

WHEN ARE YOU GOING TO START YOUR

REDUCTION SALES?

This question has been asked us a good many times the past week and to those interested, we say:

Our Semi-Annual Get-Rid-of-Winter Goods Sale Begins To-day

Comment as to correct FORMER prices, and NOW bona fide reduced prices, is unnecessary, as you all know the genuineness of same. No better evidence of this can be offered than the fact we have conducted them for the past fifteen years and the LARGE percentage of trade that avail themselves of the same.

DON'T WAIT

until ALL the best things are gone, because the choice patterns go first. No reserves. All winter goods will be sold correctly.

Respectfully,

MOODY & LUSBY

Directly opp. Court House

CHESTERTOWN, MARYLAND

Personal * * * and Social

Miss Mildred Crawford has declined to accept the appointment at Piney Neck because of a "call" to Montgomery county where the pay is very much better. Miss Hershel has been named at Piney Neck.

Misses Louisa Urie and Emma France are visiting friends in Baltimore.

Mr. M. Derringer, of Baltimore, visited his "very near" brothers on Queen street Sunday.

Mrs. George E. Lambert has been quite sick at the Imperial Hotel for the past ten days. She is somewhat improved.

Mr. William S. Elbourn left Chestertown yesterday for Petersburg, Florida, where he will spend the winter.

The Salisbury Advertiser says: A "500" party was given to a number of friends by Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Toddson at their home, "Mill Grove," Thursday evening. After a series of closely contested games the ladies' prize, a handsome box of stationery, was awarded to Miss Lizzie Collier and the prize for men was won by Mr. J. Roscoe White. It was a beautiful ash tray. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Gordy, Jr., Dr. and Mrs. S. A. Graham, Dr. and Mrs. Harry Tull, Dr. and Mrs. J. McF. Dick, Misses, Nannie R. Bondley, Chestertown, Marie Sheldermine, Philadelphia, Mrs. W. P. Jackson, Misses, Irma Graham, Elizabeth and Pauline Collier, Laura Wailes, Clara Tighman, Helen V. Wise, Mary Humphreys, Eloise and Ethelinda Ringgold, Messrs. John and Edgar Laws, F. Leonard Wailes, Walter C. Humphreys, J. Cleveland, G. Vickers and J. R. White.

Mr. and Mrs. S. G. McCollister, of Church Hill, announces the engagement of their daughter, Dorrell, to Frank Brown, of Wilmington. The wedding will take place January 29.

Ex-Judge C. H. Jefferson has been confined to his home near town for a week with a cold.

Mrs. W. H. Moore, nee Miss Anna Sappington, of Wilmington, N. C., and Mrs. Sletts, nee Miss Carrie Sappington, of Washington, D. C., have been guests of their parents on Mill street the past week.

Mr. Murrell Dunbarco has entered W. S. & A. M. Culp's factory to learn his trade.

Edward W. Rice, of Kent, who is now taking an Electrical Railway Engineering course at the Ohio Northern University, Ada, Ohio, succeeded in capturing first honors in the Willis Debating Club of the Adelpian Literary Society, of which Mr. Rice is President. The subject of the national question, Resolved, That the negro question is greater than swollen fortunes. Mr. Rice took the affirmative of the above question.

Miss Barbara Anthony spent a part of last week with her sister, Mrs. Albert, in Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Coleman have taken apartments in the residence on High street formerly occupied by Mrs. George H. Cannan. Mrs. Cannan and family having moved to the Sides home on High street.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin S. Valliant, of Church Hill, were called to Chicago last week on account of the illness of their infant grandson, James Chapman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Walter Chapman. We are pleased to announce that at last reports the little boy was better.

Miss Ollie Reed is visiting friends in Dover.

Mrs. Ella Thompson, agent for the Tolchester Company at Buck Neck and two sons, Leeds and Barton, have been visiting relatives and friends in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Dr. George W. Simmons and daughter, Miss Ida Simmons, who have been visiting at the home of Dr. H. Bengt Simmons, have returned to their home in Denton.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Rote and baby, Alice, visited the former's parents in Bellefonte, Pa., this week returned Tuesday.

Mrs. H. H. Kinsler attended the first quarterly meeting of the W. F. M. S. held in Baltimore last week.

Mrs. Earle A. Barnes and little son are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Steele, Galena, Md.

Miss Jessie Graham, of Pocomoke City, Md., is visiting her uncle and aunt Mr. and Mrs. John N. Dodd.

Miss Blanche Kilbourn, of Centreville, has been spending the past two weeks with Miss Hattie E. Strong. A very enjoyable card party was given last Saturday evening by Miss Strong at her pretty home on Gray's Inn Point, in honor of her guest, Miss Kilbourn.

Mr. and Mrs. John Barnett, of Magnolia, Del., have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Barnett on Kent Circle.

Mr. James Greenwood, of Still Pond Neck, has been suffering for sometime with a sore on his shoulder which came from a bite from a horse some years ago. Mr. Greenwood seems to be improving somewhat under the treatment from the same doctor who has been attending Mr. George B. McWhorter.

Mr. Harry Rust has been named flagman at the Chestertown Crossing.

Mrs. H. E. Martin is critically ill at the P. E. rectory on Queen street.

Mr. Wm. B. Usilton was taken ill with acute indigestion on the train Friday evening and has been unwell all the week. We are glad to report him able to be out at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Brown are visiting in Baltimore.

A postal from Mr. James Brice dated Tampa, Florida, says there is no need for fies there and that they are enjoying every minute of the time.

Mr. J. Henry Hurr, formerly of Chestertown, is assistant foreman of the Grand Jury for Baltimore city for this month.

Auctioneer Greenwood has been visiting his children in Philadelphia and reports all of them doing well.

Dr. Frank B. Hines was elected physician to Washington College students by the Visitors and Governors Wednesday evening in place of Dr. W. F. Hines, resigned.

County Commissioner Dudley was kept away from the meeting Tuesday by sickness.

Dr. John L. Wethered was initiated an entered apprentice at Chester Lodge, A. E. & M., Thursday evening.

Mr. Wm. E. Morgan is the guest of his brother, Mr. E. C. Morgan, in Cecil, where he will spend the winter.

Local Paragraphs*

Announcements.—Mr. and Mrs. Samuel M. Taylor, of Rock Hall, have issued invitations to the wedding of their daughter, Miss Nannie R., to Mr. Robert A. Shallcross on Thursday, Jan. 21, 1909, at Rock Hall.

Engineer Wm. Bush, on the B. & P. for the possession of a valuable souvenir postal album containing postals from all parts of the world. Mr. Bush has received these postals from his two sons who are in the navy.

A Fine Record.—Mrs. Harry Staveloy, who has gained an enviable reputation for her success in poultry raising, sold this Christmas 45 turkeys for which she received \$116.29.

Appraisers.—H. H. Barroll, Esq., filed his bond of \$50,000 with the Fidelity & Deposit Co. as executor of the late J. K. Aldridge's estate. Messrs. James W. Lambert and Geo. B. Lofland were named appraisers.

Donated.—At a meeting of the Kent County Mutual Fire Insurance Co. on Monday the engine house used by the town for some years was presented to them to do as they deem best. It will likely be used as a stable. This was an appreciated gift valued at \$200.

New Buildings.—Mr. J. W. Russell is building two double houses on the Vickers lot High street. It is understood several others are about to erect dwellings to rent. Messrs. W. S. & A. M. Culp are the contractors.

Examination.—The following young men took the examination for the rural route from Worton station: J. Keyser, Everett Sheats, Geo. Cooper, Jos. Dayer, Arthur Prettyman, Ralph and George Williams, Fletcher Clarke and Henry Rains. It is reported that the boys all passed good examinations.

Damage Suit.—Marion deK. Smith, Esq., attorney for Mr. Chas. M. Brown, appeared before county commissioners Tuesday and asked damages for result of accident which occurred near St. Paul church. It is claimed the horse of said left near the road frightened his horse and injured his wife. The commissioners refused to grant claims.

Mr. Charles H. Crew through his attorney, H. W. Vickers, Jr., Esq., has entered suit for \$5,000 against Mr. John H. Glendaniel for damages growing out of removal of tenancy.

Earthquake.—Mr. George H. Watts visited the News office Wednesday and reported feeling an earthquake shock at his home at town about 7 o'clock Monday evening. He was jokingly considerable and all were surprised to read in the daily papers Wednesday that the quake really occurred and was felt perceptibly in Oregon. The instruments at Washington recorded the quake.

Commendable.—Harrison Jenkins, representing the colored citizens of Chestertown, appeared before the Bazaar committee, and offered the services of his people to do anything in their power free of cost. Harrison said they realized that the Volunteer Fire Co. would be a great service to them in protecting their homes and that they wanted to help in raising funds for their benefit. This was certainly a commendable spirit and the ladies were sure to call on the colored folks for help.

Wants Widow With Farm Attached.—The State Bureau of Immigration reported yesterday from Mr. George Lohmiller, of Strassburg, Germany, in which he asks information about a farm in Maryland and, incidentally, about women. In part, he says:

"I have decided to go to America in the spring and wish to marry a respectable girl or widow with a farm. I have about \$1,200 in cash and do not make too high demands about the person I desire to marry." The bureau replied that it has no widows with farm attachments on hand.

Smashing Game Laws.—The comments in reference to the non-enforcement of the game laws apply to Kent county to an appreciable extent. In the last month the gunners out in motorboats after ducks was a frequent sight. On the bay they use a strong light at night, sneaking up the ducks while at feed and killing them by scores.

A short time ago a duiker was seen on the waters of Kent county in a motorboat with a strong light. The light flickered and one of the sportsmen in examining it put his head too close to the blaze. The oil or gasoline was ignited and the gunner's teeth were knocked out.

Violators of the game laws are among the well-to-do, and unless some better method of enforcing the game laws is used the total annihilation of game is only a question of a short time.

Driving Accident.—While driving home on Saturday evening about 6:30 o'clock, it being very dark, James D. Vinyard of Warwick, drove over a bank near St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church, upsetting his double-seated carriage and causing all four occupants to be badly bruised.

Miss Lizzie Caldwell had her ankle sprained; Mark Vinyard had his foot mashed, and Mrs. J. D. Vinyard had her forehead badly cut and her face bruised.

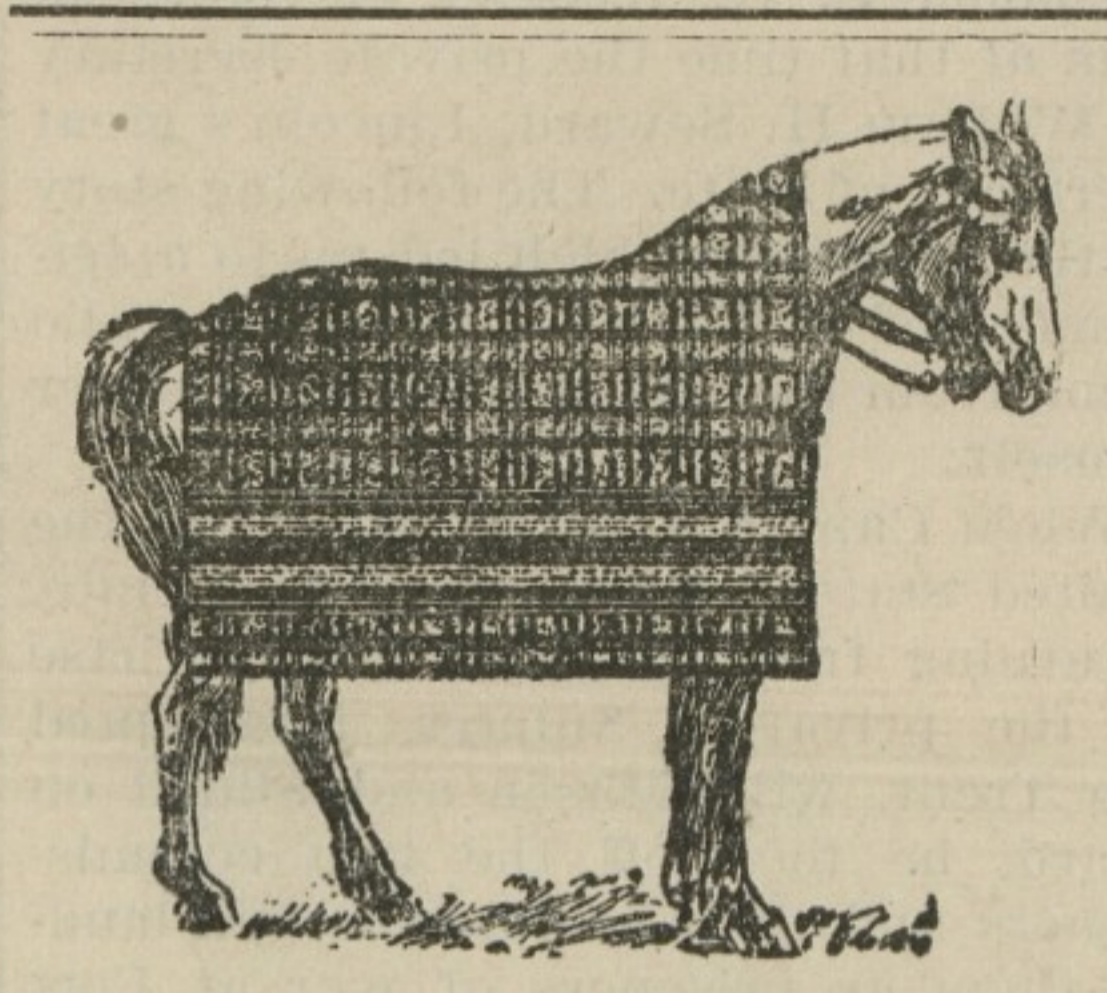
Dr. R. M. Black was summoned to dress the wounds, putting four stitches in Mrs. Vinyard's forehead. Mr. Vinyard was the most fortunate of the party escaping with a few bruises.

A FINE SHOWING.—The calendar year of the Kent County Mutual Fire Insurance Company closed December 31, 1908. The company has had a good year's business and shows a remarkable low cost of insurance to the policy holders who have their property insured by it. The closing statement shows that its total income was \$14,371.00; total net loss and expenses, \$3,976.00; excess of income over expenditures \$10,395.00. This excess of income over losses and expenses shows a saving to its policy holders of \$10,395.00 or 75 per cent of premiums paid during the year. In other words it has only cost about 1/4 of what the policy holders pay into the company to carry their insurance the past year. At the same time the Company has returned to its policy holders whose policies have been cancelled, the sum of \$3,748.00. During the past 8 years the company has returned to its policy holders over \$20,000.00 and at the same time has increased its surplus.

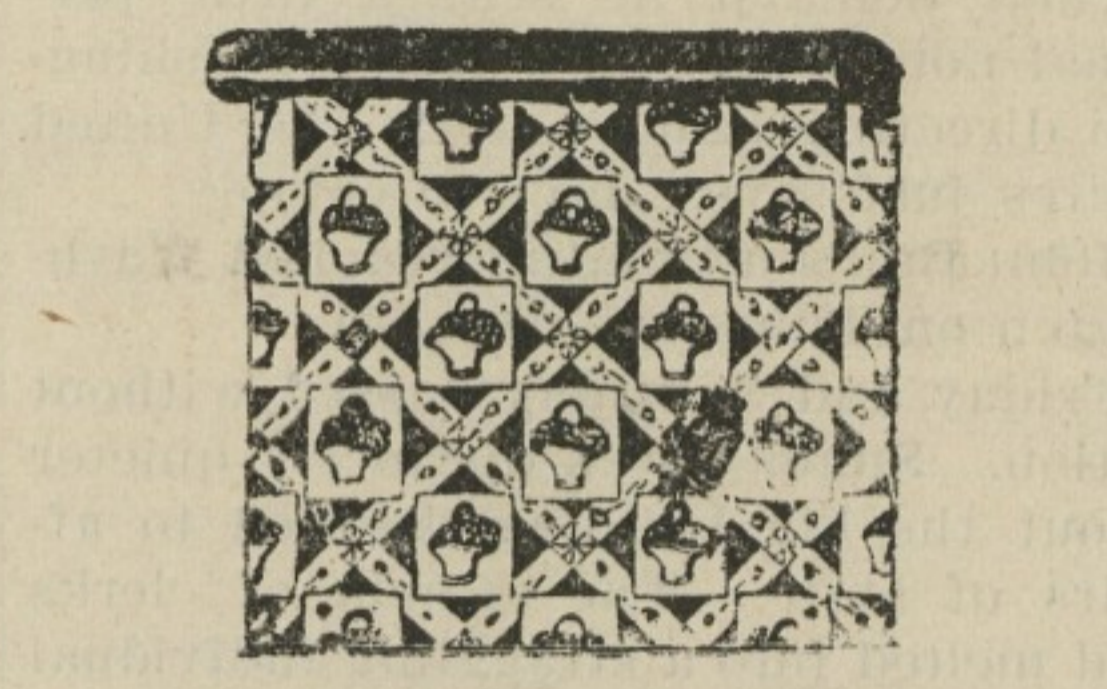
The Cash Dealers. WM. MEDDERS & CO.

Inventory Bargains!

Our "BARGAIN ROOM" is being filled with values from all parts of our store. Everything is marked so you can take your choice. These are the BEST BARGAINS we ever offered.



\$6 HORSE BLANKETS, \$4.90 Special \$6.00 Wool Horse Blankets, our price now \$4.90 \$5.00 Austrian Robes, our price now \$3.90 \$10.00 Imitation Buffalo Robes, the large size, now \$6.90



Best Table Oil Cloth, 12c The Best 12c Table Oil Cloth, now goes on sale at 12c

10c Cosmo Buttermilk Soap, now on sale at 8c

Heavy 12c Outing Flannels, Flannellets and Gingham. Choice selection, all only 9c yard

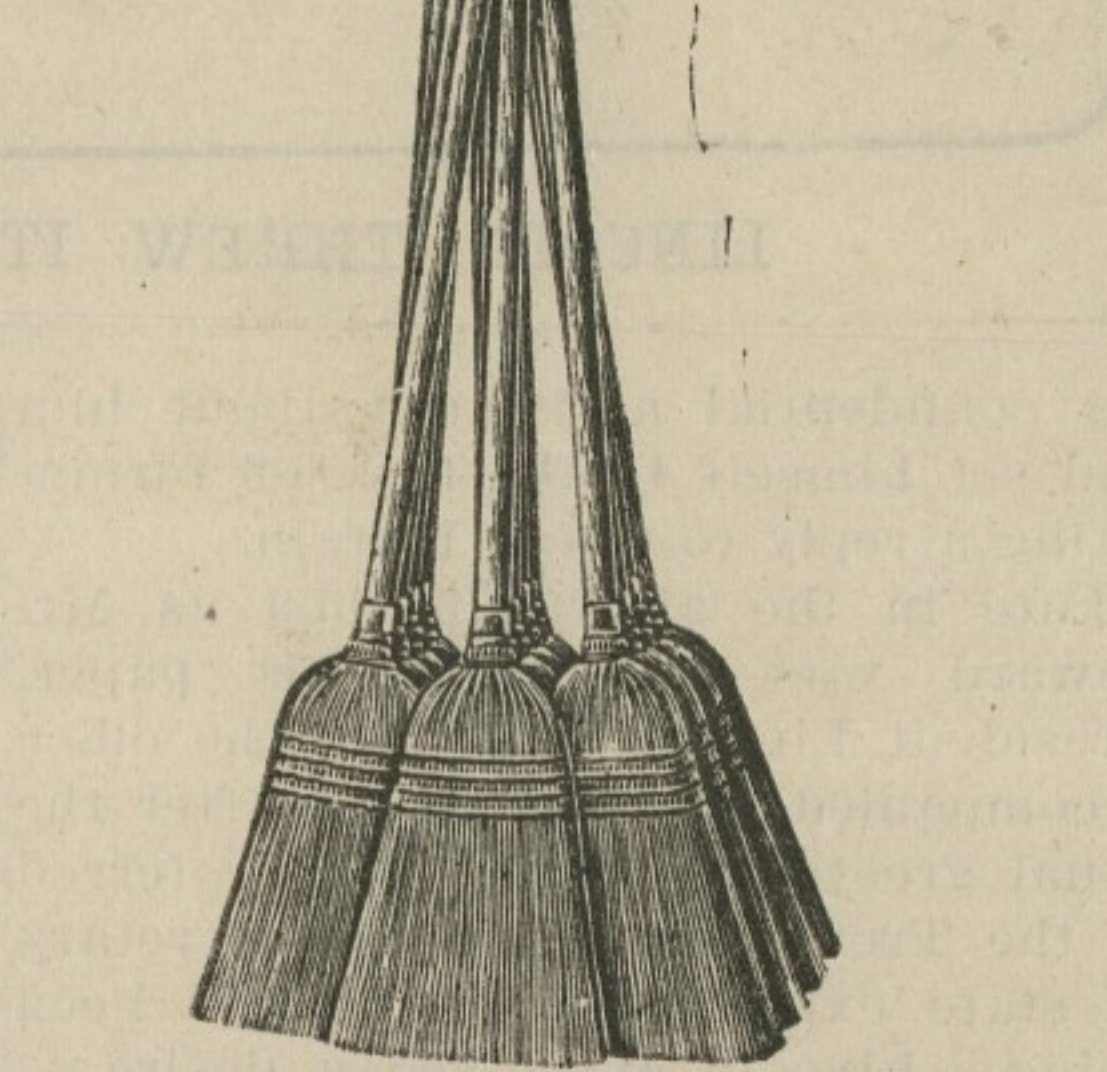
Hamburgs, 5c and 7c We offer a large line of good Hamburg Edgings, worth 10c, 12c for 5 and 7c

Children's Stockings, 9c A Large Lot of Children's Good Stockings, worth up to 15c pair, choice, only 9c

19c LINEN WINDOW CURTAINS 19c

Best 30c Window Curtains, all colors, good quality. Spring Rollers, choice for 19c.

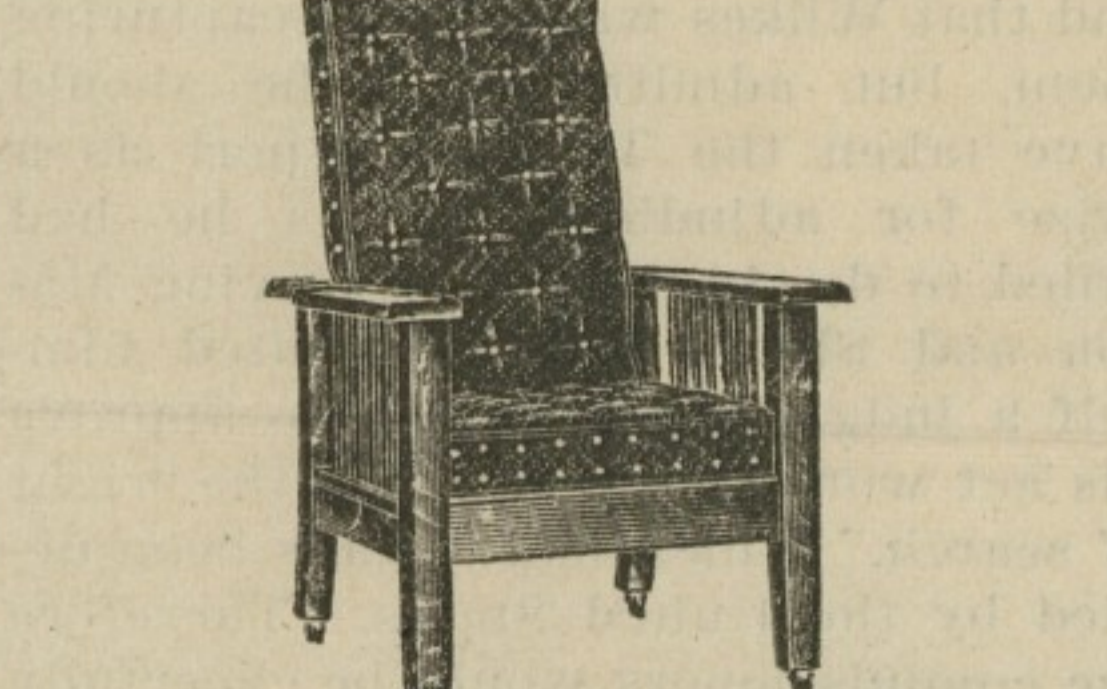
Extra Good Brooms, 19c



Lot Extra Good 4 String Brooms, all select straw and strictly first-class, only 19c



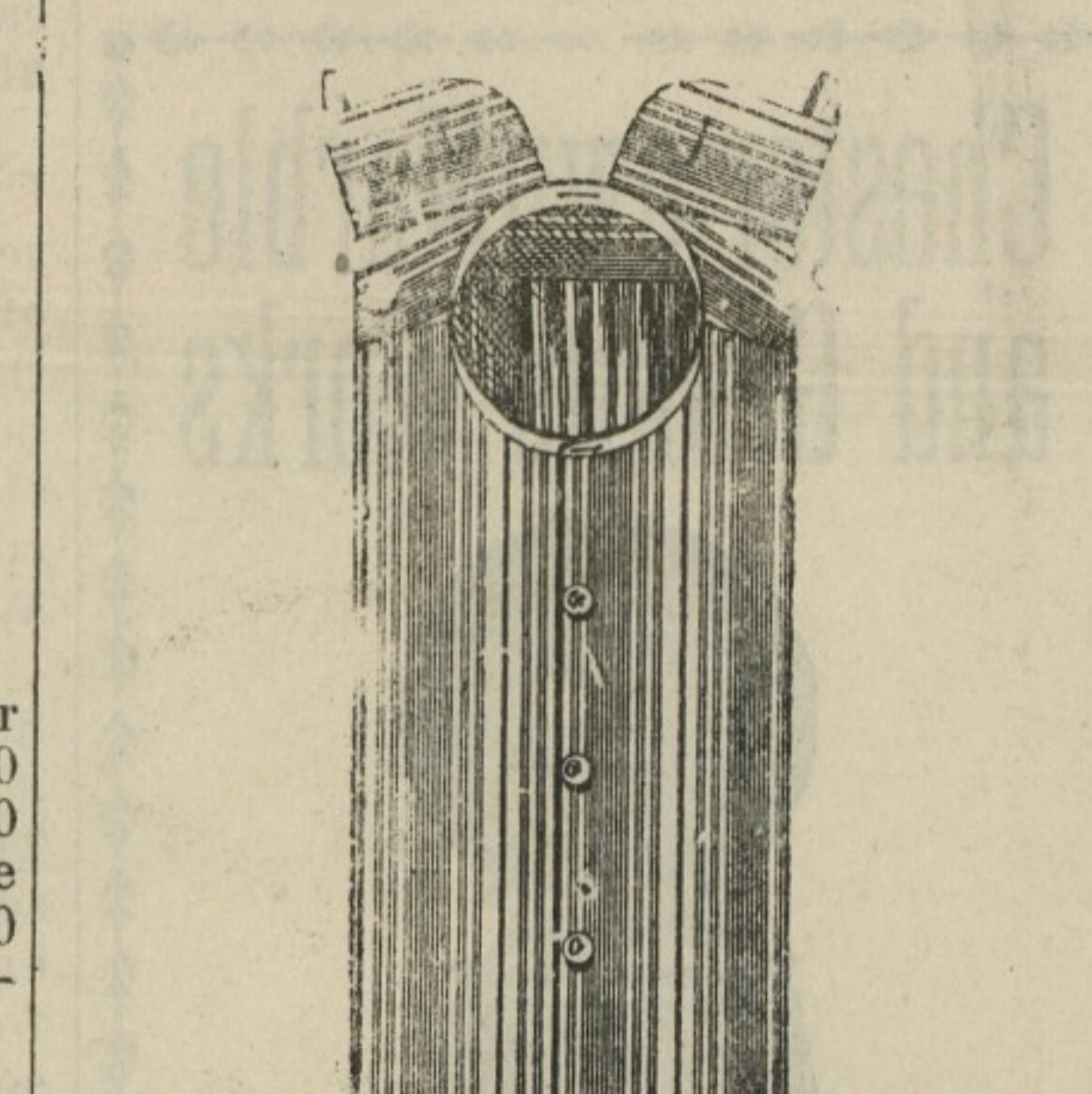
Special Sale on Couches \$12.50 Large Velour Couches, with steel spring base, only \$9.85 \$10.00 Large Veour Couches, only \$7.85 \$3.50 Oak Frame Couches, only \$3.85 \$7.00 Fancy Velour Couches, only \$3.85 \$5.00 Fancy Velour Couches, only \$3.85



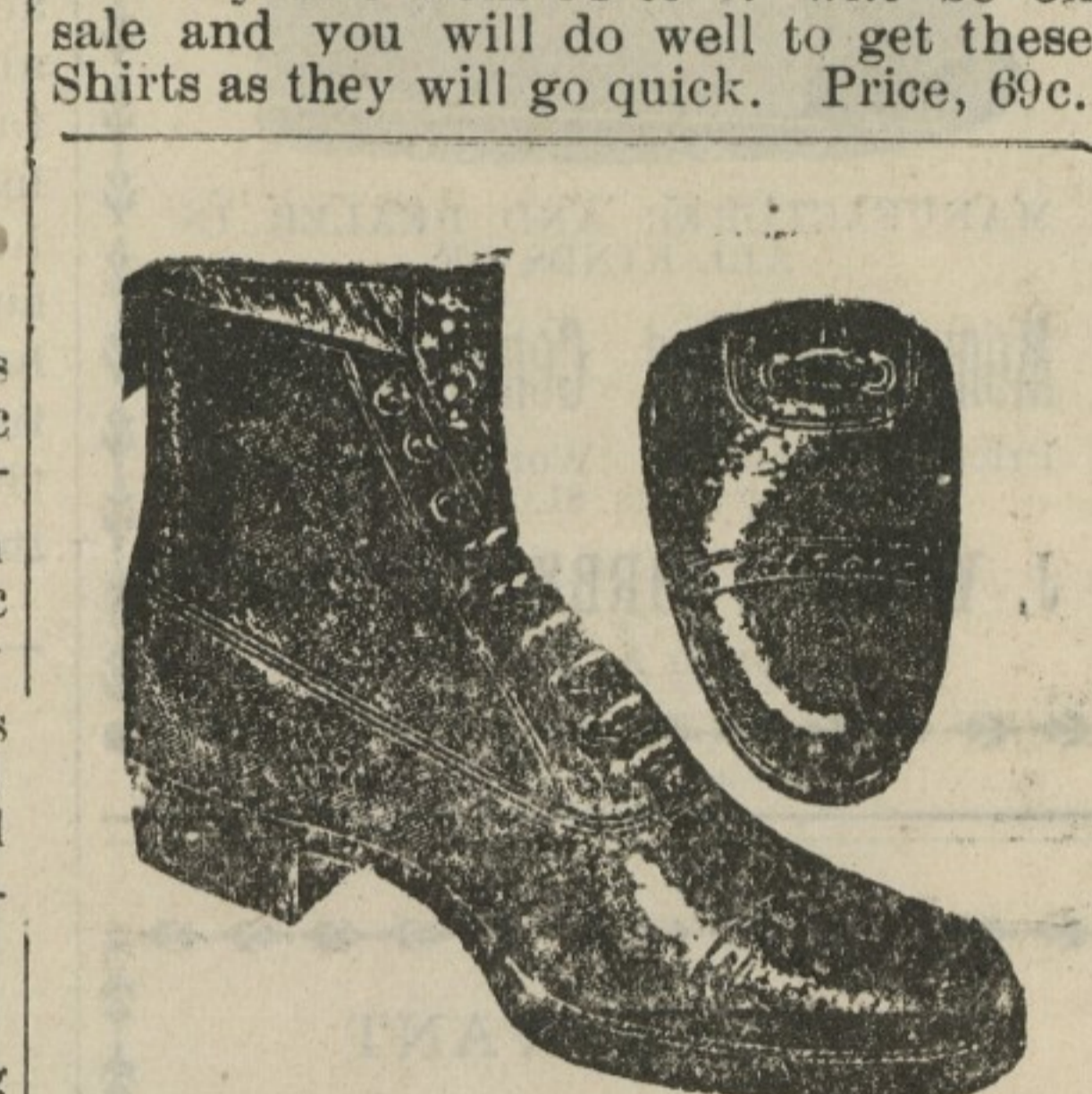
Fine Morris Chairs Large Oak Morris Chairs with heavy tufted cushions, only \$5.90, \$6.90

Beautiful Line Rockers A selection unequalled in this country. \$2.50 Cobblers Seat Rocker, only \$1.98 Rich Assortment Cobbler Seat Rockers at \$2.50, \$3.50, \$4.50 Handsome Large Veneered Solid Seat Rockers, just the thing for Christmas presents, \$3.50, \$4.50, \$5.50 Large \$2.50 Cane Seat Oak Rockers, only \$1.98 Large Wood Seat Rockers \$1.25

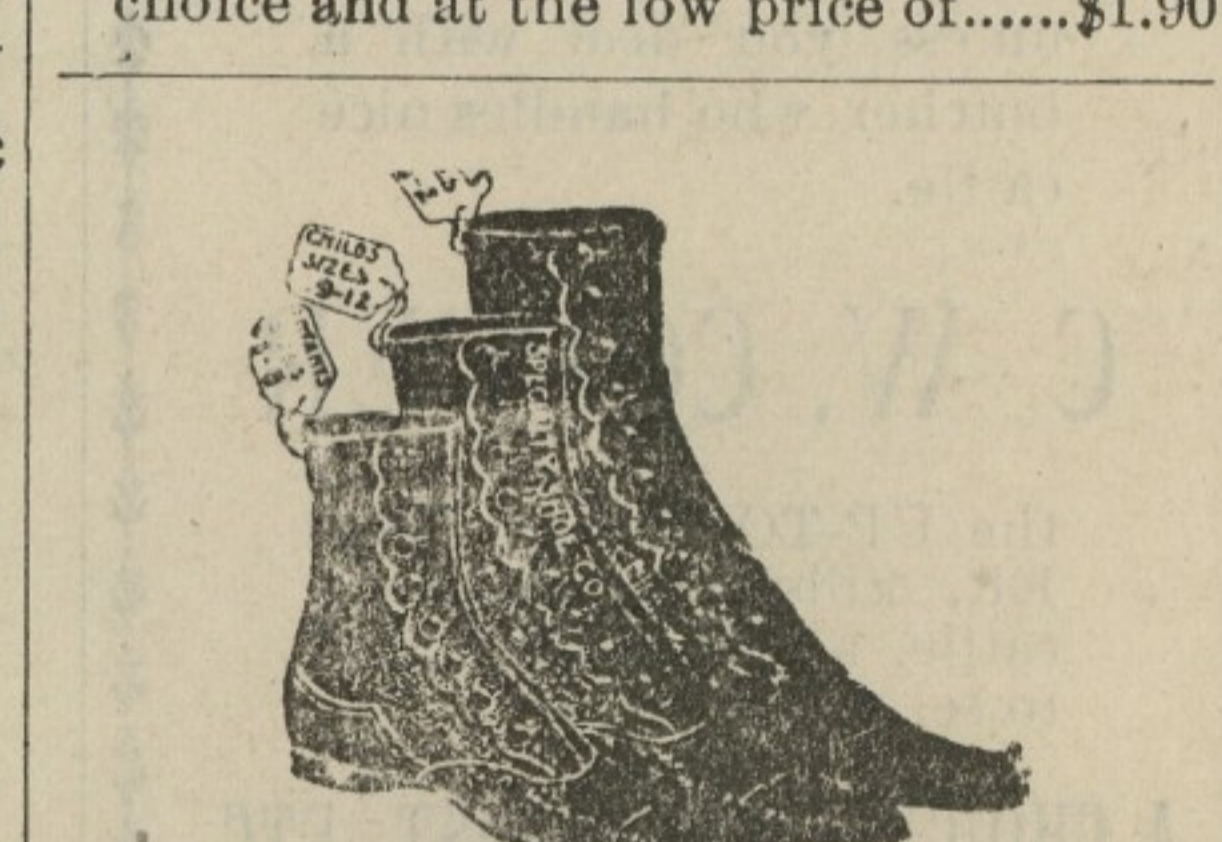
Linen Huck Towels, 15c 2c Linen Huck Towels, large size, at special price, only 15c



\$1, \$1.25 Men's Fine Shirts, 69c We will place all our Men's Fine \$1 and \$1.25 Madras Shirts on sale at 69c. Every size from 14 to 17 will be on sale and you will do well to get these Shirts as they will go quick. Price, 69c.

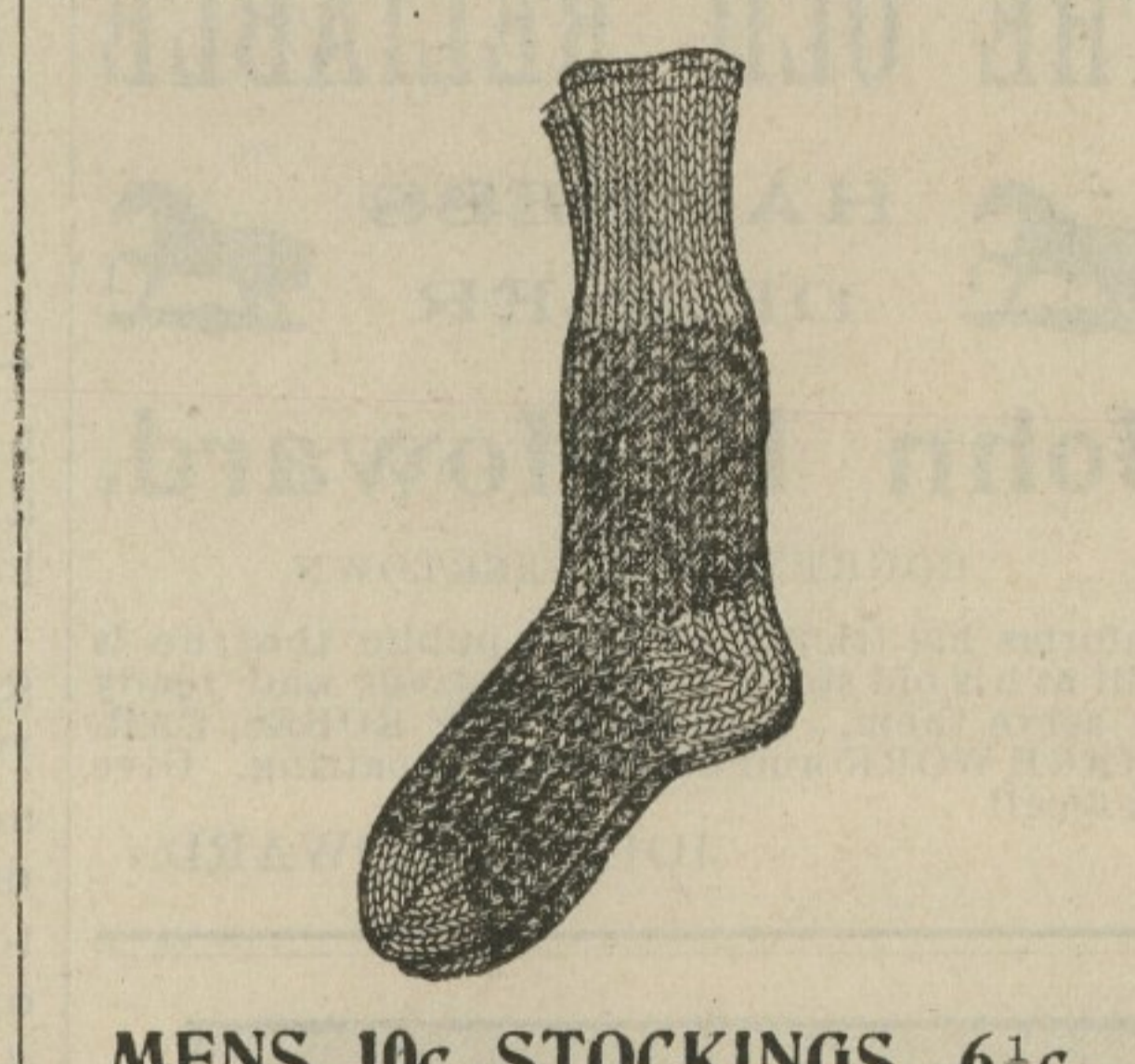


MEN'S SHOES, \$1.90 Large Lot Men's Good Shoes, worth \$2.50, some \$3.00, entire lot now on sale at only \$1.90. All sizes, take your choice and at the low price of \$1.90



CHILDREN'S SHOES, 98c We have a lot of Children's Good School Shoes, worth \$1.25, some \$1.50; choice of entire lot 98c

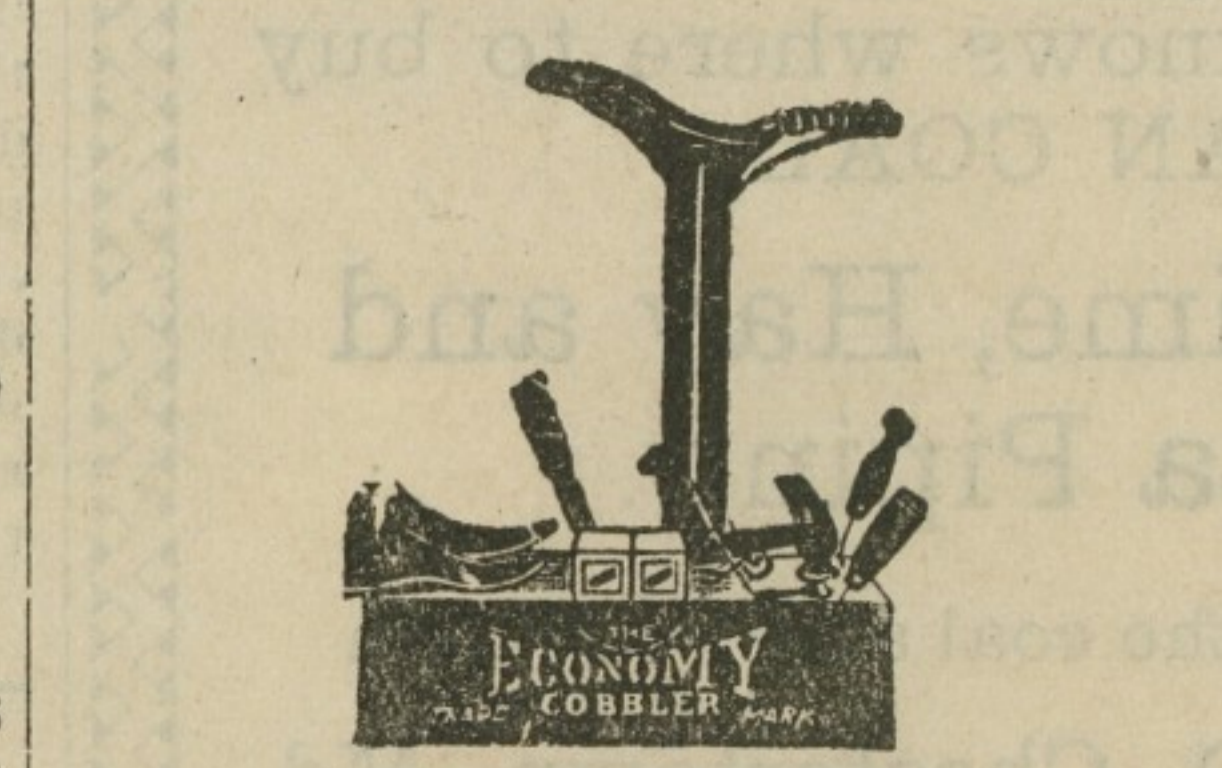
75c ALARM CLOCKS, 59c The 75c Alarm Clocks, good time-keeper only 59c



MENS 10c STOCKINGS, 64c Men's 10c Heavy Stockings, now on sale 4 pairs for 25c



MEN'S WOOL PANTS, \$1.98 Large Lot Men's Wool Cassimere and Wool Kersey and Corduroy Pants, worth \$2.50, some \$2.75; all sizes and large assortment, choice of lot, only \$1.98



50c COBBLER SETS, 39c 50c Cobbler Sets, complete, with all the fitting, for home cobbling, only 39c Shoe Nails, 1/2 pound, for 39c shoe Thread, ball, for 10c Half Soles, pair, for 15c, 18c

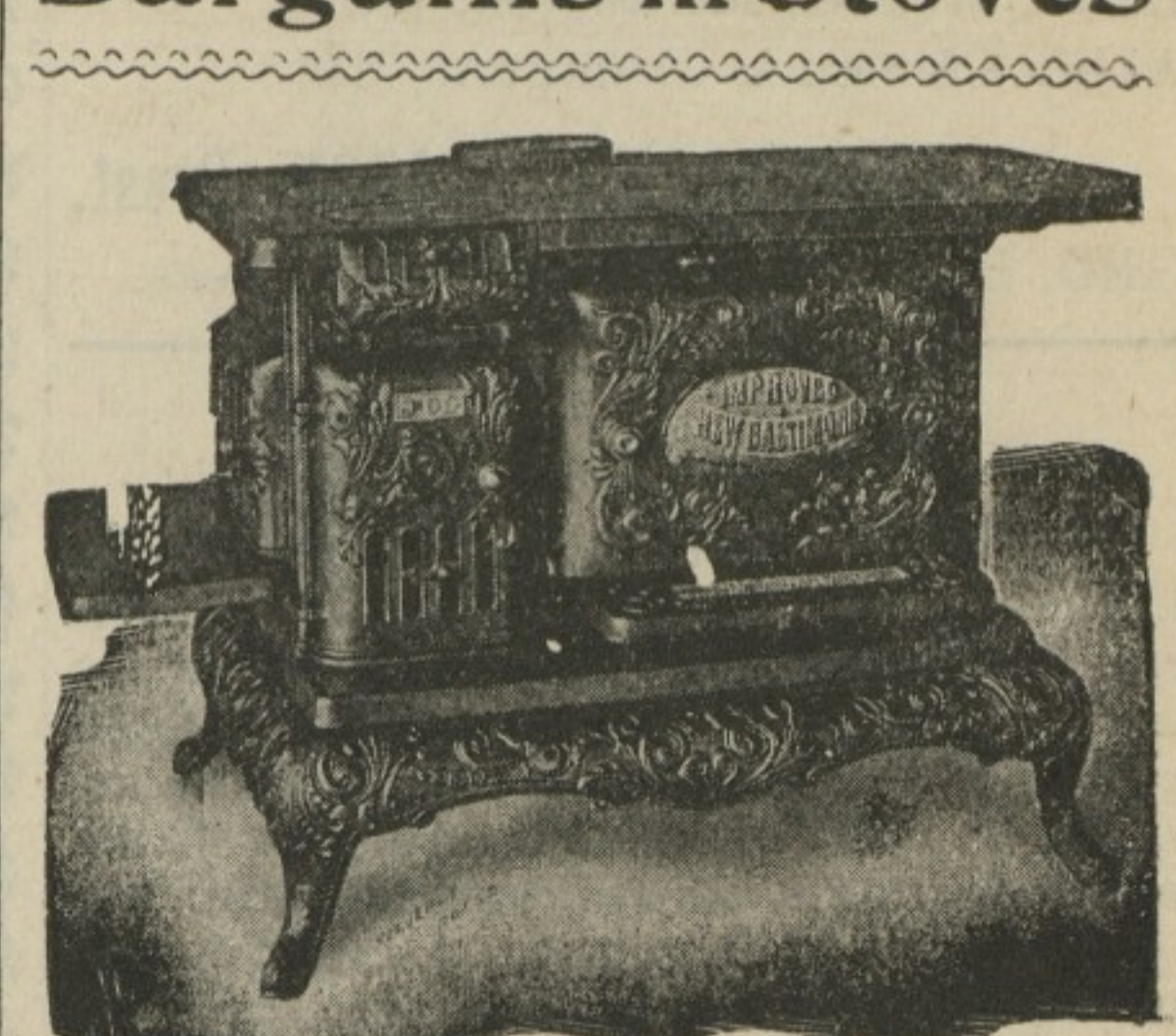
Still Pond, Md.

NEXT WEDNESDAY

Heavy Wash Boards 9c 9c

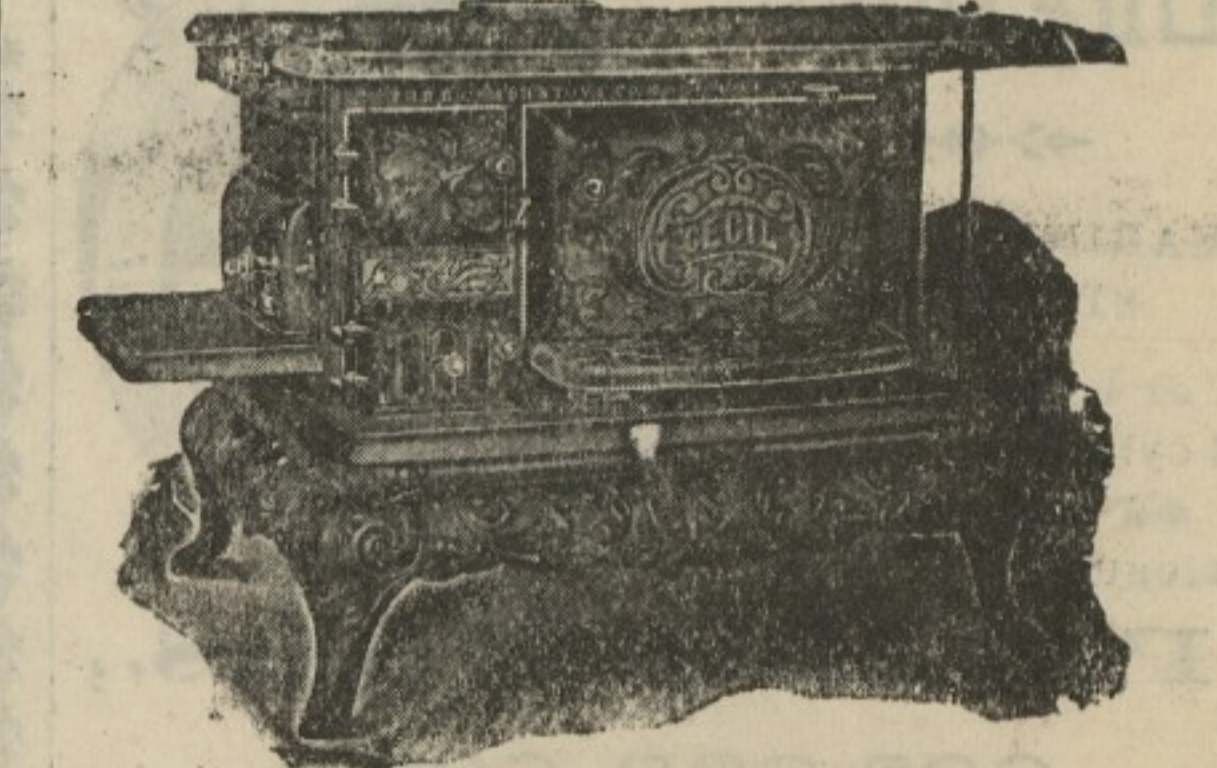
On next Wednesday we place on sale a large assortment of SOLID BRASS and SOLID ZINC WASH BOARDS, worth from 35c to 50c each, and you take your choice of entire lot for 9c. Only one to a customer, same as herebefore. These Wash Boards are of such exceptional value you will certainly regret it if you over-look the sale next Wednesday. Price, 9c.

Bargains in Stoves



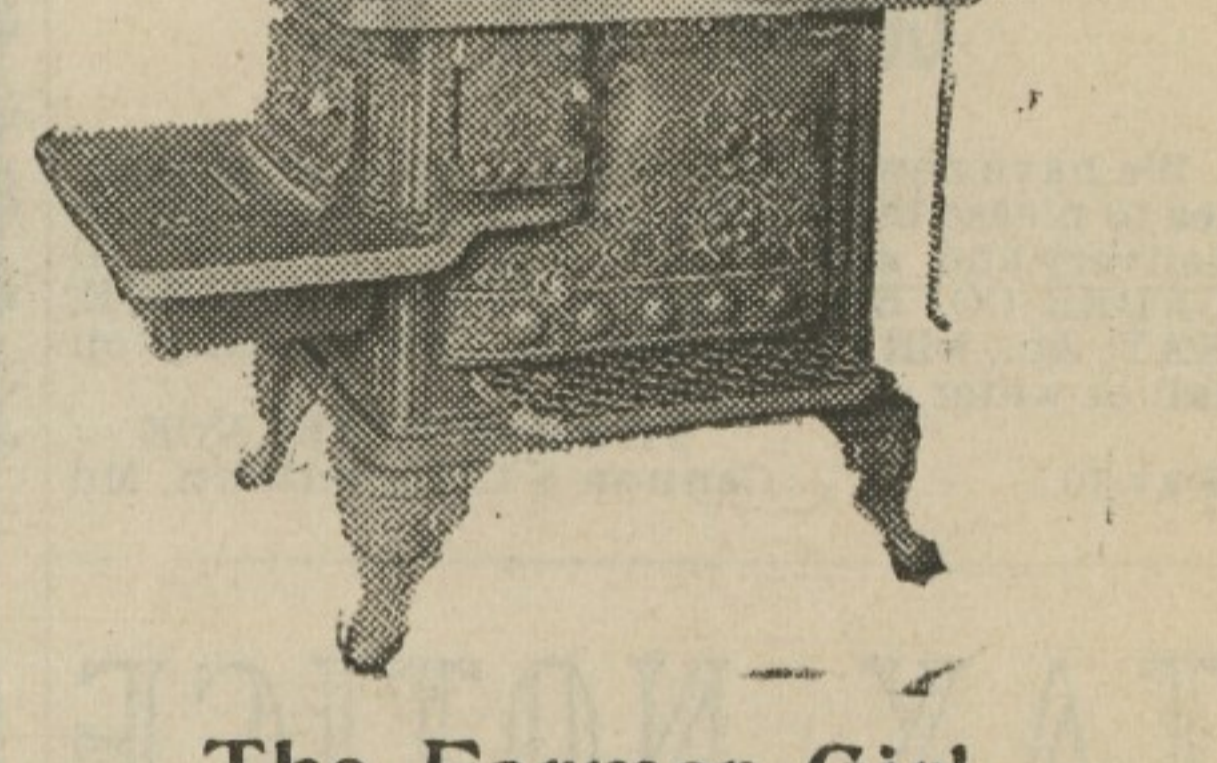
Improved New Baltimore Ranges

The New Baltimore and Superb Ranges, Made by the S. B. Sexton Stove Company, are high class. We sell them exclusively for Kent county, and our low prices give you an opportunity to get a good stove cheap. These Ranges need no further recommendation than the makers name, S. B. Sexton \$18.00 Size 7 Superb Ranges, only \$15.99 \$25.00 Size 8 Improved New Baltimore Range, only \$19.00



The Cecil Range

The Cecil Range is our leading stove. Splendid baker and a most economical Range. They are a comfort in any home. We sell them on the carload basis. Our low prices tell the story. Large 7 Cecil Range, only \$16.99 Large 8 Cecil Range, only \$18.99



The Farmer Girl

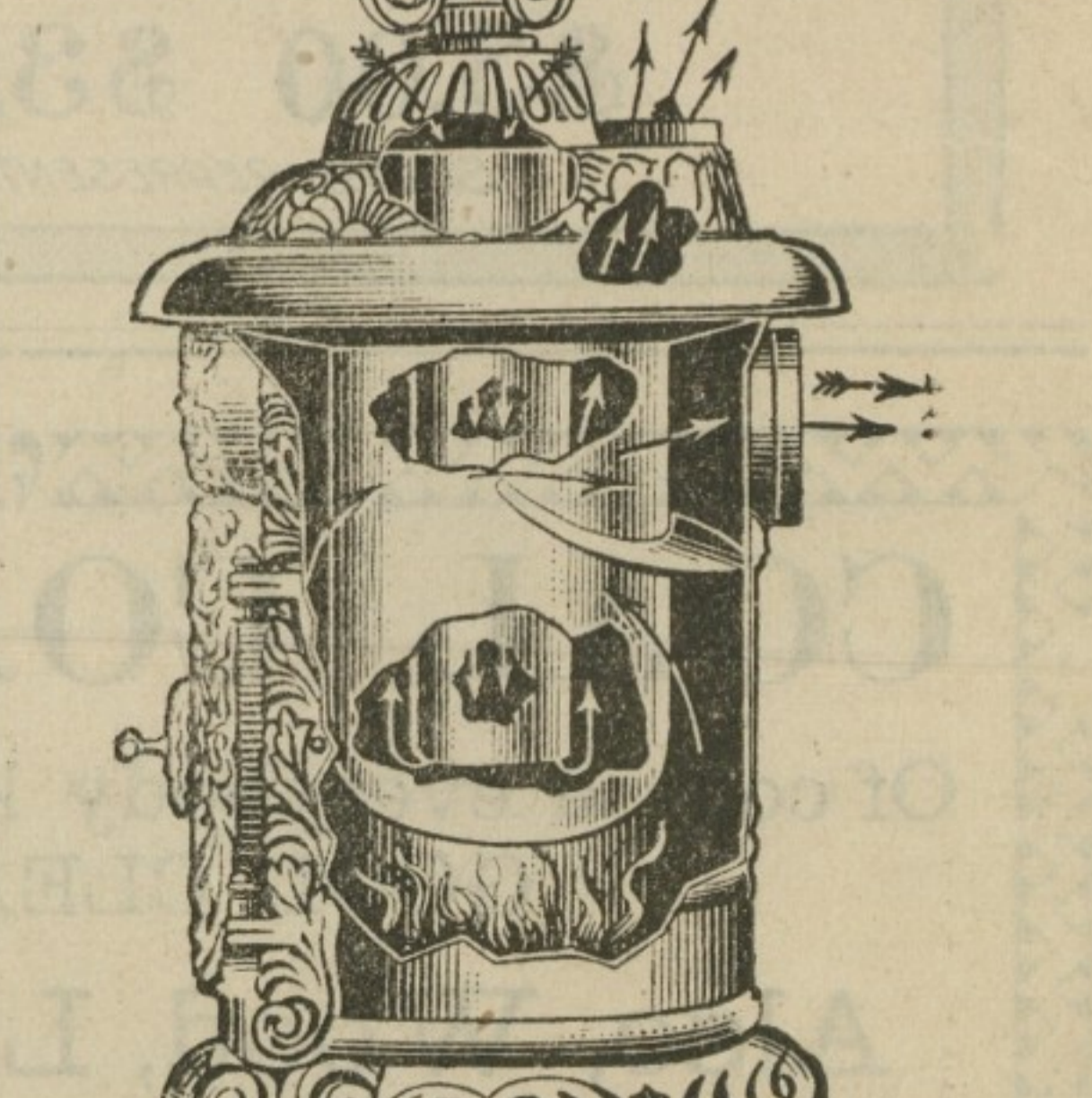
The Old and Reliable Farmer Girl Cook Stoves have few equals—no superiors. They are made by Isaac Sheppard and every one is sold on a guarantee. Large No. 7 Farmer Girl \$17.99 Largest No. 8 Farmer Girl \$21.99 The Jumbo No. 9 Farmer Girl only \$24.99 (Repairs and castings always on hand.)

The Excelsior Cook Cheap Cook Stoves

We sell the Excelsior Cook Stoves same prices as Farmer Girl. Castings and Repairs always in stock. Cheap Cook Stoves on hand at old prices—\$10.00, \$12.50, \$15.50, \$18.50

The Valley Queen

The pride of the Foundry. The finest casted stove we have ever sold. A perfect baker, with big oven. The largest and heaviest cook stove made. We sell The Largest size 8 Valley Queen, \$22.50 The Largest size 9 Valley Queen, \$27.50



Double Heaters The Kind That Heat

"They Work Like a Furnace." If you are considering a Double Heater, remember the best at our prices will cost no more than the cheap ordinary. We sell the Famous "VENT OAK." Double Heaters, they make powerful heat, burn a third less coal and are a thing of beauty. Call and see for yourself.