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SALE REGISTER.

Notices of Sales, for which bills are printed at this office, will be published under this head until day of sale for 50 cents. When bills are printed elsewhere $1.00 will be charged. TERMS CASH.

March 10, at 10 a. m.—4 young horses, colt, 7 cows, some fresh by day of sale, 3 heifers, 1 bull, 9 shoats, 4 brood sows, 3 of them Berkshire, will farrow by day of sale; 1 Berkshire Boar, full stock of farming implements, lot of corn and some household goods. Geo. W. Brown, near Cranberry P. O. Jacob Hoffman, auctioneer, Chas. E. Lippy, clerk.

March 19, at 9 a. m.—4 horses, pair mules, 13 head horned cattle, 17 shoats, 3 brood sows, 1 boar, farm implements, household articles. Susannah C. Myers, administratrix, 1½ miles North of Pleasant Valley. J. Thos. Roop, auctioneer.

February 6, 10 a. m.—2 mares, 1 horse, colt, 4 cows, 2 heifers, bull, threshing machine and horse power, binder, mower, corn, oats, hay, furniture, &c. Ernst Rausch, on road leading from Carrollton to Patapsco.

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LOCAL ITEMS.

Mr. Wm. Engleman, of Uniontown, has been granted a soldier's pension.

Mr. Samuel E. Weimert, near Tannery, killed three hogs last week that weighed, respectively, 288, 331 and 388 pounds.

The County Commissioners, on Monday, reappointed Ex-Judge James A. C. Bond counsel to the Board.

Mr. Elias N. Davis, of Bird Hill, made a deed of trust, on Wednesday, to Ex-Judge James A. C. Bond and Messrs. Chas. T. Reifsnider and A. T. Buckingham.

Grand Lecturer Graham Dukehart, of the Grand Lodge of Masons of Maryland, paid an official visit to Door to Virtue Lodge, of this city, on Thursday night. The stewards and tiler were installed during the evening.

The County Commissioners, at their meeting on Monday, granted special pensions of $5 to Wm. Hopkins, colored, and Wm. H. Lockard, of district No 7, and one of $10 to Jacob Dayhoff, of district No. 1.

Mrs. Elmira S. Toner, widow of John Toner, of Baltimore, died in that city on Friday, 15th inst., aged seventy-four years. Mrs. Toner resided in this city some years ago, and was well known and had many friends here.

Mr. Elijah Currens, an aged citizen of Taneytown, is suffering with a fracture of the thigh bone at the hip joint, sustained by falling from his chair. Owing to his advanced age it is thought he will never be able to walk again.

The vacancy in the deputy internal revenue collectorship for the district comprising Frederick and Carroll counties, caused by the death of Edward Koontz, has been filled by the appointment of Asa H. Welsh, of near Hyattstown, Frederick county.

Rehearsals of Gilbert & Sullivan's play, Pinafore, to be given in this city, by a company of Westminster amateurs, under the management of Mr. P. C. Kennedy, are being held weekly and such progress has been made that it will probably be presented the latter part of this or early next month.

Miss Mary B. Shellman, of Westminster, has been elected a member of the Woman's Republican Association of Washington, auxiliary to the McKinley and Hobart Interstate Republican Club, which numbers amongst its members some of the most brilliant and well known members of Washington society.

George W. Bollinger, who is charged with having stolen a quantity of wheat and a gun, from a farmer near Taneytown, a year or more ago, is in jail at York, Pa., where he is held for the authorities of this county. Sheriff Murray went to Annapolis on Thursday for the purpose of procuring a requisition upon the Governor of Pennsylvania for the rendition of the accused, and will probably have his man in the county jail before the SENTINEL reaches most of its readers.

The grist and saw mill, with a large warehouse adjoining, at Marriottsville, Howard county, on the main line of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, belonging to Mr. William Davis, was destroyed by fire at an early hour Friday morning of last week. Included in the loss were 18,000 shingles, a considerable quantity of sawed lumber and a large lot of grain, &c., valued altogether at nearly $8,000. There was an insurance on the property but not sufficient to cover, it is stated, more than one-half of the loss.

After the desperate attempt made to destroy, by fire, the store building and hardware store of Ex-Sheriff E. B. Arnold, in this city, which was fully reported at the time, Mr. Arnold, as is well known, made a deed of trust to Ex-Judge James A. C. Bond, stating at the time that it was done for the purpose of protecting his property. The result of his action has verified the sincerity of his purpose and justified the prudence and forethought of his course, in a manner most highly gratifying to his many friends and creditable alike to him and his trustee. The trust has been terminated, Mr. Arnold's creditors have been paid a hundred cents on the dollar and Judge Bond has turned over to him, or is about to do so, property, over and above his indebtedness, to the amount of seven or eight thousand dollars.

Officers and directors of The Mutual Fire Insurance Company in Baltimore Co., have been elected as follows: Pres., George H. Merryman, of Bosley; Secretary, Milton Dance, of Gittings; clerk, Jos. A. Waesche, of Westminster; directors, J. Sheridan Biggs, Rocky Ridge; Edwd. S. W. Coates, Randall's; John E. Bull, Eklo; Jas. W. Ayres, Parkton; Jos. M. Streett, Bel Air; W. S. Busteed, Centreville; Jos. Englar, Linwood; Geo. Prechtel, H. D. Richardson, Owings Mills; F. H. Orendorff, Westminster; S. M. Marriott, Reisterstown; Wm. L. Richards, Patapsco.

The *Catoctin Clarion*, of Thurmont, says: While driving up the mountain one night last week, on their way to the revival at Lantz, a dog rushing out frightened Mr. Ross Wilhide's horse, the buggy being overturned and the occupants, Mr. Wilhide and Miss Lily Clingan of Taneytown, were thrown out. Mr. Harvey Willett and Miss Virginia Fleagle witnessed the accident from another buggy, the latter being frightened into unconsciousness. Mr. Wilhide's horse succeeded in breaking loose from the buggy and ran home. The buggy was wrecked.

A stable belonging to Mrs. Mary Wilson, of this city, and located near the Hotel Albion, was destroyed by fire between twelve and one o'clock last Saturday morning. A valuable horse belonging to Mr. Charles L. Lindsay perished in the flames, and a wagon and harness, the property of Mr. Samuel Bohn, were burned. The Hotel Albion stables, used for livery purposes by Mr. Harry Garbaugh, were on fire, but suffered little damage, the fire department having gained control over the fire in a short time. Mrs. Wilson had an insurance of $50 on the building destroyed. The origin of the fire is not known.

Since the destruction of Zollickoffer's mills, at Taneytown, by fire, the citizens of that place are actively agitating the question of a water supply. The $12,000 authorized by a vote of the electors of the town, under an act of the January session, 1896, of the Maryland legislature, has been declared insufficient by a competent engineer, and various schemes to supplement it have been suggested. At a large meeting of citizens held last week, at which Dr. C. Birnie presided, several propositions were voted down, and it was finally resolved, that "the meeting express itself in favor of a water system, the cost not to exceed $16,000, the excess to be secured by legislation, or by other means as they might present themselves."

Miss Hannah Rebecca Yingling, a very highly respected maiden lady, who for many years resided with the family of the late Thomas F. Shepherd, died on Monday last, at the home of Mr. Philip H. Stouffer, in Uniontown district, of cancer of the liver, in her sixty-seventh year. Miss Yingling was a sister of Rev. Wm. H. Yingling, near Johnsville, Frederick county. She was a member of the Methodist Protestant Church for forty years and a woman of sterling worth and christian character. Funeral services were held at the M. P. Church in Uniontown, on Tuesday afternoon, the pastor, Rev. E. W. Kindley officiating. The pall-bearers were: Messrs. Josiah Erb, Thomas Myers, George Selby, J. Hamilton Singer.

Miss Anna Grumbine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Grumbine, of Baltimore—formerly of this city—and Mr. Jos. K. Folckemmer were married on Wednesday of last week, at Lafayette Avenue M. P. Church. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. W. Kirk, pastor of the church. The bride was attired in a gown of organdie over silk, chiffon and satin ribbons, and carried white carnations. Miss Gertrude Sullivan, of Monrovia, Md., a cousin of the bride, was maid of honor, and was dressed in Persian lawn over blue silk. She also carried carnations. Mr. Clarence H. Grumbine, a brother of the bride acted as best man. Mr. Walter Grumbine, of this city, was one of the ushers. After the ceremony a reception was given at the home of the newly married pair, 1821 West Franklin street, which was prettily decorated with palms and blooming flowers. Refreshments were served.

Mr. Walter Stouffer, a son of Mr. Joseph A. Stouffer, of New Windsor, died at the home of his father in that place, on the 14th inst., after a lingering illness, of cancer of the bowels, in the 33rd year of his age. Mr. Stouffer was married and leaves a widow and two children, a son and daughter. He was engaged in a successful business in Baltimore for several years, and until failing health compelled him to retire. He was a gentleman of fine character and possessed the sincere esteem and regard of all who knew him. His early death is greatly regretted by his many friends, and the deepest sympathy is felt for his bereaved family. Funeral services were held in the Presbyterian Church, New Windsor, on Saturday afternoon last, and were attended by a large number of relatives and friends of the deceased. Many beautiful floral pieces were sent by his friends as tributes to his memory. The pall-bearers were: Messrs. Ed. Ecker, Thos. Slingluff, Herbert Rose, Harry Stouffer, Charles Wedge, L. H. Diehman.

On Tuesday last Mr. George W. Albaugh, trustee of Mr. Edward Lynch, sold the following parts of the trust estate: To Col. S. K. Herr, three pasture lots, about 1¼ acres each, on the old fair ground, at $50 to $64 per acre; George Noel, lot with house, at $91.75 per acre; Milton Chew, four lots at $50 per acre; to C. Gloyd Lynch, one pasture lot at $30 and two at $25 per acre; Miss Florence Crabbs, two building lots, $102; W. T. Hunter, lot 40 feet front, $56; Charles B. Hunter, one lot at $45 and one at $57; Grove A. Shipley, one lot $66; Milton Chew, one lot at $51 and two at $46 each; Mrs. J. J. Baumgartner, two lots at 41 each and one at $46; Grove A. Shipley, the Montour House, $3,700; Milton Chew, one building lot, $66 67; Mrs. J. D. Crowl, two lots at $133.33; Mrs. Cora Lynch, house and lot on Liberty street, for $2,000; Mrs. Catharine Hollinger, two lots on Liberty street, at $125. The sale will be continued on Tuesday next and also on Saturday. On Tuesday, at 10 o'clock, A. M., the home residence of Mr. Lynch, on Liberty street, a house and lot adjoining, a number of building lots and the lumber and coal yards will be sold. On Saturday, at 10 o'clock, A. M., a number of pasture lots along the Western Maryland Railroad will be offered, and at 2 o'clock, P. M., the farm near the west end of the city, known as the Orendorff farm, containing about 53 acres.

Mr. Wm. B. Thomas, of this city, has had the counting room and private office of his banking house refitted very handsomely. The ceiling of the counting room is cream color and the side walls terra cotta. At the bottom of the latter is a corrugated dado, of a darker shade terra cotta, bordered with a vine. The border at top of wall is a wreath pattern, with green and gold molding at ceiling, and the centre piece is finished in cream, green and gold. The woodwork is finished in oak. The sidewalls of the private office are a light green, with corrugated dado of darker shade and ceiling lighter green, top border light green and gold. The wood work is finished in cherry and the floor covered with brussels carpet. Both offices are supplied with Welsbach burners. The contrasts are very pleasing and attractive.

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Death of Mrs. Frances C. Crawford.

Mrs. Frances C., widow of the late Samuel Crawford, died in this city on Friday of last week, aged 75 years, 3 months and 22 days. Mrs. Crawford had been confined to her bed for eleven months and her death therefore was not unexpected. She was a most estimable woman and in her decease the members of her household lose one of the best of earthly friends, a devoted Christian mother. Her husband died in June, 1896, after an illness of four months, aged 77 years, 9 months and 8 days. The removal of the father had left a pang whose sharpness was but increased in the death of the mother after a lapse of only seven months. Two sons and three daughters survive them, John and Chas. Crawford, who are employed at the coal chute of the Western Maryland Railroad near this city, and Misses Charlotte, Margaret and Mary Crawford, who reside on Pennsylvania avenue, this city. Funeral services were conducted at St. John's Catholic Church, Rev. Father Cassidy conducting mass. The interment was in the church cemetery.

Orphans' Court.

Monday, January 18th.—The last will and testament of Daniel Utz, deceased, was admitted to probate and letters testamentary were granted to Israel Utz.

Washington L. Jones bonded as guardian of John W., George L., Annie M., James and Bertha A. Jones.

Alexis E. Wells, executor of Julia A. Wells, deceased, received order to sell goods and chattels.

Letters of administration on the estate of George W. Wagner, deceased, were granted to Catharine Wagner.

Noah F. Fleagle, executor of Elizabeth Wantz, deceased, settled first account.

Letters of administration, pendente lite, on the estate of Joseph Arnold, deceased, were granted to George Batson.

Tuesday, January 19th.—The last will and testament and codicil thereto of Isaac S. Brilhart, deceased, was admitted to probate and letters testamentary granted to Maria B. Brilhart.

Jacob H. Dutterer and Austin D. Dutterer, executors of James E. Dutterer, deceased, reported sale of real estate and sale of goods and chattels.

Jacob H. Dutterer and Austin D. Dutterer, executors of James E. Dutterer, deceased, settled second account.

Ida E. Hesson, executrix of Rebecca Hesson, deceased, settled first and final account.

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A Pleasant Social.

Among the many pleasant events which have ushered in the glad New Year, the social given on Tuesday evening, 12th inst., at the hospitable residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wright, near Uniontown, in honor of their accomplished daughter, Miss Jennie, may be said to rank well among the first, in view of the general good time enjoyed by all. At an early hour guests from nearly all parts of Frederick and Carroll counties began to arrive, and were received by Miss Jennie, assisted by her sister, Miss Alice, and all were made welcome by the usual courteous smiles with which they greet their many friends. The evening was pleasantly spent in social conversation, delightful games and melodious music. When the evening was far spent the invitation to supper was given and the table was found burdened with delicious viands. Among the large concourse of persons gathered on the delightful occasion a few may be mentioned, as follows: Mr. and Mrs. John H. Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. W. Wright, Mrs. L. T. Reese, Misses Bessie Myers, May Bohn, Mary Starr, Bessie and Sadie Garner, Messrs. Samuel Johnson, Frank Koons, Harry and Ephraim Reese, John Starr and Frank Garner, of Union Bridge; Misses Lula Lynn, Mamie Koons, Mr. Hayden Lynn and Mr. Scott Koons, of Middleburg; Misses Annie Shaw, Grace Zile, Edna and Maggie Fiater, Ada Royer, Fannie and Nettie Myers, Messrs. Howard Devilbiss, Burrier and Guy Cookson, Wm. Eckenrode, Howard Myers, Norris Frock, and John Baker, of Uniontown; Misses Annie and Effie Repp, Messrs. Ernest Senseney, Charles Rinehart, of Linwood; Miss Nina Sundergill, Messrs. Roy and Stanley Sundergill, of Unionville; Misses Olive Garner, Mary Galt and Mr. Oliver Garner, of Copperville.

Fountain Valley Items.

Mr. Edward L. Haines and Miss Ruth Hamburg, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Hamburg, of Uniontown, were married Christmas day, 1896. The bride's dress was green novelty, trimmed with velvet and pink chiffon, with hat and gloves to match. The groom wore the conventional black with white tie. On Sunday, 17th inst., Mr. and Mrs. Levi O. Handley, of Frizellburg, uncle and aunt of the bride, gave them a wedding dinner. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Handley, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Haines, the bride and groom; Mrs. John Hamburg, mother of the bride, of Uniontown; Mrs. Jemima Warfield, grandmother of the bride; Miss Maggie Handley, Miss Etta Handley, Miss Florence Stevenson, of Frizellburg; Mr. W. H. Heagy and wife, Miss Fannie Bay Babylon, of Fountain Valley.

Mrs. Hughes, widow of the late Samuel Hughes, left her late home, near this place, on the 15th inst., for her future home with her son, Mr. George Hughes, near Patapsco. Mrs. Hughes will be missed by her many friends, as she was a good and kind neighbor and all sympathise with her in her sad bereavement.

Mr. Calvin Starner, near this place, who has been very ill for some time, is improving slowly under the skillful care of Dr. Jacob Rinehart, of Frizellburg.

Election of Officers and Banquet.

The annual election of officers of the Westminster Fire Department was held on Wednesday evening, and in connection with that event the annual banquet of the department was given in the banqueting hall, in the new building. The occasion was peculiarly interesting as being the first of its character to take place in the splendid new home of the department. The meeting was called to order about 8.30 o'clock, by President Lawyer. The reports of Chief F. K. Herr and Secretary and Treasurer Amos W. Hahn were read, the former relating the work done by the department in connection with the fires which occurred during the year 1896, and the latter setting forth in detail the financial transactions of the year in connection with the erection of the new building, as well as the ordinary receipts and disbursements.

The election of officers resulted in the choice of the following:

President—E. J. Lawyer.

First Vice-President—John H. Mitten.

Second Vice President—Jno. E. Eckenrode.

Secretary and Treasurer—Amos W. Hahn.

Assistant Secretary—Percy H. Shriver.

Chief—Frank K. Herr.

Assistant Chief—Frank T. Schaeffer.

Foreman Hook and Ladder Truck—F. M. Eckenrode.

Assistant Foreman—J. Harry Cootes.

Foreman Hose Reel—Harry K. Schaeffer.

Assistant Foreman—Henry Himler.

Marshal—Joseph D. Brooks.

Assistant Marshal—Wm. H. Baer, Jr.

Librarian—Morris Schneeberger.

Janitor—Luther E. Long.

After the election, which took place in the meeting room, the members and many invited guests repaired to the banquet hall, where a splendid feast was spread, the menu including oysters in various styles, cold turkey, cold ham, celery, biscuit, pickles &c., which were admirably served and heartily enjoyed by all. About ninety persons sat down to the banquet, including invited guests, among whom were: Wm. H. A. Hamilton, President of the Maryland State Volunteer Firemen's Association; Col. Edward M. Mobley, of Hagerstown, the oldest volunteer fireman, in point of service—fifty-three years—in the State; the mayor and members of the city council of Westminster, contributing and honorary members of the department, members of the press and other citizens, to the number of twenty-five or thirty.

When the viands had been freely and fully discussed President Lawyer requested the banqueters to retire to the meeting room, where he opened the proceedings by giving an interesting outline of the history of the department, including the erection of the first hall and engine house, its cost, and the indebtedness then incurred, which he contrasted with the indebtedness yet remaining on the present splendid home, and logically concluded, from the comparison, that no difficulty would be encountered in meeting and handling all obligations successfully. The department now owns property to the amount of more than fifteen thousand dollars, while all outstanding obligations foot up less than one-third that amount.

President Lawyer concluded his address by tendering a royal welcome to all present and then announced a number of toasts, in the order below, and called upon the gentleman whose names are given, to respond:

"The duty we owe to the citizens of Westminster, Md."—Hon. Frank T. Shaw, collector of the port of Baltimore.

"The future of our company."—State Senator J. W. Hering.

"The debt we owe to the ladies, who have given the company such valuable aid in the past."—County Clerk Benj. F. Crouse.

"The Mayor and City Council and their relations to the Fire Department."—Ex-Judge James A. C. Bond.

"The Press and its Influence."—W. L. W. Seabrook.

"Our State Fire Association."—Hon. W. H. A. Hamilton.

"Our city, the pride of us all."—Mayor Jos. W. Smith.

Col. Mobley was also introduced and made a well timed and happy address.

All the speeches were eulogistic of the department, which justly has a warm place in the hearts of the citizens of Westminster, and is regarded with pardonable pride by the people, whose earnest and faithful support of the organization was pledged by their representatives. Eleven o'clock had struck before the proceedings were concluded and the meeting adjourned.

G. A. R. and W. R. C. at Winfield.

Officers of Pickett Post No. 17, Grand Army of the Republic, Winfield, were installed last Saturday night by John A. Thompson, of the department staff, as follows: Commander, R. A. Conaway; senior vice commander, Jno. R. Fossett; junior vice commander, Mahlon Bower; quartermaster, James Easton; surgeon, Upton Runkles; chaplain, D. N. McQuay; O. D., Augustus Brown; O. G., S. G. Kennell; adjutant, G. Rawlings; quartermaster sergeant, J. T. McQuay; senior marshal, Lewis Shipley.

The officers of Pickett Corps No. 16, Woman's Relief Corps, were also installed by Past Department President, Ruth A. Graham, assisted by Past Department Secretary Clara A. Alford and Mrs. Annie C. Keerle, as follows: President, Sarah E. Easton; senior vice president, Mary Bower; junior vice-president, Eliza Goodwin; secretary, Nellie R. Zile; treasurer, Mary E. Zile; conductor, Elizabeth H. Brown; assistant conductor, Esther Kennell; guard, Florence I. Pickett; assistant guard, Lottie A. Grove; organist, Florence A. Easton. An inviting luncheon was served after the installation. During the evening a "camp fire" was held, Commander George Rawlings, chairman.

Addresses were made by Professor Heapes, of Pleasant View Normal Institute; installing officer, John A. Thompson; Commander, R. N. Conoway, Mrs. Ruth Graham, Mrs. Clara Alford. Miss Nannie Spurrier recited "Sherman's March." A quartet, composed of Mrs. Laura Easton, Mr. Augustus Brown, Howard Kennell and William Aldridge, with Mrs. Ada Bair accompanist, sang a number of songs during the course of the evening. The Winfield Cornet Band, Mr. Corwin Penn leader, furnished several patriotic airs.

Not the Parties Wanted.

On Thursday night two strange young men appeared at a revival meeting in the Methodist Episcopal Church, at New Windsor, and one of them held up his hand to be prayed for. Subsequently he called on the pastor of the Church, Rev. Thomas S. Long, and requested the loan of money. Mr. Long was aware that a number of clergymen of the M. E. Church, in Western Maryland and West Virginia, had recently been swindled out of small sums by means of worthless drafts, and his suspicions were at once aroused, by the stranger's request, that he might be identical with the swindler. When asked his name the young man said: "Call me Smith". This was the name given by the party who had swindled clergymen at Frederick, Hancock, Cumberland, Keyser, W. Va., and elsewhere, and who represented himself to be the son of a Methodist clergymen in New York. A telegraphic correspondence was opened with Rev. M. F. B. Rice, of Cumberland, and others, and it was finally decided to arrest Smith and hold him for identification. Justice Galt, of New Windsor, committed him to the county jail on Friday, as George L. Johnson, which he said was his real name. His companion had disappeared from New Windsor on Friday morning, but turned up at Centenary M. E. parsonage in this city, Friday night, where he was given supper and an order to Mrs. B. S. Smith, who keeps a boarding house here, to give him lodging for the night at the expense of the pastor, Rev. Joel Brown. The next morning he was recognized as Johnson's companion and was sent to keep him company at the county jail. Saturday afternoon Rev. Mr. Rice and Detective James McDonald came here from Cumberland, but could not identify either of the young men as the man who had been guilty of swindling the Cumberland clergyman.

Johnson is about thirty-three years old, well educated and intellectually very bright. He answered freely questions asked him by State's Attorney Reifsnider; admitted having been in Cumberland on Saturday and Sunday two weeks ago, and detailed minutely the route by which he reached New Windsor; said he had been guilty of wrong doing, and was willing to suffer punishment for it, but denied emphatically that he had committed forgery, which he understood was the charge against him.

Johnson's companion said his name was James B. McCabe. That he resided at No. 183 Prospect street, Cleveland, Ohio, and that for two years he had been a clerk in the store of Weeks & Co., Nos. 27 and 29, on the same street. He admitted having been in Cumberland at the same time Joshson was there, and that he had asked for food and lodging at the house of a clergyman in that city, but declared that he first met Johnson in Frederick, on the following Tuesday.

While the young men were not identified, State's Attorney Reifsnider decided to hold them for a further investigation, but nothing appearing against them they were discharged from custody on Tuesday afternoon, and went immediately to the railroad station where they boarded the 4 24 train for Baltimore. The same train brought Rev. C. M. Yost, pastor of the M. E. Church, Hancock, to this city, for the purpose of ascertaining whether he could identify either of them. Mr. Yost endorsed a draft drawn by a young man who called himself Smith, on a clergyman in New York whom he claimed was his father. The draft was not paid and Mr. Yost had to reimburse the Hancock Bank, from which the money had been obtained. He says that the description given of Johnson tallies with the appearance of the swindler. The young men were boarding the train here for Baltimore, as he left it, but he did not observe them. They were both genteelly dressed, and it is believed by some persons that Johnson's real name is Smith, and that he is the son of a New York clergyman.

Was it a Joke?

The Baltimore papers told, some days ago, a story about how Mr. James Hale, a farmer living at Hampstead, was swindled by a man who had been in his employ, for some time, as a laborer. As the story was told, the man went to Mr. Hale and informed him that his—Mr. Hale's—nephew, James Hare, had been killed and buried near Arlington. That the expense of the burial had been borne by a Mr. Tugwell, and amounted to $15. That Mr. Hale gave the hired man the $15 to reimburse Mr. Tugwell, and made arrangements to meet the former at Arlington and remove the remains to Hampstead. That according to agreement Mr. Hale went to Arlington and met the man, to whom he gave $3.00 to get a physician's burial certificate. That the fellow then disappeared and did not return and Mr. Hale, on further investigation, found his nephew alive and well.

A gentleman at Hampstead informs us that Mr. Zachariah (not James) Hale, the swindled farmer, resides near Grave Run, Baltimore county. That the party who obtained money from him on the trumped up story related above has also lived in the same neighborhood for twenty years, or more, and has been well known to and on terms of friendship with Mr. Hale during all that time. The man's name is Morrison. He is said to be in the habit of spreeing and some times resorts to out of the way methods to obtain the means to gratify his thirst for strong drink. He returned to his home early this week, and about Hampstead the general feeling is that the whole affair is a good joke.

New Windsor Items.

On Thursday, 21st inst., Mr. and Mrs. John Buckey entertained a number of their friends, at their elegant home near New Windsor. The occasion was one of social delight. A table of the most substantial nature was spread, consisting of roast ducks, most delicious capons, oysters served to taste in every style, with all manner of vegetables and sweetmeats that accompany a first-class dinner. It is needless to say that the guests enjoyed it in the highest degree. One cannot soon forget the pleasing features of the entertainment. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. John Buckey, Mr. and Mrs. John Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Devilbiss, Mr. and Mrs. George L. Stocksdale, Mr. and Mrs. George Englar, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Englar, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Snader, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Englar, Miss Florence Nusbaum, Miss Florence Englar, Masters Paul Buckey, Monroe Englar and others.

Gist-Jones.

A pretty home wedding took place on Thursday afternoon, January fourteenth, at the residence of Mr. G. A. House, on Forbes street, Pittsburg, Pa. The bride, who is a niece of Mrs. House, was Miss Margaret A. G. Jones, daughter of Oliver B. Jones, of the U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, and great-niece of Hon. Simon Cameron, of Pennsylvania. The groom was Mr. George Washington Gist, son of the late Mordecai Gist, Esq., near Westminster, now a resident of Kansas City, Missouri, where he is following his profession of a civil engineer. There were no attendants, and only members of the bride's family were present, the wedding having been a quiet one, on account of the recent illness of the groom. The bride's father gave her away, Rev. Charles McClelland, of Pittsburg, officiating. The bride was handsomely attired in a bridal costume of white satin, trimmed with duchesse and point lace, and carried a bunch of lilies-of-the-valley. The ceremony took place at five P. M., and Mr. and Mrs. Gist left on the eight o'clock train for Maryland, arriving in Westminster on Saturday evening on a visit to the groom's mother, where they will remain about ten days, and then return to their home in Kansas City. On Tuesday they were given a dinner by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph I. Gist. The bride is a great-niece of Mrs. Katharine Shellman, of Westminster. By this marriage, two old Maryland families, who were closely connected in colonial times, and throughout the troublous days of the Revolution, are again united. The bride, on her father's side, is a direct descendant of Philip Jones, Jr., who surveyed "Baltimore Town," and of Hon. Thomas Jones, one of the Judges of the first Court of Appeals of Md., a member of the "Committee of Safety," and who served as a major throughout the Revolutionary war; while the groom is a great-grandson of Judge Jones' friend, the gallant Gen.' Mordecai Gist, of Revolutionary fame, whose name is so closely identified with the early history of the country he loved so well, and for which a number of his decendants, following his example, bravely gave their services and their lives during the late civil war.

RODDY—ORENDORFF.

Mr. John M. Roddy, of Mt. St. Mary's, Md., and Miss Laura Orndorff, of Taneytown, formerly of Thurmont, were married at 7 30 a. m., Tuesday, January 19, 1897, at Mt. St. Mary's Church, Rev. John B. Manley officiating. The beautiful and appropriate wedding march was skillfully rendered by Miss Emma Moore and the parish choir. After the congratulations and best wishes of many admiring friends the wedding party left on a bridal trip to Baltimore and Washington.

Manchester Items.

The accident to Mr. Geo. Bixler, of Germantown, you noticed in your last, might have been a companion to that which happened to Mr. Geo. Trump, last fall, had it not been for the presence of mind and concerted action of three of the persons present. It was at the barn of Mr. Charles Grove. The machine had just been started on Wednesday morning, and every one was jovial; three sheaves had been fed into the cylinder when Mr. B., who was on the mow, lost his balance and fell backward into the threshing floor and was caught by the coupling in the rod next to the machine. Mr. Chas. W. Grove, who was right there, took in the situation at once and caught hold of the unfortunate with a giant's grasp and at the same time kicked the rod support from under it, which threw it out of gear. Mr. Nelson Grove, quick as thought, threw a large sheaf into the machine, choking it, and the driver quickly threw the horses back into the breast chains, all of which saved Mr. B. from being revolved and no doubt seriously if not fatally injured in the narrow enclosure into which he would have been drawn. Two strong pairs of pants and underwear were torn from the left leg, which was badly bruised. He was taken to his home and Dr. Jno. F. B. Weaver called, who found him greatly shocked and his limb cut and bruised, which has kept him within doors since.

Colds, like a contagion, are keeping many of our people indoors. Some have developed into the grip, which in certain localities is prevalent.

The cold snap of last week gave us but little ice. It was about 4 inches in thickness and clear as a crystal. Much of it was gathered.

The snow storm on Sunday gave us several inches of snow, which in the moderate temperature that set in soon melted.

Some of the old stand-by wells are showing signs of failure, and the mill streams have run so low that most of the mills are adding steam power. Messrs. Bowers, of Shiloh, and Brilhart, near Snydersburg, have had engines placed in their respective mills to meet their orders.

At this writing the cold wave has had an inning and the ponds are covered with 5 inch ice, which is being housed.

Miss Landis, the teacher of elocution at the Millersville, Pa., Normal School, will entertain our people here in the I. O. O. F. Hall on Friday evening. She will be here at the instance of the Webster Literary Society of Prof. Bish's select school in the Academy.

A practical man from the Holloway shops, Baltimore, was here on Monday, and gave the chemical fire engine a general overhauling and repaired the break that happened at the late fire.

Mr. and Mrs. William and Mr. and Mrs. Benton Burgoon, of this place, attended the funeral of their brother, at New Windsor, on Saturday last.

Mrs. Wm. H. Shower visited friends in Baltimore this week.

Mr. Lawrence Benford, of Hanover, spent Sunday with his brother-in-law, Mr. H. J. Hoffacker, and family.

Communion services in Trinity Reformed Church of this place, on Sunday next, 24th, by the Rev. S. M. Reeder.

List of Unclaimed Matter

Remaining in the Postoffice at Westminster, Md., January 16th, 1897.

Bier, William	Long, Dan
Blizzard, Silver	Rice Miss Bertie
Bussey, R. H.	Stem, Jacob
Cromer, Basil	Wort, Chas. H.
Dial, E. J.	Woodyard, John
Giggard, H. G.	Welconosky, James
Giggard, Adam	Woodyard, Aaron
Hardman, C. K.	Zahn, Miss Lizzie
Lewis, Miss Gussie.	

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

JOSEPH B. BOYLE, P. M.

Uniontown Items.

The week of prayer was observed here, the three churches joining in union services. Rev. B. W. Kindley preached the first sermon in the Bethel Church, and was master of ceremonies during the week. Laymen took part in the services. Elder G. W. Seilhamer, from his affliction, was prevented from being present. Rev. G. W. Baughman was absent from home until Saturday. On Sunday night he preach d the closing sermon in the M. P. Church. The attendance was large, the services were interesting and everybody was pleased, so much so indeed that four services were held during the following week, closing on Sunday night last at the Lutheran Church, Rev. B. W. Kindley preaching the sermon. The three choirs of the town joined in harmony and made the welkin ring during the services.

Rev. Seilhamer is improving slowly. He hopes by Sunday morning to be able to preach, and if not will have some one else to fill the pulpit.

Miss Florence Weaver is visiting friends in Washington, D. C.

Our doctors are kept very busy attending the sick.

Mr. Noah Selby, living near town, narrowly escaped having his dwelling destroyed by fire. An overheated pipe in the upper room set fire to a blanket near by and also the carpet and bed. In trying to put the fire out the blanket was thrown out of the window and fell on some fodder that had been placed at a cellar window, causing it to take fire. Before the family was aware of it the fire had gained headway and was burning at the joists and flooring. With great difficulty the fire was extinguished. Insured in the Carroll County Company.

On Tuesday night a reception was given to Mr. Ed. Haines and bride, at the home of Mr. George Shoemaker. A good supper and a nice time was had, and all enjoyed themselves. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Shoemaker, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Haines, Mrs. Frank Haines, Mrs. John Hamburgh, Misses Cora and Grace Hamburgh, Miss Cora Haines, Miss Fanny Myers, Messrs. William R. Zollickoffer, Norval Hamburgh, M. Mathias, A. Crumbacker and Rev. B. W. Kindley.

Mrs. Deborah Hamburgh, in her 85th year, received her annual donation from her friends. A very nice one it was and heartily enjoyed by the one who received and those who gave.

A missionary service will be held in the M. P. Church on Sunday night next, in the interest of foreign missions, consisting of Scripture reading, addresses on different Missionary topics, readings and appropriate music. At the close a free will offering will be accepted at the door, on retiring, to help in sending the gospel to those who have it not.

Mr. Moses Hollenberry, of Bark Hill, who has been ill with neuralgia of the heart, at this writing is much better.

Thanks for the snow that is now falling and promises by morning to be of some depth, if for nothing else than to give water to those who are inconvenienced by having none. Our town in its past history has never experienced such a scarcity of the much needed article. Some people have used the same water three times for washing.

Taylorsville Items.

The protracted meetings are still in progress at the M. E. Church, but owing to the change in the weather have not been so well attended lately. They will continue this week, but unless there is a deep interest felt will be closed at the end of the week.

Quite a large number of our people attended the oyster supper at Winfield, given by the G. A. R., on Saturday night. The State commander and a number of the State officers of the Woman's Relief Corps from Baltimore were present, and made addresses. Prof. Heapes also spoke. On account of the sickness of Willie Zile, the entertainment was held in the G. A. R. Hall, which was packed to overflowing. On account of the very bad order the speakers were not, with one exception, heard by any who were 10 ft. away. As far as we know the Winfield and Taylorsville young people behaved themselves, but there were some there who showed so little respect to the G. A. R, or to the speakers, that they could not be considered decent enough to attend a scalp dance of the Chippewa Indians.

We are glad to report that at this time Mr. Willie Zile, who has been reported as being so poorly, is somewhat improved.

During the little cold snap our farmers are improving their time, and are harvesting ice, though it is only about 4 inches thick.

Mr. Jno. English met with quite a serious accident a few days ago while cutting fodder. He placed his hand on the "box" to see if it needed oil and his fingers were mashed between the cogs.

On Saturday last several of our citizens, led by Mr. Charles Shipley, went gunning in the pines back of Mr. D. W. Dudderar's and shot two very large owls. One measured over 5ft. from tip to tip. One other got away.

Miss Mollie V. Dudderar is visiting friends in Frederick county this week.

The work at the Normal Institute is progressing nicely. The second term has started off with quite a good attendance. A number of people have enquired as to the continuation of the course of free lectures which Prof. Heapes started in the fall. We are authorized to say that the course will be resumed as soon as the meetings in the M. E. Church are brought to a close. Miss Eva Keefer, who has been for some few days confined to her home on account of a severe cold, is again able to be out, and has resumed her work at the Institute.

Mr. Hiram Jones has his house raised and the weatherboarding nearly completed.

Mr. Cyrus Grossnickle sold some cattle in New Windsor the early part of this week.

Melrose Items.

Recently Mr. Samuel Starner lost a valuable cow.

Your correspondent put a sweet potato in a small