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'03 CHRISTMAS '03

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If you are in need of serviceable presents, we have them; start with China, Glassware, Lamps, Bric-a-Brac.

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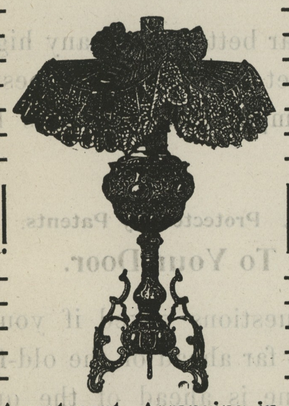

Best Assortment, Arranging in Price

From 25c to $6.50

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Complete Line of Chinaware.

We cary more China and Glassware than any other store in the county.

Tea Sets, 56-pieces, fine china, for only $4.98.
Dinner Sets. 100 pieces, finest china $10.50.
Dinner Sets, 110 pieces, finest china, $12.50 to $15.00.
Chamber Sets, 9, 10-piece 2.25 to 7.50

Jardineres—Large Assortment

Handkerchiefs.

Handkerchiefs by the dozens. Fine Linen with initial, Fine Silk with initial. Cheap Handkerchiefs 2½c up.

Fine Line of Napkins.

Fringed and plain, ranging in price from 50c per dozen to $3.00 per dozen.

For the Table.

Mercerized Table Damask, fine quality, choice designs. 50c to 75c per yard, 72 inches, all pure linen.

Bleached Table Linens, 80c to $1.00 per yard.

Tidy Things For the Bedroom.

Bureau Scarfs, Shams, Pillow Cases, Etc. Marselles Spreads, $2.50 to 3.50.

Blankets, white and colored, from 50c to 7.50 per pair.

Comfortables, 65c to 5.50.

Floor Coverings.

Fine line all-wool Ingrain Carpet, Cotton Chain Ingrain Carpet, Rag and Jute Carpet Wool Step Carpet.

Fine line of Oil Cloths, Linoleum, 4-4 to 8-4.

Matting—especially for the holiday trade, price start at 10c to 37½c per yard,

Fine Line of Dress Goods.

A large and varied assortment of Zibelines, Ibalenes, Cheviots, Serges, Mohairs, Cassimer, and Heavy Suitings—A beautiful line of Mercerized Madras, Handsome Waistings, both in Madras and Fancy Stripe Cassimere.

Trunks, Etc.

Trunks, Telescopes, Satchels, Dress Suit Cases both in leather and imitation. Trunks, 1.00 up. All prices.

Finest Line Horse Blankets and Robes

in town. Galloway Cow Robes, Goat Robes, Rubber Blankets, Imitation Buffalo Robes with rubber inner lining.

Hosiery, Gloves, Underwear,

Remember, we still give the Brown Trading Stamps.

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CONDENSED PARAGRAPHS.

Kernels of News Gathered Here and There With the Hull Removed.

G. for a C.—In the letter of Dr. D. W. G. Weedon published in the NEWS last week the types made one of the accused men Garey when it should have been Carey. Mr. Garey is a member of the Senior class and has a clear record, while Mr. Carey is a new student.

A New Industry.—Mr. Vernon Barnett will commence in a few days the manufacture of building blocks. The machine for the making of these blocks came this week from the West and is being put in readiness for operating. The blocks will be used for store and house fronts, foundations, etc. They make a most attractive and substantial appearance when put up. We wish our young friend success in his new venture.

Interesting Lectures.—An interesting series of lectures will be given during the winter in the chapel of Washington College. The first of the series was given Friday evening. The lecture was delivered by Dr. Peebles, of the Woman's College, who took as his subject, "A journey down the Rhine." The subject of the succeeding lectures will be "Venice" and "Rome, the City of Seven Hills." One of these lectures will be delivered by Miss Jeffers, of the faculty of Bryn Mawr College. These lectures will form a part of the course in German at the college, and the lecturers were secured through the influence of Miss Burchinal, who is the teacher in German, who made extensive travels in Europe during last summer. This is a move in the right direction. A new hall is badly needed at the college for these occasions and it is hoped that next year the need will be met.

CHRISTMAS IN PUBLIC SCHOOL.

The Chestertown Public School rendered the following program in Assembly Hall Wednesday afternoon:

"Christmas Time Has Come Again,"...School.
Recitation, "Two Little Stockings,"..... .....Hallie Cooper.
Recitation, "If you're good." Lillian Benny
Song, "Welcome to Santa Claus," First Grade
"The Old Clock,".....Members of 4th Grade.
Recitation, "Christmas at North Pole,"..... .....Brice Fountain
Christmas Stockings, 12 members of 2nd Grade.
Carol. "The Glorious Song of Old," School.
Dialogue, "The Lost Opportunity." 7th, 8th and 9th, Grades.
Recitation, "Sly Santa Claus,"..... ....Marguerite Skipper.
"Drill".. ....By 3rd, Grade
Recitation, "Betsy and I are out." O. Saunders
"An Important Note,"..... Thomas Wise.
Song, "Christmas Stories,". ...By 2nd, Grade.
Play, "No Cure, no Pay." 6th and 7th Grades.
"Address to Santa Claus," Rebecca Aldridge.
Dialogue, "The Bashful." 7th, 8th, 9th, Grades
Recitation, "Christmas Day in Sweeden." .....M. Howard.
Motion Song, "Christmas Eve," By part of 1st. Grade.
"The Toy's Rebellion," Dialogue and Songs, By 3rd Grade.
Recitation, "A Jolly Good Fellow,"..... .....Russell Wheatley.
Play, "The Day Before Christmas," By 5th and 1-6 Grades.
Carol, "Bethlehem's Star of Promise," 6th, 7th, 8th, and 9th Grades.

Why Eggs Are Higher.—"Why are eggs so high?" was answered by a Hagerstown dealer as follows: "The consumption of eggs has increased enormously. Hotels are using more eggs. Hotels are more numerous, and every year there is more traveling. Nearly every traveling man eats eggs Every year sees more persons doing 'light house keeping.' These usually do no elaborate cooking, but generally get a quick meal with eggs. The bakeries are using more eggs.

The business in cold-storage eggs is enormous. In the cities the frozen contents of eggs can be purchased in any quantity. Frozen eggs are largely used by bakers. Another reason given for the high price of eggs is that the demand for early spring chickens is so great that the early spring chickens are all sold, leaving no hens for laying purposes and thus reducing the output. The advance in eggs has also been in line with the general advance in nearly everything that is used on the table.

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BETTERTON NOTES.

The Bayshore Town Alive With Workman's Hammer and Building Operations, Ice, Etc.

Betterton is in the midst of a building boom and every mechanic in the neighborhood is busy.

Mrs. Wm. L. Turner is building a new home and enlarging her store.

Joseph Hobson has nearly finished a cozy home.

Walter and Clarence Crew have each commenced new homes to which they will take their brides.

Thirty additional rooms are being added to the Chesapeake House so that the hotel will be in readiness for the big crowds next year.

Among the recent property transfers here is that of A. P. Emerson who has bought of Horace Brice a lot on which he is erecting a home.

Wm. B. Price has bought of Capt. J. T. Heather his property at this place, the consideration having been $3,000, while Frank Clark has bought two vacant lots from Mr. Kiker adjoining D. E. Jewell. Mr. Clark expects to build a roomy house on these lots.

Hemmed in by ice and threatened with destruction the two-masted schooner G. F. Golden, of Baltimore, Capt. M. T. Harmon, was rescued from its perilous position by the steamer Susquehanna, of the Tolchester Line. The vessel had been towed to the Tolchester Company's wharf at Betterton the day before with a load of lumber. This was taken off during the night, but in the morning the schooner was surrounded by ice, and the heavy cakes floating down the river threatened to batter the boat to pieces if a tow could not be secured. No tug was obtainable, and the sailing vessel was found by the Susquehanna in a sorry plight.

Capt. John Kirwan, of the Susquehanna, was asked to help the schooner, but at first refused, for fear of placing his own vessel in what appeared to be a very dangerous position. He left Betterton to return to the city, having had to use the Ericsson wharf because of the ice around the Golden. He went some distance on the homeward trip, and finding that the ice was not as thick as it first appeared, returned to Betterton and towed the schooner into a position of safety. This caused a delay of two hours in the arrival of the Susquehanna in Baltimore.

MAY THE YEAR NINETEEN HUNDRED AND FOUR BE THE BEST IN YOUR LIFE, READER.

STILL POND ITEMS.

Mr. George Harper, Jr. of New York, has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Medders.

Mr. George Howard, of Philadelphia, is visiting his mother, Mrs. J. Howard.

Mr. Grover Severson is spending his Xmas holiday at the home of his father, Mr. James Severson.

Owing to the death of Mr. Joseph W. Harper there were no services at the church.

Miss Lucille Parr, who has been visiting friends in Baltimore the past months, has returned home.

Mr. W. M. Meeks and family have moved from the Bradly house into the Porter house.

Miss Mae Pennington, of Washington College, is at home spending her Xmas holiday.

Mr. Leamont Hackett is home from his school in Baltimore spending his Xmas holidays,

Dr. W. L. S. Murray of Wilmington Del., will deliver his Celebrated Lecture on "Popular Superstitions" in Still Pond hall Tuesday evening, Dec. 29th 1903. Admission 25c.

Miss Elsie Ricards is visiting Mrs. R. Bennett at Kennedyville.

Our village was shocked Saturday morning to hear of the death of our beloved Sunday School Superintendent, Mr. Joseph W. Harper, who died at his home Saturday morning. His family has the sympathy of every one.

DEATH'S DOINGS.

George Nabb, a well-known resident of Golt's, died Thursday of last week aged 78, after a long illness. He was buried Saturday at Cecilton, Rev. C. K. Morris officiating. He leaves a widow and six children, all grown.

Roland Bennett, Jr., died Friday at the home of his parents in Broad Neck, aged about 22, after a long illness of consumption. The funeral was held Sunday, interment at Kesley Chapel, Undertaker Ferguson officiating. The burial service was read by Mr. Samuel J. Vickers. The bearers were Messrs. Grover and Tylden Hadaway, Chas. Vickers, Marshall Pinkind, Lemont Thompson, and Mr. Brown.

COLORED SCHOOLS throughout Anne Arundel county closed last week and will not open again during the scholastic year unless some plan of relief is devised during the coming session of the Legislature. The schools opened early in September, and consequently the school term for colored children has lasted only a little over two months. This state of affairs is the result of a recent decision of the Court of Appeals brought about by a change in the manner of the distribution of the State public school fund. This change decreased the amount put at the disposal of counties having a large population. The term of the white schools will also be considerably curtailed.

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The End

Of the year finds us with the greatest business of our history. The end of the season finds us with a stock that must now be cleaned up. Special values all over the store in Suits, Overcoats, Reefers, odd Trousers for men and boys. Furnishings, Hats and Shoes for men and boys. We have a big stock of Full Dress and Dress-up Clothes, Full Dress Coats and Vests, $13, $15 and $20. Trousers, $5 and $16. Full Suits, $20, $25 and $30. Mixed Coats, $12 and $15. Coats and Vests $15. Suits $20 and $25. Prince Albert Suits $15 to $30. Coats and Vests $12 to $25. Cutaway Suits $10 to $25. Sack Suits $8 to $20. All in fast color rich Blacks.

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50 Dressed Turkeys; 37 Ducks; 19 Geese 31 Chickens, for which we will pay highest market price.

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To The Citizens of Kent and Queen Anne's Counties.

Joined with some of our prominent and progressive business men, I have undertaken to raise sufficient funds to carry on the manufacture of shirts and conduct an up-to-date Steam Laundry in Chestertown.

It has required persistent effort to raise something over one-half of the amount of money that is required. Those that have subscribed are successful business men and are identified with the best interests in the community.

The industry is one that surely demands a great claim upon our people and we are taking this method to solicit subscriptions to stock and also to state in brief our position on several important matters connected with the project.

The additional revenue of from $500.00 to $400.00 per week in this community, necessarily means increased business and progress. There will be a good moral effect produced by such an industry properly managed.

We are not able in this limited space to advance the figures and facts that tend to show the feasibility of our plan. But it does not require an extraordinarily shrewd business man to arrive at the conclusion that, if Shirt Establishments succeed in Cambridge, Easton, Denton, Laurel, Milton, Lewes and Dover, one can succeed here.

There ought to be as energetic and as thorough business men here as there are in the above named towns. Employment in the manufacture of shirts is clean, the hours are not long, and there are plenty of highly respectable people who will work upon the assurance that the management is determined to conduct the concern upon decent lines. It is our avowed purpose to maintain a high standard of character among all employed.

That a Steam Laundry is needed is a well known fact.

As noted above there is stock still unsubscribed and we offer it for your prompt subscription.

Many towns have by subscription or by individual contribution given sites, and in some cases buildings, in order to bring such an industry into their midst. We are not making a request in this matter, but if to any of our public spirited citizens this seems to be a project worthy of assistance, as it surely is, then it would be gratifying to us and to the people of the town, if a movement in this direction was started.

Subscription list to stock can be seen at any time. Yours respectfully,

J. WATERS RUSSELL.

Christmas Holiday Goods

M. A. Toulson has the largest Christmas display he has ever had. Comprising presents for the youngest to the oldest persons. Children giveu our very careful attention.

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can also be equipped with Robes and Blankets. The American Buffalo Robe for $7.00 Also Plush Robes, Horse Blankets in beautiful styles and paterns. The Burlap Stable Blanket also.

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for the sportsmen, as well as Gunning Coats and Leggings.

Salt, Salt, Salt,

We have it in sacks, both fine and ground alum.

Agateware and Tinware

we have also just added to our stock, we have a complete line. The ladies want to come and see this line, no seconds, but quality.

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Something new, but will take the place of shingles. You want to see this if you have a shed, building or porch that you want to cover

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