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RING OFF, Mr. Enterprise. Chestnuts are *five cents a quart* since the election.

WE BEGIN this morning with the permission of the St. Michael's Comet and Advertiser a short history of the Maryland Protestant Church. It will surely prove of interest to all Methodist Protestants in our county and within the scope of our circulation. It will be found on page 4, and we hope to be able to finish the history in our next issue.

A CONVENTION of vital interest to all Marylanders, especially to the people of the Eastern Shore was the Deep Waterways Convention held in Baltimore this week. This is the first step towards making a ship canal of the Chesapeake & Delaware canal, and if this ever comes to pass, it will mean much to the trade of the Eastern Shore. Let no one discourage the project.

IT COST the Republican party $2,500,000 to defeat Mr. Bryan and elect Mr. Taft, and it is said that Mr. Charles P. Taft, brother of the president-elect contributed a good big slice to this amount. Cholly, don't you know, could afford to contribute the whole push, judging from the enormous profits he made out of the sale of the Panama Canal to the United States government.

THE Washington papers gave the Washington College foot ball team very complimentary mention concerning the game with Gallaudet last Saturday. The Washington Post said that Washington College played the best interference game seen in Washington during the year, and that the team is doing much to bring the college into prominence. The papers also spoke very complimentary of Coach Thompson, through whose coaching the team has shown up so well. Mr. Thompson is the right man in the right place, and this year's team is the best the college has ever had.

EVERY daily paper of any prominence whatever in the country, except the Baltimore Sun, is enthusiastic for the election of Mr. Bryan to the United States Senate by the people of Nebraska two years hence. It is a great pity that Mr. Bryan cannot be elected to the Senate *at once*. The sooner such strong men as he occupy seats in the Upper House of Congress the better it will be for the welfare of the people of the country. Not since the days of Washington has this country seen a greater man than William Jennings Bryan. The masses of the people know his worth, and hence he is their idol; the classes fear his courage and ability, and hence he was defeated for President. The classes rule the presidency, but the masses recognize a man's true worth.

THURSDAY NEXT is Thanksgiving day in America. We are the only people in the world who observe the occasion as a national holiday. It is well with us that we do so. Thanksgiving has a significance to the American people because of its national observance which it can have to no other people under the sun, and the stimulus which the observance of the national holiday gives to the moral and religious life of the nation whose God is the Lord. Let us remember our Creator, then, it makes no difference how we elect to spend the day, whether in feasting, gunning or social intercourse, let us remember that our Heavealy Father gave us the opportunity for pleasure, and let us thank Him for all the blessings of life, whether they come to us in the guise of pleasure, or whether they lie in ministering to others less fortunate than ourselves.

THE Emperor and Dowager Empress of China have died within the week and there are signs of troublous times for the great world powers. It will be remembered that President-elect Taft made a speech in Shanghai, China, in November, 1907, which committed him strongly to the policy of using American influence and force if necessary to maintain the integrity of China. Who knows but that President Taft may be obliged to fulfil his promises in his Shanghai speech shortly after his inauguration? The death of the empire's rulers surely leaves the nation in a weakened condition, and the moment one of the great powers make a move looking to a partition of the empire, or the usurpation of any rights, it will be the signal for the other powers to pounce down upon the empire also. Our purchasing the Phillipine Islands may yet involve our nation in a world-wide war.

THE Democratic organization of Baltimore city has lined up behind Senator Isidor Rayner for re-election to the United States Senate. This is wise on the part of the city leaders, and if the county leaders know what is for the best interests of the party in the next election they will do the same thing. There is no possible reason for defeating Senator Rayner except to provide a place for some one else. Senator Rayner has proven his great ability to serve the people as Senator, he has given the State of Maryland prestige in the country by his brilliant career, and we believe the people desire his return. Don't disrupt the party for the sake of providing a place for some man possibly less worthy than is Senator Rayner.

METHODIST PROTESTANT CONFERENCE.

Its History and Wonderful Growth Briefly but Interestingly Told.

The Methodist Protestant Church of Chestertown is connected officially with the Maryland Annual Conference of that denomination. As our local church, Christ Methodist Protestant Church, was 20 years old last October, it may be of interest in connection with its anniversary to give some facts concerning the origin and wonderful growth of the parent body.

FEEBLE BEGINNINGS.

The Maryland Annual Conference was the second organized under the Constitution, and direction of the newly-formed Methodist Protestant Church. In the paper representing the demonstration, called then, "The Mutual Rights" and afterwards and until now known as the "Methodist Protestant," of the issue of Nov. 5th, 1829, the following notice appeared: "MARYLAND CONFERENCE—The Annual Conference of the Associated Churches (the first name of the new denomination) for the State of Maryland will convene on Thursday, the second of April, in the city of Baltimore."

In response to this call twenty ministers, and twenty-six laymen assembled in old St. John's, Liberty street, Baltimore—the church in which the infant denomination had been born only a short while before. Rev. Nicholas Snethen, the "old man eloquent," was chosen president, and James Parrot and L. J. Cox were chosen secretaries.

This little company of earnest men, who had been expelled from the mother church for no reason other than that they had favored reform in church government that it might the more nearly conform to New Testament Standards, laid the foundations of the new Conference so strongly and so wisely that there has been no need to change them in all the years since this first meeting.

The Reformers had left behind them the churches that they had helped to build, and all the dear associations of a life time to face a future full of foreboding uncertainty. They went forth to the new task with nothing but a boundless faith in God, and in the principles that they believed He had taught them. Theirs were no downy beds of ease, but they had a tremendous genius for work. The whole Eastern Shore was one circuit in those days, and a minister studied his sermon in the saddle as he proceeded from one appointment to the next. These saddle-bag seminaries made mighty fine preachers. Preachers in those early days did not get much of a salary, but they rarely went hungry. Their flocks, out of their poverty, ministered to their material needs. Dr. J. J. Murray, who joined the Conference thirteen years subsequent to its organization, told the writer that his first salary as a married man was fifty dollars and a parsonage! It would make the blood of some of us in these days run cold to think of it, but it did not make the blood of those men run cold.

Dr. J. T. Murray, in his "History of the Maryland Annual Conference," has this to say of those early fathers, "The First Conference! How insignficant in numbers, how destitute of material resources; no meeting-houses, no schools, with obstacles in its way which none but those nerved by the sublimest heroism could hope to conquer. But they were heroes, everyone of them; strong in the righteousness of their cause, proving the purity of their motives and the worth of their principles by the reproach they were willing to bear, the hardships they were willing to endure, and the obscurity into which they were willing to go for their sake. Even had they been in error, "their very errors would have challenged the admiration of mankind."

FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES.

The great principle for which the Reformers of 1828 were contending was "Lay Representation." There were no lay rights anywhere in those days in the mother church. Conferences even were held with closed doors. If this contention had been conceded there would have been no Methodist Protestant Church. When the crisis came, and the new church was formed, it took as its spiritual basis, "One is your Master, Christ; and all ye are brethren." The new church was a Methodist Republic in which the will of the people did not conflict with the law of God.

The doctrine of the Methodist Protestant Church is the same that is common to Methodism. The differences between it and the mother church relate only to government. Although Methodism has not been able to preserve the unity of organization, it has throughout kept the unity of the faith.

The Maryland Conference is composed of an equal number of lay and ministerial delegates, both orders having equal privileges. The stationing authority of the Conference is vested in the Conference itself. In Maryland, however, that power is delegated to the President, whose term of office cannot exceed five years. That the minister may be protected from a failure of judgment on the part of the executive office, the Conference has a Committee on Appeals, to which he may bring his appeals if he thinks he is aggrieved in his appointments. This committee is composed of both ministers and laymen, and its decision is final.

The local churches are under control of Quarterly Conferences composed of the officiary of the church, and the ministers and preachers who may reside within the charge. The pastor presides at the Quarterly Conference when present, except that the President has a right to the chair when visiting the Conference. This, very briefly, is the working of the Conference, and has been tested by eighty years of experience with complete satisfaction.

(To be continued next week.)

PEOPLE'S COLUMN.

The columns of the TRANSCRIPT are open to the proper discussion of all topics of public interest or importance. Whether the editors agree with the sentiment expressed or not, the people should and may be heard through the TRANSCRIPT's columns—the paper will be the People's Forum from which they may be heard on all subjects—purely personal matter excepted. The Editors are not responsible in any manner for articles that appear in this column.

DEAR SIRS:—Why is such a nuisance allowed on the bridge which crosses the river at Chestertown as the large 4x4 timber running down the middle of the roadway? It is not only a nuisance but it is absolutely dangerous. It was tried on the Sassafras bridge at Georgetown but has long since been abandoned because it wrenched wagon wheels and was destructive to carriage and buggy wheels. If any serious accident should occur, because of this obstruction, both Kent and Queen Anne counties would be liable to heavy suits for damages. This bridge is as much for the use of foot passengers as for wagons and teams, yet pedestrains are often almost pinned against the rails, subjected to inconvenience and made liable to injuries such as they were never rendered liable to until this wise man's whim was put in execution. The commissioners have had notice of the dangers caused by this senseless obstruction and they will find by sad experience, after one or two suits for damages, that the verdicts they face will pay for the wear and tear of a thousand times the amount saved by such penny wise and pound foolish policy.

TAX PAYER AND TRAVELER.

Annual Report
—OF—
MILTON MELVIN,
—TREASURER OF—
Kent County School Board

From August 1, 1907 to July 31, 1908.

RECEIPTS:

Balance on hand July 31, 1907	$ 2535.69
State School Tax	17523.43
State Free School Fund	1558.99
County School Tax	25000.00
Licenses (Tongers)	774.54
Manuel Training	1500.00
Free Book Fund	2565.00
Received for sale of books	43.37
Balance book money on hand July 31, 1907	45.41
	$51546.66

DISBURSEMENTS:

Rent	$ 215.00	
Fuel	2644.45	
Repairs	1118.63	
Apparatus and Furniture	593.68	
Teachers' Salaries	34071.50	
New Buildings	50.00	
Sanitary Costs	1450.47	
Incidentals	165.38	
Kindergarten and Manual Training	1635.01	
Office Expenses	177.10	
Salary of Superintendent	1500.00	
Salary of Commissioners	300.00	
Note and Interest	2466 79	
Printing	60.50	
Advertising	30.50	
Expenses of Institute	151.50	
Expenses of State and County Association	30.00	
School Libraries	30.00	
Attorney's Fees for three years	150.00	
School Supplies	50.05	
Amount expended for books	2357.64	
Cost of distribution	82.78	
Balance cash in Second National Bank, less 3 checks not in	2062.09	
Balance cash in Chestertown Bank	213.59	$51546.66

We hereby certify that we have examined the aforegoing report of Milton Melvin, Treasurer of School Board of Kent County, Maryland, and the books and vouchers upon which it is based and find it correct.

W. B. COPPER,
J. P. AHERN,
PURNELL JUMP,
Commissioners.

Nov. 21-3t.

Notice to Creditors.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county, letters of administration upon the personal estate of

JOHN HENRY JARVIS,

late of Kent county, Md., deceased.

All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned on or before the 24th day of May, 1909, otherwise they may be excluded by law from all benefits of said estate. Given under my hand and seal this 17th day of November, 1908.

J. HARRY JARVIS,
Administrator. C. T. A.

n21-4t.

TO THE
TAX-PAYERS
of Kent County.

TREASURER'S NOVEMBER SITTINGS.

In pursuance of an Act of Assembly passed at the session in 1894, Chapter 292, the undersigned, Treasurer of Kent County, hereby gives notice that for the purpose of receiving the

State and County Taxes

in said county for the year 1908, he will sit for the November Sitting in the several Election Districts between the hours of 10 A. M. and 3 P. M., on

Friday, November 20th,
Galena—At Henry Parr's Store.
Pomona—At Brown's Store.

Monday, November 23rd,
Betterton—At Charles H. Brice's Store.
Rock Hall—At Chesapeake House.

Monday, November 30th,
Fairlee—At Kilbourn & Smyth's Store.
Still Pond—At William Medders & Co.'s Store.

At all other times will be at Treasurer's Office in Chestertown.

The Treasurer's office in Court House will not be open on the above days.

The Treasurer's office in the Court House will be open every day except on the above dates from 9 A. M. to 3 P. M. for the receipt of Taxes. Taxpayers will please take notice that taxes will be due and payable Sept. 1st and that on all bills unpaid on January 1st, interest will be charged and collected from Sept. 1st. On the first day of January all taxes unpaid are declared by law to be in arrears, and delinquents will be warned that unless settlement in full be made before April 1st, the claims against them will be placed in the hands of the Treasurer of the county, who will proceed to seize and sell their property to pay the taxes due with charges and all cost of sale. The Treasurer would therefore respectfully urge all tax-payers to pay promptly.

Nov. 14-3t. THOMAS GALE, Treasurer.

Ratification Nisi.

Joseph B. Downey,
vs.
Wellington Ashley, et al.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County, in Equity.

No. 1664.

ORDERED, this 16th day of November, 1908, by the Circuit Court for Kent county, in equity, that the Auditor's Account and Report, stated and reported by Lewin W. Wickes, Auditor, in the above entitled cause, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 14th day of December next:—provided a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Kent county, once in each of two successive weeks before the 7th day of December next.

JAMES T. DIXON, Clerk.

True Copy—Test:
Nov. 21-3t. JAMES T. DIXON, Clerk.

Ratification Nisi.

Hope H. Barroll, Assignee,
vs.
Thomas J. Britton.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County, in Equity

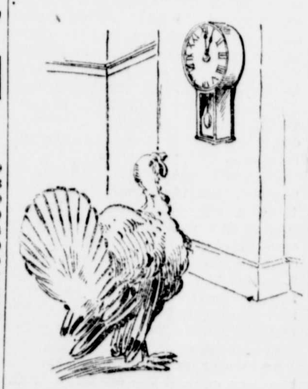
No. 1667.

ORDERED, this 16th day of November, 1908, by the Circuit Court for Kent county, in equity, that the Auditor's Account and Report, stated and reported by Lewin W. Wickes, Auditor, in the above entitled cause, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 14th day of December next:—provided a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Kent county, once in each of two successive weeks before the 7th day of December next.

JAMES T. DIXON, Clerk.

True Copy—Test:
Nov. 21-3t. JAMES T. DIXON, Clerk.

Carving Sets
and Other Things.



It reminds one of Thanksgiving and the bird of honor, the turkey, when the thoughts lead to a Carving Set.

The main thing about a Carving Set is its cutting quality. The handles are secondary. With all that there is a great difference in the handles. If you desire the kind that will make carving a pleasure, you will want these we sell. We are very particular about Carving Sets. The steel in them must be of the finest quality, and highly tempered. The handles must be such that fault cannot be found in the least.

The Thanksgiving table requires many other things besides the Carving Set which we can supply. In Cut-Glass: the Decanters, Berry Bowl and Cranberry Dishes, the Celery Glass, Nut Dishes and the Flower Vases. In Silverware: the Knives, Forks and Spoons, the Cake and Fruit Dishes, the Tea Set and the Nut Crackers. Even the Candelabra has its place on the Thanksgiving table. When the table is cleared you will need a Silver-Plated Crumb Tray and Scraper. When all is cleared off, the Fern Dish takes the centre of attraction on the table.

Come in and see our fine display of Silverware, Cut Glass and Fine China. Quality the highest. Prices the lowest.

J. H. SIDES,
Jeweler and Optician.
Chestertown - Maryland.

Notice to Creditors.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county, letters testamentary upon the personal estate of

GEORGE W. SMITH,

late of Kent county, Md., deceased.

All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned on or before the 27th day of April, 1909, otherwise they may be excluded by law from all benefits of said estate. Given under my hand and seal the 20th day of October, 1908.

MARGARET EMILY SMITH,
Oct. 24-4t. Executrix.

Notice to Creditors.

In the District Court of the United States for the District of Md., in Bankruptcy.

In the matter of
GEORGE W. CARTER, JR., Bankrupt.

TO THE CREDITORS of George W. Carter, Jr., of Kent County and District of Maryland, a bankrupt:

Notice is hereby given that on the 30th day of March, 1908, the said George W. Carter, Jr, was duly adjudicated bankrupt, and the first meeting of his creditors will be held at my office in Chestertown, Kent County, Maryland, on the 27th day of November, 1908, at 10 o'clock A. M., at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupt and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

SIDNEY P. TOWNSHEND,
Nov. 14, 1908—2t. Referee.

WALTER W. NEEDLES,
Paper Hanger
AND PAINTER
—DEALER IN—
Wall Paper, Paints, Oils,
Brushes, Etc.

Our Wall Papers represent the latest styles and coloring of the leading factories, making it an easy matter to select for one room or the whole house, as the paper and prices point the way. Give us a word about your papering and painting and we will save you money on it.

Respectfully,
W. W. Needles,
CHESTERTOWN, - - MARYLAND.

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OWEN B. CROW
—THE—
Up-Town Merchant
WILL SERVE YOUR WANTS EVERYTHING IN
GENERAL MERCHANDISE

As fall is opening up, we are opening with a new and attractive, as well as up-to-date line of goods.

Men, Women and Children's Shoes.

Fine and Coarse Leather Boots. Men's High Top Tan and Black Shoes, from $2.00 to $3.50 per pair. A line of Attractive Dress Shoes. (Good Year Welt) in patent leather and box calf. The regular price of these shoes are $3.00. To introduce these brands of shoes they go for $2.50.

Our ladies' shoes are stylish and made to wear. A "special" for a few weeks only in ladies' gun medal for $1.50, also Common Sense or "Comforts" for $1.25 and $1.50.

Our children's shoes are also ready for inspection.

RUBBER GODS.

Men's Turf gum boots, Felts, rolled edged arctics; also plain and rolled edge gum shoes. Our price for gum boots vary from $2.00 to $4.00 per pair. Women and Children's plain and rolled edged Gum shoes.

DRY GOODS AND NOTIONS.

Table linen, bed linen, ticking, outing, canton and woolen flannel, muslins, calicoes, Lancaster ginghams, etc.

Men's wool fleeced, double breasted, cotton fleeced and red flannel underwear are extra values, also ladies' and children's underwear.

Bed blankets and comforts.

A full and complete line of hosiery. Our No. 1653 fine ribbed for misses and No. 57 for boys are leaders. Our line of 25c per pr. and 2 for 25c for men and women are also good values.

Towers Fish Brand Oil Clothing.

Fancy and Staple Groceries.

Buy our coffees and teas. A first-class loose blend of coffee for 16c, 20c and 1 lb tins for 25c.

All kinds of canned goods. Kingan's reliable brand hams and shoulders.

B. T. Babbitts soap—6 bars for 25c.
Lye—3 cans for 25c.
Clifton F. F. F. Flour by sack or barrel.
Baled hay and sole leather.
WANTED—Country produce, butter, eggs, cobcorn, meat, potatoes, etc.

Yours for business,
Owen B. Crow,
CHESTERTOWN, - MARYLAND.

Wall Paper at Factory Prices.

As I will have the assistance of my son from Philadelphia for a short time, I would be pleased to call with a full line of samples and give our prices on fancy or other work in all styles of paper-hanging. Respt.,

T. B. ELLIOTT & SON.
Paper Hangers and Painters.

P. S.—Drop us a card and we will bring samples to your door.

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We Will Paper Your Room for $3 and upwards,
and guarantee satisfaction or no money.

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Yours for Business,
W. L. FOWLER.

NEW MEAT MARKET

M. J. Lewis & Son have opened a new meat market and Feed Store on Cross street in the Levine store room, where they will be glad to see their many friends. Fifteen years experience. Prompt service. Telephone call. o6-1y

At Last!

We have opened now for the rush as we usually have after being away purchasing new goods, so that we a nkeep up our reputation as being the cheapest store in the county. Now we offer you some of these goods we bought while away.

Men's 50c Extra Heavy Undershirt..35c
$1.00 Wright's Health Undershirts..65c
Ladies' Undershirts, only 19c
$1 25 Cardigan Jackets, only 69c
$1 25 Gunning Coats, only at Cohens 75c
No. 12 Breech Loading Gun, only at Cohen's $4.00
No. 12 Double Barrel Breech Loading Gun .....

Ladies, Look at This.

How low we have marked down our DRESS GOODS.

15c Outing Flannel, only.....9c
12½c Outing Flannel, only.....7c
15c Flannelettes, 50 different patterns, only just think of it.....9c
$1.50 Mohairs, 44 inches wide, go at 99c
75c Cravenettes, now go at.....49c
We have a big lot of Fine Dress Goods that sold for 75c, now go at 49c
7c and 8c Ginghams and Calicoes go at.....3½c
These pieces are positively in remnants.
10c Bed Tickings now go at.....7c

SHOES

Seiden Calf Shoe, the well-known shoe for wear, now per pair.....$1.39
The Well-known Faultless Shoe at 2.25
We sell a good $4.00 Boot for.....3.25
The well-known ball bearing Best Gum Boots at reduced prices.
We are handling the Lambertville Short or Hip Boots. We can sell to you right.

CLOTHING

We can sell you an $8.00 All-Wool Suit of Clothes for.....$5.25
We can sell you a $10.00 Corduroy Suit of Clothes for only.....6.50
We can sell a $5.00 Ladies' Coat for 3.50

Furniture and Carpets

We can beat in all kinds of Furniture and Carpets, and all HOUSEHOLD ARTICLES.

30c Rag Carpets now go at.....20c
25c Ingrain Carpet now.....19c
Stair Carpet now go at.....9c
22c Japanese Matting now go at.....15c
Extra Heavy $1.00 running yard Linoleum now go at Cohen's only 75c

Air Tight & Cook Stoves

Such as Farmer Girl and Excelsior and can sell them at factory prices because we are only agents for them for credit or cash.

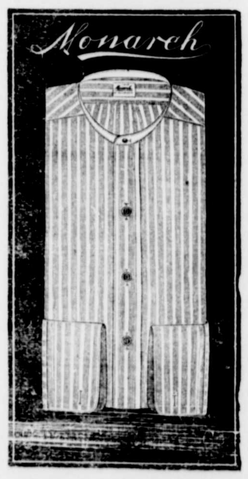
3 Packages Mother's Oats.....25c
12 bars Good Washing Soap.....25c
2 doz (24) Pieces of Fine Face Soap 25c
1 lb 50c Tea.....25c
3 lbs 12½c Coffee for.....25c
6 packages Snow Boy and 2 packages Gold Dust, all for.....25c
7 cans Sardines for only.....25c
2 18c Coleman's Mustard.....25c
3 12c Packages Snuff.....25c
2 lbs Best Country Lard.....25c
1 35c Extra Heavy Broom.....25c

The very best Rope Yarn we sell for.....6½c
We want 500 Dozen Eggs every day, and will give.....31c
Also will take butter and all Country Produce for Cash or Merchandise.

A. COHEN,
Sandy Bottom Department Store.
The Leader of Low Prices.

Vansant & Newsome
Gents' Furnishers and Shoers.

FORWARD



WE are displaying an assortment of Gent's Furnishings, Shoes, Hats and Coat Sweaters, that, coming as they do from the acknowledged world's best sources, and being correct in every particular as well as standard in quality, must please even the most critical.

Shirts. Shirts. Shirts.

Our new Fall Shirts are beauties, you only have to see 'em to want 'em. Stiff Bosom, Pleated Bosom and Plain, in white and fancy colors, cuffs attached and detached. Coat Shirts and Regular Shirts.

Sweaters. Coat Sweaters.

The Coat Sweater has come to stay, and judging from the way we are selling them we have the right "Coat Sweater" at the right price. Here are a few of the bargains:

Heavy Gray Coat Sweaters, trimmed in red		50c
" " " "	$1.00 value	79c
" " " "	trimmed in blue	$1.00
" Tan Coat Sweaters,	$1.75 value	1.25
" Gray " "	2.00 value	1.50
" " " "	trimmed in red	2.25
" White " "	plain	1.25

Coat Sweaters are being worn by both Ladies and Gentlemen.

A fine line of Underwear, medium weight, heavy weight, single and double breasted, fleeced lined and ribbed, 25c to $1.50 per garment.

Crawford Shoes always have **That Custom Look** $3.50 and $4.00.

Clothing Made to Order. Fit guaranteed or no sale $13.50 to $35.00.

VANSANT & NEWSOME,
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Chestertown, Maryland.

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