Millington News.

Personals. — Miss May Green is spending the week with friends in Sudlersville.

Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Bottomley, spent a part of last week in Philadelphia, Pa.

Misses Pearl Ahern and Dot Sunfield, of the Conference Academy, spent Sunday with their parents.

Mr. Yarnall, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday in town.

Mrs. C. M. Hurtt returned last Wednesday from a pleasant trip to Wilmington, Del.

Messrs. George Bailey and Paul Comegys, spent last Sunday in Dover, Del.

Miss Millie Comegys is visiting her brother, Dr. N. Comegys.

Mr. White, of Clayton, Del., was in town Sunday.

Our young people have been enjoying the skating and coasting this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Caldwell, near Galena, spent Wednesday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Smith.

Mr. Isaac Holland, of Baltimore, has accepted a position as clerk with Mr. H. H. Beneman.

Mr. Beneman was in the city last week selecting new line of up-to-date goods.

Several families from Baltimore moved out to the Unicorn Mills this week.

Mr. and Mrs John Porter, of Clayton, Del., were the guests of Mr. W. J. Porter the first of the week.

The young people of the Epworth League of the M. E. Church, are preparing for an entertainment to be given in the town hall February 20 and 21, 1902. No doubt they will render an interesting entertainment.

Mrs. M. R. Lockerman and daughter, of Blackbird, Del., spent Thursday with Mr. J. P. Ahern.

Opposed to Police Justice. — The citizens of the First District of Kent county give the following reasons for opposing the Police Justice Bill which is now before the General Assembly of Maryland 1. The inconvenience and expense that will be imposed on our law-abiding citizens, who may have to make complaint, the distance to Chestertown being about 15 miles, and on which account, only in the extreme cases will complaint be made, which will tend to increase disorderly conduct.

2. Loss of time from business and uncertainty of time for trial.

3. That the burden of expense imposed by this law will fall upon the law abiding citizens who live at such a distance from the police justice as much as it will fall on the transgressor.

4. That the law would be unjust to the great number of law-abiding citizens who live at such a distance from Chestertown, and imposes no penalties greater than now in force on the transgressor.

5. Millington being an incorporated town, the law would impose a special hardship on its citizens, as it requires all persons arrested for violation of town ordinance to be taken before the police justice.

It has the appearance to us, who live at a distance from Chestertown, to be gotten up in the interest of some of our lawyers who may hope by this measure to have a reasonable share of the business thus taken to Chestertown to be tried before the "Police Court."

Fire.—The home of Mr. Thomas N. McGinniss, on the Spade farm, about half mile from Millington, was burned to the ground last Thursday morning about 12 o'clock. The wind was blowing a gale from the northeast, and things being very dry, made the fire burn very rapidly. But two beds and a few pieces of furniture were saved. Mr McGinnis and the two elder boys were about a mile from the house cutting wood when the fire started, and did not reach the building until the fire had gained considerable headway. The fire was caused by a defective flue, and started upstairs in a bedroom. The small house on the farm, which is occupied by Mr. Spade in the summer time, was finally saved after being on fire several times. Mr. McGinnis and family will occupy this house. The house was insured for about $800. Mr. McGinnis had a small insurance on his furniture

SAD NEWS AWAITS HIM.

The Love Point Lighthouse Keeper to Hear of Wife and Child's Death.

When the Arctic grasp of the cold wave is released from Love Point Lighthouse, at the mouth of Chester River, and communication with the keepers there is again established, the sad news unavoidably withheld from him, will be broken to Assistant Keeper John B. Quidley that the wife to whom he was married just a year ago, and whom he recently left in Avon, N. C. and her child have both of them died.

Meanwhile two telegrams bearing this news, each potential of infinite grief to the man in the lighthouse, await delivery until the great grinding gorge of ice, unknowingly coating the lighthouse in a portentous shroud, and banked from its base for miles in every direction, has been swept away under influence of sun and wind and tide.

Thus, it may be a day, and it may be a week and meantime the funeral of the mother and babe will probably have been held.

NO WAY TO REACH HIM.

The telegrams were received at the office of the Lighthouse inspector Monday for forwarding. It was recognized at once that through not one of the ordinary channels of communication with Love Point Lighthouse could it be reached. Every possible means was considered in the intense sympathy which was aroused for the light-keeper. The lighthouse in question has been for two weeks as completely isolated as though it rose from the Antarctic, and not the Chesapeake Bay, a mere 30 miles from Baltimore. The freeze at the very start coated the Chester River with thick ice, though something of a miniature channel was kept open as far as Queenstown.

Then came the thaw breaking from tributaries of the Upper Bay and the Patapsco. These have been driven before successive gales, as though fate in some demoniacal whim had planned this tragedy, until a mighty accumulation has banked on the Eastern Shore of the Bay, with the mouth of the Chester River and the site of Love Point Light in the very center of the congestion. About the light, a mile and a half to the shore on the east and as far as the eye can see in every other direction, is only ice, an impregnable wall of it, from five to eight feet thick, capable of defying practically any attempt that might be made to force a way through it. Thus it is that the steamboat Endeavor, of the Queen Annes Line, plying from Light street to Queenstown, has been baffled in several attempts to continue her trips, and, indeed, an attempt, even by so powerful a craft as the iceboat Latrobe, would, it is beleived, meet with no greater success.

MESSAGE MUST WAIT.

The planning of those who were and are eager to forward the sad message to its destination came to naught, and it was finally decided as the only possible recourse to send both messages to the Queen Anne's Company, and have them gotten as far as Queenstown whenever the Endeavor finds the trips to that place possible. From Queenstown the the lighthouse is 10 miles distant by water, and to cover this final gap nothing can be done but wait the clearing away of ice.

Meantime these two weeks of isolation must have been ages to the assistant keeper. Probably in an awful suspense at best, waiting for news from the South, the days were long and grim enough when open water made land communication possible. What he suffered when snow and storm and cold swept around and pitilessly ice piled on ice, and the land was lost, or what he has suffered, fearing the worst, and hoping against fear for the best, only the man on the light can know.

The last chapter came Wednesday when parties from Love Point sailed out in an ice-boat and carried the sad news.

A SINGULAR COINCIDENCE.

Despite a name that would seem a harbinger of better fortune, Love Point Light will, perhaps, never lose tragic interest as the result of this occurrence. By a strange coincidence former Assistant Keeper C. L. Styron had an identical experience there. He, too, had lived at Avon, N. C., and had come to Love Point Light leaving a bride at Avon. In the midst of March last, when a period of storm made the lighthouse inaccessiple, just such another telegram announcing the death of mother and babe was received there, and after just such another delay was gotten to the lighthouse.

FEBRUARY 1902.

A Memorable Winter — Coal Very Scarce and Mill to Close— Boats in Harbor.

Our oldest resident does not recall a February more severe than the present. Chestertown has been without a boat since January 31st and the thermometer has ranged from 8° to 20° ever since. Reports of boats fighting the ice are published elsewhere in the News. The iceboat Latrobe found heavy ice yesterday from Craighill channel to Chester river, the ice being badly gorged for several miles.

Kent county sportsmen are justly indignant at the wholesale slaughter of game during this freeze. The feeding places of both partridges and rabbits being covered by the snow, birds and rabbits are forced alike to hedgerows and other protected places, to seek food. All of these feeding places, or at least many of them, it is said, are being destroyed. Entire coveys of birds and many rabbits are being killed as they huddle in bunches or singly in protected places. Many farmers are feeding the birds of all kinds. It is generally conceded that not in years has Kent county had such an abundant supply of stock birds and rabits as at the close of the season in December last, but it is charged they are being slaughtered now.

Mr. J. D. Bacchus, who supplies the Chestertown Strawboard Company with soft coal, has a barge loaded and an ice boat ready to accompany it as soon as the ice gorge will permit. The mill has enough coal to run for several days, at the end of which time they will be compelled to close. Mr. Bacchus has guaranteed to keep the electric light plant supplied with fuel, so that light is assured.

Rock Hall residents have begun to feel concerned about the coal supply and have sent to Chestertown to replenish their stock.

Heavy ice from the upper part of Chesapeake bay has done considerable damage to the long wharf of the Baltimore and Philadelphia Steamboat Company at Betterton. A number of piles have been drawn up or broken off and the entire structure has been moved out of position by the tremendous force of great ice fields which the rapid current sweeps down against it. Mr. Harris, the company's agent, estimates the damage already done at $1,500, and it is impossible to foresee the result when a break in the ice comes.

The protracted freeze makes it impossible to do anything toward getting off the large number of vessels which were driven high and dry ashore at Rock Hall during the gale of Sunday night week. About 30 vessels sought refuge in the harbor and 15 of them went ashore. In the harbor are many sunken ice-logged oystering boats.

The following boats, some of them with partial cargoes of oysters, are beached near the wharf of the Chester River Steamboat Company, viz: The J. W. Lewis, Capt. Harry Hogans; A. C. N. Matthews, William Boyer, captain; Lanannum, Columbus Ashley, captain; C. A. Brown, James Walmsley, captain; Dan, George Avres, captain; L. P. Pettv, Henry Smith, captain; Mamie Bradshaw, William Crouch, captain; Edna and Alice, Charles Ashley, captain; Lavinia, Samuel Coleman, captain; Jos. Judefind, Edw. Proctor, captain; Amelia, Wm. Scott, captain, and the Fred Williams. One captain lashed his vessel to the Chester River Company's wharf as the storm drove her toward the shore.

The Emma and Alice, Capt. Edward Middleton in command, and the F. C. Maslin, are high and dry ashore on Carpenter's Island, in Chester river, above Hell Point.

CAPT. HARRY PHEFFER is reported to have purchased of Charles T. Westcott, Esq., the Foundry house on Cannon street for $1200. Mr. Percy Raleigh conducts a store in one room of this building and several families occupy apartments there. It is quite a historic building.

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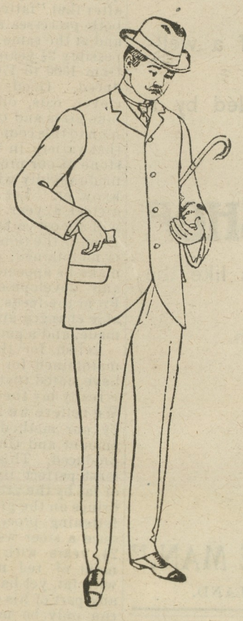

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FEBRUARY BARGAINS!

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We are offering exceptional values in our "Bankrupt Department."

For 29c. to each purchaser on Wednesday, Feb. 19th. Special lot, 29c.

1 Large 19c. Bread Pan.
1 Box 5c. Laundry Starch.
1 5c. Cocoanut Grater.
1 Pkge, 2 lbs, Oat Meal.
1 Cake 5c. Laundry Soap.
1 Good Scrub Brush.
1 Large 15c. Turkish towel.

The entire lot for 29c. on Wednesday.

Fine BLEACHED MUSLIN worth 10c. yard, at only..... 6¾c

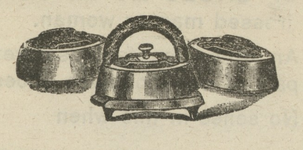
Heavy UNBLEACHED 7c. MUSLIN..... 5c

10c Pretty Flannelettes, marked now..... 5¾c

10c Percales in Pretty Blues and Garnets..... 5¾c

Lot 12½c Worsted Dress Goods, all marked..... 7½c

15c good Flour Sifter with crank, **8 cents**



Mrs. Potts' Flat Irons complete per set.

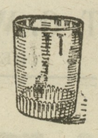
69 cents.

5c pkge Ivory Starch..... 2½c

5c Laundry Soap at..... 2½c

Washing Soda, 2 lbs for..... 1c

GOOD TUMBLERS ONLY **2c.**

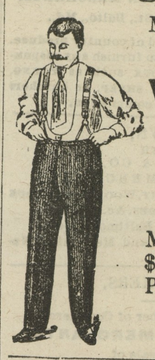


In Bankrupt Department

25c. Linen Curtains..... 16½c
15c. Felt Curtains..... 7½c
25c. Children's Underwear..... 15c
50c. Ladies' Underwear..... 26c
Men's Underwear, one-half price..... 36c
$1.00 Men's Percale Shirts..... 58c
50c. " " " 38c
50c. Men's Knit Shirts..... 33c
5c. Best Light Calicoes..... 3½c
5c. Cotton Toweling..... 2½c
$1.25 Children's Shoes..... 88c
$1.50 Ladies' Shoes..... 98c

And so the bargains run—lots of them.

Clothing.



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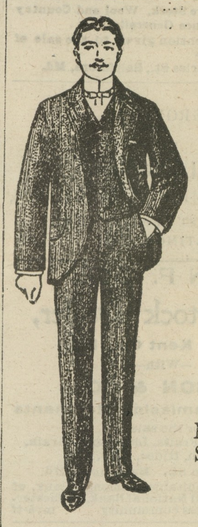

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Men's $5.00 Suits now **$3.98**

Men's Fine $10.00 Suits, reduced to only..... $5.90

Men's Heavy $7.50 and $8.00 Overcoats, now... $4.90

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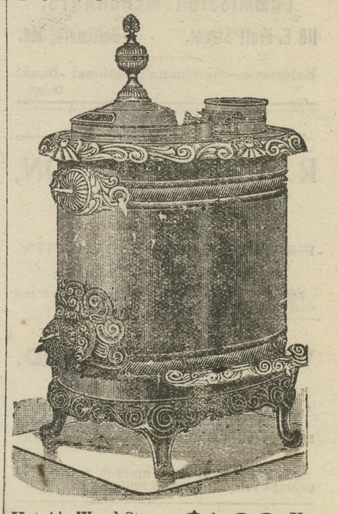

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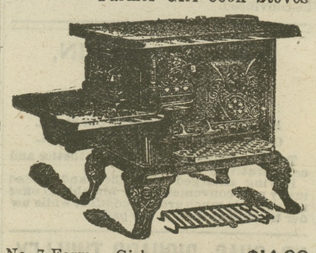

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