Hog-Killing Supplies.

PEPPER STRICTLY PURE BLACK PEPPER. This is the Best Singapore Pepper ground, and we guarantee the quality to be absolutely pure. Our price is only 17½c lb. **17½c**

SAGE Finest Hand Rubbed Sage—same quality as we sold last year, only 12c½c. **12½c**

SALT-PETRE Pure Pulverized Salt petre, Extra Fine Ground, only 10c. lb. **10c**

SALT Large sack Fine Salt, Very Best Quality, Full Weight, 224 lbs., only 98c a sack. **98c**

SALT Ground Alum Salt, Large Sack, Full Weight, Extra Fine, only 75c a sack **75c**

Patent Seam Lard Cans--Every One Guaranteed.

25 lb. size Good Lard Cans only....24c
40 lb. size Good Lard Cans only....32c
50 lb size Good Lard Cans only....39c
The 25c. Russell Steel Butcher Knives—full steel blade and a big bargain, 19c each

THE
Enterprise Sausage Cutter
IS THE BEST.
Large size, No. 22 Cutters, for only.....$2.90

Enterprise Lard Presses.
4-Quart Size only.....$3.90
8-Quart Size only.....$4.90

SOMETHING NEW—THE SPAR OAK!

Will Burn Coal or Wood.

The handsomest stove on the market, and the best stove ever invented to make great heat and burn little fuel.

Use half the regular quantity of fuel and get twice the heat.

Prices only $10.90, $12.90, $13.90. Buy the best stove made at the least price.

CARPET VALUES.

We have the good fortune to offer the regular line of 75c all-wool Carpets again this season for only 50c a yard.

The best wool Carpets are a special bargain at this price.

Large line Carpets 25, 35, 50c yard.

See the new FLOOR OIL CLOTHS.

STEP CARPETS.

Special value, only 25c.

Extra Ingrain Step Carpets for only 32½ and 39c.

WM. MEDDERS & CO.

YELLOW Trading Stamps.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

We desire to announce to the public and our friends especially, that the HEADQUARTERS of the ever popular YELLOW TRADING STAMPS has been removed from the store of Westcott & Dodd to the store of

SPARKS & JEFFERSON.

We announce further that within a very few days we shall have in a fine line of additional Premiums for the holiday trade and wants. Our Premiums make the nicest kind of Presents. They cost you absolutely NOTHING. We want you to have them.

You can get the YELLOW STAMPS absolutely FREE on all Cash Sales at the stores of the following merchants of Chestertown:

SPARKS & JEFFERSON, Dry Goods, Notions, Millinery, etc.
W. AMBROSE CARROLL, Boots, Shoes, etc.
JACOB F. THOMPSON, Groceries, Provisions, etc.
HARRY B. NICHOLSON, Meats.
JAMES D. LUCAS, Clothing, Gents' Furnishings, etc.
J. H. SIDES, Jewelry, Optical Goods, etc.
W. S. McDONNELL, Books, Stationery, Confectionery, Tobacco, etc.

Remember the Premiums are kept, and all Stamps redeemed at store of

SPARKS & JEFFERSON.

AFTER ALL OTHERS FAIL, CONSULT
The Reliable Optical Specialist,
E. I. ALPER.
Middletown, Delaware.

Nervous Headaches promptly relieved. Poor Eye Sight restored to its normal condition with the aid of proper glasses. I am particularly pleased when I get a case that had been tried by a number of others without results. Most of such cases I can improve and benefit. Will gladly examine your eyes Free of Charge. If I find you need glasses you will get the best, and charges are the lowest.

Will be at Pippin's Hotel, Chestertown, Md., two days of each month. Next visit will be Thursday and Friday, December 3d and 4th, 1903. Office Hours—Thursday, 12.30 to 9.00 P. M.; Fridays, 8.00 A. M. to 9.00 P. M. You are cordially invited to call.

HORSE SUFFERS THREE HOURS.

With Foot Cut Off, it Stands Dying in the Street.

A horse with its hoof cut off, slowly bleeding to death for nearly three hours, attracted a large crowd on Dolphin street, between Madison avenue and McCulloh street, Baltimore, on Monday. The horse, a magnificent white one, attached to one of the wagons of the American Ice Company and driven by Samuel E. Dickerson, 1231 Argyle avenue, was struck by a car about 9 o'clock, and the hoof below the fetlock cut cleanly off, so that it hung by a string of skin. The wounded animal attempted to struggle to its feet, but was held down, while Driver Dickerson telephoned to the stable to Superintendent Peters. That official gave the driver authority to kill the animal, and Dickerson says he telephoned to the Northwestern Police Station to have an officer sent over to dispatch the sufferer. When the officer arrived the horse had been permitted to struggle up and stood on three legs, while blood dripped from the wounded one.

Both Dickerson and Superintendent Peters, who arrived on the scene shortly afterward, appealed to the officer to shoot the horse. Mr. Peters, upon this being refused, said he would do it himself, but was told he would not be permitted to do so, and further, Driver Dickerson says, that the horse could not be killed until the arrival of the agents of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, who had been summoned.

As a consequence the horse stood bleeding in the street from 9 o'clock until nearly noon, when several of the society's officers appeared. Then a brawny negro, according to the statements of eye-witnesses, covered the horse's eyes with a bag and struck it a heavy blow with an ax. The blow, misdirected, only staggered the beast and he gave out a groan of anguish which was echoed by cries of indignation from the large crowd of spectators. Another blow and still another followed, with the same result.

Then another negro took the ax and knocked the animal down, but it required a fifth blow to cause death. A prominent physician of the neighborhood says that he passed the place where the horse stood bleeding and suffering at 10 30 o'clock, an hour and a half after the accident, and that, despite his experience in the clinic room and in his profession, the sight so unnerved him that he was compelled to leave.

Mr. J. M. Crowley, 1130 McCulloh street, denounced the whole affair in strong terms and declared it without a parallel. Mr. Crowley said that he himself demanded of the two or three officers who were about the place that the horse be killed, but was not even answered. The spectators, he said, were wrought to a high pitch and severely condemned both the inactivity of the officers and the clumsy work of the society's agents.

A police official declared that in such an extreme case there was nothing to prevent any officer from shooting the suffering animal, supposing its future usefulness to be plainly impaired.

HOCHSCHILD, KOHN & CO. CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY.

Well Known Baltimore Firm Rounds Out its Sixth Year—Employees Given a Banquet.

The sixth anniversary of the establishment of the firm of Hochschild, Kohn & Co. was celebrated Monday at the mammoth establishment, Lexington and Howard streets, Baltimore, and the event was signalized by a rush of buyers such as is rarely seen in a Baltimore store. The widely recognized reputation of the store, the excellent weather that prevailed in the early part of the day and the unexcelled bargains offered by the management in honor of the occasion combined to make the celebration, from a business standpoint, a most successful affair.

When the members of the firm arrived in the morning each of them found in his office a cluster of beautiful roses and chrysanthemums that had been provided as a pleasant surprise by the heads of the various departments. When the employees entered the store in the morning each was presented with a large, handsome chrysanthemum, which they wore throughout the day.

The management gave a banquet to their employees last Saturday in the spacious lunchroom provided for the exclusive use of the employees and about 700 sat down to the following menu:

Soups.
Cream of Chicken. Oyster.
Hot Roast Beef. Creamed Potatoes
Cold Turkey.
Pickles. Cranberry Sauce.
Coleslaw.
Harlequin Ice Cream.
Assorted Cakes.
Coffee. Tea.

The firm of Hochschild Kohn & Co. was established November 15, 1897. At that time there were but 100 employees, whereas there are now 700. The ground space occupied by the firm now is six times what it was in 1897. Additions to the store have been made gradually, the principal one being made two years ago when 310 Lexington street was taken up. The celebration continued throughout the week.

KENNEDYVILLE ITEMS.

Mrs. Vansant and son, from Rahway, N. J., spent a few days this week with Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Powell.

Miss Emma Davis returned home from Wilmington Monday.

Mr. W. D. Cartwright, from Mauch Chunk, Pa., and Mr. Mordicai M. Ellis, from Phoenixville, Pa., spent last Friday and Saturday with Mr. Alex Kennedy.

Mr. John Archibald made a business trip to Dover, Del., the first of the week.

Mr. Harry Rawley and Mr. Herbert Kennedy spent a couple of days in Delaware this week.

Mr. Walter Hill and Mr. J. E. Pennington spent Monday and Tuesday with friends in Queen Anne's county.

Mr. Henry Minner returned home Monday after spending some time with relatives near Centreville.

Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets are becoming a favorite for stomach troubles and constipation. For sale by M. A. Toulson, druggist, Chestertown, Md.

W. C. T. U.

The Kennedyville W. C. T. U., held its regular monthly meeting Friday evening of last week, Nov. 13th, in the M. P. Church. With Mrs. Annie S. Redmile at the organ the meeting opened with singing "Rescue the Perishing." The president, Mrs. Shafer, referred to the meeting that day of the National W. C. T. U. in its 3rd annual convention held in Cincinnatti, Onio, and requested special prayer in its behalf, after which Rev. R. S. Rowe led in a very earnest petition for Divine guidance in all its transactions. Mrs. Jarrell gave the scripture reading from the 15th chapter of St. John and the choir sang "Abide With me." A report of meals served on election day was given, quite a neat little sum being added to our treasury. The resignation of the treasurer was alluded to and it was requested that a rising vote of thanks be given Mrs. M. J. Othoson for her long and faithful service as treasurer, after which Mrs. Emma Godwin was elected treasurer. Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. After the transaction of other buisiness matters, Miss Lillie Rowe, who was one of our delegates to the State Convention held in Rising Sun, gave a very interesting report of the convention. Miss Ellen Copper, another delegate, read a very entertaining description of the trip to Rising Sun. Mrs. Godwin, the third delegate, mentioned some things that impressed her most and spoke especially of the helpfulness of the young people and their eagerness to do what they could for the success of the convention. Mrs. Shafer requested that each member when compelled to be absent, send a verse of scripture to be read at the meeting. We were fortunate in having with us Miss Woodall and Miss Ellis, of Queen Anne's county, who were very helpful and entertaining. Miss Woodall gave a fine recitation, "Divorced," and Miss Ellis recited "Poor House Nan" in a very effective manner. "Open the Gates of the Temple," a beautiful solo, was given by Miss Hettie Hill, accompanied by Miss Nellie Barwick. Readings by Miss Woodall and Miss Ellis. The president informed us that Miss Lillie Rowe was made assistant superintendant of Anti-Narcotics for the State. After some remarks on several other important matters, the choir sang, "Work for the Night is Coming," and the meeting closed with benediction by Rev. Mr. Rowe.

FROM CECILTON.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Short and son, Carroll, are visiting relatives in Greensboro.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Morris, of Wilmington, Del., visited Mr. and Mrs. John Morris, last week.

Miss Oldham, of Georgetown, spent several days of last week with Mrs. Geo. W. Padley.

Mrs. Samuel Hoover and daughter, Gertie, visited relatives in Warwick on Thursday.

Miss Lillie Pearce visited Miss Frances Griffith several days last week.

Miss Lula Manlove has returned from a visit to relatives in Philadelphia.

Mr. Edward Mattox has accepted a position in Frostburg, Md.

Miss Ruth, of Crumpton, is visiting Miss Maude Robinson.

Miss Agnes Jamison, of Wilmington, is visiting her sister-in-law, Mrs. Annie Jamison.

Dr. Spade, of Wilmington, was the guest of Miss Lelia M. McCoy on Wednesday.

Mrs. Annie Jamison, Miss Agnes Jamison and Mr. Wm. Boyes spent Sunday with Mrs. David Templeton.

Mr. and Mrs. James T. Watts are visiting friends in Dover.

Mr. Groome Steele, of Chesapeake City, and Miss Helen Clayton, of Middletown, spent Sunday with Mrs. M. E. Clayton.

Mr. Manley Drennen, of Elkton, visited in town two days of this week.

The ladies of the P. E. Church will hold a social on Thanksgiving evening at the home of Mr. Geo. W. Padley.

CHESTERVILLE ITEMS.

Mr. Merrick Clements, Chestertown, spent Sunday with his parents.

Rev. J. Ryder, of the M. E. Church South, of this place, is assisting Rev. Mr. Strickler in a series of meetings at Sudlersville.

Miss Minnie Stevens, of the State Normal School, is at home on account of the extreme illness of her mother, Mrs. Ellen Stevens.

Mrs. M. C. Solloway spent several days last week with friends in the village.

Mrs. E. A. Crittenden is having her store room enlarged and renovated. Mr. Howard King is doing the work.

The majority in the community were pleased at the election returns, especially those who worked hardest to bring about the result.

Miss Mary Davis has returned home from the Maryland University Hospital, where she had an operation performed.

Mrs. Jennie Coppage, of Rock Hall, is visiting Mrs. Pearley Moffett.

Mr. Thomas Jarman, of Queen Anne, is moving on the Jarman farm. Mr. Chas. Jarman will remove to Queen Anne's.

Mr. T. Keyser, of Wilmington, Del., is visiting his cousin, Mr. Spencer S. Coleman, near Crumpton.

Miss Mollie Nowland, the popular teacher of Spry's Gate school, has secured Miss Burchinal, of Chestertown, as substitute while she helps nurse her invalid brother, Mr. D. Nowland.

STILL POND ITEMS.

Miss Hattie Ford, of Galena, spent Saturday and Sunday with her cousin, Miss Dela Ford.

Miss Katie Copps is visiting her cousin, Miss Macie Sutton, at her home in Worton.

We are all glad to welcome Mrs. Mamie Dodd and family into our village again.

Mrs Ed. Schofield is visiting her sister, Mrs. D. Potts, in Queen Anne.

Mrs. G. Hatten and Mr. Johnson, of Philadelphia, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Rasin.

Rev. Mr. Beauchamp has been asked to stay another year with us. It is to be hoped he will. We congratulate him on being such a fine preacher.

Mr. Wm. Medders has been in Baltimore a few days this week buying new goods.

Mr. Joseph Harper has been in the city buying his Xmas goods.

Mr. and Mrs. William Thompson have been visiting their daughter, Miss Beula, in Baltimore.

Mr. James Severson has been visiting friends at Betterton.

Mr. S. H. Pippin is improving his store by having a glass front put in.

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