

A SUCCESSFUL CAREER.

GEORGE H. CHAPMAN IS NOW LOCATED IN HIS FINE NEW DOUBLE STORE AT ST. JOHNS, MICH.

ROSE FROM A YOUNG CHESANING BOY TO A BUSINESS MAN OF PROMINENCE AND IMPORTANCE.

It is with pleasure the ARGUS this week presents the portrait and store building of a former Chesaning boy, who has made a brilliant career as merchant in the city of St. Johns—our esteemed young friend, Geo. H. Chapman, son of W. H. Chapman now of Ann Arbor.



GEORGE H. CHAPMAN.

Mr. Chapman has just recently moved into the new double department store shown below, which has been undergoing extensive remodeling for his purpose, and which he has rented for five years, with privilege of five more.

The floor room is 4½ by 110 feet with

two large archways, eighteen and twenty-one feet, respectively, connecting the stores. The north side contains dress goods, underwear and domestics and the south side carpets, millinery and dressmaking. The two large plate glass windows are each 14 by 8½ feet and the designing of the displays will be in charge of Mr. Chapman, himself, who is an expert in this line, and by it first started on his career in the well known store of D. M. Christian, Owosso.

The office is at rear of store and an improved cash system has recently been installed.

The cloak room is 24 by 44 feet with dressmaking parlors in connection. In charge of the latter is a leading dressmaker, with two assistants. The store also contains fitting room, toilet and packing rooms.

The color scheme of the decorations are red and green and the store will be lighted with 282 incandescent lights and seven arc lights and heated by hot air furnace. An electric fountain, with two fountains and 23 incandescent lights of seven different colors, is situated in the archway at the rear of store and must be very beautiful. In the waters of the fountain more than 30 gold fish are placed and adds to its beauty and attraction. The various department

are in charge of a dozen or more competent men and women and everything points to a most successful future.

The ARGUS is pleased to extend congratulations to this former Chesaning boy and we feel that hosts of his Chesaning friends join us in the courtesy. We are always glad to hear of the success of Chesaning young people wherever they are, and in looking over the list think we can say with just pride that no place of this size has turned out more successful men and women than Chesaning.

In addition to a description of the store, the Clinton Republican contains the following concerning Mr. Chapman:

"Mr. Chapman has shown great enterprise in providing a very handsome store and is entitled to much credit. He came here from Owosso a few years ago and has met with substantial success. He owns a desirable lot on the corner of State street east and Oakland street and will no doubt in time erect a home thereon. He is a man of the best of habits and character, deserving the success he has achieved."



New Double Store of George H. Chapman, St. Johns, Mich.