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READY FOR

HOLIDAY SEASON!

For weeks past we have been Bargain Hunting for XMAS GOODS. They are now on sale in wonderful abundance and at prices that mean a substantial saving.

TOYS FOR BOYS AND GIRLS.

Candies, pure and wholesome.
Almonds, Butter Nuts and Walnuts,
Fine Large Apples, Oranges, Lemons,
Citron and Cluster Raisins.

Lowest Prices on Enterprise Lard Presses and Sausage Cutters!

WE SELL A STRONG WELL-MADE LARD CAN—25 lb. size guaranteed can, only 22c
40 lb. Guaranteed Can, only 32c
50 lb. Guaranteed Can, only 39c

Butcher Knives.

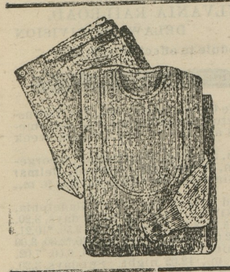
25c. value in a Good 6-in. Knife 12c
The Famous Wilson "Keen Kutter" Knives 25c

Fresh Fruit for the Early Plum Pudding and Fruit Cake!

The Best Cleaned CURRANTS, per pound, 9c.
12 oz. SEEDED RAISINS, in package, 10c.
The Finest Imported CITRON, 14½c.
We sell a High-grade MINCE MEAT, equal to home-made, minus the trouble, 12½c.

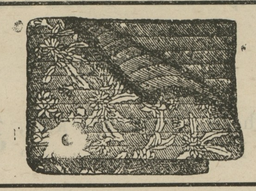
Great Christmas Preparations.

We shall show you a fine stock of sensible Xmas Presents, Toys, Nuts, Fruits and Candies by the ton. Only pure, fresh, wholesome goods. We mention some seasonable bargains:



CHILDREN'S: Suits and Pants start at 8c
UNDERSHIRTS: Boys' 25c value, only 16c
WOMEN'S: Heavy Fleeced Underwear 23c
A Great Big Bargain in Men's Shirts, double chest and back, 65c value, for 39c

Heavy 10 4 Bed Comforts, only 98c
10 4 Single Blankets ..... Double, 48c. 25c
An Extra Heavy HORSE BLANKET $1.98
Handsome Astracan ROBES, $1.40 to $5.75



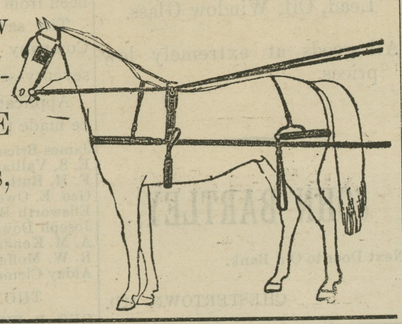
Fine Line of Men's Nobby Alpine Hats, worth $1.50, only 98c.

Men's Wool Suits, $6 values, only $4.98.
A big bargain, selling fast

Men's $6 Mixed Overcoats, only $4.75.

Special Value in Men's Knock About Ulsters, $4.75.

We can show you a big bargain in FINE Buggy Harness,



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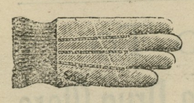

Big Bargains in MEN'S GLOVES, right from the manufacturers.
Good Wearing Buckskin Mitts or Gloves, - 50c

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STILL POND, MD.

DEATHS OF A WEEK.

Rev. B. F. Benson, an Ex-Pastor in Kent County, Dies Suddenly—A Well-Known Miller Dead near Melitota.

Rev. Benjamin F. Benson, D. D., professor of systematic theology at Westminster Theological Seminary, died suddenly at his home at 3.30 o'clock Sunday afternoon of apoplexy and heart disease in his 68th year.

Wm. A. Sappington, one of the best known millers of Kent county, died at his home in Melitota on Monday, aged 73. The deceased has been sick for about a year having been stricken with paralysis some months ago and from which he never recovered. He was the popular proprietor of Fairlee mill for many years but of late has been residing in Melitota. He has been married four times and leaves a widow and five children. The funeral took place Thursday afternoon interment in Chester Cemetery, undertaker Ferguson in charge.

Fred. Maxwell Allston, son of Mr. and Mrs Arthur Allston, of Wilmington, formerly of Kent county, died on Nov. 26th, aged six months. The remains were brought to Still Pond on the 27th, of November, and taken to the home of Mr. Thos. E. Norris, grandfather of the deceased. Funeral services were held on Friday morning. In the absence of Rev. Beauchamp, Mr. Jos. W. Harper, who is regularly qualified local preacher, officiated. The interment was in the family lot in Still Pond cemetery. Undertaker W. H. Krusen had charge of funeral arrangements.

The death of Mr. Thos. R. Vickers, formerly of Kent county, is reported from Louisiana on Sept. 30th. The deceased was born near Wesley Chapel and went West in 1881. He opened a hotel in Texas, a cyclone struck it and blew it over and the building was burned. Mr. Vickers escaped through a window and lost everything. He went South soon afterwards and nothing had been heard of him until last week when the news of his death was received. He was a brother of Mrs. Francis E. Scoone of Rock Hall, Mrs Jane M. Reed, of Indian Territory; and Mary E. Downey, deceased. His relatives have taken steps to learn more of the circumstances of his death, etc.

CHURCH DOINGS * * *

Dedication of Lynch's Church Postponed—Musicale by Y. P. S. C. E.

The Christian Endeavor Society of Christ M. P. Church was to have given a musicale at the church last evening. The program was as follows:

Recitation ..... Longtellow
Miss Trax.
Solo ..... Miss Anna G. Lambert
Recitation ..... Tom Twist
Mr. Harrington.
Duet ..... Misses Dixon and Toulson
Recitation ..... The One-Legged Goose
Miss Jones.
Silver Offering.
Recitation ..... Miss Bessie Wheatley
Quartet ..... Messrs. Culp, Thompson, Usilton and Parrott.
Recitation ..... Julius Caesar
Miss Trax.
Solo ..... Ave Maria
Miss Isabelle Beck.
Recitation ..... Roger and I
Mr Harrington.
Cornet Solo ..... Mr. Culp
Recitation ..... Watermillions
Miss Jones.

Owing to the storm of last Sunday Lynch's Methodist Protestant Church wil be dedicated next Sunday, Dec. 7th. Services at 2 o'clock P. M. and again at 8 o'clock. Rev. A. D. Melvin, D. D., of Baltimore, ex-president of the Maryland Annual Conference, will preach at both services. Every one interested is cordially invited. Special music at each service Come!

THE TROLLEY.

MESSRS. EDITORS KENT NEWS:

We read your editorial in the last issue of the NEWS with interest and all our people thank you for it. The people of this vicinity especially, are deeply concerned lest the whole trolley movement should end in failure after all the brilliant promises of two or three different companies.

Our people want to know what is being done. Is it true that the local company, to whom the County Commissioners granted the use of the public roads, has determined not to build the road, and are now only waiting the expiration of the time limit for its construction? Why should they thus hold matters up? If they can't build they should so notify the county authorities and allow some other company to try it.

We are told here that the Cecil and Kent Company, which was knocked out by the local company, would have had the road well under way by this time if they had been granted the privilege, and that they are now ready to make good their proposition and guarantee the speedy construction of the road, only making allowance for the time lost.

The local company will be held responsible for the failure of the trolley, if it should fail by their holding on to their grant after they knew they could not build, and other companies change their plans. Rock Hallers are certain to keep the thing in mind, as we are very anxious for the additional facilities we should have from a well regulated trolley system.

We are told that the Cecil & Kent company, which now and heretofore have looked to a road through Kent to connect Baltimore with the general system through the North, that they will not keep the matter open, and even now are considering plans for diverting the road altogether, after accommodating Cecil, and leave Kent out. The original plan, for which there is ample power granted by the Legislature, looked to a complete trolley system through Kent and Cecil from Rock Hall, Tolchester and other large towns, to the Pennsylvania line where it would connect with lines already built and which would open all the Northern cities to our travel and traffic. This is what our people wanted. We are anxious still that no rivalries or bungling shall destroy our hopes. We reiterate your significant editorial heading—"DO SOMETHING."

Rock Hall, December, 2, 1902. D.

Sassafras Notes.

E. Thomas Massey, of Massey, visited Sassafras on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sheppard visited Middletown relatives on Monday.

Miss Alice Dreka left on Saturday for a visit to Philadelphia relatives.

Sunday's rain had a marked effect on the size of church congregations.

John F. Ernest, one of our merchants, has beed quite sick for the past week.

W. E. Staats has been suffering for the past eight weeks with a gathered hand.

There have been a great many very fine hogs killed in and around Sassafras the past ten days.

Falling twenty-nine feet from a scaffold at Townsend, Henry Ferris, a painter, escaped serious idjury.

Because of the robbery of the Townsend postoffice two night watchmen to patrol the town have been secured.

In all our Catholic Churches here the first Sunday of advent was impressively abserved and the music was sublime.

Mrs. Belle Caulk and mother attended the family reunion at the home of her sister, Mrs Jennie Sheppard, at Middletown on Thanksgiving Day.

Mrs. Frank Sylvester and two children returned home on Saturday after a week's visit with her parents near Kennedyville, accompanied by her mother, who will spend a week here.

We are pleased to state there is some improvement in Walter Register, who is lying critically ill with typhoid fever at the home of his sister, Mrs. Samuel Wheelbank, of near Sassafras.

Mr. and Mrs. Strouer, of "Cord Over," near Easton, remainded all night with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Griffith on Friday. They were en route for Lancaster, Pa., on their annual trip.

WHY NOT

get the Best Field Fence when you buy?
We are now selling the

Pittsburgh Perfect Fence

which we claim to be the very best on the market. Having bought several Carloads, we can sell at a very low price.

The Perfect Fence is welded together by electricity, and we guarantee it to be true to name.

No more wrapping of wires to break the galvanizing.
No more slipping of the stay wires.
Made from two to four feet high.

The "Pittsburgh Perfect" is on the market to stay, and will prove to be the best "stayer" on the market.

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CRANE, HYNSON & VALLIANT, - CHESTERTOWN, MD.

Come to—— ——Come to
MARION T. MILLER'S

Grand Xmas Opening

Wednesday, Dec. 10th, at 2 p. m.

EVERY customer spending ONE ($1.00) DOLLAR or more gets a Souvenir. Everybody Come! Come and bring the little ones and let them see what they want Old Kris to bring them. One of the grandest lines of Xmas Goods ever offered in Rock Hall will be displayed in our room upstairs NEXT WEDNESDAY and I want everyone within ten miles of us to come and see it. Come at night if you are busy in the day. Hoping to see you and ever glad and ready to serve you, I remain yours very truly,

MARION T. MILLER,
Rock Hall, Maryland. Rock Hall, Maryland.

CHARLES S. SMITH.

Our Christmas Display

We have outdone ourselves again. It is more beautiful than ever.

—OUR STOCK CONSISTS OF—

Wagons in Wood, Iron and Steel,
Toys, from the Jump-Jack to a Christmas Home and Garden.
Horns, Bells, Drums, Flutes and Fifes,
Toy Watches, Devil in the Box, Etc.
Banks, Air Rifles and a
THOUSAND OTHER ARTICLES.

Come and see and buy early—its first choice. No rush and costs just the same. Please be so kind as not to ask us to lay aside for you some article—unless you pay for it.

Raisins, Currants and Citron,
Lemon and Orange Peel.
English Walnuts and Almonds,
(Soft and Paper Shell),
Butter Nuts, Pecans and Filberts.

Come and see and buy early—first price, last price, and you get first choice. It may be raining, snowing and bad weather later on, and you cannot get to this palace of sweets.

Heintz and Home-Made Mince Meat.
(Cider for same, but not by Drinks).

HEINTZ MINCE MEAT IN CANS, per can 25c
GELATINE, Cox & Nelson's. Nelson's ..... 2 for 25c
Walter Baker's CHOCOLATE, Baker's Chocolate, cake 18c
BUCKWHEAT (a Christmas Gift) 25 lb. sacks 88c
SMITH'S FAMILY FLOUR, per bbl $4.00
(Take my advice and buy at once).
Spring Wheat GOLD MEDAL FLOUR, bbl $5.00

Come and see us at once—we'll save you money and you will see the largest selection of Toys and Sweets in Kent and Queen Anne's county. Prices are as low as can be.

For December Special:

A 10 lb. Box EARLY BIRD TOBACCO $4.00
A 10 lb. Box SCHNAPPS TOBACCO $4.00
Either one of these are double bargains.
A Box 50c. CASH MERCHANT CIGARS 99c
Worth twice the price.
Bear in mind at our store you get
30c. worth of ANY TOBACCO you want for 25c

We started this plan about two months ago, and to-day tobacco men buy Tobacco in 25c. lots. Come and try our way of doing business and you will be a maker.

Gold Medal Bakery.
THAT'S OURS

We are sole proprietors and use only Gold Medal Flour in our Bakery, and bake the best bake that a baker can bake at a first-class bakery. Try our goods.

CHAS. S. SMITH,
Chestertown's Only Cash Merchant.
N. B.—No coupons redeemed from Dec. 15 to Jan. 10. We won't have time.

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