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224-lb. Sacks Fine Salt, only.....95c.

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Bread, Buns, Cakes,

PIES, &c., &c.,
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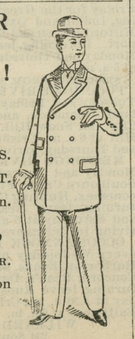

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Well, they are just engrossed in selling and arranging their

Great Christmas Bargain Supplies!

Their display of Table Linens, Towels, Handkerchief, Fine Lamps, Fruit Plates, Salad Dishes, Olive Dishes, Tea Sets, and Chamber Sets, have never been surpassed. Also every style in Tumblers.

Their Buckwheat is now an accepted fact the Best.

6 Bars Philadelphia Oliene Soap for.....25c.
First-class Chocolate..... 25c.
Cold Cream and Glycerine Soap, now 15c. box regular price 25c. box.

Teas, 25 and 50c. and many other grades, and we assert with pride that we sell the Best Teas in Kent county.

5 lbs. Enterprise Coffee or 5 lbs. Leverings 95c.
No trade on this, cash.

Pure Pepper.....10c.
Best Pepper.....15c.
3 Boxes Babbitt's Lye.....25c.
6 Bottles 6 oz Yeast.....25c.
Best Salt on the market.

TOBACCO BARGAINS THEY HAVE;
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Tobacco worth 30c. now.....20c. lb.
" " 35c. now.....25c. lb.
4 A R J R " 75c. now.....66c. lb.
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BLANKETS of every kind.
Another Big Lot BOOT & SHOE BARGAINS
Bargains in UNDERWEAR and GLOVES.
A Man's HIP BOOT $3.00, the price tells you what they are.

WESTCOTT & DODD,
Dec. 12, 1895 Chestertown.

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DRESS and APRON GINGHAMS,
MUSLINS, PRINTS, BED TICKINGS,
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All of the above goods will be sold at and below cost. WE MEAN BUSINESS! Come and see us if you want Bargains.

E. W. F. SIMPERS.

—Our Stock of—
Groceries, Glassware and Crockery
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E. W. F. SIMPERS.

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Something NEW for FARMERS and HORSEMEN!

A COLLAR without a Stitch-strong, neat and cheap. We also have the BEST and largest stock of Collars on the Shore! You will be surprised at our 75 cent Collars, and our $1 make can't be equalled.

We make a specialty of CHEAP HARNESS as low as $5.50, while we also make the FINEST RUBBER HARNESS USED. We make all kinds of Harness and Strap work.

Bits, Bridles, Boots, Pads, Brushes and Combs, Harness Oils, Whips, Blankets, Summer and Winter Robes and Lap Dusters, Fly Nets, Pump Leathers, the latest Dog Muzzle.

REPAIRING PROMPTLY DONE.

Thankful for the past 30 years' patronage, we ask a continuance of the same.

JOHN F. HOWARD,
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NOTICE:

The County Commissioners will meet EVERY TUESDAY on and after this date, Tuesday, Sept. 29, 1896.
By order of the Board,
WM. H. LAMBERT, JR., CLERK.
s26-tf.

GALENA NOTES.

The Moffett damage case has been argued thoroughly pro and con. Some think that Moffett did not get enough damages, while others think he got too much; but all agree that the cost will bear heavy on the taxpayers, with the other expenses of the county.

Some of our wise men think it strange that some forty witnesses should be compelled to attend court every day for ten days waiting for this trial to come up, at a daily expense of $1.75 for each witness. Our judges' terms of office are so near the end that it is too late to make any changes now in the mode of compelling witnesses to attend from day to day for so long, waiting for a trial to come off.

Mrs. Harry Redding met with what might have been a serious accident on Tuesday evening last. She was in Galena, and started to drive home about 5 o'clock. Between Mr. Pierce's and the M. E. Church the horse got frightened at something and bolted, the carriage striking against a tree on the other side of the road, upsetting and throwing Mrs. Redding and her young baby out. Mrs. R.'s arm was sprained. We have not heard whether the baby (which was but 4 months old) was hurt or not.

Tuesday being the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, there was a large congregation at the Catholic Church. Father Hughes preached an elegant sermon suitable to the occasion. A class of twelve boys and girls received their first communion.

Kent Lodge of Odd Fellows on Wednesday evening, 9th instant, elected their offic rs as follows: N. G., L. C. Hayes; V. G. Charles E. Faulkner; secretary, Henry Parr: treasurer, G. W. Jacoby; marshal A. H. Redding; chaplain, J. H. Weer; trustees, G. W. Jacoby, Henry Parr and T. F. Faulkner; representative to grand lodge, Henry Parr. The last named gentleman has been elected secretary every year for the last thirty-one years. Mr. P. wished to decline the honor of an election longer, but the brethren of the lodge would not listen to it, and as an inducement to him to continue as secretary they elected Mr. J. H. Weer as assistant. OBS.

A NATURAL OYSTER BAR.

Judge Goldsborough's Opinion on This Question in 1880.

Cambridge News.

The late Judge Goldsborough, in a petition filed against Job T. Moore by Wm. T. Windsor and George R. Todd, July term, 1880, gave the following opinion of a natural oyster bar:

"The Legislature meant to encourage and promote the propagation of oysters in the state, and at the same time it confers a substantial benefit upon the people. The language of the act, whilst guarded, is perfectly plain and distinct, and its purpose can be effected only by a proper observance of its provisions. It is important that no individual citizen should be deprived of the right the State intended to give him, and it is also important that the public should not be deprived of the use of those water covered lands which the act, for their benefit, makes it unlawful for the individual citizen to locate and appropriate. Evidently, in ascertaining and adjusting these rights, every case must depend upon its own facts. * * * * *

What then is a natural bed or bar of oysters? It would be a palpable absurdity for the State to attempt to promote the propagation and growth of oysters and to encourage its citizens, by grants of lands, to engage in their culture, if the lands authorized to be taken up were only those upon which oysters do not and cannot be made to grow. That there may be lands covered by water in the State where no oysters can be found, but where if planted they could be cultivated successfully, may be possible; but if so, I imagine their extent must be too limited for them to be of much practical general advantage for the purposes of such a law as the one under description. But there are thousands and thousands of acres of hard and shifting sands where oysters not only are not found, but where it would be folly to plant them. And these latter it cannot be supposed that the State intended to offer to give away for the simple reason that the State could not help knowing that nobody would have them. On the other hand there are large and numerous tracts where oysters of natural growth may be found in moderate numbers, but not in quantities sufficient to make it profitable to catch them and yet where oysters may be successfully planted and propagated. In my opinion these cannot be called natural bars or beds of oysters, within the meaning of the act Assembly, and it is just such lands as these that the State meant to allow to be taken up under the provisions of the above mentioned section of the act.

But there is still another class of lands where oysters grow naturally and in large quantities and to which the public are now and have been for many years in the habit of resorting with a view of earning a livelihood by catching this natural growth. And here, I think, is the true test of the whole question. Land cannot be said to be natural oyster bar or bed merely because oysters are scattered here and there upon it, and because if planted they will readily live and thrive there. But whenever the natural growth is so thick and abundant that the public resort to it for a livelihood, it is a natural oyster bar or bed and comes within the above quoted restriction in the law and cannot be located or appropriated by any individual.

FAIRLEE NOTES.

"Reaper Death, with Cycle Keen," laid low in his embrace one of our brightest, most cheerful, kind-hearted and amiable young men in the person of Eddie O. Duyer on last Thursday evening week, while twilight shadows were manteling the earth, at the Johns Hopkins University or Hospital, Baltimore, whence he had gone the second time for treatment, but his dire affliction baffled the skill of all physicians until the call of the Heavenly One removed all his suffering and took him to Himself, where all is life and health and peace. The whole community extends to his bereaved family their condolence in this the season of sad bereavement. He leaves a widow and two children, one of which was baptized by the side of its departed, loving father, and hearts were melted at the touching scene. For two Sundays J. B. Merritt, D. D., with one intervening, has been called to attend the funerals of two of his Salem congregation. The tributes he bestowed upon the departed ones, Wm. T. Miller and Eddie O. Duyer, were from grief tending to sublime. In the one case his thought were directed to the young urging them to "Live for God and Die for God."

The community is deeply grieved over the severe accident that befell Mr. Clarence Crew last Saturday morning while gunning for geese, and is hopeful for his speedy recovery.

The marriage of Mr. Damon Rollison and Miss Virginia Rodney, Rock Hall, was witnessed by P. M. John, L. Lewis and wife, of our town.

Your correspondent has known those young people since their early youth and takes this method to extend his congratulation to them for a pleasant voyage "On the Matrimonial Sea."

The beautiful "Aurora-borealis" has been noticeable in the Northern skies several nights lately.

The property opposite the church that has been rented by Mr. Staats for 1897 is being put in order. The ring of the mechanic's hammer may be heard all around now.

Mrs. L. J. Keyser and children visited their parents last week in Worton.

Miss Maggie Gears, of Worton Station, is visiting her sister in the village, Mrs. James Middleton.

Rev. C. T. Denroche went to Baltimore, last Monday, where he is under medical treatment, finding it necessary for a slight surgical operation to be performed. His friends and many there are, are hopeful for his speedy recovery. It is not likely that he will be able to fill his pulpit to-morrow, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. T. Maslin and little daughter, Nettie, of Quaker Neck, visited relatives in Fairlee last Sunday.

The last Sunday evening service at Salem was a very interesting one, conducted by Bro. J. C. Staats. He delivered an address from the words "If a man die will he live again?" which was certainly inspiring and helpful to all who heard him.

Mrs. Schwearer is having porches built in front of her house tenanted by Capt. Barmble.

Mr. Archie Ramage sustained a severely contused cheek last week from being struck by a falling piece of timber.

The demand for the "Kendall farm gate" has exceeded the supply of late.

The many friends of Capt. John V. Greenwood, around our village and neighborhood, are grieved to hear of the serious affliction by which he is rendered almost helpless, we hear. Rheumatism is his trouble we understand.

A Conclave of Heptosophs will soon be organized in our village. Almost enough names have been secured to fill the charter. Such an organization is worthy the support of every man that has some interest for his family or relatives after he is called from this sphere of action. The rate is said to be just about one half of the old line companies besides it has a benefit fund in case of sickness.

Mr. Samuel Merritt and family are visiting the parental home at the parsonage.

The latest—J. B. Merritt, D. D., went gunning two days this week.

Our village builders are over run with orders for work, and some one tell us when they were necessarily idle.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Harry Todd and daughter, Nellie, started from "Chantilly" their beautiful home on the bay near our village, via of the Sassafras river steamer to Baltimore, thence via Balt. and O. to Washington on last Friday morning week. Mr. Todd returned on Tuesday leaving Mrs. Todd and Miss Nellie remaining. He speaks of the trip being a very enjoyable one. Congress being in session they visited both houses—the Supreme Court—east room of the White-House—the Monument, Capitol dome, Treasury department, Smithsonian Institute, Patent Office and other places of interest. WEST END.

A GRAND BAZAAR, ENTERTAINMENT AND SUPPER!

The ladies of Christ Church will hold a GRAND BAZAAR, ENTERTAINMENT and SUPPER in STAM'S HALL, beginning on THURSDAY, Dec. 10th, and continuing FRIDAY and SATURDAY evenings. An entertainment will be held Thursday and Friday evenings at 7.30 sharp, and a GRAND SUPPER on Saturday evening. The BAZAAR will be open each evening and articles of every description will be on sale, from a head of cabbage to a Lady's Bicycle.

Admission to Entertainments, Ten Cents.

A SOLID FACT!

Yes, 'Tis a Fact, We Are Doing Better Than We Expected!

'TIS NO FAKE!

One Glance at Our Stock Will Prove It.

WHY IS IT?

Because we have just the GOODS that YOU WANT. They were bought FOR THE CASH. They are for sale for the CASH. We claim to carry, and all traveling men—Drummers—say we have the Largest Stock of Christmas Goods Exhibited on the Eastern Shore. Already goods have been shipped to Pittsburg, New York City, West Virginia, Easton, Md., and other places.

COME WHERE THE PEOPLE'S POPULAR PRICES PREVAIL.

APPLES $1.50 Bbl., 25c. per peck.

Mixed Candies from - - 5c. to 50c. lb.
We make a Specialty of Lowney's Chocolate.
Lowney's Best Chocolate, assorted - 50c. lb.
Mixed Nuts . . 10c. lb., 3 lbs. for 25c.
Mixed Nuts . . 15c. lb., 3 lbs. for 25c.
Raisins, Currants, Citron, Figs, Dates, Orange and Lemon Peel.
Oranges, Lemons, &c.

PREMIUM No. 1 CHOCOLATE 24c.

IN ONE POUND LOTS.

Granulated Sugar in any and all quantities, 4½c. Pound.
Enterprise Coffee - - 17¾c. "
5 lbs. Enterprise Coffee, and 15c. Doll all for $1.00
A Box of Cigars and a 5-Barrel Revolver for 1.49
11 Pounds Pure Buckwheat for - - 25c.
By the Bag, 100 Pounds 2c. Pound.

Best Home-Made Mincemeat at 13c. lb.

2 lbs. for 25c., Put up in 2½ and 5 pound Tin Buckets, FREE.

Other Mincemeat, 4 lbs. good for - 24c.
Good Mince for - - - 6c. lb.

Rolled Oats 6c. Pack'g.

CHILDREN, CHILDREN, CHIIDREN:

Did you write to Santa Claus and tell him Mr. Smith has Dolls from 5c. to $3.50, Doll Coaches from 25c. to $2.50, a Doll for $1.00 that cannot be broken, Shoo Flys from 85c. to $3.50, Hobby Horses, Magic Lanterns, fine, $1.50 to $3.00; Baby Coaches 10c, Drums from 25c. to $2.00, 20 Pounds Granulated Sugar and a Hatchet for $1.00, Horns, Children's Desks, Children's Blackboards, Games, Guns, Boats, Fifes, A. B. C. Blocks, Wheelbarrows, Dishes for you to play with from 5c. to $1.25 set, Velocipedes, Tricycles $1.00, Iron Wagons, Wood Wagons, Tables Croquet to keep your feet dry, stay in the house; Toys, Banks, &c., and hundreds of other good things. Be good and obedient children and Old Kriss will not forget you, but if he does, come and tell Mr. Smith and he'll give you a nice toy. Every child who deals at Smith's gets a Christmas Gift.

"A STITCH IN TIME SAVES NINE."—Who doubts it? Yes, Smith says, Come Early. You may think Smith does it to get your money sooner. Not so. Smith has seen so many people come a day or two before Xmas and say I want that toy I was talking to you about a day or two ago. Smith says, yes, I remember it, BUT its gone. You are disappointed. Come early, and if we have not got what you want Smith will do his level best to get it. Don't delay, no don't do it. Come and see us often. It may even snow or be too cold. Come today, come every time you can, come everybody. Plenty of clerks at

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