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LOCAL ITEMS.

Mr. Peter B. Mikesell is quite ill at his residence on Pennsylvania Avenue.

Mr. James A. Mitchell, of this city, has been granted two patents for hedge fence

A heavy rain, accompanied by thunder and lightning, fell in this city on Thursday.

Dr. Marshall, for many years a resident of Silver Run, has moved to this city.

The high winds the first of the week dried up much of the mud, and the roads are in fair condition for travel.

Farmers are busy plowing, and some few sowed their oats the first of this week.

Isaac Sullivan, of Pleasant Valley, father of John W. Sullivan who served in Co. C, 6th Maryland regiment, has been granted a pension.

Mr. Wm. H. Vanderford, of the *Advocate*, this city, has been elected corresponding secretary of the Maryland Editors' Association.

Miss Longwell gave a "Kaffee Klatsch" on Thursday afternoon. Refreshments were served by Misses Ada O'Donnell, of Baltimore, and Eva Blanchard, of this city.

During the month of March, 55 deeds 41 mortgages and 12 bills of sale were received at the clerk's office to be recorded. In the same period 24 marriage licenses were issued.

The sixtieth session of the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant church began in Baltimore on Wednesday. Rev. Wm. S. Hammond was re-elected president.

Messrs. Hull Bros. have taken the store formerly kept by Mr. B. G. Blanchard, at the West end of town, and offer a full line of groceries, etc. See advertisement in to-day's paper.

Twenty-nine chickens, the property of Mr. M. L. Main, of Carroll street, this city, yielded during the month of March 630 eggs—52½ dozens. Let some of our big poultry-raisers now speak.

An application has been received at the Postoffice Department for the establishment of a postoffice at Gaithers, this county. Representative Shaw recommends the appointment of John E. Gaither as postmaster.

Daniel Zimmerman, residing near Liberty, Frederick county, delivered at the elevator of John R. Stoner, Union Bridge, on Wednesday a load of 35 barrels and 250 pounds of ear corn. This is the largest load yet hauled there.

Mr. A. Routzahn, of Gamber, has moved to this city and taken charge of the Eastern Hotel, which has been repaired and refurnished. Mr. Routzahn is well known as a hotel man and we bespeak for him a liberal share of public patronage.

At the annual election for mayor and common council held at Union Bridge on Monday afternoon the following ticket was elected: Mayor, David Rinehart; common council, Wilson R. Straw, Benjamin F. Phillips, Wm. H. Martin, Philip D. Myers, Joseph Wilson.

The Governor has signed the following bills relating to this county: To incorporate the town of Hampstead; to create a new election district; to repay John T. Lynch, late sheriff, a sum of money erroneously paid; to authorize the county commissioners to subscribe $15,000 to the Manchester Railroad; also the bill relating to the collection of State and county taxes.

Mr. Samuel Whitmore, a resident of John street, this city, died on Wednesday, after an illness of about four days, in his sixty-fifth year. Mr. Whitmore moved here from Double Pipe Creek a few years ago and was engaged at his trade, coopering, at the steam mill of Messrs. W. S. Myer & Bro. His remains were taken to Double Pipe Creek for interment on Thursday. He was a member of the Lutheran church. He leaves a widow, and family of grown children.

On Monday night W. L. Seabrook, Esq., delivered a very entertaining and interesting lecture at Odd Fellows' Hall, on the subject "The Battle of Gettysburg." The lecturer had a map prepared of the battle-field and surroundings and showed his audience the various positions of the contending forces. The attendance was not very large but those who were present were very much pleased and complimented Mr. Seabrook. The band rendered choice music before and after the lecture.

Double Pipe Creek Items.

There seems to have been a change in the weather.

We can see our town people working in their gardens.

Farmers have commenced their spring work. W. T. Coyer sowed a field of oats on Tuesday.

Elder T. J. Kolb preached in the German Baptist church Sunday evening.

Elder D. R. Sayler, who has been confined to his house the last week, is out again.

Thursday Mrs. L. Kemp, wife of Dr. Kemp, moved from here to Uniontown, where she and the doctor will make their future home. We wish the doctor and his wife, in their new home, much happiness.

Mr. John Kurffman was brought home Tuesday evening from Baltimore with his ankle badly crushed.

Mr. Samuel Haines moved his family from here to Westminster. E. Z.

County Commissioners.

The County Commissioners were in session Monday and Tuesday. A number of transfers and abatements were ordered. The board ordered railing to be put on the two bridges near Lineboro'. Solomon Boose was appointed a constable for Myers' district for two years. Elias Lovall and Elizabeth Lightenberger were granted special pensions of $5.00. Pensions of $10.00 were granted to Edward McGehan, David Powell and Elizabeth Powell.

Painful Accident.

On Monday morning last Mr. Wm. A. Shriver, of near Avondale, met with quite a painful accident at his mill, whilst operating a corn crusher. Mr. Shriver's right hand was caught by the cog wheels of the machine, which tore and lacerated it in a very ugly manner, mashing his second third and fourth fingers. Upon the arrival of Drs. Billingslea and Hering it was found necessary to amputate the second finger. We are glad to say Mr. Shriver is getting along very well thus far, and escaped with the loss of one finger only.

Shipley–Lambert.

Dr. D. F. Shipley, a popular physician of this city, was married to Miss Laura G. Lambert at the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. Cordelia Lambert, on Pennsylvania Avenue, Thursday evening at 8 o'clock, by Rev. Chas. A. Reid, assisted by Rev. George W. Cooper, of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The bride wore a brown serge, with gloves to match. The groom wore black. The room was decorated with growing plants. The wedding march was played by Miss Ida Morningstar. A reception followed.

Easter Sunday.

Bright skies, warm sunshine, tempered by the moist breath of spring, were fitting characteristics of Easter Day, which marked Sunday the farewell to the gloom of Lenten tide and to the eccentricities of March. Private conservatories had been thoroughly pillaged of their contents to render due homage to the great feast of the church. In the churches palms and potted foliage plants formed within the chancels a lovely background for a liberal display of beautiful flowers. The decorations were unusually elaborate, and showed the good taste of the ladies, who had spent the best part of Saturday arranging them.

Stonersville Items.

Farmers are busy plowing and getting ready their corn and oats ground. Some few have sowed their oats. Wheat and grass look very well.

Messrs. Bish & Shaeffer will shortly move their steam saw mill to North Pleasant Valley, where they will saw the timber for two large barns to be erected in that vicinity the coming summer.

On Friday of last week the Lutheran congregation at Krider's church elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Elder, Amos Shaeffer; Deacon, Calvin Starner; Trustees, Wm. Morelock, Jeremiah Shaeffer and Valentine Wentz. The same day the Reformed congregation elected the following officers: Elder, John Utz; Deacon, Joseph Bankert; Trustees, Josiah Crowl and Wm. A. Lucabaugh.

Republican Club.

An enthusiastic meeting of representative Republicans of this district met at the parlors of the City Hotel on Tuesday night and organized "The Young Men's Republican Club of Westminster." Mr. D. L. Farrar was chosen temporary chairman, and Mr. Joseph H. Krichton temporary secretary, and Geo. E. Lippy sergeant-at-arms. The following gentlemen were appointed to draft a constitution and by-laws: Jos. D. Brooks, Wm. L. Seabrook, J. E. Nicholson, J. Edwin Weaver and Isaac E. Pearson. It was determined to rent Bowers' Hall as the club room, and the next meeting will be held at that place on Tuesday evening next, at 7.30 o'clock, at which time permanent officers and delegates to the State League Convention to be held in Baltimore on Thursday, the 12th inst., will be elected. A full attendance of the Republicans of the district is urged. A number of clubs have been started in other districts of the county.

Shiloh Items.

Since our last writing there has been a great change in the weather, and the roads have dried up remarkably.

There has been considerable moving and exchanging of situations the past week or two, but so far as known all have become settled for the ensuing year.

The farmers have been busy plowing and sowing oats and doing other spring work this week.

The present appearance of the growing grain is encouraging. There is a good stand on the ground and it has a healthy appearance.

The measles have prevailed to some extent in this vicinity but we are glad to report that those ill are convalescing.

William Kagle, one of our most estimable citizens, died the 31st ult., in the prime of life and usefulness, leaving a widow and four minor children to mourn their loss. Some time previous he was taken with the measles and afterward with pneumonia, which terminated in his death. KRITZLER.

Quiz Notes.

The answer to the question, "What verse in the Bible contains all the letters in the alphabet except the letter J?" is the 21st verse of the 7th chapter of Ezra. I. A.

The answer to the Stonersville correspondent, inquiring the longest verse in the Bible, is the 9th verse of the 8th chapter of Esther. I. A.

Denning's, March 31, 1888.

[A number of correct answers to the above questions were also received from friends in different parts of the county. —ED.]

QUERIES.

In what chapter of the Bible does every verse end alike? What four verses in the same chapter are alike? I. A.

How many times does the word "and" occur in the Bible? C. E. F.

Where in the Bible, in a letter written by St. Paul, does he say that a drunkard shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Name the chapter and verse. O. M.

How many knives did the children of Israel bring back with them from their captivity? Where can this information be found? J. N. F.

Mr. I. D. W. Stonesifer and family left on Tuesday for their new residence in Manchester, where they will take charge of the Franklin House.

Death of an Esteemed Lady.

This community was greatly shocked on Monday noon by the announcement that Mrs. Mary A., wife of Mr. Edwin J. Lawyer, of No. 144 Pennsylvania avenue, was dead, and many refused at first to believe the rumor. She was only sick five days, her illness not being considered serious, and on the morning of her death was bright and cheerful and seemed to be in an improved condition. Mrs. Lawyer was the only child of the late Martin Grove, of near Littlestown, Pa., and was married some eleven years ago. She was a lady who endeared herself to all by her kind and friendly disposition, and was not long in drawing around her in this community a circle of friends and acquaintances who mourn her early death. She was a member of Grace Lutheran church and was actively connected with its welfare and interests. All that loving hands and medical skill could do was done for her, but without avail. Her death was caused by a rush of blood to the brain. She leaves an aged mother, a devoted husband, and two sons, aged 3 and 10 years. Her funeral took place on Wednesday afternoon at Grace Lutheran church, and was attended by a very large concourse of relatives and friends. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. P. H. Miller, pastor, assisted by Rev. J. U. Asper, after which her remains were taken to Krider's Cemetery and interred. The floral offerings were large and beautiful. She was aged 33 years, 11 months and 11 days. The following gentlemen acted as pall-bearers: Upton L. Reaver, Geo. R. Gehr, Milton Schaeffer, Chas. V. Wantz, Geo. E. Sharrer and B. F. Crouse.

Leap-Year Parties.

One of the most delightful surprise leap-year parties of the season was that tendered Mr. Clarence Wickert and sister, Miss Mollie, on Monday night last. The company comprised about twenty ladies and gentlemen, who voted the occasion one not long to be forgotten. Mr. Wickert and sister, after the momentary surprise, entertained with pleasing grace. Dancing, games, and vocal and instrumental music made up the enjoyment of the evening. Refreshments were served at 11.30. During the dancing Mr. James Cassell presided at the piano. Those present were:—Misses Bertie Buckingham, Bertie Keene, Lillian Erb, Florence Malehorn, Maggie Miller, Maggie Stem, Hilda Stem, Pauline Trumbo, Annie Shriver, Mollie Shriver, Georgie Franklin, and Messrs. George Matthews, James Cassell, William Everhart, John Everhart, John Miller, Frank Miller, E. Gehr Smith.

A leap-year party was given at Mr. Fred Walkling's, near this city, April 2d. Among the ladies present were: Misses Allice Fowler, Emma Fowler, Joe Fowler, Jennie Fowler, Lena Zehner, of Catonsville, Baltimore county, Carrie Beaver, Annie Bitzel, Mary Bitzel, Mary Hook, Kate Bitzel, Louisa Bitzel, Caroline Niner, Kate Himler, Dora Walkling, Mary Walkling, Mary Shockney, of New York city, Lizzie Hoffman, Mrs. James Hook, Mrs. Anthony Arnold, Mrs. Brightwell. The gentlemen present were Messrs. William Fowler, William Beaver, Theodore Beaver, Elmer Beaver, Charle Shipley, of Baltimore, William Weber, of Catonsville Baltimore county, Philip Bitzel, Christian Niner, Peter Bitzel, Charles Niner, George Hoffman, John Hoffman, Dode F. Taylor, Mr. Brightwell, John Walkling, Henry F. Walkling, John Mengel, George Mengel, Howard Yingel, David Woolery, and William Parke.

Bloom Items.

Mr. R. W. McQuay is now engaged in hauling eggs and fish.

Mrs. Lucinda McQuay is still ill with dropsy.

The farmers in this section have been engaged in plowing, as well as planting potatoes, peas and other vegetables for early use.

Two quiet weddings have taken place in our community lately: On Wednesday, the 28th of March, Mr. Wm. Bloom, of near Mechanicsville, and Miss Catharine Frizzell, of near here; on Sunday, April 1st, Mr. Leonard Frizzell and Miss Alice Carr, both of near here. Both parties were serenaded by quite a company of our jolly boys, and the beer that was provided was soon disposed of and the crowd dispersed. The brides and grooms were handsomely dressed and looked their best. The wish of your correspondent is that they may enjoy long and prosperous lives.

Mr. Luke Webster, formerly a resident of this place but now acting as overseer of the farm of Mr. Samuel Duvall, at Sykesville, paid a short visit to this place last week for the purpose of renting his house and lot which he owns near here.

Mr. David N. McQuay is at work with his stump puller. Mr. McQuay also uses dynamite for blowing out big stumps and rocks. He has been engaged in the business for nearly twenty years and understands it perfectly. [illegible]

Harney Items.

The lecture here last Sunday evening, by Rev. J. M. Lesher, a returned missionary from Africa, was largely attended and greatly appreciated. He was sent to Africa by the U. B. Church and after two years of labor his health failed and he was compelled to return to America. The mission was organized about thirty years ago and for a long time but little progress was made. Now the mission numbers four thousand native members.

The Sabbath School here was reorganized last Sunday with the following officers: G. P. Eyler, superintendent; R. S. Hill, assistant; Mrs. Lizzie Hill and Mrs. S. Lightner, female superintendents; T. J. Hess, secretary and treasurer; J. W Shriner, librarian.

Irving M. Bush returned last Saturday from Chicago, where he had been a student at the Veterinary College the past two years. He is now prepared to enter upon his profession as one who understands his business.

The roads were in a terrible condition for moving last week, but the sun, which has been shining since last Thursday, and the wind have caused the mud to disappear. Farmers have commenced plowing, gardeners are at work, and everything has the appearance of Spring.

The health of the community is good.

Spring birds are commencing to warble their joyous songs. A. L. BERT.

The Benevolent Aid Society of St. Paul's Reformed church met on Wednesday evening last at the residence of Mrs. John H. Bowers. The meeting was well attended, and the evening was spent in literary and musical exercises and in social conversation.

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Gamber Items.

The Republican club will meet at Gamber's store next Saturday night, April 7 at 7.30 o'clock, for the transaction of business.

Since my last we had for several days very changeable weather. More recently however, we have been cheered by the bright sunshine which has dried off the roads very much and will soon fit them for travel. The farmers have commenced plowing for spring crops, cleaning up gardens, repairing fences, &c. The wheat in this locality looks well.

On Sunday, April 1st, Mount Pleasant Methodist Episcopal church Sunday school elected their officers for the ensuing year as follows: Superintendent, E. Everett Harden; assistant, G. B. Knox; secretary, Grant Harden; assistant, Kyson Knox; librarian, Calvin Jorden; assistant, Clarence Knox; treasurer, Wm. Griffee; organist, Alverda Lamotte; assistant, Samuel Monroe.

Our friend, Mr. A. N. Zents, has bought the huckster route from Kinsey R. Taylor. The route lies in and about Warfieldsburg and near Westminster.

On last Saturday our young friend, Mr. Byron Williams, paid us a flying visit before starting for the Sunny South. We are informed that he contemplates locating in the northern part of Alabama. Mr. Williams is a fine young man, of excellent character and good education, and we are confident will make his mark in the south should his health permit. Your correspondent has known him from a child. We wish him success in his new home and undertaking.

The exhibition given by the school at Pool's Chapel on Easter Monday night was a decided success and well patronized. Everything passed off very pleasantly. The parts were all admirably performed. After the exercises, the teacher, W. S. Gamber, had prepared a treat—consisting of candies and nuts—for each scholar. The following day the scholars, through the head scholar of the school, tendered a vote of thanks and memorial to their teacher, and asked that the same be published.

For the SENTINEL.

Death of An Aged Gentleman.

Samuel Winter, a highly-respected and perhaps the oldest citizen in the vicinity of Uniontown, died at his home, about two miles south of the above-named place, Sunday morning, March 25th. Mr. Winter had been afflicted for a number of years, but the immediate cause of his death was general debility. At the time of his death he resided on the same farm upon which he was born and raised, although not at the same place; he having some years ago divided his property, whereupon he constructed a house and all necessary out-buildings at the east end of the original home-place, and on removing to his new home his son William took possession of the place vacated by the father, which is now owned and occupied by Alfred Warner and is known as the "Winter Homestead." He was a gentleman of fine moral qualities from boyhood until death, and having connected himself with the Lutheran church at the age of 19, was an earnest christian and a zealous peruser of the Scriptures. He was one of the first pioneers of Carroll county, and having been born in the year 1800, celebrated his 88th anniversary February 15th, last. In former years he was a Whig, but upon the organization of the Republican party joined its ranks. He was a subscriber of the SENTINEL and enjoyed reading its newsy columns. He was a man of marked memory, and nothing afforded him more pleasure than when he could recall or narrate an incident of his youth or boyhood. Mr. Winter leaves two sisters, four sons, one daughter, and a widow with whom he had lived 59 years. He had 22 grand-children and 11 great-grand-children, several of whom are dead, together with three of his own children. His funeral took place from his late residence Wednesday morning, March 28th, when appropriate services were held at Winter's Church. The Rev. Mr. Delp, of Uniontown, officiated, and delivered an effectual sermon from the following text: "Therefore be ye also ready inasmuch as ye know not at what hour the son of man cometh," which was the selection of the deceased. After services the remains of the good old man were laid to rest in the cemetery adjoining the church.

At a meeting of the Westminster charge of the Reformed church on Monday, Ephraim Bankert was elected delegate and Josiah Crowl alternate to represent the charge at the meeting of the Maryland classis to be held at Union Bridge, this county, May 25th next.

The widening of Carroll street has been commenced by the city authorities.

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aster Services at the Churches.

ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH.

At St. John's Catholic Church, First ass was celebrated at 7 A. M., High ass at 10 A. M., and Vespers at 4 P. M. he main altar was ablaze of lights and owers, and the side altars were also ndsomely decorated. The music was ery fine under the direction of Mr. harles E. Fink, musical director, and iss Julia Shorb, organist. The soloists ere Mrs. Eugenia Hayden, Mrs Orlando eese, Mrs. Samuel Shipley, and Messrs. aniel Snyder, Edward and John Lynch.

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

At Ascension Protestant Episcopal hurch, Rev. S. B. Pond, rector, the chan- l and altar were handsomely decorated ith growing plants and flowers. The ly communion was celebrated at 7 A. . and 10 A. M., and evening service for e colored people was held at 7.30 P. M. he music was elaborate and included e anthems "See Now the Altar" and Incline Thine Ear." Miss Maggie Mc- Kellip was organist, and Misses Ida ockard, Pauline Trumbo, Messrs J. L. Nicholson, C. H. Vanderford and W. H. Thomas soloists.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

Large congregations participated in he Easter exercises at Centenary Meth- odist Episcopal church. At 10.30 o'clock in the morning an appropriate sermon by the pastor, Rev. G. W. Cooper, was delivered, the text of the discourse being the 3d, 4th and 5th verses of the first chapter of 1st Peter. Choice music was rendered by the choir, among the selections being "Old Easter Anthem." At 7.30 o'clock, P. M., an Easter service by the Sunday school took place. The exercises embraced responsive readings, ddress by Rev. G. W. Cooper, recitation, eadings, singing by school and choir. The music, under the direction of Mr. Frank W. Mitten, was well rendered. iss Jennie Malehorn presided at the organ. The altar was profusely decorated with beautiful flowers and growing plants.

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH.

The Easter services at Grace Lutheran Church were of a very solemn and impressive character. On Good-Friday night preparatory and confirmation services were held. Twenty-two persons were received into the church by the rite of confirmation, certificate, and upon the renewal of faith, after the sermon by the pastor, which was very interesting and instructive. On Sunday morning the holy communion was administered to a very large congregation after a sermon appropriate to the occasion by the pastor. Rev. J. U. Asper assisted at the communion services. At night the communion was again administered to those who were not present in the morning. The floral decorations around the chancel were elaborate and presented a very handsome appearance. The singing by the choir was of a high order and appropriate to the solemn occasion. The thanksgiving offerings for missions and church extension amounted to $95.

METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH.

The Easter services at the Methodist Protestant church were very interesting and well presented. The morning service comprised a very appropriate sermon by the pastor, singing of "Old Easter Anthem" and other timely music by the choir, followed by the communion. The exercises in the evening were conducted by the Sunday school, according to a regularly prepared Easter service styled "Portals of Glory." The program included addresses by Mr. W. L. Seabrook, the superintendent of the school, and Rev. Dr. Ward; responsive readings; recitations by Master Clarence Billingslea, and the little Misses Blanche Senft, Jewell Simpson, Nellie Wantz, Cora Miller and Mable Miller; solos, duets and choruses, and an Easter offering by the school. A recitation by Miss Ada Smith was a special feature of the evening's entertainment. The music throughout the day was of a high order of merit. Miss Annie Shriver presided at the organ. Surrounding the pulpit, and beautifully arranged, was a perfect flower garden, the decorations in this respect far surpassing any previous occasion.

ST. PAUL'S REFORMED CHURCH.

In St. Paul's Reformed church the solemn events of Passion week were observed by services every evening. On Good-Friday evening services preparatory to the holy communion were held. The pastor delivered an address setting forth the blessings which flow to men through the death of Christ. In connection with these services nine persons were received into the full communion of the church—two by baptism and confirmation, six by confirmation and one by certificate. At the close of the services a congregational meeting was held for the election of officers of the consistory. The election resulted in the choice of Ephraim Bankert and John T. Orndorff, elders for two years; John T. Brown and Oscar D. Gilbert, elders for one year; John A. Shower and Frederick D. Miller, deacons for two years; and Wm. A. Shriver and John Royer, deacons for one year.

The joyful events which the Easter festival commemorates were observed by an early service at 6 A. M. The members of the congregation, together with many others, gathered in the sanctuary at this early hour to give expression to the Easter joy that filled their hearts. The chancel of the church presented a beautiful appearance, in harmony with the devotion and gratitude called forth by the resurrection of our Lord. Over the altar in the arc of a circle were the words in green lettering, "Hail, hail our Jesus risen." Flowers covered the cross, and plants and flowers of every description were arranged in an artistic manner on the altar and within the chancel railing. The service was mainly a service of song and special music had been provided for the occasion. At 10.30 A. M. the holy communion took place according to the solemn and impressive ritual of the Reformed church. The service was appropriate to the festival of Easter and brought out the relation of the resurrection of Christ to the holy communion. At 7 P. M. the children's service was held. The service was simple and worshipful without anything of the nature of an exhibition or the exercise of the elocutionary powers of the children. It consisted mainly of Easter hymns, appropriate scriptural lessons, the collection of the Easter offerings of the children, and an address by the pastor to the little children.

Ephraim W. Warner, postmaster at Lineboro', this county, has resigned and recommended Eli F. Warner as his successor.

Taneytown Items.

Nora, a little daughter of Rev. H. Ditzler, while playing on last Friday accidentally swallowed a small tin whistle.

Sales are about over and everything in general has commanded a fair price.

There is a great deal of sickness in the community at the present time. Our doctors are kept busy day and night.

Owing to the inclemency of the weather and the bad roads the attendance at the different churches was small the forepart of the week.

Miss Eudora Reindollar, who for the past several months has been visiting friends in Tiffin, Ohio, returned home on Saturday, 24th ult. Miss Reindollar reports as having had a very pleasant trip.

On last Monday, while Rev. H. Ditzler was in the postoffice attending to some business, some one took his umbrella. No doubt it was done in a mistake, but the Rev. would be very much obliged to the person who did it, if he would return it at his earliest convenience.

Mr. Noah Cremer, representing the firm of D. C. Winebrenner & Co., of Frederick city, was in town last Tuesday with samples, and took the dimensions of a number of our citizens for Spring suits.

Profundo Basso sold his pacing horse (Shadrack) to Mr. Repp, of Union Bridge. The price is unknown, but it is evident a good sum was realized or the owner would never have parted with such a noted and spirited steed.

Mr. Geo. W. Reifsnider, aged about 50 years, passed through the portals of death, at the residence of his sister, Mrs. Geo. A. Flickinger, Emmittsburg street, on Thursday morning at 5 o'clock. The deceased was an estimable old gentleman, a pleasant and jovial companion, endearing himself to all with whom he associated. Death in Mr. Reifsnider's case was the result of consumption, from which he was a sufferer for sometime. His funeral took place yesterday morning (Friday) at 10 o'clock, in Trinity Lutheran church; interment in the Lutheran cemetery.

The annual election of officers in the Sunday school connected with Grace Reformed church, was held on last Wednesday evening. After the reading of the constitution and by-laws, Rev. H. Ditzler was appointed chairman, James F. Fringer, secretary, Chas. O. Fuss, teller. The following officers were elected: Superintendent, Charles E. H. Shriner; assistant, Chas. O. Fuss; female superintendent, Mrs. Phœbe Koons; assistant, Mrs. Nettie Weaver; librarians, Messrs. George Koutz and J. Nevin Shriner; secretary, Oliver M. Crouse; treasurer, Norman B. Hagan. After the election the meeting was closed by the repeating of the Lord's prayer, singing of the long-meter doxology, and benediction by the pastor. We have no doubt that with this corps of officers, assisted by the teachers of the school, the school will prosper spiritually, numerically, and financially.

The letters of O. T. B. are eagerly sought for and read by both old and young of this community. Almost the first question that is asked when a reader of the SENTINEL receives his paper is, "Has O. T. B. got a letter in this week?" They are read by the old because it brings vividly before their minds the happenings of by-gone days, and by the young because it gives them a glimpse into the past.

March 29th, 1888.

[The above letter reached us last week after going to press.—ED.]

Sam's Creek Items.

The weather and roads have improved very much recently, and our farmers have commenced their Spring work in good earnest. The women also are busy about their early gardening.

Mr. George Devilbiss has moved to his new and beautiful home, situated on the New Windsor pike; Elder Jeremiah Brown has moved on the farm he rented of Mt. Thomas Gorsuch, and some other changes have been made in our section this Spring.

One day last week Mr. Jacob Kiler, living near Denning's P. O., met with a very serious loss while smoking his meat —fourteen or fifteen hundred pounds. It is supposed that a portion of the meat fell into the fire below and was burned, making a great heat, causing the rest also to fall. It was nearly all destroyed. The hooks were all left hanging on the sticks. The meat house was saved by a hasty application of water to the burning mass, when the fire was first discovered. A few days ago Mr. George Kiler was very near losing his meat in the same way. It would be well for persons smoking meat to scaffold above the fire.

Mr. George Bair was engaged in burning off a piece of new ground near Bethel church on Monday last, when by some accident the flames communicated with some adjoining timber, burning a lot of cord wood of E. T. Snader and a considerable amount of fencing belonging to Frank Roberts before the fire was checked.

On last Wednesday Senator P. J. Bennett and his wife returned to their home on Sam's Creek. The Senator is looking very well, but not feeling so well, as he has quite recently contracted a very severe cold.

Mr. Jacob Kiler is now quite ill with a complication of diseases.

The grain in our section is looking very promising. SCRIBA.

He Wanted to Save the Wicked.

A neatly dressed young man about 22 years old, who gave his name and address as T. H. H. Gardner, No. 663 Pitcher street, was locked up in the central station yesterday charged with disturbing the services at Christ Protestant Episcopal Church, St. Paul and Chase streets. The young man stood on the church steps and began to preach, beseeching those around him to turn from their wicked ways and seek salvation. When locked up in a cell he sang hymns and tried to convert the policemen who went near him. Drs. Alex. Hill, J. G. Womble and N. G. Keirle were summoned to examine him. They did not think he was insane, but said his mind seemed somewhat affected by religion. When Captain Farnan opened the cell door to let him go, the charge having been dismissed, the young man said he had been taken there by physical force and that he would not leave unless the captain would take him back to the church in the patrol wagon. His relatives were notified.—*Baltimore Sun of Saturday.*

The unfortunate young man is well-known in this city, and at one time was a student at Westminster Theological Seminary.—ED.

Mr. James Baker, who served in Co. C, 6th Maryland regiment, has been granted an increase of pension. Mr. Baker was a gallant soldier and is suffering from a badly-wounded arm.

Shipley Items.

The Easter holidays brought us spring-like weather and bright sunshine again, after so many dark, gloomy and melancholy complainings of a long and dreary winter.

Our truckers are preparing their ground and putting in their peas and early garden truck, and should the weather prove favorable a few days, the early spring work will be pushed forward with rapid progress.

The grain of all varieties is looking very fine for the time of year.

Moving has commenced in good earnest, and ere this letter is in print the season for moving will be over here.

Wood chopping will cease and labor on the farm will be the exchanged order for our daily hands.

Mr. Joseph J. Brandenburg, of Brandenburg chapel, on Deer Park circuit, was appointed as delegate, at the last quarterly conference of Deer Park circuit, to the annual conference now in session in Baltimore, and we have understood that he and our much respected pastor, J. D. Corbin, were at their post at the appointed time.

Now that the weather is fine many of our larger pupils have to stay home to help their parents, yet we still have in daily attendance 23 scholars. Not speaking egotistically, but from a merited stand point, we are able to say that our school has proved itself ably managed, well disciplined, and fairly attended this year this far. Since the new system of promotion by written examination has been fully understood, we see new interest manifested among the pupils, each trying to excel his fellow. Hence, better lessons, better attendance, better averages, and, in fact, by a strick obedience of all the laid-down requirements of the present school board, we may expect to have better schools and more proficient training throughout the county everywhere, of which we may speak more *anon*.

Health of our community is reasonably good. READY.

Union Mills Items.

The growing wheat, with the exception of a slight freezing out at some places, looks very promising.

Some of our farmers sowed their oats this week.

We regret to learn that Mr. Peter J. Frock is again on the sick list, having been confined to the house for over three weeks.

Mr. William Stewart, of near Wrightsville, Pa., spent the Easter holidays with his twin-brother, Dr. J. J. Stewart, of this place. There is a strong resemblance between the two brothers, and during William's visit it frequently occurred that persons passing him on the road accosted him with the salutation, "how do you do, doctor?"

Mrs. Wolf, the aged mother of Mr. P. C. Wolf, at whose mill she resided, died suddenly, last Monday, while visiting friends at Gettysburg, Pa. Her remains were brought home the following day and the funeral took place on Wednesday, 4th inst. She was buried at St. Bartholomew's church, Pa.

Newton Yingling, oldest son of Mr. Adam Yingling, died last Tuesday evening at nine o'clock, in the twenty-second year of his age, after an illness of one week with typhoid pneumonia. He was a young man of considerable promise and was highly esteemed by all who knew him. The deceased was a close student, and with no other opportunities than those offered by our common schools, he expected soon to be sufficiently qualified to enter the teaching profession. His body was laid to rest on Thursday morning in the cemetery at Silver Run church. The grief-stricken family have the heartfelt sympathies of the entire community.

The pleasant days of this week have been quite favorable for flittings. We note a number of the changes in this vicinity: Chas. Nusbaum, to J. Wm. Earhart's property at the upper end of the village; Wm. G. Byers, to Jacob Humbert's tenant house along Pipe Creek; Mrs. Abraham Hesson, to John Burgoon's store house; Dr. J. J. Stewart, to the dwelling recently purchased by him of Henry M. Norris; Jacob Miller, to David B. Earhart's brick house, above Wolf's mill-dam; Theodore Bankert, to Christian Bankert's tenant house; Geo. Stonesifer, to Miss Susanna Bankert's property.

Woodbine Items.

Rev. J. S. Burton preached at Morgan Chapel on the 1st inst. A large audience was present to see "the new preacher," but curiosity soon settled down when it was found that he was only a man. Mr. Burton gave us a scientific discourse, and good enough sermon for so young a man. We have been praying all our life for short sermons, and with this the answer came to our heart's content, for he only preached fifteen minutes, but he was through, and, like a philosopher, he stopped when he was done. The young preacher made a favorable impression upon his congregation. Rev. Edward Smith closed the services with an old-fashioned Methodist prayer, which went tingling all the way down to the deep recesses of the soul.

Our section has quite a number of persons on the sick list, many of whom have severe colds.

The county roads are in bad condition and need immediate work to shape them for travel.

The late Horace Greely once said, "Young man, go west," and some of those who took his advice, after roaming to the strand of the far-off Pacific in pursuit of wealth, have returned to Maryland to end their days.

The farmers have gone to work with a rush. They are having a dull time of it, and so are all the working classess throughout the country, and all of it can be justly charged to corrupt legislation. W. D.

A letter from Rev. L. M. Zimmerman, pastor of the Mission located at 521 Hanover street, Baltimore says:—"As you know I started a mission here December 1st, 1887. Since then the work has been prospering, as you will observe from the *Baltimore American* which I now mail to you. Should you deem it fitting I shall be thankful if you make a note of it in your paper, as many of my friends read it. Our success here has been phenomenal—360 members in four months' time, and very fine people. Of course I have had to work hard, but I enjoy it. Since I came here I have made 1200 visits."

It is reported that Mr. John C. Frizell, of this city, has been appointed to a clerkship in Washington.

Littlestown (Pa.) Items.

Easter was largely observed in our town. Communion services were held in the Lutheran and Reformed churches, also at Christ church, below town. All the Sunday schools, including the Reformed, Methodist, United Brethren and Lutheran, treated the scholars to Easter eggs. In addition to the eggs the United Brethren gave a beautiful Easter card and the Lutherans an orange.

On Saturday night Rev. J. M. Lesher, a returned missionary from Africa, delivered a very able, entertaining and impressive lecture in the U. B. church. He held the audience almost spell-bound for an hour and a-half.

A great many changes of private residences have taken place this spring, but only a few, if any, business changes. Mrs. H. A. Lawrence has removed her millinery and fancy store from opposite Slaughenhaupt's photograph gallery down three doors from the square, on the same street.

One of the leading topics of this week has been the departure of Rev. E. J. Metzler, late pastor of St. John's Lutheran charge. A citizens' meeting was held in the Reformed church on Monday night to give a final expression of esteem and appreciation of his sojourn among us as a minister and citizen. Dr. C. P Gettier presided. Able addresses were delivered by Rev. W. E. Krebs, Rev. D. W. Sollenberger, Rev. F. S. Lindaman, Rev. Eckersly and Rev. W. C. Wire, after which T. E. Crouse, in a neat and appropriate speech in behalf of the citizens, presented Mr. and Mrs. Metzler with a fine silver service as a final token of respect and good will. Mr. Metzler responded in an affecting address of gratitude to the people for their kindness. A consolidated choir, composed of all the choirs in town, did the singing, under the supervision of Prof. D. Ruff, which reflected much credit on the musical talent of our town. The house was crowded to its utmost capacity. A similar meeting has never been held in this community, and although unusual as it was it proved a grand success. Mr. Metzler with his family left on the 10.19 train Tuesday morning for his new charge at Williamsburg. This community has lost a citizen of more than ordinary worth, and it truly can be said that the community has been benefited on account of his having lived among us.

Our streets were enlivened on Easter Monday by the open-air renditions of choice music by our band, who were clad in their new uniforms. They all seemed as cheerful and happy as a youthful swain after his first visit to his best girl. We congratulate the boys on their successful career as a talented musical organization, which is able to travel on merit anywhere.

The Star Broom Works, T. O. Feeser, proprietor, last week received an order from a Philadelphia house for two hundred dozen brooms, to be shipped at once. Such orders reflect credit on the productions of the factory. XENORA.

Proceedings of the Orphans' Court.

Monday, April 2.—Letters of administration on the estate of Joseph Frizzell, deceased, were granted to William Y. Frizzell.

Tuesday, April 3.—Davis B. Lippy and Edmund Lippy, executors of Benjamin Lippy, deceased, returned list of sales of grain and list of advancements, and settled 1st account.

Letters of administration on the estate of Martha Bish, deceased, were granted to Ephraim Bish.

Wm. J. Feeser, executor of James Feeser, deceased, settled 3d and final account.

James F. and Calvin T. Fringer, administrators of Mary Ann Fringer, deceased, settled 1st and final account.

James F. and Calvin T. Fringer, executors of Michael Fringer, deceased, settled 2d and final account.

Emanuel Sellers, executor of Daniel Bixler, deceased, returned list of sales of goods and chattels.

Ann R. Farver, bonded as natural guardian of Willie Lee Farver and Lewis A. L. Farver.

Ezra D. Slonaker and Bradford O. Slonaker, executors of Henry Stuller, settled 1st and final account.

The last will and testament of Amos Caylor, deceased, was admitted to probate.

Wm. Y. Frizzell, administrator of Joseph Frizzell, deceased, returned inventory of goods and chattels, and received order to sell goods and chattels and order to notify creditors.

Death of Mrs. Rebecca Roop.

Mrs. Rebecca Roop, residing at the old homestead, at Meadow Branch, near this city, died on Wednesday evening last. Mrs. Roop was the widow of the late David Roop, and mother of David J. Roop, John D. Roop, Mrs. Joseph Stoner and Mrs. David D. Bonsack, of this county, these constituting the remaining children of a family of eleven.

Mrs. Roop was born March 24th, 1803, and had consequently just passed into her eighty-sixth year. Thirty of her grand-children and more than sixty of her great grand-children are living. Our readers may recall the circumstance several years since of the presentation by her of a valuable Bible to each one of her grand-children.

She had been, since her early girlhood, a member of the Brethren's church, and at the time of her death was probably the oldest sister of the Meadow Branch congregation.

The funeral services will take place to-day—Saturday—at 1 o'clock, P. M., at the Meadow Branch church.

The infirmities incident to age, culminating finally in nervous prostration, were the causes of death.

Personals.

Miss Annie Stocksdale, of Baltimore county, is visiting Miss Mary B. Shellman.

Miss Kessler, of Baltimore, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. J. L. Nicholson, on Green street.

Mr. Geo. W. Durbin, a former resident of this city, returned here on Monday from Holyoke, Mass., upon a visit. Mr. Durbin is looking well.

Mr. Joshua Schweigart, who went to London, England, last month with a cargo of cattle, returned home on Saturday, much pleased with his trip.

Rev. J. W. Reese officiated at All Saints' Episcopal Church, Reisterstown, on Good Friday, and at St. Thomas, Garrison Forrest, near Pikesville, on Easter Sunday.

Secretary Vilas, in his report to Congress showing the number of public documents distributed in this State, mentions Western Maryland College, of this city, as being favored with them.

Manchester Items.

On Saturday last the friends of Mr. Amphrey Wentz were notified of his sudden death at his home in Hanover that morning. He had arranged to go to York by the noon train and was in readiness for his trip when he was suddenly taken ill, and by the time medical aid reached him he was a corpse. His remains were brought to Lazarus church, Wentz Valley, on Tuesday and laid away to rest surrounded by a large concourse of relatives and friends. He was born near Lineboro and was a resident for a number of years on the Mason and Dixon line, which passed through the mill he owned.

On Sunday afternoon the remains of Wm. Kagle were buried in a family lot at the age of 44 years and 5 months. He was sick but a short time with measles, followed by pneumonia, and death claimed him in the full vigor of manhood.

The beautiful morning on Sunday brought out a large congregation to Trinity Reformed Church, where Dr. Rupp expounded the gospel in his usual masterly manner from John, 14th chapter and 19th verse, after which he ministered the communion to 207 persons, among whom were 11 young persons admitted by confirmation and 2 by certificate. The altar and chancel were neatly decorated with evergreens and flowers. On Saturday previous, at the preparatory services, Dr. Rupp in behalf of the donors—Misses Millie Lippy, Maggie Crouse, Viola Rupp, Flora Lippy and Mira Shower—presented the congregation with a pair of fine silver collection plates, which certainly are a creditable gift from the young ladies.

The bright light seen from here on Saturday night last proved to be the burning of the large barn of Mr. Ruby, near Beckleysville, together with a large quantity of hay, 200 bushels of wheat, self-binder, and other machinery. Mr. Ruby had not yet retired when he discovered the fire and was able to rescue his horses and cattle. Of 18 hogs in a pen, 13 escaped by jumping out and 5 perished. It was of incendiary origin and report here has a certain party spotted.

The Stonesifer flitting arrived on Tuesday with flying colors and was the largest moving for many years. The unfinished house, which is undergoing repairs, inconvenienced the movers very much. The repairs, however, are being pushed rapidly forward.

Mr. Edward Oursler is repairing the Brinkman property, which will add much to its appearance when finished.

Mrs. Jesse Sherman bought the Weaver property on Main street for the sum of $1200, and will occupy the same the first of next month. Mr. Jacob Campbell, the present occupant, will move to Woodberry about that time.

The sale of Mrs. E. Bosley, on Saturday last, was well attended and furniture, etc., brought good prices.

The band gave a street parade on Monday last and sampled much of their new music. They are arranging for a festival and band concert on Whit-Monday.

The most of our citizens who contemplated changing their homes are now settled for the year.

A hop was given in the hall at the city hotel on Monday night last. Myers & Co. furnishing the music.

Our farmers are busy plowing and arranging for oats sowing, and many gardens are receiving much attention.

The roads are good and the travelling public is again on the go.

Weather prophets want four snows yet and the deepest one of the season on Saturday next.

Grain looks quite promising.

DECIMUS QUINTUS.

Manchester, April 5th, 1888.

The county commissioners and the school board of this county had a conference Tuesday and reached an amicable adjustment of all disputed points in reference to the special term of school authorized by an act of the recent Assembly. The money to pay for the term will be provided without any increase in the annual tax levy.

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account of the long-continued wet and cold weather farmers in Somerset county, were never as far behind in their farming. Nothing at all can be done on the farms, and even those who have planted their crops are much worse off than if they had not planted them. Some few farmers have planted their oats, but the most of them are ruined on account of the wet weather. The same condition of affair exists as to Irish potatoes. Nearly all of the wheat is damaged by the wet weather, freezing and thawing throwing the wheat out.

RELIGIOUS NOTICES.

Rev. G. W. Seilhamer will preach in Uniontown on Sabbath at 10½ A. M., and in the evening at 7.30, and in Frizellburg, at 2 o'clock, P. M.

Preparatory services this Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, at Krider's church. Administration of the Lord's Supper tomorrow (Sunday) morning at 10 o'clock.

J. U. ASPER, Pastor.

Grace Lutheran Church.—Prayer Meeting and Lecture Wednesday night at 7.30 o'clock. Sunday School Sunday morning at 9 o'clock. Preaching at 10.30 A. M., and 7.30 P. M.

P. H. MILLER, Pastor.

St. Paul's Reformed Church.—Services Wednesday evening at 7.30 o'clock. Sunday School at 9.15 o'clock. Preaching at 10.30 A. M., when the officers elect will be ordained and installed. Preaching in the evening at 7.30.

The Holy Communion will take place at Krider's church, on the 15th inst., at 10 o'clock, A. M. Preparatory services on the 14th inst., at 2 o'clock, P. M.

CALVIN S. SLAGLE, Pastor.

Methodist Protestant Church—Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7½ o'clock. Sabbath School at 9 o'clock. Young People's Meeting at 6½ p. m. Preaching at 10.30 A. M., and 7.30 P. M.

J. T. MURRAY, Pastor.

Centenary Methodist Episcopal Church.—Prayer meeting Wednesday night at 7.30 o'clock. Sunday School Sunday morning at 9 o'clock. Young People's Meeting at 6.45 P. M. Preaching at 10½ A. M., and 7.30 P. M.

G. W. COOPER, Pastor.

Union Street Methodist Episcopal Church.—Class and Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Sunday school at 2.30 P. M. Sunday morning at 9 o'clock, Experience Meeting. Preaching Sunday night at 8 by a brother.

R. R. RIGGS, Pastor.