James D. Lucas.

YOU CAN ILL AFFORD TO TAKE CHANCES

of contracting a bad cold during this changeable weather. When at

Our Great Reduction Sale

You can procure a good, comfortable

SUIT OR OVERCOAT

at such a small cost.

With the glaring fact of advancing prices staring us in the face, this sale goes on unabated.

This Cutting

extends throughout our entire line of Winter goods including

Suits,
Overcoats,
Underwear,
Gloves, ets.

The advance in cost of materials have effected no change in the price of our

4-Ply Linen Collars And Cuffs.

We still sell those collars at 10c. Cuffs 15c, or 2 for 25c. This is your opportunity.

J. D. LUCAS,
SUCCESSOR TO
FRIEDMAN & CO.
OPPOSITE STAM'S HALL.

F. H. HARPER & SON.

THE CROWDS OF CUSTOMERS

Our Bargain Days brought out proves conclusively the public can quickly tell where to find extra values. Extra efforts bring extra results. We are ambitious to be known as the greatest value giving store in Kent.

We want to Mention Specially for the Coming Week.

Dress Patterns in Flannellette, the 10c kind for..... 7c

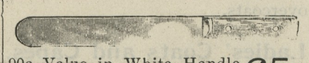
An 18c value in Extra Heavy Ticking..... 12½c

To close out our Flannellette Wrappers we have marked the $1.25 down to 98c. 98c

We are fortunate to have left some short lengths in Quilting Calico we will continue to sell..... 2¾c

8 and 10-Yard Lengths in Blue Calico, neat dress patterns, an extra good cloth, really worth 6c, our price..... 4¾c

Men's Duck Coats, extra heavy lined, price everywhere 1.65 1.00



90c Value in White Handle Knives and Forks, per set... 65c

Biggest and Sweetest Cake of Soap we have ever seen for... 5c

1 Quart Bot. of finest Maple Syrup..... 25c

1 Pkge of Self Raising Buckwheat An excellent article..... 9c

A 10c Bargain, 1 Vegetable Fork 1 Cake Turner and 1 14-inch Basting Spoon, all for 10c. 10c

Last Spring we bought enough Axes to last 3 or 4 years. They are now worth nearly twice what we paid for them. To let you share our good fortune, we will sell them at 50 cents. 50c

Watch out for the Bargain List next week, it will be interesting.

It is fortunate buying that enables us to name you the above prices; many of them represent but little more than half their value.

WEDNESDAYS and SATURDAYS

will now be BARGAIN DAYS.
Any Eight of the following items to our customers on those days:

1 doz, Lemons 12c or each..... 1c

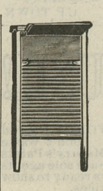
1 Gal. of Bright Syrup..... 18c

Any Size Brass Lamp Burner, 5c

2 5c pkge Pearline 5c, 1 pkge.. 3c

200 yard Spool of Sewing Cotton. Three Spools to one Customer..... 2c

12½ inch Wash Basin..... 3c
Slightly Stained.



20ct Zinc wash Board 12c

Sunlight Soap, some think best soap made..... 4c
As many bars as you wish.

1 Box Merry War Lye..... 5c
Maker says it is good as the best

10c bot. Rumford Yeast Pow'r 8c

1 lb of our best Bread Soda..... 1c

Any Size Lamp Chimney..... 3c

1 lb Lion Coffee, 2 lbs to 1 cus. 9c

Bottle Defiance Yeat Powder, 4c

We pay the highest market price for Eggs, Lard, Meat, Poultry, Butter.

F. H. HARPER & SON,

ROCK HALL LOCALS.

Oystermen's Interests Discussed--School Matters on the Island—Delightful Song Services—Death of Horses—A Gun Accidentally Discharged Blows a Hole Through a Boat! That "Glove Contest."

The proposed oyster legislation has been pretty generally discussed by the after supper debators during the week. Of course the great majority of the various assemblys in these parts are opposed to the enactment of any law shortening the oyster season. Much indignation is expressed at the idea of cutting off both ends of the tonging season, making a reduction of a month and a half nearly while the dredging season is reduced only by two weeks. An imposition to say the least.

Never has there been as many engaged in the catching of oysters on Swan Point and Chester River as has been witnessed the present season, nor has any season of the past been more propitious than the present one. The implements and facilities of the tongsmen have never been better adapted to the prosecution of their work and yet, our bars are crowded with shells, 50 per cent. of which are literally covered with a young growth of oysters, and there never was a better spread of small oysters that will be merchantable next season.

Inasmuch as the tendency of oystermen are to increase the size of their implements and rigging them for all depths of water, the shortening of the season strikes us as not the proper remedy for recuperating or protecting the bars, as the reduction of the season will be balanced by the greater facilities for catching the bivalve and the drain on the bars will be no less. A rigid enforcement of the cull law, making it applicable to all catching, buying, or otherwise engaged in the handling of oysters is the remedy and all that is needed for the preservation of the bars.

Our oystermen look with disfavor on Mr. Shriver's bill for the incorporation of a planting company; this if passed, will, they claim, be the entering wedge for the final transfer of the bay and river bottoms to grasping corporations. A few of the oystermen here who have a "pull" on Tolchester, the basket factory and other summer jobs are disposed to favor the taking of 15 days off September, but the consensus of opinion is that if the closed season must be lengthened let it be done by taking off a portion of April. The oysters then run small and prices very low, whereas, in September the oysters would be nearly double in bulk and price, save for a few days only, when they then could be laid out for a storm period and then taken up at good figures. September work is usually far better than April's.

The fish bill by ex-Mayor Latrobe, if passed in its present shape, will work very much against our fishermen here, as numbers of them each spring engage in shad fishing in the upper bay.

It is not incumbent upon the teacher of public school No. 2, Eastern Neck, to instruct in the 7th grade. Through courtesy however, Miss Pearce has been instructing in that grade whenever possible for her to do so, but owing to the large number of pupils attending the school such instructions have been very limited. As a consequence several patrons asked permission for their children of the 7th grades to be sent to R. H. school which was granted. From this move a report was abroad that the 1st, 6th, 7th and the last year of the 4th grades were ordered transfered to No. 3 school. This excited the risibilities of not a few of the parents of the Eastern Neck school children, and while the report seems to have been incorrect as a whole, there is lots of dissatisfaction among the patrons. As a consequence a petition to the school board for a new school house in South R. H. is now in circulation and is receiving numerous signatures.

There are not less than sixty scholars in that locality who are now attending E. N. or R. H. schools who reside a mile or more from either school. There are also ten or a dozen tots who will be eligible to pupilship next September and why should we not have a school house in that neighborhood?

The M. E. Sunday school previous to the regular opening exercises each Sunday have been conducting a song service which has been hugely enjoyed by the membership and visitors. For the future a prayer service will be added and no doubt will be productive of great good.

Mr. C. N. Satterfield is an applicant for the office of magistrate. A petition to that effect is being numerously signed.

A most estimable lady, Mrs. C. A. Wickes, has joined the innumerable throng of the Cellestial City. She was much beloved by many of the residents of the Island and lower Neck. Her funeral took place Tuesday afternoon and was largely attended.

Many of our oystermen, who in the halcyon days of the industry of the upper Chester river, were rangers of that picturesque stream and well acquainted with Mrs. Kinsey Thomas, as a merchant of the Cliff's, express deep sorrow at the demise of that good lady.

The land sale here on Saturday conducted by Hope H. Barroll, Esq., was largely attended. $2,000 nearly is considered to be a gook price for the land. Messrs. E. E. Leary, T. B. Durding and Benj. H. Coburn were among the purchasers. An eligible lot was bought by Mr. Samuel L. Usilton, late of Philadelphia, who, we learn, intends building himself a dwelling thereon immediately. Maybe this presages another boom to Rock Hall!

The ice king at this writing is relenting and is letting up on his vicious grasp. We look for the lifting of the blockade within the week.

The cut off range beacons have been demolished by the ice. Guess "Uncle Sam" will tire of so much repairing damages in our harbor approaches.

C. H. Smith lost a fine horse by death this week and Simon Smith lost one of his match driving horses last week. Wm. Copper has also been unfortunate on this line having lost a horse some days ago.

The steamer Gratitude succeeded in reaching her wharf here on Wednesday.

Notwithstanding the several weeks "shut down" in the oyster trade the major part of our buyers who have been in the city for three weeks have not yet sold their cargoes, still waiting for a boom. 60 cents is all they are offered which is about what they paid on the bar.

The boxing bout here on Tuesday night was said to be quite interesting and resulted in a draw. There were about 20 persons present. It was a genuine "glove contest" under Queensbury rules. The principals were a German and a colored prize fighter.

While Mr. J. O. Harrison and his son, Tom, were on their way to the muskrat grounds on Tuesday night one of their guns which was lying in the bottom of their boat was discharged, sending the whole load of shot through the bow of the boat making a hole four inches in diameter right at the waters edge. Luckily the men were behind the gun and beyond a big scare were not hurt.

A CARD.

Editors Kent News:

Leave my double column out this week. I haven't time to fill it as I want to.

Next week I will tell your readers some novel ideas I have for the public benefit.

Respectfully,
CHAS. S. SMITH.

Chestertown, Feb. 9th.

KENNEDYVILLE ITEMS.

Mr. Wm. Ward returned from a two week's visit to his old home on Friday of this week.

The fire claim of Mr. W. S. Hurlock on the American Fire Insurance Company has been amicably adjusted thro' the agent here, Mr. Tilghman Shafer.

Mr. W. S. Hurlock expects to begin the work of rebuilding as soon as the material can be secured.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. H. Weer spent Wednesday at Galena, the guests of Mrs. Weer's parents.

The Christian Endeavor Society of the M. P. Church, after several attempts in which they failed owing to inclement weather, elected the officers of the society to serve the next six months, as follows: President, Mr. John Medders; vice-president, Mr. W. E. Sanders; recording secretary, Miss Nellie Barwick; corresponding secretary, Miss Annie Shafer; treasurer, Mrs. John Medders; Miss Shafer and Mrs. Medders were reelected.

A plan has been started to refurnish the M. P. Church with modern and more comfortable chairs in the near future. This plan has been originated and will be pushed by two of the members received during the last revival meeting. The plan will be unfolded and explained in the next letter.

The Ladies' Parsonage Aid Society of the M. P. Church will give a supper at the town hall, in Kennedyville, on next Thursday and Friday evenings, the 15th and 16th inst., and they will be glad to see their friends and furnish them a first-class supper, consisting of all the delicacies of the season. Proceeds for the benefit of the church.

FAIRLEE NOTES.

This has been an unprecedented year in the annals of Salem M. E. Church, Fairlee. By the middle of the year Bro. Arters had his Conference collections in hand, and on last Saturday and Sunday the pastor's salary for the year was liquidated, the occasion being the fourth quarterly conference. Last fall a glorious revival with twenty-six additions to the church was the result of the indefatigable energy of Bro. Arters and his faithful followers.

It looks now as if Union and Salem will be made a charge and Bro. Arters has been unanimously called by our village church.

Chicken Pox is prevailing around our neighborhood and quite a number of children are feeling right miserable.

Miss Sallie Hudson, of Gale's Wharf, is visiting Miss Ida Hudson and attended service in our village church last Sunday.

Mr. Perry Price, Price's Mill, has been very sick, but at this writing is reported very much better.

The Mite Supper at Mrs. T. H. M. Bramble's on last evening was a very pleasant and profitable event and the organ fund of the church was materially swelled.

Mrs. Margaret Turner, of Wicomico, is visiting Mrs. Mary P. Crosby, near Tolchester.

Mrs. John Hudson was taken suddenly ill last Saturday afternoon and for some hours suffered intensely. After the arrival of Dr. Hessey the pain was gotten under control and at this writing she is on the road to recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Miller were the recipients of a happy company on last Friday evening week. The evening was an occasion of pleasure to all present. One of the most pleasing features of the evening was Miss Araminta Gordon's cake walk. Refreshments from a table containing epicurean delicacies were served about eleven o'clock. Among those present were Misses Ruth Wood, Mattie Taylor, Ella Bacon, Bessie and Mamie Miller, Mary, Annie and Lizzie Jewell, Sallie and Minnie Hudson, Ada Duyer, Millie and Josie Porter, Hattie Lewis and Mrs. Walter Hudson; Messrs. Mahlon and George Lee, Robert Lewis, Jack Ward, John and Edward Rice, Clarence Miller, Walter and John Hudson and Pierson Jewell. WEST END.

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MAIN STREET,
(Adjoining J. S. Bradley's Grocery)

Reasonable frankness always pays better than false pretense in an advertisament.

Bargains Every Day!

We make no exception, one day like another here in the matter of selling the best merchandise for those Bargain Prices which have made our store famous.

$1.49 Boys all wool suits made
$1.49 of Cassimere and Cheviots
$1.49 nicely lined and trimmed
$1.49 double breasted, in sizes 7
$1.49 to 16, fully worth $2.50.

$2.98 Boys' imported material,
$2.98 such as Worsteds, cheviots
$2.98 or cassimere suits, richest
$2.98 possible styles. Dressy
$2.98 and as fine as any one
$2.98 could wish for 2.98 a suit,
$2.98 worth $5.00.

Just received 150 pairs of Boys' Knee Pants, sizes from 5 to 15, any of them worth not less than 35c. a pair, some of them 50c. values. To start the ball rolling take them at 17c.

Extra fine Men's kersey suits at.....$4.50
Others at 2.50
Men's suits made of worsteds, cassimers and serge, some of them worth $13, none less than $10.00. Take them at..... $6.50
Men's or youths suits made of cheviot and fancy mixtures at 4.00
Men's all wool pants..... 1.00
Best kersey pants..... 1.25
Men's heavy storm coats all wool worth 5.00, only..... 3.25

Remarkable Offering!

300 Pairs of Ladies' hand-welt and sewed shoes in kangaroo, vici kid and dongola button and lace. Almost every desirable shape and size. Many worth 3.00, none less than $2.00, all go at the give-way price of **$1.29.**

We want to sell you more than one or two pair for yourself, so we make an equal extraordinary offer in Misses and Boys' Shoes. Many are strictly handmade heel and spring heel. Quality of every pair unsurpassed and will give you $2.00 worth of solid wear, your choice **95c.**

Men's Boots with top soles..... 1.35
Men's working shoes..... 90c
Men's full stock boot, the 2.50 kind see them, for 1.98
Men's heavy canton flannel drawers, ample in cut, filled seams reinforced..... 35c
Men's heavy merino shirts and drawers, white and natural and silk finished..... 25c
Men's 4-ply linen collars ..... 3 for 25c
Men's middleweight half hose, 5 for 25c
Men's extra heavy and seamless socks double heel and toe....3 for 25c
Men's extra heavy overalls, double front and reinforced seams at 45c and others at..... 35c

We have a full line of MEN'S and BOYS' HATS at correspondingly low prices, see them.

Make no mistake in reaching the RIGHT PLACE.

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