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New Advertisements.

Hitchins Bros

ARE SELLING A LINE OF

Dress Goods

—AT—

25 to 40 PER CENT.

BELOW

Regular Prices

SPECIAL SALE

Call, See and Compare

Prices and Qualities.

Hitchins Bros.

Nov 17

GRAND OPENING

—OF—

CHRISTMAS GOODS!

I DO not propose to bother the public weekly with a lot of bogus bills, telling them that I am giving goods away for nothing, etc., which I believe no one can do and live by it. My motto is to buy goods and sell them at a living profit. People buying Candies of me need have no fear of their families being made sick, for I do not sell cheap, trashy stuff made of glucose, grape sugar and all other poisonous ingredients injurious to health, as some do and call it candy. The public is cordially invited to attend the **GRAND OPENING**, as I will exhibit one of the largest and

FINEST ASSORTMENTS OF

HOLIDAY GOODS

Ever shown in this county.

Bring or send all your children, as this will be a grand treat for them to see. Santa Claus will also be on exhibition, as well as other curiosities, to gladden the hearts and bring smiles to the faces of both young and old.

In conclusion, I would say that every purchaser of One Dollar's worth of Toys, Confections, etc., of me will be presented with a ticket which will entitle them to a chance in a

45-DOLLAR MUSIC BOX,

to be drawn for on a date to be made known, and which is now on exhibition at my store.

Thanking my many friends for past favors and soliciting a continuance of their kindness in the future, I am respectfully,

G. H. WITTIG,
Main street, Frostburg, Md.

The Grand Opening took place Thursday, Nov. 15, 1888, at 6 o'clock p. m., and will continue until Dec. 25.

READ THIS

CAREFULLY.

HAVING returned from the East with the largest stock of

CLOTHING

For MEN, YOUTHS, BOYS and CHILDREN, GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS, such as Cloths, Cassimeres, Polo, White and Fancy Shirts, Underwear—White, Grey, Scarlet, Fancy, Natural Wool and Camel's hair; Neckwear, Silk Mufflers and Handkerchiefs Half Hose and a full line of the celebrated **WINCHESTER Gloves, Hats, Caps, Trunks, Satchels, Carpets and Oil Cloths,** and all these goods being now in perfect shape and condition, it affords me pleasure to extend an invitation to all in want of such merchandise to call without delay and examine

Qualities and Extremely LOW PRICES.

I am safe in saying none will leave my store without being fitted with the best goods for the least money ever offered to the clothing buyers of this town and vicinity. These goods have all been bought for cash and will be sold for cash, which system talks for itself every time, and don't you forget it!

As an extra inducement to persons buying goods of me I will give a ticket for every $5 purchase which will entitle the holder to a chance in—

1 Gents' Gold Watch, worth..... $125
1 Ladies' " " " 100
1 double-barreled Shot Gun, w'th 40

to be drawn day after New Year, of which due notice will be given through the Frostburg MINING JOURNAL and Lonaconing *Review*.

MARX WINELAND.

Nearly 32 years in business in Frostburg, Maryland. [Nov 17

M. E. Church Sunday School

FESTIVAL

—IN THE—

LECTURE ROOM OF THE CHURCH,

THANKSGIVING DAY.

PROGRAMME of Singing, Reading, etc. Ice Cream, Cake, Fruits, &c. Proceeds for the benefit of the School.

Admission.....5 Cents.

Nov 17—td

A MEMBER of the board of county commissioners takes exception to our use of the phrase "current expenses" as applied to the insane asylum fund to be obtained from the issue of bonds. As the heating apparatus had already been provided for by levy, we—and a host of democrats with us—did not see how the $20,000 asked was to be absorbed. However, we think the county commissioners had better publish a statement which we would be happy to print.—Cumberland *News*.

The JOURNAL is not a partisan of the present board of county commissioners, but it is an advocate of fair dealing with them.

It is not disposed to hold either them or their predecessors to account for any evils growing out of original miscalculations as to permanent and current costs of the institution.

Nor is it inclined to impute to either an intention to spend a cent more than was or is actually necessary.

The facts appear to be—and we shall mention nothing that the *News* does not already know—

1, That the people, partly at the *News'* suggestion and advocacy, voted for the erection of the asylum.

2, That the sum voted—$30,000—was found inadequate to carry out the designs and complete the equipment of the establishment.

3, That the $5,730.94, levied last June, does not represent "current expenses," but is a part of the cost of the asylum, and so inherited by the present board under the law compelling them to provide by levy for all indebtedness not otherwise taken care of.

4, That had the bond proposal carried the sum named, $5,730,94, could have been lifted from the people's shoulders at this time along with about $9,000 more, which must be saddled on the county next June in the same expensive and oppressive way.

5, That the expenditure of over $35,000 by the preceding board, $5,730.94 of which *they did not have to spend*, made the disbursement of the later sum of about $9,000 *necessary*. Otherwise, all previous costs paid would have been thrown away.

That is the whole story as briefly told as it can be stated. Still the *News* has by implication made some people believe, no doubt, that the previous board had nothing to do with the embarassment which besets the present board, and that the latter body, in adopting the plan which lightens the burden on the people by distributing it over a series of years, are guilty of some grave offence to the taxpayers. It has made the same impressionable people credit its notion that the $5,730.94 spent by the preceding board for indispensable equipment and about $9,000 spent by the present board for equally indispensable equipment—both indispensable as the ground and building themselves—are "current expenses."

And in doing all this it "and a host of democrats with" it—"did not see how the $20,000 asked was to be absorbed." Certainly not. How could they when they were deliberately blind enough to be unable to distinguish between plant costs and "current expenses?"

In an article on its election bulletins the *News* said:

We dealt fairly with the public, too. We bulletined nothing that was not genuine and we suppressed nothing.

Why could not the *News* deal as fairly "with the public" *and the commissioners* in the insane asylum bond question? Are genuine bulletins of more consequence than accurate, full and fair information concerning a matter which reaches the people's pockets? If bad news in one case was not "suppressed," why was information in another quarter substituted by inuendo?

And now, in speaking of "the Creek Vote," the *News* closes a pardonably exultant article with the following moral:

This great vote shows how utterly worthless the "free coal" fraudulent campaign dodge was; and it ought to show the democratic leaders of this county that even in politics "honesty is the best policy."

Why should "democratic leaders" learn such a lesson? Have they a monopoly of all the learning to do? We know they are bad enough—"the leaders," we mean—and we know that democrats generally are not white-winged and dove-eyed, but when it comes to honesty in politics with either party "the best policy" veils its face in shame, if it does not weep over the sacrilege of those who take the name of its handmaid in vain.

SOME of the candidates for postmaster in Frostburg might profitably call themselves off and apply for a place more unsought—for instance, the consulate at Borioboola Gha.

THE JOURNAL sincerely trusts that not an unpleasant incident will occur to mar the enjoyment of those who jollify next Tuesday evening. It is one of the glories of our institutions that toleration of all opinions, political as well as religious, is universal, complete, perfect, and when one denies this by any act, secret or overt, he robs himself of liberty to think and act in a lawful manner.

The JOURNAL makes this remark because on similar occasions heretofore incidents have happened which did not reflect creditably on the name of our town and people.

Once more. Let not a straw be thrown in the way of the enjoyment proposed next Tuesday evening. Let those who participate have free and safe run of the town. It is their triumph, and they are entitled to all the fun and satisfaction there is in it. Besides, it would be a pity if a portion of the people, no matter which, could not unmolested overflow with jollification once in four years.

A MINE accident in Kansas last week cost more than double the number of lives that have been lost in the mines of this region during 43 years of active operation.

Another underground casualty in Pennsylvania the same week cost over one-fourth the number of lives that have been lost in this region during the same 43 years.

Yet there are people already planning to make the next Legislature believe that this coal region is in "the worst condition of any in the world."

And the same old mongrel bill, the offspring of legal remedies for deep mining discomforts in England, gaseous troubles in Pennsylvania, bad air in Ohio, small veins in Iowa, no weights in West Virginia, and so on, will be sprung on this region a third time to run, it is hoped, its futile course the legislative gauntlet.

Meanwhile, the good miners and the good people of the county should, without reference to party, solidify against every nominee who is put up to disturb the existing condition of affairs.

THE people of Allegany county have placed the stamp of their disapproval upon the scheme of the democratic board of county commissioners to pay the current expenses of the insane asylum by the issuing of bonds. If they are not equal to the situation, we fancy there will be no trouble in getting a republican board that is.—Cumberland *News*.

The *News* finds it convenient to look at this matter from a political standpoint. It was no scheme of the Commissioners. There were two ways of deciding the question—the issuing of bonds or special levy. They very considerately left it for the people to decide, and they have done so. It will now revert back to the board to carry out the wish of the people. The present board has been equal to every emergency, but rather than decide this important question, thereby bringing upon themselves the displeasure of the taxpayers, they left the issue for the voters to decide, a very wise precaution. Taking the entire record of the board we cannot find a disastrous blunder, and whether republicans or democrats, they have done their duty as far as lay in their power, and the people know it. Give credit where credit belongs.—Lonaconing *Star*.

So far so good.

The commissioners left another phase of the question to the people to decide—whether they would themselves pay all the debt incurred partly by the act of the previous board, or levy an equitable portion of it on those who are to come after us and enjoy its economies when we have passed away, and whether the people, in the former case, would prefer a large increase of tax rate in order to pay it off at once, or carry it as a large floating indebtedness at a high rate of interest; or, in the latter case, make it a bonded debt at a low rate of interest and realistic of premiums besides.

Hence, it was not a political issue at all, but a question wholly of business economy.

And no matter now which way the commissioners handle it the majority against the bonds will have to obey the same tyrannical order they imposed upon the minority who favored the cheaper and more equitable way.

THE average orthodox democrat in the 6th congressional district was more than semi-partially disappointed. He expected Douglas would be defeated, and the expectation was "sicklied o'er with the pale cast" of satisfaction. Whether he was out of or in office, especially in, he was not hankering after any congressional officiousness in the matter of adjusting or re-adjusting the spoils. Hence, the district result fed him up to about his capacity for enjoyment of anti-democratic results.

Cleveland's defeat overfed him. He got more than he wanted and he looks now like an intelligent turkey stuffed for Thanksgiving.

THIS week's issue of *Puck* has a cartoon representing the republican party bootlicking the German vote and the democratic party doing the same thing with the Irish vote.

The inference to be drawn from this disgusting truckling to the foreign vote is—that there is no American vote.

The spectacle thus presented at every election is discreditable alike to those who lick and those who are licked.

Bootlicking is the nastiest of all political briberies.

CHRISTIAN democrats are imbibing great comfort from that portion of the Bible wherein it is declared—

The Lord loveth whom he chasteneth.

Wicked democrats, however, adopting the converse of the Scriptural proposition, regard it as very funny that the triumphant republicans should be enjoying a monopoly of divine dislike.

THE "Narrows" natural gas well has been abandoned. Money to the last dollar and well to the last foot have been sunk. And yet—and yet a few more dollars and another hundred feet might tap the reservoir that would electrify Cumberland and start it booming on the way to great cityhood.

THERE are one or two whoop-la republicans in Frostburg who have let the word get out that they think the duties of postmaster would be highly sanitary to the health of men like themselves who are thirsting for a corpulent physique and famishing for a lusty salary.

FROM remarks of the Cumberland *Times* it would appear that a back door will be wanted between the Cumberland *News* office and the Cumberland postoffice some time after March 4, 1889.

THE Cumberland *News* says:

It is thought that the banquet to General King will begin between November 25th and 29th.

When will it end?

THE iron-grey plug hats which have been going around Cumberland on the tops of democrats look now like an epidemic of mildew had set in.

CORRESPONDENCE.

AN ANTITHESIS.

To the MINING JOURNAL.

A warm and generous heart feeds with delight and expands on the generous deeds and acts its impulses prompt. One gift or bestowal of a good thing on a worthy object of love or admiration, but increases its desire and pleasure of making another and larger.

A mean and contracted nature, on the other hand, is made more and more so by each successive act of meanness—dryer and harder becomes the heart and deadened its sensibilities. But the contempt necessarily felt by others for such an individual should be tempered with pity, for in his bosom he perpetually carries his own reward—*which is misery*. G.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

Personal. — The Charlestown (W. Va.) *Spirit of Jefferson* has heard Olin Beall, formerly of this place, named among others as an applicant for postmaster of that town. The JOURNAL would not openly interfere in the affairs of any place outside its jurisdiction, still, if it had a real good chance, when nobody was looking, it would whisper in Gen. Benjamin Harrison's ear—*appoint Olin Beall*.

Says the Lonaconing *Review*, "Marx Wineland, of Frostburg, was in town Monday."

Somebody in Philadelphia sent Thomas G. Porter a Salt River ticket long as the ten commandments, with a coupon representing each commandment. The sender said some republican had given it to him, but he hadn't time to go. Thomas says that is what is the matter with him, and he turned it over to the JOURNAL, but the latter is also out of leisure. Fact is, that ticket struck an awful busy crowd.

The Elk Garden (W. Va.) correspondent of the Cumberland *Times* says "Charles Smeltz and father, of Frostburg, are visiting relatives and friends in Elk Garden."

Miss Nellie Faulkner paid a flying trip to Johnstown, Pa., this week.

A. H. Meritt, of Baltimore, is in town in the interest of the Ætna life insurance company.

Henry A. Lapp, son of Andrew Lapp, of this place, and Miss Mary Handel, of Cumberland, were married at the latter place Wednesday evening.

The Lonaconing *Review* says "Miss Mary Flood, of Frostburg, was in town Monday."

J. Howard Porter was in town this week representing Carroll, Adams & Co., a popular wholesale shoe firm of Baltimore, and appeared to be doing a good business.

William Staples, manager of the Borden mining company's farms around Frostburg, returned Monday from an extended tour of New England. He visited his native State, Maine, and there saw for the first time in 38 years two sisters. Mr. Staples was accompanied by his youngest daughter, Miss Minnie. On their return home they visited Mrs. Dr. J. T. Peddicord, of Harrisburg, Pa., an elder daughter and sister. Both speak of their trip as most delightful—one which Mr. Staples has earned by long, faithful and profitable service to a company which is not slow to generosity where its meritorious employees are concerned.

"Mrs. Barbara Robinson and daughter, Maggie," says the Lonaconing *Review*, "are visiting friends in Frostburg."

Misses Ray and May Anthony, of this place, spent last Sunday with friends in Cumberland.

Mrs. W. B. Redgrave and sister, Miss Alma Eefert, left Monday for Freeport, Ill.

Mrs. W. B. Spill and Miss Annie Cook spent this week in Baltimore, the former purchasing holiday goods.

"Miss Ida Baker, of Frostburg," says the Cumberland *News* of yesterday, "has been visiting Mrs. S. A. Munn."

Miss Ella Johnson is visiting friends in Mt. Savage.

County News.—Under the heading of "Branching Out from Home" the Cumberland *Times* quotes from the Winchester (Va.) *Times* as follows: "Messrs. Clark & Co., through their agent, Mr. Keating, have as fine a stock of whiskies, brandies, wines and gin as was ever offered for sale in this city. They are centrally located, and their prices are moderate. They deserve the patronage of the purchasing public."

Joseph Mullen, miner, had one of feet badly hurt in Ocean mine Saturday.

"Reuben Reid, of Midlothian," says the Lonaconing *Star*, "was the holder of the lucky number which drew the cow of Mrs. Agnes Walker. He generously make the widow a present of the same." Reuben is that sort of a man.

Joseph Kuhnle and Miss Annie Murphy, both of Westernport, were married at that place Monday evening.

The JOURNAL was in error last week in announcing the lecture of Rev. John Lanahan, D. D., to take place in the M. E. Church, Lonaconing, on the 10th inst. It should have printed 17th inst. instead—*this* evening. The title is—"The Eloquence of Nature"—just the subject for "the old man eloquent."

John T. Edwards, of Cumberland, and Miss Effie M. Jamesson, of Piedmont, were married in the M. E. church, South, of the latter place, Tuesday evening, by Rev. W. B. Dorsey. The happy couple left, after a reception at the bride's home, for Boston.

David Muir, of Lonaconing, fell from a bridge in that place Wednesday afternoon and sustained painful injuries about the head.

A warehouse for the Cumberland and Pennsylvania railroad company is being built at Midland.

Rev. D. H. Laverty, pastor of the Presbyterian church, Lonaconing, has received a call to a church in Delaware and wants to accept with the consent of his present flock.

Joseph, aged 15 years, son of Michael McDonald, of Westernport, died last Tunday.

David Dick, son of John Dick, jr., of Lonaconing, was hurt by a fall of coal in Jackson mine of the American company Wednesday afternoon. His friends are apprehensive of a serious result.

Walter C. Darrow, of Brady's, has gone to reside permanently at Lafayette, Indiana.

Mrs. Margaret Steel, of Lonaconing, died suddenly last Sunday of heart disease, aged 66 years.

Five buildings—one a storehouse, are in course of erection at Midland.

Monday the Consolidation coal company mined 4,643 tons of coal, the biggest output of any day, it is said, in the history of the company.

The winter schedule of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad goes into effect to-morrow, 18th inst.

A. Speir & Co. have opened a furniture and undertaking establishment in Lonaconing. C. F. Nickel, of this place, is associated with the firm.

The Gannon property in Barton was sold at public auction Thursday by John S. Grove, attorney, to Reuben Jandorf, of Baltimore, for $600.

Frank Ryan has lately occupied what is pronounced the finest store in Midland.

Michael Barnard, of Eckhart, returned Monday from a visit to England.

John Dawson and family have returned from a three years stay in Kansas to resume residence in Barton.

Joseph Arnold, of Cumberland, while moving about his bedroom Monday night in the dark, met with a peculiar accident. He came in contact with a nail on a door and tore his eyelid badly in two places. It is thought that the sight of the eye will not be injured by the accident. Mr. Arnold is a son of the late J. J. Arnold, of this vicinity.

Business Paragraphs.—George H. Wittig opened his holiday stock Thursday evening. The number and display of articles were very striking. The windows were beautifully arranged and lighted, and inside an arch of gas jets crowned the domain of Santa Claus and illuminated the entire hall. Mr. Wittig made appropriate announcement by bill, and hundreds of the generation on the rise availed themselves of his invitation to be present at the "grand opening." The exhibition will continue until Christmas day, as will be seen in the footnote to his new advertisement elsewhere printed.

F. C. Beall continues to remind the public that now is the time and his the place to buy all kinds of stoves. His stock is large, variety ample, but first comers get the "selects." See fourth page.

In the way of clothing Marx Wineland is determined that in the distribution of fall and winter business he will not be forgotten if advertising reminders will avail anything. His new advertisement in this issue will afford some idea of what he proposes to do for the benefit of those who buy from him.

The JOURNAL should have referred last week to the announcement of the J. C. Orrick & Son company. This firm owns the "Narrows" brand of canned goods, already noted for their purity, and buyers should ask their grocers for home-grown goods in preference to the products of other soils.

And in the lines of dry goods Hitchins Bros. have reached *ne plus ultra* in the way of variety, quality and low prices. Look at their new advertisement on this page. Is it not also a daisy for style?

Out of the County.—William Little, son of James Little, of Piedmont, W. Va., superintendent of the Big Vein company, very nearly lost his life at Atlantic, W. Va., Friday of last week. He was assisting in replacing a derailed mine car and fell from a trestle 40 feet to the ground. Severe bruises only were sustained.

The Oakland correspondent of the Cumberland *Times* says "R. J. Anderson, superintendent of the Oakland coal and coke company, reports that the demand for his coal is so great that he has not been able to fill orders. The ovens recently erected will soon be ready for use."

A dispatch from Los Angeles, Cal., Thursday, reports that "Gen. Nelson A. Miles received formal notice from the War department at Washington Wednesday evening of his transfer to San Francisco to take command of the division of the Pacific, *vice* Gen. O. O. Howard, who goes east to assume command of the division of the Atlantic. Gen. Miles states that there will be no change in his staff." Capt. Charles B. Gatewood, son-in-law of Hon. Thomas G. McCulloh, of this place, is on Gen. Miles' staff. This change will, therefore, occasion his removal of residence from Los Angeles to San Francisco.

A Fine Book.—A "Pictorial History of the World," by Charlotte M. Yonge, author of "The Heir of Redcliffe," is offered to this community by Mrs. L. Kleppish. The work is one of great value to literary workers, professional people, and especially to those who are to become the scholars of the future. No head of a family will commit a mistake in buying a copy.

Accidents.—Andrew Fox, foreman of Willison's planing mill, is retired for awhile on account of a disabled hand. One of his fingers was nearly taken off by a board of which he lost control.

Journalistic.—The Westminster (Md.) *Advocate* two weeks ago entered its twenty-fourth year. The *Advocate* is typographically, editorially and every other way, one of the very best papers in Maryland.

Sales.—DeW. H. Reynolds, attorney for Michael Monaghan, assignee of mortgage, sold the Wegman property, this place, last Monday, to Owen Price, whose last bid was $800.

B. A. Richmond, trustee, will sell the "Wolfe property," elsewhere advertised, at 10 o'clock this morning, in front of the postoffice.

Orphans' Court.—At the session Friday of last week letters of administration were granted James J. McHenry upon the estate of Joseph Workman, late of Allegany county, deceased.

Tuesday Alexander Shaw and Christian Devries, executors of John S. Combs, deceased, settled their second account.

Elizabeth Mayer, executrix of John Mayer, deceased, settled her first and final account.

Letters of administration were granted to Diana T. Koch on the estate of Margaret Thomas, deceased.

Real Estate Transfers.—Among those recently noted are the following:

George M. Hansell and wife to John Livengood, lot No. 38 in G. W. McCulloh's addition to the town of Frostburg, $80.

Geo. W. Porter and wife to John W. Porter, lease of lots next to the lands of the Cumberland coal and iron company.

John T. Sprigg and wife to George R. Cole, lot in Westernport, $65.

John H. Firle and wife to Isaac Stevenson, lot in Midland, $215.

Davisson Armstrong and wife to Owen Hitchins, tracts of land in Allegany county called "Ulium" and "Mount Pelion," consideration, $350.

Jabez Ward and wife to Patrick Rafferty, lots Nos. 61, 62 and 63, in Grahamtown, consideration, $750.

Defeat of the Bond Proposal.—The county vote on the proposal to issue bonds in the sum of $20,000 to complete the plant and equipment of the insane asylum is given below by districts. It was overwhelmingly defeated:

	For Bonds.	Against.
Orleans	84	73
Oldtown	3	178
Flintstone	50	159
Cumberland, 4	235	405
Cumb'd, W's C'k	202	315
Cumb'd River	179	257
Rawlings	10	89
Westernport	122	211
Barton	33	260
Lonaconing	24	385
Frostburg	90	590
East Frostburg	55	313
Mt. Savage	126	168
Cumberland, 14	249	448
East Lonaconing	9	493
North Branch	58	33
Vale Summit	76	56
Ocean	8	151
Totals	1623	4564
Majority against the bonds		2,941

Brevities.—Mrs. John Ford has removed from Ocean to her Broadway residence. The latter was vacated by Andrew Fox, who now lives in the house on Frost's avenue, formerly the residence of Joseph Bear, owned by ex-Mayor Wittig.

Michael Dooley, of Lonaconing, lost by death a little son Saturday. The remains were interred at this place Monday.

Michael, infant son of Owen McGovern, of Lonaconing, died Thursday of last week. Interment at this place Friday.

H. Kaufman, piano tuner of Cumberland, was in town this week on professional business. He did several jobs of work to the complete satisfaction of those who employed him. Mr. Kaufman learned piano-making in Decker's works, but abandoned that line of his business for tuning on account of declining health. He is well fortified by testimonials, and the JOURNAL has reason to recommend him to all who may need service in his line.

Lewis F. Wilson, who some time since resigned his position as superintendent of Rose Hill cemetery, (Cumberland) says the *Times*, "will in future represent Williams' marble yard, Frostburg, Md. The fine work done by this firm has been noted in the *Times* and can be seen in Rose Hill cemetery."

A meeting of all the members of the Literary and Recreation club will be held next Wednesday for the purpose of perfecting a reorganization for the winter.

John S. Grove, trustee, offers at private sale, on easy terms, the "McNeill drug store." Advertisement next week.

Titus A. Brick says all is lost save honor and the mine inspectorship.