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SATURDAY, MAY 26, 1888.

LOCAL ITEMS.

Brick sidewalks have been laid in front of the new dwellings erected by J. Hoffman Fuss, on Liberty street.

Pickett Post, No. 17, G. A. R., will meet for muster at their hall, in Winfield, May 30th, 1888, at 12 o'clock, M.

Mrs. Jesse A. Smith and Mrs. Ida A. Jackson, of Washington city, arrived in this city on Monday, on a visit to friends.

First Assistant Postmaster-General Stevenson has decided to revoke his order establishing a postoffice at Parr's Ridge, this county, with Frank Dwyer as postmaster.

David Sullivan, who resides between Keysville and Taneytown, was thrown from his buggy, on West Main street, this city, on Monday, but escaped with trifling injuries.

Jno. H. Mitten, manager of the SENTINEL, has been appointed an assistant inspector on the staff of Col. Lang, commander of the G. A. R. for the department of Maryland.

A special meeting of the Westminster Fire Department will be held next Monday night to make arrangements to attend the Firemen's festival in Union Bridge next month.

An invitation has been extended to the Westminster Fire Department to attend the festival of the Union Bridge Fire Company to be held in June. The invitation will probably be accepted.

Special mail services will be discontinued at Eastview and Keysville postoffices, in this county, on June 30. Commencing July 1st said offices will be supplied by regular contract service.

Elder Uriah Bixler is building a new Switzer barn on his farm near this city. Its dimensions are 45x75 feet. Josephus Sheeler, of Westminster, is the mason and Mr. Bankert, of Myers' district, the carpenter.

Thos. Sinnott is having his dwelling on John street remodelled and enlarged by the addition of another story. When completed it will be one of the handsomest buildings in that rapidly improving neighborhood.

The venerable Dr. Samuel Swope, of Taneytown, has been visiting his friends in Westminster during the past week. We are pleased to note that he is in good health and is quite vigorous notwithstanding his advanced age.

The Crise will case is still on trial in the Court of Common Pleas of Baltimore. The testimony in chief for the caveators was closed several days ago. J. Hamilton Singer, of Uniontown, is among the witnesses for the caveatees.

The County Commissioners were in session on Monday and Tuesday of this week. A special pension of $5.00 was granted to Eliza Krenser of Uniontown district. The board also revised the annual pension list for the year 1888.

The Western Maryland railroad announces that the annual excursion of the Employes' Beneficial Association will be held Saturday, July 21. The large excursion boat Columbia will take the excursionists down the Chesapeake.

The ladies of Sandy Mount M. P. church will hold their annual strawberry festival, June 9th, commencing at 2 o'clock P. M. and continuing during the evening. The proceeds will be for the benefit of the church. All are cordially invited.

Lucian Kearney, formerly of Sykesville, met with a serious accident on Saturday afternoon. Mr. Kearney, who has been for sometime a resident of Rock, Harford county, was gunning, and through some cause his gun burst, shattering one of his arms.

Sam's Creek Methodist Protestant Church, this county, was reopened Sunday morning with appropriate services, after undergoing extensive repairs. Rev. S. R. Murray, of Central Methodist Protestant Church, Washington, D. C., preached the dedicatory sermon.

Josiah Koontz, residing near Union Mills, this county, was found dead in his workshop on Saturday morning. He was about sixty-one years old. His death is supposed to have been caused by heart disease. He served through the war in the Union army in Cole's Calvary.

The Baltimorean, one of our very best weekly exchanges, completed its 16th volume with its last issue. The success that has attended its publication is well deserved. It is sought for with eagerness throughout the State. It has our best wishes for its continued prosperity.

Our old and much esteemed friend David Cassell, of the vicinity of Avondale, says this is the most backward spring season he has known since 1843. That year he sowed oats on the 21st of April; this year on the 18th; both later dates than for similar work in any of the intervening years.

Joseph Stouch has in operation, at No. 28 Liberty street, in this city, an improved Triumph Incubator in which he placed 650 eggs on Friday of last week. We hope the yeld of young chickens may not fall much below 100 per cent. of that number, and that our young friend may be entirely successful in his venture.

A handsome silk quilt has been on exhibition, this week, at the stores of Messrs. J. T. Orndorff and S. Kann, Sons & Co., in this city, which will be disposed of by chance for the benefit of the Union Bridge Fire Company. Persons desiring to take chances can secure them at either of the above stores Quite a number have already been taken.

The Capital City Gun Club of Washing, D. C., has accepted an invitation from the Westminster Gun Club to engage in a friendly shooting match on the ground of the latter in this city, on Wednesday next, 30 inst. The contest will commence at 10 o'clock A. M. About fifteen members of the Washington Club will participate in the match.

At Grace Lutheran church, in this city, on Sunday morning last—Whitsunday or Pentecost—the pastor, Rev. P. H. Miller, confirmed a class of twelve young persons, one of whom was baptized. By certificates three persons were received into membership and three by renewal of faith. The pulpit was appropriately and beautifully decorated with white flowers.

J. Albert, a little son of Jno. H. Mitten Manager of the SENTINEL, was encased a few days ago in a jacket of plaster of paris, for the purpose of correcting a slight curvature of the spine, the result of an accident. The operation was performed by Dr. J. T. Hering, and was perfectly successful. The little fellow, who is about eight years old, may be required to wear his novel garment, which is fully an inch thick, two or three months.

Attention is called to the professional card of Michael E. Walsh, Esq., attorney at law, in to-day's SENTINEL. Mr. Walsh studied law with Messrs. Reifsnider & Fink and after the dissolution of their partnership completed the course of study with Chas. E. Fink, Esq. He was admitted to the bar of this county last week. He is a gentleman of fine ability and attainments and we predict for him a successful career. His office is with Mr. Fink, East Main street.

Sylvester Mathias, who is known in this community as an energetic and efficient salesman of machinery, has been appointed by the Harrisburg branch office of the celebrated Deering self-binding harvesting manufacturing company, traveling salesman for said company in this county. A similar position was tendered Mr. Mathias by the general agent of the company at Jackson, Michigan, a fact that evinces the high estimation in which he is held in this respect.

Several months ago the He-No tea company, of Baltimore, offered to distribute five hundred dollars among the users of He-No Tea who should make under certain specified rules the greatest number of words out of the sentence "He-No Tea is best." The prizes were awarded last Saturday to 137 persons who gave the best answers. Mrs. Eugenia C. Roop, who lives near this city, and Harry A. Reindollar, of York road, were among the successful contestants.

The *Carroll News*, published by Edward Reisler, Esq., at Union Bridge, is one of the few successful papers outside of the county towns in this State. It entered upon the third year of its existence with last week's issue, and through the indomitable pluck and energy of its publisher has become not only a successful business venture, but an excellent local and family newspaper. His brethren of the press are showering well merited congratulations upon its worthy proprietor, and we gladly join in the chorus. May its bright promise be more than realized.

Winfield S. Amoss, of Baltimore, spent Saturday night and Sunday with James A. Diffenbaugh. Mr. Amoss graduated at Western Maryland College in 1877 and afterwards studied law in the office of Hon. Chas. B. Roberts. He is a member of Door-to-Virtue Lodge, A. F. and A. M. A number of his old friends were invited by Mr. Diffenbaugh to meet him at dinner on Sunday at the Hotel Albion. Among them were Jesse C. Sharrer, I. A. Miller, A. H. Wentz, John M. Roberts, Prof. Rinehart, of the College; M. John Lynch, Harry P. Gorsuch, Chas. P. Cassell and Chas. H. Baughman.

Richard Harden, the colored man who escaped from the jail of this county in 1879 and was recaptured at Hagerstown last week, has again given the authorities the slip, this time by scaling the wall that encloses the jail yard. He was allowed to go into the yard, on Sunday, to smoke, and in a very short time was missing. The wall is about 15 feet high. He managed to reach the top by using an iron poker, and probably had the assistance of another prisoner. He is under indictment for horse stealing. A reward of $20 is offered for his recapture, but he has probably made good his escape.

The festival of Pentecost or Whitsunday was observed in the Reformed church of this city, by the Holy Communion. Preparatory services were held on Saturday evening, at which seventeen were received into the full communion of the church; sixteen by confirmation, one of whom was baptized, and one by certificate. A large congregation assembled for the communion service. The chancel was simply but tastefully decorated with white flowers and emblems suitable to the festival day. The pastor preached on the nature of Christ's presence among us and in the Communion. In the evening he delivered an address to the children on the meaning and significance of the festival of Pentecost.

Howard Norris, son of the late H. L. Norris, of this city, died on Monday last at Burnsville, W. Va., after an illness of five days, of typhoid pneumonia. His remains were brought to this place on Wednesday, and, after funeral services in Centenary M. E. Church, interred in the Westminster cemetery. A funeral discourse was delivered by Rev. J. J. G. Webster, of Baltimore, and remarks were made by the pastor of the church, Rev. G. W. Cooper. Mr. Norris, at the time of his death, was employed as clerk in a mercantile house in Burnsville, and bore the reputation [illegible] a most faithful, competent and upright man. His death is a severe blow to the surviving members of his family, all of whom are well known in this community. The deepest sympathy is felt for them in this sad bereavement.

Appointment of Tax Collectors.

The following named gentlemen were on Tuesday appointed tax collectors for 1888, for State and county taxes, by the County Commissioners:

District No. 1.—Edmund F. Smith.
" " 2.—Upton L. Marker.
" " 3.—Emanuel Yeiser.
" " 4.—Elias N. Davis.
" " 5.—O. P. Buckingham.
" " 6.—Henry H. Miller.
" " 7.—Wm. G. Rinehart.
" " 8.—George W. Rupp.
" " 9.—George E. Wright.
" " 10.—Moses Seabrook.
" " 11.—Wm. W. Smelser.
" " 12.—George P. Buckey.

No appointment was made for Mt. Airy district.

Bird Hill Items.

One day last week, while planting corn at C. W. Arnold's, William Stubbins observed smoke issuing from some fertilizer barrels that were in a wagon in the field. Hastening to the scene it was found that the fire had originated from a pipe that Mr. Stubbins had put in his coat pocket and thrown into one of the barrels a few minutes before. The coat was destroyed and the barrels and wagon-bed burned to some extent. Mr. Stubbins says he does not care for the loss of the coat but the loss of the pipe worries him.

Mrs. William Yeager, of Eastview, had been afflicted for some time with a very sore limb and while visiting at her uncle's, in Baltimore, last week, was suddenly taken ill with tetanus. A physician was at once called who pronounced her condition critical, and ordered her to be taken to a hospital. She died soon afterwards. Interment took place May 22d, in the Lutheran cemetery near Smallwood.

Mrs. C. W. Arnold, whose illness we mentioned last week, is able to be out again.

Timothy Anderson, who has been conducting the saw mill business a short distance from here, for the past thirteen years, contemplates removing his engine and saw mill to Greencastle, Pa., this week.

Nimrod Phillips, of Baltimore, paid a short visit to his parents last week.

Jack Frost visited this section on Wednesday night of last week and played havoc with vegetation generally.

Perry G. Barnes killed five crows last week. Keep it up, Perry.

Hanson Davis burned a kiln of lime last week.

Some of the horses in this section are affected with pinkeye.

Proceedings of City Council.

All the members of the Board were present at the meeting of the Mayor and Common Council last Monday evening, the Mayor presiding. The monthly statement of the Collector was received and the annual statements of the Treasurer and the Collector were received and referred to the Committee on Finance. The report of the Clerk was accepted and referred to a special committee. The Street Commissioner stated that the entire cost of opening Carroll street, for the land condemned and the improvements, would be about $280. J. Q. Stitely reported that the entire cost to the city would be less than $100, $182 having been subscribed by the Lutheran church and the people living on Carroll street. The Committee on Finance, Messrs. Jno. J. Reese and Charles C. Gorsuch, reported that they had examined the statements and the accounts of the Tax Collector and of the Treasurer and found them correct and supported by proper vouchers. The report was accepted. It was ordered that a financial statement for the last two years be printed and distributed to the taxpayers of the city.

The new Council organized by electing Frank K. Herr, president. The Mayor's oath of office was read and the Councilmen, Frank K. Herr, George Stouch, Henry I. Wilson, Theodore Derr and James J. Koller, took the oath of office before George W. Matthews, J. P. The following appointments were made and confirmed: Clerk, C. H. Baughman; Bailiff and Street Commissioner, Alexander Klinedinst; Treasurer, Henry I. Wilson; Collector, C. H. Baughman; Counsel to Board, Joseph M. Parke. The following committees were appointed: On Gas, Messrs. Herr, Koller and Wilson; on Streets, the entire Board; on Finance, Messrs. Wilson and Derr.

Letter From Kansas.

TOPEKA, KANSAS, May 17th, 1888.—*Mr. Editor*:—I am now visiting my cousin Hamilton Nicodemus, formerly of Sam's Creek, Md. His farm is situated eight miles from Topeka and is one of the most beautiful I have ever seen. The progress of improvement here is something wonderful. The state house is a magnificent building and all its appointments are of the most elegant description. The city is growing rapidly and many buildings are in process of erection. The population is now 47,000. One of the quaint features of this region is the prairie schooner or tented wagon as some term it, in which whole families—in one case a man, his wife and six children—travel from the East, and in which they eat, drink and sleep.

Indians are seen here occasionally, but the wigwam in which the painted warrior courted his dusky maid, kindled his fire, and smoked his pipe of peace and from which he went forth to battle with his enemies, is a thing of the past. He no longer paddles his canoe on the beautiful Kaw river. The white man has driven him away.

I will return directly to my home in Kaw Valley, near Lawrence, where my husband, Major Thos. H. Smith, is a stockholder and director in and manager of the largest canning-house in the State of Kansas. It is a great establishment and employs hundreds of hands.

Kansas is a land of beauty and the almost boundless prairies a grand sight, but I can never become accustomed to the scorching winds of its summer or the blinding blizzard, by its winter, to say nothing of its bad water. So, after all, I would prefer the land of the oyster, terrapin and canvas back, "Maryland, My Maryland."

BELLE CHAMBERLAIN SMITH.

Mrs. Smith is a sister of Capt. Cassell, the popular and worthy superintendent of Druid Hill Park, Baltimore.—ED.

Stonersville Items.

The grain and grass crops in this section are looking well and bid fair to yield a large harvest. The frost of last week injured the early corn and potatoes

The Mt. Pleasant Band and several of our citizens attended the celebration in Manchester on Whit Monday.

Nursery agents are now selling fruit trees in this community for fall delivery.

Jno. E. Stonesifer lost a valuable cow on Monday. Cause, bloating.

The Jabberwock that has been seen in different portions of the county has made its appearance here. It was seen by a young gentleman who resides in this vicinity, while returning home at a late hour one night last week from a visit to his sweetheart. He described it as being as large as a man and robed in white. Crying to heaven to save him he cleared a six rail fence at a bound and sped across the fields to his home at a rate that would have made Maud S. turn green with envy.

Several bands of gypsies passed through this place on Monday; also a flock of 30 sheep of which 28 were black.

A Correction.

Editor of the SENTINEL:—There appeared in the SENTINEL last week, under the head of "General News," an article in which the German Baptist Church is misrepresented to the pnblic. The account says, "the German Baptist Church will hold their Annual Conference at Cerro Gordo, Ill.; the Conservative or Progressive branch of the church, at North Manchester, Indiana." The correction I wish to make is that the so called Conservative, Progressive, and the Old Order element, are not the German Baptist Church. But it is true, and only too true, that the German Baptist Church has been divided into three elements, or bodies. One element has gone back, claiming themselves to be the "Old Order" church; one element has gone on into the fashions of the world, and say we "are too slow for them." But the German Baptist Church stands firm on the principles of the New Testament upon which she is founded. Therefore the German Baptist Church hold their Annual Conference at North Manchester, Indiana, (not Cerro Gordo, Ill.) But the Old Order hold their A. C. at Cerro Gordo, Ill. Yours Very Respectfully,

JOHN S. WEYBRIGHT.

Double Pipe Creek, May 24, 1888.

Union Mills Items.

The wet weather is good for the corn and wheat, both of which crops promise well.

On Whit-Monday Edward Schaeffer brought his bride to the residence of his brbther-in-law, Geo. W. Yeiser, of this place, and in the evening the newly wedded couple received a hilarious serenade.

Christopher Noss, son of Rev. John G. Noss, pastor of the Reformed congregation at Silver Run, will graduate at the June commencement of Frankiin and Marshall college, Lancaster, Pa., and has been awarded the Marshall Oration, which is the highest honor of the graduating class.

The first of this week Schaeffer & Bish's steam saw mill commenced sawing the lumber for the new barn of B. F. Shriver & Co., on the Erb farm. That famous old hunting-ground, Erb's bottom, is being cleared out and will soon be converted into productive farming land.

If our base ball nine is successful in a few more contests, I suppose they will soon feel like challenging manager Barnie's Baltimore team. Their latest victory was the defeat of the Western Maryland College club on Whit-Monday by a score of 16 to 9. They are now arranging for a match with the New Windsor nine.

Josiah Koontz, a well-known and popular shoemaker, died very suddenly, of neuralgia of the heart, on Saturday morning, 19th inst., while at work at his bench. His funeral at Silver Run, on Whit-Monday, was largely attended. He leaves a widow and four sons and three daughters. One of the sons is Rev. J. Perry Koontz.

Union Bridge Items.

The Union Bridge Fire Company will hold a fair for ten days, in the rink, commencing June 8th. Invitations to visit the fair have been extended to fire companies in Frederick, Hagerstown, Chambersburg, Shippensburg, Mercersburg, Waynesboro', Emmittsburg, Mechanicstown, Littlestown and Westminster. The rink will be handsomely decorated for the occasion. A beautiful silk quilt was presented to the company last Monday night. It was made by the ladies and presented on their behalf by President Wood in a neat little speech, to which an appropriate response was made, on behalf of the company, by M. C. McKinstry, Esq. Misses Rose Grumbine and Sophronia Baker were the prime movers in the affair. The quilt is an elaborate piece of work and will be disposed of by chance. It was sent to Westminster to give your citizens an opportunity to win it. We hope our many friends will give us liberal aid in the enterprise. There will be a profusion of ice cream, cake and strawberries every night during the continuance of the fair, and music by the bands of Union Bridge.

The Maryland Classis of the Reformed church will be held in this city from May 28th to June 2. The *Carroll News* will issue a daily edition, during the time, containing reports of the proceedings of the Classis.

The Citizens' Æolian Band attended the Sunday School picnic at Whitehill's grove on Monday. It will also probably accompany the annual excursion of the W. Md. R. R. employes down the Chesapeake bay, July 21.

The Union Bridge Brass Band attended a Sunday school picnic at Woodsboro on Monday.

The ladies of the Church of God at Middletown will give a pink tea and supper on Friday and Saturday nights, May 25th and 26, for the benefit of the church.

At the recent sitting of the Registrar seven names were added and three transferred from the list of voters in this district.

The students of New Windsor College engaged the Union Bridge Brass Band to serenade Dr. Jno. Buffington and his bride last Saturday night.

Memorial Services at Winfield.

The members of Pickett Post, No. 17, G. A. R., will form in front of their Hall, in Winfield, promptly at 2 o'clock, P. M., Wednesday, May 30th, 1888, immediately after which they will march to Ebenezer cemetery, escorted by the Linganore National Guards, and accompanied by several Sabbath Schools. Upon arrival at the church the following programme will be observed:

Singing, "My Country," by choir.
Prayer, by Rev. John Marsh.
Singing.
Address, by H. M. Clabaugh, Esq.
Singing.
Special services at cemetery.
Strewing of flowers.

From Ebenezer the Post will proceed to Taylorsville cemetery, which will be reached about 5 o'clock, P. M., where this programme will be repeated, except that the prayer will be offered by Rev. Geo. W. Cecil and the address will be delivered by Hon. Peter Lugenbeel.

We earnestly request all soldiers and sailors, whether or not they are members of the G. A. R., to unite with us in doing honor to the memory of our fallen comrades. JAMES EASTON, Commander.

GASSAWAY RAWLINGS, Adjutant.

Mrs. John A. Mackintosh and daughter, of this city, have returned home after spending two weeks very pleasently in Charles county.

Decoration at Uniontown.

The ladies of Uniontown, who have charge of the Decoration services to be observed at that place on the 30th inst., have prepared the following programme of exercises for the occasion:

Singing, My Country 'tis of Thee.
Prayer, Rev. W. S. Delp.
Scripture reading, Rev. T. D. Valiant.
Singing.
Exercise by Band of Hope.
Singing.
Recitation.
Singing, Our Work Song.
Address, Rev. G. W. Seilhamer.
Doxology.
Benediction.

An invitation is extended to the public to be present on this occasion and bring plenty of flowers.

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Old Folks Leap-Year Tea Party.

The members connected with the Union street M. E. church, this city, gave what is called "the old folks tea party," on Whit Monday night, for the benefit of the church. The party was held in Odd Fellows' Hall, on Union street, and was under the management of Mrs. Amanda Walker, Mrs. Caroline Woodyard, Mrs. Annie Brown and Mrs. Angeline Black. Among those who took supper were thirty-two ladies dressed in costumes representing the old time style. The representation was complete and amusing.

A number of young men, styled "The Social Club of Westminster," sent a special order for supper. The club was composed of Upton Morgan, Thos. Bruce, Ed. Dorsey, Luther Brightwell, Daniel Warfield, Howard Brightwell, Alfred Bruce, Wm. Maffit, John Edwards and John Ireland. The hall was crowded with persons and the very best order and decorum was observed during the evening, much to the credit of all present.

Reported for the SENTINEL.

Leap-Year Ball.

On Tuesday evening last, May 18th, the young ladies of Westminster gave a complimentary Leap-Year Ball to the young gentlemen who have complimented them with so many pleasant dances during the past few years. Notwithstanding the inclemency of the evening, the young ladies were out in force, each one escorting one of the young society gentlemen of Westminster. The Ball was held at the City Hotel, the use of which was very kindly and generously given to them by the popular young proprietor, Mr. Charles Rahter. At nine P. M. the festivities opened and the grand promenade, participated in by about forty couples, was led by Miss Mary B. Shellman and Mr. Thomas O. Baumgartner. The ladies were all in full dress and many of the costumes worn were very handsome. The music was furnished by the Blue Mountain Orchestra, C. Dorsey Waters leader, of Baltimore. The floor managers were Misses Mary B. Shellman, Jennie Smith, Maggie Baumgartner and Maggie Huber. "Chaperones, to the gentlemen," Messrs. W. A. Cunningham, John E. Nicholson, Harry M. Clabaugh and J. Milton Reifsnider. "Chaperones to the ladies," Mrs. C. J. Shellman, Mrs. J. A. C. Bond, Mrs. Harry M. Clabaugh, Mrs. J. A. Mackintosh and Mrs. W. H. Vanderford.

Each lady presented her escort with a neat little programme tied with ribbon to correspond with her own colors, and the tiny pencils attached to them were in constant demand as fair hands marked their engagements for the various dances.

The ladies were untiring in their efforts to make the evening pleasant to all and were impartial in the distribution of their smiles and attentions. The bright happy faces, the handsome costumes, the fragrance of flowers and the beautiful music made the scene like fairy land. At eleven P. M. refreshments were served in abundance. The table was decorated with a handsomely embroidered table scarf and a crystal centre piece filled with blue and white Iris and Callas. After the intermission dancing was resumed and continued until 2 P.M. Nothing occurred to mar the pleasure of the evening, and the dance was conceded to be one of the pleasantest ever given in Westminster.

Amongst those present were several debutantes. The ladies and gentlemen present were: Mrs. C. J. Shellman, Mrs. W. H. Vanderford, Mrs. W. H. Baer, Mrs. Louis Trumbo, Mrs. W. A. Moore, Mrs. J. A. Mackintosh, Mrs. J. A. C. Bond, Mrs. Harry M. Clabaugh, Mrs. A. H. Wentz and Mrs. J. Q. A. Smith; Misses Ida Lockard, Lizzie Lockard, Bessie Baer, Mary Reese, Rosie Reese, Minnie Kessler, Lottie Moore, Mary Thayer, Mary B. Shellman, Pauline Trumbo, Julia McKellip, Anna Shriver, Mollie Shriver, Florence Albaugh, Maggie Huber, Alice Huber, Maggie Baumgartner, Jennie Smith, Emma Fowble, Lula Cunningham, Annie Cassell; Messrs William D. Reese, W. Devilbiss, Charlie Dugan, Clarence Wickert, T. O. Baumgartner Jesse C. Sharrer, John Everhart, Will Everhart, Fred Miller, Frank Miller, John Cunningham, John Brundige, John Miller, Prof. H. F. Schaeffer, John Roberts, J. Dugan, Dr. J. T. Hering, Charles Hering, of Westminster; Miss Bessie Shriver of Union Mills; Miss Blanche King, Mollie Wagoner, Messrs. D. Fountain, W. B. Burk and H. Davis, of Baltimore; Mrs. Graves, Cumberland; Miss Barkdoll, Hagerstown; Louis Dielman, C. Stouffer and W. Roop, of New Windsor; I. J. McCurdy New Windsor College; A. S. Crockett, Virginia; J. Englar, Linwood; W. O. Keller, Frederick Co., and J. F. Harper, Centerville, Md.

At the meeting of the Maryland State Temperance Alliance in Baltimore, on Tuesday last, Dr. Chas. Billingslea, of this city, was appointed a member of the committee on nominations. The committee subsequently reported and among the officers nominated was Dr. D. F Shipley, of this city, who was elected one of the vice-presidents of the Alliance.

Manchester Items.

Katie Grove is still very sick.

Horatio Bardwell, of Rochester, N. Y., who is disabled by disease of the lower extremities, is staying, with his wife, at the home of his mother, Mrs. Mary Bardwell.

There is some talk that corn and potatoes are rotting in the ground; much of the early corn, however, is fit for working.

Mrs. Elizabeth Campbell, who has been ill for some time, died yesterday morning. Her remains will be interred in the cemetery of the Lutheran church, of this place, at 10 o'clock Sunday morning.

Mrs. Lydia, or "Ma" Crumrine met with a serious accident on Monday, by falling headlong down a stairway. She was badly bruised, but no bones were broken. In consequence of a chronic pulmonary trouble, however, the shock to her system was very severe and her condition at this time is not encouraging. She is attended by Dr. J. F. B. Weaver.

Whitsuntide of '88 is one of the things of the past. Whit-Monday, which for some years has been a red-letter day for our band, was observed by a fair and festival in the hall. A trades display and parade had been announced but was abandoned. The machinery men were indisposed to incur the expense of preparation, which would have been greater than the benefit derived, inasmuch as the machines now sold in this district are so well established that they no longer excite the interest manifested in them several years ago. Notwithstanding the failure of the parade, however, many persons visited the town and amused themselves by patronizing the fair and in other ways. The Mt. Pleasant and Snydersburg bands enlivened things generally with their stirring music. At 10 o'clock they paraded the street and serenaded the hotels at which they were respectively staying. A large platform was put down in the academy yard and dancing was indulged in during the afternoon and evening. The music was furnished by Frock & Co., of the Mt. Pleasant band. Good order was maintained throughout the day. The fair, which was for the benefit of our band, was a decided success. The articles unsold will be offered at auction on Saturday night. The balloon was started but came in contact with a tree and went up in a blaze, to the disgust of the small boy.

Messrs. Shower, Hoffacker, Weaver and Ganter, committee, had an interview with the Western Maryland Railroad authorities, on Saturday, in regard to the proposed Manchester Branch. The interview was encouraging and the sanguine ones think the road will be a success. Col. Hood places the cost of construction considerably below the estimate. The committee will endeavor to ascertain the probable travel and traffic over the road, and will then be able to report more definite information to the citizens. DECIMUS QUINTUS.

Manchester, May 25, 1888.

Taneytown Items.

On last Thursday, while Mrs. Abbie Brining was out driving, her horse became frightened in turning around, tilted the buggy, threw her out and ran into town at a rapid rate. Fortunately, Mrs. Brining escaped with only a few slight bruises about the face.

The extension of the Harrisburg and Gettysburg railroad, terminating at Round Top, is again being agitated. There is some hope that it will strike our town, as some of the railroad officials were through here last week looking up a route.

Michael Fringer, wife and two children, of near Pikesville, Baltimore county, have been visiting friends in our town.

T. H. Eckenrode is having shutters put to the windows of his house on Baltimore street, near railroad, and also of his house on New street.

Communion services were held in the Reformed church on last Sunday. The sacrament was administered to 200 members by the pastor, Rev. H. Ditzler.

On last Sunday Rev. O. C. Roth, pastor of Trinity Lutheran church, held Communion services at Keysville. His pulpit here was filled by Rev. Amos Parr, a student from the Theological seminary at Gettysburg, Pa. Mr. Parr is yet a young man, but the skillful manner in which he handled his subject gave promise of future success in the ministry.

Charles O. Fuss and O. B. Slonaker spent Sunday in Uniontown with friends.

Miss Laura Mehring, of near Littlestown, Pa., is the guest of her cousins, Misses Ida and Essie Mehring, on York street.

Peerless Long, of Littlestown, Pa., was visiting her grandfather, Ephraim Harner, on New street, on Monday, 21st inst.

Benton Brining has bought a fine traveling horse of Virginia stock from Joseph Ocker, of Littlestown, Pa.

Milton Reindollar is having his house on Baltimore street painted. John Baird & Son are doing the work.

James Baker, near town, has gone to Baltimore, where he will work in a carriage factory.

The annual election for officers in the Reformed church was held on last Monday, and resulted in the choice of the following persons: Elders, John T. Shriner of J., James L. Shriner, James Boyd, Dr. C. W. Weaver; Deacons, Chas. E. H. Shriner, Oliver M. Crouse.

Miss Addie Crouse, of Littlestown, Pa., was visiting friends in this community the beginning of this week.

The Middle Conference of the Lutheran church assembled here on Monday evening, 21st instant, in Trinity Lutheran church, of which Rev. O. C. Roth is pastor. The opening sermon was preached by the retiring President, Rev. E. S. Johnson—subject, "Sacredness of the Vow." Fourteen ministers were in attendance. Rev. E. S. Johnson was reelected President. Some very able addresses were delivered during their stay with us. Conference adjourned on Wednesday afternoon.

Jno. Baird, of this town, lost a valuable horse by poison on Thursday afternoon. Mr. Baird had mixed Paris green with chop and placed it in his cow trough, which was not in use, for the purpose of poisoning rats. The horse got loose in the stable and ate the chop, causing its death, as stated.

The cool weather that has prevailed, with little interruption, throughout the present month, has been decidedly favorable to the growing wheat; but the reverse in so far as corn, oats, grass, &c., are concerned. The frequent rains, however, have prepared these crops for a rushing growth when the genial rays of old Sol shall at last prevail over the lingering remnants of a severe winter.

Commencement Week at Western Maryland College.

The following order of exercises will be observed at the commencement of Western Maryland College, this city, June 9th to 14th, inclusive:

Saturday, June 9th.—8 P. M., Exhibition of the Department of Physical Culture.

Sunday, June 10th.—10.30 A. M., Baccalaureate Sermon, President Lewis; 8 P. M., Sermon before the Christian Association, by Rev. J. M. Holmes, Oxford, Md.

Monday, June 11th.—3 P. M., Exhibition of the Department of Art; 8 P. M., Vocal and Instrumental Concert.

Tuesday, June 12th.—10.30 A. M., Award of Prizes and Distinctions; 2 P. M., Society Reunions; 8 P. M., Society Contest.

Wednesday, June 13th.—10 A. M., Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees; 10.30 A. M., Class-Day Exercises of the Senior Class; 8 P. M., Oration before the Literary Societies, by Hon. Milton G. Urner, Frederick, Md.

Thursday, June 14th.—10 A. M., Commencement; 3 P. M., Meeting of the Alumni Association.

The following persons compose the graduating class: Miss C. W. Phoebus, Princess Anne, Md.; Miss E. M. Wallis, Bell Buckle, Tenn.; Miss A. Whittington, Crisfield, Md.; Mr. J. McD. Radford, Jersey, Ga.; Mr. E. C. Wimbrough, Snow Hill, Md. The honors are divided among the graduates as follows: Valedictories, Miss Phoebus, Mr. Wimbrough; salutatory, Miss Wallis; oration, Mr. Radford; essay, Miss Whittington.

Circuit Court.

Frank Rutledge vs. Thomas J. Gorsuch; covenant; judgment for plaintiff for $53; Bond and Thomas for plaintiff; Stocksdale and Henning for defendant.

Howard W. Barnhart vs. Thomas J. Gorsuch; assumpsit; judgment for the plaintiff for $64.30; Bond and Thomas for plaintiff; Stocksdale and Henning for defendant.

Charles Crouse vs. Savilla Strouse and Rufus Strouse; assumpsit; verdict for plaintiff for $127.66. McKellip & Clabaugh for plaintiff, Reifsnider & Reifsnider for defendants.

Lewis Green vs. Susannah Morelock and Samuel P. Morelock; assumpsit; judgment of non pros.; Bond, Maulsby and J. Milton Reifsnider for plaintiff; Roberts, Seabrook and Clabaugh for defendants.

State vs. Richard Wilson; burglary; verdict, guilty; sentenced to be confined in the penitentiary for six years; Henning for State; Pearson for traverser. Wilson is one of a gang of young men, from Baltimore, who several years ago robbed railroad offices, stores and dairies in the lower part of this county. The Baltimore and Ohio detectives, under Chief Detective Grannan, caught a number of them, and at the November term of Court five of them were convicted and sentenced to the penitentiary for six years. One could not be found at that time, but Chief Grannan learned that he was in the Moyamensing prison for picking pockets, and was on hand upon his release and brought him to this county for trial. His names are Richard Wilson, alias Tug Wilson, alias Joe Williams.

Oscar T. Martin vs. Samuel L. Haugh and Josiah Haugh; assumpsit; verdict for plaintiff for $495.33; Rowe, Reifsnider & Reifsnider for plaintiff; McKellip & Clabaugh for defendants.

Charles E. H. Shriner vs. James Davidson; trespass; McKellip & Clabaugh for plaintiff; Henning for defendant. Now on trial.

The Hulless Oats Case.

Several years ago a number of men came into Carroll county and commenced the sale of what they called "hulless oats" and "Seneca Chief wheat." By their representations as to the superior quality of the grain, and the fabulous profits which would be made by those who bought from them, they sold large quantities of both oats and wheat, and it is said that they carried away at least $50,000.00. They charged the purchaser $10 per bushel for the oats, and took his note for the purchase money, payable to P. Huddle, who was their leader. At the time of taking the note they gave to the purchaser a so-called bond, contracting to sell for him double the number of bushels purchased, for $10 per bushel, less a commission of $2.50 per bushel. Among the purchasers were Lewis Green and Samuel P. Morelock. Green bought twenty bushels and Morelock ten. Each gave his note for the purchase money and Huddle gave him a bond. When Green's note for $200 fell due he learned that it was in the hands of Mr. Wm. B. Thomas, a broker of this city, and at once paid it. When his oats were gathered it turned out his crop was a common variety only. He demanded of Huddle the fulfillment of the contract to sell for him forty bushels. This Huddle declined to do but gave him the notes of two gentlemen who had purchased oats, one of which was the note of Samuel P. Morelock and Susannah Morelock, his wife, for $100. Morelock refused to pay this note until Huddle first complied with his contract to sell for him twenty bushels of oats. Green brought suit against the Morelocks, and the trial of the case was commenced on Tuesday last, and concluded on Wednesday. This was the first case in this county growing out of the "hulless oats" transactions, and attracted a great deal of attention. The court-room was crowded. A number of brokers and others who are the holders of similar notes were present. The case was tried before a jury, with Judges Miller, Smith and Jones on the bench. Messrs. Bond, Maulsby and J. Milton Reifsnider represented the plaintiff, and Messrs. Roberts, Clabaugh and Seabrook the defendants. It was proved that Green had knowledge of the contract entered into by Huddle to sell for Morelock twenty bushels of oats, and the court decided that this contract was a part of the consideration for the note sued on, and that if the jury found that Green received the note from Huddle, with the knowledge of the contract, he was not a holder in good faith and could not recover, and granted the defendant's prayers, rejecting the plaintiff's. Upon this decision of the court the plaintiff withdrew a juror and took a judgment of non pros.

Of course this decision goes no farther than the points named and is not conclusive in regard to all the hulless oats notes held by second or third parties in this county.

The Maryland Classis of the Reformed church will meet in annual session at Union Bridge, on Monday, the 28th inst.

MEMORIAL SERVICES.

Wednesday, May 30th, 1888.

Burns Post No. 13, G. A. R., will meet promptly at 2 o'clock, P. M., at Odd Fellows' Hall. The Sabbath and public school children will assemble on the east side of Main street, in front of the M. E. church, at 3 o'clock, and the procession, headed by the Westminster Band and Drum Corps, with the visiting comrades, will move at 3 o'clock, P. M., sharp, to the cemetery. Arriving there a solemn dirge will be played by the band, after which the following programme will be adhered to:

1. Singing—"My Country," by a choir under Prof. Geo. C. Harman.
2. Prayer.
3. Music by the band.
4. Singing.
5. Address by Rev. G. W. Cooper.
6. Music by the band.
7. Singing—"Star Spangled Banner."
8. Prayer.
9. Doxology.
10. Benediction.
11. Strewing of flowers, during which the band will remain at one point and play a dirge.

From the Westminster cemetery the Post will march to the Episcopal and Catholic cemeteries and strew the graves of comrades buried therein.

It is requested that all who join in the procession carry a bouquet of flowers. Contributions of flowers (which are earnestly solicited) can be sent to the SENTINEL Office.

We hope and trust that all Soldiers and Sailors in the county, whether members of the G. A. R., or not, will feel it a duty to be present and unite with us in doing honor to our dead comrades, and we cordially and heartily request the public generally to turn out with us.

Should the weather prove too unfavorable to hold the exercises in the old church, at the cemetery, they will be held in Odd Fellows' Hall.

WM. A. MCKELLIP, Commander.

Official: Geo. C. Harman, Adj't.

Double Pipe Creek Items.

Messrs. Dotterer and Shorb, have enlarged their store-room, which is quite an improvement, making the room not only larger but lighter.

Eld. T. J. Kolb of whom we spoke sometime ago as having been confined to his bed by fever, is able to go out again.

P. L. Ritter, of Keysville, is confined to his bed with symptoms of typhoid fever but at present writing seems to be better.

L. F. Miller & Sons, at this place, have at present a large trade in corn, hay and lumber, but the panic in the corn market has put a black eye on a good many of the farmers who were holding off for better prices, and will now have to take less, or keep their grain.

Orren J. Dotterer is traveling for a book firm of Philadelphia. He is now located in Frederick City.

Wm. S. Stoner, who had gone to Washington, has returned home.

Samuel Weybright is having the foundation of one of his tenant houses repaired. Mr. S. Stoner, of this place, is doing the work.

The cut worm and the frost are playing havoc with the growing corn crop. Some of our farmers are working over whole fields and replanting them, the first crop being almost entirely destroyed. The damage to beans and sweet potatoes by the late frost has been pretty severe in Monocacy and Pipe Creek valleys.

Jacob Myerly, living near here, was in town last Saturday with a five-horse-team and took away a load of lumber for fencing. Mr. Myerly is in his seventy-third year and is able to do a hard days work yet.

The Rev. Amos, of Baltimore, Presiding Elder of the M. E. Church, preached in the Stone Church, at this place, last Sunday afternoon. Rev. Amos is an able speaker, and made many good points in his sermon.

Miss Engleman, of Union Bridge, was the guest of Emma S. Weybright over Sunday.

Allie Mumma, of Frederick county, is visiting at Martin Fogle's.

The refreshing rain that fell on last Wednesday was quite a help to the sprouted corn. A great many of our farmers were fearful that the sprout would not get through the hard crust formed on the ground. This certainly is fine weather for the wheat crop and judging from appearances in the neighborhood the crop will be a good one, but the grass is short. C.P.

Proceedings of the Orphans' Court.

Wednesday, May 16th, 1888.—Margaret May, executrix of Augustus May, deceased, returned inventory of goods and chattels.

Letters of administration on the estate of John W. Nusbaum, deceased, were granted to Lewis Myers.

Mary C. Cookson bonded as guardian of Guy Cookson.

Friday, May 18th.—Wm. A. Murray, executor of Keziah Murray, deceased, returned inventory of goods and chattels, and inventory of money, and received order to sell goods and chattels and order to notify creditors.

Monday, May 21st.—The last will and testament of John Emmel, deceased, was admitted to probate and letters testamentary granted to Friedericki Emmel.

Letters of administration on the estate of Elizabeth Bowers, deceased, were granted to Bradford O. Slonaker.

Lewis Myers, administrator of John W. Nusbaum, deceased, returned inventory of goods and chattels and received order to sell goods and chattels and order to notify creditors.

John T. Crouse and A. Frank Crouse, executors of John Crouse, deceased, settled 2d account.

Henry F. and William Devilbiss, executors of Frederick A. Devilbiss, deceased, settled 1st account.

Tuesday, May 22d.—The last will and testament of Archibald Graham, deceased, was admitted to probate and letters testamentary granted to Hannah Graham.

The last will and testament of Elizabeth A. Crumbacker, deceased, was admitted to probate and letters testamentary granted to Charles A. Crumbacker.

Report of sale of real estate of Amos Caylor, deceased, finally ratified.

Report of sale of real estate of Joseph Roop, deceased, finally ratified.

At the annual congregational meeting of Grace Lutheran church of this city, held on Monday evening last, the following officers were elected: Elder for two years, H. B. Grammer; deacon for two years, Chas. A. Geiselman; trustee for five years, Milton Schaeffer; treasurer, H. B. Grammer; secretary, Jos. M. Parke.

Patapsco Items.

Reuben A. Smith has built a neat barn; Randolph Taylor, carpenter. Wm. A. Allgire is having his house painted; Messrs. W. H. Snyder and Albaugh, painters. These gentlemen are also painting J. H. Chew's buildings. Randolph Taylor is building a fine bank barn on his farm. I suppose Mr. Taylor is his own carpenter. Thus you can see our vicinity is improving to a considerable extent. The old worn-out lands of twenty-five and thirty years ago are (some of them) now producing equally with "Pipe Creek" lands, and many of the buildings will compare favorably with those on the limestone farms of that section. These lands were formerly bought at ten to fifteen dollars per acre. Energy, industry and perseverance are bringing this barren land to creditable fertility. If persons who have the Western fever would take a look at some lands in the 4th, 5th and 8th districts of Carroll county and invest their money and in addition invest industry, economy and perseverance they could do well here. When we consider the advantages of Baltimore city markets, also the facilities of transportation, and the short distance, we think we have many advantages over many Western States. There is no more healthy country in the United States than "My Maryland"; good water, good building material, good lime, good timber, good facilities for traveling, &c.

Many of our Marylanders have gone West—tried (for a short time) to accomplish something but failed, and have returned to old Maryland to spend the remainder of their days at home. I can count quite a number in our District of those who tried their fortunes in Western States. It is true some have done well west. No doubt they would have done well here also.

The severe frost recently injured vegetation considerably and somewhat affected the fruit but not to a serious extent.

Some persons are plowing for corn yet. Better hurry up. A very large acreage has been planted in potatoes in this vicinity.

R. C. Matthews is making things lively near Carrollton Station manufacturing brick. He is employing a considerable number of laborers. Charles is a go-ahead fellow. We extend our best wishes for his success. As he makes good brick we believe he will give us JUSTICE.

Harney Items.

We notice, in traveling through the country, a great many farmers tearing away middle fences and farming the ground which they occupied. We have often wondered why it is that so many farmers have their farms cut up into small fields and farm two fields in corn, two in wheat, etc. Why not have fewer and larger fields, and avoid the waste of ground which they occupy and the trouble and expense of keeping them in repair?

Geo. Bowers was kicked by a horse last week and severely but not dangerously injured. He is able to be about again.

J. L. Hesson is greatly improving the appearance of his property by having the buildings repainted.

Emory Sterner and his father attended preaching at Piney Creek Bethel last Saturday evening and report a full house. In consequence of a bad cold, the preacher, Rev. Charles Garrett, of the Evangelical (Albright) church, was unable to preach, but brought a supply from Blooming Grove, near Hanover, Pa.

Mrs. Roop, of near Westminster, was visiting friends in our village last week.

Miss Cora Linn has gone to Baltimore to spend a few weeks with her brother in-law, William Shaw.

Miss Jennie Stall, of Two Taverns, was the guest of Miss Linie Hesson last Sunday.

J. G. Frock and sister, of Littlestown, were here last Sabbath attending church, it being the occasion of the Spring Communion. Rev. D. W. Sollenberger, the pastor of the church, was present at the Sunday school session in the afternoon and delivered an address in which he highly complimented the school for the interest manifested by both young and old. The report of the school was as follows: Scholars present, 110; teachers, 20; officers, 5; visitors, 12; penny collection, $1.76.

Elmer Eyler, of Taneytown, spent last Sabbath in our midst.

Wm. Roop, of near Westminster, agent for the Russell & Goolden's Patent Excelsior Fence, is canvassing in this neighborhood and selling the right to make the fence to farmers. A good substantial fence can be made out of old rails with but little expense. J. W. Black has the rights and farmers can be supplied by him. Nearly every farmer who sees a sample of the fence buys the right.

Charles Mentzel, of Greenville, has gone into the picture business, and is traveling through the country taking views of houses, farms, &c. We have not seen any of his work and are not able to say what it is like, but no doubt he will give satisfaction. A. L. BERT.

Pleasant Valley Items.

The measles have abated to a considerable extent.

Mrs. Clara, wife of Levi Myers, has been very ill and in great danger with convulsions, produced by a misstep on the stairway by which she was severely jarred. She is now improving.

Harry Cover has dealt very largely in fat cattle this season. Among some fine ones sold and weighed at this place were those of Geo. F. Bachman, which gained 412 lbs. per head; and those of Albert Schaeffer, which gained 408 lbs. Austin Dudrow also had a fine lot. Cattle feeding has been an extensive industry in this community for several years.

J. Bemiller intends to build on his little farm lying on the road from this place to Westminster.

F. L. Yingling is putting some new machinery in his mill.

Excursion to Gettysburg.

Burns Post, G. A. R., of this city, will have an excursion to Gettysburg, Pa., on Thursday, June 14th. The train will start at Union Bridge and stop at all stations to Emory Grove. Fare for the round trip from Union Bridge, $1.15; Linwood and New Windsor, $1.10; Westminster and stations east to Emory Grove, $1.00. The train will also stop at Hampstead and Maple Grove stations on the Baltimore and Hanover railroad. June 14th is the day set apart for the location of sites upon which to erect monuments to mark the positions of Maryland regiments in the battle of Gettysburg. The public in general are invited to go on this cheap trip.