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Clothing & Merchant Tailors.

Wants Building,  
Near Depot,  
Main Street,

WESTMINSTER, MD.  
The street recently opened past the Albion Hotel will relieve any objection to the railroad heretofore existing.

We show a Larger and more

Varied stock of Cloths, Cassimeres,

Clothing and Gents' Furnishing

Goods than any other house in the

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Will Astonish You.

Prices as Low as First-Class Goods

Will Warrant.

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& Paints; a large assortment of Boots

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Clothing, Gloves, Hosiery and a full

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79 E. Main Street, Westminster, Md., invite

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**THEIR SPRING OPENING,**

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**STOCK OF DRESS GOODS,**

In Silk and Wool Fabrics, Fine Scotch Zephyrs,

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**IN TRIMMINGS**

We show you all the Latest Novelties of the

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**OUR DRY GOODS STOCK**

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**IN CARPETS, MATTINGS**

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We have a beautiful line at the lowest prices.

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**E. BAUGHMAN, D. D. S.,**

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Successor to Dr. Charles Billingsley.

Office One Door West of Union National

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Will visit the following places:

Union Bridge.—1st Wednesday of each

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New Windsor.—2d Wednesday of each

month.

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**CO-PARTNERSHIP.**

J. H. HILLINGDELL, M. D., JOS. T. BERING, M. D.,

have this day formed a co-partnership in

the practice of medicine, under the name of

Billingsley & Bering. Dr. Billingsley's office

will be at his residence, East End, near Court

street. Dr. Bering's office has been removed

to the office adjoining the residence of the

late Nelson Mitten. Calls may be left by

telephone or otherwise at Reindollar's Drug

Store, West End.

Westminster, Md., May 9, 1888.

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**MONEY WANTED**

On First class Mortgages in Carroll county,

bearing 6 per cent interest, payable semi-

annually.

CHAS. E. FINK, Attorney at Law,

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**WHY IS IT**  
The Farmers' Fertilizer Co.  
OF WESTMINSTER, MD.,  
**IS ALWAYS ON TOP?**

Because only Absolutely Pure Material  
is used, and the Company  
besides guarantees the same  
class of Goods to Stock-  
holders and the Trade  
alike.

The Company carries the Largest and Best  
Assorted Stock of

**BONE AND CHEMICALS**

In the State outside the city of Baltimore.  
Its goods are all in good drilable condition,  
and are

**GUARANTEED TO GIVE SATISFACTION**

The street recently opened past the Albion  
Hotel will relieve any objection to the  
railroad heretofore existing.

As the Company proposes to stand by its  
friends and customers in the future as in the  
past, it asks a call from the agricultural trade  
before purchasing elsewhere, as it means  
business, and will not be undersold.

Special attention paid to the compounding  
of private formulas.

E. M. BISH,  
Superintendent.

**NOW IN**  
**THE ZEBER-BUILDING,**

44 WEST MAIN STREET,  
Westminster, Md.,

And for the next 30 days

**OFFER GREAT BARGAINS**

IN  
**Heavy Leather and Rubber**

**Goods.**

Those wanting Bargains should avail them-  
selves of this opportunity.

A full line of the

**Latest Style Hats and Caps,**

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**THE BEST SHOES**

For men, women and children; also

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**BRIGHT NEW STYLES FOR**  
**SPRING.**

Facts and figures convince all comers that we  
offer the opportunity of the season in

**Dry Goods and Notions, Dress**

**Goods, Fancy Goods,**

**Novelties.**

**The Lowest Prices Yet Named**

**for Equal Values.**

**You Cannot Do Better Any-**

**where.**

We also have the

**LARGEST LINE OF CARPETS**

We ever carried.

**Home Made RAG CARPETS**

At 25c. Big Line of

**China and Japanese Mattings**

At way down prices. Don't forget to

**STEP IN THE SHOE STORE.**

We have everything in that line in quality

and price to suit you.

**J. T. ORDORFF'S Double Store,**

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**E. O. GRIMES & CO.,**

J. O. FITZLEY,

**THE PRINCIPAL DEPOT,**

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Have as complete a stock of

**CHOICE GROCERIES**

as can be found in our city.

**CHOICE TEAS, COFFEES, SYRUPS,**

**NEW ORLEANS MOLASSES, CANNED**

**GOODS OF ALL KINDS, CIGARS, TO-**

**BACCO, &c.**

The best grades of Pat. Process and Family

Flour constantly on hand at bottom figures.

We pay the highest prices for Wheat, Corn,

Rye, Oats, and all kinds of Country Produce.

Agents for Ladin & Hand's Blasting Pow-

der, and Johnson's Dynamite for stump blast-

ing, &c.

**FARMERS**

Can be supplied with the best quality of Cot-

ton and Flaxseed Meal, Heavy Middlings,

Bean, &c., at lowest prices. Call and see

us.

E. O. GRIMES & CO.

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**Select Poetry.**  
**WELCOME HOME!**  
BY WILLIAM BELL.

Little eyes watch for papa to come.  
Little feet run to welcome him home.  
Little hands grasp the firm, clinging hand  
of papa, the happiest

A little mouth lifted for papa to kiss.  
A little head resting on papa's strong frame.  
A little heart burning with love's holy flame.

A comely face seen through the window—so bright  
Its features illumined by love's gentlest light.  
And hearing eyes watching her husband to come.  
The joy of her heart and pride of her home.

Little feet run to get papa his chair.  
Gentle hands smooth his disordered hair.  
A wife and a child, so loving and kind—  
What bliss for the heart, what peace for the mind!

A loving wife, with every care;  
A dear, prattling tongue making music so rare.  
The worry and strife of the world all forgot.  
In the comfort and joy of earth's dearest spot.

The lamps diffusing their clear, mellow light.  
The genial gas, burning cheerily and brightly.  
A child's sweet voice, there's no place in  
home,  
Where loving hearts wait for papa to come.

**Descriptive Articles.**  
**UP THE ORINOCO.**

From the N. Y. Sun.

At 9 o'clock in the morning on the 4th day  
of September, in the year 1888, the

launched Naturalist began her ascent of the  
Orinoco river. It was an exploring expedi-

tion fitted out by Redford, the English natural-  
ist and taxidermist, and he had the full con-

sent of the Venezuelan authorities to navigate  
if possible to the head waters of the

stream. Our party was composed of Redford,  
a Scotch doctor and sportsman named Grant,  
a Scotch doctor and sportsman named Mc-

Donald, two young men named Ward and  
Baker, who were assistants to the naturalist,  
an engineer, a fireman, a cook, a steward,

two deck hands and myself. I was taken to  
miles an hour. What with their fear of the

fears behind them and the fierce crocodiles  
around them, the fleeing inhabitants of the  
forest were in great terror. It did not for a

time occur to us that we were in any danger,  
but suddenly we observed a huge serpent

leading straight for the launch, and some  
shots for all to seek cover. The snake

came right aboard, and was followed in a  
minute or two by a jaguar. Either of the

visitors could have easily passed to the shore  
as we lay against the bank in deep water, but

both seemed determined to remain with us.  
It was not two minutes before the fierce

serpent of the jaguar proved that a conflict  
was imminent, and thirty seconds later ser-  
pent and beast were having it hot and heavy

along the hurricane deck. While the row  
was going on a second jaguar boarded us

over the bows, which were open back the  
pilot house, and looking for a window it

came down to us as if we were bent from the  
river side. It was a full half hour before the

panic subsided, and by that time every crocodile  
must have had a square meal and over.

We had shot ourselves up when the serpent  
came aboard. A fight certainly took place

between the serpent and the first jaguar, and  
the second came aboard the fight took

on a new phase. Whether the two beasts  
were attacking the reptile together, or

whether it was a triangular contest, we could  
not tell, but after the panic along the river

had subsided we carefully opened the cabin  
doors and looked on while the other and the

serpent were gone. An examination of the  
dead beast showed that he had been caught in  
the folds of the snake, and that the latter was

a box constrictor. The backbone and nearly  
all the ribs were broken.

Three or four days later we had a near and  
close shave with a more singular combat.

We had tied up to the bank for the night,  
and were eating supper, when a wild bull

came down to the water by a path only 200  
feet above us. He was either very thirsty or

very reckless, for he gave us no attention.  
Within ten feet of where he lowered his head

to drink we saw the head of the bull, and  
he then came up to the bank, and was

serpent flung itself downward and outward  
from a large limb and seized the bull. There

was a great fuss instantly. The snake had a  
tail hold on the limb, but the bull was stout

and strong and could not be pulled off his  
feet, and then large trees and the bank

came into play, and from the way he used  
hoof and horn we saw that the serpent had

undertaken a big job. Mud and leaves and  
grass were flying in showers, almost hiding

the bull from our view, when a monster  
crocodile came out of a bed of rocks a few

feet above us, and rushing along down the  
bank seized the bull by a fore leg. The de-

fectant roars of the victim were now changed to  
bellowings of terror and dismay. While the

Next morning while the professor and his  
assistants lashed to scour the woods about  
all my attention. I had an English muzzle  
loading rifle of large calibre, and I shot five  
of the reptiles in the creek behind the boat.

A bullet behind the fore leg or in the eye  
reached their life at once. While the report  
of the rifle alarmed the birds and below,  
the most the crocodiles paid little attention  
to it. Just above was a long, sandy beach,  
and by 8 o'clock in the morning this beach

was a sight to see. We had a full mile of it  
under our eyes, and the number of crocodiles  
which had crawled up on the sands could not  
have been more than 200. They were all sizes,  
from the little chap no longer than your arm

to the old settler, alongside of which a twenty  
foot pole could have been laid. I walked up  
to the thick of them and began blazing away.  
Those reptiles within a space of forty feet

hurried into the water at the report, but it  
was only to land again above and below, and  
I was fully ten minutes before the game had  
come to shy that I temporarily abandoned the

sport. The morning's result was 110 crocodiles,  
all of which were veterans of the largest  
size. During the two days we remained  
in this spot I killed 207 of the reptiles, and

forty more were slain by other members of  
the party.

Four or five days later, while twenty-five  
miles further up the river, we saw a curious  
and astounding sight. We were tied up to

the left bank, and had just finished dinner,  
when a fire was discovered in the forest on  
the opposite shore. The flames, which had

been burning for some time, but hardly  
had we observed the great smoke before sev-

eral wild animals began making the crossing.  
We could see up and down the Orinoco for a  
distance of two miles either way, and in ten

minutes after we saw the fire water for all  
his cattle, deer and jaguars, monkeys, ser-

pent, peccaries and jaguars came swimming  
to our side for life. The crocodiles for a  
long distance up and down the stream got

the call to come to a rare feast, and I believe  
that a full 1,000 of them were in sight from  
the launch. The stream here was over half

a mile wide, with a current of about three  
miles an hour. What with their fear of the

fears behind them and the fierce crocodiles  
around them, the fleeing inhabitants of the

forest were in great terror. It did not for a  
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