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LOCAL ITEMS.

The festival being held at the Firemen's Building, this city, by the ladies of the W. C. T. U., will continue to-night.

The handsome little pony owned by Miss Madeline Gilbert, daughter of Mayor O. D. Gilbert, of this city, died of colic on Tuesday night.

The sale of the farm of Andrew Shaffer, of Shiloh, advertised by M. E. Walsh, Esq., to take place to-day, has been withdrawn.

The SENTINEL has received a handsome calendar, issued by the Royal Fire Insurance Company of Liverpool, for 1901, from Mr. Chas. E. Goodwin, insurance agent, this city.

A November thunderstorm, with pouring rain, occurred in this locality on Sunday evening last. The lightning was vivid and the thunder loud and startling.

A series of meetings by Elder Jos. Long, of York, Pa., began in the German Baptist Church, this city, on Thursday evening and will continue ten days.

Mrs. Mary Stonesifer, of Union Mills, died at the alms house of this county on Monday, aged 80 years. Her husband died some years ago. Her remains were taken to Silver Run, for interment, on Wednesday.

Mrs. Algire, an aged lady, who resided near Wesley Chapel, died on Monday and her remains were interred in the burial ground of that church on Wednesday. Mr. Wm. Algire, of this county, is her son.

The Foyer Club of Baltimore, which played the four-act farce-comedy, "What Became of Parker?" at Odd Fellows' Hall, this city, on Thursday evening, received a flattering reception, the house having been literally packed by a highly pleased audience.

The Supervisors of Election of Carroll county desire all persons having claims against the Board to present the same promptly at the office of Messrs. Roberts & Crouse, in this city, for liquidation. The attention of election officers is particular invited to the fact stated.

On Saturday last Mr. Jeremiah Brodbeck, son of Mr. J. Wesley Brodbeck, near Lineboro, and nephew of Mrs. Henry P. Albaugh, of this city, while running a fodder-cutter had one of his hands caught in the knives and torn and mangled in a dreadful manner. The injured hand was amputated at the wrist.

Miss Bessie Bowers, aged 17 years, 25 days, daughter of Mr. Noah Bowers, died at her home near Winfield, on Saturday, and her remains were interred in St. John's Catholic Cemetery, this city, on Monday. She was an estimable young lady and her early death is much deplored. She had been in ill health for several years.

Mr. Jesse Sullivan, an aged resident of this district, fell from the overden in the barn of Mr. G. W. Hull, near this city, to the barn floor, a distance of fifteen or sixteen feet, on Saturday last, and was severely bruised. Fortunately no bones were broken. He was unconscious for some time, but is gradually improving. Dr. J. H. Billingslea attended him.

As Mr. Chas. Elgen, a young resident of West Falls, was on his way home on horseback, on Sunday evening, 18th ult., his horse stumbled and fell under him. One of young Elgen's feet was caught under the animal, but he was able to withdraw it without assistance and was not much hurt. As the horse did not rise he sought help and found, upon examination, that the animal was dead, having broken its neck in falling.

Messrs. Harry P. Gorsuch, of this city, and others, mortgagees of the Catoctin Furnace property, assigned the mortgage, on Tuesday, on the payment of $20,000 and interest, to Lawrence J. Morris, of Philadelphia, who filed a bill for the sale of the property. The property, which consists of 7,000 acres of land and the furnace plant, had been offered for sale by the mortgagees, but on account of some technicality the sale was deferred.

The new hall of Union Mills Lodge, I. O. M., was publicly dedicated on Thursday afternoon, with the ceremonies of the order adapted to such occasions. Grand Architect Ballauf and other officers of the Grand Lodge conducted the dedicatory exercises. A great crowd of people had assembled to witness the dedication, many of whom were not able to find standing room in the hall. A drill and other exercises by the pupils of the school was a feature of the occasion. At night many members of Westminster Lodge visited their Union Mills brethren and exemplified the work of the order.

Oliver Sholl, aged 19 years, son of Mr. John Sholl, near Silver Run, was tried in the Circuit Court for Carroll county, on Tuesday and Wednesday, on an indictment and acquitted charging him with feloniously assaulting Laura C. King, aged 21, of the same neighborhood, on the 14th of July last. State's Attorney Weant conducted the prosecution and Messrs. D. N. Henning and Guy W. Steele defended the accused. Judges Reifsnider and Revell occupied the bench during the trial and the jury before whom the case was tried was constituted as follows: Granville Coppersmith, Francis J. Albaugh, Jesse W. Leppo, John Crumrine, Elias G. Shipley, Jesse Leatherwood, Theo. W. Houck, John E. Deeds, Ezekiah D. Bowersox, J. Edwin Weaver, Jonas W. Fridinger and Charles H. Lantz.

Prof. Simpson, treasurer of the Board of School Commissioners of Carroll county, paid off the public school teachers yesterday in a very orderly and systematic manner that left no room for delay or interruption. The teachers had been grouped in thirteen sections, according to the election districts of the county. The checks were made out for the teachers alphabetically, and as they withdrew from the Assembly Hall in the High School Building each teacher wrote his name and received his check. In the county there are one hundred and thirty-nine schools and one hundred and seventy teachers.

The *Bulletin*, of Pittsburg, Pa., says: "The engagement is announced of Miss Bertha Graver, daughter of Mrs. A. M. Graver, of Fifth avenue, Shadyside, to Mr. E. O. Grimes, Jr., of Westminster, Md., to be followed by their marriage at Christmastime. Miss Graver came out last year (when she was the guest of honor at a number of pretty social affairs), her introduction into society following a period at a New York school and extended European travel. Her fiance is a well-known young attorney of Maryland whose visits to Pittsburg during the last few months have been frequent—as one might imagine. He intends to take his bride to Westminster to live."

At the meeting of the County Commissioners on Monday the ratification of the report of the examiners in the road petitioned for by Mr. Jacob Garman and others, in Manchester district, entered November 12th, was, by consent of petitioners and objectors, stricken from the minutes and a corrected report filed. Objections to the ratification of the amended report were then filed by Mr. Henry Richards. The sum of $6, donated by the board to assist in defraying the traveling expenses of the late Geo. W. Durbin to Holyoke, Mass., was refunded, Mr. Durbin's death having occurred before the money could be used. Other business transacted was of a routine character.

We are informed that the Citizens' Water Company of this city has contracted for mains from the wells near Cranberry Station to the site of the reservoir and for supply pipe from that point to the city limits, a distance of nearly two miles. It is expected that the pipes will begin to arrive within ten days. The work of digging the trenches and laying them will follow immediately and will be pushed with expedition. A large number of hands will find employment in the process. In the meantime other necessary work to carry forward the project will be done. We are informed that six artesian wells have been finished and provide a supply of very fine pure water more than sufficient for all uses in this city. One of them is a running well.

As will be seen by a notice in the business locals of the SENTINEL Messrs. Nixon & Zimmerman have arranged with the Western Maryland Railroad to run a special train to Baltimore on Saturday next, the object being to afford people along the line of the road an opportunity to witness the play of "The Old Homestead," which will be produced at the Baltimore Academy of Music on the occasion. The time of the train from stations at which it will stop in this county will be: Middleburg 10.08, Union Bridge 10.13, Linwood 10.16, New Windsor 10.20, Westminster 10.34. The round trip fare will be $1. Returning the train will leave Baltimore at 7.45. Matinee at the Academy of Music will begin at 2.15 P. M. "The Old Homestead," one of the most attractive plays on the boards, will be produced by Mr. Denman Thompson and the entire New York cast. Many persons will be glad of the opportunity to witness this beautiful play.

Court Proceedings.

State of Maryland vs. John Stewart; assault with intent to rob; tried before a jury; verdict, guilty; same day sentenced by the court to imprisonment in the penitentiary for two years and six months. Weant for State, Reifsnider & Grimes for traverser.

Since last week's report the following cases have been tried:

State of Maryland vs. Jesse F. Dixon; felonious assault; tried before a jury; verdict, guilty. Weant for State, Grimes and J. M. Reifsnider for traverser.

State of Maryland vs. Oliver Sholl; felonious assault; tried before a jury; verdict, not guilty. Weant for State, Henning and Steele for traverser.

State of Maryland vs. Tobias Butler; selling liquor without a license; verdict, not guilty. Weant for State, Steele for traverser.

Margaret W. Hoffman, Sam.l. Wolfe, executors vs. Theodore H. Hoffman; action of assumpsit; on trial. Wolfe, Urner and Bond & Parke for plaintiffs, Thomas for defendant.

The grand jurors concluded their labors on Saturday and were discharged after making the following report;

To the Honorable Judges of the Circuit Court for Carroll County.

The Grand Jurors of the November term, 1900, respectfully submit the following report: They have carefully and thoroughly examined into all matter brought to their consideration, without favor or malice toward any one, As a result of their deliberations they report the following: Total cases investigated 34, witnesses summoned 71, witnesses examined 58, constables examined 10, cases presented 21, cases dismissed 13, indictments found 21.

They visited the County Jail, which, under the official custodian, Sheriff Geo. W. Motter, was found in as good sanitary condition as the existing circumstances permit. The discipline appeared to be very good as order prevailed everywhere upon the premises. Improvements have been made upon the premises since the last (May) term of Court, viz: Water has been conducted to the washhouse, through pipes, also to the stable, both of which are necessary conveniences. The outbuildings have been renovated, a large carriage house has been added to the stable, the work of which was done by the prisoners. We have no recommendations to make, as the sheriff reported that everything has been done for the comfort of his family as well as the comfort of the prisoners; except, however, we would suggest that two closets be added to the prisoners' apartment, for female prisoners.

We also visited the Almshouse in a body. All the apartments are cleanly kept and were found to be in as good condition as circumstances permit. The inmates expressed themselves as being well cared for and comfortably situated. The barn is well filled with provender for the stock, and about five hundred bushels of wheat were found, threshed, in the granary The steward, Mr. Edward Berwager, informed us that he had about that quantity to thresh yet. We recommend that the proper authorities be requested to place two closets in the female department.

In reviewing the work of the term we have been favorably impressed with the general good order prevailing throughout the county, and we believe that it will continue to improve under your honorable supervision. Having completed all the work which came under our observation we now most respectfully ask your honors to be discharged.

SIMON P. WEAVER, Foreman.

For the Sentinel.

A Delightful Tea.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Stouffer gave a most delightful tea, on the evening of the 29th inst., at their home on Church street, New Windsor, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. B. Frank Hammaker, and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Ensor. The house and table were beautifully decorated with choice plants and flowers and nothing was left undone to add to the enjoyment and entertainment of their guests. The evening was spent in games and music and the occasion was one not soon to be forgotten. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Stouffer, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Hammaker, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Ensor, Mrs. Elijah C. Ensor, Mr. and Mrs. George L. Stocksdale, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Ensor, Mr. Samuel Ensor and sister, Miss Rosa Ensor, Miss Lillie Ensor, Miss Bettie Ensor, Mr. Wilbur Hammaker and others.

To Meet in Westminster.

The executive committee of the Maryland State Firemen's Association met on Tuesday at the office of the State Fire Marshal, Mr. R. M. Price, in the Merchants' National Bank Building, Baltimore, to determine upon the place of the next annual meeting of the association. After considerable discussion this city was selected as the place and June 12 and 13 as the dates. The committee decided to offer prizes of $75 and $25 for the best and next best drilled company in the association. Westminster will offer the following prizes: Hook-and-Ladder Contest—First prize, $75; second, $25. Reel Contest—First prize $75; second, 25. Engine Contest —First prize $50; second, $25.

A prize of $25 will be awarded the company having the largest number of uniformed men in the parade.

The usual rules will govern the contest, the prizes being open only to the companies belonging to the State Firemen's Association. Mr. Augustus J. Albert is president and Mr. Charles V. Wantz is secretary of the State association.

Dr. Lewis K. Woodward.

In another column will be found the professional card of our young townsman, Dr. Lewis K Woodward. The doctor graduated from the Hahnemann Medical College, Philadelphia, in May, 1899, at the head of a class of 70 and was one of the four assigned as resident physicians to the Hahnemann Hospital immediately thereafter. During his service—which lasted a year—at this institution, he obtained a wide experience in the following departments: The Accident and Emergency, Medical, Surgical, Diseases of Females, Children and Eye. The Hahnemann Hospital is one of the largest in Philadelphia and has, because of its location, the benefit of more Accident and Emergency practice than any other in the city. After leaving the Hahnemann the doctor took a three-months' special course in Obstetrics at the Philadelphia Lying-in and Charity Hospital.

The following from the Philadelphia *Evening Telegraph* of Oct. 31 is a fitting tribute to our young townsman and his professional associates:

After serving a most thorough course in the wards of the Hahnemann Hospital, Drs. Robert A. Woodruff, of Hackettstown, N. J.; Lewis K. Woodward, of Westminster, Md., and Howard W. Taylor, of Pittsburg, Pa., leave that institution to-day to take up their life's work. Dr. Woodruff will remain in this city, where he has made many friends, while the other two will go to their homes.

These young doctors graduated at the Hahnemann Medical College in 1899, and since that time they have had a most efficient schooling in their work in the accident ward and other wards of the hospital. They have been kept constantly busy, and the nature of the cases that have come under their notice embraces all forms of diseases and all cases of surgical operation, in the treatment of which, especially the latter, they have proved quite skilful. In the history of the Hahnemann it is safe to say that none have left the hospital with a better record than have these young men.

WEDDING BELLS.

ROOP–SHAWN.

Miss Elsie Ellen Shawn, daughter of James H. Shawn, was married on Wednesday evening at 1718 Harlem avenue, Baltimore, to Mr. William Warren Roop, a member of the Baltimore bar, by Rev. T. R. Woodford. The bride wore a gown of la.e and mousseline de soie and carried white chrysanthemums. Mrs. Roger B. Johnson, the matron of honor, wore white mull and lace and carried pink chrysanthemums. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Roop left for a trip South. They will live at 1718 Harlem avenue. The groom is a son of Mr. A. A. Roop, formerly of New Windsor, district, and studied law in this city.

BILLMYER–HORN.

Miss Alverta E. Horn, daughter of Dr. Phillip C. Horn, 1700 Edmonson avenue, Baltimore, was married Wednesday, November 21st, as 2 P. M., to Mr. Eugene W. Billmyer, at the parsonage of St. Barnabas' Episcopal Church, by the Rev. Thomas Atkinson. The ceremony was witnessed by the immediate families of both bride and groom. The bride was attired in a handsome gown of French blue, with hat to match. After receiving the hearty congratulations of a host of friends, the couple left for a trip North.

WRIGHT–McKINNEY.

The most beautiful wedding witnessed for many a day was that which united the hearts and hands of Miss Minnie E. McKinney and Mr. S. Elbert Wright, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Flory, near Nokesville, Prince William county, Va., on Wednesday evening, Nov. 21st. More than an hour before the appointed time the parlor, which was tastefully decorated with evergreens and white chrysanthemums, was filled to overflowing with friends who had gathered to witness the ceremony. Promptly at 5 o'clock the bridal party entered the parlor preceded by the bridesmaid and groomsman, Miss M. Katye Wright, sister of the groom, of Bridgewater, Rockingham county, Va., and Mr. A. B. McKinney, brother of the bride, of Sykesville, Carroll county, Md., and were there met by the Rev. S. H. Flory, who so beautifully performed the solemn ceremony. The bride was attired in a beautiful costume of pure white organdie, trimmed in white satin ribbons, with slippers and gloves to match, and carried a boquet of Bride's roses and white chrysanthemums. The bridesmaid was dressed to match the bride. The tall and handsome groom wore the conventional black with white tie and black gloves. The groomsman, looking his best, also wore the conventional black. After receiving best wishes and congratulations, they retired to the dining room, where a delightful wedding supper was served. Among those present were: Mr. R C. McKinney, father of the bride, a popular and retired farmer of Carroll county, Md., and Mr. H. L. Bushey, also of Md.; Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Flory, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Flory, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Flory, Mr. and Mrs. Noah Garber, Mr. and Mrs. Harpine, Mr. Wm. Hale and daugher, Miss Fleeta, Mrs. John Baker, Mrs. Lillie Baker, Misses Lara and Iva Kane, Mollie and Sallie Hederick, Vernie Flory, Bertha and Rosa Holsinger, Mary, Minnie and Edna Flory, and Messrs. Benj. Hederick, Ira and Hescott Flory, Geo. Nichols, Roy, Jacob and Johnny Flory. The bride received many useful and handsome presents, consi-ting of silverware, queensware, linen, &c. On Thursday morning the happy couple were driven to Manassas, where they boarded the 9.30 train for Harrisonburg, Va. The bride wore a traveling suit of blue, with white trimmings.

Personal.

Mrs. Annie C. Jones, of Frederick, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Wm. L. W. Seabrook, of this city.

Miss Evelyn Brily, of Washington Grove, Md., is visiting Miss Iona Jewell Simpson, College avenue, this city.

The Misses Chritzman, of Gettysburg, Pa., are visiting their brother, Mr. Geo. W. Chritzman, and family, of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. C. Smith and son Fitzgerald, of Baltimore, and Mrs. Julia McKellip Campbell, of Washington, D. C., spent Thanksgiving day with Mrs. John E. Smith, this city.

Mr. Arthur F. Englar and children and Miss Fannie Routzon, who went from this county to North Dakota, last spring, have returned. They reached this city on Saturday. Mr. Englar's wife died recently.

On Thanksgiving Day Miss Florence Hoff Mitten, of this city, entertained at dinner Misses Nettie and Fannie Buffington, of New Windsor, Miss Nellie Stansbury, of Hampstead; Miss Ada M. Buckingham, near Finksburg, and Messrs. Wm. D. Reese and W. Scott Zepp, of this city.

Union Bridge Items.

Rev. H. J. Macalister was on last Sunday evening installed in St. Paul's Reformed Church as pastor of the Union Bridge Charge. The Church had been elaborately decorated for the occasion with potted plants by the ladies of the congregation. The installation services were conducted by Rev. C. S. Slagle, of Westminster, and Rev. A. Bateman, Ph. D., of Taneytown.

Thanksgiving services were held in the Reformed Church here, in which all the resident ministers participated. The sermon was preached by the pastor of the Reformed congregation.

Jesse F. Dixon Guilty.

In the Circuit Court for this county, Jesse F. Dixon was found guilty by a jury, on Tuesday, of felonious assault upon Miss Lillie Belle Edmonson, the seventeen-year-old daughter of Mr. John T. Edmonson, a worthy and reputable citizen of Woolery's district, on the 22nd day of October, 1900. The prosecution was conducted by State's Attorney E. O. Weant and the defense by Messrs. J. Milton Reifsnider and E. O. Grimes, Jr. Following were the jurors before whom the case was tried: John Bernstein, John D. Sellers, Henry N. Cassell, David S. Cloushser, J. Jacob Basler, Jacob W. Warehime, Isaiah Nusbaum, James A. Barnes, Milton Chew, J. Webster Ebaugh, George E. Bowman and Charles L. Wampler.

Lilie Belle Edmonson was the first witness for the prosecution. She testified that for 20 days before the assault, which was committed on October 22nd, 1900, she was employed in the family of her great-uncle, George H. Barnes, about three miles from her home. Previous to that she had been employed by Miss Susie Buckingham. It was her habit to go home on Sunday morning and return to her place of employment in the afternoon of the same day. She went home on October 21st. Dixon, who had married her older sister, Maggie, on the 19th of August previous, was there; in fact, he lived with his father-in-law. Some time during the day he asked her (the witness) when she was going back to Mr. Barnes', and she told him that afternoon. He told her if she would stay until Monday morning he would go with her that far, as he was going to work for Alfred Barnes, who lived farther away in the same direction. She did not wish to do so, but upon her sister joining in the request and Dixon urging that they could all go to church together that night she consented to stay. They went to Bethesda Methodist Church on Sunday night and on Monday morning she started soon after daybreak for George H. Barnes', Dixon accompanying her. She wanted to go by the public road, but he persuaded her to take a shorter though more lonely route. On the way he talked principally about his wife, with whom he expressed dissatisfaction, and said he intended to leave her. They did not get along well together. He asked witness if his wife had ever said anything to her about leaving him. Witness was carrying a bundle. When they came to a fence at a lonely spot, with a woods on one side and George H. Barnes' orchard on the other, he took the bundle from her and threw it over the fence. She began to climb the fence, but he seized her by the throat and threw her to the ground. She screamed and he said ——— you, I have a revolver and if you scream again I will shoot you." She screamed again and he caught her by the throat with both hands and choked her. She thought he would choke her to death. She struggled hard to prevent him from accomplishing his purpose, but was finally overpowered.

Witness said that after the assault she climbed over the fenee and made her way to Mr. Barnes'. Before she started, Dixon asked if she meant to tell on him, and said that if she did he would kill her. She was afraid if she said "yes" he would shoot her at once, and so answered in the negative. He further said he intended to leave her sister a corpse and would kill her father, mother and several others.

Mrs. Lelia E. Barnes, wife of George H. Barnes, testified as to the girl's condition upon her arrival at their house. Witness was in the kitchen and saw Lilie stumble up the porch steps and fall on a table. She went to her and inquired what was wrong. The girl was weeping bitterly. Mrs. Barnes put her arms around her and found her trembling violently. She supported her into the house and finally learned from her the cause of her agitation. Lilie's face was scratched and swollen; her throat was also bruised and swollen, and her arms and back bruised. There were other evidences that she had been very roughly treated. Richard S. Barnes and his wife further corroborated these statements. George H. Barnes corroborated his wife's testimony.

The defence examined a number of witnesses as to the mental condition generally exhibited by Dixon. His own father, Frederick Dixon, testified that he was always unable to learn anything at school. He had gone to school seven or eight winters and never learned to read. Alfred T. Buckingham and Sheriff Motter testified as to his indifference when arrested.

Dr. S. C. Clarke, superintendent at Springfield Hospital, testified that he had examined Dixon in jail last Friday. He found only one physical sign of mental degeneracy, an arched palate. He thought Dixon below the average in mental capacity, but did not think him incapable of understanding right from wrong.

Dr. Abram T. Cronk said that in addition to the arched palate Dixon had an unusually diminished occipital protuberance, which was also a sign of degeneracy. He, however, testified that he thought the accused capable of discerning right from wrong. Several other witnesses testified to Dixon's peculiarities and low mental capacity.

The case was argued before the jury on Tuesday morning by the counsel named, and at one o'clock, P. M., a verdict of guilty was rendered. Judges Reifsnider and Revell were on the bench during the trial, which excited intense interest on account of the character of the crime.

Judge Reifsnider sentenced Dixon, yesterday morning, to twenty-one years confinement in the Maryland penitentiary. In passing sentence Judge Reifsnider commented upon the enormity of the crime perpetrated by Dixon, and, in substance, declared that the death penalty was only withheld upon the solicitation of the jurors before whom he was tried. The convicted man, the court declared, had had no mercy upon his young and innocent victim, but mercy was extended him because of the request of the jurors. Twenty-one years is the extreme limit of the law, short of the death penalty, in such cases.

Fatal Accident.

Correspondence of the Baltimore *Sun*, under date of the 27th ult., says: "The body of William Wilford Kurtz was taken from Washington, D. C., yesterday to Carrollton, Carroll county, Md., for interment. He was 19 years old and had been an employee of the lithographing department of the Government Printing Office. Last Friday he was injured accidentally in an elevator at the office and died in a few hours. He was a son of Mrs. Annie E. Smith, wife of Mr. T. Arthur Smith, of Carrollton. The father of Mr. Kurtz was the late William Kurtz, of Baltimore."

After the above was in type a detailed account of the accident, with an account of the funeral of the unfortunate young man, was received from our Carrollton correspondent, who writes in exceedingly complimentary terms of the character of the deceased. His back was crushed and his leg broken by the 2000-pound weight of the elevator, which fell on him. The accident occurred on Friday and he died on Monday. Funeral services were held at the Union Bethel, Church of God, on Wednesday, which was the twentieth anniversary of young Kurtz's birth. The pastor, Rev. L. F. Murry, and Rev. J. W. Evans officiated. The pall-bearers were six of the associates of the deceased in the Government printing office. Mrs. V. Brown, of Washington, D. C., grandmother of the unfortunate young man, and a number of friends from Washington and Baltimore attended the funeral. He was buried in a white casket. The floral tributes from Washington and elsewhere were profuse and beautiful.

LIST OF UNCLAIMED MATTER

remaining in the Postoffice, Westminster, Md., November 24th, 1900:

Biles, Mrs. Geo. Smith, Miss Rachael
Fields, Mr. Edward (2) Tremper, John (4)
Howard, Mrs. Leonered Wilson, Lawrence
Nelson, Miss Nora Zepp, Mr. Theo. S.

Persons calling for matter in the above list will please say it was advertised. MILTON SCHAEFFER, P. M.

Bankert's Mill Items.

Your correspondent was one of about one hundred persons who attended the Lutherday services at St. Benjamin's Lutheran Church, on Sunday morning, November 25th. The services were exceptionally fine, and the program was varied, yet every part of it was well rendered by all who took a part. The exercises were opened by the choir singing "Gloria in Excelsis." The music, which was well rendered, was under the direction of Mr. Geo. C. Harmon, of near Uniontown, with Miss Lydia Starner at the organ. The following program by the Sunday School was closely followed in its several parts: Invocation, by pastor; opening exercises, by congregation; singing, Lo! aMighty Host; Scripture lesson, Psalm xlvi; singing, "Christ for This Land We Sing;" prayer; address, Why We Are Here, by Agnes Reese; recitation, "Luther," by Miss Ida Essich; responsive reading, "Luther a Model of True Christian Life," by Mr. Yeiser; recitation, by Master Robt. Leas; recitation, by Ida Petry; singing, "Forward Soldiers, Follow Jesus;" recitation, by Grace Stoner and Grover Hunter; recitations, by Nellie Ecker, Ruby Yeiser, and four happy little christian girls and boys; recitation, by Grace Schweigart and Helen Ecker; singing, Sound the Battle Cry; responsive reading; patriotic exercises, by 8 young Misses. This exercise, as well as the recitation by Miss Agnes Essich, which was the closing recitation, entitled "Jo the Boot Black," while all did well, received more than special attention from the audience, and certainly had our unstinted praise. During the collection a quartet was well rendered by Geo. C. Harmon, tenor; Mr. Yeiser, bass; Miss Shaeffer, alto, and Miss Lydia Starner, soprano. Then followed a prayer for home missions, by the pastor; singing, "Lord Send Thy Word and Let it Fly;" the Lord's Prayer, by congregation, doxology, and benediction, closed the exercises, of which the congregation can be justly proud. We must not forget to mention that Miss Lydia Starner, the efficient organist of the congregation which she serves, performed her part with credit to herself as well as to the congregation.

Uniontown Items.

We are very sorry to have to note the death of Minnie, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Hahn, who died in her tenth year, on Wednesday evening. She was taken sick little over a week ago, with typhoid pneumonia, resulting in spinal meningitis, which caused her death. A trained nurse, sister Magdalena, from the Lutheran Deaconess' Home, Baltimore, and the careful attention of her physicians combined did all in their power to arrest the combination of diseases, but of no avail. Minnie was a very bright, interesting child. The vacancy in the home, day school and Sunday School will be noticeable. Her funeral services were held in the Church of God, Friday afternoon, conducted by Rev. S. B. Craft, pastor, assisted by Revs. G. W. Bachman, of the Lutheran Church and B. W. Kindley, of the M. P. Church. Interment in Hill Cemetery.

On Sunday last Mr. and Mrs. Marshall G. Shaw entertained Mr. and Mrs. John Wright, Misses Jennie and Alice Wright, Mr. Ernest Wright, of near Mt. Union; Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Myers, Miss Nettie Myers, Mr. Howard Myers, Elwood Starr, of Trevanion; Miss May Routson, of town.

There will be a praise and prayer service held at Greenwood's Church on December 9th, at 2 o'clock. Mr. Gover Routson, of our town is conducting a Sunday School at that point every Sunday.

Miss Edna Flater will go to Baltimore on Monday to spend some time with her sister, Mrs. Thomas Hooper.

Mrs. Hannah Duderer and Miss Hannah Duderer went to Baltimore on Thursday to visit friends until Sunday evening.

Misses Anna and Rhoda Weant, of Double Pipe Creek, are visiting their sister, Dr. and Mrs. Luther Kemp.

Miss Margaret Robinson, of Frederick, Md., visited her sister and family, Rev. and Mrs. B. W. Kindley, this week.

Communion service at M. P. Church Sunday morning at 10.30. Revival services at 7.30 P. M., to be continued during the week following.

Dr. and Mrs. Luther Kemp entertained on Thursday Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Weant, Mrs. M. A. Koontz, son Earle and Carroll Koontz, Mr. Ross Koontz, Messrs. Harvey and Ed. O. Weant, Miss Marline and Rhoda Shorb.

Winfield Items.

A Thanksgiving day sermon was delivered in Academy Hall, by Rev. S. B. Craft, under the auspices of the Winfield P. O. S. of A.

Mr. H. M. Zile recently purchased a new boiler and engine from the Farquhar Co., of York, Pa. It has several recent improvements and is giving excellent satisfaction.

Several farmers in this vicinity have been butchering lately. One of the largest (?) hogs was killed by Mr. Noah Pickett.

Our farmers have been taking advantage of the recent fine weather to get their plowing done. Mr. Farver and Mr. J. H. Stem have turned considerable sod.

Mr. A. M. Zile has been conducting a successful oyster saloon on Saturday nights.

The farm of the late Wm. Wilkins, near Daniel, was sold on Wednesday in three lots. Messrs. A. Streaker, C. A. Conaway and I. Costly were the purchasers at prices ranging from $10.00 to $39 per acre. Mr. Streaker got 6 acres, 22 perches, at $39 per acre; Mr. Conaway 75¼ acres, 6 perches, at $12 25, and Mr. Costly 10¼ acres, 11 perches, at $10. Messrs. Geo. L. Stocksdale and E. O. Grimes, Jr., made the sale as trustees.

The photographs of the academy recently taken by Mr. Theo. J. Myers have been delivered and were pronounced excellent by all who saw them.

Several new pupils have entered the academy in the last two weeks.

Last Sunday the presiding elder conducted services at Ebenezer Church. It was announced protracted meeting would begin next week.

The protracted dry weather has caused most of the wells in town to fail. Nearly all the residents of the southern part of the town are depending on the well of Mr. J. P. Waltz. It is hoped the heavy rain of this week will afford some relief.

Mr. C. S. Pickett has had his delivery wagon remodeled and neatly lettered by Mr. J. P. Waltz.

Orphans' Court.

Monday, November 26th.—Emily L. Harstone and E. Oliver Grimes, Jr., administrators of Campbell S. Harstone, returned inventory of personal property and received order to sell personal property.

Last will and testament of Sarah R. Glisan, deceased, admitted to probate and letters testamentary thereon granted unto Winter D. Jones, who received order to notify creditors.

John T. Cassell, executor of John K. Diehl, reported sale of real estate.

Tuesday, November 27th.—Final ratification of the sale of the real estate of E. Jerome Myers.

Mary A. Hahn, executrix of Amos W. Hahn, returned inventory of personal property.

Letters of administration on the estate of Ezra L. Shriner, granted unto E. Clay Shriner, who received order to notify creditors.

Distribution made among the creditors of Isaac W. Repp, deceased.

James A. Bostion, executor of Clara V. Sullivan, returned inventory of money, reported sale of personal property and settled first account.

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A Birthday Surprise.

On Tuesday evening last the residence of Mr. Geo. C. Miller, formerly of this city, 1935 Warnock street, Philadelphia, was filled by the many friends of his son, Geo. S., who had come to give him a birthday surprise. The evening was spent in singing by several quartet clubs and by a number of others. Refreshments were served in abundance. Friends were present from Baltimore, Easton and Westminster, Md.; from Delaware and elsewhere. The presents were many and very fine.

Manchester Items.

Rev. S. M. Roeder held Thanksgiving services in Trinity Church.

Our schools gave a Thanksgiving entertainment on Wednesday afternoon in their rooms which was largely attended by friends and patrons.

Numbers of wells in town are dry and others are so low that they scarcely provide a sufficient supply for family use. Some parties near town are having their wells deepened by drilling.

Mr. William Redding has purchased the home of Mr. Solenburger, in Germantown, for the sum of $950, and will take possession in the spring.

Mrs. C. Miller entertained a number of her friends on Wednesday evening at a taffy pulling.

Mrs. N. W. Sellers and son Lewis, of York, Pa., are visiting Mrs. Sellers' mother, Mrs. David Burns.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Motter, of Baltimore, spent Thanksgiving with Mr. Motter's home folks. Mr. Motter informs us that he has dissolved his engagement with his employers and will engage in business for himself.

Miss Sadie Masenheimer is entertaining her friend, Miss Noonan, of Baltimore, who will give a series of recitations in the hall to-night.

Mrs. Dr. J. H. Sherman, who was closely confined to her room for some weeks, is again able to be out.

Mr. and Mrs. McBee entertained their children and a number of Baltimore friends during the Thanksgiving holidays.

Miss Lizzie Fuhrman and Mr. Hoffacker, of Hobart, Pa., were the guests of Mrs. E. W. Fuhrman on Thursday.

Miss Zentz, of Middleburg, spent a week with her brother at the home of Mr. Chas. T. Warner.

Mr. and Mrs. Tilden Zepp took possession of their new home in the Sherman residence, vacated by Mrs. Rudisil last month.

Mrs. M. L. Morelock is visiting friends in Baltimore.

The butchering season is on and quite a number of porkers have kicked the beam at 350 and 400 lbs.

Mr. Harry Masenheimer, of St John's College, Annapolis, is spending the holidays at home.

Mrs. Breckenridge Shaw and children, of Frederick, are visiting Mrs. S's. mother, Mrs. Mary Lamotte.

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Surprise Party.

On the evening of November 22nd there was, perhaps, the most successful surprise event of the season, in honor of Mrs. Lucinda Lovall, at her home near Shiloh by her many friends. Upon reaching her home, they found her entertaining one of her neighbors, who was aware of the approaching event. After having been entertained by Messrs. Harris, Walker and Craft, who rendered some fine music suitable for the occasion, the party betook themselves to the yard, where they indulged in various games and sports. While all this was in progress, some of the older ladies took much pains in preparing a sumptuous supper which was served about 10.30 o'clock, and to which all did ample justice. Mrs. Loval, better known as "Aunt Lucinda," received some very handsome presents, consisting of a gilded water set, parlor lamp, etc. At late hour all prepared to depart, but paused to express to the hostess their gratitude for the pleasure derived from the occasion. Among those present were: Mrs. Lucinda Lovall, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Lynch, Mrs. John Smith, Mrs. John Dell, Mrs. Daniel Rupp, Mrs. David Leister, Misses Annie Storms, Jennie Leister, Blanche Rupp, Mabel Storms, Blanche Carr, Linnie Hoffman, Annie Hoffman, Effie Smith, Minnie Woolery, Grace Woolery, Annie Lynch, Lina Leister, Lucretia Shaffer, Laura Esta Dell, Messrs. Joseph Hoffman, Melchoir Harris, William Hawkings, Earl Murray, Herman Marshall, George Walker, Howard Leppo, William Craft, Thos. Leister, Herbert Danner, Arthur Lynch, Harry Breitwiser, William Eck, Robert Rill, Roy Carr.

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A Surprise Party.

A very pleasant surprise birthday party was given to Mrs. Wm. R. Yingling, at the Orndorff stone quarries, near Westminster, November 23rd. The event proved a complete surprise to Mrs. Yingling. It was the forty-seventh anniversary of her birthday. The surprise was gotten up by her daughters, Misses Virgie I. and Ella L. Her sons, Milton A. and Harvey E., also helped the young ladies in their plan which was quite a success. The subject of the surprise received many valuable presents. Among those present were: Wm. R. Yingling and wife, Wm. Harris and wife, David E. Yingling and wife, W. M. Harris, Jr., and wife, Geo. Gummel and wife, Abram Snyder and wife, Harry Snyder and wife, Wm. Grosse and wife, Alfred Yingling and wife, Frank Orndorff and wife, Sam. Corbin and wife, Horatio Kneller and wife, Jesse Stem and wife, Chas. Lippy and wife, Mrs. Lucy Ebaugh, Mrs. Mollie Barnhart, Mrs. John Leese, Mrs. M. L. Orndorff, Misses Ella and Mollie Yingling, Virgie I. Harris, Mary and Gert Harris, Esta Utz, Annie Gr