Manicure Sets, Glove and Handkerchief Boxes, Fan Cases, Necktie Cases, Photograph Cases, Cuff and Collar Boxes, Shaving Sets, Ladies' Writing Desks, Magnificent Silk Mufflers, Silk Handkerchiefs, Kid Gloves, Gentlemen's Scarfs, and one of the most superb lines of Perfumery ever offered in this section. Whisk Broom Holders, Music Rolls, Wall Pockets, Clocks, Single Combs and Brushes, Portmanteaus, Gentlemen's Purses, Bill-Books and Card Cases and Pocket Knives. Beautiful Bisque and other ornaments, any one of which would make Christmas presents of exquisite appropriateness.

China and Glass.

This will be one of the gem departments, and will be stocked to overflowing with beautiful patterns of Glass and Chinaware, useful and ornamental. Cups and Saucers, Pots, Flower Holders, Dainty Bric-a Brac. But we can't name them all, so in the words of the rural poet you "Must come and be convinced."

For the Practical Ones.

Every word already said is for our practical friends, but when it comes to buying a magnificent Banquet Lamp, Hall Lamp, a Shawl of soft and beautiful texture, then comes in the question of solid comfort and utility. These lamps are rare in design and beautiful in ornamentation. Then, too, a Shawl or Coat of latest pattern for the wife or daughter, are all appropriate for the season of gift-making. But here are a few practical necessities in our "practical corner." You know, Sugar, Nuts, Raisins, Citron, Currants, and Fine Confectionery are prime necessities for this great Christmas festival, and here is where we have made greatest concessions to our friends. But figures are most eloquent during these hard times, so here they are without further parlying of words—place them in the crown of your hat and keep cool:

Granulated Sugar	5c
Mixed Nuts (fresh)	10c
Strictly New 3-Crown Loose Muscatel Raisins (fine)	8c
Best Citron	11c
Best Cleaned Currants, 1 lb. cartoons	8c
Mixed Drops	7c
Broken Mixture	7c
French Mixture, per lb	5c

MILLER BRO'S ROYAL SPECIAL—A dainty box of Chocolate Bon-Bons for the "best girl," or even the worst girl—if such a thing as a worst girl exists in Kent.

Foreign and Domestic FRUITS and NUTS.

In our elaborate preparations in other departments we have not forgotten this necessary line of Christmas goods. Our line of Foreign and Domestic Fruits and Nuts is complete. Oranges, Figs, Dates, Raisins, (cooking or for table use), Malaga Grapes, Currants, Citron and Apples. These are all fresh and of the finest quality. In Nuts we have—Butternuts, Pecans, English Walnuts, Hazle Nuts, etc., fresh and in abundance.

Our New Line.

In addition to one of the finest lines of FINE CANDIES in the county, we will this season make a specialty of a dainty special package of our own, at 25 cents per box. Our line of Confectionery is one of the choice offerings of our season's goods, and at prices to merit heavy sales.

ROBES AND BLANKETS,

Robes and Blankets will enter largely into our stock, and will make choice presents.

With this partial statement of a few of the features of our immense stock of beautiful goods, we will simply repeat our invitation to our friends to come. Come early, before the stock is culled over and the choicest gems are gone. First come, of course, first served.

Respectfull yours,

Miller Brothers' "Glass Front,"

ROCK HALL, - - - - - - - MARYLAND.

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