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LOCAL ITEMS.

The fall term of the public schools of this county will begin September 10th.

An interesting letter from Mr. D. H. Englar, of North Dakota, will be found on the fourth page of the SENTINEL, this week.

The annual statement of the receipts and expenditures for this county will be found in our advertising columns this week.

Official copies of the Acts of Assembly of 1900 have been received by Dr. J. H. Billingslea, clerk of the Circuit Court, for distribution to those entitled to receive them.

The packing factories in this city began canning corn on Wednesday. The extreme hot, dry weather has diminished the yield considerably and the crop for canning will not be a large one.

A thunder shower passed over this county between one o'clock and daylight, Thursday morning, bringing a brief respite from the prolonged drought, which, in connection with the heat, has been diminishing the prospect for a satisfactory corn crop.

The prize offered by School Examiner Farrar to that member of the Westminster High School graduating class of 1900 obtaining the highest average in the teachers' examination, June 14-15, 1900, was won by Miss May Price, of this city.

The festival for the benefit of St. John's Catholic parochial school, held on the church grounds in this city, last week, closed on Saturday evening. We have not been able to ascertain the net receipts, but understand that gratifying success attended the enterprise.

Mrs. Lydia A. Bigham, widow of the late Joseph Bigham, died in New Windsor on Sunday, 5th inst., aged 75 years, 10 months, 5 days. Mrs. Bigham was a lady of fine character and was highly esteemed. She was a consistent and worthy member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

A bottle exploded at the bottling works of Mr. Karl Katz, Liberty and Green streets, this city, on Monday, and a piece of the glass cut a gash two inches long in the right arm of Charles Miller, one of the employees. Dr. M. L. Bott sewed up the cut and dressed the wound, which bled very freely.

The Hampstead Fire Company will reciprocate the recent visit of the Carroll County Military Company of Frizellburg, to Hampstead, by attending the picnic of the military company, to be held in Fair Oak Grove at Frizellburg, on Saturday, 25th inst., and will unite in the parade by which the picnic will be preceded.

Miss May D. Farrar, daughter of Mr. D. L. Farrar, of this city, has a pet cat which is displaying remarkable fondness for a young chicken. The cat is the mother of two kittens, but has also adopted the chicken as a member of her family and taken it under her protection. The little chick follows her about and seems to regard the situation as normal and natural.

Mr. D. P. Leister, son of Mr. Abraham Leister, of Cranberry, who graduated from Bryan & Stratton's Business College, Baltimore, this week, received a special certificate for excellence in arithmetic and penmanship. Mr. Leister's attainments are so marked that they have gained him a professorship in Passaic College, Passaic, N. J. We are much pleased to note the success of this worthy young Carroll countian.

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On Wednesday, Jeremiah Elms, executor of William Elms, deceased, sold two farm in Freedom district, near Day P. O. One, a farm of 86 acres, 1 roods, and 10 perches, was sold to Elizabeth Elms, for $32 per acre, making the total amount $2,762; the other farm of 98½ acres was sold to Joseph J. Brandenburg, for $25.50 per acre, making the total amount $2,511.75; grand total, $5,273.75. Guy W. Steele, Esq., was attorney for the executor.

The directors of the Hampstead Bank, recently incorporated, have elected William H. Wheeler, president; Thomas J. Hunt, vice president, and William Kelbaugh, secretary and treasurer. All the stock of the bank has been taken. The directors intend to proceed without delay to erect a suitable bank building, and William H. Wheeler, Thomas J. Hunt, Whitfield Stansbury, Francis L. Hann, J. Oliver Murray, John Stansbury and H. S. Cooper have been appointed a committee to secure a site for the new structure.

During a thunderstorm which passed over this county between midnight and daybreak, Thursday morning, lightning struck the barn of Mr. Elias B. Arnold, on what is known as the Wardenfelt farm, and completely destroyed it, with its contents, consisting of forty tons of hay, eighty bushels of rye, a new dayton wagon and a wheat drill. The wagon was the property of Mr. Wm. H. Lockard, and the wheat drill belonged to Mr. Daniel Zinson. Mr. Arnold had an insurance of $400 on the building and $250 on the hay, in the Continental Company of New York, of which Mr. Charles E. Goodwin, of this city, is agent.

There will be no service in St. Paul's Reformed Church, this city, on Sunday, on account of the absence of the pastor, Rev. C. S. Slagle, who will conduct the service in the chapel at the Blue Mountain House.

Contributors to the flower mission this week were: Mrs. E. M. Bish, Mrs. Geo. E. Baughman, Matilda Derr, Mrs. Harry C. Keefer, Mrs. J. F. Rinker, Francis Keefer. Receivers for next week, Mrs. Edw. Mobley, Miss Lizzie Nusbaum.

Prof. W. J. Heapes, the founder and for several years the efficient principal of Winfield Academy, has been elected to the chair of Higher Mathematics in the High School of Shamokin, Pa., and will leave Baltimore for that place on Monday next. Prof. Heapes is a fine scholar and efficient teacher, and has the prospect of abundant success in his important profession. May he more than realize his brightest expectations in that respect.

The Citizens' Water Company of Westminster is having artesian wells bored, about fifty feet from the southeast side of the mill at Cranberry Station, for the purpose of providing a supply of water for the works which they are about to construct to introduce it into the city. The work is being done by Mr. Harry T. Shryock, of Fenby, who began it on Monday last and has sunk one well to a depth of nearly forty feet. He reports having struck two veins, one of which is strong enough alone to supply all the soft pure water required. It is the purpose of the company, however, to sink the well to a much greater depth and to have others bored also.

The picnic of the Camp of Patriotic Sons of America, of Tyrone, held in a grove near that place on Saturday afternoon, was well attended, notwithstanding the intense heat of that day. A leading feature of the event was an address by Col. Wm. A. McKellip, in which he took occasion to denounce, in a very emphatic manner, the practice of bribery at elections and to point out the danger which threatens the country from this cause. He alluded to the bribery practiced at the recent Republican primary in this city and stigmatised those engaged in it in very uncomplimentary terms. The applause which greeted his address indicated that his audience was in sympathy with his views. Indeed, one of the objects of the order is the promotion of the honest and legitimate use of the ballot.

While some abatement from the extremely high temperature of the weather which prevailed last week occurred on Monday, it still continues very hot, with little prospect of immediate relief. Such a prolonged hot wave in this latitude has never before been recorded. The official figures at the signal service station in Baltimore show that on Monday week, the first day of the heated term, the maximum was 97°. During the succeeding six days, ending on Sunday, the maximum range was from 99° to 100°. Since that date the range has been 90° to 94°. From the 6th to the 16th inclusive, 11 days, therefore, the maximum temperature did not fall below 90°. Yesterday was probably no exception to this, although the record is not yet at hand for quotation. The signal service bureau makes no prediction in regard to the temperature to-day, but from other sources it stated that it will be higher than yesterday.

Mrs. Sabilla Young, wife of Mr. John Young, of this district, died at her home, about a mile from this city, at ten o'clock on Sunday morning, aged about eighty years. Mrs. Young was a very estimable lady, a consistent and faithful member of the German Baptist Church and was highly respected by all who knew her. Until about a year ago she was quite active for her age, but a fall at that time, by which her ankle was fractured, interrupted her activity and appeared to affect her health generally. She was a sister of Mr. Rufus Woods, of Baltimore, and the late Sheriff Peter Woods and Mr. Jos. Woods, of this county. Her husband, who has been an invalid for some time, two daughters and three sons—Mrs. John T. Cassell, Miss Mary Elizabeth Young, Messrs. J. Harry, Ira J. and David J. Young—survive her. Funeral services were held at Meadow Branch Church, on Tuesday morning, after which her remains were interred in the church cemetery.

A Venerable Citizen Surprised.

On Thursday morning, 16th inst., Mr. Henry Pool, a venerable and worthy resident of this city, enjoyed a surprise celebration of the eightieth anniversary of his birthday. Those who took this method of manifesting their regard for Mr. Pool arrived during the morning and remained until the afternoon was approaching its close. Social conversation was the principal feature of the occasion until four o'clock, when refreshments were served in abundance and pleasant variety and were heartily enjoyed by all. Mr. Pool was the recipient of a number of useful presents. Those present were: Mr. Henry Pool, Miss Emma Pool, of this city; Mr. and Mrs. Lewis J. Barnes, of Gamber; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Arnold, Mr. Wilbur Arnold, Miss Lida Arnold, of Sandyville, and Mr. Geo. Barnes, of Baltimore. When the visitors made their adieus they expressed the hope that Mr. Pool might yet enjoy many happy years of life, and that his daughter, Miss Emma, might also experience a long and useful life.

Juvenile Watermelon Parties.

Mr. C. C. Gorsuch, of this city, gave a watermelon party on the grounds of his beautiful home on West Main street, on Tuesday evening, to the children of the town. The invitation was general and three hundred to three hundred and fifty children and numbers of adults were present during the evening and participated in its gastronomic and social enjoyments. The lawn at the front of the residence was brilliant with large numbers of varicolored lanterns, and delightful music was furnished by Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Roberts, the former with the violin and the latter with the piano. The children engaged in games and plays to their hearts' content and altogether the affair was an unusually pleasant one.

Mr. Gorsuch is generous-hearted and open-handed and could not be content with ministering to the pleasure of the most highly favored children of the city alone. Hence, on Thursday evening, he repeated his hospitality and liberality to the juveniles but this time to the children of the more lowly citizens of darker hue, by giving them a watermelon party on the grounds of the Union Street M. E. Church, which were illuminated with Chinese lanterns. Melons galore were supplied, as on the previous occasion, and as fully enjoyed by the youngsters and some of their elders.

Personal.

Miss Alice Jones, of Washington, D. C., is visiting friends in this city.

Miss Ada Oursler has gone to Betterton to spend several weeks.

Miss Catharine Rader, of Baltimore, is visiting Mrs. Geo. Rush, near this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse H. Mitten, of Greencastle, Pa., are visiting friends in this city.

Mr. W. E. Shreeve, of Ridley Park, Pa., has been visiting his uncle, Mr. Chas. Hesson, of this city.

Mrs. Noah Sier, of Winchester, Va., is visiting her sister, Mrs. David Lippy, on Pennsylvania avenue, this city.

Messrs. Joseph Witter and Frank Myers, of this city spent from Saturday till Wednesday last at Atlantic city.

Mr. Joseph P. Yingling and family, of Pleasant Valley, went to Atlantic City yesterday, to remain ten days.

Mrs. K. B. Croly and son Richard, who were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Caple, have returned to their home in Baltimore.

Mrs. Baker, Mrs. Cassell and Miss Moore, of Baltimore, are guests of Mrs. Samuel H. Shipley, East Green street, this city.

Mr. Simon P. Nusbaum has taken a position as salesman, with the Albaugh & Babylon Grocery Company, of this city.

Miss Ruth Davis, of Baltimore, and Miss Estella Aldridge, of Winfield, spent last week with Misses Etta and Carrie Zepp, of Eastview.

Miss Jewell Simpson, daughter of Prof. S. Simpson, of this city, is spending a month in Pocomoke City, visiting Miss Marie Veasy.

Mrs Wm. W. Harver Pyles, of Baltimore, spent last week visiting her sister, Miss Emily R. Harver, of Pleasant Valley, formerly of Baltimore.

Misses Nina and Mary Englar and Miss Etta Mitten, of New Windsor, who had been visiting the Misses Cover, of Cover, have returned home.

Mrs. A. B. Engel and daughter, Miss Lillian, of Baltimore, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jesse N. Williams, of No. 263 E. Main street, this city.

Miss Hattie Devilbiss, and Miss Lou Klingel, of Baltimore, who had been visiting Misses Gertie and Bessie Cover, of Cover, have returned home.

Misses Cora and Clara Stricklin, of Baltimore, are visiting their aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. David Lippy, on Pennsylvania avenue, this city.

Rev. and Mrs. Louis Randall and child, of Stewartstown, Pa., are visiting Mrs. Randall's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Derr, of this city.

Messrs. Jno. D. Bowers, and Eugene W. H. Lamotte, of this city, will leave to-day for Atlantic City, N. J., where they will spend ten days.

Mrs. Ary J. Lamme and son, Ary J. Lamme, Jr., of New York, are visiting Mrs. Lamme's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. B. Thomas, of this city.

Mrs. Prof. Simpson, of this city, with two of the children, is spending the month of August in Henderson, N. C., visiting Messrs. S. P. and G. B. Harris and other relatives.

Messrs. Frank R. Cassell and Harry P. Gorsuch, of this city, expected to sail yesterday from Baltimore, by the steamer Howard, for Boston, Mass., to be absent ten days.

Mrs. E. J. Rippard, of this city, accompanied by Mrs. Sabin Robbins, of Middletown, Ohio, returned on Thursday from Atlantic City, where she had been sojourning for several weeks.

Rev. Dr. Titzel and family, of Lancaster, Pa., are visiting Mrs. Titzel's brother, Mrs. J. B. Allison, No. 15 Bond street, this city, where they are spending several days. They will also visit friends at Emmittsburg.

Misses Sallie Martin, Nina Lyvers and Mary Spalding, of Littlestown, Pa., and Messrs. Charles Martin, Wm. Brown and Frank Diehl, of Philadelphia, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. N. Keefer, of this city, Wednesday.

Messrs. Chas. W. Moore and Chas. E. Hering, of this city, took a trip down the Chesapeake Bay to Old Point Comfort and Virginia Beach on the steamer Georgia, on Saturday, returning by the steamer Alabama, to Baltimore, on Wednesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Starner entertained at dinner, on Sunday, August 12th, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Mitten and two children, Grace and Emory, of Baltimore; Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Starner, Sr., and son Harry, Mr. and Mrs. Holley Dell and son Calvin, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Geiman and Miss Janie Wolfe.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Huber and Mr. and Mrs. Jesse F. Shreeve, who have been at Cape May since early last week, went on an excursion to Atlantic City on Wednesday, where they met Mr. and Mrs. Theo. F. Englar, Mrs. Jennie Woodward and two daughters and Mr. Samuel Roop, who are spending some time at the latter seaside resort. All are having a very enjoyable time.

Pleasant Valley Items.

Prof. J. H. Kurtzenknabe, of Harrisburg, Pa., has organized a singing class here and has upwards of 50 scholars who seem to be progressing well under his improved method of teaching.

Mrs. Ed. M. Hahn was given a surprise birthday party on the 29th ult., when all her children and a few intimate friends were present. It was a real surprise as Mrs. Hahn knew nothing concerning it in advance. Preparations for it had been going on for the last six months, but she was in ignorance of it until the hour set for the party.

The celebration here, on the 21st ult., was, as usual, a success. A very large crowd gathered. The program was well gotten up.

Cider making and apple butter boilings by steam has begun here, but the crop will be a short one this year.

Our village has been pretty well filled up with visitors and city boarders during this long extended heat.

The Reformed congregation are largely preparing for the reunion to be held on the 15th of September. Large buildings are being erected to accommodate all who may attend.

Daniel Items.

Misses Bessie Shipley and Carrie Fredericks, of Baltimore, are the guests of Miss Jemima Shipley.

Mrs. Green, of Washington, D. C. was the guest of her sister, Mrs. John A. Snider, last week.

Rev. Ben. Meeks has been visiting at Mr. H. L. Shipley's this week.

Miss Annie Cramblith, of Baltimore, is the guest of her friend, Miss Phebe Shipley.

Mr. John S. Gillis and daughter Ethel, of Rockville, spent a few days with friends in this vicinity, recently.

Mr. Henry Streaker and family, of Baltimore, who had been visiting relatives in this vicinity, have returned to their home.

Miss Stella Powers is entertaining her cousin, Miss Rosesteller, of Pittsburg, Pa.

Bloom Items.

We call this moving things in a hurry: On August 11th, 1900, Judge W. Y. Frizzell's threshing machine threshed 567 bushels of wheat for Mr. Jesse Manahan, from 12.30 until 7.30 P. M., moving the machine and re-setting it three different times. An old soldier, fifty-seven years of age, did the feeding.

Manchester Items.

The members of the U. B. Sunday School and their many friends were taken a straw ride to the cottage home of Mr. Jacob B. Lynerd, in Germantown, where the yard and surroundings were brilliantly lighted with chinese lanterns and torches and all things in readiness for a general good time under the lavish hospitality of the host and hostess. A band, improvised for the occasion, surprised all with their good music and enlivened the occasion until a late hour. The annual treat was on hand, consisting of ice cream, cake, fruits &c., in abundance and was a pleasant feature of the occasion.

Another week of the continued drought has pretty well finished the vegetable crop in most of the gardens. The corn too is showing the effects of the drought, while pasture is almost nothing and feeding is resorted to for the daries' products. North of us, in the Glen Rock Valley, where the frequent showers of several weeks were abundant, the corn and vegetable crop is good, at some places exceptionally so.

The remains of Mr. J. Edward Harpst were brought from York., Pa., where he died, on Tuesday, to the home of his son Frank, north of town from whence they were laid away to rest in a family lot here, beside his wife who died some years ago. Mr. Harpst was a native of this district and a son of Mr. John Harpst, an octogenarian, living a mile east of town. He was 57 years of age.

Many of our people attended the Lineboro and Snydersburg Sunday School celebrations on Saturday last. The attendance at each was large despite the oppressive heat and dusty roads.

Quite a ripple of excitement disturbed the usual quiet features of our town on Friday morning, when 17 men walked out of the Gettier cigar factory on account of a misunderstanding about introducing the manufacture of a new brand of cigars. It provided a big budget for gossip and for some days was all the talk. Some of the men are back at their work and the factory is in full blast with about 50 employees.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin H. Geiselman and child, of Westminster, spent a week with Mrs. Geiselman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Everhart, on York street.

The Misses Herr, of Westminster, have been visiting the Misses Trump.

Mrs. P. G. Ober, who had been spending several months with friends in Baltimore, has returned home.

Mrs. D. L. Dubbs and niece, Miss Norma Gettier, visited Mr. Bert Bubb and family, of Glen Rock.

Mrs. Boetler and daughters, Misses Dollie and Virgie, and granddaughter, Miss Bessie, are stopping with Mrs. Julia M. Motter.

Rev. H. J. Macalister and daughter, of Westminster, spent a day with friends here.

Mrs. Lewis Loats spent several days with her daughter, Mrs. David Witter, of Westminster.

Mr. Charles Rupp, son of Dr. Wm. Rupp, of Lancaster, Pa., is visiting among friends in this, his native town, after an absence of 12 years.

Mr. Harry Shaffer and friend, of Woodberry, are visiting their aunts, the Misses Shaffer, of Germantown.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. B. Myers and daughter spent Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. Myers' brothers, the Messrs. Panebaker, of Zells Station, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Mathias, of Lippy's Valley, royally entertained Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hively and granddaughter on Sunday last.

Mrs. C. Miller gave an apple and pear cutting party to a number of her friends, on Monday evening, and had a butter boiling on Tuesday. Refreshments were served.

New Windsor Items.

Mr. James Ecker died at Linganore, Frederick county, on Monday morning, aged 62 years. He was a member of the German Baptist Church and was buried in Pipe Creek Cemetery, on Wednesday. He was well known and largely connected in this neighborhood.

A considerable quantity of wheat is coming in to the elevator and the quality is very fine. D. P. Smelser & Son received over a thousand bushels in one day.

The electric lights that were placed in the Presbyterian Church and at the depot have been tested and proved satisfactory. Our town is surely booming.

Mr. Geo. L. Stocksdale is adding a double bay-window to his residence on Church street, which will improve it very much.

The canning factory of Mr. Joseph A. Stouffer started canning corn on Thursday morning.

The International or Robin Hood fete was a complete success, financially and otherwise. Such a crowd was never seen in the town before and the mass of humanity looked charming under the glow of the electric lights and Japanese lanterns. One of the leading features of the evening was the sweet strains of music rendered by the Union Bridge Band, which highly entertained the people. The ladies in costumes representing various nationalities attracted much attention.

Mrs. J. Win. Snader gave a birthday parted in her son, Master Denton, on Saturday afternoon from two till five o'clock, on the lawn in front of her residence. About sixty children were in attendance.

Miss Emma Ecker entertained a large party of young folks at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth Ecker, on Wednesday evening. It was given in honor of Miss Lamora Smith, of Frostburg.

Mrs. G. G. Bixler gave a party for her two sons, Masters Granville and Thorburn Bixler, at her beautiful home in Wakefield Valley. The children from here went to the party on a straw ride which added much to their pleasure.

The A. M. E. colored camp is in progress in the grove of Mr. R. Smith Snader. About a dozen tents are occupied.

Miss Marie Shriver, of Avondale, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Wm. Jesse Roberts.

Miss Susie Ecker, of Baltimore, is visiting Mrs. G. C. Anders.

Miss Stuart, of Annapolis, who had been visiting her aunt, Mrs. Terry, left on Saturday morning for an extended trip abroad.

Mrs. Jos. Shorb, formerly of this place, now residing in Baltimore, was in town last week visiting friends.

Mrs. Addie Ensor has returned home after spending a few weeks with her son-in-law, Mr. Frank Hammaker, of Liberty.

Mrs. John Weaver, with four children, of Dallas, Texas, is boarding at "Hotel Diehman."

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An Enjoyable Lawn Social.

One of the most enjoyable lawn socials of the season was given at the residence of Mrs. Mary E. Owings, near Warfieldsburg, on Friday evening, 10th inst. At an early hour the guests began to arrive and soon quite a large company had gathered. The evening was most pleasantly spent in playing games, music and social conversation. About 11 o'clock all were invited to the dining room to partake of refreshments which were served in abundance and to which all did ample justice. After bidding the hostess a reluctant good night the company dispersed. Those present were: Mrs. Mary E. Owings, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Englar, Misses Rosa Ensor, Lollie Baile, Daisy Lemon, Grace Stem, Maggie Eisenhart, Bertie Manahan, Lillian Franklin, Carrie Shoemaker, Pauline Smith, Grace Frizzell, Evelyn Timanus, Daisy Townshend, Doretha Smith, Grace Robertson, Mae Gorsuch, Eurith Danner, Cora Harman, Elsie Harman, Effie Owings, Virgie McComas, Edith Payne, Nora Duvall, Linnie Zile, Alice Owings, Minnie Summers, Blanche Owings, Vera Hull, Elsie Waltman, Anna Youse, Bessie Franklin, Marie Franklin, Golda Frizzell, Messrs. John Owings, Leo Franklin, Wm. Armacost, Harry Owings, Carroll Zile, Albert Farver, Frank Naill, John Bushey, Warren Snader, Armacost Ensor, Harry Harman, Chas. Armacost, Ralph Smith, Lewis Brock, Grier Robertson, Ephraim Bowersox, Guy Barnes, Frank Baker, Joshua Owings, John Eisenhart, Clarence Duvall, David Stem, James Danner, Weldon Duvall, Albert Eisenhart, Jesse Owings.

Suicide at a Camp-Meeting.

A young man named Frank H. Smith, of Bark Hill, this county, created a scene of horror and excitement at Linwood camp-meeting, about 10 o'clock on Thursday evening of last week, by firing a bullet from a revolver into his head and killing him self instantly. It was about the closing hour of the evening service and the act was committed in near proximity to the part of the ground where it was held and immediately became known to the worshipers and visitors at the camp. It was a tragedy of a nature rarely witnessed on such an occasion. Young Smith suddenly placed the muzzle of the pistol against his forehead, pulled the trigger and fell dead in his tracks. The bullet passed directly through the brain and, our informant says, life was practically extinct before the body touched the ground.

Justice Louis Dielman, of New Windsor, was sent for, but upon arriving upon the ground deemed it unnecessary to hold an inquest, as no doubt existed as to the cause of death.

The unfortunate young man, whose age was 17 years, 1 month, 17 days, was a son of Mr. John N. Smith, a worthy and highly esteemed resident of Bark Hill and an employee in the boiler shop of the Western Maryland Railroad, at Union Bridge, for whom and for whose family there is sincere and widespread sympathy in their severe affliction.

The cause of the act which so swiftly and suddedly terminated the life of one who was little more than a youth in years is not known. The victim of his own hand was evidently in trouble of some sort which he, as youth is prone to do, probably dwelt upon in mind and exaggerated until no other way of escape appeared to his excited imagination.

Haight Items.

New Oakland M. E. Church South will hold their annual picnic, Wednesday, August 22nd, commencing at 3 o'clock. All are invited.

Thomas Collins, of Oakland Mills, while engaged in digging a well at that place, got into the well bucket and the two men at the windlass began to lower him, but he had only gone a very short distance when, it is supposed, he was overcome by smoke and gas, fell to the bottom of the well and was instantly killed. Mr. John Weetencamp, who went down after the body, stated that after he had been lowered a very short distance he would also have fallen from the bucket if he had not been strapped to the well rope. Mr. Collins was a veteran of the civil war and served on the Union side throughout the war. Deceased leaves four sons, three of whom are employed at Oakland Mills. Funeral at Freedom M. E. Church on Thursday last. Interment in the cemetery nearby.

Mr. John Hush, Sr., is having an artesian well bored on his premises. This will be the first well of the kind in this vicinity. We hope others will follow suit, and have artesian wells sunk, as the danger of injury to workmen is not so great and the water is much better. A few years ago a man was engaged in walling up a well for Mr. Tobias Vaughn and as the bucket descended full of stone the rope broke and the bucket struck him on the leg which had to be amputated.

Piney Creek Items.

The dry weather continues, and in many places water is getting very scarce. The streams have ceased to flow and the fish are dying. This has been one of the dryest and hottest summers we have had for a long time.

Mr. Jacob Spangler has sold ten acres of land to Mr. Shanabrook and his farm to his father.

Mr. Milton Hull has purchased the home farm of his father-in-law, Mr. Joseph Doterer.

Mr. Samuel Mehring came near burning his buildings last week by fire running over a stubble field from a burning fence row. It was only by hard work that the fire was kept from the buildings.

Mr. D. T. Stouffer lost one of his best horses last week.

The painters have just put the finishing touches on Mr. Reindollar's new barn. Mr. Reindollar now has one of the most substantial barns in this county.

Mr. P. Wiest will move to Hanover in the near future.

Mrs. Geo. B. Zinn, of near Charlestown, W. Va., was here this week visiting friends.

Mr. D. W. Mayers is having his well dug deeper.

Mr. Clapsadle, of near the Two Taverns, is running the creamery at Marker's Mill.

Those of our farmers who have not finished plowing are having a hard time of it.

Shipley Items.

Farmers here are busy threshing out their grain which is yielding from 21 to 35 bushels per acre. They are now plowing for their fall seeding. Some have finished plowing while others are only beginning it.

Many of the sweet corn planters in this section are going to reap small crops for the factories this year. The long drouth of July retarded the growth of the corn and the late rains have failed to overcome the setback. Many are complaining of the potato crop being short.

Zion Sabbath School will have its festival this year on the 8th of September.

Mrs. Grove J. Shipley is visiting her niece Mrs. Grant Miller, of Unionville.

Misses Rosa and Mattie Hook, of Baltimore, are visiting their cousin, Mrs. Mary S. Hook, at "Sunnyside Farm," near Shipley.

Mr. Grove A. Shipley, of your city, was overcome by the sun on the 7th inst., while working on one of his farms near Shipley, and was taken to his home in Westminster by his son-in-law, Mr. Joseph H. Shipley.

Mrs. Sadie Todd and daughters, Misses Edna and Grace, of Baltimore, visited their uncle, Mr. A. J. Easton, of Shipley.

[Mr. Shipley recovered sufficiently in a short time to be about again.—ED.]

For the Sentinel.

A Family Reunion and Birthday Surprise.

On Tuesday, 14th inst., the home of Mr. John P. Benedict, near Tyrone, was the scene of a pleasant birthday surprise, in honor of Mr. Benedict, it having been his 71st anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Benedict were unconscious that any preparation was being made to honor his birthday until the children and grandchildren began to arrive and prepare for the pleasant event. Mr. Theo. Myers, photographer, came upon the scene in time to take the picture of the happy group, in several positions, two of which will be developed, a dozen of each having been contracted for. After this we repaired to the dining room and partook of the substantials of life, also the delicacies of the season, consisting of chocolate creams and mixed candies, ice cream, lemonade, cake, &c. The joyous event will be long remembered by all. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Jno. P. Benedict; Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Ebaugh and son Claude, of Trenton, Baltimore county; Mr. and Mrs. Grant Hollenberry and children, Vinnie, Glenn and Earle, of Owings' mills; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bowers and children, Edith, Laura and Edward; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur D. Benedict and children, Mary and John; Mrs. Samuel Benedict and sons, Ersie and Paul; Mr. and Mrs. Foster Warehime and children, Glenn and Ruth, and Miss Buelah Baust, all of Carroll county.

Proceedings of Circuit Court.

The August non-jury term of the Circuit Court for Carroll county began on Monday, with Judge Reifsnider on the bench.

Messrs. George W. Durbin and Noah Lippy were appointed bailiffs for the term, and D. Joshua Brown messenger. Mr. George N. Fringer is crier.

Calling the dockets occupied the first day's session. The dockets contain 20 original cases, 67 trials and 13 appeals, which were continued until the November term. Some equity business was heard on Tuesday and court adjourned on Wednesday.

Uniontown Items.

Miss Bertha Bean, of Eckington, Washington, D. C., visited Mr. Edwin G. Gilbert's family the past week.

Misses Travenger and Barnhart, of State Line, who were guests of Miss Anna Harbaugh for a week, returned home on Friday.

Miss Emma Perry, of Union Bridge, and Mr. William Perry, of Baltimore, were guests of their sister, Mrs John Heck, during the past week.

Mrs. M. Luther Lantz, of Westminster, visited her brother, Mr. Thomas F. Myers, and Mr. Emanuel Formwalt's family on Sunday.

Miss Nettie Myers, of Trevanion, returned on Monday from a week's visit to friends in Harford county, Md., having enjoyed a delightful visit.

Rev. William A. Crouse, of Westminster, filled the pulpit of the M. P. Church on Sunday and was the guest of Mrs. Lydia Brubaker and Mr. Thos. H. Routson while in town.

Tommie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Cover, who is clerking for Cover Bros., at The Narrows, Virginia, is enjoying his vacation at home.

Mr. Walter Devilbiss, of Baltimore, formerly of town, spent Saturday as the guest of Mr. William Segafoose's family.

Mr. Newton Gilbert, of Annapolis, spent from Saturday until Monday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Wesley Gilbert.

Mr. Philip Englar conducted the sale of personal property, on Wednesday and Thursday, of his father at the latter's late home near New Windsor.

Miss Kate Willett, of Thurmont, who spent a week with her sister, Mrs. Frank Palmer, returned home Saturday.

Mr. William Willett, of Baltimore, was entertained from Saturday until Monday, by Miss Daisy Shaw, at her father, Mr. John L. Shaw's.

Mrs. Harry Yingling and son Harry Edwin, of Baltimore, are visiting at Mr. and Mrs. Frank Eckard's.

Mrs. William Davis and son, Chester Davis, and John Ford, of Philadelphia, are guests of Mrs. Elizabeth Davis, mother of Mr. William Davis.

Mrs. John Hamburg attended the funeral of her grandson, Walter Lee, infant child of Mr. Theodore and Mrs. Clara Crouse, near Friendship, Church of God. Interment in adjoining cemetery.

Mrs. Harriet Seilhmaer, of Lancaster, Pa., is the guest of Mrs. J. Wesley Rodkey and other friends in town.

Rev. B. W. Kindley will preach at Pipe Creek M. P. Church, Sunday, August 19, at 10.30 A. M., and at Uniontown M. P. Church at 8 P. M.

Mrs. John Crumpacker, Miss Helen and Master John Crumpacker, of Baltimore, were visitors at Mr. Ephraim Kelly's this week.

Porter's Items.

The Sunday School picnic of Messiah Lutheran Church, held in the grove of Mr. Wm. A. Dorsey, near the church, on last Saturday afternoon and night, was a complete success.

Rev. J. C. Nicholas, of Avonmoore, Pa., preached at Messiah Church on Sunday morning.

One of the most pleasant social events of the season was the assembling at the parsonage, on Monday evening, of a large number of the older members of Messiah congregation, in honor of Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Nicholas, of Avonmoore, Pa. After spending some time in social intercourse all were invited to the dining room, where ice cream, cake, and lemonade were served in abundance to all. Those present were: Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Nicholas, pastor of the church; Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Nicholas and little daughter Gertrude, of Avonmoore, Pa.; Mr. C. M. Nicholas, who is spending his vacation with his parents; Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Ebbert, of Union Bridge; Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Ebbert, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Bushey, Mr. R. C. McKinney, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Mc Kinney, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Beck, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Shoemaker, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Hess, Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Lauterbach, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Flohr and children, Fannie and Willie; Mrs. Fanny Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Flickinger, Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Leatherwood, and Mr. Benton Wilson.

The heaviest yield of wheat yet reported was made by Mr. T. L. W. Condon, and was over 37 bushels per acre.

Mr. L. B. Shipley and Mr. L. M. Bushey are each preparing to burn a kiln of lime.

Mr. D. M. Shoemaker will shortly begin the cellar wall of his new house.

Mr. A. H. Wallace spent last Saturday with his family and attended the picnic at Messiah Church.

Mr. William Naill and sister Jennie, of Bridgeport, Md., spent several days visiting relatives and friends in this neighborhood the latter part of last week and first of this.

Miss Ella Zents, of Clear Ridge, is visiting Miss Dora Hess.

Melrose Items.

The many friends of Charles T. Zepp will be pleased to learn that the *Shield-in-Friend*, published by him and his brother at this place for five years, is now published at Flushing, N. Y., by Harry J. Cornell. Charles T. Zepp has been very weak during the intense heat.

A traveling show spent several days last week in our midst.

Mr. John Geiman, Sr., is repainting his large barn.

The condition of Mr. Beva Wagner, who had his left arm crushed while coupling cars on the B. V. Branch of the W. M. R. R., is not much better. The doctors do not think his arm need be amputated, but if not it will remain stiff. Much sympathy is felt for Mr. Wagner, who has a family dependent upon him.

Mrs. Elizabeth K. Zepp has a lantanus stalk with 28 flowers on it.

The most beautiful flower yard we have seen this summer is that belonging to Mrs. Henry Sterner, near Manchester.

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Birthday Party near Smallwood.

Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Lee gave an elegant reception at their home, near Smallwood, on Saturday, August 11th, in honor of their daughter, Miss Lillie Cassell Lee, it having been her birthday. At three o'clock all were invited to the dining room, where refreshments were served, consisting of all the delicices of the season, to which all did ample justice. Miss Lillie was the recipient of many useful presents. Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Lee, Miss Lillie and Master Willie Lee, Misses Myrle, Hilda, Ida and Amelia Bowersox, Miss Edna and Mr. Wm. Green, of Reese; Miss Nellie Saffell, of Reisterstown; Misses Estelle and Bessie Lockard, Elsie and Martha Lockard, Messrs. Howard Coppersmith, Paul Lockard, Willie Niner, Luther and Jessie Shrock; Miss Effie Owings, Miss Elizabeth Barnett, of Baltimore; Mrs. Ezra Coppersmith, Mrs. Green, Mrs. F. Bowersox, Mrs. Shrock.

Orphans' Court.

Monday, August 13th.—Letters of administration on the estate of Sarah E. Whitehill, granted unto James C. Whitehill.

Last will and testament of Josiah Hawn admitted to probate and letters testamentary thereon granted unto Samuel D. Hawn, who received order to notify creditors.

Edward O. Weant, administrator of Charles