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Tuesday, March 7th at 12 o'clock, M.—2 horses, 6 Jersey milch cows, 2 brood sows, 7 shoats wagons, binder, mower, plows, bay, &c., by Mrs. C. Conaway, half mile east of Winfield.

March 13th, at 12 M.—4 Iron gray work horses, 2 driving horses, one a highbred mare; 4 two-yearling colts, 1 one-yearling colt, 5 milch cows, 4 heifers, 2 durham bulls, 2 sows and pigs, 9 shoats, 8 sheep, farming implements in general and 30 or 40 barrels of corn, &c., by Burrier L. Cookson, 1 mile south of Uniontown.

March 21st, 9 a. m.—4 horses, 2 of them Percherons; yearling colt, 18 horn cattle, 12 of them milch cows, some will be fresh by day of sale; bull, 5 heifers, some fresh in April; and a full line of farming implements, harness, wagons, &c., by Edward J. Eckard, on Mrs. Caroline Shriver's farm, adjoining Avondale Station, W. M. R. R. W. T. Wilson, auct., C. C. Engel, clerk.

Monday, March 6th.—19 Jersey cows, 16 heifers, 5 bulls, 15 shoats. Some of the above stock is thoroughbred and registered and in good condition. Plows, cultivator, halters, chains, &c., by Geo. H. Wolf, at Wiser's Mill, 3½ miles south of Silver Run. Sale at 10 a. m. 11 months credit without interest and 5 per cent off for cash.

Wednesday, March 8th, at 9 o'clock, a. m.—4 horses, 2 mules, 11 milk cows, 2 heifers, 2 bulls, 3 shoats, sow and pigs, farm implements, corn, rye, oats, furniture, &c., by Samuel Wine, adjoining Bachman's Mill in Bachman's Valley. J. Hoffman, auct.

Thursday, March 2nd, at 10 o'clock, a. m.—4 horses, 11 cows, 1 heifer, wagons, binder, mower, plows, harrows, harness, hay, &c., by Jesse Baile, at Medford station, Western Md. Railroad. 11 months credit.

Tuesday, March 7th, at 10 o'clock, a. m.—2 cows, wagons, buggy, cart, sleigh, mower, plows, harrows, blacksmith and wagon maker tools of all kinds, furniture, &c., by Mary C. Stoner, at Stonersville, 2½ miles from Westminster, on Littlestown turnpike.

Friday, March 3rd, at 12 M. sharp.—2 horses, 2 cows, 1 heifer, shoats, wagons, plows, binder, harness, &c., by Chas. L. Manahan, near Warfieldsburg.

Thursday, March 9th, at 12 M. sharp.—2 horses, 2 mules, 1 cow, bull, 3 sows, 14 shoats, wagons, plows, binder, harness, &c., by Z. P. Skidmore, 1 mile from Daniel P. O.

Tuesday, February 28th, at 1 P. M.—1 horse, 1 colt, 1 cow, 8 shoats, wagons, cutter, sled, plows, harness, furniture, &c., by W. S. Gladhill, at Spring Mills Station W. M. R., near Westminster.

March 15.—2 horses, 2 mules, 7 milch cows, 1 bull, and farming machinery—all new and in use but a single year—by Aaron Bixler, in Wakefield Valley, near Roop's Wakefield Roller Mills. Sale at 12 M.

Wednesday, March 15th, at 10 a. m.—2 mules, 2 horses, 10 milch cows, 2 heifers, 1 bull, 5 shoats, 2 sows and pigs, 2 broadtread wagons, 1 two-horse wagon, Osborne binder, mower, grain drill, horse-power, plows, harrows, horse-rake, corn-worker, furniture, &c., by Jonas Bachman, near Bachman's Mills.

March 23.—9 head of horses, 17 head of cattle, farming implements of all kinds. Sale at 10 a. m. C. L. Grossnickle, on the farm of H. Zile, 1 mile from Taylorsville and ¼ of a mile from Crawford's store. F. A. Crawford, auct. T. J. Gunn, clerk.

Thursday, March 16th, at 12 m.—4 horses, 7 milch cows, most of them fresh by sale; 1 bull, 3 brood sows, 12 shoats, 1 boar, wagons, plows, harrows, reapers, mowers, harvester, harness, &c., Marcus D. L. Pickett, on the south side of the Liberty road, three-fourths of a mile east of Winfield. F. A. Crawford, auct. W. D. Zile and G. Rawlings, clerks.

Wednesday, March 8th, at 12 o'clock, M.—3 horses, 1 broadtread wagon and bed, spring wagon, 1 3-horse carriage, 1 buggy, Deering binder, Champion mower, horse rake, plows, harrows, harness, &c., by Anna M. Bankard, 1¼ miles from Westminster, at Spring Mills Station, Western Md. Railroad. J. Thomas Hood auctioneer.

February 28th, at 12 o'clock, M.—Traction Engine and Horse Power, Peerless Separator with stacker, clover huller, with wind stacker, 2 water tanks, circular saw and frame, fodder shredder, wagons, harness, carpenter tools, single and sliding ladders and window hooks, household goods, ground scoop, clay pigeon trap, clay pigeons, &c., by John Senft, at Pleasant Valley. J. Thos. Roop, auct.

Local Items.

Governor Lowndes has appointed Mr. Wm. G. Rinehart, of this city, a member of the Board of Visitors to the State Asylum for Feeble-Minded Children, at Owings Mills.

The Maryland State Bar Association has appointed Charles E. Fink, Esq., of this city, on the committee of admission; Hon. Joshua W. Miles, of Princess Anne, is chairman of the committee.

Mr. George Six, son of Mr. David Six of Middleburg, died at his home in Emmitsburg, a few days ago, after a short illness, of typhoid fever, aged twenty-seven years. He leaves a widow.

Mr. Alfred Schnebly, a well known citizen of Williamsport, Md., died at his home in that place on Friday night of last week, aged seventy-one years. He was a brother of Mrs. Voorhees, of Sykesville.

In Hicks' forecast of the weather for February he says: On the 10th and 11th, look for change to very much warmer." They were the coldest days of the winter—in fact the coldest on the official record for thirty years.

Two $100 and one $500 U. S. registered 4 per cent bonds, of 1907, belonging to the estate of the late Jacob Sheffer, were sold at public sale at the First National Bank of Westminster, on Saturday last, and purchased by Mr. Geo. R. Gehr at 111.

Wesley, little son of Mr. Charles Starner, near St. Benjamin's Church, aged two and a half years, died on Thursday, 16th inst., of pneumonia, superinduced by measles. Interment will be at Meadow Branch burial ground to-day. The funeral cortege will leave the house at 10 A. M.

Mrs. Sarah E. Fuss, widow of the late Samuel Fuss, of Mt. Union, Middleburg district, this county, died on Saturday, 11th inst., aged about eighty two years, and her funeral took place on Wednesday. Mrs. Fuss leaves two daughters. She was an aunt of Justice J. Hoffman Fuss, of this city.

Perry Rumler, of Myers' district, was committed to the county jail a few days ago, by Justice Baer, in default of bail, charged with having, in connection with George Hoff and George Krenzer, obtained a pair of horses from Mr. Philip Fuhrman, of Greenmount, by false pretences. Hoff and Krenzer were released on bail.

No business was transacted on Monday, the first day of the February term of the Circuit Court. Only two jurors appeared, one of whom came in from Mt. Airy district on Sunday afternoon, while the other resides near this city. Court adjourned till Monday next. The Orphans' Court also adjourned without transacting any business.

Mr. Tilghman Grossnickle, near Double Pipe Creek, gave a dinner on Saturday last in honor of the seventy fifth anniversary of the birthday of his mother, Mrs. Ellen Grossnickle. Mrs. Grossnickle is a daughter of the late George Blessing, of Middletown Valley, who during the war fought a squad of Confederate Cavalry, single handed and alone, mortally wounding and capturing one of them and driving his companions from his premises, from which they were endeavoring to take his horses.

In the local notice in the SENNTIEL last week, in which the amounts of individual deposits subject to check in the several national banks of this county were given, the Farmers and Mechanics National Bank of Westminster was set down as having had $110,813 81. Certified checks to the amount of $2,966.73 which should have been added, were omitted from this statement, however, so that the real amount of individual deposits subject to check, in that institution, at the close of business on the 4th inst., was $113,780.54.

Messrs. Weldon B. Wooden & Co., publishers of the Hampstead *Enterprise* and Manchester *Telephone Messenger*, have purchased the Baltimore County *Record*, published at Reisterstown, from its former proprietor, Mr. George W. Arnold. The new publishers have taken charge and the paper will appear this week under their management. We extend our hearty good wishes for the success of the enterprise. The *Enterprise* and *Messenger* have been greatly improved by Messrs. Wooden & Co., and they will doubtless add materially to the attractions of the *Record*.

The Westminster Temperance Union will hold its second regular monthly meeting at Centenary M. E. Church, on Sunday afternoon 26th inst., at 3 o'clock, on which occasion interesting addresses will be delivered. On Monday evening, 27th inst., Rev. Wm. L. Seabrook, of Winchester, Va., will repeat a lecture delivered by him to a great meeting of men only, in that place, several weeks ago. It will be for men only, here. The place has not yet been selected, but will be announced next week, and a fuller explanation given. The address is to be delivered under the auspices of the W. T. U.

Mr. Samuel Keefer, aged eighty-eight years, was found dead in his bed at his home in Mayberry, on Wednesday morning. For eight or ten years past Mr. Keefer and Mr. Peter J. Babylon, another aged citizen of Mayberry, resided together. They retired in their usual health on Tuesday night, but when Mr. Babylon rose on Wednesday morning, he found that his companion had passed away in the night watches. The deceased leaves one son, Mr. Samuel Keefer, of Mayberry. Mrs. Wm. Yingling, of Frizellburg, is his only surviving sister. His remains were interred at Silver Run yesterday.

Mr. W. Frank Thomas, of this city, in a brief note to the SENTINEL, elsewhere printed in this issue, offers some timely suggestions in relation to the preservation of partridges and other birds, which, in consequence of the deep snow covering the ground, are in peril of extermination. Many birds, it is said, have already perished and many more will do se, unless they shall be fed and cared for for a short time, by persons who have knowledge of their whereabouts. Our attention to the matter has been called by a number of citizens who are deeply interested concerning it, as all citizens ought really to be.

Mr. Daniel H. Englar, of Cando, N. D., is visiting relatives and friends in this county and will remain about thirty days before returning to his home. During that period his postoffice address will be Medford. He speaks enthusiastically of the country about Cando, and of the splendid opportunities afforded farmers, having a small amount of capital, to procure valuable farming lands in that region. He says he will be glad to talk to any one who may feel interested in the subject. A communication, written before Mr. Englar left home, was put in type this week, but will not appear till next week.

A great sleighing carnival is announced to take place in this city on Monday afternoon. Many persons all over the county have been communicated with and have entered into the project with enthusiasm. The procession is to take place at 2 o'clock and be followed by sleighing races at Pleasure Park. Participants in the carnival will, as a rule, be in masquerading costume. With favoring weather it will be a wonderfully unique affair on a large scale, will be well worth witnessing, and will without doubt attract a great crowd of visitors. Names of marshals and other particulars will be found in another column.

At 2 o'clock, Wednesday afternoon, 22nd inst., Western Md. Council, Jr. O. U. A. M., of this city, will present a Bible and American flag to the Westminster High school. The event will be marked by interesting and appropriate exercises. The Carroll County Band will play a number of patriotic selections, and there will be singing by a quartet and by the audience. The exercises will begin with prayer by Rev. Joel Brown, and the program includes an address of welcome, by Ivan L. Hoff, Esq.; an oration by Rev. C. T. Wyatt, of Crisfield; presentation speech, and an address of acceptance, the last named by President George R. Gehr, of the school board.

The Foyer club, the leading amateur Dramatic Association of Baltimore, will make its first appearance in Westminster on Friday night, March 3rd. The club is composed of talented young men and ladies of Baltimore and has been in existence for a number of years. They give dramatic and operatic performances at the leading theatres in Baltimore during each winter season, which are highly complimented by the city press. The club has been inportuned to come to Westminster on many previous occasions, but the limited stage facilities at Odd Fellows' Hall prevented acceptance. The rollicking farce-comedy, "Furnished Apartments To Let," will be given in Westminster, with a cast of twenty ladies and gentlemen. Prominent ladies of Westminster will act as patronesses on the occasion.

Rain on Thursday and a higher temperature are fast converting the snow into water.

Mrs Margaret Tracy, of this city, while returning home from choir practice at Grace Lutheran Church, on Saturday evening of last week, slipped and fell on the sidewalk on Carroll street, and sustained a fracture of the right limb. The small bone was broken about two inches from the ankle and the end of the larger bone, slightly, at the ankle joint. The injury is what is known to physicians as Potts' fracture. Mrs. Tracy was taken to the home of her father, Mr. Wm. G Rinehart, where Dr. Charles R. Foutz adjusted the fractures and the ill effects of the accident will only be temporary as recovery is progressing as favorably as possible.

The U. S. Patent Office, on Tuesday last, granted to W. Clinton Brandenburg, of Freedom district, through his attorneys, Messrs. Davis & Co., of Washington, D. C., letters patent on an improvement in bicycles. The invention may be attached to any bicycle with slight change, and takes the place of the universally used handle-bar, occupying much less space, and may be manufactured at small cost. The invention is said to be valuable to the racing world, and a handsome sum has been refused for the patent right, in this country. It is understood that a stock company, for its manufacture, with a capital stock of $100,000, will shortly be organized in Washington and New York. The inventor will also protect his patent in England and Canada.

Mrs. Alice R. Motter, wife of Mr. Lewis Motter, of Emmitsburg, died at her home, in that place, Monday morning, from the effects of a stroke of paralysis on Saturday, from which she never recovered counciousness. She was in her eighty-first year. Before her marriage she was Miss Alice Rudisill, of Taneytown, Md., and has been married almost fifty-nine years. She is survived by her husband, three sons—who are Rev. I. M. Motter, of Frederick; Joshua S. Motter, of Emmitsburg; L. Edwin Motter, of Kansas City, Mo.; and two daughters, Mrs. A. A. Hack and Mrs. George B. Resser, wife of Rev. George B Resser, of Hanover, Pa. Mrs. Motter has been in failing health for some time, and her death was not unexpected. She was a member of the Reformed Church. Mrs. Motter was an aunt of Mrs. Dr. Jacob Rinehart, of Frizellburg.

Mr. Thomas Pickett, a well known and successful farmer, died at his home in Franklin district, on Friday night of last week, aged about seventy years. Mr. Pickett was a man of high character and excellent judgment, a worthy and valuable citizen, whose death is a great loss to the people of the neighborhood in which he resided. He was a faithful christian and leading member of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Taylorsville. Politically he was an earnest Republican and thoroughly attached to that party from the conviction that its principles are for the best interests of the whole country. Mr. Pickett was twice married and leaves seven adult children by his first wife and three small children by the second. Funeral services were set for Monday, but the great snow storm made it impossible to hold them, and the remains were not interred until Wednesday. Interment was at Taylorsville M. E. Church burial ground, which was reached with difficulty. Rev. Thos. E. Copes, the pastor, officiated.

Harry C. Blumerstock, who is held in the jail of this county awaiting the action of the grand jury on the charge of having stolen a horse from Mr. Wm. M. Englar, of Medford, on the night of May 23rd, 1898, and who was brought here from Harrisburg, Pa., by Sheriff Haines, after he had exhausted every legal process to evade the requisition of the Maryland authorities, made another effort on Saturday last to avoid a trial by seeking his discharge under habeas corpus proceedings before Judge Roberts. Blumer stock sets up an alibi, but the weight of the testimony upon the hearing of the writ was against him and he was remanded to the custody of the sheriff. Reliable testimony was given that he was seen about Medford on the afternoon of May 23rd, and a well known and trustworthy resident of the Rock Creek neighborhood where the horse was found, testified that he saw the accused in that vicinity on May 24th. This witness was found by Sheriff Haines, who has been indefatigable in his efforts to discover testimony bearing on the case and has exercised his customary skill and judgment in following up such clues as came to his knowledge. Guy W. Steele, Esq., represented the accused at the hearing of the writ of habeas corpus, and J. Milton Reifsnider, Esq., the State.

Death of Mr. James H. Richardson.

Mr. James H. Richardson, a well known and wealthy retired farmer, died at his home in New Windsor about half-past five o'clock, on Saturday morning last, after a lingering illness, in the seventy-eighth year of his age. Mr. Richardson was one of the most successful agriculturists in this county, and owned some of the finest lands in Wakefield Valley. He was a man of high character and enjoyed the unqualified esteem of the people wherever he was known. He was a prominent member of the Pipe Creek Methodist Protestant Church. He was a man of intelligence and took great interest in public affairs. He was a Republican and attached to the principles of the Republican party, but was not active in politics and never sought political preferment. In his death a good man and good citizen has been called away in a ripe and honored old age. Mr. Richardson's father was a Baltimorean and participated in the defence of that city in the war of 1812. His father's brother, James H. Richardson, for whom he was named, was also one of the prominent defenders of the city, and his name is among those engraved on the Battle monument, in Monument square, erected to commemorate the defeat and retreat of the British, after the death of Gen. Ross, their commander.

Mr. Richardson leaves a widow, two sons—Messrs. Edward G. and Chas. C. Richardson, of this county—and four daughters—Mrs. Jesse Stevenson, of New Windsor; Mrs. Geo. K. Schaeffer, of this city; Mrs. Vernon Wampler, of Dayton, Ohio, and Mrs. Scott Wolfe, of Union Bridge. The great snow storm prevented his interment in the burial ground of the Pipe Creek Church, and his remains were temporarily interred, on Wednesday, in the Presbyterian burial ground at New Windsor.

Days of Storm.

The writer of a descriptive account of the great storm which reached its climax on Monday is strongly tempted to the use of superlatives, because, all things considered, its equal runneth not within memories of men dwelling within the regions in which its force was felt. Brief respite from the intense cold of the closing days of last week brought with it this storm of wind and snow which bound the whole country east and partially west of the Mississippi in a vast blanket of the fleecy particles.

As most of our readers know, the temperature on Saturday morning was the lowest ever recorded on a February day in this locality. The thermometer at sunrise, on the hill opposite Grace Lutheran Church, registered twenty four degrees below zero. At Hood's Mill and in other parts of the county a temperature of twenty-six degrees below zero was reported. During the day the cold became less intense, but the mercury kept below the 0 point and at five o'clock in the afternoon snow began to fall, in a fitful way at first but in an hour or two steadily, though not heavily. This continued till about noon on Monday, when the storm increased in intensity and the snow piled up at the rate of about t o inches an hour until long after nightfall; the cold grew intense and the wind became a heavy gale. The snow, which was very light and feathery, drifted into great heaps, obstructing the streets and alleys of the towns and blockading the county roads in every direction, so that travel became impossible. Trains on the rail roads became snowbound and for an interval of forty hours but a single mail arrived at the postoffice in this city.

The authorities of the Western Maryland Railroad, as usual, rushed the work of raising the blockade with vigor and determination. A snow-plow, driven by five engines, with the aid of occasional shoveling, pushed its way from Baltimore to this city by five o'clock, Tuesday afternoon, and the Union Bridge accommodation, due here shortly before eight o'clock, brought the mail referred to above. The tracks of the main line were cleared to Hagerstown by noon Wednesday and all the branches, except the B & H., were also open at that period, and the resumption of railroad travel and traffic was then complete. Considering the severity of the storm, the obstacles overcome, and the means at command, the work does credit to the road and its employes.

Most of the county roads are still partially closed, but are being gradually opened and travel resumed, the fields, where the roads are impassable, affording the necessary facilities. Few, if any, vehicles, however, have been used up to this time, horseback being the chief method of travel, though little effort has been made by the people to get about the country in any manner. Enormous snow-drifts are reported in a general way and undoubtedly do exist all over the county, but they have probably been exceeded in size in times past. It is said they do not match the drifts of the great storms of 1856 and 1857. It is certain, however, that the amount of snow on the ground, when the storm ended on Monday night, was greater than ever known before in this locality. There was well nigh a foot of it when the storm began on Saturday evening. Careful measurements, on Sunday afternoon, gave a depth of twenty-two inches and the additional fall from that time was from fifteen to eighteen inches, making, altogether, an inch or more over three feet on the level. A physician of this city, who endeavored, by traveling on horseback, to reach a patient in the country, on Tuesday, reported that it was impossible to get through, although he attempted it by several routes, and he was finally forced to return. During most of the storm and for a day succeeding it, the temperature kept close down to zero.

The storm, as stated, extended from the extreme Northern to the extreme Southern States, and generally over the Mississippi Valley and the Atlantic slope, this section having been well nigh the center of it. Very low temperatures were reported in the Southern and Gulf States. At Augusta, Ga., there was sufficient snow for sleighing, and at New Orleans ice was frozen thick enough for skating. It is apprehended that immense damage was again done to the orange groves of Florida. In fact, in extent and general severity, it is believed that the storm exceeded any ever experienced in the regions over which it passed.

The Baltimore and Harrisburg Division of the Western Maryland Railroad was the last to be relieved of the snow blockade, which was raised entirely on Wednesday evening and trains are now running on schedule time. During the work of breaking through the drifts the tracks spread, near Hampstead, causing the snow plow to come in contact with the crossties, practically demolishing it. Supervisor Moritz, who was in the plow, had a finger cut off of each hand by the accident. One of his assistants sustained a pretty bad scalp wound. One of the engines employed in pushing the plow was badly damaged.

The Western Maryland Railroad has taken a new departure, so far as this city is concerned, by deciding to run the 11.25 p. m. train every Friday night to this point, to give an opportunity to theatre goers to visit the city and return the same evening. Round trip tickets from this city, by the 4.24 and 6.06 trains only, will be sold every Friday afternoon, good to return the same night, for $1.00

Mr. H. H. Herbaugh turned out the entire force of his livery and sales stables in this city, on Tuesday, and with sleighs, sleds, drags, &c., paraded the streets and aided materially in putting them in condition for travel. The turnout formed quite a procession and attracted considerable attention. Favorable comments on Mr. Herbaugh's public spirit were quite numerous.

Messrs. Wm. Arthur, Edward Bish and Robert Frizell were the only Frizellburg hucksters who reached Baltimore with their marketing at the regular time this week. It is said that they and Messrs. Charles Starner, Frank Bish and Guy Segafoose were the only Carroll county hucksters who were in the city up to Thursday. Supplies were short and their goods were in great demand.

Our Winfield correspondent telephoned us on Wednesday afternoon that that thriving village was then still snowbound and had been receiving no mails for several days. An attempt was then being made by the mail carrier to reach the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad with an outbound mail and carry back accumulated mail matter on the return trip The attempt was successful.

Numbers of residents of this city cleared the roofs of their houses of snow, this week, as a precautionary measure, apprehending that the great weight might crush them. In some cases such a result was indicated by the partial yielding of the roof to the great pressure.

It is extremely probable that many anticipated events, previously announced to take place this week, had to be postponed. Among such events was the Linwood Band concert, which we are informed has been postponed to Thursday evening next, 22nd inst.

In a number of districts in this county, we are told, the road authorities made no efforts to remove the snow blockade and private citizens were forced to do the work themselves.

The road between this city and Taneytown was fully open to travel on Thursday, without passing through adjoining fields at any point.

Messrs. David Petry, Theo. King and H. G. Wantz turned out with three teams and broke the roads leading into Pleasant Valley.

The snow blockade was about as effective as the Teachers' Institute in suspending the sessions of the schools of this county for a week.

Proceedings of the School Board.

On Wednesday, the 8th inst., the School Board met, all members except Dr. Reindollar being present.

The Board accepted the deed for land adjoining Bruceville lot from Lavina Mehring, and ordered payment for same.

Mr. Nicodemus reported sale of Pine Orchard lot, in the 9th district, to Francis A. Crawford, for $15.00.

Mr. Landis reported the completion of a vestibule at Miller School in the 6th district, heretofore authorized by the Board.

Mr. Grimes stated that he was present at the trial of Mrs. Ida Cornell, before Justice J. H. Fuss, for disturbing the peace of Spring Dale School in the 11th district, and that she had been found guilty and a fine imposed, which fine had been paid to the treasurer, who had deposited same in bank.

Mr. Gehr stated that the Emergency Committee had purchased 25 dozen chairs for Assembly Hall, Westminster High School building, and the action of said committee was approved.

The Board voted not to count the few extra sick days reported by several of the teachers on account of the severe weather as lost days, but allow full time in auditing accounts.

It was reported that on the night of January 14th a brick was thrown into the school room of Beggs, in the 3rd district, breaking nine window panes. Mr. Grimes stated that he had the matter under investigation.

A request to be allowed to hold a singing school at night in Fairview school house, in the 2nd district, was not granted.

The resignation of Thomas G. Koontz as teacher of Good Hope school, to take effect March 3rd next, was read and accepted. Rebecca McGirr was appointed his successor.

A letter from Secretary E. B. Prettyman, of the State Board of Education, was read, stating that the several Boards of County School Commissioners have sole authority to appoint assistant teachers.

Various bills for fuel and repairs, amounting to nearly $1900, were passed and ordered paid.

The Board adopted the following schedule of prices for sawing and splitting wood, which all teachers must observe in the future:

Sawing, two cuts, 75c per cord.
" one cut, 50c " "
Splitting, 25c " "

The following teachers' contracts were confirmed: Mrs. Anna (Keck) Newman at Ogg Summit, vice S. P. Jackson, resigned; Geo. L. Hoffacker at Wentz, vice Chas. W. Nace, deceased.

Miss Ada L. Trump was appointed assistant at Wentz, subject to the rules of the Board.

The Secretary reported that the expenses of the Teachers' Institute would not exceed $38.00 for the entire session of five days, including the evening entertainments, instead of $100.00 for each lecturer as has been circulated in some localities. This was due to the fact that those who participated refused any compensation except actual expenses.

The following resolutions were unanimously passed:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Board are hereby tendered to D. L. Farrar for the very successful manner in which he managed the Teachers' Institute held January 23-27.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Board are hereby tendered to all who assisted Examiner Farrar in making the Teachers' Institute, January 23-27, so successful.

WHEREAS, In His inscrutable wisdom, it has pleased Almighty God to remove from the ranks of our teachers Mr. Charles W. Nace, in the midst of an active and useful life, therefore be it

Resolved, That while we mourn the loss of a friend and faithful colaborer and extend to his bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy, we feel that by divine mercy he has been transferred from scenes of toil and suffering to those of eternal rest and peace, and to his reward for faithfully discharging the duties of life; and be it further

Resolved, That these resolutions be entered on the minutes of this meeting, and a copy sent the sorrowing family.

The teachers' pay-roll, as made from the teachers' reports, was audited and the payment of same ordered.

The Board then adjourned to March 6th.

D. L. FARRAR, Sec'y.

Large Business Transactions.

The energy and enterprise of Westminster merchants is proverbial, and they are not surpassed in these qualities by the business men of any other town in this State. This expression of opinion has practical demonstration in several large business transactions of Messrs. Miller Bros., during the last few days, the firm having purchased the stocks of clothing &c., of the Royal clothing store, 307 E. Baltimore street, Baltimore, and of Frankel Bros., 601-603 Broadway and 1701 Canton avenue, Baltimore, aggregating a value of $20,000; also $5,000 worth of dry goods from the trustees of D. Halliday & Co., Lombard street and Hopkins place in the same city, a firm which recently failed, of Mapleville, Frederick county.

Mr. Burgess Condon, of Taylorsville, and Miss Josephine Buckingham were the guests of Miss Sellman last Sunday.

Manchester Items.

We have been snow bound. The storm came upon us quite calmly on Saturday evening and was more earnest on Sunday with a gradual fall of snow that increased during the night and was driven by a furious north wind which kept up all day Monday and much of the night, drifting the snow in streets, lanes and alleys 8 and 10 feet deep, so that Main street, Foundry Avenue and York street were blockaded from side to side. The brigade of shovelers was early at work and found it a full half day's work in opening front and back yards. The oldest citizens cannot remember seeing as much snow as there is piled up along the sidewalks on all the streets. During Tuesday afternoon crowds of riders and large sleds from the surrounding country began to arrive, having broken through the roads. A large cavalcade of riders with four-horse sleds, fully manned with shovels and men, went to Greenmount and Maple Grove and opened the roads to the stations. We were without mail, the train only getting through on Tuesday evening. Some of the deep cuts were nearly full of snow. Business was at a standstill to enable every one to lend a helping hand in getting the thoroughfares passable.

Mr. Johnson, of New Market, Baltimore county, has purchased the tin and stove business of Trump & Co. and expects to put in a full line of hardware after taking possession in April.

The snow blockade suspended the oyster supper that was to have been held in the I. O. O. F. Hall by the members of Trinity Sunday School, on Tuesday evening, till a later date.

The Spangler Medicine Company closed its engagements in the Hall on Saturday evening. A voting contest for a prize to the most popular baby was the drawing card. Babies Musselman, Weaver, Kohn and Loats were in the contest. When the votes were counted Baby Musselman was far in the lead and received a beautiful ring. The Company has been stranded at the Franklin House since Sunday and awaits transportation to Frederick.

Mr. Wm. A. Wolf has been quite ill for a week, threatened with pneumonia.

Mrs. Wm. H. Wilson was taken quite ill with cramp colic on Monday night. Mr. W. had a terrible fight and struggle with the storm and snow to the house of Dr. J. H. Sherman and he and the Dr. had a repetition of the struggle to get back.

Mrs. Gernand and daughters, of Westminster, are visiting Mrs. G's father. Mr. I. D. W. Stonesifer, who is still improving from his late illness.

The members of the Mite Society were nicely entertained at their meeting at the home of Mrs. Chas. Masenhimer, on Tuesday evening of last week.

Joseph S. Johnson, (colored) was committed to the House of Correction at Cheltenham, by J. P., D. L. Dubbs, upon the complaint of his employer, Mr. Chas. W. Motter, for incorrigibility. Deputy Wilson took him on Wednesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Miller, of south Main street, gave a valentine party and taffy pulling to a party of their friends on Tuesday evening, 14th inst. A great deal of amusement was given by the sentimental quotations and their answers, and a regular valentine party was enjoyed until a late hour. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. C. Miller, and son Charles, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Gettier and daughters Norma and Ethel, Mrs. Chas. Masenheimer, Mrs. J. M. Motter, Misses Fannie G. Ross, Lizzie, Sarah, Emma and Ada Trump, Dr. Preston, and Geo. M. Motter.

The friends of Mrs. Conrad Wolfe, formerly a citizen here, were notified that she was dying at the home of her son Edward, in Cleveland, Ohio, with whom she has been living since the death of her husband.

Union Mills Items.

Last Monday's blizzard gave the snow an average depth of about two and a half feet in this locality, and completely drifted shut all the roads and by-ways. On Tuesday morning there was a general attack on the drifts with horses, wagons, sleds, harrows and shovels, and by 4 o'clock in the afternoon most of the roads leading to the village were at least passable for vehicles, and the turnpike was open for travel, through to Westminster. About nine o'clock Tuesday morning a party of seven or eight started for Westminster, on horseback. They reached their destination, but had to take the fields part of the way. Jacob Essig's huckster team passed through Union Mills, in the blizzard, on Monday morning. It became snowbound on the Hanover road, put up at a farm house for the night, and, with help, managed to get home again on Tuesday afternoon.

Our mail got as far as Silver Run, yesterday, and to-day, Thursday, went through to Littlestown for the first time this week.

Dr. John H. T. Earhart, our newly appointed postmaster, moved the office to his drug store yesterday.

It is reported here that the turnpike between Hanover and Littlestown is drifted much more than is our pike, and that almost the entire distance through the road had to be cut open with shovels.

Gosnell Items.

Epworth League of Mt. Olive will hold a literary entertainment on Washington's birthday, 22nd inst., commencing at half past 7 o'clock, if favorable.

A great many of our young folks have been enjoying the fine sleighing although it has been very cold.

Our pastor, Rev. Thos. E. Copes, who had been confined to his house for several weeks, was able to attend to his work on last Sunday. We are all glad to see him able to be out again.

Some of our young folks attended the oyster supper at Winfield last week.

Miss Emma Grimes visited the Misses Cover, of Winfield, several days last week.

Miss Emily Gosnell spent Saturday and Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Myrtle Penn.

Miss Florence Baker, of Day, spent several days last week with the Misses Buckingham.

Mr. J. Theo. Gosnell and Mr. Howard Norwood and wife spent several days in Westminster last week, visiting Mr. Gosnell's mother, Mrs. Frances Gosnell.

Mr. Harry Ecker and cousin, Miss Rhoda Ecker, of Linganore, spent Friday, the 10th inst., with Miss Lula Miller, of Mapleville, Frederick county.

Mr. Burgess Condon, of Taylorsville, and Miss Josephine Buckingham were the guests of Miss Sellman last Sunday.

Uniontown Items.

Mrs. Mollie Hesson, one of the teachers of our school, was storm stayed at Mrs. Harry Brough's on Monday night as it was impossible to reach her boarding house, on account of the snow almost closing up our street.

Miss Martha Hiteshew and Mr Norris Frock were guests of Mr. Frock's mother's family, Rev. and Mrs. Sollenberger, at Greenmount, a few days last week.

On Wednesday Mrs. Hannah Dutrow, at Woodside, entertained Mrs. Marietta Trayer, Miss Rosa Christ, of Toledo, Ohio; Mrs. Ezra Senseney and Mr. Thomas Haines, of Linwood.

Mr. Clotworthy Rodkey, of Baltimore, a fireman of the W. M. R. R., was at home several days on account of the sickness of Mr. and Mrs. J. Wesley Rodkey and was prevented from returning to his duties until Wednesday, on account of the drifted condition of the roads leading from town.

Rev. A. D. Melvin, president of the Md. Annual Conference, was to preach in the M. P. Church last Sunday night, but on account of the severe blizzard did not reach our village. Rev. B. W. Kindley started on Sunday afternoon to meet him at the Brick church, Pipe Creek, to convey him to town, reached Mr. J. W. Haines' and was compelled to return home, on account of the severe storm.

Mrs. Howard Zollickoffer, of Philadelphia, was the guest of Mrs. Eliza Zollickoffer several days the past week, and also visited the family of Mr. Milton Zollickoffer.

Rev. B. W. Kindley went to New Windsor on Wednesday afternoon to conduct the funeral service of Mr. Jas. H. Richardson.

Mrs. Marietta Trayer, of Toledo, Ohio, formerly of our village, was the guest of Mrs. Lydia Brubaker, Thursday of last week.

Jack Frost had things all his own way, for the past week. Slyly stepping into the cellars, pantries, &c., nipping flowers, jarred fruit, pickles, potatoes, &c.

Uniontown Methodist Protestant Charge.—Preaching at Pipe Creek Methodist Protestant Church 10:30 A. M. and at Uniontown 7.15 P. M.

Mr. Jacob Slonaker, one of the oldest citizens, is very ill at the home of his son Mr. George Slonaker.

Winfield Items.

From Saturday until Tuesday the worst snow storm in the memory of the oldest citizens visited this part of the county. For 36 hours the storm was a genuine nor'-western blizzard. The shifting of the wind has caused all roads to be blocked up, the snow in many places being over the fence tops. Perpaps the most peculiar feature of the storm in these parts was the effect it had upon the telephone lines. While the storm raged all the phones were surcharged with electricity, so much so that a continuous spark could be seen at points of connection, while in the receiver a deafening sound was heard, caused by the electrical discharge. The effect was almost the counterpart of a summer thunder storm. The thermometer registered during the cold snap from 14 to 23 degrees below zero in various parts of the district. Several of our most enterprising citizens put gangs of men on the roads and opened them up, so that horses could get through. Several plans of opening the roads were adopted but perhaps the best was that instituted by Robert Grossnickle, where he dragged a large spring toothed harrow behind a slide, drawn by six large horses. Teams can pass anywhere on the roads opened by him.

Our citizens are indebted to Mr. N. Pickett for having the mail on Wednesday evening the first time since Saturday.

The Academy excepted, all schools in the district were closed during the first half of the week.

There has been considerable sickness in the district but in most cases the physicians could not get to the homes of their patients. Dr. Edwin Cronk ventured out on foot Monday night, and came very near being exhausted in the blinding storm.

The band boys held their oyster supper on Friday and Saturday nights last but owing to the cold and disagreeable weather did not do well. We have heard that they just made expenses. The boys deserve better things than this. We hope to see them do better next time.

Taneytown Items.

The answer to the horse question given by Lowell M. Birely, in last week's SENTINEL, is correct. Mr. C. C. Cross, in his solution, has, by a clever legerdemain manipulation, obtained a result which by the nature of the problem cannot, of course, be correct. Will discuss his solution in our next letter.

The average depth of the snow here, on Tuesday, was 26 inches. The lowest temperature as indicated on the Weather Bureau thermometer, was 15½° below zero, on Saturday morning. The temperature has not been above the freezing point since the 16th inst.

Milton Academy, of this place, Prof. Meier principal, contributed $3.50 to the La Fayette monument fund, and sent it directly to the committee in Washington, D. C. This amount should be added to the aggregate heretofore reported as the amount contributed by the schools of Carroll county, which is thus increased to $123.35.

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