Welcome Christmas !

THE season when both Young and Old should be Happy. We think we have made it easy to give presents because of our LITTLE PRICES and BEAUTIFUL ASSORTMENT. Not one cent's worth of last year's goods in the entire Collection.

Some Attractive Prices :

GRANULATED SUGAR—FINE AMERICAN	5	FRENCH CANDY	4 7/8	FINE LARGE LAYER RAISINS	12 1/2
ENGLISH WALNUTS	9	The Usual 10c FRENCH MIXTURE	7 1/2	CLEANED CURRANTS	9
BUTTER NUTS	7	CREAM Chocolates	12 1/2	1 lb Package SEEDED RBISINS	10
MIXED NUTS FINE GOODS	9 1/2	FRESH MUSCATEL RAISINS	5	COCOANUTS	4

TOYS, TOYS, TOYS,

ALL OVER THE STORE.

Fine Rockers,
Dining Room Chairs,
Fine Clocks,
Mirrors,
Lamps,
Fine China Ware

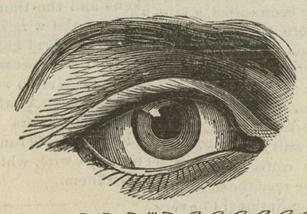
JEWELRY and a Beautiful Assortment of Vases and BRIC-A-BRAC.

Highest Market Price paid for Produce—Poultry, Eggs and Lard.
We have an attractive store. Visit us, we will welcome you.

F. H. HARPER & SON.

STILL POND, Dec. 17.

The Dangerous Negligence OF THE....



The greatest care should be taken with children's eyes and they should receive close attention. When a child holds its book conspicuously near, when he has difficulty in seeing figures, on the blackboard at school, when he complains of his eyes hurting and of headaches, have the eyes examined and, if necessary corrected, and let him grow up in the comfort of perfect vision. If a child can see better with glasses, he should wear them. To say he is too small or young to wear glasses is as reasonable as it is to contend that he is too young to have a fever or a toothache. The continued neglect of a child's eyes may cause strabismus (cross-eye). The eyes are too short for paper vision. Too much strain is brought on the muscles that move them, in consequence of which they become crossed. This defect can be cured by the continued wearing of properly adjusted glasses.

Consider your own case, if you notice a slight deafness in one or both ears, you rush in alarm to a surgeon. If your child complains of a like failing, you attend to it with equal promptness, yet you go possibly day after day, feeling that you have eyes, "or suffering from headaches." You notice your boy frowning, with half closed lids at his school book. You scold your little girls for "leering so" and yet the optician remains unconsulted. This dangerous negligence of the eyes, which is specially to be deplored in this age of indiscriminate reading and reckless eye straining. Why not call and bring your child and have a scientific optical (free) examination of your eyes and obtain instant relief.

Don't fail to carefully look over the testimonials below from our most prominent people in Maryland, every one of whom had their eyes examined and fitted by me in person with my crystal lenses, ground under my own supervision. Entire satisfaction guaranteed. Don't wait too long, but call at once on J. Seigal, the scientific and manufacturing optician from 11 E. Baltimore street, Baltimore. Will be at the parlors of the Voshell House, for ONE week commencing Monday December 19th. Daily from 9 to 12 a. m. and from 1 to 5 p. m.

J. SIEGEL,

The Scientific and Manufacturing OPTICIAN,

11 E. Baltimore St., Baltimore, Md.

Local Snap Shots

Newsy Items Picked Up Here and There by News Reporters.

THE Dulaney Rasin farm in Worton owned by Mr. Alfred P. Solloway was sold this week to R. D. Hynson, Esq., for $1500. Mr. S. advertises his stock for sale in another column.

CHAS. M. BROWN purchased of Capt. J. Fletcher Wilson, of Georgetown, on Monday his trotter. Wm. B. Ashley's stallion "Herman H.." was bid in at the sale Wednesday by the owner for $170.

THE Rock Hall "Circle" met at Miss Mattie Davis' Monday night. They had a fine time.

Mr. C. CONNER, of Chesterville, is not very enthusiastic over feeding of corn at 35 cents per bushel to hogs. He shipped to Philadelphia nine hogs, averaging 150 pounds, and received a check for $26.64!

THE directors of the Second National Bank have increased the salary of Cashier W. B. Copper $200. This was but a deserved recognition of faithful and efficent service.

THE mercury registered 16° Wednesday morning at 7 o'clock. Skating has been enjoyed on the ponds. Messrs. Josiah Massey, R. S. Emory and others have filled their ice houses with three and four inch ice. The Sassafras is shut out of Buck Neck.

A NEW clothing store is to be opened by parties from Centreville in the room vacated by P. T. McFeely.

A COAL YARD has been opened by Robert R. Calder on Maple Ave.

ICE CREAM of the finest make can be procured at Loud's restaurant. We know this to be a fact from personal experience. A gentleman from Rock Hall declared it to be "cream of the creams," while a prominent attorney who also dipped out of the NEWS' box said it was just splendid.

Mr. Wm. R. Pippin has rented the Armstrong Hotel, on Cross street, and assumed charge of the old hostlery on Tuesday. The house is heated by steam, the rooms are airy and prettily furnished and Mr. Pippin states that the house will be conducted in the most up-to-date manner. A spacious pool-parlor will be in connection with the hotel under the management of Mr. J. Frank Connelly, but the most popular innovation of the new management will be a raw-box, that the traveling public may be served with the Chesapeake bivalve in the most approved style.

THE Kiefer pears shipped by Mr. Shallcross to Europe netted him 18 cents per basket. The price at that time in Kent was 22 cents.

CHARLES EMBERT and Ewd. Robinson each lost a horse a few nights ago, from unknown cause.

RUM AS IT IS MADE.

The Process of Manufacture of the West Indian Article.

West Indian rum is made from the refuse juice, scum and general impurities of sugar as that article throws them off in the process of boiling. In sugar making after the juice has been pressed out of the fresh cane it is put into great vats and boiled down for a long time, to clear it of waste and undesirable matter. During the boiling this refuse rises to the top of the vat in a thick, yellowish froth or scum. The West Indian negroes who are usually employed in the sugar and rummaking establishment stand by with implements like oars, which they wield backward and forward through the froth, continually sweeping it off the vat into receptacles placed at the sides to catch it.

When cold this scum changes its yellow hue for another and still more unpleasant one, becoming a striking imitation of the thick green slime which gathers upon the stagnant pools. At this stage it is mixed with molasses, water and certain quantity of "less" or dregs from previous fermentations, and the whole compound is allowed to ferment for a week or two. Then distillation is begun, and the vapor which arises from the boiling mixture becomes when condensed a strong, colorless liquid, which is rum in raw state. It is about 90 per cent pure alcohol, and, according to a northern man who recently tried it in that condition, "it burns like a torching procession." A tablespoonfull was all he wanted, but the West Indian negroes and cooles drink it when they can get it by the half pint, and from long habit appeared to be proof against both its fire and its intoxicating power.

To become the rum of commerce the raw, colorless product has first to be parkened to a rich golden brown by the addition of burned molasses, must then be allowed to age. Like most other liquors, the older it becomes the finer is its quality. But those who have once seen the stuff of which it is made will, dispite its final good appearance, have no small difficulty in forgetting its peculiarly unattractive origin.—*New York Tribune.*

MERRY 'XMAS

TO ONE AND ALL IS THE WISH OF, YOURS TRULY,

MOODY & LUSBY.

BUSY

WE will be from now on—and having a little spare time to-night we grasp this opportunity to wish all a joyous occasion.

WHAT SHALL I BUY FOR CHRISTMAS?

is the all absorbing question just now—come here and we will help you make a selection. An numeration of some of our wearables may assist you and result to our mutual good.

IF FOR A MAN

and he needs a SUIT or an OVERCOAT? we have an abundant assortment at Cut Prices, for being in close touch with our people, we fully realize the true condition of the times and have divided margins by marking prices on every garment in our house in full harmony with the limited purse and so prominent, is this fact that the people have confidence in our store. They know that every dollar's worth of merchandise offered by us is thoroughly reliable in every respect. This accounts for the large trade and increased patronage in the midst of hard times MEN'S SUITS from $4.65 to $18.00—good at $4 65, better at $6.00, $7 00, $7.50, $8.00, &c., and for every 50 cents you add YOU get 50 cents worth of quality. MEN'S OVERCOATS, $3.50 to $15.00, and the best you ever saw at $5.00, $6.00 and $7.50.

BOYS' LONG PANTS SUITS. Now boys if the hog you had to sell didn't grow quite as big as you thought; your chestnut gathering not up to the standard, or it may be the cruel huntsman killed most of the rabbits before trapping time and you need a Suit or Overcoat, this is the place where every penny you invest you get a large cents worth.

What is home without a mother-in-law? we don't know so much on this score, but we can ask the question:

What is Christmas without the Children, and fully realize the purport.

So then let us make this 'Xmas one of the most joyous we ever knew, we'll help you by offering the best Knee Pants Suits, sizes 8 to 16, you ever saw at $1.25, $1.50, $2.00, $2.50 up to $500.

VESTEE SUITS

Veritable beauties, age 3 to 8, in all the new things that fashion has suggested ranging from $1.25, $2.00, $2.50 and upwards.

INCREASED facilities has made our Childrens Department a striking success and our special efforts on this line has been stamped with the approval by scores of mothers from Kent and Queen Anne's Counties.

$1.25
$2.00
$2.50
and upwards.

JUST A WORD

concerning our line of Separate Trowsers to make the old coat and vest look new, if you can't afford a whole suit, and still smaller gifts--OUR GENT'S FURNISHING DEPARTMENT OFFERS. Such as Lined and Unlined Mocha Gloves, Fur Top Gloves, Imported Kids with wool lining and no lining; Hats and Caps, of all description; Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, both silk and linen; Suspenders, Neckwear, Hosiery, Collars and Cuffs and Underwear.

Trusting these few suggestions may assist you and result to our mutual good. We solicit an examination. Respectfully,

MOODY & LUSBY,

Directly Opposite Court House. Square Dealing Clothiers

A Jolly OLD KRIS !

You can't fool Him that way!

Old "Santa Claus" knows that MEDDERS & CO'S. prices are right and the quality is guaranteed.

With the assistance of nearly twenty clerks it will be our good pleasure to show the trade every advantage.

We have the greatest Christmas Display ever offered on the peninsula.

Finest Large English Walnuts,	9c.
New Large Butternuts -	7c.
Almonds, Large Taragonia's, only	13 2
The Best Mixed Nuts, all new nuts	9 1/2
Fine Large New Cocoanuts -	4c
Now for a good french mixture	5c
The finest 10c. Mixed Candy	7 1/2
Very Fine Fancy Mixture -	10
Large New Cream Chocolates	12 1/2
The finest Bon Bons, Chocolates, extra mixtures, buttercups, etc	18
Lowney's Chocolates and Fancy Box Candies.	
Large New Rasins -	5c.
Fine Chester Rasins -	12 1/2
American Granulated Sugar -	5c
Enterprise Package Coffee -	9c

Toys of All Kinds, Sorts and Styles.

Hobby Horses,
Express Wagons,
Shoo Flies,
Sleds, etc.

Fine Dolls,
Mechanical Toys,
And New Articles,
Just made by Old Kris.

Fine Toilet Cases, Albums, Handsome Lamps and Fine Clocks, New Bric-a-brac, Vases, etc, for the Choice Presents.

Specials.

Large 5c. Cocoanut Graters -	2c.
Good Large Tin Pie Plates -	1c
Best 10qt. Agate Bread Pans -	19
Large 14qt. Tin Bread Pans -	10
Good Glass Tumblers -	1c
Large Table Fancy Glassware, your choice, only - -	5
The 5c. Tea Strainers -	1c
Best flour sifters, with crank -	8
Now for a Coffee Mill, only -	10
Large 75c. China Turkey Dish, big bargain, only - -	49
Extra large 15c agate wash basin	10
Pretty New Christmas Vases, china	19
New Table Fancy Glassware, all one price, choice - -	10
Those Little $1.25 Fancy Porcelaine Clocks, now - -	98
Large Oak Clocks, 8 day, strikes	2.49

Bargains will be found all over the House and a royal reception is offered to all All are welcome.

MEDDERS & CO.

FREE!

The large Doll we have on exhibition will be given to the child guessing nearest to the name and weight of the doll. No charge is made and no purchase required for guessing, as all is free for the children.

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