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LOCAL ITEMS.

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

Mr. John H. Condon died at his home, near Taylorsville, on Monday.

We have an account of a Cranberry Valley surprise party, without a name appended to verify it, hence cannot use it.

Studies were resumed in the public schools of this county on Tuesday, and at Western Maryland College on Wednesday.

Watch-meeting services were held in Grace Lutheran Church, this city, on Sunday night. The attendance was quite large.

Mr. W. K. Burgee has been appointed principal of the Union Bridge public schools, vice Mr. John B. McGurl, resigned.

Masonic Grand Lecturer Graham Dukehart, of Baltimore, paid a fraternal and official visit to Door to Virtue Lodge of this city, on Thursday evening.

The County Commissioners were in session on Tuesday and transacted principally routine business. Catharine Hartman, of district No. 2, was granted a special pension of $5.

The SENTINEL is indebted to Mr. Lewis Winters, of Washington, D. C., for a copy of Bulletin F, Kite Observations, by the Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

By the quarterly distribution of the public school tax, made by Comptroller Goldsborough on the 2nd inst., Carroll county receives $3,146.74 for white schools and $394.82 for colored schools.

During the month of December 46 deeds, 22 mortgages and 4 bills of sale were received for record at the office of the clerk of the Circuit Court for Carroll county, and 50 marriage licenses were issued.

Mr. John H. Cunningham, cashier of the Farmers and Mechanics' National Bank of Westminster, entertained the officers and directors of the bank at dinner, at his residence on East Main street, on Saturday last.

New Year's Day was observed in a very quiet manner in this city. Business was generally suspended and the only public demonstration was a parade of the drum corps. There was little or no firing of guns or explosives.

At midnight on Sunday night, as the old year expired and the new year began, High Mass was celebrated at St. John's Catholic Church, this city. This was the first instance in which the period was so observed in that church.

Mr. James Barnes, of Taylorsville, killed 22 hogs for market this week the weights of which were: 182, 133, 112, 106, 123, 108, 128, 134, 114, 113, 148, 118, 124, 130, 112, 92, 62, 71, 98, 62, 68, 89, total, 2372.

Augustus Rheubottom, colored, aged twenty-one years, who was convicted at the November term, 1897, of the Circuit Court for Carroll county, of assault with intent to kill and sentenced to the penitentiary for four years, has been pardoned by Governor Lowndes.

At a meeting of the directors of the Westminster Gas Light Company, held at its office at the Farmers and Mechanics National Bank of Westminster, on Tuesday, Dr. Jas. Howell Billingslea was unanimously elected a director to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Hon. Charles B. Roberts.

Col. Wm. A. McKellip, whose return from Europe several weeks ago was reported in the SENTINEL, has taken up the practice of the law with the energy which is one of his leading characteristics, and may be found, by his many friends, at his offices in the Albaugh block on Court street, this city.

Mr. C. D. Wantz, residing on the Sullivan road, near this city, met with a painful accident on Friday of last week. He was riding horseback when the animal slipped on the ice and fell, catching Mr. Wantz's left foot and leg under his body and fracturing one of the bones of the foot. Dr. M. L. Bott, of this city, adjusted the fracture.

A lady who purchased a couple of toys before Christmas at the store of Messrs. Miller Brothers, this city, left the package at Mr. J. B. Boyle's drug store, where it has remained since without being called for. If this paragraph should meet her eye she may yet rejoice her little ones with the presents intended to give them a merry Christmas. She can get them by calling at Mr. Boyle's and proving property.

Mr. Jos. B. Boyle, of this city, has several hundred copies of the report of the Maryland Geological Survey on the Highways of the State, which he will deliver to persons having cards from the Johns Hopkins University. Persons having such cards should call at Mr. Boyle's drug store promptly, as the time for the delivery of the reports is limited.

Edward O. Weant, Esq., bonded in the sum of $10,000 and took the oath of office as State's Attorney for Carroll county, on Tuesday, before Dr. J. H. Billingslea, clerk of the Circuit Court. Messrs. John W. Weant, Hezekiah Fox and John W. Eyler became his bondsmen. Mr. Weant succeeds Jno. Milton Reifsnider, Esq., who retires from the office with an excellent record, having discharged its duties with fidelity and efficiency.

Mr. Irving G. Rinehart, of Freedom district, recently took the civil service examination required for appointment in the custom service in the night inspector's class and now stands first on the list of eligibles, having made an average of 90.60.

Ellen Parker, widow of the late Nicholas Parker, of this city, went to Tyrone, Pa., on a visit, on Saturday, 23rd ult., and died at that place on Thursday. Her remains will be brought here for interment. Mrs. Parker was an aged and well known colored resident of this city. Four daughters survive her.

The Milk Shippers' Association of the Western Maryland Railroad and its branches will meet at Firemen's Hall, this city, on Tuesday next at 10 o'clock, for the purpose of subscribing for stock of the United Milk Producers' Association of Baltimore. Messrs. W. W. Crowthers and J. B. Clark will have the stock subscription books in charge.

Mr. J. Milton Reifsnider's twelve-year-daughter, Miss Eleanor, of this city, fell on the ice, while skating, on Saturday last and sustained a severe sprain of one of her limbs. The fall also caused a severe shock to her nerves and it was at first feared her injuries might be of a very serious nature. She is, however, slowly improving, though still unable to be up.

Lincoln Willis, colored, is in jail here, on suspicion of being the assailant of of Mrs. Laura Cashman, of Taneytown district. He resides near Uniontown, but was captured in Hagerstown, and was brought here by Sheriff Motter. Mrs. Cashman will confront him for the purpose of deciding whether he is the right man. He declares himself innocent of the crime.

The cold snap which began Christmas eve has continued, with trifling mitigation occasionally, though without the temperature rising at any time above the freezing point, thus making a season of cold almost without a parallel in this locality, so far as its continuance is concerned. Several times during the period the temperature has been close to zero, and ice from 6 to 9 inches thick and of fine quality has been gathered.

Four private mail boxes on Letter Carrier route No. 21, in Myers' district, have been torn down and destroyed during the last few days. These boxes were under the protection of the United States Government, and if the parties who destroyed them can be discovered they will be punished to the full extent of the law. The Postoffice Department will make rigid inquiry into the circumstances and ascertain, if possible, who are the guilty parties.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Westminster Ice and Cold Storage Company, on Tuesday, the following were elected directors for the ensuing year: Geo. R. Gehr, Geo. W. Albaugh, Fred D. Miller, A. C. Strasburger, F. Thos. Babylon, M. Schaeffer, J. M. Reifsnider, Chas. E. Fink, C. H. Vanderford, D. S. Gehr, Jos. W. Smith. The board organized on Wednesday by electing Mr. George R. Gehr president, and Mr. Jos. W. Smith secretary and treasurer.

At its regular meeting on Friday evening of last week Charity Lodge No 58, K. of P., of this city, elected the following officers for the ensuing term: C. C., Ed H. Manning; V. C., Chas B. Hunter; Pre., Jno. B. Saylor; M. at W., Geo. H. Myers; K. of R. and S., Jno. J. Reese; M. of F., Thos. E. Reese; M. of E., Jno. Bernstein; M. at A., Jno. H. Mitten; Rep. to Grand Lodge, Jno. Bernstein; marshal, Jno. H. Mitten; trustees, Jno. J. Reese, Jno. H. Mitten, Chas. T. Reifsnider, Jr., Fred. Himler, Theo. A. Kauffman.

Mr. Howard B. Franklin, of Sterling, Ills., in writing to renew his subscription to the SENTINEL, says: "It seems as if I were nearer home when it comes." Mr. Franklin also says in relation to affairs at Sterling: "Never since I came here eleven years ago has this country been more prosperous. Prosperity is in every occupation, and the building of the feeder to the Hennepin canal has brought an extra boom to the cities of Sterling, Rock Falls and their immediate vicinities. These cities are situated at the head of the feeder. The feeder was built by the United States government and is free to all vessels.

Our Manchester correspondence contains an account of the death of Mr. Simon J. Grammer, who was taken ill while on a visit to that place during the holidays, and expired on the 2nd inst. A large part of Mr. Grammer's life was spent in Manchester, where he was a carpenter and builder. During several recent years he resided with his sister, Mrs. Sauble, near this city. His age was 79 years, 8 months. He was a man of excellent character, a faithful member of the Lutheran Church and a quiet but earnest Republican. Funeral services were held at Emanuel Lutheran Church, Manchester, on Thursday morning, Rev. C. M. Eyster officiating.

Elder Joel Roop, a venerable and esteemed minister of the German Baptist Church, died suddenly, at his home in New Windsor, about 10:30 o'clock Friday night of last week. He had retired in apparently good health, but about 10 o'clock experienced difficulty in breathing, and expired half an hour later. He was seventy five years old. Elder Roop was an unassuming gentleman and a devout and earnest christian. His life was a record of uprightness and integrity. He leaves a widow and ten children, one of whom is Mr. William A. Roop, a well known citizen of Westminster district. Funeral services were held at Pipe Creek Church, Monday afternoon, Elder Solomon Stoner and Wm. H. Franklin officiating.

Mr. Harry Eugene Haines, of this city, died about 1 o'clock, Wednesday afternoon, at his home on Center street, after a lingering illness, aged 30 years, 7 months, 7 days. Mr. Haines was a printer by trade, having learned the art in the SENTINEL office, in this city, where he was employed as a compositor after attaining his majority, until last spring, when he was forced to discontinue work on account of the encroachments of the fatal disease which terminated his life. He was faithful and conscientious in the discharge of his duties, upright and honorable in character and a sincere christian, having been for some years an exemplary member of the M. E. Church. He was the oldest son of the late Jesse L. Haines. He leaves a widow, but no children. Funeral services were held at Centenary M. E. Church at 2 o'clock, yesterday afternoon.

Washington Camp No. 30, P. O. S. of A., of Gist, has elected the following officers for the ensuing term: P. Pres., C. W. Allen; Pres., Francis W. Shipley; V. Pres., Frank B. Shauck; M. of F., Levi B. Wilson; Rec. Sec., Chas. H. Brown; Treas., Robert T. Shipley; Con., Jos. S. Babylon; I. G., Wm. Shipley; O. G., Andrew J. Wagner; camp trustee, John R. Bennett; Del. to P. B. A. Convention, R. H. H. Shipley; corps trustees, John R. Bennett, J. Wilber Shipley, C. H. Brown, Jos. S. Babylon, Joshua Lockard; janitor, Reno Waltz.

Mr. Elijah Wagoner, an aged and well known resident of this city, died at his home on West Main street, shortly before 10 a'clock, Wednesday evening, of paralysis of the heart, after an illness of only a few hours. He was in his eighteth year, having been born February 13th, 1820. Mr. Wagoner was closely identified with the material growth and prosperity of this city, having been for quite a number of years a manufacturer of agricultural implements here and a large employer of labor. He invented the Lion feed-cutter, a hominy mill, a grain seeder and other standard implements. He was a man of generous impulses. The ground upon which stand the church edifice and parsonage of Grace Lutheran Church of this city, of which he was a member, was donated to the congregation by him and Mrs. Wagoner. In politics he was a Republican. He was twice married, his second wife surviving him, with one son, Frederick A. Wagoner, and two daughters, Mrs. Harvey E. Stone, of this city, and Mrs. M. L. Main, of Hagerstown. Funeral services will be held at Grace Lutheran Church at 10 o'clock this morning, after which the remains of the deceased will be interred in Benjamin's Cemetery, near this city.

Calenders.

To J. M. Reifsnider, Esq., general agent of the United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company, we are indebted for a very beautiful calendar in the shape of a shield, emblazed in the national colors and surrounded by pictures of military and naval heroes of the recent war with Spain. From Messrs. Baumgartner Bros., agents, we have received a very pretty calendar issued by the Glens Falls Insurance Company, representing the massacre of Miss Jane McCrea and having a historical sketch of that event printed on the back of it. From Mr. E. H. Fox, agent of the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, we have one of the finest calendars of the season. It is of large size and the sheet for each month contains a colored picture of an Indian or Wild Western scene. From Mr. James E. Smith, a prominent insurance agent of this city, we have received a lot of handsome calendars issued by the companies represented by him, and also a bundle of blotters of excellent quality. Several of these calendars are beautifully illustrated and all are printed in clear, legible type.

The Farmers' Institute.

It has heretofore been announced that a farmers' institute will be held in this city on the 10th of February, under the supervision of Director Wm. L. Amoss. The date named will fall on Saturday. A communication to the Baltimore American, from College Park, states that the feature of this and other institutes about to be held in the several counties of the state "will be the presence of Dr. J. C. Curryer, of Mankato, Minn., and Mr. James E. Rice, of Yorktown, N. Y., both of whom are practical farmers, and will address the gatherings on a number of pertinent subjects. In addition to these Mr. Amoss has secured the cooperation of a number of Maryland farmers, and specialists from the Maryland Agricultural College Experiment Station, the Johns Hopkins University and the Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C. Among the subjects of special interest to the farmer which will be considered are the following: Breeding and the care of farm animals; fertilizing materials; farm manures and commercial fertilizers; poultry-keeping; gardening; butter-making; bee-keeping; crop rotation; growing and handling the tobacco crop; growing small fruits; plant diseases; climate of Maryland; handling milk for shipment, etc."

Death of Rev. Dr. J. T. Murray.

Rev. Joshua Thomas Murray, D. D., one of the most prominent clergymen of the Maryland Conference, Methodist Protestant Church, died at his home, No 730 N. Fulton avenue, Baltimore, last Saturday afternoon, of pneumonia. Dr. Murray was well known in this county, having been pastor of several charges of his church in the county. He was twice, for considerable periods, pastor of Westminster Church and resided here with his family. He was regarded as an able theologian and preacher and held a high place in the counsels of the church. His death is felt as a personal bereavement by numbers of persons in this community, who were his devoted and earnest friends for many years. One son, Thomas A. Murray, Esq., of Baltimore, and two daughters, Mrs. Norris and Mrs. Benson, survive him.

Funeral services were held at 1 o'clock, Monday afternoon, from Lafayette Avenue Methodist Protestant Church. Rev. Dr. S. B. Southerland conducted the services, assisted by Rev. Dr. W. S. Hammond and Rev. Frank Little, pastor of Starr Methodist Protestant Church.

The interment, made in Greenmount Cemetery, was attended only by members of the family and a few relatives, but the services at the church were attended by a large congregation. Numerous floral tributes were received, among them having been a pillow of natural roses from the directors of the Baldimore Book Concern. Rev. T. O. Crouse, pastor of Lafayette Avenue Church, officiated at the grave.

The pallbearers were Messrs. W. J. C. Dulany, Horace Burrough, Daniel Baker, Dr. J. W. Hering, Rev. J. M. Sheridan and Rev. Frank Little.

List of Unclaimed Matter

Remaining in the Postoffice at Westminster, Md., Dec. 30th, 1899.

Barnes, Lee W.	Kestings, Theodore
Direly, Miss Lizzie	Lee, Miss Anna
Bower, Miss Edna L.	Luay, Miss Linday
Cornman, Miss Fannie	Palatowski, Henry
Crapey, Barbara	Reese, Miss Nellie
Dutrer, Murry	Rothel, Mrs. E.
Haines, J. T.	Telly, Harry
Honell, Mrs. Amanda	Tubman, S. A.
Johnes, John	Wagner, Miss Kate
Jenkins, Columbus	

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

MILTON SCHAEFFER, P. M.

WEDDING BELLS.

Koehler-Weant.

Mr. John Koehler, of Hanover, Pa., and Miss Mertie S. Weant, of Bruceville, Md., were married Sunday afternoon at the home of the bride's brother, Mr. J. F. Weant, 1637 Aisquith street, Baltimore, by Rev. W. I. Stewart, pastor of Christ Reformed Church. The bride was given away by her brother. The couple was otherwise unattended. The bride wore blue cloth, trimmed with fur, and carried La France roses. A reception was given at 1637 Aisquith street, after which the couple left for their future home, in Cameron county, Pa.

Goodwin-Albaugh.

Few nuptial events have excited greater interest in this city than the marriage, on Tuesday evening last, of Mr. Charles E. Goodwin and Miss Annie Albaugh. Both bride and groom have been residents of this city since childhood. The bride is the only daughter of the late George P. Albaugh and sister of Mr. George W. Albaugh, and the groom is a son of the late Thomas P. Goodwin. He has been engaged in the insurance business for a number of years and is highly esteemed for his fair dealing and integrity. Many good wishes have been expressed for the prosperity and happiness of the couple. The wedding was a strictly private affair. The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride, on East Main Street, by Rev. W. R. Graham, D. D., of the Methodist Protestant Church, in the presence of only a few witnesses. There were no attendants. Mr. and Mrs. Goodwin are residing at the home of the groom, East Main street, this city.

Melick-Stoner.

Sunbury, Pa., papers give glowing accounts of the recent wedding of Miss Margaret Elizabeth Stoner, daughter of Dr. Wm. B. Stoner, of that place, and granddaughter of Mrs. Mary C. Stoner and the late George W. Stoner, of Stonersville, near this city, and Mr. Ralph La Shelle Melick, also of Sunbury. It was one of the most interesting society events in the history of Sunbury and was witnessed by nearly two hundred guests. The bride wore a gown of white organdy over silk, with yoke and sleeves of chiffon and point lace and ribbon trimmings. The bride's sister, Miss Florence Stoner, was maid of honor, and her niece, little Miss Margaret Gretzinger, was flower girl. There were several bridesmaids. Mr. Harry Sherrick, of Atlantic City, N. J., was best man. The bride was given away by her father and the marriage ceremony was performed by Rev. O. G. Morton, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Sunbury. Two receptions were held, from 7 till 9 and from 9 till 11.

Starner-Schaeffer.

The SENTINEL published last week a brief account of the wedding of Miss Ada Schaeffer and Mr. George H. Starner and a more elaborate description of the reception which succeeded the marriage ceremony. The following more detailed account of the event, sent by one of the guests, will not therefore be a repetition of last week's account:

On Sunday, December 24th, the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah Schaeffer, of this city, was the scene of a very pretty wedding, when Miss Ada M., their eldest daughter, became the bride of Mr. George H Starner, of Manchester. The bridal couple were attended by Mr. Arthur C. Bell and Miss Lydia B. Starner. The bridal procession entered the parlor to the strains of Lohengrin's wedding march, which was skillfully rendered by Miss Emily R. Harver, of Baltimore. They were met by the Rev. S. A. Diehl, who performed the ceremony. The bride was dressed in mode cloth, trimmed in brown plush, white satin and applique lace. The bridesmaid's dress was of steel french flannel, trimmed in purple satin applique lace and cut steel. The groom and best man wore the customary black. A reception was given at the bride's home on Christmas day. Among those who witnessed the ceremony on Sunday were: Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah Schaeffer, parents of the bride; Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Schaeffer and daughter Ruth, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schaeffer and three daughters, Mary, Helen and Edith, Mr. and Mrs. Barth, Mr. and Mrs. William Stultz, Mr. and Mrs. George Stair, Misses Emily R. Harver, Lydia B. Starner, Grace Bankard, Margaret Schaeffer, Messrs. John Eckard, Arthur C. Bell.

For the Sentinel.

List of Interments.

Following is a list of deceased persons interred in Pipe Creek (German Baptist) Cemetery, during 1899:

January 3.—Jonathan Galle, aged 87 years, 2 months, 14 days.

January 6.—Sarah Galle, aged 80 years, 1 month, 22 days.

January 21.—Sarah Zumbrun, aged 86 years.

January 22.—Hannah Bowers, aged 80 years, 6 days.

February 9.—D. Utz's child, aged 3 days.

May 4.—Clinton Lynn, aged 17 years, 16 days.

May 23.—Margaret Stoner, in her 72nd year.

May 29.—Hannah Henry, aged 65 years.

September 3.—Emma Snader, aged 41 years.

September 18.—J. Baukert's child, aged 6 weeks.

September 24.—John Stone, aged 62 years, 3 months, 26 days.

October 3.—Jacob Sauble, aged 83 years, 10 months, 16 days.

October 17.—Mary Bankerd, aged 60 years, 9 months, 29 days.

October 20.—M. C. McKinstry, aged 65 years, 7 months, 23 days.

October 30.—Ann M. Repp, aged 72 years, 9 months, 1 day.

November 2.—Harriet Feaga, in her 75th year.

November 17.—Augustus Ecsor aged 89 years, 10 months, 1 day.

December 20.—Angeline Hiltabidle.

December 31.—Elder Joel Roop, aged 75 years, 1 day.

It will be observed that numbers of the persons interred were quite aged, of the nineteen making up the list fourteen having averaged a fraction over 75 years. The general average was nearly 59 years.

Orphans' Court.

Tuesday, January 2nd.—Last will and testament of Christian Shettel admitted to probate and letters testamentary granted to John T. Cassell.

Letters of administration d. b. n. c. t. a. on the estate of Mary S. Mathias, granted to Chas. E. Stewart.

Wednesday, January 3rd.—Letters of administration on the estate of Bettie Murray granted to Clifton, L. Murray, who received order to notify creditors.

Manchester Items.

We are writing 1900, a pleasure we will never again enjoy to see the incoming of a new century. The past week among us has been one of merriment and fun-making, in a joyous and friendly manner, particularly among those who enjoy masquerading. A great deal of taste was displayed in many of the make-ups so that the disguises were complete in many characters, adding much to the interest of the masked parties and the curious-to-know. But above all was little Huns and his big monkey Sam. They broke the record for fun and display. While the other members of the company made a fine showing for hideousness, Charley was on top. Thus it was each night so that the young society had a merry holiday season.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. J. Everhart entertained a company of friends on Tuesday evening, 26th ult.

Miss Fannie G. Ross gave a large company on Wednesday evening.

Mrs. H. S. Musselman followed on Thursday evening by entertaining a large company of friends.

On Friday evening Miss Sarah C. Trump gave her annual entertainment to the members of the Union Bible Society, with quite an interesting program. At all the aforezoing refreshments were furnished in abundance.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. L. Maurath entertained the members of the orchestra very nicely last week.

Mrs C. M. Eyster had her music scholars, with some of Miss Treva's friends, at her home on Saturday, where they spent some hours in pleasant pastime and enjoyed refreshments.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Miller had a large company of friends at their home on Sunday night at watch meeting.

On Monday night, January 1st, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Hoffacker entertained about 60 of their friends at their home Main and York streets. The rooms were a blaze of light, and games were indulged in with an exhibition of wax works that was a pleasant feature of the evening, after which all were royally feasted in the dining room.

The members of the orchestra enjoyed a straw ride to the home of Mr. B. F. Bosley, Greenmount, where a pleasant evening was spent with music and refreshments, on Monday.

And still another crowd of masqueraders enjoyed a straw ride to Hampstead, where they had an A1 good time and a cold ride home.

Amid all this pleasure and merriment general sympathy went out of the home of Mrs. D. Shultz, who for seveal weeks has been at death's door. On Friday, 22nd, their old and intimate friend, Mr. Simon J. Grammer, from Westminster, came to the home on a visit, and enjoyed the Christmas exercises of the Lutheran Sunday School of which he was at one time superintendent and an active worker for many years. On Christmas day he took dinner with Mr. Edward Oursler and during the afternoon went to the Shultz home, where he was taken with an illness that soon developed into pneumonia, and on Tuesday, 2nd inst., he peacefully passed away aged nearly 80 years. His remains were laid away to rest on Tuesday morning in a family lot, Rev. C. M. Eyster officiating. He was a brother of Mr. Henry B. Grammer and Mrs. Sauble. At this writing Mrs. Shultz's condition is slightly better.

The administrators of Mr. Lewis Redding sold the personal effects and home on South Main street, at public sale, on Saturday last. The home was purchased by Mr. George A. Crouse for the sum of $1250.

The cold weather that set on Christmas eve continued to grow severer until the mercury was within 3° or 4° of zero. The ponds soon took on their crystal coverings and by the incoming of the new year our ice men were made glad and have been improving the time from the early hours of the morning to late hours of the evening in housing the great summer luxury, clear as crystal, 6 to 8 inches thick and, if we have a few more such days and nights the houses will get their full supply.

Mr. Samuel Houck, of Baltimore, spent the New Year holidays with his sister, Mrs. C. Miller, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Hoffman, of Baltimore, spent several days with Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Sherman.

Mrs. William Gardner, of York, Pa., was the guest of her friend, Mrs. C. M. Eyster, during the holidays.

Mrs. J. W. Hoffacker and daughter spent the New Year holidays with friends in Baltimore.

Miss LaRue Herr, of Westminster, spent New Year with the Misses Trump.

Winfield Items.

The ice harvest is in full blast. Mr. H. M. Zile will complete filling his house today with an excellent quality. Several private houses have also been filled. The ice is 8 inches thick.

We hear a great deal of talk about the present mail service pro and con.

La Grip is catching some people in these parts, others are getting married and more are talking about it.

Miss Rose Easton, daughter of Mr. James Easton, of Winfield, and Mr. Theodore Cook, of Union Bridge, formerly of this place, were married on Christmas day. Both parties are well and favorably known to all our readers. We tender to the happy couple the compliments of the SENTINEL in their happy union.

All our young folks, who spent their vacation in the city, have returned with broader minds and narrower pocketbooks. Mr. H. L. Gosnell spent the holidays in the Old Dominion.

Miss Lenora Ems will board in town during the winter months, while continuing her course at the Academy.

Miss Estella Aldridge gave an "At Home" to her old schoolmates on Saturday evening last.

In addition to the regular course, classes in French and short hand have been started at the Academy since the Christmas recess.

Harney Items.

Mr. T. H Eckenrode has rebuilt his stable and ice house that were destroyed by fire last Sunday night a week.

Those who have ice houses have filled them with the best ice we have had for a number of years, the ice in some places being over six inches in thickness.

Mr. D. J. Hesson has taken charge of the Hill store and will move his family here in the near future.

Mr. Edgar Hines, of Baltimore, was here over the holidays visiting his mother.

Uniontown Items.

On Saturday evening Miss Anna Shaw, of Black Oak Spring, gave a seven o'clock supper to a few of her friends. Miss Anna Baust, of Clear Ridge, and Mr. W. A. Shaw assisted Miss Shaw in receiving her friends. An elegant supper, consisting of all the delicacies of the season, was served, after which Crokinole and other games were enjoyed. Music on the piano and violin was highly appreciated by the guests, Mr. and Mrs. C. Edgar Myers, Misses Pearl McAllister, Jennie Wright, Anna B Shaw, Anna Baust, Nettie Myers, S. E. Weaver, Messrs. Walter McAllister, Earnest Wright, Wm. R. Zollickoffer, Norris Frock and Howard Myers.

Mr. Clinton Routson, of Baltimore, spent several days during Christmas week with his mother, Mrs. Missouri Routson.

Mr. David S. Segafoose spent some time as the guest of Mr. Obadiah Fleagle's family, returning to his home in Baltimore on Tuesday.

Miss Emma Erb, who is teaching music in Hampstead, was home for the holidays, returning on Friday.

Mrs. George Trite and Mrs. Samuel Hiltabidle went to Baltimore on Friday to spend a few days with friends.

Mrs. E. Lee Erb and children, Master Grenville and Rebecca Erb, spent from Saturday until Tuesday in Baltimore, guests of Mrs. Erb's sister and brother, Miss Mary Fowler and Father Frank Fowler.

Wyoming Tribe No 37, Independent Order of Red Men, elected the following officers on Friday evening: Sachem, Isaac Smith; Prophet, E. G. Smith; Senior Sagamore, R. J. Mathias; Junior Sagamore, J. A. Davis; Chief of Records, J. S. Waltz; Keeper of Wampum; J. Wesley Gilbert; guard of Forest, B. L. Waltz; guard of Wigwam, John Bowers.

On Saturday night Union Lodge No 57, I. O. M., held an election for officers as follows: D. D. G. A., Marshall G. Shaw; representative, H. H. Weaver; S. M., H. B. Merring; W. M., A. D. Koons; J. M., J. Snader Devilbiss; R S, Dr. Luther Kemp; F. S., E. Lee Erb; treasurer, W. Guy Segafoose; chaplain, G. M. Routson; Con., Guy Cookson; trustee, H. H. Weaver.

Willie Hiteshew, of Baltimore, who was visiting friends in town, returned home on Tuesday.

Miss Margaret Robinson, of Frederick City, visited her sister, Mrs. B. W. Kindley, from Saturday until Monday evening.

The ice houses of our town were filled during the week with ice from five to eight inches thick.

Mrs. Nathaniel Heck met with quite a severe accident yesterday. She was washing and drying a glass pitcher, that was cracked, and it broke, cutting a lengthwise cut in the pulse artery in the left wrist. Dr. Shreeve was summoned and after considerable loss of blood succeeded in taking up the artery and stopping the flow, and then dressed the wound.

Elder Philip Englar, of the German Baptist Church, was in attendance at the Bible School held in Union Bridge the past week.

Double Pipe Creek Items.

The Twice-a-Week American, of January 2nd, gives the following item: Major Showell, of Stockton, Md., claims the champion hog of the season, in the State. It weighed 560 lbs. It has been well said, "A sleeping fox catches no poultry." So your correspondent was not asleep, but awake that he could send the news that Mr. Showell, of Stockton, is not entitled to the honor of possessing the champion hog of the season. The championship in that line belongs to a Double Pipe Creek citizen. Recently, a hog owned by Mr. Hollenbaugh, of this village, was slaughtered that weighed 601½ lbs. If there are others who claim the championship of "porkers" let us hear from them.

[Our Double Pipe Creek correspondent is referred to Friz-liburg items, in another column, for a still heavier weight than he reports.—ED.]

The people of this village and community have been very busy this week storing away ice, of which there is an abundant supply. It is reported the ice this season is the finest formed for many years.

Elder T. J. Kolb preached to a good sized congregation at the German Baptist Church, in Middletown Valley, last Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Fiohr, of Washington, D. C., who had been visiting relatives in this place during the holidays, returned to their home on New Year's Day.

Melrose Items.

Well, we have thoroughly tested rural free delivery, and give the result without fear or favor. Those along the road are served regularly, but even some of them have just causes for complaint. And those not near the road traveled by wagon C, or the carrier, must erect boxes at a distance of from one-fourth to two miles, and must get to the box each day if they want their mail, no matter how the weather is, or the importance of duties on hand. Is this justice? Yes we had only a fourth-class office, that supplied our hard working farmers with news from the outside world, and they were content. This service will never please the sturdy men of Carroll, until it does as R. F. D. implies—delivers mail at every door. Unless that is done the citizens of our county should demand it, and if it be not granted, petition the government for the restoration of the old mail service even if necessary to send delegates to Washington with the petitions.

Entertainment at Thomas Chapel.

Thomas Chapel Sunday School held its Christmas entertainment in the church at Tanney, Wednesday evening, 27th ult. The church was beautifully trimmed and decorated to suit the occasion. The program, with Miss Blanche Baer presiding at the organ, consisted of singing, recitations, dialogues, and scripture reading, after which the scholars received their annual treat. The Infant Class was presented with nicely dressed dolls and balls, the girls receiving the dolls, and the boys the balls, which made their hearts feel glad. The dolls and balls were gifts from Mrs. A. P. Baer, of Catonsville, Md., to whom the little ones return their sincere thanks. Owing to the snow, a great many were disappointed, though the church was well filled for the evening, and all seemed to enjoy the exercises.

Gist Items.

Our citizens have taken advantage of the cold snap and filled their ice houses, hauling from Mr. John P. Klee's dam, on Monday last.

The residents of our community were greatly shocked to learn of the fatal accident to Mr. Wm. H. Pickett, of Winfield, on Tuesday of last week. He was one of the best mechanics in the county, and had done most of the building in this vicinity for the last several years. He was well thought of by all who come in contact with him. His family has our heartfelt sympathy in their sad bereavement.

Mr. Hoosier F. Grimes, who went to Granite, Baltimore county, last week to cut out a large tract of timber, returned on Tuesday last saying that the weather became so rough his hands could not stand to work in the woods.

Mr. Reno Waltz had the heaviest hog in town, it weighing 407; Ex-Mayor, two, 364, 313; Mrs. Elizabeth Shipley, two, 386, 234; Mr. Columbus Shipley, of Morgan Run, three, 498, 350, 342; D. E. McQuay, two, 259, 213.

The free delivery postal system is the topic of conversation among our citizens at this time and many are discussing, cussing and recussing the enterprise. We cannot, however, see why it will not be of great convenience to many in the rural districts, and no great inconvenience to anyone. Take, for instance, the route from Winfield to this place, a distance of about six miles, along which there was no postoffice. Now the people are supplied daily with their mail at the door. Or from here to Bird Hill, or Gamber, ranging from 4 to 5 miles without a postoffice. Now the wagon delivers the mail promptly, daily. Of course some of those living at some distance from the public road kick, because their neighbor on the road is benefitted more by the free delivery system; but if our off-the-road friend will look over the assessment list, he will notice that his neighbor's property on the road is taxed or valued very much higher generally than the in-lying land or property; and of course is naturally subjected to more benefit of anything that might pass his way. Of course there are many improvements yet to be made before the system will be perfect. But give Uncle Sam time. He'll get there.

The oyster supper which was held at P. O. S. of A. Hall by Camp 20, on Wednesday and Friday nights of last week, was not a great success, owing to the severe cold weather, at that time. They however turned the goat loose on Friday night and in all cleared about $7.

For the Sentinel.

Birthday Surprise Party.

A very enjoyable birthday surprise party was given Mr. Denton Yingling, son of Mr. Jonas Yingling, near Pleasant Valley, on Monday evening, by his friends from Pleasant Valley, Silver Run and vicinity. The guests arrived about 8 o'clock, rushed into the house and congratulated Mr. Yingling on having reached his 17th birthday. After he had recovered from the surprise he joined the merry party in social games and conversation which was continued until 11.30, when all were invited to the dining room, where a table was set and loaded with all the delicacies of the season. About 12.30 the crowd departed well pleased with the evening's enjoyment. The straw riders from Silver Run and vicinity were very happy until they struck a steep grade when the horses came to a stand-still. The laughing suddenly turned into screaming and a general mix-up took place. Fortunately no one was hurt. Those present were: Mr. Jonas Yingling and wife, Mr. Jacob Frock and wife, Mrs. Jesse Leister and family, Misses Cora Study, Estella Knipple; Bertha Dutterer, of Virginia; Florence Frock, Irene Bachman, Emma Haines, Celia Burgoon, Birdie Mark, Jennie Cover, Argolda Koontz, Lizzie Dutterer, Mary Frock, Bernice Shuey, Mollie Koontz, Daisy Copenhaver, Minnie Boose, Effie Koontz, Lillie Dutterer, Bessie Cover, Alice Yingling, Carrie Koontz, Kate Humbert, Bessie Bittle, Della Koontz, Myrtle Koontz, Prudence Shuey, Mollie Messinger, Messrs. John Lawyer, Charles Frock, Samuel Hull, Elmer Starner, Elmer Halter, Alvin Boose, Thomas Boose, Harvey Formwalt, Herbert Koontz, Jonas Lawyer, Royal Myerly, William Harman, Thomas Hull, Oliver Lippy, Charles Myers, Edward Shipley, Charles Hull, Herbert Beachtel, Harvey Halter, John Hull; Ira Study, of Harney; Herbert Boose, Edward Yingling, William Halter, Denton Yingling, Oliver Knipple, Luther Slifer; U. S. Ebaugh, of Westminster; George Hartman, Abraham Groft, Oliver Boose, Oliver Koontz, John Harman, Frank Messinger, William Yingling, Upton Stoner, George Myers, John K. Hull.

Sykesville Items.

A delightful dance was given at Sringfield Asylum on Christmas night, for the benefit of the patients, and a large crowd was present. Dancing was kept up until midnight, and a great many of the patients seemed to enjoy it. It is generally thought to have been a great advantage to them. On New Year's night a minstrel entertainment was given by the officers and attendants. Many hits were made on the attendants, which amused Dr. Charles very much. Among those present were: Dr. and Mrs. Sprecher and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Phillinger and their daughters, Misses Minnie and Elsie, Misses Millie, Gertrude and Mildred Delashmutt, Mr. Wm. Barnett and wife, Miss McCaffrey, Miss Grace Dudrear, Mrs. Beulah Bauer, Miss Lella Hepner and many others.

St. Paul's M. E. Sabbath School held its Christmas festival on Tuesday night. A large audience was present and it was a grand success. The total number of scholars, officers and teachers, at this time, is three hundred and thirteen. The large attendance will necessitate an enlargement of the lecture room, as soon as funds can be raised for the purpose.

Dr. Lucas is having the foundation dug for a residence opposite the I. O. O. F. Hall, which he expects to complete next summer. His practice is increasing and he is becoming one of the most popular physicians of our town.

All the residents who own ice houses have made