LOCAL NEWS.

Once Was Enough.—Mr. C. L. Crew who advertised his meat store in the NEWS for sale in Wilmington writes us to discontinue his adv., as he has disposed of the same. One insertion in the NEWS was enough to find a purchaser.

New Houses.—Mr. Joel R. Clements will build two double dwellings near Janes M. E. Church, Chestertown, and has awarded the contract to W. S. & A. M. Culp for $1100. The bids were as follows: Walter T. Pippin, 1188; W. S. Carroll, 1258; A. M. Culp, 1100.

Announcements.—Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Vansant have issued cards to the marriage of their daughter, Etta Amana, to Mr. Harry Bates Nicholson, on Thursday evening, Jan. 30th at 7 o'clock, at the home of bride's parents, Flatlands.

The wedding of Miss Mary Beck and Mr. John N. Roberts is announced to take place at noon next Wednesday in the P. E. Church.

Resigned.—Mr. John King Wright, superintendent of the Chestertown Electric Light & Power Co., has resigned and accepted a more lucrative position in Hagerstown, Md. He has made an efficient officer and will be missed in society. There have been 46 applicants for the vacancy, one of whom will be named within a few days.

Mr. Wright will take charge of the Hagerstown plant next Friday. His salary will be $1200 per annum.

A Great Convention.—The "Old Maids Convention" to be held in Stam's Hall next Wednesday evening will be novel, interesting and amusing. The company is composed of young ladies of ability and of social prominence while Prof. Makover is a professional who never fails to delight the public. The fun begins when the curtain rises and continues to the finish. The entertainment is given for the amusement of the public and incidentally for church purposes, the price of admission being but 35 cents.

The dressing will be a striking feature of the Convention, many of the costumes being over fifty years old.

The Opera House Band, Prof. J. C. Cannon leader, will furnish music.

School Notes.—Mr. Wilson Ward has resigned the position of manual training instructor in the Chestertown public school, and Mr. Brown, of Baltimore, has been appointed to the place.

Miss Martha B. Stevens has resigned the position of teacher at Edesville, and Miss Frederica Strong has been appointed to the position.

The School Board last Tuesday did not appoint a successor to Miss Strong at Locust Grove as the attendance at that school has fallen below the number required by law for an assistant teacher.

In compliance with the school law two examinations of pupils will be held during the school year, one in February and the other in June. At the conclusion of the examinations reports will be sent to parents.

Pleasant Meeting.—The "C. C. C.'s" met at the home of Mr. Harry and Frank Skirven last Friday evening, and a most enjoyable evening was spent in progressive euchre, Miss Sophia Beck leading the ladies and Mr. Merritt Brice the gentlemen. No prizes were given. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Reinhart, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Skirven, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Skirven, the Misses Edna and Louise Strong, Amye Hill, Sophie Beck, Blanche Smith, and Messrs. James L. Beck, Hynson Beck, J. Page Strong, Thomas Wallis, Clifton and Jack Morgan, Merritt Brice. After nine games were played refreshments of ice cream and cake were served. Mr. Merritt Brice entertained the club yesterday evening.

A Surprise.—The members of Wesley Chapel and friends of the pastor, took possession of the parsonage on Thursday night, the 16th, and had things pretty much their own way the balance of the evening. A bountiful repast was spread of which all partook. Games were provided for the young people. There was plenty of music vocal and instrumental. Miss Hattie Lewis captivated all by exhibiting unusual and unexpected ability in dramatic and pathetic recitations. After all had been fed there still remained "twelve baskets." All express themselves having been delighted with the social gathering and departed leaving the pastor rich in purse and provisions and thankful that his lot had been cast among such a pleasant and generous lot of people.

PET DOG.—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Guest lost their pet dog "Cute Lofland," aged 17, last Wednesday night.

THE new wharf at Chestertown is about completed and is a decided improvement. A barge load of shells was used this week in filling the space left open.

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Orchards Condemned.—State Entomologist A. L. Quaintance condemned several fine young orchards in Kent county for San Jose scale. One of the orchards has 5,000 five-year-old trees. They must all be rooted out and burned. Heroic treatment alone, he says, will eradicate the pest.

Accidents.—Mr. William Duyer met with an accident Saturday while at work on Round Top farm. He was tearing down an old building when a part of the roofing fell in on him and bruised him considerably.

While driving his horses out of the yard one day last week Mr. Urie P. Ginn, of Warwick, had a very promising mare, one year old, to run into a post breaking its neck instantly, and another was thrown against the fence, cutting an ugly gash in her side. Mr. J. S. Merritt, V. S., was immediately summoned and closed the gash with forty stitches.

Busy at the Basket Factory.—The basket factory of Crane, Hynson & Valliant at Chestertown is in full blast these winter days and its operation certainly is a boon and great help to all classes. The hustling managers will soon begin the construction of a large warehouse for storing their baskets. They now have in stock about 225,000 baskets of various kinds and a finer and more substantial basket is not made in the whole country. They have orders to fill from all parts of Maryland and other states and will run on full time now right through the year. The firm find some difficulty in getting logs, as the rivers and creeks are froze tight, but they have a six mule team hauling gum logs from upper Kent and Queen Anne's.

To give some idea of the amount of money this firm pays in wages and thus distributes among the people of Chestertown and vicinity, they have 40 basket makers who make about $1 50 a day; 20 day laborers who average $1.00 a day; and from 6 to 10 women at $1.00; besides about a dozen other workmen; a total of about $500 per week paid for workmen alone and nearly every cent is spent right here in Chestertown.

SEATS are now on sale at Stam's Drug Store for the "Old Maid's Convention," to be given in Stam's Hall next Wednesday evening.

Contracting for Tomatoes.—Two representatives of H. F. Hemingway & Co., of Baltimore, were in Chestertown on Thursday to make arrangements for starting a canning house at Deep Landing. They met the farmers of that vicinity on Friday and if mutual agreement can be reached the factory will be put in operation at that place.

The farmers in the vicinity of Betterton and Worton Creek have been offered contracts to grow tomatoes at $7.00 per ton for Mr. Numsen, of Baltimore.

It has been reported that S. J. Seneca, of Harford, has offered $8 00 per ton for tomatoes to Betterton growers, but this is contradicted and the firm will not likely pay more than $7.00 per ton. This will likely be the prevailing price for this year and with a good season the farmers can grow tomatoes with some profit.

The Chestertown cannery and some of Isaac Robbinson's canneries will be operated, but no contracts have yet been made.

The farmers are slow to make contracts in Kent as well as in other portions of Maryland and Delaware

A number of the most prominent farmers of the Second election district of Caroline county met in Music Hall, Greensboro, and discussed the question of tomato growing for the local canners.

It is stated that the farmers assembled by a unanimous vote agreed not to grow tomatoes at the prices offered by the canners, $7.00 per ton, but agreed to grow and deliver them at the canneries, in wire hoop baskets, at 15 cents per basket.

JAMES W. CHAPMAN, JR., and Duke Bond were appointed by Judge Stockbridge Thursday receivers for the Electus Glove Button Shoe Company, their bond being for $500. The receivers were appointed upon the complaint of Samuel T. Brown. J. Harvey Whiteman, Charles T. Westcott and Herman Kerngood, and with the company's consent.

TURTLES have been in market this week selling for six cents per pound. Mr. Frank Lambert caught several tenpounders last Friday, and Mr. James Coleman seldom fails to get a fine lot.

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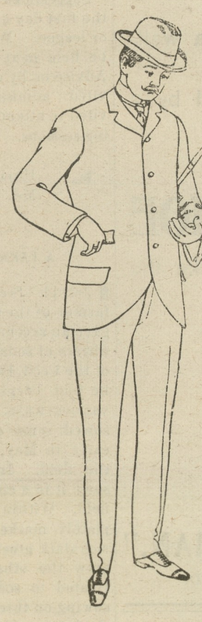

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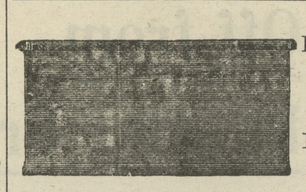

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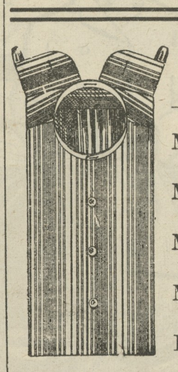

Men's Shirts.

Men's $1 Fine Percale & Madras Shirts 58
Men's 50 and 75c Fancy Madras Shirts 38
Men's Best 50 Heavy Knit Overshirts, 33
Men's 50c Work Shirts and Jumpers, 29
Best 5c, 6c Light Shirting Calicoes, 3¾

The 5c Cotton Crash, only . . . 2¾
Fancy 10c Drapery at half price, . . 5
Good Light Outings, choice only . . 4¾
Turkey-Red Table Damask, only . . 15½

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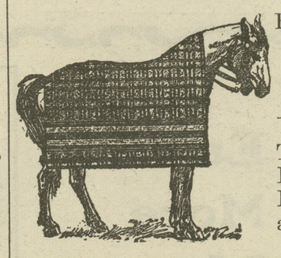

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