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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25, 1890.

LOCAL ITEMS.

The first heavy frost of the present autumn occurred on Wednesday morning.

We are indebted to Mr. Joseph Bollinger for late copies of St. Louis papers.

Mr. John W. Cook, of Taneytown, has been granted a pension, as a Union soldier.

Mr. Nathan Whiteleather, who served in Company F., Seventh Md. Regiment, has been granted an increase of pension.

Thursday was an exceedingly inclement day. A high wind prevailed and rain poured incessantly from dawn till dark.

The annual lovefeast of the German Baptists of Meadow Branch, near this city, will be held this, Saturday, afternoon and evening.

Mr. Louis E. Shriver, of Union Mills, exhibited a piece of wood carving at the Hagerstown Fair for which he received the first premium.

Hon. Frank T. Shaw, recently appointed Tax Commissioner of this State, qualified on Saturday last, and has entered upon the discharge of his duties.

Col. John K. Longwell, who is among the oldest and most esteemed citizens of Westminster, celebrated the 80th anniversary of his birthday on Saturday last.

Petty thieves have been plying their nefarious vocation in this city during the last few weeks. Their pilferings have included chickens, wood, pumpkins, and the like.

Miss M. Alice Lippy, of Pennsylvania avenue, this city, has in her garden a "Money" plant that has upon it 298 full blown flowers, besides a lot of buds just ready to burst into flower.

In the future flour quotations in the Westminster markets will be the various brands of Messrs. N. I. Gorsuch & Son, of this city, who will also regularly quote bran and middlings of their own production.

As an impression seems to prevail that a vote will be taken at the approaching election on several amendments to the constitution of Maryland, it is proper to state that this is a mistake. The vote will not be taken till the general election of 1891.

A pension has been granted to Mrs. Mary Logue of Patapsco, mother of Philip L. Logue, who served in Company C, Sixth Md. Regiment, and an increase of pension to George C. Tucker, of Baltimore, formerly of Carroll county, who served in Company A, Sixth Md. Regiment.

Friday night, 31st inst., will be Hallow Eve, an anniversary generally made memorable in this community by the pranks of Young America. Throwing shelled corn against the windows of dwellings is not particularly obnoxious, but the removal of door-steps, signs, gates, &c., is carrying the fun to excess.

Notwithstanding the many warning notices, to gunners and hunters, against trespassing on the farms of this county, published in the local press, the sportsmen of this city have been very successful, during the past week, in bagging a nice lot of game, numbers of them having brought in partridges, rabbits, &c., as tokens of their skill.

Mr. Milton Chew, of Carrollton, has presented us with what he calls a moderate sized specimen of the big pumpkins raised by him, of which mention was made in the SENTINEL last week. It may be moderate in size in contrast with others of the lot, but it is by no means small, as its dimensions attest, measuring, as it does, 4½ by 4½ feet in circumference.

Rev. T. H. Lewis, D. D., President of Western Maryland College, assisted in the services at the reopening of the Methodist Protestant Church at Lewistown, Frederick county, on Sunday last. The church has been remodeled at a cost of $1,200. Rev. W. M. Strayer, President of Conference, also participated in the exercises, which were of an interesting character.

Our Sams Creek correspondent writes that the farm of Mr. Thos. S. Gorsuch, (the homestead of the late Stephen Gorsuch,) near Dennings, containing 165 acres, was sold at public sale, pursuant to advertisement, on Saturday last, and was purchased by Dr. Benjamin Franklin at $26.01 per acre; a very low price considering the quality of the soil and excellency of the buildings.

Mrs. Mary J. Yingling, wife of Mr. George E. Yingling, of this city, died, at her home on John street, on Wednesday night, after an illness of upwards of three weeks, of Bright's disease. Her husband and seven children, four daughters and three sons, survive her. Funeral services were held in the M. P. Church, yesterday afternoon, after which the remains were interred in Westminster cemetery, Rev. J. L. Mills, D. D., officiating.

Mrs. Mary Agnes Hull, wife of Mr. Wm. B. Hull, of Mt. Pleasant, died at her home on Saturday last, in the 25th year of her age. She was a daughter of Mr. John Wm. Beggs, and was married to Mr. Hull November 10th, 1890. She was an excellent woman, and her early death has brought sorrow to the hearts of a large circle of loving friends. Much sympathy is felt for her young husband in his sad bereavement. Funeral services were held in St. Paul's Reformed Church, this city, on Monday, Rev. J. P. Anthony, of Hampstead Circuit U. B. Church, officiating, after which her remains were interred at Krider's cemetery.

Mr. F. H. Orendorff, Carroll County Secretary of the Association whose Fair was held at Hagerstown last week, reports that about one thousand persons went to the Fair from this county by the main line of the Western Maryland Railroad.

Messrs. J. M. Reifsnider and J. M. Roberts, of this city, and Mr. W. A Shriver, of Avondale, were gunning on Tuesday and Wednesday and were quite successful in the sport, bagging 27 partridges, 4 rabbits, and a lot of larks, robins and doves.

Mr. Henry B. Grammer, No. 145 East Main Street, dealer in stationery, books, confectionery, &c., has left at this office a copy of the genuine Gruber's "Hagerstown Town and Country Almanack" for 1891. Mr. Grammer has this Almanac for sale at 5 cents per copy.

Miss Ella Cassell and Mr. Frank E. McClure, of Baltimore, were married, on Thursday night, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Henry P. Cassell, No. 139 West Mulberry street, Baltimore, by Rev. James C. Nicholson of the M. E. Church. The bride's father was formerly a citizen of this county.

A pair of mules belonging to Mr. Edward S. Baile, residing near this city, became frightened while Mr. Baile was driving them on East Main street, several days ago, and wheeling suddenly broke the tongue of the wagon and threw him out injuring one of his legs considerably. One of the mules fell and was slightly hurt.

As the SENTINEL is circulated in this city Friday afternoon, in advance of the date of its publication, request is made that we announce that the entertainment to be given, at Odd Fellows' Hall, Friday evening, 24th inst., by Westminster Orchestra, has been deferred until a later date. The illness of several of Prof. Tillman's troupe, who were to assist in the entertainment, is the cause of this action.

Mr. George A. Bell, of John street, this city, assisted by Mr. Perry Tagg, double-tired a set of wagon wheels for Mr. B. F. Shriver, on Wednesday, in a manner to deserve special mention for the skill displayed in the workmanship. The tires are very heavy, the width being 4 inches by 1½ thick. Competent judges declared it a first-class job. Mr. Bell has the reputation of doing fine work in all branches of blacksmithing.

The excursion of Door-to-Virtue Lodge, A. F. and A. M., of this city, to the Masonic Fair in Baltimore, on Thursday, was seriously interfered with by the rain storm that prevailed that day. The train, which was a special, only carried about forty persons, most of whom were from this city. An excursion to the Fair by the Reformed congregation of Chambersbug, Pa., under the pastorate of Rev. W. C. Cremer, had a similar experience.

The directors of the Western Maryland, Baltimore and Harrisburg, Baltimore and Cumberland Valley, Potomac Valley, Western Maryland Terminal and Western Maryland Tidewater Railroad Companies met at Hillen Station, Baltimore, on Wednesday, and re-elected President John M. Hood to the head of each company for the ensuing year. Mr. George H. Baer was also re-elected secretary and treasurer. This is General Hood's eighteenth term as president of the Western Maryland.

Messrs. George A. Miller, John J. Reese, E. D. Bowersox, F. F. Shipley, and E. B. Arnold, of this city and vicinity, drove to the Monocacy on Wednesday and enjoyed a day of rare sport gunning and fishing. They caught ten fine bass, weighing in the aggregate 25 pounds, and bagged 8 partridges and 3 rabbits. Two of the bass were of unusual size, one weighing 5 pounds and the other 5 pounds 1 ounce. They were both caught by Mr. George A. Miller, who is justly proud of his piscatorial feat.

Masonic.

The Masonic year begins in Westminster on the first of October, consequently Lodge, Chapter and Council are now all at work. Door-to-Virtue Lodge, No. 46, B. F. Crouse, Master, meets every Thursday night and application for the degrees of ancient craft masonry are already on file. Carroll Royal Arch Chapter, No. 31, the only one in the county, holds convocations on the first and third Tuesdays of each month during the Fall and Winter. At the annual election, held on the 21st inst., the following officers were elected: Geo. R. Gehr, High Priest; Chas. H. Baughman, King; Benjamin F. Crouse, Scribe; Professor S. Simpson, Secretary and Wm. A. Cunningham, (Past High Priest) Treasurer. In the Cryptic rite, Carroll Council, No. 7, Royal and Select Masters, is the only organization in Maryland outside of the city of Baltimore. Its officers are: Rev. James W. Reese, Master; Wm. A. Cunningham, Deputy Master; James A. Diffenbaugh, Principal Conductor of the Work; Prof. S. Simpson, Recorder; Geo. E. Sharrer, Treasurer; Chas. H. Baughman, Captain of the Guard; Benjamin F. Crouse, Conductor; Milton Schaeffer, Marshall and Dr. Geo. E. Baughman, Steward. To this branch of Masonry none but companions of the Royal Arch are eligible. It will be gratifying to the Masons of the county to learn that the Rev. James W. Reese has been appointed by the Grand Council of the Dominion of Canada its Representative to the Grand Council of Maryland. His commission bears date the 26th of September.

An Agreeable Surprise.

An invasion that was an agreeable surprise to the inmates of the parsonage of the Deer Park M. P. Circuit, in this city, was made, on the evening of the 18th inst., by a large company of the members and friends of the Deer Park Church, who entered it loaded with the good things of this life. An enumeration of the various parcels that found their way into the home of the well-beloved pastor, is unnecessary and would be tedious. Let it suffice to say that the larder was so abundantly supplied that the wolf will be kept at bay for some time to come. Even the good pastor's taste for a Havana was not lost sight of nor neglected. Bettie, the faithful animal that carries the preacher to the appointments of the circuit, came in for a share of the generous donations, and she, like her owner, was made glad by the kind remembrance of friends.

On the occasion of the event thus chronicled, some time was spent in very pleasant social intercourse, interspersed with music and song, after which the members of the company returned to their homes, leaving contented and happy hearts at the parsonage.

County Commissioners.

The County Commissioners were in session on Monday and Tuesday. Among the business transacted was the passage of the following order:

Ordered by the Board, this 20th day of October, 1890, that the Gunpowder Valley Railroad Company be granted permission to cross county road No. 153, leading from Shauck's road to near J. D. Shearer's mill, in district No. 6, at grade or as near thereto as possible, so as not to inconvenience public travel. Also that the clerk is hereby directed to notify Jeremiah Haines, the present road supervisor, to close said road for the space of sixty days from the above date, at a point between Benjamin Bowser's and Jacob Frederick's, also at a private road diverging from said road, leading past Emanuel Haines' place.

In the matter of the petition of George W. Manro and forty other citizens of Sykesville and vicinity, who sought the interposition of the Commissioners to compel the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company to place a watchman, flagman, safety gates, or other thing, for the protection of travelers, at the railroad crossing of the public road at Sykesville, the Commissioners passed the following order:

After due consideration of the within petition and of the rights of all concerned, private and public, it is ordered, this 21st day of October, 1890, that the within petition be, and the same is, hereby dismissed. The crossing at Sykesville, mentioned in said petition, is not, in our opinion, of such unsafe or dangerous character as to justify the requiring of the Railroad Company that it place a flagman or safety gate at said crossing.

The board also appointed examiners in the case of the private road petitioned for by Thomas D. Arington, in Freedom district, naming, in that capacity, Lafayette Bains, Oscar Shipley and James M. Hyatt.

The Boards of Carroll and Frederick counties jointly awarded and entered into a contract with Messrs. Gilbert & Smith, of Gettysburg, to replace the iron bridge over the Monocacy at Sell's ford, part of which was blown away by a cyclone several months ago, for $2,800. The contract embraces the replacing and flooring of the 200 feet span destroyed as stated and the repairing of the three other spans, each 50 feet in length. The old material is to be utilized as far as possible in the work.

Deatrick—Everhart.

A wedding of much interest to the members of Trinity Reformed Church, Woodberry, and to many others in that place and elsewhere, occurred in said church at 10, A. M., on Wednesday last. The bride was Miss Mary A. K. Everhart, daughter of Mr. Edmund S. Everhart, of Woodberry, formerly of Manchester, and the groom Rev. E. R. Deatrick, the popular young pastor of the church. The interior of the church was transformed into a floral bower for the occasion. The decorations were of flowers, plants and palms, and behind the pulpit the initials "E.—D." were worked in beautiful autumn leaves. The bride wore a traveling costume of ashes of rose silk, with bonnet and gloves to match, and carried a boquet of La France roses. The ushers were: Dr. George T. Shower, cousin of the bride; Mr. William T. Everhart, uncle of the bride; Rev. A. S. Weber and Rev. A. M. Schmidt. Miss Kate Shower presided at the organ. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Wm. Deatrick, D. D., father of the groom, assisted by Rev. C. Clever, of Baltimore. After the ceremony Rev. and Mrs. Deatrick started on a wedding tour north, and will be absent two weeks. They will reside at the parsonage of Trinity Church, in Woodberry. The wedding presents were numerous and handsome. Among those present at the ceremony were: Mrs. Eliza Babylon, Mr. and Mrs. Charles V. Wantz, of Westminster; Mrs. Ephraim Cover, Miss Flora Frizell, Frizellburg; Rev. George Everhart, Shepherdstown, W. Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Sill, of Philadelphia, Pa.; Miss Deatrick, of Mercersburg, Pa.; Miss Barnitz, of Hanover, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. George P. Everhart, Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Rossiter, Rev. Louis Zinkhan, Mrs. Rev. C. Clever, Mrs. Charles Ethie, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Delphey, Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Leber, Mr. and Mrs. George Benson, Mrs. Roberts, Mrs. Kopp, Miss Gordon, Misses Addie Everhart, Lizzie Everhart, Dr. Fedderman, Mr. Charles Matten, Mr. Verley J. Clousher, and many others.

Odd Fellows' Hall at Sykesville.

The new Odd Fellows' Hall, of Springfield Lodge, No. 134, at Sykesville, was dedicated on Wednesday with interesting ceremonies. A number of members of the Grand Lodge left Baltimore at an early hour by the B. & O. R. R., and were met at Sykesville by a special committee from Springfield Lodge. They were escorted to the hall, and met by a delegation of sixty-two strong from St. Stephen's Lodge, No. 95, of Defiance, this county. There were also delegations from Center Lodge, Ellicott City, forty strong; and Shiloh Lodge, of Granite, Baltimore county. The procession was formed about noon, and the members, about two hundred strong, headed by a band, marched through the principal streets. The dedicatory ceremonies were conducted by Grand Deputy August Bouldin, acting for the grand master. Grand Scribe John M. Jones, John H. Copper and others made speeches. After the dedication the members and nearly everybody in the town went to a large grove near the farm of ex-Postmaster Frank Brown, where a dinner was eaten. The new hall is a frame structure, about 40x70 feet, and cost $1,200. The lodge has been in existence about five years, and has a membership of forty-five.

Barn Burned.

The large bank barn and an adjoining shed of Mr. Leander Hull, in Cranberry Valley, about two miles from this city, were totally destroyed by fire between 9.30 and 11 o'clock Tuesday night, with their contents, including several hundred bushels of wheat and other farm produce, valued in all at about $475; a lot of farming implements, including binder, reaper and mower, and separator; also wagon, buggy, harness, &c., making the total loss on personal property $1200 to $1300. Mr. Hull had an insurance of $000 on farm produce and $425 on farming implements, wagons, &c., in the Merchants Insurance Company of Newark, N. J., and there was a policy for $1000 on the buildings in the Dug Hill Company. The entire loss approximates $2,500. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Reported for the SENTINEL.

A Trip to Europe—On a Cattle Ship.

The writer, after returning from a considerable sojourn in the west, last year, conceived a desire to visit foreign lands, and in November obtained employment as a "cattle boy" on the British steamship Oxenholme, which sailed from Baltimore, carrying 375 fine cattle as part of cargo. The term "cattle boy" is hardly a misnomer. There were five of us on the Oxenholme. Things went fairly well with us until we began to get sea-sick, which occurred in a few days, caused, no doubt, mainly by our inexperience of ocean life, but aggravated by lack of good and sufficient food. Our breakfasts were principally made up of hashed potatoes left from the officers' table, and were scanty at that. For dinner we had salt meat and pea soup, with about two peas to a pint of water, and for supper hard tack and cold potatoes, if we had saved any of the latter from our hash. This is a fair description of the treatment of the "cattle boys" on the Oxenholme.

During the voyage, which lasted five or six days, the cattle were attacked with some kind of disease, and by the time we reached Liverpool we had lost about 70 head.

At Liverpool we went to a hotel and got our first square meal in fourteen days, for which we paid in advance and then fairly paralyzed our host by our prodigious appetites. He looked at us as if he imagined we had never had anything to eat, but said nothing and we ate and tea, until hunger was appeased. We then took a look at the city, which is a very large and busy place, with a large number of manufactories, including sugar refineries, foundries, lumber mills and many other industries.

From Liverpool we took a trip to London, distant 240 miles, by the Midland Railroad. The run was made in six hours. The English style of railroading does not afford the facilities enjoyed by travelers on American railways. English cars are called carriages, and each has a box-like compartment, about six feet by ten, into one of which, after obtaining our tickets, we were put, and the door locked. The entrance is on the side of the carriage, there being no end doors. After being locked in we were compelled to remain until a station was reached, when a conductor appeared and called for tickets. Ours were shown, but retained, as we were going further. This was repeated at each station at which we stopped until the train arrived at London.

We reached London in the morning and took a look around the city. The only thing I will refer to now is the character of the streets, most of which we found made of blocks of wood. These blocks are about a foot in length, six inches wide and three or four inches thick. The manner of using them is about as follows: The surface of the street is first made regular and then the blocks are set up on end and driven very tight together. Then a covering of sand a few inches thick is added. The sand soon fills up the crevices and a very good roadway is the result.

I will give a further account of my experience abroad in a future letter.

W. S. MARKEL.

Letter From Mr. Ira B. Lawyer.

IOLA, KANSAS, October 13th, 1890.

Dear Editor:—Having been a constant reader of the SENTINEL for fifty years, beginning with the time when it was first published by Col. John K. Longwell as the CARROLLTONIAN, I see in it many familiar names yet, but am often at a loss to tell what families they belong to; and every now and then I see that some of the older ones, that were the leaders in society in our boyhood days, are passing away. I am truly glad that the SENTINEL is advocating temperance as it does. I am proud of being a citizen of Prohibition Kansas. The whiskeyites may try to make some outsiders believe that prohibition does not prohibit. But let them come and try it and they will find that it does prohibit. During the period when the Original Package decision was in force, an agent was sent to our city to sell the accursed stuff. The citizens appointed a committee to ask the man to desist; but he told them he came to stay. And sure enough, he did stay; but spent most of his time looking through the iron bars of the county jail, until Congress passed a law that relieved the State of such nuisances.

Although we had a very dry season until about the middle of August, the farmers of Allen county, and in fact of all eastern counties, have and will take in more money for produce than they ever did before in one year. The estimate on flax alone, in this county, is about $300,000. When we say flax we mean the seed only, as there are no facilities to utilize the straw except as food for stock. Wheat has been excellent in quality. The corn crop will be short.

It is astonishing how people are trying to make the western part of the State a farming country. In the spring the prairie schooners are seen wending their way westward and in the fall they come back to stay with their wives' people in Eastern Kansas or Missouri. They all say that the soil cannot be beat for fertility, but for lack of rain they cannot succeed. It is now intended to utilize the Arkansas river for irrigating purposes, which will no doubt be beneficial.

Our city is now lighted with natural gas, and in drilling for gas they have to go through thirty feet of solid marble. A syndicate has just commenced opening the marble quarries, the product of which has been pronounced by government chemists as No. 1 marble. I am now living in Iola, and would take this opportunity to say that should you, Mr. Editor, or any one from Westminster or vicinity, stray out this way, our latch string is always hanging out, and we would be glad to see you and have a chat with you.

I. B. LAWYER.

List of Unclaimed Matter

Remaining in the Postoffice at Westminster, Md., October 18, 1890.

Arnold, Albert
Barnitz, Mrs C. D.
Bloom, George
Black, Theodore A.
Bricker, John
Buckley, E. L.
Clark, John W.
Donohue, John P.
Englar, W. C.
Fisher, John T.
Fisher, Robert J.
Harden, Nicholas G.
Harris, Rev. G. L.
Harver, John
Hahn, Hezikiah
Hull, David
Lampert, Miss Sarah
Little, Miss Rebecca
Mackinson, Mrs.
Marker, Elias
Murray, Geo. W.
Robinson, Harry J.
Smith, Miss Rebecca
Snyder, Geo. W.
Sander, Schuyler S.
Somers, Michael J.
Stengel, J. A.
Stine, William H.
Stephan, Albert C.
Taylor, S. B.
Townsend, Fred. W.
Warefield, Edwin A.
Wagner, Miss Mary J.
Wisemiller, Andrew C.
Yingling, Francis C.
Zeigler, Theodore
Zeist, Otto W. P.

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

GEO. E. SHARRER, P. M.

College Notes.

The Junior poems show that the class has the ability of soaring heavenward on the airy wings of imagination.

The gymnasium suits have arrived and the boys make a good appearance. Eight pairs of clubs have been added.

Day, of the Senior Class, stands first on the list as highest kicker. A few evenings ago he twisted up his muscles and kicked the disk at the height of eight feet.

A novel invention has lately been considered for calling the "roll" in chapel. The idea is to have the students photographed as they sit in order, after which the secretary can look over the proof and mark all absent ones.

Several of the Senior boys visited Baltimore last week and have returned with flattering reports of the Masonic Fair. They say its the finest thing of the kind that has been in the city, and is attracting large crowds daily.

And now the college has a Glee Club. What a world of delight is contained in those two words. Mr. Judefind was elected director and leader. The following are the names of its members: Wheelton, Caton, Jones, Strayer, Nelson, Revelle, Claypool, Stone, Lewis and Watsop. A minstrel company will soon be organized.

Every person remembers the bright sunshine of last Saturday. Well, on account of fine weather about fifty college boys, including the base ball nine, boarded the train and went to New Windsor to play a game. After a pleasant little trip they got off the train and made a break for the Hotel de Windsor, where they ate like brave men, long and well. After faring sumptuously, all started toward the college ground, where the game began at 2 o'clock. The play did not move in the smoothest manner on account of the Windsors kicking, but when McKeever hit the ball, sending it out of sight, thus making a home run, was when the big cry went up. There was an inconsistency caused by a rule not being made public, so Umpire Magruder called the game 9 to 0 in favor of W. M. C. If McKeever continues slugging the ball with the force he used in the last two games he can soon expect to receive letters from the National League.

Last Friday, the 17th, seven of the Junior class stood forth in their glory to read their themes. Mr. Bowden's subject was, "The Pilgrim Fathers," in which he portrayed with vivid strokes the suffering and privation which the old boys had to endure and finally how they succeeded in becoming a prosperous people—the best in the land. "A Tower that Reaches beyond the Stars" is what Miss Coghill had to talk about, and we can truly say that it was an elaborate work. "Our Nation's Greatness" was Mr. Caton's subject. The production was a good one, in which the author gave the audience to understand that America is ahead of them all. Miss Galt had, for her theme, "Literary Culture," in which she stated the advantages and pleasures of a well cultured Mind. Miss Hering read a well composed essay on "Elizabeth Browning," and last came Mr. Jones, of Bayview, who read a fine work on the "Decay of Feudalism." He treated the subject in a masterly way and presented just such sentiment as instructs.

Union Mills Items.

SUICIDE OF CHRISTIAN WISNER.

On Tuesday afternoon, of this week, Christian Wisner, a farmer, aged about 70 years, residing a couple miles east of Union Mills, committed suicide by shooting himself in the throat with a revolver. Wisner was a hard drinker and lived on bad terms with his wife whom he drove from home last week, after which he was alone in the house. Shortly after dinner on the day above mentioned he went to the home of his son, Jacob, who lives a half mile distant, and got his (Jacob's) gun, saying he intended to shoot himself. The son took the weapon from him, when the old man started for home again, making the remark that he had a gun of his own and would accomplish his purpose anyhow. As he had often made such threats before, Jacob paid little attention to it. In the evening he went over to his father's, accompanied by his mother, to do the evening's work, when the dead body of the old man was found lying on the porch. He had one shoe off and it is thought he tried to shoot himself in the head with a rusty old double barrel gun, that lay on the bench, which was still loaded and no doubt refused to go off. He then got the revolver which was found on the floor near by and committed the terrible deed, and from the appearance of the wound it is likely that only powder and wadding were used as ammunition. Wisner has been a drinker for a number of years, which no doubt unbalanced his mind and was the cause of the rash act. Justice of the Peace Jacob R. Lippy was notified, and, summoning a jury, held an inquest over the body the same night, and the verdict, of course, was suicide.

Long ago Wisner designated the spot on which he wished to be buried (under an oak tree on his farm) and hauled there a large stone to mark the grave, and also said he wished Rev. Jos. C. Jones to officiate at his funeral; and in the driving rain of last Thursday morning these requests were carried out.

Personal.

Miss Bertha Strasburger, of Fredericksburg, Va., who had been visiting friends and relatives in this city for a week or more, returned home on Thursday.

Miss Carrie Fringer, of Baltimore, is visiting her brother, Ex-Sheriff Geo. N. Fringer, near this city. Her many friends will be pleased to learn that though still fragile her health has not declined since her removal to the city.

Rev. John Gloyd, of Washington, D. C., former pastor of St. John's Catholic Church, of this city, was here on a flying visit on Tuesday last, and was greeted warmly by the many friends whom he met, and who were pleased to observe his robust and healthy appearance.

Proceedings of the Orphans' Court.

Monday, October 20th, 1890.—John Baker, executor of Samuel Baker, deceased, returned inventory of goods and chattels, and received order to notify creditors.

Elizabeth Christmas, administratrix of John Christmas, deceased, returned inventory of goods and chattels, and received order to sell goods and chattels, and order to notify creditors.

Tuesday, October 21st.—John L. Bankert, executor of Jacob Bankert, deceased reported sale of real estate.

Edward H. Krideler, executor of Philippina Miller, deceased, reported sale of real estate.

New Windsor Items.

The canning season is now about closed. Messrs. Baile & Stouffer are about finishing up the business by canning about 100 bushels of green tomatoes. What fine pies these will make when the wintry days are here, and the larder becomes contracted!

As the champion lima-bean caterer, we will name Mr. Wm. W. Smelser, who by his cunning has made us believe "there's millions in it." Douglas Jerrold once said: "Tickle the earth with a hoe, and it will smile with a harvest." Mr. S. has certainly pleased the fancy, somehow or other, of 1½ acres of ground, when it produces over 100 bushels limas that make him a revenue of $400.00, cash. Besides this amount of his own raising, he purchased from his neighboring farmers 300 bushels more, making the total amount shipped by him 400 bushels, for which he received $1600. The amount of poles he had planted was 11,000. Farmers who cannot raise enough wherewith to cancel their fertilizer bills, should stop and think. Beans may yet be their salvation, as well as the McKinley bill.

Eph, the astute mathematician and political economist, struggling for fame and sharing it moderately around the sylvan swards of D. Englar of H., to-day captured a rabbit having only three legs. It seems that Eph was thoroughly unconscious of his booty until post mortem examination proved, to his displeasure, that he had possessed an object worthy of a cage in the side-show of a great circus.

Mr. A. Carlisle is having his residence handsomely painted, which changes the appearance of the corner considerably. Mr. Isaiah Nusbaum has also commenced painting his fine residence.

One of the most enjoyable evenings spent this season, was at the reception tendered to Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Dielman by Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Bixler, Wakefield. Our friend Lou seems to be about the last of the triumvirate in town, who surcharged the thought with action, "tis not good for man to be alone." A man of his intelligence could interpret nothing less than this, and after many flights over the mountains blue, hither he came with a graceful bride. To them were the honors of the evening. Music high and rare from the inspiration of Gounod, delighted each and every one as it came from the skilled touch of Miss Louisa Kleefisch. At the table, where everything presented a decorous appearance and a tantalizing odor, covers were spread for fifteen. Nearly an hour was spent in dispensing wit and disposing, as best we could, of every article on the menu. The succulent bivalve suffered sorely, but as they greatly outnumbered us, we could not get away with them. Much credit is due to host and hostess for their consummate skill and elegant entertainment, and we trust the bride and groom may live long and enjoy many such. Among those present were Rev. Mrs. A. Warner, Northumberland, Pa., Mr. and Mrs. John A. Buffington, Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Devilbiss, Misses Lena and Aggie Dielman, Misses Louisa and Joanna Kleefisch.

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Manchester Items.

The sympathy of this community went out to Mr. A. Richstein and family, on Friday evening last, when the news was spread that his oldest daughter, Gertie, had passed away at the age of 12 years. So few persons knew of her illness that there was general surprise at the announcement of her death. She was a quiet, unassuming child, and moved about so gracefully and in such ladylike manner that all seemed to admire her. Her remains were taken to Christ's Church, near Littlestown, Pa., on Sunday last and interred by the side of a little sister who died less than a year ago.

Although the weather was threatening on Sunday morning last there was a large congregation present at the Lutheran Church at the communion services conducted by the pastor, Rev. C. M. Eyster, who administered the sacrament to over two hundred persons.

On Sunday evening the Rev. Yearick, of Mercersburg, Pa., filled the pulpit in Trinity Reformed Church of this place.

The Union tannery is being repaired and refitted for active operations in the near future. The proprietor, Mr. J. C. Helb, intends to work a full complement of hands on the yard as well as to continue his bottling establishment, which has been quite a success.

Mr. John C. Denner is the champion corn raiser of this section, having raised 22 barrels to the acre on one of his lots near town. The crop, generally, is reported very large in this vicinity.

The conduct at Wine's meeting-house on Sunday evening was such as to lead to the arrest of two young men of the Melrose community, who are each minus $3.75 for fine and costs. The conduct in this instance leads to the suggestion that a few more home missionaries might be employed to a good purpose.

Mr. Nelson Warehime has removed his cigar factory to the large carriage factory on York street, which has been fitted up to accommodate his increasing trade.

Mr. Gladhill, of Westminster, is papering the fine home of Dr. Trump, this week, preparatory to his occupying it next week.

Our sportsmen are up in arms about the extensive advertising of property against trespassers. Their field of operations is circumscribed to the town lots, and a small territory south of town.

From Hampstead.

Mr. Charles Sapp, of Baltimore, recently moved to this place and has bought the farm of Mrs. Wells, widow of the late Dr. Wells, and mother of Drs. R. C. and E. D. Wells.

Revival services commenced on Sunday night, at Shiloh Church of Hampstead circuit.

Last week Mrs. Rev. Emory Burhman, of New Windsor, in company with her aunt, Mrs. Belle Hendrix, of Missouri, paid a short visit to Mr. John W. Murray, brother of the latter lady. Mrs. Hendrix is the mother of Bishop Hendrix, of the M. E. Church South.

Mrs. Sedonia Ridgely, of Brooklyn, N. Y., daughter of the late Melchoir Cox, is on a visit to her father's widow, Mrs. Fannie Cox.

Mrs. Anne Hancock, of Philadelphia, Pa., has been visiting the family of Mr. Wm. Stone.

Mr. Wm. Hoff last Tuesday was taken seriously ill with appoplexy. Mr. Hoff's right side is entirely paralyzed.

Mr. George W. Zepp, residing near Houcksville, is seriously ill with typhoid fever.

Miss Cecilia Fowble, of Fowblesburg, is suffering from paralysis of one of her lower limbs.

Woodbine Items.

The public school at Day has been closed on account of diphtheria.

Services were held at Morgan Chapel last Sabbath evening. Miss Lula Brandenburg presided at the organ.

Easton Bro's. are threshing grain and hulling clover seed for the farmers.

Mr. John Walbert is building a dwelling house. Mr. Abner Gosnell is building an addition to his dwelling.

The farmers have advertised and will not allow gunners to shoot the partridges. This is as it should be.

Your Bird Hill correspondent seems to be taken aback and worried lest a deacon should go to shoot on a race horse. We would advise the deacon to decline the journey, but if he is determined to go to that sultry clime and prefers to go on horseback, we do not see what difference it would make to your correspondent whether it be a race horse, mule, or donkey.

Protracted services are being held in a number of churches, and the ministers spend much of their breath telling their congregation that they are sinners and that God is angry with them. Why tell them this? They already know it by sad experience, and it only widens the breach between the sinner and his God. "Hold up the love of Christ that passeth understanding" to the sinner and tell him that God is love and willeth not the death of any. This would heap coals of fire upon his head and melt the heart of stone and swell the soul with gratitude to God.

[Has our correspondent forgotten that "the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom?"—ED.]

Gist Items.

Our farmers are about done seeding for this year, and corn husking and fall plowing are now in order. About the same acreage was sown this fall as last, and the early sown grain has made an excellent start for the winter. We had a bouncing frost on the night of the 21st inst., and tomato vines and dahlias will have to succumb to the icy touch of the autumn visitor. Many are complaining of the potato rot. Mr. Washington Grimes has lost, already, nearly all of his crop, which he had put away.

The young people of our neighborhood begun their usual winter festivities by having a male dance at Mr. Simon Keiffer's last week. Mr. Lemuel A. Cook, our enterprising store-keeper, has two curiosities on exhibition; one is a singing mouse, which is not caged, but comes out on one of the fipper shelves and sings clear, and peculiar notes to the enjoyment of all present. The little creature, however, prefers to stay in his snug recess behind the wall ceiling and there conduct his vocal culture. The other curiosity is a mammoth turnip, which weighs 9½ pounds.

Our public school is still increasing in numbers and now has 51 pupils, 48 of whom are enrolled. A visit to our school exhibits two new features, to-wit, order and good discipline, both in the arrangement and the decoration of its walls.

Several of the children of this community have bad colds, accompanied with sore throats. Whether it is diphtheria or not has not been determined.

Center View Items.

Mr. John Blizzard, whose traction engine was badly damaged by breaking through a bridge, some weeks ago, has had it thoroughly repaired and is again operating his steam thresher, and doing as fine work as ever.

Work has been commenced on the new public school house at Shade's and it is expected that by the middle of November it will be ready for occupancy.

Miss Maude V. Erb had the misfortune to lose a small silver chain, with keys attached, either in Westminster, on Friday evening, or at the oyster supper at Krider's, on Saturday night. The finder will confer a favor by returning chain and keys to the owner.

Miss Goldie Erb visited the Misses Smith, of New Windsor, last week.

Corn husking is progressing in good earnest in this neighborhood, and the yield is very good.

Shiloh Items.

The frequent rains have been a great hindrance to farmers in their work. Husking corn is in full progress now. Many are complaining that the corn is not drying out as desired. In this vicinity especially, where the storm passed through, there is some of the corn that is imperfect, caused by being prostrated before it was matured. We also have heard some complaining that an unusual amount is mouldy. Otherwise it is a fair yield. Wheat is making a remarkably fine appearance at this time.

We are pained to have to report the death of Mrs. Sarah Leppo, nee Leatherwood, wife of Jesse Leppo, from dropsy, on 21st inst. Mrs. John W. Smith is under medical treatment for neuralgia in her head.

We had considerable frost on the 22nd, which marks the third of the season.

Shipley Items.

The early sown grain is making a promising appearance, and if the fall continues favorable it will certainly get a good set for the winter. Some are complaining of their potatoes rotting in the cellars since they have been put away. Many others have not been able to get theirs out of the ground yet because of the wet weather. Many of our citizens have been making their kraut for winter use. The cabbage crop was an excellent one, but the wet weather caused many of the best heads to burst and spoil. The buckwheat yield is much better than was expected.

The protracted meeting at Zion has been well attended, but there have as yet been no penitents.

Bessie Shipley has recovered from her injury enough to begin to walk again by the aid of a crutch.

Republican Mass Meeting.

Attention is called to the advertisement of the Republican meeting to be held at the Court House in this city next Wednesday evening. Good speaking may be expected, the presence of the gentlemen announced being assured. Capt. Wilson, the Republican candidate for Congress in this district, of course heads the list. He is a plain but forcible speaker and we feel assured will make a good impression and worthily maintain the cause of Republicanism. Gen. Bussey was a distinguished soldier in the war for the Union and is a brilliant and effective orator. Mr. John W. Carroll was named in connection with the Congressional nomination and is a sound and capable speaker. Let us have a rousing meeting.

Registration of 1890.

Below is appended a table showing the number of names added to and erased from the lists of registered voters, during the September and October sittings of the officers of registration, in all the districts of this county. It will be seen that there is a net loss in the registered vote of the county of 124. This reduces the entire vote of the county to 8,306.

District	Added.	Erased.	Increase.	Decrease.
Taneytown	45	76	00	31
Uniontown	32	49	00	17
Myers'	19	27	00	8
Woolery's	29	45	00	16
Freedom	56	51	5	00
Manchester	46	34	12	00
Westminster, 1 pct.	43	36