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LOCAL ITEMS.

Masquerading has been a prominent feature of the holidays in this city.

Ice six inches thick has been cut and housed in this vicinity during this week.

The SENTINEL is indebted to Mr. Frank W. Shriver, of the Gregg Carriage Co., Philadelphia, for an admirable calendar issued by the company.

Mr. Jesse C. Hesson, of Patapsco, in writing to renew his subscription to the SENTINEL for 1897, says: "I am lost if the paper does not come."

Many of our citizens delighted the little folks of their households this year by erecting beautifully decorated Christmas trees.

The SENTINEL is in recept of a handsome calendar from Victor Cushwa & Sons, coal and lumber dealers, Williamsport and Hagerstown.

Mayor Joseph W. Smith, of this city, was the recipient of a large wild turkey, as a Christmas present, from Mr. Wm. Royer, of King William county, Va.

The children of St. John's Catholic Church, this city, were entertained and treated by the pastor, Rev. Jos. H. Cassidy, on Tuesday.

The ice on the ponds and mill dams near this city has been in excellent condition for skating for eight or ten days and the sport has not lacked for votaries.

Mr. John Brown, a well known resident of this city, died at the county home Christmas evening, after a long period of illness and suffering from cancer. He was in his eighty-first year and leaves a widow and several sons and daughters. His remains were interred at Uniontown on Monday.

Mr. J[illegible] Sellers, who was widely known in this county, died at his home near Roseville on Monday, aged 82 years, 2 months, 12 days. He was, for a long time, a mail carrier on routes in the eastern section of this county. He leaves an aged widow and a number of sons and daughters. His remains were interred in the burial ground of Mt. Union Church on Wednesday.

Mrs. B. Jackson Mathias died at her home near Union Mills, this county, Dec. 21st, from pneumonia, aged 66 years, 5 months and 13 days. She leaves a husband and family of grown sons and daughters. Her remains were interred at Silver Run cemetery, after funeral services by Rev. Dr. Driesbach, on Thursday, 24th ult.

The handsomest calendar we have seen this season is called the "Dickens" and is issued by the Live Oak Distilling Co. of Cincinnati, Ohio. The SENTINEL office is indebted to Mr. A. C. Strasberger for one of these beautiful calendars which is divided into half a dozen cards, each illustrated with a scene and quotation from the work of the great English novelist.

Mr. Isaac Brilhart, a well known and prosperous farmer, died at his home near New Windsor, on Sunday last, aged about forty-six years. Mr. Brilhart was a brother of Mr. Michael S. Brilhart, of Hampstead district, and had many other relatives in this county. He was a member of Winter's Lutheran Church. Politically he was a Democrat. He leaves a widow, who is a daughter of the late Joseph Hoover, and one son.

Mr. Jos. Arnold, a well known citizen of Carrollton, died on Christmas evening in the 66th year of his age. His death resulted from injuries recieved several years ago in a runaway. His sufferings were prolonged and severe. He leaves no family. He was married, but his wife died several years ago. His remains were interred in the cemetery of the Bethel of the Church of God near Carrollton, on Sunday.

City Councilmen Milton H. Wagoner, of Baltimore, entertained all the Republican clubs of the Fifteenth ward, which he represents in the First Branch, on Thursday last, at his home in that city. He kept open house all day and refreshments were served in abundance to all visitors. Mr. Wagoner is a native of this city and his mother, Mrs. Mary A. Wagoner, who is spending the winter with him, assisted in receiving the large company.

Mr. John Myers, a retired citizen of this city, died at the residence of his son Mr. Geo. H. Myers, Liberty street, on Wednesday, after a week's illness, aged 79 years, 11 months and 24 days. He leaves 3 sons. His wife died some years ago. He was a staunch Republican and a member of the Reformed Church. His remains were taken to York, Pa., from which place he came to this city a few years ago, for interment.

Early morning Christmas services were held at St. Paul's Reformed Church, this city and were largely attended. Select anthems were finely rendered by the choir and the services were very pleasant. The altar was decorated with evergreens. The Sunday School held religious exercises at night and the scholars were treated to confectionery, [illegible] handsome tree was erected. The [illegible] made an appropriate address and [illegible] Christmas hymns and

Stephen Cain, a well known colored man of this city, died on Tuesday last of heart trouble, aged 38 years. He was a son of the late Rev. George Cain, a colored preacher.

The Board of Control and Review of this county has been engaged during the past week on the assessors' returns for Uniontown district. The members will be in session both as a Board of Control and Review and as County Commissioners, on Monday.

Mr. John Snook and Miss. Florence A. Eyler, both of Double Pipe Creek, were married at the Lutheran parsonage, in Union Bridge, on Thursday, by Rev. R. L. Patterson. After the ceremony they left for a trip to Baltimore and Washington and upon their return will reside in Union Bridge.

Mrs. Joshua Gist, near this city, left at this office, a few days ago, a sprig of genuine mistletoe, a quanity of which was recently sent her from Oklahoma by her brother, Mr. James Naill. We will not undertake to describe it further than to say than it differs materially from the mistletoe of this locality, and is very much more beautiful in appearance.

Col. Joseph C. Hill, who at the close of the war against secession was colonel of the gallant Sixth Maryland Regiment, died at his home in Baltimore on Wednesday night, in the 69th year of his age. His death was caused by injury to the brain sustained through a fall on Thursday of last week. Colonel Hill was as brave a soldier as ever carried a sword. He participated in numerous battles during the war, and from the captaincy of Co. B. rose to command his regiment. His death will be deeply regretted by his comrades of the army and by his many friends in all walks of life. During most of the time since the war he was an inspector in the Baltimore custom house. Funeral at 1 30, P. M., in Baltimore.

Hon. Abram Thomson, who has been the editor and one of the proprietors of the Delaware, Ohio, *Gazette*, for sixty-two years, has retired, and the paper is now under the management of his sons, R. C. and H. C. Thomson. The *Gazette* has grown, under Mr. Thomson's direction, to be one of the leading journals of Ohio. It publishes daily, semi-weekly and weekly editions, all of them of a high order of journalism. The senior Mr. Thomson was a pioneer in newspaper publishing at Delaware and has achieved enviable success in the profession. He is a native of Taneytown, this county, and has many relatives residing in old Carroll.

Mr. Charles R. Waters a native and for many years a resident of this county, died on Christmas morning at the home of his son in-law, Dr. Jas. Bosley, No. 1101 West Lanvale street Baltimore aged seventy-five years. He was a son of the late Rev. Somerset Waters, and grandson of Major Richard Waters of the Revolutionary army. Mr. Waters, was at one time a State inspector of tobacco. He was a member of St. Paul's M. E. Church South; also, a member of Alpha Council, Royal Arcanum, and Carrollton Council, American Legion of Honor. A widow, four sons and two daughters survive him. His sons are B. Morris Waters, Charles M. Waters, Garret D. Waters and Brent Waters; his daughters are Mrs. Thomas J. Talbott and Mrs. Dr. James Bosley, all of Baltimore city. His remains were interred at Mt. Airy on Sunday morning.

An attractive Christmas service entitled "The Angel's Message," was rendered by Grace Lutheran Sunday School of this city, on Christmas evening. The church was tastefully decorated with evergreen for the occasion. The program included an anthem by the choir; responsive reading, "Good Tidings;" address of welcome, Snyder Babylon; recitation, "The Three Kings," Blanche Schaeffer; dialogue, "The Holiday Convention," Ada Bankert, Ada Schaeffer, Ada Jerome; a youthful welcome, Chester Cassell; recitation, "Christmas Greeting," Jeanette Jerome; solo, Clarence Stouch; recitations, Jennie Wohlgemuth, Emma Koller, Ida Crouse, Frank Tracy, Nellie Schaeffer, Grace Thomson; an appropriate talk by the pastor, &c. The recitations were interspersed with singing by the school and the exercises concluded with an anthem by the choir and the benediction.

The sales made by the stores in this city the day before Christmas were without a precedent in extent, and shoppers were never so numerous. During the afternoon a gentleman from Hampstead dropped into the SENTINEL office and remarked that he found every available hitching spot, from the railroad to this point, occupied by a horse and vehicle. Most of the dry goods and notion stores gave presents to their customers and to the children, and the rush for these gifts was tremendous. In some instances children were knocked over by the surging crowds, and were in danger of injury from the pressure. Fortunately no casualties occurred. The stores which kept toys disposed of most of the stock on hand, and the supply of such articles as handkerchiefs, hose, &c., was well nigh exhausted. There was not much evidence of hard times in the free manner in which money was spent for Christmas presents.

Mr. Joseph Bollinger, a well known citizen of this county, died in Taneytown on Sunday last, after a long illness, in the seventy-second year of his age. He was a native of Adams county, Pa., and during the first part of his life was engaged in farming, but retired from that occupation many years ago and resided most of the time in this city, although he usually spoke of Taneytown as his home. By skillful management of his financial affairs he amassed a handsome competency. He was a quiet, unassuming gentleman. He was at one time connected with the Presbyterian Church, but after coming to this city united with the Methodist Protestant Church. Funeral services were held at Piney Creek Presbyterian Church, on Tuesday afternoon, Rev. Dr. W. R. Graham, of the M. P. Church, this city, officiating. Mr. Bollinger's wife died ten or twelve years ago. He leaves one daughter, Miss Hattie Bollinger, who cared for her father, during his long illness, with unceasing devotion. It was a noticeable coincidence that his death occurred on the same day of the year and near the same hour at which he was attacked with [illegible] ago. [illegible] pall-

The [illegible] 's funeral were [illegible] Aloysius Orendorff, Taneytown; Theodore [illegible]antz, and Joseph Fouts, of [illegible] and

Several news letters were received too late for publication this week.

The Japanese wedding given at Odd Fellows' Hall, under the direction of Mr. D. H. G. McCulloch, on Thursday night, met with excellent success and was warmly applauded.

The public schools which were closed for the holidays, will open again on Monday. A well known teacher requests us to remind parents that their children should be prompt and regular in attendance if they wish them to receive the proper benefit from the instruction given in the school.

We have received from Messrs. Miller Bros., this city, the January number of "The American Queen," a monthly magazine published by them for gratuitous distribution, and to be had for the asking. It is a periodical designed especially for women and the home, and contains, particularly, much valuable information in regard to dressing and dress-making, as well as pleasing literary features. It is really a valuable journal and will find its way into many homes in this county.

Mrs. Snyder, wife of Mr. George Snyder, of Baltimore, died at her home in that city on Wednesday. Mrs. Snyder and her family were formerly residents of this city and her remains will be brought here this morning, and, after funeral services at Grace Lutheran Church, interred in Benjamin's Cemetery. Mrs. Snyder was about fifty-two years old. She leaves her husband, two daughters and seven sons.

The holiday entertainment of Centenary M. E. Church, this city, took place on Thursday evening in the lecture room. The exercises, which consisted of singing, recitations, &c., were unusually interesting and attractive. The room was very prettily decorated and all in attendance enjoyed the occasion very much. The members of the school were treated to confectionery, &c. A request made previously from the pulpit of the church that offerings for the poor be taken to the lecture room on the occasion, received a liberal response and many articles of food and other things were contributed.

The merchants of this city have always displayed great taste in their window decorations, but we doubt if prettier examples of the decorator's art have ever been seen here than are now exhibited by some of our business houses. An attempt will not be made to describe the several conceptions which are particularly noticeable. Every visitor and every resident who passes along Main street, the distance of a square on each side of the railroad, will find these beautifully designed decorations without further direction.

Mr. Levi Hull, a farmer residing near Mayberry, met with a singular and painful accident on Monday last. The belting of an engine which was being used in sawing lumber at Mr. Joseph Wantz's, broke and, whirling about with wonderful rapidity, just grazed Mr. Hull's face, cutting away part of the cap worn by him, severing part of one eyelid entirely and leaving the remainder hanging by a narrow strip. The ball of the eye was also touched and the sight will probably be impaired. If the belt had struck his head fairly it would probably have caused his death, as the force of the blow would have been very great. Dr. C. W. Weaver, of Taneytown, is attending him.

The Annual Christmas entertainment of the Methodist Protestant Sunday School of this city was held in the church on Christmas night. The school effectively rendered the new and beautiful Christmas service entitled "Jesus is Here," by the Hall Mack Publishing Co., of Philadelphia, Pa. The music was of a high order and the recitations by the little folks were much enjoyed by the large audience. The superintendent of the school, Dr. J. W. Hering, and the pastor, Rev. Dr. Graham, made addresses. The installation of the officers and teachers for the work of another year was a most impressive feature of the exercises. Presents were distributed to all members of the school.

Harney Items.

A very interesting Christmas service was held here in the Lutheran Church, on Christmas evening, and was largely attended. The U. B. school was treated and a short exercise was held on Christmas morning.

The ice houses were filled this week, the ice having been in excellent condition to haul.

We had fine weather during the holidays and all the people seemed to enjoy themselves.

Mr. Chas. Kephart is home from college spending the Christmas vacation.

Some of our young folks had quite an enjoyable time playing Kriskindle.

Mr. Wm. Houck, residing near here, died last week from typhoid fever. He leaves a wife and one child.

A party was through here last week taking views of buildings, &c. He was from New York state.

Hog Weights.

Among weights of slaughtered hogs reported this week are the following:

Utzville.—David R. Petry, nine, 206, 283, 295, 296, 307, 324, 325, 333, 334; Milton Myers, two, 252, 312; David Shorb, three, 404, 450, 557; Harry Frock, two, 174, 287; Jacob Shaffer, two, 331, 389; John Utz, two, 259, 283, and a spring pig, 135.

Mr. J. Howell Stonesifer, of Bachman's Valley, slaughtered four hogs, a few days ago, that weighed respectively 480, 490, 551 and 615½ pounds, an average of 534⅛. Mr. Stonesifer may safely consider his porkers the champions of the county. Two, we believe, heavier than his heaviest have been reported, but the average of the four has not been exceeded by an equal number in a single pen.

Christmas Amenities.

It is pleasant to note the kindly feeling exhibited between employers and employed, in a number of cases in this city, at the Christmas festival so recently passed. Among these cases we are informed that Mr. E. O Grimes, following his usual custom, gave each of his employees the substantial gift of five dollars in cash, and was the recipient from them of a handsome eight-day onyx clock.

Each of Messrs. Miller Bros.' 32 employees received from them a present valued at $5, and, together, presented their employers with a handsome reclining office chair.

Mr. Wm. F. Derr received from his employees a handsome reclining chair [illegible] gave each of them a Christmas pres[ent] of value.

Election of Officers.

At the election of officers of Door to Virtue Lodge No. 46, A. F. and A. M., on Thursday evening of last week, the following were chosen for the ensuing year: W. M., Charles E. Hering; S. W., J. Walter Shunk; J. W., Chas. E. Hesson; Sec., Charles E. Goodwin; Treas., Rev. J. W. Reese, (re-elected for the thirty second term).

Charity Lodge No. 58, Knights of Pythias of this city, has elected the following officers for the ensuing term: C. C., James B. Mitchell; V. C., Theo. Kauffman; M. of W., George H. Myers; W. of A., Wm. H. O. Yingling; Pre., Wm. E. Shugh; M. of E., John Bernstein; M. of F., George A. Miller; K. of R. and S., John J. Reese; I. G., John H. Mitten; O. G. Washington L. Brown; Rep. to G. L., Geo. H. Myers; Marshal, R. C. Matthews; P. C. C., Chas. T. Reifsnider, Jr.; trustees, E. J. Lawyer, Jno. H. Mitten, John J. Reese, J. Milton Reifsnider, Theo. A. Kauffman.

Salem Lodge No. 60, I. O. O. F., of this city, has elected the following officers for the ensuing term: N. G., James E. Smith; V. G., Harry J. Tarfle; R. S., George A. Miller; P. S., Rev. Wm. A. Crouse; Treas., John Bernstein; Chap., Rev. Wm. A. Crouse; trustees, George A. Zahn, John J. Reese, Rev. Wm. A. Crouse; Rep to G. L., John H. Cunningham; Janitor, Wm. R. Leese.

Carroll Division No. 42, S. of T., of this city, has elected the following officers for the ensuing three months: W. P., A. H. Geiselman, W. A., John A. Mackintosh; R. S., Charles B. Hunter; F. S., A. W. Buckingham; Treas., Jesse F. Shreeve, C., Geo. L. Mobley; A. C., John H. Mitten; I. S., Thos. H. Bankard; O. S., Wm. Mather; janitor, Guy, L. Fowler.

Westminster Lodge No. 41 I. O. M. of this city, has elected the following officers for the ensuing term: W. M., Charles B. Hunter; J. M., A. H. Geiselman; R. S., J. H. Handley; F. S., James H. Cassell; Treas., John B. Saylor; Chap., Thos. Zepp; Con., John D. Biehl; I. G., W. R. Leese; O. G., W. H. Paynter; organist, S. P. Bair; trustees, John H. Gerke, C. E. Jerome, Andrew Fresh; Philip M. Hunter, Harry C. Keefer; Rep. to G. L., Wm. H. Paynter.

Washington Camp No. 5, P. O. S. of A., of this city, has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Pres., Geo. E. Lippy; V. P., Wm. F. Louey; M. of F., Wm. H. Hutton; F. S., Grant Franklin; Treas., F. R. Cassell; R. S., S. P. Weaver; Con., Wm. H. Cassell; I. G., Nicholas F. Henry; O. G., Ezra J. Yingling; trustee, J. H. Fuss; janitor, Wm. F. Long.

Wedding Bells.

KEEFER—MARTIN.

At the parsonage of Grace Lutheran Church, this city, on Monday night, Mr. William N. Keefer, a well known young grocery merchant, and Miss Josie Martin, of Littlestown, Pa., were quietly married, Rev. P. H. Miller officiating. The bride wore a becoming gown of green novelty cloth and white carnations. Miss Cora Pfeffer was bridesmaid, and Mr. Earnest L. Martin groomsman. The bridesmaid and groomsman wore pink carnations, and the groom white carnations to match those of the bride. After the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the groom's parents. Those present were Mr. Harwood, of Baltimore; Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Keefer, parents of the groom; Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Derr, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Derr, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Derr, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver M. Crouse and family, Mr. and Mrs. George Six and family, Rev. and Mrs. P. H. Miller, Mrs. David Witter, Misses Cora Pfeffer, Minnie Marsh, Messrs E. L. Martin, Milton A. Sullivan, Master Eddie Keefer and others.

NEVILLE—DOCK.

Miss Rebecca, daughter of Mr. Zachariah Dock, of this city, was married on Thursday of last week in Baltimore to Mr. Frank F. Neville, at St. Andrew's Catholic Church, Washington and Monument streets. Rev. P. H. Manning, assisted by Rev. F. A. Dolan, performed the ceremony. The ushers were Messrs. George Green, John Bancroft, John Williams and Matthew Neville. The bride wore a green novelty cloth traveling gown, trimmed in satin and lace, and carried Marechal Neil roses. After the ceremony a reception was held at No. 721 Hopkins avenue. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. J. Summers, Mrs. Henry Koffenberg, Mrs. T. Boldwing, Mrs. C. Stewart, Mrs. T. Green, Mrs. K. Bradley, Mrs. M. Sewers, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Green, Misses Mamie Kelley and Mary Hendle.

Orphans' Court.

Monday, December 28th.—Frank P. Roop, executor of Alexander Fowble, deceased, settled second and final account.

Charles T. Yingling, guardian of John G. Yingling, deceased, settled first and final account.

John H. Fair, executor of John Fair, deceased, returned list sales of goods and chattels.

Letters of administration with the will annexed of Ann Croft, deceased, were granted to Chas. T. Reifsnider, who received order to sell goods and chattels and notify creditors.

Wm. Wood, executor of Shepherd Wood, deceased, returned additional list of sales of goods and chattels, inventory of money and settled first and final account.

Tuesday, December 29th.—Davis Myers and Chas T. Reifsnider, administrators of Daniel J. Geiman, deceased, returned list of debts.

Report of sale of real estate of Jesse T. H. Davis, deceased, was finally ratified.

Gist Items.

Washington Camp, P. O. S. of A., is talking of building a new hall and audience room, in which to hold concerts, the hall they now have in use being rather small and rent expensive. A building committee has been appointed and preparations will begin at once. The camp now numbers about 62 members, and 13 new candidates elected to membership pending initiation.

Mrs. Margaret Shipley, of Westminster, has about finished her new dwelling at this place.

Mr. Jacob Powder has his new barn about completed, which was one of the most quickly built barns we have ever seen [illegible] up, he not having had any idea of building until after the storm last fall. [illegible] he secured first class sawyers, carpenters &c., hence a short job.

Porters Items.

The Messiah Lutheran Sunday School held its annual celebration and Christmas treat on Saturday evening, 26th inst. Although there was a small admittance charged to all not connected with the school, the church was crowded to overflowing. First to greet the eyes, on entering, was a magnificent black cedar, with its green foliage, and its limbs towering to the ceiling. On each side of the tree, and meeting in the centre of the church was a beautiful arch, formed by festooned letters from the words: "Glory to God in the Highest." The large and beautiful tree was literally covered with confectioneries, fruits and presents, to make glad the hearts of the little ones, and I believe some of the big ones as well. The exercises opened with singing by the choir, led by Prof. G. W. Hess; and was followed by dialogues, readings, and recitations, interspersed with vocal and instrumental music. The entire program was well arranged, and admirably rendered. The recitation entitled, "Church Services of a School Girl," by Miss Alice Wallace, deserves special mention. The manner in which Miss Alice delivered it, showed her to be both talented and competent.

Mr. W. F. Barnes, teacher of public school No. 6, of Winfield, was made the proud recipient of a handsome gift at the close of his school for the Christmas holidays, presented by his pupils as a token of their appreciation of his services as teacher.

Miss Daisy Barnes, of Mechanicsville, is spending her Christmas holidays with the family of her uncle, Mr. W. F. Barnes, of Porters. There seems to be some great attractions entwined around the former home of Miss Daisy, and to say that she is enjoying herself would be expressing the fact mildly.

Mrs. Julia R. Wallace, our competent and highly esteemed postmistress, is still on the sick list.

Miss Celeste M. Barnes, the young daughter of Mr. W. F. Barnes, is suffering with an attack of tonsilitis, but is convalescing under the skillful treatment of Dr. F. D. Cronk.

FROM OUR REGULAR PORTERS CORRESPONDENT.

Mr. Charles M. Nicholas, of Pa. College, has been spending his Christmas vacation with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Nicholas.

Rev. Crayton Nicholas spent a few days at home and Rev. Wm Nicholas, who is pastor of a congregation in Philadelphia, spent Christmas day at home.

Miss Millie Bushey, who was reported on the sick list, is still confined to the house.

Mrs. Wallace, our popular postmistress, who has been sick since June last, is still a great sufferer, being confined to her bed the greater part of the time. She was not forgotten on Christmas day by her many friends, and among the many handsome presents which she received was a box of very beautiful cut flowers from a West Va. Senator, now Secretary of that State, which was highly appreciated by her.

Quite an enjoyable social gathering was held at the residence of R. C. McKinney, near Hoods Mill, on the 29th ult. Those present were: R. C. McKinney, J. C. McKinney, and bride, Minnie McKinney, Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Nicholas, Mr. L. M. Bushey, Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Hess, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Shoemaker, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Flohr, Mr. and Mrs Geo. W. Hess, Misses Carrie, Mattie and Abbie Shoemaker, Nettie, Mollie, Annie and Dora Hess, Fannie Easton, Fannie Flohr; Jennie Naill, of Bridgeport, Frederick county; Messrs. C. M. Nicholas, John and Harry Bushey, Maurice Hess; Mr. J. Albert Angell, of Harney; Masters Erman and John Shoemaker, Willie Flohr and Walter Hess.

Mr. J. Albert Angell, the popular teacher of Piney Creek school, near Harney, has been spending the Christmas vacation visiting friends in this vicinity.

The following fine porkers have been slaughtered since my last: Geo. W. Hess, two, 315, 321; D. M. Shoemaker, four, 328, 322, 307 and 273.

For the SENTINEL.

A Christmas Surprise Dinner.

A Christmas surprise dinner was given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Josiah Cluts, at their residence, New street, Taneytown, on Christmas day, by their children. The day was spent in social intercourse interspersed occasionally with practical jokes. It was a great surprise to Mr. and Mrs. Cluts, as they knew nothing of it until all drove up and began to unpack the provisions. Those present expressed themselves as having passed a day full of enjoyment. Mr. Cluts remarked: "I was surprised, but was glad to see you all come home together." At 12.30 the dining room door was thrown open and all invited to the table which almost groaned under the weight of all the delicacies of the season with which it was burdened and to which all did ample justice. As the day, long to be remembered by those present, was well nigh spent all departed for their respective homes. Those present, consisting of the children, grandchildren and one great grandchild were: Mr. and Mrs. Josiah Cluts, Mr. John Clutz and wife, Mr. Milton Ohler and wife, Mr. George G. Cluts and wife, Mr. Charles Buffington and wife, Mr. Hickman W. Snyder and wife, Mr. Ivy Fuss and wife, Emma C. Clutz, Murray S. Slagle, Elias G. Ohler, Harry G. Ohler, Verl E. C. Snyder, Harry L. Cluts, Charles R. Cluts, Ruth Fuss.

For the SENTINEL.

Thomas Chapel Sunday School.

The friends of Thomas Chapel Sunday School who were present on the occasion of the Christmas entertainment, were treated to one of those services which have won for the school a wide reputation in that line. The church was beautifully decorated with evergreen, one part of which was a tall Christmas tree profusely trimmed.

After a program of music, recitations, etc., that widely known old gentleman, Santa Claus, appeared, and, together with his wife, distributed presents of candy and nuts to the members of the school. This was followed by a short, but appropriate address by the pastor, Rev C. E. Dudrear.

The instrumental music was furnished by Miss Blanche Baer, organist of the school, assisted by Mr. Vernon Ridgely, cornetist.

After a very successful year, the school has closed for the winter season.

Snydersburg Items.

The Christmas holidays passed off in the usual quiet manner, nothing of importance having occurred to mar them.

Mr. J. R. Smith and wife spent the Christmas holidays in Baltimore.

Mr. John Reed was taken with a severe attack of bilious colic on Saturday morning, but at this writing is improving. Dr. J. H. Sherman is the attending physician.

Mr. Charles Reed spent the Christmas holidays in York and Wrightsville, Pa., the guest of friends.

Mrs. Sarah Snyder and Mrs. Webster spent several days last week in Hanover, Pa., the guests of friends.

Mr. David Sharer and wife, of Union Bridge, spent Christmas with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Sharer, of Meadow Lawn.

Mr. Charles Reed and Mr. John W. Yingling, teachers of the public school at this place, closed their school on the 23rd inst, after treating the scholars to a bountiful supply of peanuts, raisins, candies, etc. The teachers in return were handsomely remembered by their scholars, Mr. Reed having been presented an album, and Mr. Yingling a silk handkerchief.

Miss Laura Long, of Carrollton, was the guest of Miss Maggie Hager on Saturday last.

Mr. George Zepp, of Westminster, spent Christmas here, the guest of his parents.

Mr. Elisha A. Snyder, our popular merchant, has sold his property here, and will retire from business in the spring. The young man who bought it no doubt believes in the old adage, "Buy the cage first then get the bird for it."

Farmers are busy filling their ice houses with ice, which is from 5 to 6 inches thick.

A happy New Year to all.

Double Pipe Creek Items.

Mrs. T. J. Kolb and daughter, and Mrs. Rosa Diller and daughter have been visiting Mrs. Kolb's daughter, Mrs. Martin Flohr, Washington, D. C.

Mr. S. Royer Weybright started on Monday week to visit friends in Ohio. He will be gone several months.

Mr. Ursa Diller and sister, Miss Virnie, came home to enjoy the the holiday season. They are students of a select school in Littlestown, Pa.

Miss Mattie L. Weybright, who has been at Huntington College, Huntington, Pa., is at home spending the vacation.

Elder T. J. Kolb, who has been under the care of a physician for some weeks, is again regaining his usual health and strength.

Mr. Peter L. Ritter, who has been engaged for some time in having an artesian well bored, has made quite a success of his work, having struck a vein that yields him six and one-half gallons per minute and rises thirty-five feet in the well, so he has practically an inexhaustible supply.

Quite a number of our farmers are seriously inconvenienced on account of the drouth which is now prevailing. Some are hauling water for several miles; others drive their stock to water. Some who have been hauling find it very unpleasant work since severe weather has set in, as barrels have became frozen so with ice, making the work troublesome.

Melrose Items.

This week Mr. Noah Peterman, one of the oldest school teachers in Carroll county, moved his family on Baltimore street, Hanover Pa., where he intends to devote his time in making the grocery business a success.

It is rumored that Mr. Robert Fleagle is about to erect a house in Bachman's Valley and equip it with machinery to separate the cream from the milk. The cream then is to be brought to the Melrose Creamery to be made into butter.

Quite a number of our teachers treated their scholars before they closed school for the holidays.

Mr. Jas. P. Zepp is visiting in Hanover and elsewhere.

Sent In Friend No. 31, for January, was sent out this week.

Among those recently launched upon the sea of matrimonial bliss are Mr. Jno. Dherit and Miss Kate Leese; Mr. Zeigler and Miss Bosley, of near Greenmount; Mr. Chas. Lippy and Miss Lillie Brown Mr. Tilden James and Miss Ella Martin. We wish all the above happiness and prosperity.

Mr. John Kephart, who was very sick, is convalescing under the skilful care of Dr. J. S. Zeigler.

Mr. Orestes Wentz and wife, of Buffalo, spent a day last week in this neighborhood.

Sams Creek Items.

Christmas in our section passed off without much noise or confusion. The ground was covered with a light snow but not enough for good sleighing.

During the past week the most of our farmers and merchants filled their ice houses with ice of the finest quality, it being about six inches in thickness. The roads were in a most excellent condition for hauling it.

Mr. Morgan Nicodemus has added a saw mill to his mill property and it is now ready for operating.

On last Tuesday a mad dog passed through the neighborhood of Weldon, Frederick county. He did some damage by way of biting farm stock and one colored boy. The dog was killed near Oak Orchard, so it is reported.

Nathan G. Franklin, living near Taylorsville, has been quite ill with some kidney affection. He was taken sick on the day of the funeral of his son, Robert Lee Franklin.

During Christmas Prof. M. C. Masterson was the guest of Elder Wm. H. Franklin and family. The professor's home was formerly in Lordsburg, California, and he is a warm friend and acquaintance of Prof. Wm. K. Franklin, of the same State and town. Professor Masterson has a lucrative position in the U. S. patent office in Washington, D. C.

Mr. Harry Trayer, of our place, will next spring move to a farm near Watersville.

For the SENTINEL.

Shiloh School.

A very interesting afternoon was spent on Wednesday week at Shiloh school, where exercises were held consisting of singing, speaking, &c., in which all took an active part.

After the program was completed, the teacher, Mr. Horace Garrett, spoke a few words which were enjoyed by all. He, as a teacher as well as a man, proves himself capable of conducting a school, and all the patrons are well pleased with his work and hope he will remain with us.

At last, after all appeared ready to go to their homes, old Santa made his appearance and treated the children to confectionery &c.

Christmas at The Alms House.

Christmas was made unusually bright to the inmates of the Carroll County Alms House this year. There are a number of highly respectable inmates there, the majority of whom are old, who, left alone in their old age and poverty, have been compelled to seek food and shelter in the home provided for our destitute poor. On Christmas day, a good dinner of turkey and chicken, with their accompaniment of good things, was served to them, and in addition, each one was given a bountiful supply of cake, fruit and confectionery by the kind steward and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Hahn. On Sunday afternoon another treat was provided, by the committee having in charge the Sunday afternoon services. While the young men of the College Christian Association, with the exception of Mr. Frank, were unable to be present, having gone home for the holidays, several persons from town kindly took their places, and a very pretty carol service was rendered including Millard's beautiful anthem, "And There Were Shepherds." Miss Bessie Herr was the soloist, and delighted all with her sweet singing. The following ladies and gentlemen composed the choir: Miss. M. B. Shellman, organist; Misses Bessie Herr, Alice Bixler, Nannie Rinker, Ida Lockard, Annie Spaulding, and Messrs. P. C. Kennedy and F. K. Herr. A responsive scripture reading led by Rev. Dr. Graham, of the M. P. Church, and the reading of an original Christmas Poem by Miss M. B. Shellman, was followed by an appropriate address by Dr. Graham, after which the distribution of gifts took place. Every woman was presented with an apron, a pair of woolen stockings and a handkerchief, and every man with a pair of woolen socks, a handkerchief and a bag of smoking tobacco. Each one was given, also, a package of confectionery, fruit and cake. Several poor wayfarers, who happened to be present, also received a little of the Christmas cheer. Those who could read were also given Bibles or other good books, and the service concluded with singing the hymn, "The Best Friend to Have is Jesus," and the Lord's prayer recited in concert, the inmates joining in, most heartily. Without the generous co-operation of the merchants and a few friends, we could not possibly carry on this work, or render the assistance we do, and we wish to return sincere thanks to all who have helped us in the past, and particularly to the following persons, who by their generous response to our appeal made through the papers a few weeks ago, enabled us to make this Christmas such a bright and happy one. Merchandise, J. T. Orndorff's Sons, T. W. Mather, W. F. Derr, Miller Bros., M. Schneeberger, Miss May Gardner, Matthews and Myers, D. L. Farrer, Mrs. F. K. Herr; confectionery, fruit and cake, G. W. Mardingstar, J. D. Bowers, Joseph E Shreeve W. N. Keefer, John J. Reese, W. D. Reese, Mrs. C. J. Shellman Mrs. Broadwiser, Mrs. Mary Wilson, Albaugh & Babylon, Mrs. U. L. Reaver, Mrs. Louisa Smith, Miss Joe. Hann, Miss Emma Crout, Miss Katie Smith, Miss Ella Murray and Miss Amanda Steward; cash, Mrs. Longwell, N. I. Gorsuch, C. C. Gorsuch, W. H. Vanderford, Mrs. C. Billingslea, Miss Kittie Noel, Mrs. G. M. Parke, Mrs. Wm. Starr, Miss Lillie Woodward, Miss Nannie Rinker. A generous donation of Bibles, scripture cards and other reading matter was received from the Md. Prisoner's Aid Association through Rev. L. J. Zinkhan, several little tokens of remembrance from Miss Grace Barnitz, a cash contribution from Mrs. Dr. Frazier, and a package of confectionery from Mr. F. K. Darby, of Baltimore. The children of the steward, whose uniform kindness and courtesy to the old people makes them universal favorites among them, were also remembered with little gifts. Donations of money are acceptable at all times, as it enables us to provide little delicacies for the sick, and to renew, from time to time, the books used in the services every Sunday.

MARY B. SHELLMAN,
NANNIE RINKER,
Committee.

For the SENTINEL.

Wedding Anniversary.

On Saturday evening, 26th ult., the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Sauble, Woodensburg, was a scene of beauty and brilliancy. The occasion was the second anniversary of their marriage. At 5 P. M. dinner was served in the most elaborate style known to old Maryland hospitality, and consisted of turkey, chicken, deviled eggs, salads, &c., to which all did ample justice. We would not forget to say that the decorations were of surpassing beauty. The dining room and parlor were trimmed with evergreen, roses, &c. After all had well supplied the wants of the inner man we were ushered into the spacious parlor, where we were splendidly entertained. Mr. E. S. Sauble acted as master of ceremonies. He is one of the most genial persons, we think we ever met, and was fully equal to the occasion. The evening was spent in music, both vocal and instrumental, solos, quartets, &c. The party was addressed by Mr. J. Belt Townshend and a number of others, and Mr. Sauble, the host, responded in a very pleasant manner, after which games were indulged in. At 11 P. M. refreshments were served, the table groaning under its weight of everything to tempt the appetite, such as oranges, nuts, confectioneries, &c., which it is needless to say were enjoyed by all. Those present were: Miss Mattie Sauble, Mr. E. S. Sauble, of Watersville; Mr. Elisha Parks, of Timonium; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Zouck, Miss H. Blanche Zouck, Miss Mamie E. Zouck, Mr. Geo. Zouck, Mr. John Zouck, of Baltimore county; Mr. S. W. Severson, Misses E. M. Haviland, Annie Severson, Laura Z. Flemming of Baltimore city; Mrs. N. K. Kinley, of Mt. Airy; Miss Lottie Grove, Mr. C. A. Mullinix, of Day; Mr. and Mrs. J. Belt Townshend, of Westminster; Mr. John H. Beckley, of Beckleysville. After wishing the host and hostess many happy returns, and a long happy life, all expressed themselves as having spent the most pleasant time ever experienced on an occasion of this kind, and dispersed to their respective homes.

For the Sentinel.

Morgan Run School.

Morgan Run school, near Shipley, held its annual Christmas entertainment on the 23rd ult. Following is the program which was successfully rendered: Organ Voluntary, Gertie B. Hook; singing, "Welcome Beautiful Christmas Day," school; address, Edna Owings; singing, "Watchman Tell Us of the Night," school; "Santa Claus," Edward Little; "Little Things," Lottie Stater; "My Brother Tom," Minnie Wagner; "Old Kriss," Bertha Shipley; "Christmas is Here," Gertie Nusbaum; dialogue, "The Yoke," 3 boys; speech, Silas Shipley; "The Temperance Girl," Gertie Frizzell; "The Birdies," Lula Shipley; duet, "The Sweet Story of Old," Mary and Lizzie Magin; "The Visit of Santa Claus," Gertie Nusbaum; "The Stolen Visit," 8 girls and 3 boys; "The Christ-child," Lizzie Magin; "Mr. Bye and Bye," Harry Schneider; speech, Myrl Zepp; dialogue, "Irene," Edna Owings and Lottie Stater; "Santa Knows," Bessie Shipley; singing, "Winter Winds," school; speech, Mary Logue; "The Christmas Reunion," 19 scholars; "The Coming of Santa," Orville Zepp; "An Experiment," Charles Magin; "Christmas Eve," George R. Hook; dialogue, "Pearl's Christmas," 7 scholars; "What's in My Pocket," Lizzie Magin; "The Last Hymn," Mary Magin; "How Jenny Saved the Train," Gertye B. Hook; "An Old Time Christmas Party," 26 scholars; singing, "In the Sweet Bye and Bye," school. The pupils were treated by the teacher and the teacher received some pretty and useful presents from the pupils. The house was filled with patrons and friends of the school. Among those present were: Rev. George Hill and family, Rev. G. W. Honey and family, and the trustees of the school.

List of Unclaimed Matter

Remaining in the Postoffice at Westminster, Md., December 26th, 1896.

Dorsey, Miss Ruth,
Elder, Mrs. Jennie,
Ellis, Preston,
Fowler, J. H.,
Hardman, Chas. K.
Leister, John,
Myers, Miss Millie A.,
Smith, C. E.,
Stauffer, C. L.,

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

JOSEPH B. BOYLE, P. M.

For the SENTINEL.

Christmas Entertainment.

The people of New Windsor and vicinity can justly feel proud of the Xmas entertainment, which was rendered under the auspices of the M. E. Sabbath School. It was the best and most appropriate ever heard in this town. It was held in the town hall, which was beautifully decorated with flowers, ferns and potted plants displaying the taste of the decorator, Mrs. Alfred Bankerd. The program, which consisted of very interesting recitations, dialogues and a cantata, will long be remembered by the people, many of whom came miles to witness it. The children, under the careful training of Mrs. John Smelser, recited their parts admirably. She deserves much credit for their success, as she used every precaution to have them thoroughly prepared. The music was excellent and in strict harmony with the occasion. The choir, which has lately been organized, is in a flourishing condition, due greatly to the untiring efforts of their president, Mrs. Dina Mullineaux. They had charge of the music and sang several very difficult and beautiful anthems, with Miss Amelia Engle as chorister and Mrs. Grant Heltabridle as organist. A duet by Mr. and Mrs. Heltabridle with Mrs. Dina Mullineaux at the organ deserves especial mention. The exercises commenced with the hymn, "Joy to the World." Then a prayer was offered by Rev. T. J. Cross, a former pastor. The "Greeting" was ably delivered by Mr. Sterling Geatty. Responses of welcome followed by Miss Maggie Spinner and Master Forrest Otto. An anthem, "Crown Him Lord of All," was next in order. An exercise, called "Christmas Bells," was then sung and performed by 17 girls and boys. Hearty applause was called from the assembly by the recitations of some children from the Primary Department. "Peace on Earth," a dialogue, was then given by nine girls and boys. It had an excellent moral. Miss Birdie Hare recited "Christmas Star," in a very effective manner. Another anthem was then sung by the choir. Then there was an exercise by eighteen children entitled "The Star." Little Ethel Abbott recited "Harry's Santa Claus," in a dignified and ladylike manner, wonderful in a child of her age. "The Snow Storm," in pantomime, declaimed by Chester Lambert and acted by three boys and a little girl, was well rendered and very interesting. The last and crowning performance of the evening was the cantata, entitled "How He Waited for Santa Claus." It was opened with a well performed drill. Mr. Charles Bankerd was superintendent and Mr. Jesse Myers was Santa Claus. They both acted their parts very well. The "Sewing Circle," I fear, was true to life. Little Mattie Harman's singing was very sweet and Goldie Bloom sang and acted her part very nicely. Mr. Myers deserves much credit for the way in which he drilled the boys. The other parts of the cantata were very entertaining. The school received their presents and treat Saturday afternoon. Mr. George P. B. Englar, the worthy and efficient superintendent of the school, had general direction of the entertainment.

Pleasant Valley Items.

The holiday entertainment given by the Sunday School at this place, on Christmas night, was largely attended and gave great pleasure to the audience and all concerned. The singing was excellent. The singing class, instructed by Mr. N. H. Bankard, rendered some fine music and the school sang in an admirable manner. Mr. Edward Zepp and Miss Lizzie Myers were organists, Harry Warehime cornetist, Lewis D. Wantz baritone, and Robert Bankard violinist. Mr. John N. Ditch is president and Mr. Charles Bittle superintendent of the school, which numbers 240 scholars, teachers and officers. The program of the Christmas entertainment was as follows: Processional, by orchestra; opening addresses, Willie Sullivan, Ada Warehime; prayer, Rev. W. H. Ehrhart; opening chorus, "Joy Bells;" recitations, Willie Myers, Beulah Baust, Sallie Myerly; singing by the school, "Lift up the Voice;" recitations, Mary Myerly, Ada Strevig, Delia Myers, Annie Geiman; singing by the school, "The Angels' Song;" recitations, Clara Myers, Scott Sullivan, Charles Myers, Jacob Frock; selection, by the orchestra; duet and chorus, "Starry Sky, Lovely Night;" recitations, Mary Petry, Ada Warehime; solo and quartet, "Out in the Darkness;" recitations, Ada Hahn, Charles Geiman, Milton Powell, Annie Petry, Ada Wantz; singing by the school, "Merry Christmas Bells;" recitations, Ollie Myers, Herbert Petry, Paul Myers; song by the children, "The Children's Christmas;" dialogue, "What We Like," by seven children; recitations, Flora Myers, Carroll Myers, Florence Masenheimer; address, Rev. Wm. H. Ehrhart; overture, by orchestra, and collection; dialogue, Telephoning Santa; singing by the school, "Christmas Sleigh-ride;" distribution of gifts; solo and chorus, "Glory in the Highest;" benediction. Among the gifts were turkeys and other articles to the pastors of the Lutheran and Reformed congregations.

The clear, cold weather during the latter part of last week and the first days of this week, enabled the people of this vicinity to fill their ice houses with a fine quality of ice, 6 to 8 inches thick.

Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Myers, visited Mrs. Myers' parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Bixler, in Lancaster county, recently, and while there Mrs. Myers' venerable father died at the age of nearly ninety years.

For the SENTINEL.

A Pleasant Evening.

On Monday evening, 28th ult., a very pleasant evening was spent by a large number of relatives and friends at the hospitable residence of Mr. G. Washington Owings, a highly respected farmer, near Fenby. The event was the celebration of Mr. Owings' 68th birthday. After spending several hours in pleasant conversation the particular event of the evening was the presentation to Mr. Owings of a very handsome cane, immediately following which the dining room doors were thrown open, and the bountifully laden table that met the eye would have made a dyspeptic die with grief. But fortunately there were none present. After all had enjoyed a most pleasant evening they all retired to their homes with best wishes for long life for uncle Wash. Among those present were the following: Mr. and Mrs. James Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. Washington Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hull, Mr. and Mrs. J. Wesley Zile, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Stoner, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Owings, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Painter, Mr. and Mrs. John Davis, Mr. and Mrs. A. Winfield Davis, Mrs. Albinus Poole, Mrs. David Owings, Mr. G. W. Owings and family, Dr. Jos. T. Hering, Messrs. Fred. D. Miller, Frank Z. Miller, James Owings, W. T. Wilson, M. A. Doyle, Harry Owings, Harry Miller, Misses Wivie Stitely, Allie Owings, Blanche Owings, Effie Owings.

Manchester Items.

Business places were closed here on Christmas day and the streets bore a Sunday appearance, but there was an abundance of good cheer and merriment in most of the homes. Early morning services were held in Trinity Reformed Church and were well attended. At night the Christmas entertainments of the Reformed and Lutheran Sunday Schools were held in their respective churches and were largely attended. The programs were well rendered and attractive.

Many of the ice houses in this locality were filled with ice 4 to 6 inches thick by Tuesday. The skating was good and was much enjoyed by many of our people.

On Tuesday morning, of last week, the family of Rev. C. M. Eyster awoke at early morn and found themselves very sick, but did not know the cause until the maid discovered the house full of gas which had escaped from the fire-place heater during the night. Dr. Sherman was called and prescribed the necessary remedy and by evening they were pretty well restored. It was fortunate that some of the doors into the hall were open and thus prevented the concentration of the deadly gas in the sleeping apartments.

Among the many enjoyable amusements during the holiday season is masquerading which, like a contagion, has drawn into its ranks the old, young and middle aged, each seeming to vie with the other in the most fantastic dress. Some costumes are quite elaborate and make a fine appearance; many homes are visited and a good time enjoyed, while the streets are full of pedestrians in disguise.

The officers, teachers and scholars of the Bethel Sunday School received their Christmas treat on Sunday morning last.

The remains of Miss Lee Kopp, youngest daughter of the late Alfred Kopp, were brought here on the morning train on Wednesday from Woodberry, and interred in a family lot. She died at the age of 19 years. Funeral services were held in the Reformed Church, Revs. Deatrick, of Woodberry, and S. M. Roeder officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Brilhart entertained a large company of friends at their home on South Main street on Saturday evening. Abundant refreshments were served and all had a good time.

A large company of friends remembered Mr. Chas. W. Motter in his bachelor home, on South Main street, on Tuesday evening, his birthday. Charles was looking his best and did everything to afford a pleasant evening to his friends.

Miss Maggie Clingan, of Frederick, is the guest of Miss Celia Shower.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Motter, of Baltimore, spent the holidays with Mrs. J. M. Motter.

Mrs. Wm. Gardner, of Baltimore, is visiting Mrs. C. M. Eyster.

Our fox hunters have been having some fine chases.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Miller spent Christmas in Baltimore with friends.

Mrs. Rapper and sons, of Philadelphia, and Mr. Jos. Woods, of Medford, spent several days with Mr. Oliver Lippy and family.

Mrs. David W. Young is visiting her daughter, Mrs. John Bixler, in Waynesboro, Pa.

Mr. Geo. S. Motter is spending the holidays in Baltimore.

Mr. Chas. Hively and wife are visiting friends in Baltimore.

Master John Stick is visiting friends in Philadelphia.

Miss Ada Trump, of the Normal school, Mr. George Trump, of the Dental College, and Mr. Harry F. Pfieffer, of the Homeopathic College, Baltimore, were home during the holidays.

Miss Sadie and Daisy Masenheimer spent Christmas at home from the High School, Baltimore.

Happy New Year to all.

Benjamin's Reformed Church.

The Aid Society of the above Church held the regular monthly meeting at the parsonage on the evening of Dec 15th. Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather there was quite a large attendance. To the surprise of the pastor and his family, the members and friends had arranged to make the meeting of the society the occasion of a donation party, and came abundantly supplied with good things, by which the pantry, corn-crib &c., were replenished for many days to come. A very enjoyable evening was passed, during which a program consisting of music, readings, &c., was rendered, and refreshments were served; and at a late hour the guests departed, leaving the family to store away the gifts. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Lucabaugh, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Beggs, Mr. and Mrs. Tilden Shaffer, Mr. and Mrs. J. Wesley Beggs, Mrs. Lewis Shafer, Mrs. Abraham Shafer, Mrs. Wesley Steele, Mrs. Leander Hull, Mrs. Margaret Arnold, Mrs. Jennie Manger, Mrs. Richard Kane, Mrs. I. R. Hoppe, Mrs. Edw. S. Baile, Mrs. John Zahn, Mrs. Lewis Berman, Misses Maggie Stoner, Minnie Bish, Goldie Erb, Grace Hull, Mary Stansbury, Bertie Little, Annie Arnold, Goldie Steele, Martha Forney, Ida Shafer, Gertie Shafer, May Stoner, Grace Kane, Maggie Kane, Messrs. Jas. M. Stoner, Harry Little, Howard Hyle, Jacob L. Shafer, George Hunter, Jonathan Yingling, Sterling Snader, Jesse Hull, Morris Erb, Masters Jos. Manger, Harry Ditman, John Gunther, Jesse Berman, Jas. L. Stoner, Robert Zahn.

The Sunday School held its Christmas festival on last Sunday evening. A large congregation was present, and an interesting program was rendered. The children received their annual "treat," and the pastor was presented with an envelope containing a nice sum of money.

Dinner at New Windsor Hotel.

Mr. Samuel Crabbs entertained a large number of his friends at an elegant dinner, at the New Windsor Hotel, New Windsor, of which he is proprietor, on Tuesday last: The guests were seated according to age, those at the first table averaging 74 years, at the second 60 years, third 40 years and fourth 30 years. Those present, with their respective ages, were: Jos. D. Brooks, of Westminster, 36; A. C. Smelser 30, Uriah Englar 65, Elmer Hyde 72, Alex. Cornell 81, G. W. Devilbiss 69, Lewis Dielman 76, Henry Englar 70, R. E. Lee Myers 35, James W. Getty 26, Samuel L. Otto 42, Dr. Jno. H. Buffington 36, E. Joseph Englar 36, Joseph Kiler 35, Dr. G. H. Brown 55, Dr. A. E. Lambert 36, Robert E. Barnes 34, Adam W. Bloom 46, Gustavus Barnes 60, Jeremiah Baile 72, Chas. Devilbiss 70, Jesse Lambert 82, Henry Hawk 81, David Nusbaum 66, Abdon Carlisle 74, Thos. G. McGavern 74, F. J. Devilbiss 43, John W. Hawk 56, D. C. Ott 59, Samuel T. Otto 42, Jesse Stevenson 50, N. G. Heltabridle 33, Geo. C. Anders 48, Chas. T. Repp 48, John H. Roop 40, J. R. Galt 41, Walter Barnes 25, Ernest Myers 28, Edward Barnes 30, L. E. Stouffer 25, C. G. Devilbiss 28, James Reindollar 27, D. P. Smelser 55, Alfred Bankard, 57, Jos. D. Baile 53, Albert Ecker 56, Chas. W. Smith 50, J. Winfield Snader 47, Henry Geatty 56, Wesley Haines 40, Ed. Zepp 33, David Bankard 50, Isaac Smith 46, W. D. Reid 30, Harry Mitten 25, Chas. H. Roop 51, Samuel Null 24, L. H. Dielman 34, N. H. Baile 51, Chas. Lambert 43, Jake Marquet 36, Amos Fritz 35, James Erhard 80, Peter Engle 70, Jos. Shorb 68, James Devilbiss 84, John Murray 64, John Lovell 74. Of the above named the ages of the following 18 averaged 74 years: Charles Devilbiss, Alex. Cornell, Thos. McGavern, Jeremiah Baile, Henry Hawk, Jesse Lambert, Uriah Englar, Abdon Carlise, David Nusbaum, Elmer Hyde, George W. Devilbiss, Louis Dielman, James Erhard, Peter Engle, Joseph Shorb, James Devilbiss, John Murray and John Lovell, all residents of New Windsor district. Among those present from other localities were Messrs. Jos. D. Brooks, of Westminster; David Ott and James Reindollar, of Taneytown. The banquet, which was one of the finest ever served in New Windsor, was given by Mr. Crabbs on the occasion of his occupying a new addition to his hotel.

For the SENTINEL.

A Social.

A very enjoyable social was given on Tuesday evening, 29th ult., at the hospitable residence of Mr. Frederick N. Hook. Prayer was offered by the pastor of Deer Park circuit, Rev. G. S. Hill, after which music, both vocal and instrumental, and social conversation were indulged in until 10 o'clock, when all repaired to the dining room, where, after more music and conversation, all expressed themselves as very much pleased with the evening's entertainment and repaired to their homes. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Hook, Col. J. W. Hook, the venerable father of Mr. Hook; Rev. G. S. Hill and wife, Mr. Thomas Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Lockard, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Paynter, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Gardner, Mr. and Mrs. James W. Hook, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fowler, Misses Emma Tanner, Minnie Baker, Mary Smith, Grace Buckingham, Dora Holmes, Gertrude Robertson, Lizzie Turnpaugh, Nellie Fowler, Viva Gist, Messrs Wm. Shilling, Frank Welsh, Leonard Ditman, Lewis Ditman, Walter Smith, Horace Warehime, Walter Robertson, Leslie Robertson, Lyman Arnold, Frank Beaver and Herman Wardenfelt.

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