Local Notes.

CORN was quoted at 53¾ in Baltimore yesterday. Local buyers have bought several crops this week at 40 cts., grade or no grade.

THE new school building in Chestertown is ready to receive the scholars on Monday. There will be no formal opening.

R. F. PARKS' residence and store on High street is being greatly improved by a coat of paint. Mr. F. H. Howard is the contractor.

MR. ALFRED BENJAMIN was appointed keeper of Chester bridge last Tuesday by the County Commissioners and will take charge of same on January 1st, 1903

THE steamer Susquehanna carried 42 fine hogs to Baltimore Tuesday from Mr. Thos. Hill's farms. They would average about 200 pounds each. Mr. Hill sold these hogs together with ten calves, two horses, &c., to a stock buyer for $600.

THE crew of the "Elizabeth," Capt. Moore, enjoyed goose for dinner Monday, a fine fellow having been killed the day before by the captain.

LOCAL merchants are busily engaged in laying in Christmas goods, expecting a fine trade during this season. Some elegant lines are now being displayed and we would advise our readers to look over what home merchants have to offer before thinking of city purchases.

YESTERDAY was a wintry day. A snow storm accompanied by strong wind raged during the day. The Emma A. Ford remained at her wharf at Chestertown until 9.45. The roads are in awful condition, one man remarking that they are worse than he ever saw them.

OLIVER MILLER, on Wilkins farm, near Swan Creek school house, has a pen of fine hogs. It is said that three of them will weigh 500 pounds each while the others will average about 350.

GROVER GREENWOOD has purchased of J. D. Urie, Esq., attorney, a small dwelling at foot of Cross street, near Maple avenue, for $400.

N. C. CROW, up-town, has his fine line of Christmas goods ready for inspection. Give him a call.

AMICABLE LODGE I. O. O. F. on last Monday evening elected the following officers: N. G., Wm. M. Culp; V. G., John A. Russell; Secretary, John R. Rollison; Treas., James W. Chapman; Chaplain, John H. McKenzie; Marshal, H. T. Hoyle; Trustees, C. J. Rechie, F. M. Miller, Samuel Mann; Representative to Grand Lodge, Wm. M. Culp.

GEORGE VANCE, colored, created excitement on the streets of Chestertown last week by tying a rope about his neck and exclaiming "let them hang me, if they want to" He was put in jail by Officer Hudson and the County Commissioners on Tuesday requested Drs. Hines and Simmons to make an examination.

THE Ladies Improvement Association of Chestertown hope to be able to announce a musicale for Christmas week at Stam's Hall with Prof. Conradi as the principal performer. The last concert in Chestertown at which Prof. Conradi performed was a delightful treat and met the hearty approval of the audience.

THE insurance on the Rice-Miller farm residence on Flatland has been promptly paid by Agents Harry L. Boyd and James G. Beck.

COL. R. L. HOLLIDAY is the only man on the Delaware division of the P. R. R., who enjoys a salary of over $200 per month.

THE firm of Cosgriff & Beck, Smyrna has dissolved, E. H. Beck retiring. John Cosgriff and Samuel J. Reynolds have formed a copartnership under the firm name of Cosgriff & Reynolds.

THE wedding of Mr. George E. Bryan, son of Mr. Joshua Bryan of "Fords Shops," went to Baltimore this week and took to himself a wife in the person of Miss Sarah J. McGillon. They returned to their home in Chestertown Thursday and were given a reception at the paternal home.

Sunday was dedication day for the elegant new church in Washington of which Rev. J. M. Gill is pastor. This church cost about $60,000, and every cent was raised but $5,000 before Sunday. Notwithstanding the rain, over $4,000 was raised, leaving but a small balance. The main room seats about 500 people. The energetic pastor and his faithful little flock are to be congratulated.

Big Sale.—Mr. S. G. Caldwell sold the fifty head of cattle advertised in the NEWS at public sale in Galena Thursday. Auctioneer Hurlock was the salesman and within an hour had disposed of all of them. The yearlings brought $13 to $15; 2-years old, $20 to $25; cows, $25 to $35. The sale was well-attended.

The "Maggie C." Raised.—The St. Michaels Comet says: "On Tuesday Capt. Dill and crew with Mr. Pheffer his partner arrived on another vessel owned by them and securing the services of the pungy Sparkling Sea, Capt. F. Chatham Jones, proceeded to the disabled vessel which was still lying at anchor and succeeded in righting it up and bringing it to the railway where it was hauled out for repairs. A number of our tongmen with their canoes were employed to gather up the scattered lumber which was brought here for reshipment. Probably not more than five thousand feet were lost. The lumber belonged to Messrs. Lindsay & Hamilton of Pittsburg, Pa., who are represented here by Joseph K. Tunis.

What a Half Acre Can Do.—One of Kent's most energetic farmers is Mrs. Wm. H Rambo who lives on the Burgess place, near Spry's gate. Among the produce raised by her on a half acre of ground were the following: 40 baskets of white potatoes; 40 baskets of turnips; 15 bushels of corn; 16 baskets of sweet potatoes; 460 head of cabbage; 14 baskets of tomatoes; 90 hills of butter beans; peck of corn field beans; vegetables to supply the table all summer for family of three. There was no fertilizer used otherwise the yield would have been much greater.

PERSONAL ITEMS.

Guion Roberts, Esq., of the New York bar, is visiting his sister in Chestertown.

We are glad to note that our former Kent countian, James W. Chapman Jr., Esq., of the Baltimore bar, has been compelled to move into larger quarters to accommodate his increasing legal business. He has secured more commodious rooms in the Maryland Trust Building, corner of Calvert and German streets, Baltimore.

Mr and Mrs. James W. Crouch are spendine a few days in Weshington, D. C.

Miss Lulu Boggs, of Crumpton, accompanted by her cousin, Miss Numbers, left Monday for a two week's visit in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Percy G. Skirven and interesting family of Baltimore, have been visiting relatives near Fairlee.

Mr. Wm. S. Carroll moved this week into his new home on East Water street.

Mr. Wm. R. Wilson, of Wilmington, and formerly a well known citizen of Kent, has been spending a few weeks in Kent.

Mr. Wm. H. T. Fowle, of Washington, D. C., has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Crawford, near Worton.

Mr. John G. Gruber spent several days in town this week visiting friends. Messrs. Herman and John Gruber, the well known bakers, have bought out a grocery at 10th and Clearfield streets, Philadelphia, and are doing a good business.

Dr. R. G. Davis, wife and son, of Baltimore, spent several days last week with Mr. and Mrs. I. F. Walbert, near Lankford.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. A. Colescot and daughter, of Philadelphia, spent part of last week visiting friends in Kent.

Mrs. Harry J. Clark, of Cecilton, is spending sometime with Mrs. C. Windsor and brother Mr. D. F. Smith, of Philadelphia, and is under treatment for her eyes.

S. P. Townshend, Esq., has rented the Culp-Hopper house on Washington ave., and will remove therein next year.

Dr. Barrett C. Catlin, of 1417 Linden ave., has made somewhat a departure in his line of practise which will open greater opportunities to him as a physician and to all sufferers who come to him for treatment. He has purchased an X-ray machine for photographic work in the treatment of cancer, skin trouble, &c., which in heretofore incurable cases it has produced cures and is lauded highly.

We are sorry to report the condition of Dr. Bartus Trew as unchanged for the better. He has been visited by the best physicians of this country.

Hon. M. B. Stephens, State Superintendent of Education, who has been extremely ill with typhoid fever at Denton, is improving, though still weak.

REPAIRS TO DRAW!

Merchants Petition the County Commissioners to Postpone Work Until After Christmas.

After a long delay the tug Alice with Sanford & Brooks' large piledriver arrived at Chestertown Monday to commence work on the new draw contracted for by Drury & Co. sometime since. Upon reaching here the machine was found too large and a smaller one was brought over Tuesday and the placing of sixteen big piles begun.

The merchants of Chestertown seeing the great injury that would be done to their business at this time petitioned the County Commissioners to postpone this work until after Christmas.

A joint meeting of the Kent and Cecil boards were held Thursday and upon motion of Mr. Temple, seconded by Mr. Hill, it was decided not to interfere with the work on draw, but to finish same as soon as possible. Mr. Drury assured the Commissioners that there would be no occasion for a ferry more than two days and in his opinion not more than ten or twelve hours. The Board authorized Mr. Drury that if after taking the caps off the foundation of draw, he should discover any defect in said foundation to strengthen the same with new and substantial piling.

Bridge-Keeper Carter says it is necessary to do something at once to the draw as it is in bad condition and liable to get stuck off or on any moment. Thursday night the draw blew open and Mr. J. W. Anthony made a narrow escape from diving overboard in the darkness and storm.

The travel over this bridge is enormous. On Thursday while the draw was off temporarily to allow the pile-driver to work there were teams on either side that reached to both shores.

The traveling public will be fortunate if the draw is not off more than two days. Some say it will require at least two weeks!

Schooner Wrecked.—The schooner Agnes which went ashore off the Yellow Banks, near Rock Hall, Saturday, Nov. 22nd, as fully reported in the NEWS is now a total wreck. The wrecking company gave up the job last Saturday and all efforts to float her have been abandoned. Mr. Wilbur Eliason, Jr., the owner, will strip the schooner of rigging, etc., leaving the hull to be beaten to pieces by wind and tides. The vessel was sold to Mr. Eliason about a month ago by Messrs. C. S. Smith and J. C. Davis for $1,000, and Capt. Jackson Davis employed as master. There was no insurance

Accidents to Engines.—Mr. Wm. E. Keyser while piloting his big traction engine towards Fairlee last Saturday went through a bridge and was several hours getting out. By good management the engine pulled out without damage.

As Henry McClements was attempting to run his traction engine over the ferry bridge at Kent Island, on Saturday afternoon last one span of the bridge gave way, precipitating the engine into the river. Henry McClements and John Shawn were on it at the time, but they had time to make their escape from the rear, as the front part went down first. The engine is bottom upward in seven feet of water. Messrs. McClements & Hammond, the owners, hope to raise it without serious loss.

The W. C. T. U. will meet next Wednesday at 2.30 P. M. at the home of Mrs. S. M. Usilton, on Cannon street, Chestertown. By order of Secretary.

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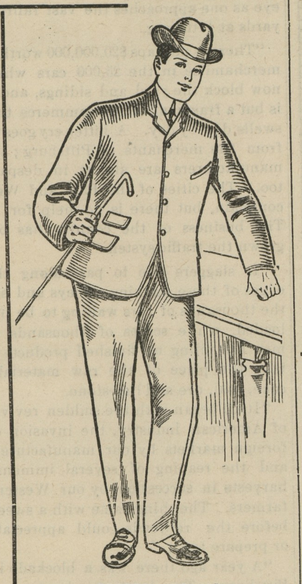
ABOVE all else characterizes our statements in reference to the line we show and as usual—our display of Fine Clothing this season speaks for itself, and the representations—conservative as in the past.

We are now ready for you with all the new fabrics and shapes, the patterns are very pretty **SUITS** this season, and having placed our orders last spring, you are assured of all the best selections.



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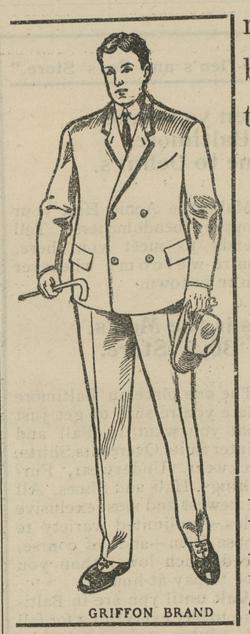

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$15.00 for $15.00
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By this straightforward plan we take care of you—also our justly earned and well established reputation for fair dealing to all classes.

BOYS' SUITS and OVERCOATS for all ages; the line now is complete and ready for inspection.

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HATS—well we must fit the majority of heads both inside and out in this locality.

NECKWEAR and **UNDERWEAR** to suit anybody, most.

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Of all the seasons of the year—none will half so much as equal the *"Jolly Old Santa Clause."* annual trip at Christmas time.

Are We Ready?

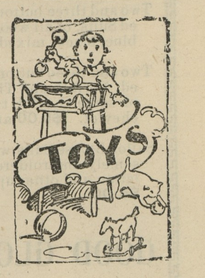
Ask yourself the question, for we have been preparing for this *merry season* for a long while and really have the GREATEST CHRISTMAS BAZAAR ever exhibted in this county, not a single exception.

We have devoted our entire Annex-Room to the Toys and Fancy Holiday Goods making the finest show and collection we have ever exhibited.

This is only a part, for one side of our entire store is filled with Fine Bric-a-Brac and dainty wares giving it a fairy-land appearance.

Our entire second-floor is in holiday attire, besides our Annex, The Hall, with its Fine Furniture, Stoves and large holiday wares will play an important part in making up this GRAND CHRISTMAS SHOW.

With our entire force of *twenty helpers* we promise our public the very best and courteous attention. We solicit an early inspection and cordially invite all the public to come, bring the children, *big and little,* for this is their treat and we will do our best to entertain you all.



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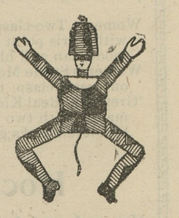
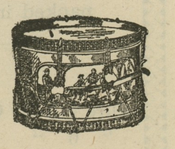


The Funny Jacks, the Comical Clowns, the sensible Iron Toys are all here.

The Fine Dolls are here in abundance and the little ladies look as natural as life.



The Big Toys for the Boys, the EXPRESS WAGONS, VELOCIPEDES and all the desires of the Boy is here and ready.

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