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FOR 25 CENTS.

In reply to numerous inquiries it is hereby announced that the SENTINEL will be sent to campaign subscribers, from date until the last week in November, for the sum of 25 cents. The importance of having sound and reliable information concerning the issues involved in the November election should cause a large subscription of this character. The people, who were so grossly misinformed last year concerning the nature and effect of the McKinley tariff law, should pay little heed to alleged information coming from Democratic sources by which they were then misled. The SENTINEL has exposed many of the erroneous declarations then put forth by Democratic authority, and will still continue to do so. Let its circulation be widely extended.

LOCAL ITEMS.

Special Notice.

The *Democratic Advocate* will not be issued until Monday, October 12th, owing to an accident that destroyed their forms just as the paper had been put to press.

The cool weather of the last few days is a reminder that summer is ended.

The canning factories of this city have closed for the season.

Mr. George W. Keller, of Houcksville, has been granted an increase of his soldier's pension.

It is reported that the Western Maryland Railroad has determined to erect a new station at New Oxford, Pa., at a cost of not less than $5,000.

We are indebted to the Carroll county secretary, Mr. Geo. W. Albaugh, of this city, for a complimentary ticket to the Hagerstown Fair.

A corn-stalk that measured 15 feet, 1 inch in height was grown by Mr. U. L Reaver, of this city, on his lots near the city limits.

Mr Upton Decker, of Fountain Valley, who served in Company A, Sixth Md. Regiment, has been granted an increase of pension.

'Squire Wm. J. Mitten has removed from the old homestead, at the East End of this city, where he has resided all his life, to a dwelling on Belle Grove Square.

The front of the building occupied by the Westminster Shoe Company has been handsomely improved by elevating and enlarging the show windows.

Two double dahlias, growing back to back and one of them imbedded in the other, were plucked by Miss Mary B. Shellman from a stalk in the garden at her home in this city, a few days ago.

Mr. Robert C. Miller, of this city, has received an appointment with the Fidelity and Deposit Company, in Baltimore, and entered upon the discharge of his duties on Tuesday.

Mr. Charles W. Zeiber, son of Mr. Israel Zeiber, of this city, has been promoted from a $1600 to an $1800 clerkship in the Interior Department at Washington.

At the Fredericksburg, Va., Fair, held last week, Mrs. Victor C. Strasburger, formerly of this city, exhibited a linen towel manufactured a hundred and ten years ago.

Mr. Chas. Tate, keeper of the toll-gate on the Baltimore and Reisterstown turnpike, southeast of this city, has been transferred to the toll house at Owings Mills, and Mr. William Taylor has been appointed his successor.

In excavating in front of the residence of Mrs. Catherine Busby, for the purpose of lowering the sidewalk to the new grade, the workmen encountered a ledge of rock that added materially to their labor.

The SENTINEL inadvertently stated that to-day would be the Hebrew Day of Atonement. This was an error, Monday next, 12th inst. being the date of that festival. The stores of Messrs S. Kann, Sons & Co., and Mr. A. C. Strasburger, will be closed on the occasion.

Rev. J. T. Ward, D. D., President of Westminster Theological Seminary, will attend the Martha Washington tea party at the old M. P. Church, near Wakefield, this, Saturday, afternoon, and deliver an address. This unique party will be continued at night.

The annual lovefeast of the German Baptists of Meadow Branch Church will be held on Saturday afternoon and evening next, commencing at 1 o'clock. Services will be held on the Sunday following, with preaching by some of the ministers who will be present at the lovefeast.

At the annual election for seven directors of the Westminster Savings Institution, held on Saturday last, the old board, consisting of Messrs E. O. Grimes, Charles T. Reifsnider, Edwin J. Lawyer, David A. Snider, Dr. Charles Billingslea, J. Wesley Myers and Wm. H. Starr were unanimously reelected.

A very handsome patchwork quilt of feather and shell pattern, made and quilted by Mrs. Catharine A. Spencer, of Smallwood, has been raffled by Mr. Wm. Marsh and won by Thos. O'N. Baumgartner, Esq., of this city. Twenty-five chances were taken at fifty cents a chance.

Mrs. Brooks, mother of Joseph D. Brooks, Esq., the Republican candidate for State's Attorney, slipped and fell on the porch at her son's residence on Church street, this city, on Wednesday, and fractured her right leg below the knee. The fracture was adjusted by Dr. E. D. Wells.

Messrs. Everhart & Co., of this city, successors of Everhart Bro's., have sent to this office a copy of the "Hagerstown Town and Country Almanack," for 1892.

Rev. Calvin S. Slagle, pastor of St. Paul's Reformed Church, of this city, will be absent from home next week attending the annual meeting of the Potomac Synod, which will convene at Chambersburg, Pa., on Tuesday, 13th inst.

On Thursday afternoon Master Pearre Wantz, son of Mr. Charles V. Wantz, of this city, amused himself by shooting rats with his cat rifle, at his father's barn, and fifteen large rodents became the victims of his skill in a short time.

A boiler of hot water was accidentally upset at the residence of Richard Brown, colored, on the grounds of Judge Maulsby, this city, several days ago, and Grace Henderson, Brown's sister-in-law, was scalded about the feet and one of his little girls on her legs and arms. Fortunately the water was not quite at the boiling point and the scalds did not penetrate the flesh deeply, so that no permanent injury will result from the accident.

On Wednesday Mr. David Stoner, President of the Board of County Commissioners of Carroll County, met the County Commissioners of Frederick county at Union Bridge, when a contract for building a bridge over Sams Creek, on the Clemson road, near McKinstry's Mills, was awarded to C. Thomas Daughterty. The bridge will be sixty-four feet span and the amount contracted to be paid for its construction is $356.

The Walnut Grove Musical and Literary Society, of Porters, will give a musical and literary entertainment at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, near Taylorsville, on Saturday evening, 17th inst., commencing at half-past 7 o'clock. If the evening should prove unfavorable it will take place on the following Tuesday evening, 20th inst. The proceeds will be for the benefit of the church. The admission will be 10 cents.

Burns Post No. 13, G. A. R., will meet at Odd Fellows' Hall on Saturday night, 10th inst., for the purpose of assisting in the organization of a Camp of Sons of Veterans. Officers of the latter order, from Washington, D. C., will be present and officially institute the Camp. A full attendance of the members of the Post is requested. All sons of veteran soldiers are invited to attend and unite in the organization.

The County Commissioners were in session on Monday and Tuesday last and engaged chiefly in general business and in settling for bridges and repairs to bridges. An order was passed authorizing Mr. Mordecai C. McKinstry to deepen the channel of Sams Creek at McKinstrys' Mills to prevent the water from overflowing and standing on the county road, he to bear half the cost of the work.

The twentieth annual Eldership of the Church of God will be held in Fairplay, Washington county, commencing on Thursday next, 15th inst. We are requested to state that all persons desiring to attend the Eldership can obtain orders for tickets to Hagerstown, over the Western Maryland Railroad, at reduced rates, by writing to the stated clerk, Rev. G. W. Seilhimer, at Uniontown. Tickets must be purchased at Hagerstown, over the Shenandoah Valley Railroad, to Speilman's Crossing.

Mr. George W. Sullivan, of this city, informs us that Mr. W. Starzman Gladhill, of Spring Mills, has an apple tree on his premises, the product of which was phenomenally large, even in this prolific year. Mr. Sullivan, observing the great masses of apples on the tree, requested Mr. Gladhill to keep an account of the quantity, and he did so with care and accuracy. The yield, not including a bushel or two ungathered, was sixty five bushels! The apples are of that excellent variety, English Redstreaks.

The Baltimore *Sun* says: "A clergyman writes to the *Sun* that a man calling himself Shafer, and representing himself as a Methodist Protestant, from Finksburg, Md., and a Johnstown survivor, has been successful in getting sums of money for the ostensible purpose of having an expensive operation performed on an eye said to have been hurt in the Johnstown flood. The minister says the man stopped all night with a member of his flock and led the family devotions. He claimed that his pastor was the Rev. G. R. McCready, of Finksburg, but a letter from Mr. McCready said the man had been there as a stranger, and had also got money for his eye in that place."

The dividend of four per cent. on capital stock and two and a half per cent. on weekly and monthly deposits, clear of all taxes, declared by the president and directors of the Westminster Savings Institution, as announced in our advertising columns, furnishes abundant evidence of its continued able management. This dividend, taken in connection with the statement of the condition of the institution for the year ending September 30th, 1891, marks it as one of the most substantial savings institutions in the country. It would certainly be difficult to find one more ably conducted. Mr. Wm. H. Starr is the treasurer.

Mr. O. D. Gilbert, President of the Westminster Fire Department, has received from Mr. Jackson C. Gott, architect, of Baltimore, a drawing showing the plan of a proposed improvement to the firemen's building, which will be commenced shortly and pushed to completion as rapidly as possible. The plan represents a very handsome front, raised to a level with the adjoining Wantz buildings and presenting the appearance of three stories surmounted by a graceful belfry and spire. The improvement will cost between $1,500 and $2,000, and when completed will give the firemen a structure of which they may justly feel proud.

The contributors to the Flower Mission this week, October 8th, were Mrs. Charles P. Cassell, Mrs. Jas. A. C. Bond, Mrs. A. Ensor, Mrs. Henry E. Morelock, Mrs. Samuel Shunk, Mrs. Geo. W. Matthews, Mrs. Wm. B. Thomas, Mrs. Wm. A. Cunningham, Mrs. A. Carr, Mrs. M. A. McGirr, Misses Gracie Gorsuch, Maggie Oursler, Mary B. Shellman, Mamie Mobley, Gracie Diehl, Janie Reaver, Rosa Reese, Gertrude Baer, Mary Englard, Carrie Mourer, Ida Lockard, Masters Willie Utz and Georgie Wentz. With this week's contributions the work at this place, for this season, ends. The hearty thanks of the Baltimore Mission are extended to all who have so faithfully labored this year with the hope that they will be ready, by another year, to join in work again.

In the fall of 1890 Mr. Milton Chew, of Carrollton, presented the SENTINEL with a pumpkin of large size, which he stated possessed within itself some peculiar quality that rendered the use of eggs unnecessary in making it into pies. It was kept in the office during the winter and was thoroughly sound in the spring. Several persons obtained seeds from it, among whom was Mr. Amos Wampler, of Medford, who has left with us a sample of its product in the shape of a pumpkin weighing seventy-two pounds and measuring four feet ten and a-half inches in circumference. He has a still larger one not quite so well shaped. On four vines he has eighteen of the pumpkins, many of which weighed from fifty to sixty pounds.

A new time schedule of passenger trains on the Western Maryland Railroad went into effect on Sunday, 4th inst. The early morning accommodation train from Union Bridge and the Blue Mountain Express were discontinued. An accommodation train starting at Frederick in the morning and returning in the evening was added. Trains now leave Westminster as follows: Going east—Union Bridge accommodation, 6.39, A. M.; Frederick accommodation, 8.13, A. M.; through passenger, 9.47, A. M.; Union Bridge accommodation, 1.12, P. M.; Mail, 4.23, P. M.; Fast Mail, 6.02, P. M.; going west—Fast Mail, 5.45, A. M.; Mail, 9.43, A. M.; Union Bridge accommodation, 11.41, A. M.; through passenger, 5.39, P. M.; Frederick accommodation, 6.48, P. M.; Union Bridge accommodation, 8.12, P. M. The Pen-Mar excursion train was discontinued on Thursday.

The engineers who have partially surveyed lines for the railroad from Green Spring Junction to this city have been temporarily called to Caroline county for the purpose of surveying a route from Greensborough to Federalsburg. Some county assistance has been tendered this line conditioned upon its acceptance by November 1st, causing an emergency that made prompt action necessary; hence the temporary suspension of the work on the lines to this city. It is understood that the work in Caroline county will not occupy more than two or three weeks, and upon its completion the engineers will return and finish the interrupted survey. They have already located three lines to the Patapsco, two from Green Spring Junction and one from a point lower down the Green Spring Valley. The latter and one of the other lines run to the mouth of Beaver run. The last line from the Junction runs to the mouth of Morgan's Run and is the most eligible of the three. It will be continued up Morgan's Run, which is known to be a practical and easy route.

Personal.

Mrs. Emma J. Lankford, of St. Denis, Baltimore county, is visiting Mrs. E. J. Rippard, East Main street, this city.

Capt. and Mrs. O. H. P. Mathias, of Baltimore, spent Sunday and Monday last with friends in this city.

Mr. E. G. Richardson, of Hampton, Pa., spent a few days this week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James H. Richardson, of New Windsor.

Mr. Frank W. Shriver, of Philadelphia, spent a few days with his father, Mr. Francis Shriver, West Main street, this city, this week.

Dr. Lyman B. Stormstedt, of Washington, is visiting this city, his native place, and is the guest of Mr. Francis Shriver, West Main street.

Mr. John F. Everhart, of this city, has accepted a position with the Baltimore *Morning Herald*, as superintendent of carriers.

Rev. G. W. Cooper, of Centenary M. E. Church of this city, is attending the Methodist Ecumenical Conference in Washington.

Eothen.

Mr. Thos. J. Meads, of Baltimore, will deliver one of his popular illuminated lectures, "Eothen; Bible Lands and Incidents," in the Odd Fellows' Hall, this city, on Tuesday evening, 20th inst. It is superbly illustrated with 175 elegant stereoptican views, specially prepared for Mr. Meads, most of them being from direct photographs of the places visited, the remainder illustrating the scenes and incidents of a trip through the Holy Land. The lecturer will entertain and delight his audience by taking them all over Palestine, showing them its cities, towns, mountains, plains, seas and rivers; also the manners and customs of its people, and the rare sights and scenery of the country.

Reese-Stansbury.

The residence of Mr. George C. Stansbury, south of Manchester, witnessed a very pretty scene on Thursday, 6th inst., the occasion having been the marriage of his daughter, Miss Susan M. Stansbury and Mr. Denton Reese, son of Mr. Daniel Reese, of Cranberry. Miss M. Stansbury was bridesmaid and Mr. T. C. Reese groomsman. The wedding march was rendered by Miss Emma Armacost. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. P. Anthony, of the U. B. Church, Hampstead. A bounteous wedding supper was served after the ceremony. Among those present were Mrs. D. Reese, Mr. and Mrs. David B. Houck, Mr. Charles W. Reese, Mr. and Mrs. John Brown, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Stansbury and son, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Stansbury, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Stansbury, Mr. G. Albaugh.

Pleasant Birthday Party.

A very pleasant birthday party was given to Miss Ossie Stitely at her home on West Main street, this city, on Thursday evening of last week. The grounds were beautifully illuminated with a number of Chinese lanterns, and swings and hammocks furnished means of enjoyment to the misses and youths who were handsomely entertained on the occasion. After several hours of play the happy guests were invited to the dining room and bountifully served with choice refreshments. Those present were Miss Ossie Stitely, Misses Lillie, Janie and Irene Woodward, Helen and Agnes Gorsuch, Elizabeth Slagle, Carrie Gehr, Ora, Abbie and Nettie Whitmore, Hannah Kanne, Testie Buckingham, Edna Schaeffer, Zola Keen, Larue Herr, Myrle Malehorn, Carrie Brown, Helen Crouse, Ada Schaeffer, Annie Schaeffer, Grace Handley, Blanche Schaeffer, Annie Main, Florence Miller, Gertie Groft, Sadie Zile, Masters Louis Woodward, Harry Gorsuch, Ollie Grimes, George E. Sharrer, Jr., Thomas Anders, Denton Gehr, Ira Crouse, Paul Miller, Guinzie Whitmore, John David Whitmore, of Westminster; Caleb O'Connor, and Russell Smith, of Western Maryland College.

Relics of Early Methodism.

Rev. Dr. J. T. Ward, D. D., F. S. Sc., President of the Westminster Theological Seminary of the M. P. Church, has in his possession a number of interesting and valuable relics of early Methodism both in England and America, which he exhibited and explained on Sunday morning last, at the request of the pastor, Rev. Dr. J. L. Mills, in his Church here, and also in the afternoon at the request of the pastor, Rev. W. H. Lane, at Deer Park, in connection with the laying of the corner-stone of the new M. P. Church to be erected there. We learn from Dr. Ward that it is his intention to place these relics with others that are to be exhibited in Washington city, during the great Ecumenical Conference of Methodists now in session; but they will afterwards be returned to him, and form part of the treasures of the Seminary under his charge.

Among the relics are Autographs of Rev. John Wesley, the founder of Methodism; Rev. Thomas Coke, promoter of Wesleyan Missions; Bishop Francis Asbury, the indefatigable leader of Methodism in America; Rev. Nicholas Snethen, Asbury's travelling companion for a time, whom he called his "Silver Trumpet" on account of his wonderful eloquence; Rev. Alexander McKain, with whom Coke and Asbury corresponded freely; Mr. William S. Stockton, who was the originaton of the "Wesleyan Repository" and published the earliest articles on the subject of lay-representation in the Methodist Church, which led to the organization of the Methodist Protestant branch of the Church; Bishops Enoch George and William McKendree; Rev. Thomas McCormick, who was one of the pall-bearers at the funeral of Bishop Asbury, and lived to the advanced age of 92 years; Rev. Eli Henkle, Rev. Isaac Webster and Rev. Dr. John S. Reese, who were Presidents of the Maryland Annual Conference of the M. P. Church in its earliest years; Rev. Thomas H. Stockton, who was the most eminent pulpit orator of his time; and other ministers of note in the history of Methodism.

A relic of peculiar interest is the veritable Hymn Book which was used by Jonathan Forrest, who was the last survivor of the Christmas Conference of 1784 in Baltimore, at which the Methodist Episcopal Church was founded. This Hymn Book was carried by Mr. Forrest in his saddle-bags from circuit to circuit during his extensive travels, and the hymns he gave out when he preached are indicated by marks made by himself. He was intimate with Rev. Robert Strawbridge and all the early Methodists of Maryland. Dr. Ward while traveling his first circuit in 1841 visited Mr. Forrest at his home near the Strawbridge Stone Chapel in this county, and heard him relate many incidents of his itinerant career. He was then in the 89th year of his age, and had spent over 60 years in the ministry. The Hymn Book was presented to Dr. Ward by Mr. Forrest's eldest daughter, Mrs. Charity Whittle, in 1857. She died in July, 1869. Mr. Francis Shriver, of this city, we are informed saw the Hymn Book at the residence of a relative of Mr. Forrest years before it came into Dr. Ward's possession.

Other interesting relics are portraits in bronze of Rev. John Wesley, Rev. George Whitfield and Bishop Asbury. These were owned by Rev. Alexander McKain, who died in the South in 1856; and were sent to Dr. Ward in May, 1886, by Mr. McKain's grand-daughter, Mary M. Brett, then residing at Meridian, Mississippi, as a contribution to Westminster Theological Seminary.

The Hagerstown Fair.

Next week the great Fair at Hagerstown will be held, commencing on Tuesday and continuing until Friday. It will be one of the most attractive ever held by the Association, and as Carroll county has a part in the exhibition through its local society a large number of our citizens will probably be present. During the Fair tickets will be sold by the Western Maryland Railroad, including admission, and good on regular and special trains, at the following rates from stations in this county: Finksburg $1.80; Patapsco, $1.70; Carrollton, $1.65; Tannery, $1.60; Westminster and stations west to Rocky Ridge, $1.50. special trains will be run on Thursday, 15th, as follows: Leaving Finksburg, 8.57, A. M.; Patapsco, 9.06; Carrollton, 9.11; Tannery, 9.16; Westminster, 7.35 and 9.28; Avondale, 7.43; Medford, 7.46; Wakefield, 7.50; New Windsor, 7.58; Linwood, 8.05; Union Bridge, 8.10; Middleburg, 8.16; Frederick Junction, 8.21; York Road, 8.22; Double Pipe Creek, 8.27. Returning, Thursday, trains for Westminster, Balti more and intermediate stations will leave Hagerstown at 4.55, and the fair grounds at 5.05, P. M., and for Westminster and intermediate stations will leave Hagerstown at 5.15 and the fair grounds at 5.25, P. M. Tickets will be good until October 17th.

Lutheran Synod.

The Maryland Synod of the Evangelical Lutheranm Church met at Hagerstown on Tuesday, Rev. A. H. Studebaker, President. Eighty ministers and sixty lay delegates were present. The following officers for the ensuing year were elected: President, Rev. W. E. Parsons, of Washington, D. C.; secretary, Rev. Victor Miller, of Leitersburg, Md.; treasurer, W. H. James, of Baltimore.

Among the proceedings was the report of Treasurer James, which showed receipts for the synodical fund to be $3,154.11; ben eficiary education, $846.14; board of education and home missions, $4,076.18; church extension, $4,015.95; foreign missions, $3,978.50; Orphans' Home, $851.15; ministerial sustentation, $610.15; total $18,647.98. Disbursements—Syno dical expenses, $276.21; general synod assessment, $586; Theological Semin ary, $100; beneficiary education, $2,680; board of education, $896.14; home missions, $4,076.18; church extension, $4,015.95; foreign missions, $3,978.59; Orphans' Home, $851.13; ministerial sustentation, $700; balance on hand, $351.36. The report was received.

The Synod decided to meet at Frederick next year.

List of Unclaimed Matter

Remaining in the Postoffice at Westminster, Md., October 3rd, 1891.

Albright, Mrs. Maggie Feaser, Miss Louisa
Boyer, Daniel Zellers, Henry
Caples, Miss Martha

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

GEO. E. SHARRER, P. M.

Corner-Stone Laying.

SOME FACTS ABOUT DEER PARK CHAPEL.

The corner-stone of the new church edifice to take the place of Deer Park Chapel, which was recently torn down, was laid on Sunday afternoon, 4th inst. The services connected with the event were held at three o'clock, and were opened by the pastor, Rev. Wm. H. Lane, who announced hymn 400, "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord," after the singing of which he offered a fervent prayer for the blessing of God on the work and for the success of the Church. Led by Miss Fannie Buckingham, the organist, the congregation then sang hymn 658, "Work, for the Night is Coming," after which an appropriate and interesting discourse was delivered by Rev. J. T. Ward, D. D., President of Westminster Theological Seminary, from 1 Peter, 2 ch., 4-10 verses.

Following his discourse Dr. Ward exhibited some interesting relics of early Methodism, after which a collection was taken up, and the congregation sang hymn 457, "Rock of Ages." The formal ceremony of laying the corner-stone was conducted by Dr. Ward. In a cavity in the stone a tin box was placed, which contained copies of the *Methodist Protestant*, the church paper; the AMERICAN SENTINEL, *Democratic Advocate*, a Prohibition paper, the *Teachers' Journal*, of the M. P. Church, a number of coins and other articles. The interesting services were closed with the doxology and benediction.

The new church edifice will be built of brick, of which about 35,000 will be from the old chapel. It will be 36x48 feet and 16 feet high to the square. The seating capacity will be about three hundred. The entire cost will be about $3,000. The building committee is composed of Rev. Wm. H. Lane, the pastor, chairman; Mr. Howard T. Smith, secretary; Messrs. John W. Barber, Wm. M. Shilling, Elias N. Davis. Mr. A. W. Davis is treasurer.

Through the kindness of Mr. Howard T. Smith we were afforded an opportunity to examine the contents of the box placed in the corner-stone of the original chapel, some of which are well preserved but others mildewed and defaced. Among these contents were copies of the CARROLLTONIAN (NOW AMERICAN SENTINEL) of September 8th and October 27th, 1854, the Weekly Baltimore *Clipper* of October 14th, 1854, the *Methodist Protestant*, of September —, 1854, and a copy of the Holy Scriptures. There was also a silver three cent piece, deposited by Benjamin Miles, a colored man. A manuscript, containing the current facts of the period, the names of the ministers in charge, trustees, building committee, list of members, &c., was defaced and partially destroyed, so that it could be only partly deciphered. We are enabled from it, and by the aid of Mr. Howard T. Smith, to ascertain that at the corner-stone laying Rev. Wm. Reineck, superintendent of the West Baltimore Circuit, was pastor, and Rev. John M. Graybill, assistant. The trustees of the church were Messrs. Burgess Nelson, John Davis, Nicholas Dorsey, John Buckingham, George Barber, Nimrod Bargett and Rev. Wm. Reineck. The building committee was composed of George Barber, John Davis, Nimrod Burgett, John Buckingham, Rev. Wm. Reineck. The list of the membership contains the names of George Barber, Mary Barber, Sarah Caple, Margaret Caple, Ann Smith, George Smith, Rachel Chapman, Eliza Edmondson, George Blizzard, Wealthy Ann Shriner, John Buckingham, Eliza Buckingham, Howard T. Smith, Jesse J. Smith, John W. Barber, Elizabeth Barber and others that cannot be deciphered. The congregation has been served since its organization by Rev. Eli Henkle, who was the first pastor; Revs. Daniel W. Bates, D. D., Wm. Reinick, R. Scott Norris, Jos. A. McFadden, Nevell S. Greenaway, John Elderdice, Abraham S. Eversole, M. D., James Francis Whiteside, Thomas M. Bryan, Charles H. Littleton, J. H. Ellegood, Wm. T. Dumm, G. D. Edmondson, Samuel T. Ferguson, John W. Charlton, W. D. Litsinger, George R. McCready, S. N. Cassan, E. A. Warfield, J. D. Corbin, Wm. A. Crouse and Wm. H. Lane, the present pastor, beside a number of assistants. The congregation was first connected with West Baltimore Circuit, then with Finksburg, and finally Deer Park. The late Jacob Holmes was a member of the congregation and a licensed local preacher. At the time of the dedication of the chapel, in September 1855, Rev. R. Scott Norris was pastor. Revs. Josiah Varden and E. Yeates Reese participated in the dedicatory exercises and preached on the occasion.

Released and Rearrested.

John Hartman, or Frank Croger, or Frank Crogan, or whatever his name may be, who stole a sum of money from the till of Hall Brown, at Frizellburg, confessed to the larceny at the November term of court last year, and was sentenced to twelve months imprisonment in the Maryland Penitentiary, was released on Tuesday, his term, with the usual allowance for good behavior, having expired. He will be remembered as the man who, in an attempt to escape, fell from the top of the jail wall and was severely injured, and who subsequently made another attempt to break jail by by digging through the wall. He was charged with horse-stealing in Pennsylvania, and detectives traced him to the jail here and anxiously desired his return to that State, but he was held until his crime in this county was expiated. The Baltimore *Morning Herald* says that as he stepped outside the gate of the Penitentiary "on Madison street, he was waited upon by a deputation consisting of Detective Todd Hall, and Sheriff William Gallagher, of Chester county, Pa." The Sheriff held requisition papers charging Crogan with horse-stealing, and he was promptly taken to Chester county for trial.

Gamber Items.

Mount Pleasant M. E. Church is receiving a fresh coat of paint, A. F. Gamber painter.

The protracted meeting at Providence M. P. Church commenced last Sunday.

An immense quantity of cider is being made at B. F. Pool's cider works at this place.

Chestnuts are plentiful and coming down in price.

The sweet corn of L. H. Knox, which was mentioned sometime ago, was grown on 4½ acres actual chain measurement, and made 18¾ tons of corn, which was weighed at Mr. Lewis Shipley's canning factory.

Proceedings of the School Board.

At the meeting of the school board on Monday all the members were present. Mr. Prugh reported that the new house at Louisville was progressing satisfactorily. Also that he had secured a lot of half an acre for the new house at Sykesville. He was directed to make all necessary arrangements for getting it ready for the erection of the house without delay.

President Grimes reported that the repairs to the house at Pleasant Valley were completed; also that Elias B. Arnold had donated a lot for the new house at Smallwood, and that arrangements for the erection of the house had been made.

Mr. Slingluff reported that he had been unable to see the owner of the proposed site for the colored schoolhouse at Muttontown, because of his continued absence from home. The matter was left in his charge.

Dr. Reindollar reported satisfactory progress on the repairs and painting of the house at Taneytown.

Mr Blocher presented the bills for the repair of Eburg's schoolhouse, and they were passed and ordered paid.

W. L. Jones, contractor, presented a full statement of the cost of the new house at Emory Chapel, and requested the board to inspect the house for final settlement. A committee, consisting of the president, examiner and Mr. Blocher, was appointed for this purpose, with authority to settle with Mr. Jones if the house should be found satisfactory and according to the specifications.

A request for a new roof on the Houcksville house was referred to the same committee.

The teacher of the colored school at Pool's Church having reported that there were only eight pupils enrolled there and the average attendance was only four, it was ordered that the school be closed until the beginning of the next term.

Mr. Nicholas Steele, through Chas. E. Fink, his counsel, presented a petition for a school at Oakland Mills, about two miles from Oakland school, in Freedom district, representing that there are now 15 pupils at that place of the legal age but too small to travel the bad and lonely road to the Oakland school, and that there will be several more ready to attend a little later. He offered to provide a room and the necessary fuel for the school free of charge if the board would provide the desks and teacher. The request was fortified by Mr. E. Shipley, one of the trustees of Oakland school.

Jacob H. Routson, who lives in Mayberry school distrect, and Samuel K. Crouse, who lives in Oregon district, requested permission to send their children to Oak Grove school, which is a very small school and is nearer and more accessible to them than their own schools. The request was granted.

The following was unanimously passed:

Ordered, That the fall term of school close on Friday, November 13, and that the board meet on Tuesday, November 17, to audit the teachers' reports for the term, which must be sent to the examiner by Saturday night following the close of the term; and that the County Teachers' Association meet at the usual place and hour on Friday, November 20.

The examiner submitted his annual report for the year which ended July 31, 1891, which with his accounts for the year was referred to a special committee for examination. The report shows that during the year there were in operation 114 white and 12 colored schools, occupying 153 rooms, employing 90 male and 63 female teachers, with an enrollment of 6661 white and 464 colored pupils, of whom 3869 were boys and 3256 were girls, at a cost of $47,195.30, averaging $374.57 for each school and $6.67 for each pupil. During the preceding year there were 125 schools, occupying 150 rooms, employing 90 male and 62 female teachers, with an enrollment of 6386 white and 450 colored pupils, of whom 3584 were boys and 3252 were girls, at a cost $46,479.80, averaging $371.84 for each school and $6.80 for each pupil.

Adjourned to 17th of November next.

Melrose Items.

Mr. John Hinkle, of near Alesia, spent Sunday visiting in this neighborhood.

On Saturday evening, at the festival in Mr. Crumrine's woods, a horse belonging to Mr. Levi Louter fell and broke the shafts of the vehicle to which he was attached.

Mr. Eli. Fridinger, of near Manchester, husked 200 bushels of ears of corn from an acre.

Miss Emma Schaeffer, of Bachman's Valley, spent Sunday visiting in this vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Krumrine, of near Wentz's P. O., spent Sunday with Mr. Jno. Geiman and family.

Mr. Jno. Zinn and family, of Hanover, Pa., spent Sunday with Mr. G. H. Brown and family.

Mr. Jno. Lande, wife and two children, of near Alesia, spent Sunday with Mr. George Zepp, Sr., and family.

Our expert marksman, Mr. Clinton N. Myers, shot three sparrows at one shot last week.

Last week as Mr. John Grave, working for L. B. Hoff, was about to adjust something at the clover huller, his coat was caught by a belt and his arm was broken.

The celebration of the Sunday School held at Wentz's Schoolhouse, on Saturday last, was a very pleasant and successful affair. About 9 o'clock the school, headed by the Carroll County Reed Band, marched to the grove under the marshalship of Mr. G. H. Brown and his assistant. On the way to the grove two countermarches were made and as the school marched to their seats in the grove, the choir sang "Marching Along." The program was a lengthy one but all the pieces were well selected and executed to the credit of the performers and of Mr. H. B. Burgoon, superintendent. Thanks are due to Mr. Geo. H. Brown for the kind aid which he bestowed in calling out the program. The Carroll County Reed Band rendered excellent music. The organ, played by Misses Denny and Burgoon, also gave forth very good music. The grove was tastefully decorated by the ladies with wreaths and crosses of evergreen and beautiful flowers. A large number of small girls wore beautiful garlands on their heads. In the afternoon the school was photographed by Mr. G. Everhart, of Manchester. In the evening a festival was held for the benefit of the school. The stand took in more than $60.00. The Sunday School has nearly $20.00 in the treasury now, and all expenses paid.

Several of our citizens attended the Fair at York, Pa., this week.

The W. C. T. U. Convention.

The seventeenth annual convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Maryland will meet in this city on Wednesday evening next at 7.30. On Thursday and Friday sessions will be held at 9.00, A. M., and 2.00 and 7.30, P. M. The evening sessions will be held at Odd Fellows' Hall and the morning and afternoon sessions at Carroll Hall.

All the sessions will be opened with prayer, in addition to devotional exercises Wednesday evening, Thursday morning and evening, Friday morning and afternoon. At the opening session addresses of welcome will be delivered in behalf of the city, the clergy, the Westminster W. C. T. U., and the press, to which responses will be made by members of the convention. The morning and afternoon sessions of Thursday and the morning session of Friday will be devoted chiefly to the reception of reports of superintendents of departments and discussion of the same, five minutes being allotted to each report and five to its discussion. On Thursday evening addresses will be delivered by Miss Saulsbury, of Caroline county, and Mrs. Mary Clement Leavitt, around-the-world missionary of the World's W. C. T. U.; and on Friday evening by Mrs. J. K. Barney, of Rhode Island. All the exercises will be interspersed with music. The general officers of the Union are: Mrs. Juliette Sewell Baldwin, President; Mrs. Margaret A. Lake, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Mary A. Small, Recording Secretary; Miss Fannie A. Cathcart, Treasurer.

We are informed that homes have been provided for one hundred delegates to the convention, and that lunch will be served on Thursday and Friday in the vacant storeroom of Mr. George W. Albaugh, adjoining Mr. A. H. Huber's drug store. Contributions sent on either of these days will be thankfully received by the ladies having charge of the arrangements.

Woodbine Items.

Elder Samuel Utz preached an eloquent sermon at Morgan Chapel on the 4th inst.

The annual Sunday School treat at Morgan Chapel will come off on the 17th inst. Bro Lamar, the minister, and Messrs. Lewis and Shipley, superintendents, will make out the program and between the trio a good one is expected. All are invited.

Mr. Robert Barnes, teacher of the public school at Day, is getting along quite nicely with his pupils. In the start some young ladies made slight objections because "a horrid man" was to be their teacher.

While some persons are being interested in the rain theory, there are many who hardly think enough on the subject to know when to come in out of the rain. The Good Book says: "There went up a mist from the earth and watered the whole face of the ground." This was the original and only way of irrigating the soil, when Adam was "monarch of all he surveyed." To some this may look like a slow way to water the earth, but when we consider the fact that forty or fifty tons of aqueous vapor will pass out of an acre of land in one day, to be given back from the atmosphere by condensation, it does not seem so slow. The humidity of the atmosphere is not always the same; it is much greater at some times than at others. On the 21st ult. it was so great that in two hours, with a vapor condenser, a spot of land in our purched field was made too wet to cultivate. We have an improvised machine that will tell precisely the amount of water condensed in a given time. The above gives an idea of how the antediluvian world was watered. We have little doubt that the day is rapidly approaching when men will pass over the growing corn, condensing aqueous vapor on the field in rain, while hay is being cured in the field alongside.

WESLEY DAY.

Frizellburg Items.

Last Sunday was a big day at the Church of God, this place. Harvest Home services were held in the morning. The church was beautifully decorated with flowers and evergreens, and fruit, vegetables of all kinds, and a barrel of flour were arranged about the altar. Rev. Thomas Still, of Uniontown, delivered the sermon. His text was Exodus 25th chapter, 16th verse. After the sermon Rev. Seilhamer dedicated the bell in a very appropriate style, and the services closed for the morning. At 2 o'clock in the afternoon the children's meeting began, which was quite interesting. Recitations, speeches and singing constituted the program. In the meantime addresses were delivered by Messrs. Wesley Rodkey, Jesse Eckard, and Rev. Thomas Still. Another service was held at night, Rev. Thomas Still preaching from 1st Peter, 5th chapter, 4th verse. The Mite Society then directed Mr. Still to present Mr. Seilhamer, the pastor in charge, all the vegetables and the flour. The pastor responded very feelingly and thanked the Society very much for the same. There was a large attendance at each service.

David Shorb, near this place, raised an apple which weighs 1 pound and 3 ounces. He also raised a stalk of corn measuring 15 feet.

Mrs. Miller, of Baltimore, Miss Emma Fowble and Mrs. Charles H. Baughman, of Westminster, were all visiting at Mr. Levi Snader's, last week.

Mrs. Jno. A. Grass and daughter, and Mrs. Joseph Myers and sons Paul and Earl, all of Harrisburg, Pa., are spending a few weeks with their brother, A. Kurtz Myers.

Among the curiosities your correspondent has seen this season is a sweet potato grown securely fast to a stone about an inch and a half square. It was grown by Milton Myers near Pleasant Valley.

Bird Hill Items.

Mrs. Wm. Shauck, of Woodberry, is visiting Mr. A. T. Buckingham and family, of this place.

There was a large gathering at the laying of the corner-stone of the new Deer Park Church on Sunday afternoon. The collection was very good.

The erection of the proposed new schoolhouse at Smallwood has not yet been commenced, but we hope soon will be.

The roads in this neighborhood are in a very bad condition and the proper time of the year for working them is over. What will they be till next spring? With the amount