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LOCAL ITEMS.

THE DATE ON THE LABEL ON YOUR PAPER SHOWS THE TIME TO WHICH YOUR SUBSCRIPTION IS PAID.

Mr. John F. Shade, of Liberty, is confined to his residence with catarrh.

Farmers have been hauling large quantities of wheat to this city during the past week.

The Westminster Band furnished the music at the Bohemian celebration in Baltimore, on Monday last.

Dysentery is somewhat prevalent in this community. It is, however, of a simple form and not of severe character.

Mr. George E. Lippy, of this city, for the last four years a messenger in the Baltimore Custom House, has resigned.

Miss Della V. Snyder, a daughter of Mr. A. Snyder, near Hampstead, died Friday afternoon of last week, aged twenty years.

Thirty seven tickets to the Reformed Church reunion at Pen-Mar, on Thursday, were sold at the railroad ticket office in this city.

Master Freddie, son of Dr. James E. Shreeve, of Ellicott city, formerly of this place, was severely bitten by a pet dog on Monday last.

Mr. Charles E. Bowers, of this city, who is quite an artist, is painting new scenery for the stage of Odd Fellow's Hall, this city.

Some localities in this county were visited this week with reviving showers of rain some of which were tantalizingly near this city, but passed around it.

The annual picnic of Centenary M. E. Sunday School, of this city, was held in Elder Charles D. Consack's grove on the Westminster and Meadow Branch Turnpike on Thursday.

Messrs. N. I. Gorsuch & Son, of this city, are running their steam roller mill night and day. The fine quality of the wheat makes superior flour and creates an excellent demand for it.

M. F. H. Orendorff is having some improvements made to his residence, East Main street, this city, which is being thoroughly repainted by Mr. Samuel K. Yingling and his corps of assistants.

Mr. Sebastian Sherman, an inmate of the county alms house, died at that institution Tuesday, aged about 73 years. His remains were interred in St. John's Catholic Cemetery, this city, on Wednesday.

The attendance at the colored camp-meeting, near Warfieldsburg, on Sunday last, was very large, more white than colored people having been present. The meeting will continue two weeks longer.

Workmen have been employed this week enlarging and improving the ticket office at the railroad station in this city. The office has been extended the full width of the building and the arrangements improved.

Miss Bertha V. Algire and Mr. H. H. Meals, both of Hampstead, were married in Baltimore on Sunday afternoon by Rev. J. T. Sheaffer. Mr. Meals is publisher and editor of the Hampstead *Enterprise*.

Oats is being harvested in this county, and reports vary as to the condition of the crop. In some localities, of limited extent, where occasional showers have occurred, it is said to be fair, but elsewhere it is short.

With a shot fired from a rubber sling, on Tuesday, Master Guy L. Fowler, of this city, killed a young fish crane on Crowl's ice pond, near the city limits. The bird measured two feet between the tips of its wings.

Members of the Episcopal Sisterhood of All Saints are spending the summer in this city, and occupy the residence of Mr. Harry M. Clabaugh, which he generously tendered for their use during the absence of himself and family.

Elias, son of Mr. Wm. H. Taylor, of Patapsco, was bitten by a copperhead snake on Wednesday. The reptile struck his fangs twice into the lad's left breast. By prompt treatment he is recovering.

Rev. Charles L. Ritter, of Keysville, this county, son of Mr. Peter L. Ritter and a graduate of Gettysburg Theological Seminary, has received and accepted a call to the Fayetteville charge of the Lutheran Church, Franklin county, Pa.

Mrs. Fannie B. Green, wife of Mr. Isaac N. Green, of Carrollton, and Eliza Emily Jane Franklin, of Dennings, have been adjudged insane by juries of the Circuit Court for this county, and they have been taken to the Maryland Hospital at Spring Grove, by order of Judge Roberts.

Mr. Clinton Stephan, of this city, narrowly escaped drowning in the millidam at Cranberry Station on Friday of last week. About the centre of the dam a deep channel was cut by the water when the dam broke sometime ago, and Mr. Stephan, who cannot swim, ventured out until the channel was reached and he sank several times before he was rescued by Walter Helm and Frank Magee, who were bathing in the dam at the same time and went immediately to his relief.

Mrs. Sarah Gardner, an old resident of Hampstead, died at the residence of her son Thursday night, 12th inst., aged about sixty-nine years. She was the widow of Thomas Gardner, and leaves two sons—Mr. Edward Gardner, of Baltimore, and Mr. George Gardner, of Hampstead.

The Carroll County Electric Light and Power Company has purchased part of the lot owned by Mr. M. Schaffer in the rear of the Hotel Albion and adjoining the grounds of Col. John K. Longwell, as a site for the company's power-house and plant.

A large barn belonging to Joshua Martin, near Graceham, Frederick county, was struck by lightning and destroyed by fire on Tuesday. The barn contained one thousand bushels of wheat and other provender. The loss will amount to $2,500.

A reception was given by the Fathers of the Order of the Holy Cross, to the faculty and students of the summer school, at the Holy Cross House, on Thursday evening. A number of gentlemen of this city called during the evening and all were very pleasantly and hospitably entertained.

Mr. Joseph Hunter, a well known dairyman near this city, has had a milk wagon of the most improved style built for him by Messrs. F. K. Herr & Bro. It is an excellent piece of work, and when Mr. Hunter first used it on Saturday last attracted much attention and excited very favorable comment.

Mrs. Mary Ann Tawney, eldest sister of Mrs. Geo. Leas of this city, died at her home near Woodensburg, Baltimore county, on Monday last, aged 75 years, 1 month, 16 days. She leaves three sons and one daughter. She lived a consistent christian life for more than fifty years.

The contributors to the Flower Mission this week were: Mrs. Fred. D. Miller, Mrs. Reagle, Mrs. Hawn, Mrs. Geo. W. Matthews, Mrs. W. A. Cunningham, Misses Lillie Woodward, Emma Reese, Lizzie Nusbaum. The receivers for next week are: Misses Barnitz and Huber; packers, the Misses Lockard.

Miss Maria Stoner, a highly esteemed lady, of West Main street, this city, met with quite a serious accident on Tuesday evening, by which the left knee joint was dislocated and the knee cap injured. The accident was caused by a box on which she was standing overturning and throwing her to the ground. The injury is of a troublesome nature, as anchylosis of the joint may ensue. Dr. M. L. Bott, of this city, was summoned and reduced the dislocation.

Col. John M. Hood, president of the Western Maryland Railroad, and directors, Governor Brown, president of the Traction Company, and directors, and a number of others interested in the extension of the Pikesville electric line to Emory Grove, held a meeting on Thursday at Owings Mills and selected a site for the new power-house and carshops, north of the station at Owings Mills, and sites for new houses for the employees. The Western Maryland Railroad secured the contract to haul the coal, &c.

During the sweltering heat of Tuesday afternoon Mr. E. W. Devilbiss, representing the Pleasant Valley Ice Cream Company, made his appearance at the SENTINEL office, without previous notice, and brought with him a can of the product of the company's factory, for the delectation of the editor, manager and compositors. The gift was well timed and was greatly and heartily enjoyed by the whole force, and the opinion was unanimous that better ice cream is a rarity. It was, in fact, first-class and the SENTINEL acknowledges, with thanks, the company's kindness.

President J. Roger McSherry, of the State Firemen's Association, has appointed the standing committees of the Association for the ensuing year and has complimented the Fire Department of this city by giving it representation on three of the four committees, naming two Westminster men as chairmannamely, Mr. Edwin J. Lawyer as chairman of the executive committee and Mayor Jos. D. Brooks as chairman of the legislative committee. Mr. Denton S. Gehr is a member of the committee on statistics, and Mr. John E. Masenheimer, of Manchester, of the legislative commit, tee.

Mr. John Hammond, a well known farmer who resides near Eldersburg, Carroll county, met with a serious accident Wednesday night. He was driving a four-horse team home from Sykesville, and crossing a bridge on the road near Governor Brown's farm the saddle horse went through the bridge, dragging Mr. Hammond with him. He had his breast bone broken and was considerably bruised about the head. He was taken to his home by Mr. S. D. Shipley, where medical aid was quickly summoned. His wounds were of a painful character but, it is thought, will not prove fatal. A steam thresher had crossed the bridge a short time before Mr. Hammond and is supposed to have broken the bridge.

A large number of people assembled on Sunday morning in Bachman's Valley, to witness the rededication of Bixler's U. B. Church. The dedicatory sermon was preached by Rev. Mr. Bortner, presiding elder of the Southern Pennsylvania Conference, of York, Pa., assisted by the pastor in charge, Rev. Louis M. Kofer, of Hanover, Pa. The church is a one-story brick structure 32 by 36 feet, and was built in 1876 by Benjamin Bixler, who, after it was completed donated it to the congregation which he organized, and from whom it derives its name. The officers of the church are: Jonathan Bixler, Edward H. Fredinger, E. U. Thire, John A. Houck and Abraham Feezer, trustees; John A. Houck, steward.

Mr. Wm. W. Frizzell, an industrious and worthy young blacksmith of this city, died at the home of his father, Mr. D. Howard Firzzell, Webster street, on Tuesday night, 17th inst., after an illness of nearly three weeks, of typhoid fever and peritonitis, brought on by overexertion while working in a blacksmith shop in the country. He was 22 years, 26 days old and was married to Miss Agnes L. Ketterman, of Stonerstown, Pa., June 17th, just one month before his death. He was a member of Slocum Camp, Sons of Veterans, and of Westminster Drum Corps, and was well known and highly esteemed in this community. Funeral services were held at Centenary M. E. Church yesterday morning, the pastor, Rev. J. L. Walsh, officiating, after which the remains were interred in Westminster Cemetery.

The excursion of the employees of the W. Md. R. R. to Tolchester will take place to-day, and affords an opportunity to enjoy a delightful trip on the Chesapeake and at the same time spend a pleasant time at the attractive excursion resort. At the following stations the time will be as stated: Double Pipe Creek, 5.59, A. M.; Bruceville 6.03, Middleburg 6.07, Union Bridge 6.12, Linwood 6.16, New Windsor 6.22, Wakefield 6.27, Medford 6.29, Avondale 6.32, Westminster 6.39, Tannery 6.52, Carrollton 6.57, Patapsco 7.01, Finksburg 7.10. Fare from Double Pipe Creek, Westminster and intermediate stations, $1.50; Tannery $1.45, Carrollton $1.35, Patapsco $1.30, Finksburg $1.20.

Master Robert Rupp, the ten-year-old son of Mr. Andrew Rupp, of this city, met with a severe and painful accident at the home of Mr. Wm. Yingling, about half a mile from the city limits, on the Manchester road, on Monday last. Mr. Yingling was cutting wood and the lad stood behind him without his knowledge. As he was in the act of making a stroke the axe flew from the helve and the poll struck the little fellow a violent blow in the left side, knocking him down. He was promptly brought to his home and Drs. Billingslea & Hering summoned. The lad's side has been much swollen and tears of internal injury are entertained. He has been seriously ill, from the effects of the accident, during the week.

A Band of Commonwealers.

A portion of the Randall detatchment of the Commonweal Army, which left Chicago May 1st, 450 strong, marched through this city at six o'clock Wednesday afternoon, and encamped at Fenby, two miles out on the Washington road. The contingent now numbers ninety-five men under the command of Col. Elliott and Adjt, Holmes. In Westmoreland county, Pa., a large portion of the force refused to follow Randall further, only one company adhering to him, and the remainder selecting Elliott as their leader. As the command approached this city a representative was sent in advance to secure a place to camp, and to gain permission of Mayor Brooks to send a wagon through the city soliciting food. He was unsuccessful in both efforts, the mayor informing him that begging would be regarded as a violation of the vagrant or tramp law, and subject the army to arrest and imprisonment with labor.

Sheriff Arnold and Deputy Blizzard met the body near the city limits and warned them against any violation of the law referred to. Subsequently, permission was given the men to encamp on a vacant lot belonging to Mr. E. Lynch, adjacent to the city, but the fact did not become known to the men until they had marched through toward Fenby.

This contingent of Coxeyites arrived at Gettysburg, Pa., on Saturday, and encamped with another organization of the same character at Devil's Den, over Sunday, spending the time in going over the battlefield. After leaving Gettysburg they marched to Hanover, Pa., and thence to this city by way of Union Mills, making the distance from Hanover in a day.

They were the object of much curiosity as they marched with steady, vigorous steps through Main street, carrying four or five bright and well kept American flags. Some surprise was expressed that they were not a set of ragged tatterdemalions. Their clothes were coarse and common, but whole, and the men themselves, seemed strong, well fed and healthy. They marched to the music of a kettle drum, and some wore badges with the motto, "Keep of the grass," evidently in allusion to the treatment accorded Coxey and Brown in Washington. The general bearing of the citizens towards them was not cordial, although no angry demonstrations were made and they were permitted to pass through unmolested. From some of the citizens they received words of sympathy and substantial aid in the shape of money or provisions. One prominent gentlemen, it is said, purchased five dollars worth of meat for them.

While the leaders claimed that the entire body was made up of native Americans it was said by persons who conversed with them that many spoke the English language with a foreign accent.

The detachment has two wagons, each drawn by two very good horses. One of these wagons was standing on Main street, near the railroad, on Thursday morning, to receive such supplies as the generous-minded might be disposed to bestow. Contributions, however, were not very extensive.

On Wednesday evening, while the rank and file were encamping at Fenby, Col. Elliott addressed a small audience in front of the office of Messrs. E. Lynch & Son, and made a plea for assistance to obtain a breakfast for the men that they might be able to continue their journey Thursday morning and reach Washington Saturday.

Incidentally he told of their purposes and plans, which are simply those of the deluded men who have preceded them. They want to petition Congress to enact their peculiar views of finance &c., into law, but in the light of Coxey's experience their plans seem aimless and indefinite. Col. Elliott spoke of himself and men as followers of "The People's party." He said that his men had been in enforced idleness for from six months to two years.

Citizens who conversed with some of the men say that in some cases they were informed there are those in the ranks who declare they were deceived and misled, and are weary of the whole business and would be glad to get back home again. They have marched about nine hundred miles.

For the SENTINEL.

A Lawn Party.

A very enjoyable lawn party was given at the residence of Mr. John H. Benner, of near Frizellburg. Croquet and other games were played until quite a late hour. After music, both vocal and instrumental, all were invited to partake of refreshments, to which they all did ample justice. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Benner, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Kauffman, Misses Franny Troutfelter, Anna Wagner, Laura Myerly, Maud Wagner, Minnie Sheets, Emma L. Wagner, Maria and Anna Royer, Grace Zile, Mollie Wagner, Sarah Sellers, Effie Myers, and Emma Sellers, Messrs. Chas. H. Gilbert, P. C. Wagner, C. H. Wagner, A. H. Young, Oscar Black, Keener Wagner, Harry Mitten, E. E. Helwig, Allan Sellers, Harry Hesson, A. W. Wagner, of Carroll county, and Mr. Jacob Kauffman, of Baltimore.

Electric Railway Project.

Governor Frank Brown and Mr. Geo. W. Webb, of Baltimore, came here on Thursday morning, and, in company with Messrs. T. Herbert Shriver, Chas. E. Stewart and Wm. B. Thomas, drove to Littlestown, Pa., where they met and conferred with President Hoffer, of the Gettysburg Battlefield Electric Railway, in relation to the extension of his line to Union Mills, the project under consideration here being the extension of the Pikesville and Reisterstown line through this city to Union Mills. The completion of these projects would give a though line from Gettysburg to Baltimore. The interview with Mr. Hoffer was very satisfactory, and he expressed great interest in the undertaking and a willingness to aid it liberally. At night the Governor and Mr. Webb had a conference with a committee of prominent citizens here in relation to the line between Reisterstown and Union Mills. While no definite action was taken, a favorable view of the project was generally expressed, and it will be further considered. Mr. William D. McQueston, a prominent electrician of New York, was present at the conference. The Governor and Mr. Webb said they would take stock in the company and had no doubt the companies they represent would do likewise. A committee was appointed to confer with the Electric Light and Power Company here for the purpose of securing united action, the plant required to furnish the power for a railway being also adapted to electric lighting. The committee and visitors were handsomely entertained by Mr. Wm. B. Thomas after adjournment, the meeting having been held at his banking house. On the drive to Littlestown the Governor and party, with the addition of Messrs. H. Wirt and Louis E. Shriver, lunched at the residence of Mr. T. Herbert Shriver at Union Mills, and returning took tea with Mr. B. F. Shriver.

Condition of the Crops.

The Maryland Weather Bureau has issued the following bulletin for the week ending July 16th:

The weather of the past seven days has been dry, but not too warm for the average of the period. The effect of the drought on growing crops has become serious, and, unless there be rain soon, decided injury will result to tobacco corn, tomatoes and all growing crops. For the harvesting and threshing of grain, however, the weather has been perfection, and this work has been carried on rapidly and without interruption. Seldom, if ever, have the grain and grass crops been saved in more perfect condition, and the yields generally are very gratifying to the farmer.

In Western Maryland, wheat is being hauled in and some threshing has been done, the yield being excellent. Oats are ready for harvesting, but the crop is poor. Corn is doing well, considering the dry weather. Grass is short, and pastures are parched and dry. Vegetables have been much affected by the drouth. If the dry weather continues much longer, late potatoes will amount to little. Small fruits, also, have been injured, and apples, peaches and pears are falling off.

Railroad Extension to Westminster.

"Carroll" writes to The Baltimore *Sun* as follows:

"A large number of the people of our county are much interested in the extension of the Green Spring Valley railroad from Owings' Mills to Westminster. The greater part of the right of way could be secured without any cost, and a considerable amount of stock would be taken by persons residing along the line of the road. The construction of this road would haul a large freight and passenger traffic, and it could not fail to be a paying enterprise. Besides, its extension to Gettysburg would add much to its advantages. This road would open up and develop a new country and add greatly to the business of Baltimore. The writer is confident that an effort to build this road would meet with cordial support and material aid from the people of Carroll county."

This extension was much talked of several years ago, and a route was surveyed to this city, but the project never got beyond that stage.

Mr. Joseph B. Boyle Appointed.

The appointment of Mr. Joseph B. Boyle as postmaster in this city, which had long been generally regarded as a foregone conclusion, was announced on Friday of last week, his name having been sent to the Senate by President Cleveland that day. Few doubted that the friendship of Senator Gorman for Mr. Boyle, and his known support by Congressman Talbott would have any other result.

The appointment, as is well known, is for a second term, Mr. Boyle having served as postmaster from 1886 to 1890, in a very satisfactory manner to the patrons of the office. He will enter upon his duties well prepared to maintain the high standard of service to which the citizens have become accustomed. It is understood that no change will be made in the location of the office or its fittings, the latter having been purchased from the outgoing postmaster.

The Retiring Postmaster.

It is not too much to say of Mr. Geo. E. Sharrer, who is about to retire from office, that Westminster has never had a more efficient postmaster. His term was commenced by the introduction of numerous improvements. He located the office for the first time in a room disconnected with any other business, and, at large expense, added greatly to the facilities for the reception and delivery of the mails. From time to time, as the needs of the community became apparent, he induced the Postoffice Department to increase the number of mails to and from Baltimore, until nothing further in that direction is desired. The postoffice business has been transacted promptly, efficiently and affably by himself and his excellent clerks, who have been faithful and unceasing in the discharge of their duties.

List of Unclaimed Matter

Remaining in the Postoffice at Westminster, Md., July 14, 1894.

Anderson, Mrs. Jas.	Eyster, Mrs. C. M.
Black, Miss Susie	Jones, Miss Katie May
Bollinger, John	Jones, Levi
Brilhart, M. S.	Orem, O. C.
Brown, Miss Sarah J.	Spurrier, Taylor A.
Brown, Miss Fannie	Tilmer, J.
Ebaugh, Henry W.	Wilson, Mrs. Fannie
Eckenrode, Harry	Zahn, Mrs. Gussie

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

GEO. E. SHARRER, P. M.

Jubilee Notes.

The jubilee of Ascension Episcopal Parish of this city recalls to many persons numerous facts, incidents and events along the line of its existence and therewith connected. Some of these matters have been brought to our attention and are briefly though crudely noted, as perhaps, of more than passing interest.

In 1841 or 1842 Miss Lucretia Van Bibber wrote to Mrs. Catharine J. Shellman, asking if she thought it would be possible to commence having services of the Church in Westminster. Mrs. Shellman wrote back immediately on the flyleaf of a convenient volume: "I think we can. The Col. says he will do all he can to help us." "The Col." was Mrs. Shellman's husband, and though a Presbyterian was one of the first vestrymen of the parish. The correspondence referred to probably had a good deal to do with the organization of the parish.

The first regular service was held in the old union church, by Rev. Charles C. Austin, of St. Thomas Parish, Baltimore county.

The first baptism, though not entered on the parish register, was that of a son of Dr. David Maulsby, by Mr. Austin, in 1842 in the house now occupied by Mrs. E. Roop, E. Main street. The first recorded baptism was that of a child of Col. and Mrs. Shellman, October 16th, of the same year. Wm. P. Maulsby, Jr., was baptized at Winchester Place, by the Right Rev. Bishop Whittingham, August 28th, 1843.

After the organization of the parish, which covers the entire northern and part of the southern portion of Carroll county, through the efforts of Rev. Mr. Buel, the site for a church was taken into consideration. Mr. Etting, a Hebrew banker of Baltimore, offered a lot now on Green street as a free gift, but it was not considered accessible, while the lot occupied by the Union National Bank was considered too rocky and the present location was selected. The vestry at the time consisted of Messrs. Wm. P. Maulsby, James M. Shellman, Washington and Isaac Van Bibber, Dr. Elisha D. Payne, Dr. Leander Goldsborough and Clotworthy Birnie, Jr.

Following are the names of the fifteen rectors who have served the parish since its organization: Revs. David Hillhouse Buel, Samuel C. Davis, Thomas J. Wyatt, Oliver S. Prescott, E. H. C. Goodwin, James Crystal, Jas. W. Reese, John H. Converse, Julian B. Ingle, Isaac S. Nicholson, now Bishop of Milwaukee; J. Stewart Smith, Sylvanus B. Pond, Wyllys Rede, Charles M. Norris and Jesse Higgins.

The sewing society was organized December, 1862—Rev. James Crystal was then rector—with forty contributing members, including the children and gentlemen of the congregation. The first president was Mrs. C. J. Shellman; vice president, Mrs. Caroline Raymond; secretary and treasurer, Miss Pauline Perry—afterward Mrs. J. W. Reese. Mrs. Dr. Geo. S. Fouke, recently deceased, was an active member from its beginning to the day of her death. The society is still in existence, with Mrs. John L. Reifsnider as president, and is a great help to the parish. Rev. Mr. Crystal took a great interest in the society as he did in all his parish work, and he is fondly remembered by many people all over the county, on account of his great piety and unselfish labors amongst them, visiting the poor and sick and ministering to them irrespective of creed. Many of the most valued members of the congregation were brought into the church during his rectorship. The first organ which has recently been replaced by a handsome new organ, was presented to the church by Miss Mary E. Van Bibber, daughter of Mr. Thomas Van Bibber, and afterward the wife of Rev. E. H. C. Goodwin, then several years rector of the church, now of Governor's Island. She was the first organist, and was succeeded by Mr. J. Fisher Reese, who officiated until he left town, when Mrs. I. E. Pearson, then Miss Fanny Shellman, took his place and was organist over twenty years, without salary. The present organist is the wife of the rector. The first choir of the church was Mrs. Shellman and Judge Maulsby, who led the singing without the aid of an organ. During the intervening years, since then, the music has been furnished by a choir consisting of a few members of the church, with congregational singing, excepting during the rectorship of Rev. Wyllys Rede, when an organized surpliced choir of boys was trained and led by Mr. Charles Kues, of W. Md. College, then organist of the church. During the rectorship of Rev. I. L. Nicholson, the chapel and rectory were built. The parish school was established by Rev. John Converse, and the special service for colored people by Rev. J. Stewart Smith. The church was handsomely frescoed and furnished with beautiful memorial windows during the rectorship of Rev. Wyllys Rede. Rev. J. W. Reese, so well known in Westminster, although only in deacon's orders, had charge of the parish for six years, which service he rendered without salary. The late Rev. Dr. Rich, of Reisterstown, frequently visited the parish and administered the Communion in the church, and was closely identified with the people, having officiated both on the occasions of marriages and deaths.

Shipley Items.

Harvest is over again, and a bountiful one has been garnered. The dry weather has enabled our farmers to reap and gather their grain and hay in the most perfect condition. We have never seen brighter hay nor dryer grain than our barns are stored with this year, and those who have their hay to buy may be sure of having to pay the highest market price per ton. Many have been threshing out some of their grain in the field, which has been yielding from 8 to 24 bushels per acre; about 20 bushels per acre seems to be the general run.

It has been 8 or 9 weeks since we have had any rain, beyond dust showers, here, hence potatoes and corn are not up to the average with us. The rains have been local, and not general as in most other years.

Mr. Anthony Polster, Master Gust Shriver, and Miss Bertha Williams are among the sick of our community. The first two are bordering on typhoid fever.

Zion Sabbath School will hold its annual pic nic on the first Saturday of September. The Winfield Band and prominent speakers will be present to enliven the occasion. All are invited. The pic nic will be in the afternoon and at night.

Personal.

Miss Katie Merryman, of Baltimore, is visiting Mrs. Robert L. Hoppe, near this city.

Miss Lummie Yingling, of this city, is visiting the family of Mr. Marshall Selby, of Eldersburg.

Mr. Hugh R. Perry, of Rochester, N. Y., spent several days in this city, during the past week.

Miss Edith Merryman, of Baltimore, is visiting Miss Maud Miller, East Main street, this city.

Miss Mary Linah, of Taneytown, is visiting the Misses Gardner, East Main street, this city.

Miss Clara Brown, of West Main street, this city, is visiting Miss Myra McDade, of Hagerstown.

Miss Sallie Spons'er, of Baltimore, who had been visiting Mrs. U. L. Reaver, of this city, returned home this week.

Mr. and Mrs. James Shaeffer, of Baltimore, are visiting Mr. Shaeffer's mother, Mrs. Joseph Shaeffer, near this city.

Mrs. Geo. W. Wilson, of Middleburg spent a few days as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. Hoffman Fuss, this city, this week.

Prof. Wm. E. Ryan, of the treasury Department, Washington, D. C., visited Mr. John D. Bowers, of this city, recently.

Mrs. Bettie Ritchie and Mrs. Wm. P. Maulsby, Jr., of Frederick, are visiting Ex-Judge and Mrs. Wm. P. Maulsby, of this city.

Rev. Charles W. Levan and family, of Baltimore, are visiting Mrs. Levan's mother, Mrs. Mary J. Bowers, East Main street, this city.

Mrs. G. Brook Yantis, of the Hotel Albion, this city, is visiting relatives and friends in Hanover, Littlestown and McSherrystowa, Pa.

Mrs. Joshua Warner and son, Master Herbert, of Baltimore, are visiting Mrs. Warner's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel M. Gist, near this city.

Mrs. Isaac S. Weaver and daughter, of Baltimore, are the guests of Dr. and Mrs. M. L. Bott, of this city, the latter of whom is Mrs. Weaver's sister.

Mrs. Caroline Bankert, near this city, accompanied by her granddaughters, Misses Emma Bankert and Ada Mourer, is visiting friends in York, Pa.

Miss E. Elsie Haines, of Marston, who for four weeks had been visiting relatives and friends in Baltimore and Albertou, returned home last Monday.

Rev. J. H. Apple, president of the Woman's College of Frederick, while visiting this city for several days this week in the interest of the institution, was the guest of Rev. C. S. Slagle.

Rev. S. E. Coblentz and family, of Baltimore; Mrs. Rev. Dr. T. A. Apple, of Lancaster, Pa., and Mrs. J. E. Cress, of Philadelphia, spent several days this week visiting Rev. C. S. Slagle and family, of this city.

Mrs. Rachel C. Hill and daughter, of Baltimore, are the guests of Mrs. Amon Algire, Mrs. Hill's mother, on Belle Grove Park, this city. Mrs. Hill is the lady who was shot and severely wounded by her husband, George Hill, in Baltimore, on the 2nd day of June. She has entirely recovered.

Dr. J. Tingley, of Alleghany City, Pa., spent Thursday with Mr. George W. Albaugh, of this city, and is extending his visit to Stone Chapel and Sams Creek. He is collecting data for a history of the Poulson family, some of whom reside in this county. The doctor is a member of the family.

Among the Baltimoreans stopping at the country seat of Mr. Theodore Zimmerman, Bloom, this county, are the following: Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Dell and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hughes and family, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Weyforth, Miss Mamye C. Weyforth, Miss Mabel E. Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. John J. Coyne and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Murrill and family, Miss Jennie McNelly, Mrs. E. V. Brown, Mrs. A. Staylor, Miss Nelly E. Struven, Miss Amelia Gminder, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Moran and family.

Orphans' Court.

Monday, July 16.—Mary Ann Yost and George W. Feeser, administrators of Jacob L. Yost, deceased, returned list sales of goods and chattels.

George P. Wentz, executor of George Bixler, deceased, returned list sales of goods and chattels.

George Stull, executor of Margaret Stull, deceased, settled first and final account.

Tuesday, July 17th.—Tobias H. Eckenrode, guardian for Mabel W. LeFevre, settled sixth and final account and guardian of Beryl E. LeFevre, sixth account.

Nicholas Wilson, guardian of Samuel Wilson, settled first and final account.

Mary E. Otto bonded as guardian of Ira L. Otto.

John E. Senseney, administrator of Ann Louisa Baile, returned inventory of goods and chattels and received order to notify creditors.

Samuel Roop, executor of William A. Smelser, deceased, received orders to sell goods and chattels and real estate.

Melrose Items.

On July 10th Mr. Chas. T. Zepp proposed the I. H. N. Society in the July number of "The Shut In Friend." Everybody can join. All you need to do is to write I. H. N. before signing name to letter. There is no membership fee.

The Y. P. S. C. E. of Sherman's church has 62 members and its labors are felt in this neighborhood.

Wentz's Union Sunday School will hold its annual celebration August 4th, in Mr. Crumrine's grove. Refreshments will be sold on the ground for the benefit of the school. A number of schools have been invited and some have promised to participate. A band of music will be present. Everybody is invited.

Mr. James C. Myers and family spent Sunday near Union Mills.

Mr. Tilden Zepp, accompanied by Miss Bertha E. Sullivan, of near Linebore, spent Sunday in this neighboorhood.

Linwood Items.

Mr. Jos. Englar and wife and Mrs. Rouser left yesterday for a trip to Atlantic City.

Mrs. Charles Kooke, of Baltimore, was the guest of Miss Minnie Garner last week.

Miss Buckingham, of Westminster, is visiting the Misses Senseney, of Linwood.

The cleaning up of the Linwood camp ground took place Thursday. Camp-meeting begins August 3rd, and closes August 11th. A number of prominent ministers will be present. Camp this year promises to be larger than usual.

Jubilee of Ascension Parish.

This has been jubilee week in Ascension Parish of the Episcopal Church, this city, and the services, regular and special, have been in commemoration of the fiftieth anniversary of its organization. The first service was the celebration of the Holy Communion at 7 A. M., Sunday, Rev. S. B. Pond, a former rector of the parish, celebrant. At 9 A. M., morning prayer (plain) occurred, and at 10.30 the second celebration of the Holy Communion (choral) was celebrated. At this service a sermon by the Right Rev. Charles C. Grafton, Bishop of Fond du Lac, was expected, but he was indisposed and his place was filled by Rev. S. B. Pond, who had been announced to preach at night. At 5 o'clock, P. M., a children's service, with instruction by Rev. Maurice L. Cowl, of Philadelphia, was held, and at 8 o'clock, P. M., evensong, with sermon by Rev. Fr. Huntington, of the Order of the Holy Cross. All the services were largely attended, although the day was oppressively warm.

Tuesday was reunion day. The services consisted of the celebration of the Holy Communion (plain) at 7 A. M., morning prayer (plain) at 9 A. M.; evensong (choral) at 5 P. M., followed by an historical address by Ex-Judge Wm P. Maulsby.

At 7 o'clock, P. M., a reception and informal tea was given to the parishioners and friends at the rectory. The guests were entertained on the lawn in an informal but charming manner, and many persons were present during the evening and thoroughly enjoyed the occasion. We are enabled to append the address of Judge Maulsby in full, as follows:

HISTORICAL ADDRESS BY HON. WM. P. MAULSBY ON THE OCCASION OF THE SEMI-CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION OF ITS ORGANIZATION, AT ASCENSION CHURCH, WESTMINSTER, JULY 17, 1894.

Carroll county was formed out of parts of Frederick and Baltimore counties in 1837. At that time Westminster was a village with a population of 600 or 700. On the main route of travel and transportation between Baltimore and Pittsburg and intermediate points, its importance consisted principally in being a stopping place of the mail stages, and large six horse wagons, in use for travel and transportation of the products and merchandise supplied by, and to, and between these points. The Baltimore & Ohio Railroad was then completed and in use but a short distance westward of Frederick City. Since then the spirit of the age, with its accompaniments of iron and steel and their various adjuncts, has progressed to that condition of things which has been recently and is now transpiring, in large parts of our country, and which described themselves in acts more vividly than words can be found to do. But to avoid diversion, and to return to the subject in hand:

In that population there were one bank officer, two physicians and two or perhaps three storekeepers. Every other man in the village was a laborer with his hands.

There were five tan yards, and every old established family in the town derived whatever of patrimonial estate it possesses from the manual labors of honest hands of its progenitors in a tan yard. Those who did not work in the tan yards were blacksmiths, wheelwrights, tailors, shoemakers, hatters, &c., &c. All the trades represented. One small classical school had been essayed, but had failed of support and was given up.

Up to 1842 the main accessions to the population had been three or four lawyers, induced by the creation of a new county to an industrious search for briefs, and their concomitants; and unhappily for themselves, and the wives and babies of those of them who happily possessed such treasures, not weighted down in their laborious searches for briefs by pockets filled by white or yellow metals.

The original settlers of the town and surrounding country had been Germans, except only the Winchester and Gist families, and Mr. Leigh Master, an English gentleman of position and fortune, who had left his ancestral estates, and established iron works at Avondale, about two miles from Westminster, and had, long before the time mentioned, returned to the dust from which he and all of us came, his iron works leaving behind scarcely a trace that they had ever been.

The Lutherans and Reformed, or German Reformed, had a church known as Krider's, little more than a mile westward of the town, in which each worshipped alternately, and the graveyard attached gives a history of very many of the families for many generations back, whose names and blood survive. In the town there was standing in the grounds of the present cemetery an Union Church building, in which all the various Protestant denominations had worshipped together, or separately, as circumstances gave occasion, two small Methodist Churches which had succeeded, and largely superseded the use of the Union Church, and a small Roman Catholic Church. In these several church buildings worshipped almost the entire population.

Tradition tells that on the Washington road, half a mile from the town, in pre-Revolutionary times there had stood an Anglican Church building, but it, and all traces of it had long gone.

Such was the condition when, in 1842, the Rev. D. Hillhouse Buel, who had a short time before become the Rector of Trinity parish near Freedom and Eldersburg, and who was a son of the honorable David Buel, of Troy, New York, a younger brother of Dr. Samuel Buel for long years a Professor in the General Theological Seminary, and held to be one of the most learned and distinguished Theological scholars of the country, and it may be said of the world, and an elder brother of the Rev. Clarence Buel now rector of the Church at Cumberland, Md., came to Westminster, and during a horseback ride, on a very hot day, from Westminster to Avondale proposed to the author of this sketch the foundation of this church.

In reply, he was told that the idea was wholly impracticable, that there was not sufficient congregration to carry it on, even if a church building could be erected, and such erection was entirely beyond the means of the one man who, with his wife had been brought up in the church, and of the two wives of Presbyterian husbands, who with the first mentioned made up the total of Churchman and Churchwomen of Westminster, and with the family of Avondale constituted the entire hope of a congregation to be formed. Of the Winchester family all that remained were two maiden ladies so aged and infirm that they were unable to leave their home.

Mr. Buel listened, and was not convinced. He did not say so, but it was not the less a fact, that he sought for himself not one thing, save only an extended opportunity to work, without money and without price, in extending the Kingdom of Him, whom in heart and mind he served.

In the course of the visit to Avondale a more optimistic view of the situation was taken, and resulted in a determination to undertake the enterprise, whether hopeful or hopeless of success. In the sense that Hope is identical with Faith, there was Hope. Where the money was to come from was veiled in the densest mist of uncertainty.

In the end it did come, but where from, from whom, it would puzzle the most careful historian of facts to discover even now, with absolute certainty.

Ordinarily history proceeds from a preconceived theory of a philosopher, establishing in his own mind *his* conclusions, and thereupon, with unflagging laboriousness, invoking tradition, whether prosaic or poetic, to yield up facts to sustain his conclusions; and so we get at, in large measure, the *facts* of *history*.

Not so with this history! and therefore we must be permitted to use some, at least, of the names which made things to be herein recounted, which created the *facts* to be recounted.

The two churchly ladies, wives of Presbyterian husbands before referred to, were Mrs. Raymond and Mrs. Shellman. The names of the one man and his wife refer