PERSONAL AND SOCIETY EVENTS IN KENT COUNTY

Mr. Philip G. Wilmer, of Chestertown, is at Mercy Hospital, Baltimore, for special treatment. We hope to see him home in a few days improved in health.

Mrs. Sallie Ivens returned from a visit to her sons in Phila.

Mr. William Elliott, Sr., has been confined to his home by sickness the past week.

Mr. James Tucker and family moved from Rolph Wharf last Thursday to Flatland, a few miles from Chestertown.

Miss Helen Welch attended the funeral of Mrs. H. A. Nowland in Middletown on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard L. Dodd and little daughter are spending week-end in Baltimore at Mrs. Dodd's Mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Ayres are spending some weeks with their son, Harry Erwin Ayers, in Mt. Clemens, Michigan. This is a great health resort near Detroit and Erwin is doing well there.

Mr. John E. George, of Sudlersville, broke his wrist while cranking an auto Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Boyd and son, of Florida, are guests of Mr, and Mrs. H. L. Boyd on Mill street.

Mrs. Frances Culp entertained the Ladies Mite Society of Christ Church Monday evening.

Mr. Arthur Joiner, who has removed from town, has sold his home on High street to Mr. and Mrs James Bramble.

Mr. and Mrs. Sachs are entertaining their son's wife and child from Baltimore.

Mr. Jas. W. Crouch received information from his son in El Paso that he had been to the hospital for an operation for hernia It is hoped that he will soon be at his post.

Mr. Frank Hurlock has been confined to his bed by sickness for the past ten days.

Miss Helen Comstock has been attending a national convention of the Home Economics Association in Washington, D. C.

Miss Daisy Clark, the efficient stenographer at the Kent County Savings Bank, has resigned to take effect Jan. 1.

Mr. John Jacquette, who lives on Mr. T. D. France's farm, in Quaker Neck, while gunning in the pear orchard on the Kratzer farm recently found a gold watch which belonged to Mr. Kratzer. Mr. Kratzer lost the watch last summer.

Dr. H. Childs Hughes and Mr. W. S. Collins returned from thir hunting trip Sunday evening. Dr. Hughes' father was also present and the party killed two deer.

Mr. Charles G. Hines, one of the fertilizer firm of Massey & Hines, of Chestertown, had the misfortune to break his right wrist Saturday night while cranking the Ford automobile of Wm. W. Beck, Esq. Dr. Frank B. Hines set the fracture.

Dr. Bosserman, of Philadelphia, has arrived and has begun his duties as pharmacist in the Stam Drug Company's store. We welcome him to Chestertown.

Mr. Brice Moore, son of Mr. Fannie Brice Moore, and grand son of Mr. and Mrs. James Brice, has accepted a position with a large Iron and Steel Works in Albany, N Y. Mr. Moore has been engaged with a similar Company in New York City, but made his home in Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. James Brice will leave for Tampa, Fla., where they spend the winter, on January, 3.

Mr. Miller Green, Rock Hall, was extremely ill last week, but impoved at this writing.

Mr. Virgil Nickerson, of Red Bank, N. J., paid a short visit to his brother, Mr. W. R. Nickerson.

Prof. Ten Hoor returned from the hospital in Baltimore on Sunday and is much improved in health.

Mr. A. J. Hackett and family moved to Baltimore on Monday morning.

Mr. C. E. Smith, of Church Hill, father of Mrs. F. S. Russell, who has been ill from apoplexy for several weeks, is somewhat improved at this time.

A card received from Mr. A. Parks Rasin, who, with Mr. Olin S. Davis, is making a tour of Southern Florida, states that they reached Miami on Friday. From Miami they will go to Key West Havana, Tampa, Lakeland and Jacksonville, leaving the last named city about Dec. 16th, homeward bound.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Joiner, of Wilmington, spent the first of the week the guest of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. James Bramble, of Marshallton have been the guests of Mrs. C. J. Hatcherson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira T. Leager, of Ridgely were guests Saturday and Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Allen.

Mrs. George V. Bryon was confined to her bed several days last week.

Mr. Wroth Stavely, of Lynch, is somewhat incapacitated with a peculair trouble with his wrists. The trouble started in his right wrist. Dr. Bloodgood, of Baltimore, performed several operations on his wrist which improved him somewhat, but the other wrist is also in a bad condition.

Mr. Graham Nelson, of Chester, Pa., has been a guest of his mother, Mrs. Thomas Hoidson.

Miss Alice Dewberry, who has been quite sick for sometime, is able to sit up.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Crew entertained the Men's Club of the M. E. Church Monday evening.

Miss Ent, of Pennsylvania, has been visiting Prof. and Mrs. Mark Creasy.

Mrs. A. H. Derringer and daughter, Miss Estelena, have returned from a visit with relatives in Spangler, Pa. Mr. Duncan Derringer, a son, has accepted a good position in Spangler. has rented a flat and has removed his family there.

Mr. Frederick H. Russell, superintendent of the Electric Light plant, who has been quite ill during the past several days, is now convalescent.

Mr. P. Cleveland Reeves, of North Carolina, is visiting friends in Kent.

Mr. J. J. Byron. of Middletown, spent the week-end at the home of his cousin, Mrs. W. R. Nickerson.

Mrs. Lucy Dodd spent several days last week with Mrs. Sallie Hatcherson. She left here for Pittsburg where she will spend the winter with Miss Lena Gobright.

Baggage Master Lane expects to move from Kent next month.

Mrs. Lane and three children have been visiting the homefolks in Wilmington this week.

After an extensive stay in the East doing syndicate newspaper work George L. Starr, formerly of Galena, leaves for Colorado during the coming week. About six years ago Mr. Starr left Galena for the West and entered the nawspaper game at Denver. Mrs. Starr who has been traveling with her husband in the East during the summer months returned to the West about two months ago. She will join her husband in Denver. The new assignment from the International News Service in which Mr. Starr is connected with will keep him in Colorado for several months.

Postmaster Resigns

Postmaster R. Hester Hicks, of Queen Annes, has resigned on account of ill health and the Civil Service Commission announces an examination to be held in Easton on January 13 to secure an eligible list from which to select a postmaster to succeed Mr. Hicks. The position pays $602 yer year.

THINGS OUR TOWN CAN DO TOGETHER

The Chautauqua Reading Hour

Dr. Wm. Byron Furbush, Editor

If three men should meet up in Vermont and one should happen to have some sugar and another some lemons and the third some water, they wouldn't know what to do.

They never tried to work together. So they didn't know how to make lemonade.

Does our town know how to make good lemonade?

This is a practical talk on some of the things a town like ours can do if it will only get together.

A town, like a foot ball eleven, needs somebody to "kick off." Who is that "somebody"? How often you have remarked, "Somebody ought to fix that." Why is it that "Somebody" so often means "Somebody else"? Why not you?

Behind every movement in every town that has done anything good is always a nucleus of a few interested, persistent neighbors who have a real neighborhood spirit. Behind this nucleus has usually been one individual. The person who was behind the first village improvement society in this country, the beginner of a great national movement, was a woman, Mrs. John Z Goodrich, of Stockbridge, Mass.

A Community Club.

Often the newspaper is the motive power that is behind community betterment work. In Oxford, Pennsylvania, a local paper was the means of establishing a Community Club, although the editor did not appear actively in the organization at all. This club did a small but worthy thing first, it gave a benefit for the town band. Then it got up a community parade, and at last accounts it was thinking of rasing money to endow the county hospital.

When a little group gets together it usually decides very early which of three types of community welfare organization it will belong to. One type promotes better business, another works for mutual improvements and recreation, a third tries to be of service to the town. The best kind does all three. A society that is too narrow and sulfish takes on new vitality when it broadens out. In one town a board of trade was started. It hired a secretary and he brought a new factory to town. Then he got promoted to a larger town and went away. The factory brought some new business, but it imported many undesirable residents. This board of trade then organized a junior branch, took in the older boys in the villiage and made good citizens out of them by giving them something to do in the way of village improvement work. Some farmers began by organizing a telephone circuit to meet the exactions of the telephone trust; they ended up by having an annual farmers' picnic, to bring their families together. In one town the people enjoyed so much being together for a whole week every year at their Chautauqua that they began to say, "Why can't we get together like this every week in the year?" The result was that they inaugurated a community religious service every Sunday evening in their public hall. Then they got up a community historical festival. Their latest was to inaugurate a community health campaign.

Sandy Springs, Maryland, furnishes us an excellent illustration of how a small town can get together for its own mutual interests. It contains more than one such organization. Its most unique is its "Home Interest Club." It has only twenty-five members, but on a recent rainy night in Febuary more than this number, including guests, were present. There was a simple supper, music, sociability, etc One of the members described a recent visit to Bermuda, and told how the Bermudans raise three crops of potatoes in a year. The "Forethought Committee" gave advice to the club as to trimming grape vines, having oxate of lead ready to spray them, etc. A letter was read from a student at the Maryland Agricultural College, who wanted work for the summer. There was a discussion as to the advisability of putting cellars under tenant houses.

Better Health

It is often practical and also effective to try a very homely task early. In a certain city they carried on a campaign against rats, offering two cents for a dead rat and five for a live one. In Poccomoke, Maryland, the improvement society was successful in getting the business places screened and in setting large traps at the curb, which have almost completely rid the community of flies. Hoquiam, Washington, went into the even humbler task of taking care of the town sewerage.

These small and sporadic efforts usually so encourage the town that undertakes them that it organizes a varied and comprehesive campaign, until, as has been said, "the result looks less like a dish of spaghetti and more like a circle with its radii leading from every home to the common centre."

Why can't our town do things? "Oh, but you know our people are different." But Charles Zeublin, the community expert, tells us that the way to meet the fundamental needs of any town is to forget that the people are peculiar and remember that they are human.

Our folks may be peculiar, but they are human. And what these other places have done our town can do.

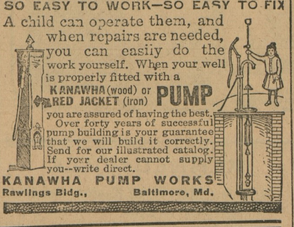
What shall we do first?

THE Kent County public schools will close on Friday, Dec. 22 for the Christmas holidays and resume work on Tuesday, Jan. 2, 1917.

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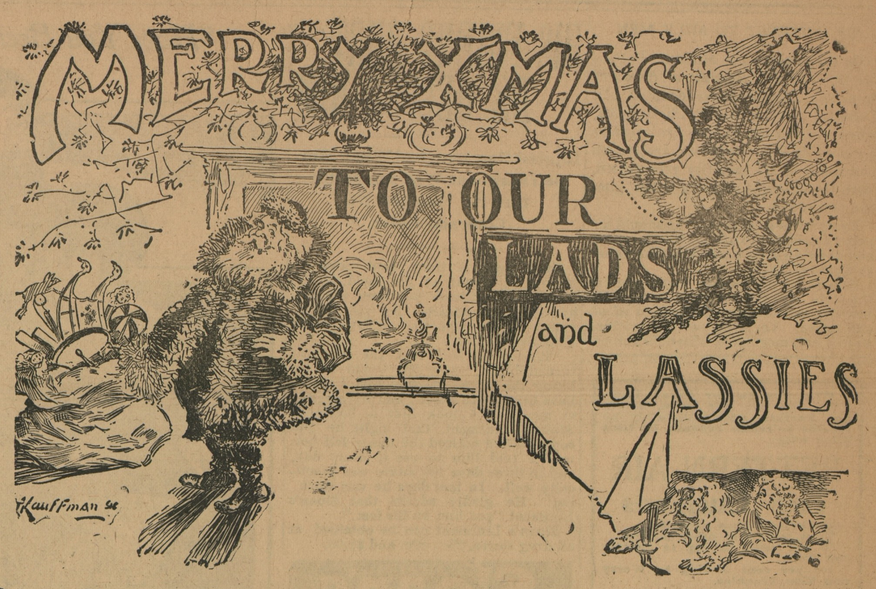
A child can operate them, and when repairs are needed, you can easily do the work yourself. When your well is properly fitted with a KANAWHA (wood) or RED JACKET (iron) PUMP you are assured of having the best. Over forty years of successful pump building is your guarantee that we will build it correctly. Send for our illustrated catalog. If your dealer cannot supply you—write direct.



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Last Call from Santa Claus

OLD KRIS TO RETURN NEXT WEEK



N. B.

North Pole.

To the Children:

I will return to my headquarters in Still Pond on Monday, and will make my appearance each day on the roof of the Big Store. I have a large Bag and a good treat for the children.

Lots of Candy and Nuts and Oranges—come to see me and get acquainted, so I can come to see you on Christmas Eve.

This is a busy place, so come early.

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The "Coasting Flyer"

FREE FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

The Boy or Girl drawing the number of this large "Guiding Coast Sled" will be presented with same on Monday, December 25th.

The Coaster has a certain number up to 200, and all the numbers are placed in a book. Each of the boys and girls are entitled to a free draw. No charge and no purchase required—all FREE for the boys and girls to register name.

Come and take a FREE DRAW and get a New Style Coast Sled.

A GREAT TOY SHOW

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Large $1.25 Shoo Flies, Hobby Horses, Sleds, &c., and the best values you ever saw, for only 98c
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Iron Body, Iron Wheels and Iron Axle Express Wagons. Every size made, only .....5uc to $2 50
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Best Drums.....50c to $1.25
Velocipedes, Doll Carriages, Go-Carts and the like, all prices, all kinds.

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Largest Collection of Dressed Doll ever shown in this county, ranging in price from.....5c to $5.00

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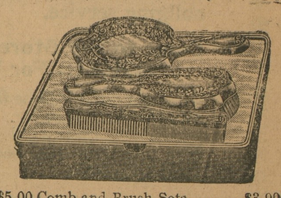
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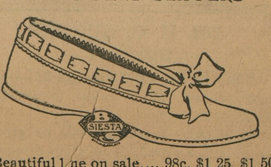
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Choice Fruits, Nuts, Etc.

Finest Bright, Large Naple Walnuts, New Grenobles, and the very best Nuts on the market. This season they run extra fine and sweet, per pound..... 20c

New Butter Nuts, all large and fancy. These are the best Brazil Nuts we have had for many seasons, per lb..... 20c

Fancy Almonds, the paper shell, the Almonds that break easy. The genuine paper shell, per pound..... 22c

The Best Mixed Nuts (all new nuts.) These are the very finest quality nuts on the market, and all our own mixing—no better at any price—per pound 20c

Large Luscious White Malaga Grapes, per pound.....15c and 18c

Fancy Mince Meat, Cranberries, Juicy Cocoanuts, Apples, Etc,

Fancy Fresh Candies, Etc.

Special 15c French Mixtare Candy, per pound 10c

The Fine 18c French Mixturs, nicely assorted with chocolates and bon bous, all pure food and good stock.....12½c

Our Special Xmas Mixture, Bon Bon Assortment 15c

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