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LOCAL ITEMS.

We regret to learn that our old and much esteemed friend, Mr. John Payne, of Shiloh, is very ill with pneumonia.

Studies will be resumed in Western Maryland College and in the public schools of the county on Monday.

The Westminster Y gave a New Year's reception at the residence of Mr. Chas. C. Gorsuch, West Main street, last night.

The ladies request all the boys of the "Boys' Meeting" to be present at Carroll Hall this, Saturday, afternoon at half-past 2 o'clock.

On Tuesday last Mr. A. M. Strouse, publisher of the *Self Educator*, had his left thumb caught in a job press and badly lacerated. Dr. E. D. Wells dressed the injured member.

A colored boy aged 15 years, who gave his name as Wm. H. Myers, of Westminster, was arrested in Frederick last week for picking the pocket of a lady on the street.

A large number of postoffices all over the county have been designated as money-order offices from the 4th inst. Sixty-eight of the number are Maryland offices. Hampstead and Linwood in this county are among them.

Helen Elizabeth, infant daughter of Mr. Orlando Reese, Assistant Secretary of the School Board, died on Wednesday morning, of that distressing and painful malady, membranous croup, at the age of 1 year, 4 months, 27 days.

On Monday last Messrs. W. Harry Cassell, James Sheets, Wm. Stonesifer, and Noah Miller, of this city, caught fifty-five suckers in Little Pipe Creek, near Avondale. Some of the fish measured eighteen inches in length and weighed two and a-half pounds.

Mr. John S. Miller, a former citizen of the vicinity of Hampstead, in this county, died at his home at Harrisonville, Baltimore county, on Monday last, in the 84th year of his age. Mr. Miller was a farmer and was highly esteemed by all who knew him. He leaves a widow and two grown sons.

Some days ago Mr. Philip H. Babylon's team, of six horses, drew a load of wheat containing 154 bushels, from his farm in Uniontown district to the warehouse of Messrs. N. I. Gorsuch & Son, in this city. Considering the rough condition of the Uniontown road this was a remarkable feat and could only have been accomplished by a first-rate team.

On Wednesday afternoon the surveying corps at work locating a line for a railroad from Green Spring Junction to this city left here to commence the survey of the Morgan Run route. They went first to "Soldiers Delight," in Baltimore county, and will work from that point toward this city.

Mr. Jacob Brehm, of the vicinity of Carrollton Station, recently hauled, with his team of six horses, eleven loads of limestone from the quarries of the Messrs. Goodwin Brothers, near this city, which weighed 110,145 pounds, an average of 10,015 pounds to the load. These were heavy draughts over the hills of Carroll county.

Eighty shares of the capital stock of the Union National Bank of Westminster were sold at public auction, at the Court House door, in this city, on Monday last, by Mr. John M. Yingling, auctioneer. Forty shares were purchased by Mr. Wm. H. Vanderford and forty by Mr. B. F. Crouse at $50 per share. The par value is $25.

The SENTINEL is indebted to its highly esteemed friend, Elder Solomon Stoner, of Uniontown, for a present of a fine large turkey, which it acknowledges with hearty thanks for the thoughtful and generous courtesy. The SENTINEL is glad to number among its subscribers this worthy man of God, and is gratified by this evidence of his kindly interest in the printer. May he have many happy returns of the joyful Christmas time.

Mr. Daniel Mummert, formerly of Warfieldsburg, died at his home near East Berlin, Pa., about two weeks ago. About a week before his death he was seized with a violent spell of vomiting and expelled six small living lizards from his stomach. After his death his stomach was found to be literally alive with the reptiles. It is supposed they were swallowed by him in drinking water from roadside springs, as he was about his work as supervisor.

The home of Mrs. Ella M. Monath, on College avenue, this city, was brightened by a donation visit from many of her friends on Christmas eve, who took with them presents of provisions, fruits, cakes, confectionery, toys &c. Mrs. Monath desires us to extend her heartfelt thanks to those who thus remembered her in her distress, and to say that her little son, who has been afflicted from his birth and who for three weeks was lying dangerously ill, is improving,

Mr. H. C. Stultz, writing from Decatur, Ills., to renew his subscription to the SENTINEL, says the winter has been very mild, thus far, at that place, and the work of building is going on as at any other season. During the past year over four hundred residences have been erected in Decatur, and many fine business blocks and churches, a magnificent court house and a very fine hotel. Mr. Stultz lately killed some fine Berkshire pigs, weighing 365, 435, 440 and 460 respectively. He says he enjoys reading the SENTINEL very much, as it keeps him informed about his old acquaintances in Carroll county.

Slocum Camp No. 29, Sons of Veterans of this city, will meet for muster on Thursday night, January 6th, at Carroll Hall.

The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of St. Luke's (Winter's) Lutheran Church, Uniontown charge, will give an entertainment in the Church on Thursday night, January 7th, 1892.

Pickett Post No. 17, G. A. R., and Ayers Camp No. 16, S. of V., will jointly publicly install their officers, at the Post Hall in Winfield, on Saturday evening next, 9th inst., at 6 o'clock.

It gives us much pleasure to state that Col. Wm. A. McKellip, who recently underwent a painful surgical operation, has so far recovered that he is now able to be at his office where he may be found regularly on and after Monday next.

While Mr. Samuel Hughes, near this city, was driving on the farm of Mr. Josephus Orndorff, in the vicinity of Stonersville, on Monday last, his horse took fright and ran away. Mr. Hughes was thrown from the buggy and cut, bruised and scratched severely about the head and face. The vehicle was considerably damaged. Mr. Hughes met with a similar accident six or eight months ago.

Mrs. Mary E. Chew, wife of Mr. Wm. H. Chew, of New Windsor, died at the home of her son-in-law, Mr. C. F. Stein, Waynesboro, Pa., on Christmas day, at the age of 77 years, 1 month, 24 days. Her remains were interred in Green Hill Cemetery, Waynesboro, on Sunday afternoon. She was a pious and exemplary member of the Church of God. She was the mother of six children, five of whom survive her.

On Christmas day while a number of boys were playing in the baling house, at Carrollton Station, and several gentleman were shooting with shot guns at a mark on the building, a shot passed through a crack and struck Willie Horpel, the twelve-year-old son of Philip Horpel, on the side of the head, inflicting a slight wound. The boys were very much frightened and vacated the house very promptly after the accident.

The eclipses for the year 1892 will be as follows: A total eclipse of the sun, April 26th, invisible here; a partial eclipse of the moon, May 11th, partly visible here, the moon rising eclipsed and leaving the penumbra at 8.47, P. M.; a partial eclipse of the sun, October 20th, visible here, the eclipse commencing at 11.10, A. M., and ending at 3.52, P. M.; a total eclipse of the moon, November 4th, invisible here.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey F. Caylor, formerly of Union Bridge, who went to Colorado several years ago, are East on a visit and both are in good health and looking well. Mr. Caylor is in the employ of the Butters Manufacturing Company, and, while making his home in Denver, has traveled extensively in all the States and Territories of the great West and in Mexico. He brought with him as souvenirs many interesting curiosities picked up in his extensive travels.

A dispatch from Hagerstown states that on Saturday last the body of Henry Reck was found lying beside the track of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad near Weverton. He was a brakeman and was working at Brunswick. It is supposed he was killed in some way by the cars. He was a son of Mr. George Reck, who resides near Union Bridge, and his remains were taken to that place for interment on Monday last. He was about twenty-five years of age.

On Wednesday a toy cannon, which was being fired by Mr. Jacob Houck, near Carrollton Station, exploded and two small pieces struck one of the young man's eyes. They were extracted by his mother and Dr. J. T. Hering summoned. The eye was found to be badly injured and its sight may be lost, although the ultimate result of the injury cannot yet be determined. The young man is about 22 years of age, and is the eldest son of Mr. John E. Houck.

The Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Carroll county elected directors on Monday week as follows: Granville S. Haines, Dr. J. W. Hering, Edward E. Reindollar, Alfred Zollickoffer, David Fowble, Edward Lynch, Granville T. Hering, David Prugh, Judge Chas. B. Roberts and Richard Manning. The board organized after the election by re-electing Dr. J. W. Hering president and Richard Manning secretary and treasurer. Four per cent. was levied on the premium notes, as heretofore.

Information has been received here of the death of Mr. Meshack Baker, a former citizen of this county, which occurred November 19th, 1891, at the residence of his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ephraim H. Haines, at Cushing, Woodberry county, Iowa. Mr. Baker resided near Dennings, in this county, until the fall of 1884, when he went to reside with Mr. and Mrs. Haines. He had reached the age of 87 years, 7 months and 25 days. The news of his death was received with much sorrow by his old neighbors and friends in this county.

At a meeting of farmers of Carroll county held at the court house in this city, on Monday last, for the purpose of electing delegates to the Farmers' State Convention, which will take place in Baltimore, Thursday and Friday, 14th and 15th inst., Mr. Thos. F. Shepherd, of Uniontown, was called to the chair, and Mr. J. Frank Shipley, of Freedom, appointed secretary. The attendance was not very large. The chair stated the object of the meeting, whereupon delegates and alternates were chosen to represent the county in the State Convention, as follows: Delegates, Messrs Thomas F. Shepherd, Louis P. Slinghuff, J. Frank Shipley, Granville S. Haines, Henry Galt; alternates, Job Hibbard, Luther M. Bushey, Michael Walsh, Thomas Roop and Theodore Tracy.

Mr. John H. Shugh, of this city, sometime ago filled a jar with beans, and charged ten cents for a guess at the number. The best guesser was to receive a quarter of beef, the next in order a dressed hog, and the third a turkey. The contents of the jar were counted on Christmas eve and the number of beans ascertained as 579. The first prize, it was found, had to be shared by Messrs. Herbert Morgan, Charles Schaeffer, Wm. D. Lippy and J. P. Wohlgemuth; the second by Messrs. John Steffy, John Breighner and Andrew Fresh, and the third was won by Chas. Lockard. The exact number of beans was not guessed by anybody, and there was some wild guessing, one having been as high as 2675 and another as low as 25. About two hundred persons participated in the novel affair.

Death of Mr. George P. Albaugh.

Mr. George P. Albaugh, of this city, one of the best known residents of Carroll county, died at his home on East Main street, on Monday afternoon, in the 75th year of his age. He had been in failing health for some months past and was bedridden for a month or two before his death. He was a retired farmer and formerly resided near Dennings. He was for many years a justice of the peace, and also for a considerable period tax collector of Westminster district. Politically he was a constant and decided Democrat, but was not an active politician. He was for a long time a member of the Methodist Protestant Church. He leaves a widow, one daughter, Miss Annie F. Albaugh, and one son, Mr. George W. Albaugh, who is one of the most successful merchants in this city. Funeral services were held at his late residence, at half-past 1 o'clock, Wednesday afternoon, Rev. J. L. Mills, D. D., officiating, assisted by Rev. Dr. J. T. Ward and Rev. G. W. Cooper, of this city, and Rev. J. W. Charlton, of Uniontown. His remains were interred in Westminster Cemetery, and the funeral services of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows was performed at the grave by the members of Salem Lodge, of this city, of which he was an old member, Dr. J. W. Hering, the chaplain, leading the exercises. The pall-bearers, who are members of the order, were: Dr. J. W. Hering, Messrs. H. B. Grammer, John Bernstein, Geo. W. Miller, E. D. Bowersox, Thomas Turfle. The funeral was largely attended by residents of this city and the surrounding country, among whom were numbers of his former neighbors, near Dennings.

Wedding Anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. John Burgoon, of Union Mills, celebrated the twentieth anniversary of their marriage, at their residence in Union Mills, on Saturday evening last. A large number of guests assembled at their hospitable home on the occasion, to offer congratulations and manifest their good will and regard for Mr. Burgoon and his amiable wife. Messrs. Irwin Burgoon and Harvey Tagg acted as ushers. Numerous presents were tendered and accepted in the spirit of genuine friendship which animated all concerned. Among them were a china tea set, berry, fruit and desert dishes, butter and cheese dishes, cups, saucers, tumblers, bread plates, vases, pitchers, cuspidors &c. The evening was spent by the elder guests in pleasant social conversation, while the younger portion of the company engaged in games, plays and other innocent amusements. It was a very pleasant affair and much enjoyed by everybody. Refreshments of ice cream, cake, confectionery, fruits, cider, lemonade &c., were served in profusion. Guests were present from Union Mills, Littlestown, Pa., Westminster, Wakefield and other places, among whom were: Mr. and Mrs. Martin Yingling, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hoffman Fuss, Mr. and Mrs. Austin H. Yingling, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Koontz, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Smucker, Mr. and Mrs. Nusbaum, Mr. and Mrs. Wolfe, Mr. and Mrs. Harner, Mr. and Mrs. Ephriam Yingling, Dr. and Mrs. Earhart, Mrs. Susan Bankert, Mrs. Margaret Myers, Mrs. Daniel Frock, Misses Jennie, Cora, Mamie and Lizzie Yingling, Gertie Bankert, Stella, Leola, and Emma Burgoon, Miranda and Gareth Nusbaum, Maggie, Carrie, and Bessie Myers, Carrie Feezer, Florence Harner, Mollie Yingling, Edna Frock, Mollie Tagg, Lucretia Tagg, Messrs John H. Mitten, Calvin and Wilmer Bankert, Wm. Smucker, Willie Frock, Albert Bemiller, Charles Myers, Weldon Nusbaum, and others.

Election of Officers.

Door to Virtue Lodge No. 46, A. F. and A. M., of this city, has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: W. M., Edward P. Brundige; S. W., George A. Miller; J. W., J. Milton Reifsnider; Secretary, Charles H. Baughman; Treasurer, Rev. Dr. James W. Reese; Tiler, Jno. H. Mitten.

On Monday evening last Carroll Division No. 42, Sons of Temperance, of this city, elected the following officers: P. W. P., Austin H. Geiselman; W. P., John H. Mitten; W. A., Harry E. Haines, R. S., E. Gehr Smith; A. R. S., Chas. B. Hunter; F. S., A. W. Buckingham; T., Jesse F. Shreeve; Chap., Wilbur E. Buckingham; C., George C. Mather; A. C., Charles Lockard; I. S., Elmer Gardner; O. S., George F. Fringer.

At the meeting on Tuesday evening Westminster Lodge No. 41, I. O. M., elected the following officers for the ensuing term. S. M., Geo. L. Stocksdale; W. M., Wm. R. Lease: J. M., George A. Bell; R. S., Thos. Zepp; F. S., Jas. H. Cassell; Treas., Jno B. Saylor; Chap., A. W. Davis; Con., Edw. Bowersox; I. S., I. S. Jordan; O. S., E. Knight; Trustees, Wm. H. Bell, Jr., Chas. H. Baughman, B. F. Crouse, John H. Girk, M. Schaeffer; Rep. to Grand Lodge, Samuel Knight.

At the meeting on Friday evening of last week Charity Lodge No. 58, K. of P., of this city, elected the following officers for the ensuing term: P. C., F. F. Shipley; C. C., Morris Schneeburger; V. C., J. W. Baldwin; P., Geo. H. Myers; M. of E., Jno. Bernstein; M. of F., Geo. A. Miller; K. of R. and S., Wm. H. Bell, Jr.; M. at A., George L. Stocksdale; I. S., W. L. Brown; O. G., Fred. Himler; Rep. to Grand Lodge, John H. Keen; Trustees, Edwin J. Lawyer, John H. Mitten, Milton Chew, C. H. Baughman, Frederick Himler.

Salem Lodge No. 60, I. O. O. F., of this city, has elected and appointed the following officers for the ensuing term: P. G., Edward Hoff; N. G., Wm. R. Lease; V. G., George A. Miller; Warden, W. L. Brown; Treas., F. A. Sharrer, P. S., John J. Reese; F. S., H. B. Grammer; Marshal, Jno. Bernstein; Chaplain, Dr. J. W. Hering; C., B. F. Crouse; I. G., Edw. Bowersox; O. G., Greshom Hoff; Janitor, W. L. Brown; Trustees, Jno. Bernstein, Jno. J. Reese, George A. Zahn; R. S., to N. G., Geo. A. Zahn; L. S. to N. G., Nelson Gilbert; R. S. to V. G., E. D. Bowersox; L. S. to V. G., Jno. Bernstein.

A number of Bohemian glassblowers have been exhibiting their art at Odd Fellows' Hall this week. They are very skillful and work the glass into many beautiful and intricate forms and ornaments. The attendance each night has been quite large. With each ticket of admission a coupon, entitling the holder to a chance in a prize, is given, and numbers of persons have obtained pretty specimens of the handsome work of these parties. They will close to-night.

Wedding Bells.

KNODE–THOMSON.

A wedding in which much interest was felt by many persons in this city, occurred at the residence of Mr. Jacob Thomson, West Main street, at 6 o'clock Christmas evening. Owing to a recent death in the family it was a very quiet affair and only the immediate friends of the parties were present. The bride was Mr. Thomson's second daughter, Miss Maggie Thomson, and the marriage was the sequel to a romance of the telephone exchange in this city, the bride having been the operator and the groom, Mr. J. Troxell Knode, now of Frederick, the manager of that institution for a year or two past. Miss Sallie Robinson, of this city, was bridesmaid, and Mr. James M. Shellman groomsman. The marriage ceremony was performed by Rev. P. H. Miller, of Grace Lutheran Church, the bride's pastor. Mr. and Mrs. Knode left by the 6.48 train the same evening for Frederick, where Mr. Knode is in the employ of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company.

FOSSETT–KIMMEY.

Salem Methodist Episcopal Church, near Winfield, was the scene of a Wedding of unusual interest in that community, at 9 o'clock on Thursday morning. The bride was Mrs. Eliza Jane Kimmey, and the groom Mr. John R. Fossett, of the vicinity of Winfield. The groom is an old soldier of Co. A, 6th Md. Regiment, and his comrades of Pickett Post, G. A. R., and the members of Ayers Camp, S. of V., attended in a body. The church was filled to overflowing with interested spectators. Messrs. Augustus Zile and James Easton, two of the groom's Grand Army comrades, preceded the bride and groom to the altar. They had no other attendants. As they entered the church and passed up the aisle a wedding march was beautifully rendered on the organ by Prof. Willie K. Franklin. The marriage ceremony was performed by Rev. Emory Buhrman, pastor of the New Windsor Circuit. After receiving the congratulations of their friends Mr. and Mrs. Fossett drove to this city and took the 1.12 train to Baltimore. They will return to their home to-day and a reception will be given this evening.

BOWERS–GILBERT.

A very pretty home wedding occurred at the residence of Mr. Walter D. Duvall, brother-in-law of the bride, Wakefield, at 1 o'clock, P. M., on Thursday, 24th ult. The bride was Miss Sallie Gilbert, daughter of Mrs. Ann Gilbert and of the late Samuel Gilbert, and the groom Mr. Frank Bower, a popular young gentleman of Wakefield, son of Mr. Mahlon Bower, of Winfield, Md. The bride was beautifully attired in fawn colored cashmere with trimming to match. Promptly at the hour named the bridal party entered the parlor as Mrs. Frank J. Devilbiss, of New Windsor, rendered Mendelssohn's wedding march, and with impressive manner Rev. P. H. Miller, pastor of Grace Lutheran Church of Westminster, performed the marriage ceremony, and pronounced the fateful words which united two loving hearts as one. The bride was the recipient of many handsome and valuable presents. Following the ceremony refreshments were served in abundance including all the delicacies of the season. Those present were: Mrs. Anne Gilbert, mother of the bride; Mr. and Mrs. Walter B. Duvall, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hyde, Mr. Luther Gilbert, Mr. Chas. Gilbert, Eddie Gilbert, brothers of the bride; Mr. Howard Bower, brother of the groom, and wife; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Haines, Mr. Hyde and sister, Mrs. F. J. Devilbiss, Mrs. Geo. Fossett, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Bachman, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis A. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Richardson, Miss Grace Smith, Mr. John H. Smith and family, Miss Fannie Hubbs. Mr. and Mrs. Bower left on the same evening for a bridal trip South.

COWAN–BENNETT.

A notable social event in this community was the marriage, on Tuesday last, of Miss Daisy Bennett, daughter of State Senator P. J. Bennett, of this city, and Mr. David Cowan, Jr., son of Mr. David Cowan, Sr. of Baltimore. The ceremony was performed at half-past 1, P. M., at Ascension Episcopal Church by the rector, Rev. Wyllys Rede. The bride wore a dress of white satin, with court train, over a petticoat of satin, embroidered with silver lilies-of-the-valley and trimmed with pearl and Duchess lace. Her veil was tulle and lace, the latter having been worn by her great-great-grandmother at her bridal. Her ornaments were diamonds, the gift of the groom, and she carried bride's roses. Her sister, Miss Bessie Bennett, was best girl, and wore a dress of lemon-colored faille, trimmed with embroidered chiffon. She carried perle de jardin roses. Misses Bessie Taylor and Florence Hamilton, cousins of the bride, were flower girls and wore dresses of white Indian mousseline de soule. Masters Willie and Morris Taylor, of Baltimore, cousins of the bride, were ribbon boys. Mr. Peter J. Campbell, of Baltimore, was best man, and Messrs. Frank W. Fouke, E. F. Matthews, W. S. Brenan and W. R. Cadogan, of Baltimore, were the ushers. At the entrance to the church the bridal party was met by the surpliced choristers, who led the way to the altar singing a bridal hymn. Mr. Charles F. Kues, of Baltimore, was organist. The bride's father was unable to be present in consequence of a sprained ankle, and she entered the church leaning on the arm of her maternal grandfather, Mr. W. S. Taylor, Sr., of Baltimore, who also gave her away. She was met by the groom at the chancel, where he awaited, with his best man, to receive her from the arm of her grandfather. After the ceremony the choristers again preceded the bridal party toward the church entrance where, in open order, they formed an aisle through which the happy couple and their attendants passed in retiring. Conspicuous among the witnesses was the Governor elect, Frank Brown, who visited this city for the especial purpose of attending the wedding and the subsequent reception and luncheon at the residence of the bride's father, No. 100 East Main street. Large numbers of the relatives of the bride and groom, from Baltimore and elsewhere, were present on the occasion, as were also numbers of the residents of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Cowan left, amid showers of rice, by the 4.24 train for Baltimore and an extended bridal trip. They will be at home at 2204 Oak avenue, Baltimore, after the 20th inst.

Don't forget to write it—1892.

For the SENTINEL.

Christmas Day at St. Paul's Reformed Church.

Christmas day was observed by St. Paul's Reformed Church, of this city, with the usual services at 6, A. M., and 6, P. M. Notwithstanding the prevalent sickness, which prevented the attendance of many of the usual worshipers, who find this early morning service so delightful and refreshing, and to whom the assembling at the break of Christmas day to sing praises to God, for the gift of His Son, is so full of meaning, the church was well filled. The church was appropriately and chastely decorated for the festival. The altar was covered with a red altar cloth with the word Emmanuel. In the rear of the chancel was the sentence "The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us." Plants upon the altar and tastefully arranged within the chancel, together with the trimming of pine, completed the decorations within the chancel. Festoons of evergreen were hung along the gallery and the sides of the church. The work of decoration was superintended by Miss Florence Albaugh. The service was one of worship and praise, with a short address by the pastor appropriate to the occasion.

Christmas anthems were sung by the choir and old and familiar Christmas hymns in which, with every recurring Christmas, worshipers find new meaning and beauty were sung by the congregation. Prof. Rinehart presided at the organ.

The service at 6, P. M., was conducted by the Sunday School which assembled in the Sunday School room and marched in a body to the main room of the Church. The service was distinctively one of worship and praise without anything of the nature of an entertainment or exhibition. The simple and beautiful story of the Incarnation was read. Old Christmas hymns and carols, breathing the true Christian joy, were sung. Addresses were made by Mr. Snider Stephan, of the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church at Lancaster, Pa., and also by the pastor who chose the Christmas tree which stood before the school as a basis for his remarks, explaining to the school the reason for its use as a symbol of the Christ.

CHRISTMAS SERVICE AT BENJAMIN'S REFORMED CHURCH.

On Christmas eve the Sunday School of Benjamin's Reformed Church held its first Christmas service in their new Church. The chancel of the Church was appropriately decorated for the occasion. The service was one of song and praise in which Christmas hymns and carols were sung as fitting responses from the heart to the story of the Saviour's birth which was read. Gifts were distributed to the scholars and an address was made by the pastor in which he impressed upon the school the significance of the service in which they were engaged, and the difference between a Christmas entertainment and a Christmas service of worship.

Christmas in Church and Sunday Schools.

Christmas services were held in several of the churches of this city on Christmas day. In others the services, commemorative of the happy festival, were held on the succeeding Sunday. The Church and Sunday School services in St. Paul's Reformed Church will be found specially reported in another column. The Sunday School of Grace Lutheran Church held its exercises on Christmas night. The program included singing by the school and infant and primary classes, recitations, responsive reading, a short address by the pastor, and a beautiful tableau of angels grouped about the cross. A package of confectionery and an orange was given, after the benediction, to each member of the school. The pastor presented a number of prize books to scholars for faithful attendance. Miss Ida Diffenbaugh was surprised by the gift of a handsome lamp from the members of her class, which was presented on their behalf by the pastor. The pastor also exhibited a handsome copy of the Holy Scriptures, presented by a young gentleman whose name was withheld, for use in the lecture room. The confectioneries distributed were put up in packages resembling bricks and were built into an excellent representation of a fire place. The distribution was made by a representative Santa Claus.

On Sunday evening the Christmas services of the Methodist Protestant Church were held in the main auditorium and were largely attended. The program included singing, responsive readings, a recitation by Miss Mabel Miller, an opening address by Master Pearre Wantz and a closing address by Master T. H. Lewis. The services were interesting and instructive and appropriate to the occasion, and were much enjoyed by the large audience. The distribution of gifts to members of the Sunday School was made in the lecture room on Thursday evening, and was accompanied with interesting exercises.

A very interesting service by the Sunday School of Centenary M. E. Church of this city was held on Thursday evening. The program included singing, readings, recitations, &c. At the close of this portion of the exercises a large boat glided into view on the platform, with a typical Santa Claus at the oars, who proceeded to unladened his craft by taking from it packages of confectionery and oranges and distributing them among the members of the school.

For the SENTINEL.

An Enjoyable Dance.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis A. Smith gave a very enjoyable dance, Wednesday night, at their residence in Wakefield Valley. By 9 o'clock all the guests had arrived and as dancing was the order of the evening all proceeded to enjoy themselves in "tripping the light fantastic toe." At 12 o'clock the host invited his guests to the dining room where the table groaned under its load of good things, consisting of all the delicacies of the season. After the wants of the inner man had been supplied they returned to the parlor where dancing was continued, to the strains of excellent music by the Union Bridge Orchestra, until 3 o'clock, when all the happy guests, wishing Mr. and Mrs. Smith a Happy New Year, departed for their homes. Among those present were: Misses Eva and Emma Englar, Emma Brown, Carrie Smith, Hallie Stouffer, Lena Lambert, May Nicodemus and Anna Roop, Messrs. Smith Snader, Walter Englar, W. Getty, N. T. Bennett, M. Englar, R. Brown, H. Stouffer, Edward Roop, L. Stouffer, and E. Barnes.

Senator Pinkney J. Bennett is confined to his residence with a sprained ankle.

For the SENTINEL.

Christmas at Morelock's School.

On Wednesday morning, December 23rd, the pupils of Morelock's school, upon entering the school room, were delighted to see a handsome Christmas tree loaded with oranges and boxes filled with candies and peanuts, which their teacher told them Santa Claus had brought for them during the night. The morning session for the day was observed in a rehearsal of the exercises until about 11.30, A. M. The school was then dismissed and after spending several hours in play the pupils were again called into the school room, which was handsomely trimmed and decorated with evergreen. About 1.30, P. M., patrons and friends began to assemble and by two o'clock quite a number were present. The pupils had taken their places behind the curtain ready to begin the exercises when, suddenly, all were interrupted by a loud rap. The door being opened Mr. Santa Claus made his appearance in full dress and for a few minutes shouts of laughter were heard from all who were present. Order having been restored the exercises began promptly at two o'clock. The program was as follows: Opening Address, by Harry Lowe; recitation, "Christmas Time," by Gracie Formwalt; recitation, "The Night Before Christmas," by Alfred Young; recitation, "How is Times," by Charles Mitten; dialogue, "About School," by Truman Sheets, Charles Wagner, and Clinton Wagner; recitation, "The Bells Across the Snow," by Julia Shettel; reading, "The Fox at the Point of Death," by Howard Helwig; recitation, "Learn to Do Well," by Laura Shettel; recitation, "Christmas Carol," by Elmer Young; recitation, "Christmas Time," by Maude Myers; recitation, "The Two Little Stockings," by Emma Lowe; recitation, "Thanksgiving Day," by Elmer Royer; recitation," Johnny's Christmas Tree," by Warden Warren; reading, "In Bethlehem a Saviour was Born," by Laura Myerly; recitation, "What is Christmas For," by Daisy Formwalt; recitation "Santa Claus," by Lizzie Wagner; dialogue, "The Little Maids in Wonderland," by five small girls, Ida Staub, Florence Brown, Etta Wagner, Daisy Formwalt, and Emma Shaeffer; recitation, "Christmas Day," by Elmer Shettel; recitation, "Happy Christmas," by Amy Young; recitation, "Do Your Best," by Irene Schaeffer; recitation, "Soon Will Come the Snow," by Carrie Petry; recitation, "Catching Santa Claus," by Charles Young; recitation, "The Honest Boy," by Charles Lowe; recitation, "Christmas Eve," by Emma Lowe; "Closing Lines," by Ida Staub. The program having been exhausted Mr. Santa Claus took his place near the tree. The pupils then stepped up in turn, as their names were called, and received each an orange, and a box filled with candies and peanuts. After each pupil had received his treat Santa Claus turned and presented the teacher with a handsome and valuable present bearing a card with the inscription, "Compliments of the school." After a few remarks by the teacher and a "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year" extended to all, they were dismissed with happy, smiling faces for a two week's vacation. We need not speak of the interesting features of the occasion more than to say all was so well rendered as to make one grand whole, showing that the children not only had proper training by their assiduous and painstaking teacher, Miss Ida S. Essich, but that there is talent and energy among the little ones.

A VISITOR.

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A Christmas Surprise.

Christmas day was observed in a very pleasant manner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Eckard, near Wakefield, the occasion being a surprise dinner tendered them by their children. Although the day was gloomy and somewhat disagreeable merry shouts could be heard from indoors. At an early hour, one by one the children and grandchildren began to arrive, until all were present, each bringing baskets laden with the good things of this life and all having presents for the father and mother. Preparations at once were made for dinner, which was served from 12 till 2, P. M., and consisted of oysters, meats, salads, sauce, pickles, pies, etc. Later refreshments were served, consisting of cakes, candies, nuts, fruit, &c. It was a day enjoyed by all, young as well as old, and especially by the father and mother whose hearts were made happy by the love and kindness of their children. The guests at length departed to their respective homes wishing the father and mother a Happy New Year and hoping that they may all be permitted to enjoy many more such happy occasions. Those present were: Mr. Isaiah Copenhaver and family, Mr. Calvin Myerly and family, Mr. John Duvall and wife, Mr. William Eckard and family, Mr. George Harman and family, Mr. Edward Eckard and family, Mr. Charles Yingling and family, Mr. Daniel Fiscel and wife, Mr. Newton Eckard and wife and Miss Jennie Eckard.

Personal.

Mr. B. W. Buckingham, of Baltimore, spent a few days in this city, this week.

Mr. John C. Cassell, of Philadelphia, Pa., spent the Christmas holidays with his mother in this city.

Mrs. Charles Babylon and children, of Chamberburg, Pa., are visiting relatives in this city and vicinity.

Miss Hanna M. Unger, of the vicinity of Tyrone, is spending the holidays in Baltimore and Washington.

Mr. Charles B. McCollum, of Altoona, Pa., spent the holidays with his father, Mr. Wm. H. McCollum, of this city.

Mr. George Flory, of Bridgewater, Va., is visiting his friend, Prof. Willie K. Franklin, at Sams Creek, this county.

Miss Katie Gruber, of Baltimore, and Miss Carrie Benner, of Hagerstown, are visiting the Misses Saylor, West Main street, this city.

Rev. Wm. J. Thomson, and Mr. A. Clarke Thomson spent the Christmas holidays with their mother, Liberty street, this city.

Mr. Charles Kretzer and family, of Emmittsburg; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Hann, of Roanoke, Va., and Mr. Frank Hann, of Baltimore, spent Christmas with Mr. Henry Hann, East Green street, this city.

On Monday last Mr. Jacob Buckman, near Houcksville, was struck on the forehead and face by the limb of a tree, which he was felling, and severely injured. He was rendered unconscious and remained so for sometime. Fears were entertained of a fatal result, but late reports indicate the probability of his recovery.

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A Wedding Anniversary.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. R. Calvin McKinney were invited to be present at their residence, near Porter's, on the evening of Christmas Day to join with them in the celebration of the eighteenth anniversary of their marriage. Mr. and Mrs. McKinney were assisted in receiving by their charming and vivacious daughter, Miss Abbie McKinney, while her sister, Miss Minnie, did the honors for the young folks. About fifty-two persons were present. The evening passed most delightfully, the older members joining with the old folks in merry old-fashioned games. Refreshments were served at an early hour, so that the games could be continued. Mr. and Mrs. McKinney were the recipients of some very nice presents, besides the congratulations and good wishes of all their friends that they might enjoy many more years of wedded happiness. Among those present were the following persons: Mr. and Mrs. John Bushey, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Bushey and family, Mr. and Mrs. Brandenburg, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel F. Hess and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ebbert, Rev. H. A. Letterman and son, Mr. and Mrs. Millard Shoemaker and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Fifer, Mrs. Jesse M. Cullison, Mrs. Ways and daughter, Mrs. Cornelius Wilson, Misses Effie and Emma Hess, Mr. Howard Hess and Mr. Jacob Null, of Taneytown, Md.; Mr. Herbert Baker, Miss Lizzie Wallace, Mr. A. H. Wallace, Mr. Luther Fowble, Mr. Clarence Wilson, Mr. Harry Brown, Mr. Edward Shipley.

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School Entertainment.

One of the best entertainments of the season was given on last Wednesday, December 23rd, by Wakefield school, taught by Mrs. Laura Sellman. The room, by deft fingers, had been changed from a prosaic school-room into a fairy-bower. A large and well trimmed Christmas tree occupied one corner and close by the tree sat Santa Claus, clothed in the traditional furs and looking as jolly as ever. The exercises began with the school march, which was well performed, then singing by the school, and oh! how the little fellows did sing. Then came recitations, dialogues, instrumental and vocal music. Where all did well, it were best to name none, and certainly all did very well, and reflected great credit on Mrs. Sellman as their teacher. At last, greatly to the little folks' delight, Santa arose and, amid the jingling of bells, informed us that he was about to present to each one of the scholars a package from their teacher. Then the roll was called and forty stepped forward and received first a neat box of confectionery, then an orange. The recipients ranged in size from little tots to tall maidens, and youths with considerable down on upper lips; but one and all appeared to appreciate the gifts. Again the little voices arose in song and Santa Claus left the room, but at the conclusion of the song he reappeared bearing a very beautiful lamp, which he, in the name of the scholars, presented to Mrs. Sellman as a testimony of their love for her personally, and their appreciation of her as a teacher.

Wakefield school has a larger attendance than for some years. The entertainment showed conclusively that there is talent of no mean order among the scholars, and also that their present teacher is well fitted to direct and help improve that talent.

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Wedding Dinner and Reception.

The hospitable doors of "Hill-Side Farm," the residence of Elder and Mrs. David D. Bonsack, near Westminster, were thrown open on Tuesday, December 29th, the occasion having been a dinner and reception given in honor of the newly married couple, Mr. Charles D. and Mrs. Ida T. Bonsack, nee Trostle, after their return from their bridal trip. An invitation to "Hill-Side Farm," on such an occasion, means a great deal, and the many relatives and friends present grasped the meaning in its full sense, I think. The host, Elder David D. Bonsack, received the guests at the door and in his pleasant, affable manner, made all feel at home at once. After an hour or so in social chat, the dining room became the great center of attraction, and no wonder, everything having been served up in the best possible manner. Among those present were: Elder David D. Bonsack and family, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. D. Bonsack, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. Morelock, Mr. and Mrs. Levi Black, Mr. and Mrs. Sheets, Mr. and Mrs. Jehu Royer and family, Miss Lou Royer, Mrs. Sallie Royer and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John Cassell, Mrs. Jno. Young, Mr. Ira Young, Mr. and Mrs.