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All correspondence intended for this office should be addressed to "THE SENTINEL."

SATURDAY, JANUARY 4, 1890.

LOCAL ITEMS.

Handsome Christmas trees may be seen in the residences of a number of the citizens of Westminster.

Mr. Wm. H. Caple, of Woolery's district, lost a valuable horse last week. The animal's death was caused by colic.

The holiday vacation of the public schools of this city terminated on Wednesday, and they resumed work on Thursday.

The Montour House, West Main street, this city, will be reopened in a short time by a gentlemen from Baltimore county, to whom it has been rented.

A distribution of the public school fund was made by Comptroller Baughman on Wednesday. Carroll county gets $3,378.55 for white, and $291.88 for colored schools.

Mr. Wesley Forrest, near Union Bridge, killed four April pigs last week which weighed as follows: 206, 209, 274, 277 pounds. The last named two cannot be easily beaten.

A large quantity of rye straw has been delivered at the packing house of Messrs. N. I. Gorsuch & Son, in this city, by the farmers of the surrounding country, during the past week.

Mr. George Stouch has taken the business premises formerly occupied by Mr. John H. Keen, West Main steet, near the railroad, and has opened a green grocery establishment.

Mrs. Samuel H. Shipley, of Green street, this city, slipped and fell on the board walk in her garden, one day last week, and injured herself so severely that she has been confined to bed ever since.

Mr. Jonathan Myers, of this city, while erecting a scaffold, on Saturday last, struck his wrist against a nail which penetrated the flesh, causing a very painful wound. He was attended by Dr. Jno. S. Mathias.

Rev. O. C. Roth, recently of Taneytown, now pastor of Grace Lutheran Church, Broadway, Baltimore, was presented, on Thursday night of last week, with a handsome clock and ornaments by the Martin Luther League, Ladies' Aid Society, and Church Council.

Mr. George McC. Brown, of Brunswick, [illegible] shipped to his parents at Uniontown, as a Christmas present, a barrel of splendid Florida oranges. The SENTINEL acknowledges the receipt of a specimen of the luscious fruit, which was received by Mr. Brown's parent's in good condition.

In the plenitude of its New Year's greetings the Baltimore *Morning Herald* had some kind words for the editor and the manager of the SENTINEL. Thanks. The courtesy is appreciated and the SENTINEL would take the occasion to say that the *Morning Herald* is without a peer as a penny daily.

Two holiday glee clubs have added zest to the observance of the season in Westminster. They are under the leadership of Messrs. John E. L. Hanna and Hammond Leas, respectively, and have been out nightly during the past week. Their costumes attracted much attention and their singing gave much pleasure.

Mrs. Ezra Nusbaum, of Pennsylvania avenue, this city, has sent to the SENTINEL office what may be called a triple calla lily. With the principal flower is another, much smaller in size, but of perfect shape, and within that a still smaller and imperfect one. The stem or stalk from which they was cut was 3 feet 3 inches high.

The President and Directors of the First National Bank of Westminster have declared a semi-annual dividend of five per cent., clear of all taxes, payable on and after the 10th inst. No better evidence could be given of the able management of this popular institution, than the regularity of its five per cent. semi-annual dividends.

The regular monthly meeting of the Westminster Fire Department will be held at Fireman's Hall, at 7 o'clock, on Tuesday evening, 7th inst. A full attendance of the members is desired, as only those who attend this meeting will be qualified to vote for officers of the Department, at the annual election which will occur later in the month.

On Wednesday evening Miss Nannie Roberts gave a very pleasant New Year's party to her guests, Mrs. Robert Stewart and Miss Shaw[illegible], of Philadelphia, at the residence of her father, Hon. Charles B. Roberts, Court street, this city. Dancing was engaged in by the company and refreshments were served. Among those present was Miss Sophie Cook, of Baltimore.

The advent of the new year was not [illegible] any unusual demonstrations [illegible]. There was some firing of [illegible], blowing of horns, but this [illegible] announcing the departure of [illegible] arrival of the new year was [illegible] in an extravagant extent. [illegible] meeting" was held in the Union [illegible] Church, but we have heard [illegible] public religious services on [illegible].

[illegible] management of the First [illegible] Bank of New Windsor, has [illegible] years by the extent of [illegible] which have always been [illegible] advertising columns will [illegible] announcing that a dividend of [illegible] per cent., clear of taxes and [illegible], has been declared for [illegible] ending December 31st, [illegible] is among the best and [illegible] the country.

Christmas Sunday School Exercises.

Interesting Christmas exercises were held by the Sunday schools of this city, during the recent holidays. We have received accounts of several, as follows:

On Sunday evening succeeding Christmas, the Sunday School of the Methodist Protestant Church gave a Christmas service entitled "Our Great Messiah." A large and interested audience was present. The exercises were under the direction of Dr. J. W. Hering, superintendent of the school. The program was as follows: Organ voluntary, as the school entered the main audience room of the Church; singing by the school, "We come to crown Thee;" responsive reading "What shall we render unto God?" singing by the congregation, "All hail the power of Jesus name;" prayer, by Rev. P. H. Miller; singing by the school, "A Merry Christmas;" singing by the infant class; duet, "The Christ is There," by Mrs. Charles V. Wantz, Mr. Harry M. Gernand; address by the pastor, Rev. J. L. Mills, D. D; singing by the school, "Our Great Messiah;" responsive reading, "The City of God;" singing by the school, "Chimes of Beauty;" Christmas offering; song by the choir under the leadership of Mr. Harry M. Gernand, "Make a Joyful Noise;" solo and chorus, soloist Miss Anna May Leas, "The Song of Distant Ages; responsive reading, "Heavenly Voices;" solo and duet, Misses Carrie Wampler and Molie Shriver, with chorus, "Peace;" doxology; Benediction by the pastor. The singing by the school was under the leadership of Rev. T. H. Lewis, D. D., with Miss Annie Shriver organist, and Prof. Bailey Morelock cornetist. The church was tastefully and beautifully trimmed with evergreen.

The exercises of Grace Lutheran Sunday School were held Friday evening, December 27th, and consisted of a service entitled "The Gift of God." The program was as follows: organ voluntary; singing by the school, "Yule Tide; invocation, by Rev. J. U. Asper; address of Welcome, by the pastor, Rev. P. H. Miller; singing by the school, "Christmas Greeting;" recitation, by George Mobley, "Holly Branches;" singing, solo, Miss Carrie Stouch, duet Misses Annie Cassell, Bertie Geiselman, and chorus, "The Wonderful name;" responsive reading, "The Gift of God;" singing by the school, "The Merry Day;" recitation, Willie Long, Frank Main, Grace Handley, Gussie Fries, "The Many Gifts of God; "recitation, Miss Carrie Stouch, "A Christmas Incident;" singing by the infant class, "We all can do good;" responsive reading, "God's Greatest Gift;" singing by the School, "God's wonderful Gift;" recitation, by Ira E. Crouse, Fannie King, Lulie Koller, Ada Schaeffer, James Koller, members of the infant class, "The Christmas Babe;" singing by the school, "Meek and Lowly;" offerings; address, by, Rev. J. U. Asper, "Fruit Bearing;" address, by the pastor Rev. P. H. Miller, "Brotherhood; singing, by infant class, "Gifts We Bring;" responsive reading; singing by the school, "In Deed and Truth;" doxology; benediction. An allegorical representation of the "Rock of Ages" was given during the exercises, the choir of the church in an adjoining apartment singing as the scene was exhibited. The exercises were under the direction of the pastor, Rev. P. H. Miller, assisted by the superintendent, Mr. H. B. Grammer. The singing of the school and choir was under the leadership of Mr. Joseph Stouch, with Miss Bertie Geiselman as organist. The singing of the infant class was led by Mrs. Dr. George E. Baughman. After the benediction was pronounced a box of candy and an orange was given to each of about 275 members of the school. During the presentation the choir sang "Rejoice O Soul." The exercises were held in the lecture room, which was densely crowded.

A young people's Christmas Service entitled "The Angel's Song," was held in Centenary M. E. Church, last Sunday evening. The attendance was very large and the exercises which consisted of responsive readings and recitations, interspersed with singing by the choir of the church and congregation, were highly enjoyed by the audience. The singing was conducted by Mr. J. Frank Mitten, of Gettysburg, Pa., and Miss Jennie Zepp, with Misses Jennie Malehorn and Fannie Fringer as organists. The opening prayer was made by Rev. Wm. J. Thomson. Among the recitations were Whittier's "Christmas tide" by Misses Cora Butler, Mabel Buckingham, May Mackley, Margie Shugh, Essie Shipley, Willanna Haller, Wilbur Buckingham, H. Gorsuch, Emory Buckingham; "The Angels' Song," Mrs. S. K. Herr; "Peace on Earth," Miss Bertie Buckingham; "Charity, Grace, &c," Misses Daisy Light, E. Grace Weaver, Florence Malehorn, Julia Yingling, Carrie Horner. The exercises were conducted by Rev. G. W. Cooper, pastor of the Church.

Sunday School Entertainments.

The Christmas Entertainment for the Centenary Methodist Episcopal Sunday School was held on Tuesday evening last. It consisted of varied exercises. The music was under the direction of Dr. D. F. Shipley. Miss Jennie Malehorn presided at the organ. The ornamentation consisted of a fairy bower and a rockery, surrounded by evergreens. The four little ones who represented the faries, were: Maude Morelock, Blanche Shipley, Agnes Gorsuch and Lelie Coburn. The fairies distributed the gifts of the scholars through Mr. W. H. Bell, Mr. G. E. Matthews, Mr. John C. Shreeve and Mr. Charles B. Hunter. There was a crowd of visitors who were greatly pleased with the occasion and exercises. Each member of the school received an orange, candy and nuts.

Notwithstanding the inclement weather there was a large attendance at the Methodist Protestant Church of this city, on Wednesday evening last, it being the occasion of the Christmas treat to the children of the Sunday School. There were appropriate exercises in connection with it, and the officers and teachers of the School, elected for the ensuing year, were also publicly installed. The officers installed were: Dr. J. W. Hering, Superintendent; Rev. T. H. Lewis, D. D. Assistant Superintendent; Theo. Derr, Librarian and Treasurer; Wm. F. Derr, John F. Everhart, Assistant Librarians; W. Clarence Wickert, Secretary; Miss Annie E. Shriver, Organist; Jesse F. Shreeve, S. S. Missionary.

New Year's Day was not generally observed as a holiday in this city. Having been a legal holiday the banks and public offices were closed.

Election of Officers.

At the meeting of Charity Lodge, No. 58, K. of P., of Westminster, on Friday evening of last week, the following were elected officers for the ensuing term: C. C., John H. Mitten; V. C., McK. Talhelm; P., Charles H. Baughman; K. of R. and S., Wm. H. Bell, Jr.; M. of E., John Bernstein; M. of F., George A. Miller; M. of A., Fred. Himler; I. G., Peter Leidlich; O. G., Andrew Drechsler; P. C., E. J. Lawyer; R. to G. L., Fred. Himler; Trustees, E. J. Lawyer, Peter Leidlich, Jno. H. Mitten, M. Schaeffer, C. H. Baughman.

An election for officers of Carroll Division, No. 42, Sons of Temperance, was held at the meeting on Monday evening last with the following result: P. W. P., Dr. Charles Billingslea; W. P., Jno. H. Mitten; W. A., Charles B. Hunter; R. S., Charles H. Baughman, A. R. S., Harry M. Gernand; F. S., A. W. Buckingham; T., Jesse F. Shreeve; C., Will E. Everhart; A. C., Wilbur Buckingham; I. S., Harry Warner; O. S., Walter Somerville.

Officers of Westminster Lodge No. 41, I. O. M., were elected on Tuesday evening last, as follows: Senior Master, John T. Anders; Worthy Master, Thomas Zepp; Junior Master, Francis A. Grolock; Chaplain, Edward T. Hoff; Recording secretary, Chas. H. Baughman; Financial Secretary, James H. Cassell; Treasurer, John B. Saylor; Conductor, George L. Stocksdale; Representative to the Grand Lodge, Philip H. Hunter; Trustees, Ezra J. Yingling, Philip H. Hunter, Samuel Knight, George A. Miller, Wm. H. Bell, Jr. Of the officers above named the Recording and Financial Secretaries, Trustees and Representative to Grand Lodge were elected for one year and the remainder for six months.

At the meeting of Monocacy Tribe No 90, I. O. R. M., of Union Bridge, on Monday evening last, an election of officers for the ensuing term of six months was held with the following result: Prophet, George H. Mitten; Sachem, Joseph Haines; Senior Sagamore, Oliver Galonith; Junior Sagamore, Robert Wright; Chief of Records, Harry L. Perry; Keeper of Wampum, Theodore Fowble; Trustees, Richard Norman, Andrew J. Ebberts, Rev. J. E. Maloy. Past Sachem, John W. Russler, was elected Representative to the Great Council, which will meet in Baltimore in June next.

At the meeting of Westminster Ruling No. 130, Fraternal Mystic Circle, on Tuesday evening last, the following officers were elected: W. R., George E. Baughman; V. W. R., John J. Reese; Medical Examiner, Dr. Joseph T. Hering; W. R., A. H. Wentz; W. C., Jno. F. Warner; W. T., Milton Schaeffer; W. M., Geo. A. Miller; W. C., Jno. T. Anders; W. W., Chas. M. Moore; W. G., J. Walter Shank; W. S., Jno. H. Mitten; Trustees, Jno. J. Reese, J. Walter Shunk, Geo. E. Sharrer; P. W. R., B. Frank Crouse. The Ruling will meet on Tuesday, the 15th, inst., at 7 o'clock, P. M., in Carroll Hall, when the officers will be installed.

Thaddeus Stevens Post, No. 40, G. A. R., of New Windsor, has elected the following officers for the ensuing term: C., David Ireland; S. V. C., John W. B. Cole; J. V. C., Isaiah Murdock; Adjt., Moses Hammond; Q. M., Simon P. Murdock; O. of D., Daniel Thompson; O. of G., James H. Key; Chap., Henry Lewis; S. M., Stephen Lytle; Q. M. S., Asbury Sappington; Delegate to State Encampment, Simon P. Murdock; alternate, John W. B. Cole.

Interments in Westminster Cemetery.

The following list of the interments in Westminster Cemetery, during the year 1889, has been kindly furnished us by the efficient superintendent, Mr. Washington L. Brown:

January 6.—John Matthews, of Baltimore, aged 69 years, 3 months, 19 days.

February 7.—Minnie Gillette, wife of Edwin W. Shriver, of Brooklyn, N. Y., aged 31 years.

February 14.—Mrs. Matilda Stonesifer, of Baltimore, aged 52 years, 8 months, 27 days.

March 6.—Geo. Ichorn, aged 15 years, 11 months, 4 days.

March 9.—Infant of Harry and Lizzie Leas, of Baltimore.

May 10.—Mrs. Margaret A. Nusbaum, aged 67 years.

May 23.—Josiah L. Martin, aged 41 years.

May 28.—James M. Wampler, of Patapsco, aged 13 years, 7 months, 23 days.

June 7.—Major Benjamin W. Bennett, aged 79 years, 9 months 5 days.

June 10.—George Blizzard, aged 84 years, 2 months, 10 days.

June 10.—Levi Buffington, of Baltimore, aged 72 years.

June 10.—Infant of Wesley and Dora Zepp, of Finksburg.

June 15.—Stanley A., son of Wm. J. and Kate Mitten, of Baltimore, aged 3 months.

July 9.—Charles Edward, infant son of Mr. E. P. and Mrs. Carrie Brundige, aged 1 year, 3 months.

July 16.—Infant of Charles and Agnes Groft.

July 21.—George E. Sheets aged 29 years, 3 months 18 days

August 23.—Infant of Thomas and Elizabeth Bankard.

August 26.—Mrs. Martha A. McCollum, of Uniontown, aged 53 years, 8 months, 21 days.

August 30.—Mrs. Rachel Barnes, aged 68 years, 13 days.

September 10.—Lieut. Washington O. Sharrer, U. S. N., aged 41 years, 2 months, 18 days.

October 4.—George H. Rapier, of Philadelphia, aged 48 years, 9 months.

October 6.—Miss Hannah Weaver, aged 94 years.

October 22.—James Shaeffer, of Chicago, Ills., aged 79 years.

November 3.—Gertrude, daughter of Mr. C. C. and Mrs. Mary Gorsuch, aged 21 months.

December 7.—Miss Susan Wagner aged 87 years.

December 16.—Infant child of William and Mary Horner, aged 1 month, 13 days.

December 26.—Mrs. Mary C. Thomson, aged 41 years, 11 months, 5 days.

Among the ministers who officiated at the interments were the following: Rev. D. L. Mills, D. D., 6; Rev. P. H. Miller, 7; Rev. G. W. Cooper, 5; Rev. J. T. Ward, D. D., 2; Rev. J. T. Murray, D. D., 2; Rev. Chas. A. Reid, 1; Rev. Wyllys Rede, 1; Rev. James Thompson, 1; Rev. Mr. Still, of Washington, 1; Rev. Mr. Hyde, of Baltimore, 1; Rev. M. S. Firor, of Baltimore, 1. The number of visitors during the year was 2,850.

A. F. & A. M.

Festival of St. John the Evangelist.

An elegant audience of nearly 200 ladies and gentlemen of this city and county, were handsomely entertained by Door-to-Virtue Lodge, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, in the Masonic Hall, on Thursday night, 2d instant, in honor of the Festival of St. John the Evangelist, one of the patron saints of Freemasonry. It was the time for the annual installation of officers, the beautiful ceremonies of which are always enjoyed by cultivated persons, but there was unexpected enjoyment this time by the introduction of a new feature. When all was ready for the installation to proceed, Past Master Charles H. Baughman arose and said:

"Worshipful Master, the year which has just closed has been one of peace and prosperity in our midst. Harmony and Brotherly Love have prevailed among us. Floods and fires have devastated sister jurisdictions, but have touched us lightly. Our mother earth has not withheld her accustomed yield, but has responded bountifully to the faith of the husbandman, spreading his table with plenty and his pathway with flowers.

Before entering on the ceremonies of the installation, may we not appropriately pause to erect an altar of praise and thanksgiving, in token of our gratitude?"

The Worshipful Master commended the suggestion, and called upon Past Master James A. Diffenbaugh, Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge, to preside and receive the offerings in behalf of the Grand Lodge.

Three entered Apprentices first came in, bearing an Altar which was appropriately offered and set up. Then came three Fellow Crafts with three lighted candles, which were stationed in a triangular form about the altar, one in the South, one in the West, and one in the East. The Master Masons followed with the Holy Bible, Square and Compasses, and after them came three Past Masters, bearing vessels of consecration containing corn, wine and oil, which were severally offered and received with grand honors. The above exercises, which were impressively beautiful as also those which followed, were interspersed with appropriate masonic hymns, which were printed on the programme so that all present could unite in singing them. Prof. Thomas F. Rinehart, of Western Maryland College, played the organ, and Prof. Louis Dielman, of New Windsor, the clarionet.

The Chaplain then invoked the favor of the Supreme Architect, and the Master announced that the Altar was erected and consecrated and that the installation might begin. Past Master, Rev. James W. Reese was invited to take the chair and conduct the installation, which he did in his own unapproachable style.

The officers installed were: B. Frank Crouse, Worshipful Master; Dr. Geo. E. Baughman, Senior Warden; E. P. Brundige, Junior Warden; Rev. James W. Reese, Treasurer; Charles H. Baughman, Secretary; George A. Miller, Senior Deacon; Fred. D. Miller, Junior Deacon; John T. Diffenbaugh and J. Milton Reifsnider, Stewards, Rev. P. H. Miller, Chaplain; John H. Mitten, Tiler.

Prof. Reese was installed Treasurer by retiring Worshipful Master, George E. Sharrer. The duties of Marshal were performed by Past Master, Wm. A. Cunningham, in a dignified and impressive manner. During the exercises Profs. Rinehart and Dielman rendered, in masterly style, several beautiful organ and clarionet and organ and flute duets; Miss Florence Z. Blanton, of Western Maryland College, sang a solo very sweetly and in touching style, and Prof. C. H. Spurrier, of Baltimore county, delighted the audience with several humorous solos, sung in the superior style for which he is justly celebrated. At the close of the installation a recess was taken and refreshments were served, under the direction of the Junior Warden and Stewards. The supply of ice cream, cake, fruit, confectionery &c., was profuse and abundant, and the entire audience participated and gratified the palate without stint with the good things so liberally provided. After a period of social conversation the sound of the gavel called the craft and the profane to order, and Worshipful Master Crouse made a few pertinent and happy remarks. He concluded by introducing Past Master, Prof. James W. Reese, who made a most eloquent and interesting address. After the singing of an appropriate Masonic hymn, the benediction was pronounced by Rev. P. H. Miller and the audience was dismissed.

Altogether the occasion was one of unalloyed enjoyment and all retired to their homes delighted with their evenings experience.

Personals.

Dr. James E. Shreeve and family, of Ellicott City, visited Dr. Shreeve's mother, Mrs. Levi Shreeve, near this city, the the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Augustus J. Mitten, of Baltimore, have been visiting friends and relatives in this city and vicinity, during the past week.

Mrs. James L. Bowersox, of Richmond, Va., is visiting her father-in-law, Mr. Absalom H. Bowersox, of this city.

Miss Lizzie Lockard, of this city, is visiting friends in Baltimore.

Mrs. Alice A. Merryman and Mrs. Benjamin F. Gear, of Cass, Indiana, and Miss Lizzie Lamotte, of Finksburg, are visiting Mrs. Merryman's father, Mr. John T. Diffenbaugh, and family, Fern Rock, near this city.

Rev. Wm. J. Thompson, of Drew Theological Seminary and Mr. A. Clarke Thompson, of the University of Pennsylvania, are visiting their father and his family in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Kleff, of the Hote, Albion, this city, have gone to Chicagol Ills., to visit their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Naulty.

Miss Grace C. Smith, of this city, will leave this morning for a visit to relatives in Philadelphia, Pa.

Mrs. Koontz Myers, of Frizellburg, and Miss Carrie Myers, of Union Mills, are visiting at Mr. M. W. Babylon's, Pennsylvania avenue, this city.

Rev. Mrs. C. S. Slagle and family are visiting relatives at Lancaster, Pa.

List of Unclaimed Matter

Remaining in the Postoffice at Westminster, Md., December 28, 1889.

Buckingham, I. W.
Brown, James C.
Gable, Mrs. H. A. (2)
Hunbury, J. W.
Merryman, Mrs. V. F.
Merryman, Irene
Orndorff, Mrs. Clara
Warner, Margaret

Persons calling for matter in the above list will please say it was advertised.

JOS. B. BOYLE, P. M.

Postoffice Statistics.

We are indebted to Mr. Joseph B. Boyle, postmaster of Westminster, for the following summary of the business of his office during the year 1889. The statement shows the number of stamps of each denomination and postal cards and the value of stamped envelopes sold each month, and the total value of all for the year:

Month.	1 Cent.	2 Cent.	4 Cent.	5 Cent.	10 Cent.	Special Delivery	Postal Cards.	Stamped Envelopes
January....	18,934	13,547	30	24	91	34	2,246	$55.46
February....	5,154	11,798	—	128	75	15	3,778	115.65
March....	7,268	12,448	48	168	54	30	3,692	94.54
April....	3,707	12,145	29	193	48	46	2,566	129.36
May....	5,909	10,473	31	106	61	38	3,595	138.83
June....	2,783	9,456	10	113	87	21	5,301	110.93
July....	2,783	10,031	47	74	54	42	4,476	53.28
August....	2,830	10,976	20	62	49	22	4,293	126.88
September....	1,952	10,494	5	88	76	30	3,723	118.41
October....	4,630	13,175	14	77	70	12	2,667	154.21
November....	3,047	12,456	43	157	42	44	4,767	77.71
December....	3,744	12,942	256	227	146	44	4,810	69.96
Total....	62,741	139,939	533	1,417	853	378	45,514	$1,245.22

Total value of stamps, postal cards and stamped envelopes, $5,341.82.

Statistics of County Offices.

We are indebted to Dr. Wm. N. Martin, Clerk of the Circuit Court, and Geo. M. Parke, Esq., Register of Wills, for the following statement of the business of those offices during the twelve months ended December 31st, 1889:

CLERK'S OFFICE.

1889.	Deeds.	Mortg's.	Bills of Sale.	Marriage Licenses.
January	55	25	15	22
February	44	21	9	29
March	75	42	26	20
April	93	142	17	14
May	71	46	12	15
June	35	16	4	13
July	35	19	5	20
August	34	13	10	19
September	46	8	12	17
October	30	16	11	26
November	50	30	10	33
December	35	25	17	50
Total	603	403	148	278

During the twelve months ended December 31st, 1888, the number of deeds recorded was 588, mortgages 346, bills of sale 153, and the number of marriage licenses issued 248.

REGISTER OF WILLS.

In the office of Register of Wills, 51 wills were admitted to probate; 97 administrations granted; 8 guardians appointed; 123 administration accounts and 42 guardian accounts settled; there were 173 inventories and lists of debts, 65 sales of personal property and 37 reports sales real estate; paid to the State, tax on executors' and administrators' commissions, $2,980.88; tax on collateral inheritances, $8,818.98—total, $11,799.86.

Proceedings of Orphans' Court.

Monday, December 30th, 1889.—James W. Ocker, administrator W. A., of Joseph Ocker, deceased, reported sale of real estate.

Agnes J. and Chas. J. Carbaugh, executors of Lewis Carbaugh, deceased, returned inventory of goods and chattels, list of debts and inventory of money, and received order to notify creditors.

The last will and testament of Joseph Armacost, deceased, was admitted to probate and letters testamentary granted to William H. Armacost.

The last will and testament of Joshua Corbin, deceased, was admitted to probate and letters testamentary granted to Wm. L. Corbin.

Letters of administration on the estate of Bessie E. Baseman, deceased, were granted to Dewees L. Farrar, who received order to notify creditors.

Josiah Crowl, acting executor of Jesse Crowl, deceased, returned inventory of goods and chattels, inventory of money and list of debts, and received order to notify creditors, order to sell goods and chattels, and order to sell real estate.

Tuesday, December 31st.—Report sale real estate of Wm. Keefer, deceased, finally ratified.

Henry Troutfelter, executor of Elizabeth Wagner, deceased, settled 3rd and final account.

Wm. L. Corbin, executor of Joshua Corbin, deceased, returned inventory of goods and chattels, and received order to sell goods and chattels and order to notify creditors.

Resolutions on Departure of Mr. D. H. Weaver.

At a meeting of the officers, teachers and scholars of the Methodist Episcopal Sabbath School, of this city, held on Sunday last, the following resolutions were passed:

WHEREAS, An efficient secretary and fellow-worker in the Christian cause, Bro. D. H. Weaver, is about to sever his connection with the Sunday School, in which he has labored so long and efficiently, therefore be it

Resolved, That we, the officers, teachers and scholars of the school, deeply regret the necessity of losing him in the Sunday School work and fervently bespeak for him an active usefulness in his adopted home of new associations, ever praying that by a continuation of his Christian deportment he will merit not only the approval of his new acquaintances, but will finally unite with the truly faithful in "that house not made with hands eternal in the heavens."

Resolved, That in parting with our dear, Christian brother our kindest wishes will ever attend him, and that we recommend him to the pastor and membership of the M. E. Church at Coatesville, Pa., as a young man in every respect worthy of their full confidence and highest esteem.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be furnished Bro. Weaver; that they be enrolled on the records of the Sunday School, and that they be published in the several weekly papers of our city.

SAMUEL K. HERR, Sup't.,
CHAS. B. HUNTER, Sec. pro tem.,
A. W. BUCKINGHAM,
Committee.

Dec. 30, 1889.

Mr. James Shriver, of this city, will please accept our thanks for a very handsome calender for the year 1890, issued by the Continental Fire Insurance Company of New York, of which he is agent.

Death of Mr. Charles E. Lauver.

The death of Mr. Charles E. Lauver, which occurred about 11.30 o'clock Monday night, though for a few days apprehended, was a severe shock to this community. Mr. Lauver had been ill for several weeks with typhoid fever, but a fatal termination of the disease was not anticipated until pleurisy supervened and the case at once became alarming and death ensued as stated. Mr. Lauver had, by his urbane and gentlemanly deportment in official and private life, gained many friends, who deeply lament his early demise. He was about thirty-eight years of age. He was always an ardent Democrat and occupied an influedtial position in the counsels of his party. He was elected County Treasurer in 1883 and served two years, when he was appointed a deputy in the office of the county clerk, which position he held at the time of his death. He was a son of the late Samuel A. Lauver, a brother of Dr. Milton A. Lauver, of Middleburg, and of Mrs. George Frazier, of Finksburg, and a half brother of Dr. Wm. N. Martin, clerk of the circuit court. He leaves a wife and five small children. Funeral services were held at St. John's Catholic Church, this city, Wednesday afternoon, after which the remains were interred in the Church Cemetery. The pall-bearers were Messrs. Geo M. Parke, N. H. Baumgartner, B. F. Crouse, Geo. A. Miller, Jos. B. Boyle and D. N. Henning. Mr. Lauver was a member of the order of the Fraternal Mystic Circle, an insurance organization, of which a ruling was recently established in this city, and by the laws of which his surviving family becomes entitled to the sum of $3,000, to be paid at the expiration of thirty days from the date of his death. He was also a member of St. John's Catholic Beneficial Association, and held a policy for $1,000 in the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York.

Reported for the SENTINEL.

Entertainment at Krider's Church.

Notwithstanding the inclement weather on last Wednesday night a goodly number of persons assembled at St. Benjamin's (Krider's) Church, where Christmas services were held by the Union Sunday School. At 7.30 o'clock Rev. C. S. Slagle called to order, after which the school sang "Eternal are Thy mercies Lord," with Miss Rena Little at the organ. The services consisted of responsive readings, interspersed with music, which was well rendered. Rev. Mr. Slagle gave a short address in his usual pleasant and instructive manner. Revs. J. U. Asper and C. S. Slagle were the recipients, each, of a beautiful gold handled umbrella, both receiving them with thanks in neat little speeches, after which every member of the school received 2 oranges and 2 sacks of candies, not even forgetting your humble servant, the reporter, with three others who assisted in the singing. The decorations were unusually fine. Two large trees were well lighted with wax tapers and heavily laden with fruits and other embellishments. The chancel and pulpit were beautifully trimmed with evergreens and tastefully arranged. In short, the whole service and arrangement were decidedly successful and those who for the first service of the kind for many years had the management, must feel very much gratified at the result.

Anniversary Exercises.

The anniversary exercises of the Ladies' Benevolent and Aid Society of St. Paul's Reformed Church were held in the lecture room on Tuesday evening last and were largely attended by members of the Society and others. The opening exercises were conducted by Rev. C. S. Slagle, pastor of the Church, assisted by Rev. A. S. Weber, of Baltimore, the regular evening service having been employed. The succeeding program of exercises was as follows: Address on Christian Beneficence, by Rev. A. S. Weber; duet, Miss Annie M. Mikesell, Mrs. Rev. C. S. Slagle; reading, by Miss Belle Orndorff; solo and quartette, Misses Lila Snider, Ella Fitze, Messrs. Wm. H. H. Zepp, O. D. gilbert, organist Miss Grace Bowers. The treasurer, Mr. O. D. Gilbert, reported the receipts of the year, $154.15; expenditures $148.33; balance on hand, $94.69. The election of officers resulted in the choice of Mr. John T. Brown, President; Mr. B. W. Buckingham, Secretary; Mr. O. D. Gilbert, Treasurer. The Society then adjourned to meet at the residence of Mr. John H. Mitten, No. 62, Liberty street, Wednesday evening, 29th inst.

A Pleasant Party.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Allison handsomely entertained a large number of friends at their home, near this city, on Monday evening. Informal conversation, interspersed with vocal and instrumental music, duets and quartettes and concluded by gratifying the palate with the delicacies of the season, rendered the occasion, to all present, one of the most delightful of the holidays. Among those present were Dr. James E. Shreeve and wife of Ellicott city; Miss Scrivenor, of Eldersburg; Miss Stevens, of Baltimore; Rev. Geo. W. Cooper and wife, Mr. Joshua Scrivenor and wife, Mr. C. C. Gorsuch and wife, Mrs. Jno. T. Orndorff, Mrs. Nelson Mitten, Mrs. Eliza Shreeve, Miss Mary C. Roop, Miss L. Jennie Zepp, the Misses Fringer, Miss Bertie Buckingham, the Misses Malehorn, Miss Mary Smith, the Misses Shreeve, Miss Grace Smith, Mr. Theo. Mitten, Mr. Jno. Shreeve and others.

Galt-Smith.

Mr. J. Ross Galt and Miss Ella Smith were married, on Wednesday, New Year's day, at the home of the bride in Taneytown. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Wm. Simonton, D. D., in the presence of a number of friends. The bride wore a handsome slate colored dress, of Henrietta cloth, with gloves to match. The groom wore the conventional black. After the ceremony Mr. & Mrs. Galt left for a trip to Baltimore, Washington and other cities. On their return they will make their home at Double Pipe Creek. The bride received many useful and handsome presents.

The Week of Prayer.

The Evangelical Alliance has designated the week beginning January 5, 1890, as the week of united and universal prayer, and suggested the following topics for the United States: Sunday, January 5, sermon on "The Church of Christ;" Monday, "Confession and Supplication;" Tuesday, "Nations and their Rulers;" Wednesday, "The Young;" Thursday, "The Church at Home;" Friday, "The Church Abroad;" Saturday, "Thanksgiving;" Sunday, sermons on the "Future Glory."

Pleasant Valley Items.

Our enterprising people are taking advantage of the beautiful weather in building and repairing. Mr. George Sullivan has finished repairing and painting his house which adds a great deal to the appearance of his property. Mr. Noah Powel is building a back building to his house. Mr. F. L. Yingling has put up a new board fence along the road, that improves his property. Mr. John Warehime is cutting timber for a grain shed. Mr. Levi Myers has put up a building back of his store for storing hides. Mr. Theodore King is building a large hog house. There have been a good many marriages amongst our young people recently. One of the first were Mr. E. C. Yingling and Miss Fannie R. Zile, of near Uniontown. They were absent for a little over a month on a tour through the West, visiting Chicago, Indianapolis and other points of interest. Next were Mr. Frank Fuhrman and Miss Annie May. They also spent some time visiting relatives in Pennsylvania. Then Mr. Edward Sheets and Miss Maggie Erb, who took a trip to Baltimore; also Mr. Harry Devilbiss and Miss Maud Babylon, of near Uniontown. They spent some time in Philadelphia visiting relatives and friends.

Christmas passed off very quietly. The Sunday school had its festival on Christmas eve. It consisted of singing and speeches and responsive readings. The church was neatly decorated for the occasion and as the lecture room just had a coat of paint it presented a fine appearance. The gifts consisted of candies, oranges, &c. Also one by the school to Miss Fannie Myers, the organist, and one to Mr. Edward Devilbiss, leader of the singing. The school numbers upwards of 175 scholars and teachers. The program of the entertainment was as follows: Singing by the school led by E W. Devilbiss; Miss Fannie E. Myers, organist; Harry M. Myers, cornet; L. D. Wanty, trombone; responsive scripture reading; prayer by Rev. H. C. Fultz; singing, Gloria in Excelsis; scripture reading, by Jacob Lawyer, the superintendent; recitation, Miss Birdie Bowers; singing, "Oh, Night so Silent and Holy;" scripture reading, by superintendent; recitation, Miss Birdie Myerly; singing, "The Song of a Star;" recitation, Miss Emma Myers; scripture reading; solo, "Christ is Born," Miss Birdie Hahn; scripture reading; singing, "Gifts of the Year;" address, Rev. H. C. Fultz; recitation, Miss Lizzie Myers; recitation, Miss Laura Brown; recitation, Chauncey Senft; recitation, Chas. Myers; singing, "St. Nicholas;" distribution of presents; singing, "Joy to the World;" benediction.

The following are the weights of a few of the porkers slaughtered in this vicinity: John Senft, one, 376; Isaac Sullivan, two, 265, 375; Edward M. Hahn, three, 250, 250, 300; Theodore King, two spring pigs, 226, 284; John T. Wantz, two, 245, 250; Dr. C. Brown, one, 257 Edward Stuller, two, 211, 277; Jacob Lawyer, two, 387, 405; Noah Powell, two, 255, 265; Edward Geiman, two, 265, 357 and two spring pigs, 168, 197; Jeremiah Koontz, two, 361; David A. Circle, two, 310, 325; John N. Deitch, 267, 270; Henry C. Helwig, four, 262, 287, 291, 345; Jesse M. Leister, seven, 1611; Lewis Grolock, one, 335; Wm. F. Myers, three, 291, 357, 396; Mrs. Henry Ditman, two, 379, 387; Wm. Bowers, four, 1093; David E. Myers, 200, 210.

Tyrone Items.

The Christmas services by the Baust's Church Sunday school were held on Sunday evening December, 29th. It was a very enjoyable occasion and will long be remembered by those who were present. Long before the time for opening its exercises, the church was crowded to its utmost capacity, and it was only by the greatest efforts that all could get in. The exercises were very interesting as well as instructive. They consisted of recitations by the scholars of the school. These were delivered very well and reflect credit to the school. The music of the evening consisted of a solo by Miss Mae Unger, with Mr. Maurice Fleagle as organist, and duets by Mrs. Wantz and Mrs. Nusbaum, and Mae Unger and Edith Maus. The opening address was made by Mr. Maurice Fleagle. Rev. D. A. Souders closed the exercises by an address on the significance of names. After closing, the gifts, consisting of candy and oranges, were distributed among the scholars. The congregation regretted the absence of Rev. Delp and showed their appreciation of past services of both pastors by handsome presents and a purse.

Mr. Jacob Cressman, of Bucks county, Pa., is visiting Will Unger.

Delegates to Farmers' Convention.

A meeting of farmers of Carroll county was held at the *Advocate* office in this city, on Thursday afternoon, for the purpose of electing delegates to the State Farmers' Convention, which is to meet at Pythian Hall, Gay street, Baltimore, Wendesday next, 8th inst., at 10.30, A. M. The attendance was very small. Mr. Job Hibbard, of New Windsor, was made chairman and Mr. David A. C. Webster, of Uniontown, secretary. The following gentlemen were elected delegates to the State Convention; Job Hibbard, Louis F. Slingluff, of New Windsor district; Hon. Charles B. Roberts, Wm. Fenby, Samuel Roop, John Galt, of Westminster district; David A. C. Webster, Evan Haines, of Uniontown district; Wm. Y. Frizzell of Franklin district, and John W. Murray, of Hampstead district. After a general and informal conversation on topics of interest the meeting adjourned.

Masonic.

The Grand Master of Cryptic Masonry in Maryland, H. C. Larrabee, visited Westminster on Tuesday, the last day of the year, for the purpose of constituting the Council of Royal and Select Masters which, for the year past, has been working under dispensation. He was accompanied by C. C. Isaacs, Deputy Grand Master, Wm. H. Clark, Grand Principal Conductor of the Work, and Geo. L. McCahan (Actuary of the Maryland Institute) Grand Recorder. The Westminster companions were duly organized and constituted under the name of Carroll Council, No. 7, after which the three officers named in the Charter were installed by the Grand Master in due and ancient form. These are: the Rev. James W. Reese, Master; Wm. A. Cunningham, Deputy Master and James A. Diffenbaugh, Principal Conductor of the Work. The rest of the officers will be selected and installed at the next regular assembly of the Council.

Manchester Items.

Christmas was a delightful day and was heartily enjoyed here by old and young. On Christmas evening Trinity Reformed Sunday School held its services in the audience room of the Church, which was crowded with people. The program, which was well rendered, was as follows: Processional hymn; anthem by the choir; invocation; responsive service; repetition of creed; gospel lesson; prayer; singing, "Hark! the Heralds from the Sky," with recitations by four heralds and three messengers; singing, "Joyously Sing;" prophecy and fulfillment, by eighteen scholars; hymn, "Praise Him;" recitation, "Jesus," five girls; recitation, "We, three Kings of Orient;" singing, "Earth receive the Mighty King;" address; singing, "O lift up your Hearts; dialogue, "Christmas," two boys; solo and chorus; dialogue, "Christmas tree," two girls; singing, "Prince of Peace;" distribution of gifts and prizes. Nine prizes were given for regular attendance.

Masqueraders have been out in force during the holidays, in every imaginable style of costume, from the sublime to the extremely ridiculous. Many homes in Manchester were visited by a company of these masqueraders in costumes of a beautiful character. Miss Celia Shower represented Mary, Queen of Scots; Maggie Crouse, Storm; Mrs. Wm. H. Shower, Winter; Miss Marie Shower, Lady of Lyons; Miss Fannie Ross, Flower Girl; Miss Jennie Lamotte, Japanese Belle; Miss Lizzie Trump, Lady Jane Grey; Maggie Fuhrman, Lady of 1776; George Motter, George Washington; Robert Shower, Highland Laddie. This company was handsomely entertained wherever they went.

The members of Trinity Reformed Mite Society were handsomely entertained on Monday evening by Mrs. Julia M. Motter. Refreshments in great profusion were served at 9.30 o'clock, the company, sixty-five in number, entering the dining room while a march was played by Miss Kate Warehime.

The happy Christmas holidays have had a sad side here as elsewhere. Death has been busy and a number have gone to the spirit land. A child of Mr. George Grave, aged 13 months, was buried on Christmas day. Mr. George Utz, of Cranberry Valley, died on Thursday 26th ult., aged 81 years, 11 months, 5 days. His remains were interred at Bachman's Church on Sunday. Mr. John Loats died at his home on S. Main street, on Sunday, aged 48 years. On Monday news was received of the sudden death of Dr. Wm. Brinkman, at his home at Jefferson, Pa. Dr. Brinkman was a native of Manchester. He was found dead near his fishpond, at the age of 66 years. His death was caused by heart disease. Mr. George Caltrider, of the vicinity of Greenmount, died on the road from his farm, near Maple Grove, where he had gone for a load of provender, on Monday morning. He was accompanied by his son-in-law, Mr. John Hahn. His death was caused by asthma and disease of the heart. He was 60 years old. His remains were buried on Wednesday.

The house of Mr. Wm. Grave narrowly escaped destruction by fire on Christmas evening. An alarm took a large number of our citizens to the scene, and their united efforts served to suppress the flames. The damage inflicted was about $50 in extent. No insurance.

The annual election of officers of Daniel and Jacob Lodge, No. 23, I. O. O. F., resulted as follows: N. G., W. F. Lucabaugh; V. G., J. E. Masenheimer; R. S., G. W. J. Everhart; Treasurer, Edward Oursler; P. Secretary, Nimrod Armstrong; Chap., G. W. J. Everhart; M., H. E. Masenheimer; Deg. Com., E. A Ganter, J. E. Masenheimer, G. W. J. Everhart; Trustees, J. C. Denner, D. H. Hoffacker, J. E. Masenheimer, Samuel Miller, H. E. Masenheimer; Rep. to G. Lodge, J. E. Masenheimer.

Lebanon Lodge, 60, A. F. & A. M., elected the following officers; W. M., C. J. H. Ganter; S. W., W. S. Musselman; J. W., J. W. Hoffacker; Secretary, Geo. A. Shower; Treasurer, Samuel Miller.

The following were elected officers of Manchester Lodge, No. 78, K. of P., for the ensuing term: C. C., H. A. Myers; V. C., D. L. Dubbs; Prel., W. D. Hanson; M. of E., J. Wink; M. of F., C. Miller; K. of R. and S., J. P. Baltozer; M. at A., W. L. F. Bergman; Rep. to Grand Lodge, W. D. Hanson; Trustee, J. E. Masenheimer; P. C., H. E. Rohrbaugh.

Your correspondent wishes the SENTINEL and all its readers a happy and prosperous new year.

DECIMUS OCTAVUS.

Patapsco Items.

Mr. A. Oursler, and Mr. Ezra Chew have had their dwellings repainted, and they now present quite a fine appearance. Mr. Foutz, of Warfieldsburg, was the painter.

Francis M. Fanwell, who died on the 14th ulto., in Baltimore, was about 23 years of age. His remains were brought to Patapsco on the morning of the 16th ulto., and buried in the Cemetery at Union Bethel. Mr. Fanwell was an employe in the auditor's office of the Western Maryland Railroad Company. He was an efficient clerk and held in high esteem by all his fellow employes, and by all who knew him. He was a promising young man, genial and affable in his manners, and exemplary in conduct. His parents and intimate associates sorely feel his loss.

On the 19th ulto., at the residence of Mr. Ezra Chew, in Patapsco, at 8 o'clock, P. M., Mr. Calvin R. Chew, of Patapsco and Miss Julia E. Brooker, of Baltimore, were ushered into the cosy little parlor and there united in marriage by Rev. L. H. Selby, after which a bountiful repast was served by the hostess.

Christmas passed away very peaceably, quietly and pleasantly at this place.

Mr. Wm. L. Richards gave a dinner to a few invited guests on Christmas day, and the way turkey, cakes, wine, &c., were demolished was a caution. In the evening all departed for their homes well pleased with their hospitable entertainment.

Mr. John W. Evans, who has been lying quite ill for the past few weeks, is still in a very critical condition, and but little hope is entertained of his recovery.

Some small boys on New Year's day secured powder in some way and were going to celebrate the day by loading a large hammer and touching it off with a match. They did ignite the paper that contained the powder which flashed and burned, to the sorrow of several of the boys, who got their faces scorched considerably. Another warning to boys to avoid playing with explosives.

Bird Hill Items.

The old year has gone, and during its brief months many whom your correspondent knew have passsd away to return no more.

Mr. John W. Barber, who had some of his ribs broken by a fall from his wagon, about three weeks ago, is able to be out and about his work again.

The Bird Hill singing class, under the instruction of Mr. Elias Ogg, is about to reorganize for the winter.

Mr. Elmer Frizzell, of Mansfield, Ohio, who has been visiting friends and relatives here, during the past two weeks, left for home on Thursday.

The Christmas entertainment of the Deer Park Sunday School was held on Monday, 30th ult., at 10, A. M. It was a very pleasant affair, and much enjoyed by all. The children were delighted with their treat of candy &c., which was given, in sacks, to every member of the school. The program of the entertainment was as follows: Organ voluntary; singing, "Christmas o'er all the land;" prayer, by Rev. W. A. Crouse; responsive reading, "Exhortation to praise;" singing, Gloria in Excelsis; recitation; by Maggie Freeman; singing, "Glad Tidings;" recitation, Lelie Osterhus; responsive reading, "The Guiding Star;" singing, "Oh, Night so Silent;" recitation, Stella Arnold; singing, "The Song of a Star;" reading, Miss Maggie Osterhus; responsive reading, "The Advent;" Solo, "I was Glad," Miss Bartholow; recitation, Willie Osterhus; singing, "Christ is Born;" recitation, Amelia Hyson; recitation, Florence Fink; responsive reading, "Gods Best Gift;" address, by Rev. W. A. Crouse; singing, "The Gifts of the Year;" address, by Mr. Elias Welsh, superintendent; collection; singing, "Glory to God;" distribution of gifts; singing, "Joy to the World;" benediction.

Woodbine Items.

Rev. M. E. McLinn, of the Lutheran Church, preached at Morgan Chapel on the 30th ult. Rev. J. S. Burton, held watch night services on New Year's eve at the Chapel.

"The Year is gone, beyond recall,
With all its hopes and fears,
With all its bright and gladdening smiles,
With all its mourners' tears."

Mr. Thomas Shipley, of Taylorsville, accompanied by a lady, was returning from Morgan Chapel one evening last week, when his horse became refractory and ran into a wheat field, upsetting the vehicle and throwing the occupants out. Fortunately they escaped injury.

The citizens are moving in the direction of doing away with the sale of intoxicants in Freedom District. We bid them God speed. If alcohol were gotten out of the world it would be all the better.

Charles Buckingham slaughtered two hogs which weighed half a ton, less seventy-seven pounds.

The Woodbine items in the SENTINEL of last week were not written by W. D.

Finksburg Items.

Mrs. Barrick, widow of the late John W. Barrick, is quite ill at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Wesley Bond.

Some of our disappointed Democratic office-seekers are going to join the "Probation" party.

Mr. George Hull, of Hanover, Pa., has a large force of hands cutting timber on Mr. J. W. Caple's farm.

Several persons in this vicinity have "La Grippe" or something similar to it.

Our public school opened Thursday after the holiday recess.

Most of our farmers are done plowing for next Spring crops, as the weather has been very favorable for such work.

Quite a large number of persons have availed themselves of the low fare charged by the Western Maryland railroad to visit their friends during the holidays. We venture to say that the number was one-third larger than it would have been were the 4 o'clock, p. m., train run as some of Westminster's citizens desire.

Reported for the SENTINEL.

On New Year's eve a glee club of this city, of which Mr. Hammond Leas is leader, went to Frizellburg, accompanied by Misses Lizzie Nusbaum, Belle and Ella Leister, Anna May Leas, and Tillie Derr. They visited Mr. Simon P. Weaver's. After the club had sung and played an hour or two, games were proposed in which the crowd joined. About 11.00 o'clock the kind hostess invited them all to the dining room where a bountiful table was spread and to which they all did ample justice. At about 12 o'clock they started for home, singing the old year out and the new year in. Those present at Mr. Weaver's were Mr. and Mrs. Simon P. Weaver, Mrs. J. Unger, Mrs. Jacob Leister, Miss Mae Unger, Miss Lina Weaver, Mr. Wm. Unger, Mr. Herbert Winters, Mrs. Fannie Schweigart, Mrs. Winters, Mr. James Unger the club and the ladies first named. All had a very pleasant evening.

During the recent pleasant weather the dust from the streets of this city settled on the side walks and was converted into sticky mud by the rain on Wednesday. A good washing will be required to put them in good condition. By the way the expenditure of a little money by the corporate authorities in keeping the street crossings free from mud would add very much to the comfort of pedestrians. We have never seen these crossings in a worse condition than they have been this week.

The space on the outside pages of the SENTINEL usually devoted to literary and miscellaneous selections is given up this week to a summary of important events that occurred during the year 1889. In consequence of the many abbreviations the periods in the compositors' cases became exhausted before the summary was completed, and they were therefore omitted from several columns of the matter. The circumstance is vexatious to the printer but could not be avoided.

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