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Local Items.

The Westminster Postoffice will be closed at 7 o'clock, P. M., on Friday, 4th inst.

The annual fete of St. John's Catholic Church, this city, will commence on Saturday evening, July 19th, and continue a week.

Mrs. J. Georgianna Pittinger, of Double Pipe Creek, has been granted a pension as the widow of Jeremiah Pittinger, a Union soldier.

By the annual distribution of the free school fund, made on the 1st inst., by Comptroller Baughman, the schools of Carroll county get $2,230.13.

The Westminster Gun Club will have an excursion to Bay Ridge on Friday next, 11th inst. For particulars see advertisement in another column.

The Sunday School of Grace Lutheran Church will celebrate Children's Day by a special service on Sunday evening next. An interesting program has been

E. Church, this city.

On Monday last Charles T. Reifsnider Esq., attorney for the Westminster Savings' Institution, sold to Mr. Wm. H. Starr 90 acres of land with the improvements, lying in Myers' district, at $20 per acre, and 48 acres, 1 rood, 8 perches, with improvements, also in Myers' district, to Mr. David Crowl, at $22.25 per acre.

Rev. F. E. Vandersloot, a retired minister of the Reformed Church, died at his residence in Herndon, Va., on the 19th ult. He formerly resided at Gettysburg, Pa. Among his children were the late Mrs. Rev. H. C. Holloway, and Mr. John Vandersloot, at one time residents of Westminster. Mr Vandersloot was in the 84th year of his age.

On Tuesday afternoon Mr. Jacob P. Wohlgemuth's horses ran away with his baker's wagon. They started at the s'able in the rear of his residence and ran through the alley around to Main street past the residence of Mr. John Bernstein, then down to Church street into which they turned. At this point they fell and were caught. The wagon was damaged considerably.

The festival of the Westminster Band, now being held at the Montour House, was opened on Tuesday evening last and is quite an attractive affair. As the publication of the SENTINEL is anticipated by a day we are enable to say that the program for Friday evening includes the presence of the Union Bridge and Warfieldsburg Bands. The festival will close on Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Arthur Kemp, of the vicinity of this city, were thrown from a road cart at the crossing in front of Mr. F. F. Shipley's grocery store, East Main street, on Monday last. The accident was caused by the abruptness of the crossing, which caused the cart to tilt and threw them out backwards. Mrs. Kemp was considerably bruised and injured by the shock of the fall. She was attended by Dr. J. T. Hering.

The president and directors of the First National Bank of Westminster have declared a semi-annual dividend of five per cent., clear of State taxes, and payable on and after the 10th inst. Baltimore city and county taxes will be deducted from the dividend. Five per cent. semi-annually has become the customary dividend of this well managed institution, a fact which is eloquent of the skill and efficiency of its officers.

Rev. J. T. Ward, D. D., President of Westminster Theological Seminary delivered an address to the Sunday School of Lafayette M. P. Sunday School, Baltimore, on Sunday evening last, and the pleasure of the occasion was mutual with speaker and audience. This Sunday School is one of the largest in the city and the Church with which it is connected is greatly prospering under the faithful and able ministry of Rev. D. L. Greenfield, its pastor. The audience addressed by Dr. Ward heard his words of counsel and wisdom with great pleasure, and the scene was truly inspiring and enjoyable.

George Blakeslee, of this county, was arrested in Washington, D. C., on Saturday last, on a charge of vagrancy, and was committed for trial. Blakeslee is a well known character, and has served a sentence or two in the county jail, for minor offences, and a term in the penitentiary, for passing counterfeit coin. He was found wandering around the streets of Washington, and said he wanted to see the President and secure his restoration to citizenship. Subsequently he stated that he wanted to obtain a pardon for a friend named Wm. Smith, now confined in the Maryland penitentiary.

The Union Bridge Fire Company accepted an invitation to attend the firemen's parade at Emmitsburg on the 4th inst.

The Sunday School of St. Paul's Reformed Church will hold a picnic in a grove near Finksburg station on Wednesday, 23rd inst.

The Benevolent and Aid Society of St. Paul's Reformed Church will meet at the residence of Mr. Samuel Roop, near this city, on Wednesday evening next.

The Westminster Band will accompany the Gun Club on its excursion to Bay Ridge, on Friday next, 11th inst. The fare for this delightful excursion is only $1.50.

Zion Sunday School, near Shipley postoffice, will hold its Children's Day exercises on Sunday, 13th inst., at 2 o'clock, P. M. The program will be of an interesting character.

Mr. Thomas P. Goodwin, one of Westminster's oldest and most esteemed citizens, is confined to his bed at his residence on East Main street, by general debility. Mr. Goodwin is in his 84th year.

Mr. Joseph H. Hoppe, of this city, exhibited in this office, on Thursday, a head of timothy from the farm of his mother, Mrs. Isadore Hoppe, near the city limits, which measured thirteen inches in length.

Miss Jessie Hollingsworth, daughter of the late John Hollingsworth, and grand-daughter of late the Judge Zebulon Hollingsworth, died on the 28th ult., at Sorency, the family residence, near Glen Falls. Her remains were interred at Reistersiown, after funeral services in the M. E. Church South, on the 30th ult.

Mr. John Diffendall, formerly of this county, died at his home in Frederick, suddenly, of heart disease, at an early hour on Wednesday morning. He leaves a widow and seven children. Several of his sons are merchants in Frederick. Mr. Diffendall was a relative of Mrs. Edward Lynch and Mr. Joseph Diffendall, of this city.

The Congregations and Sunday Schools of the Westminster Circuit M. E. Church, colored, will have an excursion to Gettysburg and Round Top, on Thursday next, 10th inst. The train will leave Glyndon at 7.27, A. M., and Westminster at 8.09, A. M., and will stop at all stations between Glyndon and Mechanicstown, arriving at Gettysburg at 11.02, A. M. The fare from Glyndon, Emory Grove and Glen Morris will be $1.10 and from all the other stations $1.00; children under 12 years, half fare.

The first new wheat of the present season brought to this market was received on Monday last, by Messrs. N. I. Gorsuch & Son, from the farm of Mr. S. Arthur Kemp, near this city. It was of the Fultz variety, and the Messrs. Gorsuch report it of fair quality. They inform us that their advices indicate, generally, a yield of about two-thirds an average crop, of the smooth varieties, and an average of bearded varieties. Since Monday they have received considerable quantities from several farmers in the county

Charles McC., son of the late Nelson Stonesifer, of this city, died in Baltimore, of consumption, on Friday of last week, aged 26 years, 7 months. His remains were brought to this city on Sunday, and after funeral services in St. Paul's Reformed Church were interred in Westminster Cemetery, Rev. C. S. Slagle officiating. Deceased was an employe of the Western Maryland Railroad, and a member of the Benevolent Association of the road, a delegation from which acted as pall bearers. The floral offerings were very handsome.

The corporate authorities of this city have about concluded all the contracts for the work and material to be employed in macadamizing the streets. The stone for paving the gutters will be furnished by Messrs. Charles E. Goodwin & Bro., from their quarries near this city, and that for macadamizing from Mr. Willis R. Frantz's quarries at Waynesboro', Pa. As soon as the steam roller comes to hand, which which will be within a day or two, work will be commenced, and, it is anticipated, will be completed during the present season.

The president and directors of the First National Bank of New Windsor have declared a semi-annual dividend of four and a half per cent., clear of National, State and county taxes, and payable on and after the 7th inst. It seems trite to remark that this is an evidence of the efficient management of this reliable institution; but what else can be said? These big dividends are reported with great regularity, every six months, and could only be earned by skill and intelligence in the administration of the affairs of the bank. As a correspondent at New Windsor remarks, it is far ahead of the Baltimore banks.

Very interesting commencement exercises were held at Avalon, the residence of Mr. B. F. Shriver, Union Mills, on Friday evening of last week. The program included a piano solo from *Chopin*, by Miss Madeline Shriver, which was very skillfully rendered; a song, very sweetly sung by Miss Hilda Shriver, a little girl of seven years; recitations of a French verse and an English selection, "The Minuet," by Miss Helen Shriver, of the same age; and a piano solo by Miss Winifred Shriver. The exercises were closed with a valedictory by Miss Madeline Shriver. The admirable manner in which the children rendered the several features of the program was highly creditable to them and to their governess, Miss Selby, of Baltimore.

A man giving the name of John Hartman, of Willow Grove, Franklin county, Pa., stopped at the house of Mr. C. Hall Brown, in Frizellburg, on Monday night and left at an early hour on Tuesday morning without paying his bill. After his departure Mr. Brown found that his money box had been despoiled and its contents, amounting to $12, taken. Some money was also taken from a bank belonging to Mr. Brown's children. The man who was riding a dark bay mare, was suspected and was traced to and beyond Westminster on the Baltimore turnpike. From here he was followed by Constable John Thomson, with a warrant, who had a long chase after him but finally overtook him on the Liberty road below Harrisonville and brought him back to this city. He was committed for a further hearing by Justice Geo. W. Matthews. He had but $2.50 on his person when arrested. He is quite genteel in dress and appearance. The accused had another hearing before Justice Matthews on Wednesday morning, and was remanded for the action of the grand jury. He stated that his name is not Hartman, but refused to give his real name.

Proceedings of School Board.

At the meeting of the School Board, on Tuesday, all the members were present except Mr. Slingluff. The secretary reported satisfactory results of his search for the title to the site of Black's or Greenmount school in the third district. The claim of Miss Mettie Miller, for a portion of the money received on account of the Manchester Academy fund, was referred to counsel for an opinion. Mr. Switzer, for the trustees of Snydersburg school, was instructed that the Board thought it better that two new teachers be employed for that school. The renewal of the lease for the room occupied by the school at Alesia was referred to Mr. Blocher for inquiry and report at the next meeting. Various bills were passed and ordered paid. The trustees of Freedom school, recently appointed, having declined to serve, and it being difficult to get others, for the purpose of relieving Mr. Prugh of a disagreeable responsibility the following was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, The trustees of Freedom school have declined to serve, and it is difficult to get suitable persons to fill the vacancy,

Resolved, That during the current year said school be left in charge of the Board; and that the secretary be directed and authorized to make a contract with Miss Minta Shipley to teach the school.

The matter of building a new house for Shade's school, in Westminster district, was referred to President Grimes and the secretary, with authority to contract with any reliable person or persons for its erection under the conditions and limitations prescribed by the Board. The following appointments of trustees were made: Larkin Bennett, Peyton Poole and Lewis Barnes at Poole's school, No. 12, in Freedom district; Noah J. Leister, Wm. H. Walker and John T. Albaugh at Leister's, in Hampstead district.

President Grimes and Mr. Blocher were directed to advertise the old house and lot until recently occupied by Union school for sale at public auction, on the premises, at 2 o'clock, P. M., Wednesday, August 13th.

Friday next, 4th July, was selected for the visit of inspection to Pine Orchard, Franklinville and Pleasant Gap schoolhouses. The contemplated visit to Double Pipe Creek and Franklin houses was postponed until after the close of the busy season of the farmers; also the visit to Brandenburg's and Sykesville.

President Grimes and the secretary were authorized and directed to make necessary arrangements for filling the vacant scholarships at Western Maryland and St. John's Colleges, by a competitive examination of the applicants from the different districts, on a day to be selected, in August.

Propositions for insuring the school property in the county against loss by fire having been received from the Carroll County Company and from foreign companies, the offer of the Carroll County Company being considered the best under the circumstances, was accepted, and the President and secretary were authorized and directed to have all the property worth insuring insured in that company.

The Board adjourned to the first Monday in August next.

Election of Officers.

On Friday night of last week officers of Charity Lodge, No. 58, K. of P., of this city, were elected for the ensuing term, as follows; C. C., McK. Talbelm; V. C., John J. Reese; P., F. F. Shipley; M. at A., Frederick Himler; I. S., Morris Schneeberger; O. S., Andrew Drechsler; P. C., John H. Mitten. The Lodge is in a flourishing condition and has recently received a number of accessions. The installation of the officers elected last week will take place Friday evening, 4th inst., and the members of the Lodge will attend the Band festival at the Montour House in a body.

At the election of officers of Westminster Lodge, No. 41, I. O. M., last week, the following officers were elected: W. M., Frank A. Grolock; J. M., George A. Miller; R. S., Charles H. Baughman; F. S., James H. Cassell; T., John B. Saylor; Chap., Wm. Leas; C., Dr. James A. McNeal; S. M., Thomas Zepp. These officers were installed on Tuesday evening last by District Deputy B. Frank Crouse, whereupon they made the following appointments: I. S., H. G. Gilgard; O. S., E. J. Yingling; R. G. to W. M., Ed. Bowersox; L. G. to W. M., F. F. Shipley; R. G. to J. M., John F. Everhart; L. G. to J. M., Maurice Mitten.

These were also installed by D. D. Crouse, after which the members were entertained by the elective officers with a bountiful feast of ice cream and cake. The lodge is in a flourishing condition and has 135 members of whom 43 have been received since January 1st, 1890.

Porter's Items.

Children's Day was celebrated at Messiah Lutheran Church on Sunday, June 29th, with appropriate exercises. The Church was tastefully decorated and the children participating in the exercises deserve much praise for reciting with expression, and speaking so distinctly that all could hear them. The remarks by the pastor, Rev. M. E. McLinn, were enjoyed by all, and especially by the children, to whom he explained the meaning of Children's Day and the appropriateness of using flowers in its celebration. The following is the program in full: Organ Voluntary, Miss Milly Bushey; hymn, by the congregation; prayer, by the pastor; chorus, There's beauty in the wildwood, school; responsive reading, Psalm 19th; chorus, Here "in thy temple," school; recitation, "Come gather here," Abbie Shoemaker; vocal music, "Lovely Roses," Miss Milly Bushey and J. R. Ways; recitation, "Beautiful Summer," Miss Lillie Rawlings; remarks, by pastor; hymn, by congregation, "Praise O, Praise;" recitation, "Ho for the right," Miss Annie Hess; chorus, "They are here once more," school; recitation, "This is our day," Miss Florence Clark; chorus, "Consider the Lilies," school; recitation, "A Plea for the Children," Edna Wilson; responsive reading, Psalm 8, 1 to 9; hymn "America;" recitation, "Daisies," Hattie Leatherwood; chorus, "Lift Your Eyes;" recitation, "Who Made These Little Daisy?" Rawlings Custis; chorus, "We meet to hail the glad return;" benediction.

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