F. H. HARPER & SON.

CHRISTMAS AGAIN!

With All Its Beauty & Bargains.

Never did we own such a RICH Assortment of

SENSIBLE PRESENTS

Both floors of our immense building are crowded.

We have employed more clerks and will do our best to serve you promptly.

Handsome Dolls moving limbs and fine bisque head - **$1.00**

Doll as tall as a child only - **75c**
Full line dolls 5 to $1.75

Express Wagons **25c to $1.49**

All manner of Furniture for the children such as China Closets, Tables, Bureaus, Buffet, Chairs, Cradles, Carriages and Sleds.

Fine assortment of Tea Sets and Chamber Sets as low as **$1.98**

Cups and Saucers, Salad Dishes, Cracker Jar, etc.

Fresh Fruits, Nuts and Candy

finest money will buy.

Special French Mixture per pound containing chocolate **7½c**

Fine clear cut drops per pound **10c**

Chocolate Chips, something new **40c**
Many say the finest candy ever eaten.

Fine seeded Raisins per pkg - **10c**

New mixed Nuts - **10½c**

Fine English Walnuts, Papershell Almonds at lowest prices.
Apples, Oranges, Citron, Bananas.

Last week we told you about that wonderful Shoe Purchase, how it happens we have thousands of pairs of shoes which we are selling at less price than merchants can buy. A few prices:

Men's fine box calf shoes, sold in Smyrna at 3.00; our price - **1.98**

Ladies' hand welt shoes sold in Smyrna at 3.00, our price - **2.19**

Men's calf shoes sold in Smyrna at 1.75 and 2.00, our price **1.25**

Children's dongola Shoes sold in Smyrna at 1.00, our price **85c**

Ladies' Dongola Shoes sold in Smyrna at 1.00, our price **69c**

We pay the highest market price for country produce.

EGGS 29 cts.

F. H. HARPER & SON,

STILL POND, MD.

ROCK HALL LOCALS.

Mr. Aug. Leary has purchased of Capt. Charles R. Kerr his elegant home place in our village consisting of fine buildings and apout 25 acres of land for $1800. These gentlemen were in town on Thursday and consummated the deal.

Work on the new M. E. Church is being rapidly pushed these days, and the dedication is expected to take place early the coming year. The Sunday school on Sunday last agreed to dispense with the usual Christmas entertainment and in lieu of that the several classes will endeavor to collect all the funds possible from last Sunday on to the dedication, and then apply the amounts secured to the church indebtedness. At that time the class of Mrs Emma Ayres will present the school with a handsome banner, and the class contributing the largest amount will be allowed to retain the banner at their head for one month. The banner is already secured. A new pulpit Bible and hymnal, and a new communion service, will also be presented to the church at the same time.

The signs of Xmas coming are everywhere prevalent in this section. Alexander's (the great Scott of Rock Hall) two stores are getting on gala attire and are doing a rushing trade; Downey's, Miller's, Crew's, Durding's, Wilson's and the lesser lights of the mercantile fraternity are all "in it," too, with big anticipations of a grand finish on the 24th instant.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Kramer have moved from Alexville to the dwelling of Capt. Peter Reynolds.

Mr. R. S. Crew bas planted a fine selection of fruit and shade trdes on his lot opposite Catholic ovenue, recently purchased from Dr. Sharp. Mr. Crew will erect a cosy dwelling and otherwise improve his new property early in the coming spring.

Our worthy commissioner, Thomas J. Fletcher, Esq., is having a schooner load of shells placed on the public road south of Ashley's blacksmith shop. This has been long needed and long promised, but now it is a fact. There are some complaints; in the first place, persons driving teams are disposed to use the sides of the road and thereby cut up the pedestrian path, fill up the ditches and thus cause the water to lay on the road; and secondly, a certain non-taxpaying class of cyclists, who seem to think that no others have any rights that should be respected, make it dangerous for persons to walk the road after dark. A young man was run down Saturday night by one of this class. But the shells will do good; many thanks, Mr. Commissioner.

A dash of winter on Tuesday caused more or less apprehension among the oystermen. They were fearful that their Christmas money would be cut short.

Miss Mamie Wickes, who was so fearfully injured by accident on the road, we are glad to report is improving.

FAIRLEE NOTES.

For Lexington, Ky., Mr. Charlton Kidd will start in a few days. Charlton will be missed.

Rev. J. M. Arters will exchange pulpits with his father next Sunday.

St. Paul's Sewing Circle met at Rev. C. T. Denroche's last Wednesday and many were present.

Little Groves boy's ear was bitten this week by a dog.

J. Thomas Kendall had his lip probed through with a nail last Monday.

Shooting at Clay pigeons is a popular pasttime with our people now.

A reception was tendered MissMinnie Hudson and Mrs. Ada Duyer in Fairlee Hall, last Tuesday evening by their young friends. They will leave soon for Rock Hall their future home.

Forty attended the reception in Fairlee Hall Tuesday evening and it is spoken of as one of the leading social events of the season.

A committee of three appointed by the official board of Salem church to solicit subscriptions for building or buya parsonage a few days ago.

Rev. J. A. Arters, of Cecilton, will preaches at Salem 10.30 A. M. and 7 P. M. to-morrow Sunday.

Mr. Walter F. Sparks lost a steam rubber hose from his engine en route from Mr. Robert Hatcherson's "milk toddy hall farm" to Mr. Wm. T. Nicholson's on last Wednesday. The finder may leave them with Mr. George Smith, Chestertown or at his home in Fairlee.

We acknowledge receipt of invitation to the wedding of one of our former Fairlee boys, Mr. George Rogers to Miss Wilmer, Roland and Ffth avenues, Baltimore, Wednesday evening, Dec. 26th.

So many worthless dogs running about.

Our carpenters are busy finishing up their work for Xmas.

Our merchants are getting in their Xmas supplies.

Holy communion will be administered at our village church Sunday morning by Rev. Mr. Arters, of Cecilton.

Mr. Jerry Miller has sold a number of building lots this year and houses have been built on some of them.

More houses are needed for rent.

MR. B. S. SUTTON WRITES.

BLACKS, MD., Dec. 13, 1900.

MESSRS. EDITORS KENT NEWS:

Dear Sirs:—"On account of the rush of business am unable to send new adv. this week but will do so next week. Please state same in your paper and tell the children to come and see our fine line of Xmas Goods and Handsome Xmas Tree."

B. S. SUTTON.

CHESTERVILLE ITEMS.

The first snow of the season fell on Tuesday.

Most of the farmers and the village people are through butchering and some heavy weights have been reported as well as large pens. Garrett Foxwell butchered 21, averaged 288lbs.; W. T. Lusby 17, averaged 257lb.; Samuel Coppage 10, averaged 300lbs.; T. F. Hurlock 23, averaged 276lbs. The heaviest hog was raised by a colored man weighing 420lb.

Miss Margaret Clements is visiting relatives in Wilmington.

Miss Annie Foxwell is visiting Cecil county and Delaware friends.

Mr. John Silcox returned Wednesday from a week's visit with Wilmington and Philadelphia friends.

Mr. Clarence Cochran has set a ten acre field out in fruit trees of peach, apple, pear, cherry, plum and crabapple.

Mr. E. B. Pennington has taken up about half of his pear trees.

The so-called hog cholera seems to have taken a relapse in this section and visiting those who did not have the disease before in the early fall. We see the farmer who did such howling about his neighbor hauling his along the fences is now hauling out his dead shoats for the buzzards to spread.

Revival services have been going on for the past two weeks and great interest has been shown by both members and sinners. Several conversions have been recorded.

Our school and the Hibernia school are preparing for a Xmas entertainment next Friday night.

Mr. Robert Cooper is having a new shed built.

Miss Ida Wallen, of near McGinnes', spent several days this week with Miss Freda Toulson.

Rev. C. K. Morris, of Piney Neck, spent Monday with his uncle, Mr. Wm. T. Lusby.

Mr. Samuel Coppage is still very sick with fever; taken with relapse on election day. His many friends hope to see him again soon.

Mr. Truit, the agent at Blacks, is having a new dwelling built near the Station.

Mr. Garrett Foxwell, near Black's, is the champion corn raiser of the county. He has shipped the past week 3,000 bus. and retains about 1500 bushels for use! Who can beat this?

KENNEDYVILLE NOTES.

Mrs. Dr. G I. Barwick and Miss Nellie Barwick, spent last Sabbath in Baltimore, returning home on Monday evening.

The abominable winter trips which the Tolchester Steamboat Co. has announced to take effect on the 24th inst. is creating no little criticism and unfavorable comment in this community. To our knowledge there are persons here who will suffer inconvenience by this action, who during the summer months patronized this company rather than the Ericsson line. "But it is ill wind that blows nobody good." The other lines running from Betterton and Chestertown will profit by this arrangement, not only now, but next summer.

Rev. Louis Randall accompanied his family to Westminster, where Mrs. Randall and Master Colvin will remain until after the holidays. Mr. Randall returned home on Thursday evening.

A new bridge has been placed over the stream running by what is called Smoketown by the county, within the last three weeks. This, be it said, was a much needed improvement.

Mrs. Tilghman Shafer, who attended the National Convehtion of the W. C. T. U. which was held in Washington, D. C., returned home on Tuesday evening very much delighted with her trip to the Nation's Capitol and the Convention.

The Third Quarterly Conference of the M. P. Church at this place will be held in the church on next Thursday morning at nine o'clock sharp.

Rev. A. D. Melvin, President of the Md. Conference of the M. P. Church, will preach at the M. P. Church here on next Wednesday evening at 7.30 o'clock, A cordial invitation is extended to all to this service.

SOCIAL DOINGS.

Rolph's Wharf presented a scene of gaiety on Thursday night such as that settlement has rarely witnessed. The occasion was an oyster roast, given by Messrs. Sterling Evans and Wilbur Hurlock, in honor of Miss Martha Evans and her guests, Misses Mary McFeely, of Centreville, and Helen Dudley, of Church Hill. After the oysters had been tenderly cared for, music and dancing were called in to complete the pleasure of a most delightful evening. Among those present were Misses McFeely, Watson and Larrimore, and the Messrs. J. Louis Evans, John Friel and Lem. Roberts, of Centreville; Rev. and Mrs. Kimble, Misses Dudley, Porter, Leonora Valliant, Keating, Green, Finley, Chance and McCollister, and Messrs. Carroll McCollister, Harry Gould, Fred. Hall, Burke Faithful, Wilbur Hurlock and Dr. Coppage, of Church Hill; Misses Connelly, Mattie and Emma Davis, and Messrs. Thomas Massey, Frank C. Kirk, Claude Parks and Wm. Maslin, of Chestertown; Miss Hebb, of Baltimore; the Misses Newnam, of Rolph's wharf. The chaperons were Mrs. John H. Evans, Mrs. G. R. Hurlock and Mrs. S. P. Townshend.

CHARLES S. SMITH.

8 DAYS OFF!

THAT IS ALL!

"CHES. WILMER," a negro of 20 yrs. ago, said:

"If ye aint ready, get ready;
Some 'spects to be da, wont be da!"

They are true to the letter and may be in your case. The way to get your

CHRISTMAS GOODS!

Is to "get ready" and come and you will then "be ready and da." Get ready and go direct to

Kriss' Headquarters,

CHESTERTOWN, MD.

AT C. S. SMITH'S, "KRIS' PARTNER."

Our Store and Warehouses are all filled up with "Cash Bought" goods. My store is the place for Bargain Huntsrs, Cash Buyers and Little Children.

TO MAMA and PAPA

We say come to us at once and look and select, and we will show you the greatest and cheapest lot of

TOYS

You will be paid for your coming and paid well. Our stock is too numerous to mention. Wagons, wood and iron, Doll & Doll Coaches, Tree ornaments and a thousand other things.

CANDIES - - - 3 TONS.

We will sell it assisted by our LOW PRICES. One year ago we thought we had sold you the best 25c Mixed Candy that we possibly could. Today we present

Our 25c. Mixed Candies.

and wonder how we do it. The secret will be told you by reading the last line of our ad. This candy alone is a 40c candy. Our chocolate creams at 15c is a "Knockout" to all competitors. Clarke & Jones best goods go for 10c. Cut Rock Broken Milk Kisses & Nugat bars 10c.

A Hundred More Such Bargains.

Take one to your Pantry. What?

Bbl. Smith's F. Flour $4

And a bag of 25 lb., buckwheat at 90c. $4.00 for 50 lb. can country lard. $2.00 for box Best Oleane Soap. 50c one doz Baking Powder. 25c for 4 boxes of lye.

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