LOCAL NEWS.

Change.—W. Malkow, proprietor of the Chestertown Bargain Store, has sold out to A. Blum, who will open a new line of goods there at once. Mr. Malkow has removed to Baltimore. If Mr. Blum treats the public as well as his predecessor he will no doubt succeed.

Married.—Mr. George Venable, living on "Big Meadows," near Worton, and Mrs. Jennie Lambert, of Chestertown, were married at Church Hill, in December last. They will reside at the farm.

Chester River Draw. — Mr. J. O. Griffith, an expert bridge builder of Harrisburg, Pa., has been in Chestertown this week examining the draw and bridge over Chester river. He found the draw in a very bad condition. The abutment on the up-the river-side has been partly torn away by the ice and other parts are in bad condition. Mr. Griffith says that the old draw can be temporarily repaired, but that a new draw is inevitable. Commissioners Hadaway of Kent and Temple of Queen Anne's, have the matter in charge.

Washington's Birthday.— To-day is Washington's birthday. The banks and public offices will be closed. At Washington College the Mt. Vernon Literary Society will celebrate with appropriate exercises. T. Allen Goldsborough, Esq., of the Denton bar will deliver the address before the Society. Mr. Goldsborough is a Washington College graduate, class of '99 and a finished talker. The public are invited to attend.

Pastors Remembered.—Kent's able pastors are held in high esteem by their congregations and evidences of this are never wanting. But several of them have this week been shown substantial and practical proof of it. On Monday the congregation and friends of old St. James invaded the parsonage and took Rev. E. C. Makoskey by surprise. Flour by the barrel, hams, groceries, canned goods, and everything that a true Wortoner knows how to prepare, was stored in the pantry and larder of the parsonage. A purse well-filled with money was also one of the donations left.

Rev. E. P. Roberts, of the Chestertown M. E. Church, was surprised on Tuesday by a goodly number of his congregation entering the parsonage and taking possession. A wagon load of provisions, both substantials and delicacies were left for the worthy gentleman.

Made Arrest.—The United States Marshall, accompained by a detective, were driven through the snow drifts Tuesday to Pondtown where they arrested a colored woman name1 Mary Bordley. This woman was charged with receiving a pension as a widow while in fact she is a married woman. She says she is not married, but the officers brought her to Chestertown and placed her in care of Sheriff Fletcher. Justice Asbury Ryland, of Crumpton, was also placed under arrest charged with receiving more than legal rates for procuring this pension. Mr. Ryland is sick in bed and was unable to be removed. A hearing in Baltimore will be held at an early date. The colored woman was taken there on Wednesday for that purpose.

More Railroad Improvements.—The Pennsylvania Railroad Company is projecting more improvements for Kent county. On Tuesday Senator Baker introduced a bill in the Maryland Senate authorizing the Baltimore and Delaware Bay Railroad Company to abandon the two miles of track between Massey and the Delaware line. At Massey the road crosses the road from Centreville to Townsend. Both roads are controlled by the Pennsylvania, and trains from Chestertown will go through Massey to Townsend over the road from Centreville. This will likely be the means of giving much better service to Kent. Trains can leave Chestertown later in the morning and arrive here much earlier. They can also leave here later in the afternoon and make the connection at Townsend.

Sale of Cattle.—The sale of cattle last Saturday by Mr. J. B. Richardson in Chestertown was very largely attended and the bidding was spirited. C. H. Hurlock was auctioneer.

Charles Jarman	$ 28.00
Daniel McKee	21.00
Wm. E. Jarrell	29.50
Wm. Cooper	35.00
W. E. Jarrell	30.00
" " "	31.00
" " "	31.50
" " "	31.50
" " "	26.00
Chas. Norris	33.50
Howard Clendaniel	20 50
W. C. Townsend	26 00
Wm. Robertson	26.00
" "	30.50
" "	32 00
" "	21.00
Perry Wilson	22.50
" "	18.50
" "	20.00
" "	23.50
Mandy Clendaniel	16.00
" "	21.00
" "	20 00
Percy Hendrickson	14.00
Thos. Massey	24 50
" "	25.00
" "	20.50
W. H. Fields	21.50
" " "	21.50
" " "	23.50
Frank Baxter	25.00
" "	33.00
E. Jarman	18.50
Walter Crew	20 00
"	25 00
Jas. T. Brown	23 00
H. Crew	19.00
Chas. Jarman	18.50
Phillip Brooks	29.00
" "	33.50
" "	27.00
Thos. Skipper	26.00
Geo. Biddle	28 50
" "	28.00
" "	24.50

Stake Events.—At a special meeting of owners of local light harness tracks, held early this week, at the Hotel Maryland, Baltimore, the stake events of next fall's trotting and pacing races were agreed upon. Six tracks determined to give stake events of $1,000 each. Tidonium, Prospect Park, Gentleman's Driving Park, Electric Park, Tolchester and Pimlico are the tracks that are to give the stake events. All the tracks named are to give four stake events of $1,000 each excepting Tolchester, which is to give five events of $1,000 each.

BETTERTON NEWS.

Live Locals from the Upper Bay Resort—Narrow Escape—Church News, Etc.

School Averages.—The following are the averages of the scholars in our public school who made a general average of 75 per cent. or over in the mid-winter examinations:

Eighth Grade—Arthur Brice 94, Guthrie Vansant 93, Willie Greer 94.5.

Seventh Grade—Daisy Serverson 84 2, Minor Crownhart 76.3, Jamie Brice 75.

Sixth Grade—Hettie Crew 83, Bessie Leigh 82.3, Nellie Leigh 77.3, George Brice 75.

Fifth Grade—Carlton Moore 90.3, Roland Crew 89.3, Earle Crew 77.

Fourth Grade—Olla Wareham 87, Oscar Wilmer 82, Guy Owens 75.

Third Grade—Royce Wareham 86, Edwin Gregory 87, Carrie Linke 87, Susie Vansant 86, Maude Jester 79, Annie Lewis 78.

Second Grade—Frank Willis 93, Merrite Willis 92, Clarence Linke 90, Louise Crew 90, Louise Owens 88, Hallie Brice 87, Adele Smith 85, Marie Brice 84.

First Grade—Hattie Boone 92, Ruth Gregory 89, Iris Wareham 81.

Locals.—Messrs. J. D. Owens, Clarence Leigh and Littleton Moore constructed two large sailing sleds last week, which gave much pleasure to the younger people on the bay. With a good wind these sleds developed great speed gliding over the frozen Chesapeake. A royal time was anticipated with these ice-boats, but the snow falling on Monday brought their pleasure of this kind abruptly to a close. With all the dreariness of winter surrounding us, our young men are not prone to sit still and mope, but are ever active in contriving apparatus of some kind to amuse and help pass away the time.

Mr. Maxwell, the genial salesman in R. T. Turner & Son's store, had a thrilling experience on the ice last Saturday afternoon while skating. He skated too near an opening in the ice, near the end of one of the steamboat piers, when suddenly he broke in and went up to his chin in water. Fortunately some one near succeeded in keeping him on the solid ice, as he was fast becoming chilled and numb from the cold bath.

The ladies of the Epworth League are contemplating holding a "pink tea" in the near future. Proceeds for the benefit of the "new church fund."

At this writing we have been two days without mail, owing to the heavy drifts of snow on the railroad. The public roads in this vicinity are heavily banked with snow in some places.

It looked one while as if Betterton would suffer from a non-supply of coal, but R. Tr Turner & Son last week received a shipment by railroad. Then it had to be hauled five miles from Hepbron's station, yet that was much better than having none at all.

Last Sunday evening Mr. William H. Krusen, of Still Pond, conducted the Epworth League services in the M. E. Church. Mr. Krusen's theme was "Peace and Rest," and how best to secure same. His talk was both interesting and instructive, and he held the undivided attention of the whole audience. The singing on this occasion was a distinguishing feature of the services, with the following choir: Misses Kate Crew, Gulie Heathers, Mrs. Lillie Owens, and Messrs. John Leigh and Maxwell Starkey, with Miss Estelle Crew organist.

The Philomathean Society of our public school rendered a literary program last Friday afternoon in the school room, in which both departments took part. The singing and recitations by the scholars in the primary department evidenced much care and skill on the part of the instructress. Readings and singing by the higher grades also showed preparation on their part. Rev. T. F. Beauchamp, of Still Pond, addressed the school on "Aims in Life," giving many wholesome and practical hints to the scholars, which, if utilized, will be of untold benefit through life.

The work of repairing the locks of the Chesapeake and Deleware Canal at Chesapeake City has been completed, and the canal will be opened for traffic today. The ice on Back Creek, which stream leads up to the mouth of the canal, is very thick, and it is feared a great amount of trouble will be experienced in getting the chanel open. It is expected that the steamers of Philadelphia and Baltimore Steamboat Company will resume their trips via the canal the first of next week if the weather gets no colder.

Personals.—Mrs Jess, who has been on a protracted visit to her daughter at Cape Charles City, Va, is expected to return in a few days.

Miss Lottie Copper, of Lynchs, has for several days been the guest of Miss Violet Moore.

Mrs. Susie Brice is recovering slowly from a severe attack of acute rheumatism.

Several of our young people are arranging for a trip to Baltimore, and while there attend the great drama, "Ben Hur," which is to be played at the Academy of Music for three consecutive weeks, beginning Monday, Feb. 24.

School Matters. — Because of the condition of the roads the School Board did not meat Tuesday, but will meet next Tuesday.

Miss Susie Taylor has resigned as teacher at Galena and Miss Anna Smith appeinted.

THE article elsewere in the NEWS on western irrigation is to the point and is a just view of the matter. We feel confident that every farmer in Kent will agree wtth the thought as expressed in it.

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1 qt. Best Beans.
1 Box Shoe Blacking.
2 lbs. Washing Soda.
1 Large 2 Handle Basket.

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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,

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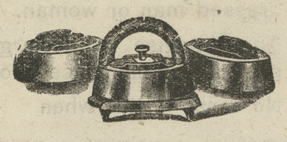

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$1.00 Men's Percale Shirts..... 58c
50c. " " " 38c
50c. Men's Knit Shirts..... 33c
5c. Best Light Calicoes..... 3¾c
5c. Cotton Toweling..... 2¾c
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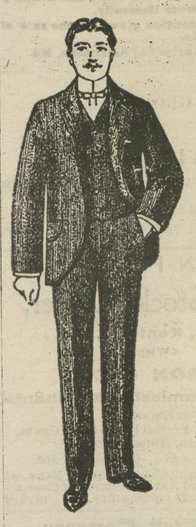
And so the bargains run—lots of them.



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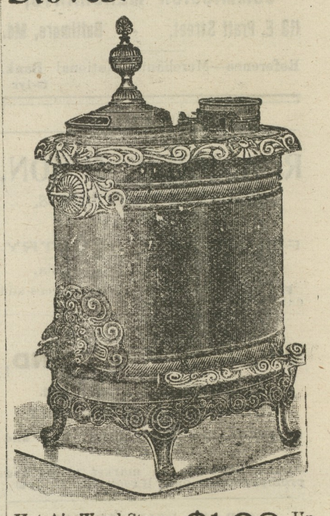

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