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Notices of Sales, for which bills are printed at this office, will be published under this head for 50 cents. When bills are printed elsewhere $1.00 will be charged. Terms cash.

February 28th, at 10 a. m., 2 horses, 1 binder, 1 mower, wagons, buggy, and a large variety of implements, 30 barrels of corn, 7½ acres of wheat and 22½ acres of rye, &c., by Mrs. Annie E. Flater, administratrix, Sandyville. P. A. Gorsuch, auct.

Wednesday, February 27th, at 1 o'clock, P. M., 2 mares, 1 colt, 2 cows, heifer, bull, calf, sow, chickens, rabbits, pigeons, wagons, plows, harness, hay and fodder, &c., by Moses Barnes, on the Murray farm, on the Hook road, leading from the new Westminster and Washington turnpike, near Fenby, to Reese on the Baltimore and Reisterstown turnpike.

Thursday, March 7th, at 12 o'clock, M., sharp, 2 horses, 2 cows, wagons, plows, binder, harness, corn, hay, clover seed, &c., by Edwin B. and Franklin P. Fenby, executors of Wm. Fenby, on the Washington road, 2 miles from Westminster, at Fenby.

Wednesday, February 20th, at 12 o'clock, M., sharp, rain or shine, 3 mules, 1 horse, mare, colt, 7 cows, 5 heifers, wagons, binder, mower, implements of all kinds, harness, &c., by C. H. Kelley, on the farm now occupied by C. W. Melville, situated one-half mile from Oakland Church.

Thursday, March 14th, at 12 o'clock, M., sharp, 4 horses, 3 cows, 1 brood sow, 5 shoats, wagons, sleigh, binder, mower, farm implements, hay and corn, &c., by Wm. A. Gibson, 1 mile south of Gist, 2½ miles from Eldersburg, on the Bartholow road.

Saturday, February 23rd, at 1 o'clock, P. M., sharp, 1 mare, 1 cow, wagon, buggy, sleigh, harness, farm implements, &c., by Mary E. Starner, about 1 mile from Pleasant Valley, on the road leading from Hughes' Blacksmith shop on the Plank road to the former place. C. Fisher, auct. Earhart & Nusbaum, clerks.

Tuesday, March 19th, at 12 o'clock, M., sharp horses, cows, heifers, shoats, brood sow, farming implements, corn by the barrel, &c., by W. Wallace Naill, near Dennings. F. A. Crawford, auct.

Saturday, March 2nd, at 1 o'clock, P. M., 1 horse, 2 cows, 7 shoats, carriage, cart, wagons, farm implements, &c., by Wm. H. Himes, near the county road leading from Hughes' Blacksmith Shop on the Plank road, to Pleasant Valley. Wm. E. Warner, auct.

Thursday, March 14th, at 12 o'clock, m., 2 horses, 12 cows, about half of which will be fresh by the day of sale; farming utensils in general, by Uriah Bixler, 2 miles west of Westminster, near the Uniontown turnpike. J. Thos. Roop, auctioneer.

Tuesday, March 5th, at 12 o'clock, m., 4 horses 9 head of cattle, farming utensils and household furniture, by Joseph H. Cover, near Sams Creek. F. A. Crawford, auct.

Thursday, March 7th, at 12 M., horses, cows, heifers, hogs, wagons, mower, plows, roller, horse rake, hay carriage, harness, furniture, &c., by Harry F. Babylon, near Tyrone, on the Jesse Bankert mill property. 10 months credit. J. Thos. Roop, auct.

Tuesday and Wednesday, March 5th and 6th, at 10 A. M., fine cattle, horses, farm implements, furniture, &c., by Mrs. Clara B. Baile, 1½ miles from Westminster, on the Littlestown turnpike, at Stonersville. W. Frank Thomas, agt.

Monday, March 4th, at 9 A. M., 3 horses, 2 mules, 5 cows, two fresh by sale; 3 bulls, 6 heifers, sow and pigs, 8 hogs, wagons, binder, plows, harrow, corn planter, harness, &c., by Daniel B. Shaeffer, 1 mile from Westminster, on the road leading from the Sullivan road to Wilhelm's Mill. 9 months credit. W. T. Wilson, auct.

Tuesday, March 12th, at 9 A. M., horses, cattle and farming implements of every description and kind, by Samuel Myers, on Bachman's Valley road, 4 miles north of Westminster. Jacob Hoffman, auct.

Wednesday, March 13th, at 10 A. M., 3 horses, 6 cows, some fresh by sale; heifer, bull, sheep, 2 brood sows, shoats, wagons, plows, 1 mower, nearly new; binder, harness, furniture, &c., by Isaac C. Forrest, near Stone Chapel. W. T. Wilson auct.

LOCAL ITEMS.

Lent will begin on Wednesday next, 20th inst., which will be Ash Wednesday.

Judge Jones has filed an opinion, ratifying the sale of the real estate in the Erb case.

Mr. Joseph E. Shreeve has purchased the stock and fixtures of Mr. Jos H. Krichton's bicycle store and repair shop, on Liberty street, this city.

Mrs. Walter Leas, a sister of Mr. J. Frank Brinkerhoff, a former merchant in this city, died at her home in Straban township, Adams county, Pa., on Wednesday of last week.

Mrs. Wm. R. Steele, of Pennsylvania avenue, this city, accidentally fell, on Saturday last, and fractured two of her ribs, on her left side. Dr. M. L. Bott adjusted the fractures.

Mr. T. Palmer Tredway, a student at W. M. College, while playing basketball on Saturday last accidently ran against another student with such force as to break his nose. Dr. M. L. Bott, of this city, adjusted the fracture.

Mr. Peyton Poole, of Freedom district, slaughtered fifteen pigs, just six months old, on Monday last, which averaged 150 pounds. The heaviest weighed 187 pounds. Such a showing cannot easily be surpassed.

Lieut. Col. Charles B. McClean, commanding the First Regiment, M. N. G., expects to take five strong companies to the inauguration of President McKinley, on the 4th proximo, one of which will be Company H, of Frizellburg.

Mr. Hezekiah Motter, formerly a hotel keeper at Littlestown, Pa., and also at one time a resident of this city, died on Friday, 8th inst., in his fifty-seventh year, having been born September 5th, 1844. His remains were interred at Littlestown, on Monday.

The Westminster City Band has been employed by a Provisional military company, of Brooklyn, New York, to furnish music for the company at the re-inauguration of President McKinley, at Washington, D. C., March 4th.

The engagement of Miss May Crouse, daughter of School Examiner Wm. S. Crouse, of Caroline county, and granddaughter of Rev. Wm. A. Crouse, of this city, to Mr. Howard Melvin, of the Denton Journal, is announced. The wedding is to take place in the spring.

Mrs. Susanna Hammel, who died in Baltimore on Wednesday of last week, in her 37th year, was a sister of George L. Stocksdale, Esq., of the Westminster bar, and of Mrs. Thomas H. Bankard, of this city. Her remains were interred in Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Baltimore, on Sunday.

Miss Annie Heiner, last survivor of the family of the late Peter Heiner, of this county, died at the home of her nephew, Mr. H. F. Hartzell, in Straban township, Adams county, Pa., on Sunday last, of cancer, aged 73 years, 11 months, 22 days. She was a great, but patient, sufferer for years. Her remains were interred in the Pines burial ground on Tuesday.

A special meeting of the Westminster Fire Department will be held on Monday night, 18th inst. Every member is urged to be present.

Mr. Lewis S. Clingan, of Frederick, was the successful bidder for the following mail routes: Union Bridge, through Liberty, to Frederick; Liberty to Union Bridge, through Unionville. It is said his bid on the first named route was $575 and on the other $170.

The Benevolent and Aid Society of St. Paul's Reformed Church, this city, met at the residence of Mr. Wm. B. Thomas, on Friday evening of last week. A fine musical and literary program was rendered and much enjoyed by the many persons present.

Mr. Wm. J. Lowe, son of the late David Lowe, died at his home near Tannery, on Monday last, in his thirty-sixth year. His remains were interred in the burial ground of St. John's (Leister's) Lutheran Church, on Wednesday, Rev. S. A. Diehl officiating. Deceased leaves a wife and seven children.

Miss Lydia Sauble, an estimable and venerable lady, died at the home of her nephew, Mr. Jonas Wagner, of Wakefield, on Wednesday, 6th inst. She was in her eighty-first year. Funeral services were held at Pipe Creek German Baptist Church, of which she was a member, Elder Ephraim W. Stoner, of Union Bridge, officiating. Mr. Charles P. Baile, of New Windsor, was funeral director.

Mrs. Mary Levina Bittinger, widow of the late Simon Bittinger, of Littlestown, Pa., who had been residing with her son-in-law, Mr. Edward Kester, of Myers' district, this county, during the last two years, died on Sunday night, 3rd inst., at the home of a relative, whom she was visiting, in Scotland, Franklin county, Pa. She was found dead in her room on the following morning, having died suddenly, of heart disease. Her age was 67 years, 7 months, 23 days.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Erb, formerly of Union Mills, this county, but now residing at Akron, Col., have issued invitations to the wedding of Mr. Erb's sister, Miss Laura C. Erb, and Mr. Warren Fuller, of Denver, Col., which will take place at 8 P. M., Wednesday next, 20th inst. The prospective bride is a granddaughter of the late George Shade, near this city. Mr. and Mrs. Fuller will be at home at 3903 Converse street, North Denver, after March 10th.

Mrs. Eliza Chase Davis, wife of Major A. G. Davis, died at Mt. Airy, on Monday, after a short illness, of pneumonia. Mrs. Davis was a daughter of Wells Chase, a Baltimore merchant. She was twice married, her first husband having been Allen S. Lewis, also a Baltimore merchant, by whom she leaves two sons, Allen T. Lewis, a merchant of Philadelphia, and Justice F. J. Lewis, of Mt. Airy. She was a zealous and active member of the Presbyterian Church.

Mrs Matilda Close, widow of the late George W. Close, died at the home of her son-in-law, Mr. Alfred A. Mitten, near Spring Mills, on Friday, 8th inst., in her eighty-third year. She leaves two sons and one daughter—Messrs. Charles and Joseph Close and Mrs. Mitten—all residents of Westminster district. Mrs. Close was a member of the German Baptist Church and her funeral took place at Sams Creek, on Monday, Elders Uriah Bixler, Wm. H. Franklin and Ephraim Stouffer, officiating.

Mr. Titus Eckert, formerly of this city, died at his home near New Oxford, Pa., on Sunday, 3rd inst., aged about seventy years. Mr. Eckert married Miss Eliza Swormstedt, daughter of the late Dr. S. L Swormstedt, of this city, and resided here for several years. At one time he lived in Hanover, Pa., and was part owner of the Hanover *Gazette*. In Adams county he served as a justice of the peace and school director of Oxford township. His remains were interred in the New Oxford Cemetery. He leaves a widow and two children, Emerson and Gussie Eckert.

Regie, little son of Mr. S. C. Stoner, of this city, while coasting on Saturday last, collided with a fence and injured himself severely. His mouth came in contact with the fence with great force, lacerating, cutting and bruising the upper and lower lips outside and inside, very severely. It is thought that if a vital spot in the head had been struck a fatal result would have ensued. As it was the child's lips and face were greatly swollen and he suffered severe pain, but is now rapidly recovering, under the skillful treatment of Dr. Chas. R. Foutz.

Harry Huber, our young sailor townsman, made a flying visit to his home on Saturday evening last, returning to his ship, the Vermont, the following day. Harry expects to be transferred to his old ship, the Cruiser New York, which sails to join the European Squadron about the 15th inst., hence his anxiety to see the old folks at home before his probable long cruise begins. He holds the position of second-class electrician. At present, on the Vermont, awaiting transfer, part of his duty consists in drilling new boys in the manual of arms.

At their regular meeting on Monday the County Commissioners granted pensions of $5, each, to Margaret Nenninger, of district No. 6, and Wm. Hopkins of district No. 7. The Board also reappointed Mr. Edward Berwager steward at the alms house for the term of one year from March 1st, 1901, at a salary of $400 per annum, reserving the right to annul the appointment at any time. The steward was allowed the following help: teamster, at $150; fireman, $150; matron, $75; maid $84; wash-woman, $75.

People who predicted that prolonged cold weather would occur this winter, because there was prolonged hot weather last summer, have been having their "innings" during the last three weeks. The temperature during most of that time has been considerably below the freezing point, both day and night, and the last four days have been exceptionally uncomfortable. Our Uniontown correspondent tells of ice 11½ inches thick having been housed on Saturday last. Doubtless four or five inches have been added to its thickness since that time. Such protracted cold weather is unusual in this latitude.

Mr. Milton L. Veasey, of Pocomoke City, an alumnus of Western Maryland College, Class of '96, will be the first speaker for the University of Pennsylvania in a debate to be held between that institution and the University of Michigan, sometime in March. Mr. Veasey had an excellent reputation as a student and speaker at Western Maryland College and in his junior year aided the Webster Society to win a victory over the Irvings in their annual contest. Miss Marie B. Veasey, a sister of Mr. Veasey, is a student of Western Maryland College, Class of '02, at this time.

Mr. Jacob Baumgardner, who died at his home in Emmittsburg district, Frederick county, on the 4th inst., was twice married, his second wife having been a Miss Stumbaugh, of this county, by whom he leaves two daughters, Misses Abbie and Sallie Baumgardner. Three sons and a daughter of the first wife survive him. He was about seventy two years old.

The anniversary entertainment of the Irving and Philomathean Societies of Western Maryland College, which will be given in Alumni Hall on Friday evening, 22nd inst., promises, it is said, "to be one of the best in the history of these societies, and will deserve the patronage of all who are interested in the college and her literary organizations," which have contributed so much to building up the reputation of this community.

As the SENTINEL will reach many of its readers before the delivery of Mr. Lynn R. Meekins' lecture on "Our Later Humorists," at Alumni Hall, Western Maryland College, Friday night, they are hereby reminded of that event and advised to be present on the occasion. The lecture will be free and the lecturer, who has gained an enviable reputation in the field of letters, should receive a hearty greeting from a full house.

Mrs. E. O. Grimes, of this city, gave a reception from 4 till 7 o'clock, Thursday afternoon, to the bride of her son, Mr. E. O. Grimes, Jr., which was attended by many ladies of this and other places. Mrs. Grimes, Sr., and Mrs. Grimes, Jr., received. The latter wore her wedding gown, and won the hearts of all by her beauty and gracious manner. The refreshments were very elegant and tempting. Ditch & Bro., of Baltimore, were the caterers. The Misses Annan, of Emmittsburg; Miss Gambrill, Miss Clara Lewis, Miss Woodward and Miss Kitty Noel presided in the dining room.

Relatives of Mr. George W. Haines, in this county, have received information of his death, after a short illness, of typhoid pneumonia, on the 9th inst., at his home near Groehner, Neb., in the forty-third year of his age. Mr. Haines was a son of the late Wm. Haines, near Dennings, this county. At the age of eighteen years he went to Illinois, where, in 1884, he married Miss Mattie King, and afterwards went to Nebraska, where he was engaged in farming. He leaves a widow and five children. Mr. Haines was a brother of Mrs. John Zile, Mrs. Jesse Franklin and Mrs. Martha Bond, of Marston, this county, and Mr. Jesse A. Haines, of Ruby, Neb.

Mrs. Bertha M. Grimes, whose death at her home near Franklinville was briefly noted in the SENTINEL last week, was the wife of Mr. George W. Grimes, Jr. Her age was about nineteen years. She leaves an infant a few days old. Her remains were interred in the burial ground of Taylorsville Church on Thursday, 7th inst. Funeral services were held at the church, Rev. A. L. Campbell, of Baltimore, assisted by Rev. T. Jones, of New Market, officiating. The pall-bearers were: Messrs. Albert Crawford, Aubrey Stem, Allen Hoffman, David Stem, Fred. Brown and Chas. Bair, Mr. Charles P. Baile, of New Windsor, was funeral director.

Postmaster Schaeffer went to Washington, on Thursday, according to previous arrangement, and submitted to Congressman Baker a mass of data showing very forcibly the justice of Westminster's appeal for a new government building for the accommodation of the postoffice here. Yesterday a delegation, in charge of Mr. F. Thomas Babylon, went to the National Capital for the purpose of presenting the matter before the Committee of the House of Representatives on Public Buildings. The delegation, in addition to Mr. Babylon, was as follows: Dr. J. W. Hering, Rev. Dr. T. H. Lewis, Dr. Frank T. Shaw, Prof. S. Simpson, Geo. W. Albaugh, Fred. D. Miller, F. K. Herr, B. F. Shriver, Jos. D. Brooks, B. F. Crouse, Wm. H. Thomas, Wm. F. Derr, Wm. G. Rinehart.

A special meeting of the Council of the Clerical Union, which consists of six clubs of the clergy of the Episcopal Church in New York City, Philadelphia, Maryland, Massachusetts, the State of New York, and Cleveland, Ohio, held in Philadelphia on Thursday, sustained Rev. E. B. Taylor, of Ascension Church, this city, in his controversy with Bishop Paret. Mr. Taylor does dot accept the Bishop's interpretation of the rubrics and the latter refuses to visit Ascension Church while the former declines to conform to his views. A council of conciliation called by Bishop Paret, after Mr. Taylor declined to recede from the position he had assummed, recommended that he submit to the Bishop's wishes. Being sustained by the Council of the Clerical Union Mr. Taylor will probably feel less than ever disposed to abandon his opinion upon the matter, and a protracted contest may ensue.

Mr. D. C. Hammet, of Thurmont, died at Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, on Monday last, of pneumonia. With the disease which caused his death he had been suffering for a week with an uncontrollable attack of hiccoughs, which probably contributed largely to the fatal termination of the malady. Mr. Hammet was well and widely known in this county as a commercial traveler. He was a veteran Federal soldier of the Civil War, having served in the gallant 6th Md. Vol. Infantry Regiment. He entered the service as First Sergeant of Co. D, and was promoted Second Lieutenant May 1st, 1863. Sometime thereafter he was honorably discharged on account of physical disability contracted in the service. A fellow-officer of the regiment says of him that "he was not only a brave and gallant officer, but a christian soldier in the truest and best sense of the word."

The trustees of Carroll Charge, Reformed Church, have had three rooms of the parsonage handsomely papered by Messrs. Matthews & Myers, this city. Rev. J. B. Stonesifer, the new pastor, arrived with his family and household effects on Monday. Eight or ten sleds were at the railroad station to convey the family and transport the furniture to the parsonage. Reaching their destination the pastor and his family found about fifty members of the several churches of the charge awaiting them, and, after the furniture was unloaded, all were invited to an elegant dinner, prepared by the ladies, and consisting of chicken, ham, rolls, ice cream, &c. After satisfying the inner man the company fell to and assisted in placing the furniture and arranging the household effects, and, at a late hour in the evening, concluded the work and retired to their homes. The gentlemen who gave us the above information says: "All feel satisfied that our minister has made lots of friends since here with us."

A timely article on Abraham Lincoln, written by Col. Wm. A. McKellip, will be found on the first and fourth pages of the SENTINEL this week.

Death of Dr. Levi Royer.

After an illness which began in December, 1898, Dr. Levi Royer, a well known physician and citizen of this county, died on Sunday evening last at the residence of Miss Amelia Engel, in New Windsor, aged 61 years, 10 months. Dr. Royer was the second child of the late Jehu Royer, who died at Meadow Branch, near this city, in 1865, and of Mrs. Margaret Royer, who still survives, an aged widow, in her 83d year. Dr. Royer married, in 1863, Miss Englar, only child of the late Jonas Englar, near Linwood. Shortly thereafter he built the large brick mansion at the West End, this city, now owned and occupied by Wm. A. Cunningham, Esq. He was, for nearly a year, a partner of Mr. A. H. Huber in the drug business. From this place, he removed to the farm of his father-in-law in Priestland Valley, near New Windsor, where he lived until within the last two years, when his health compelled his removal to the private boarding house of Miss Engel. His marriage was without issue. Besides his wife he leaves his mother, above referred to; two brothers, Messrs. Jehu and Samuel Royer, and four sisters—Mrs. E. M. Bish, Mrs. Jno. D. Fisher, Mrs. P. H. Weybright and Miss Louisa Royer, the latter of whom resides with her mother on the home farm, near Westminster. The first wife of Mr. A. H. Huber, of this city, was Dr. Royer's eldest sister. The funeral was held at the residence of Miss Engel, in New Windsor, on Wednesday morning last. The burial was in the Englar lot at Pipe Creek Cemetery. Dr. Royer was a member of the Pipe Creek Congregation of the Brethren's Church, and up until his health failed took an active part in the Sunday School work of that church. The services at the funeral were conducted by Elders E. W. Stoner and Chas. D. Bonsack, of the Brethren's Church, assisted by Rev. R. Kolb, of the M. E. Church, and Mr. Jesse P. Garner superintendent of the Linnwood Sunday School. The pall-bearers were: Messrs. Jno. E. Senseney, Alfred Englar, Jesse P. Garner, Charles T. Repp, Jno. C. Buckey and Samuel W. Pfoutz.

Fires in Carroll County.

The dwelling house of Mrs. Melchoir Harris, near Houcksville, this county, was totally destroyed by fire on Friday of last week, entailing a loss of $500 or $600. It was a small two-story frame building, and was recently built for Mrs. Harris, who, with her son, had only occupied it a short time. It was not insured. A considerable portion of the furniture and household effects were saved. The fire it is said was caused by an overheated stovepipe. The loss to Mrs. Harris is a severe one as she had acquired the means for its erection after long and severe toil. It is said there was still a small amount due upon it. Mrs. Harris formerly lived in this city.

The barn on the farm of Mr. Edward Reese, near Houcksville, was totally destroyed by fire, about seven o'clock, Thursday evening, with all of its contents, consisting of two very fine horses, two cows, a lot of chickens, provender, wagons, small vehicles, some farming implements, harness, &c. Fortunately a binder, a mower and other important implements, a buggy and other articles were in another building, which was not burned. The origin of the fire is not known. Mr. Reese was in the barn fifteen minutes before the fire was discovered. He was not smoking and did not have a lantern. No sign of fire was then noticed, but when it was discovered the building was all ablaze and nothing could be saved. Mr. Reese's loss is about $1200. He has a policy of insurance in the Pennsylvania Insurance Company, of Philadelphia, Mr. James E. Smith, of this city, agent. This policy also covers a buggy which was not burned.

The residence of Mrs. J. Winterode, a large frame and weatherboarded structure, with back-building, in the village of Finksburg, was totally destroyed by fire, between two and three o'clock, on Monday morning last. Nearly all its contents were also destroyed, only a few chairs and an organ having been saved. Mrs. Winterode and her sister, Miss Cross, narrowly escaped death in the flames. Other members of the family were absent and Mrs. Winterode and Miss Cross were asleep in the second story when the fire started on the first floor, from an overheated stove it is said, near the stairway. The ladies were not aroused until escape in that direction was cut off and smoke was flowing into the upper rooms. They made their exit through a window to the roof of the porch and gave the alarm. Necessarily some time elapsed before help arrived, but they were finally taken from their perilous position by Mr. Bradley Mann, who procured a ladder by which they reached the ground. Mrs. Winterode's loss on building and furniture is estimated at about $1600 to $1800. The building was insured for $800 and household effects for $300 in the North British and Mercantile Insurance Company, Mr. James E. Smith, of this city, agent. Mrs. Winterode had $100 in a box which she saved, and her sister also saved $40 which she had in her purse at the time.

Mayberry narrowly escaped a very disastrous conflagration on Tuesday afternoon, when fire broke out in a two-story frame building owned by Mr. Erza D. Stuller and occupied by Mr. Otto Elde as a tinner's shop and residence. Mr. Elde occupied the building alone and was not at home when the fire began. The flames speedily spread to every part of the structure, which, with all its contents, was totally destroyed. All Mr. Elde's household effects, manufactured articles of tin, stock of tinplate and tinner's tools were consumed. Mrs. Jeremiah Zepp, a widow lady, had about $200 worth of furniture stored in the building and it was all entirely destroyed. It was not insured. Mr. Elde's loss is estimated at about $400, with an insurance of about $200 in the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Carroll county. Mr. Stuller's loss on the building is placed at $800 and his insurance at $550 in the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Dug Hill. The property destroyed was next door to Mr. Harry Fleagle's store, which was in great danger also, as was a block of half a dozen dwellings in the immediate neighborhood. Fortunately the high wind that prevailed at the time blew in the direction which carried the heat and flames away from the threatened buildings and enabled the citizens to prevent the fire from spreading.

Orphans' Court.

Monday, February 11th.—Calvin Starner, executor of Jacob Starner, returned sales of personal property and settled first and final account.

Obadiah Fleagle, administrator d. b. n. c. t. a., of Daniel Fleagle, received order to sell real estate.

Last will and Testament of Joseph O. Jones, deceased, admitted to probate.

Letters testamentary on the estate of Mary C. Spurrier, deceased, granted unto Nannie F. Spurrier and Irvine L. Spurrier, who returned inventory of debts.

J. William Earhart, acting executor of Mary A. Fitze, returned inventory of personal property and received order to sell personal property and real estate.

Tuesday, February 12th.—Louisa C. Smith, guardian of Annie C. Smith, settled first and final account.

Louisa C. Smith, guardian of John F. Smith, settled first and final account.

Letters testamentary on the estate of Joseph O. Jones, deceased, granted unto Maurice E. Jones and Nahia Arter, who received order to notify creditors.

David E. Shamer, executor of Sarah E. Shamer, settled first and final account.

Emily L. Harstone and E. Oliver Grimes, Jr., administrators of Campbell S. Harstone, returned additional inventory of debts.

David N. Henning, executor of Edward D. Wells, returned inventory of money, reported sale of personal property and settled first account.

Middleburg Farmers' Institute.

The following report of the Farmers' Institute held at Walden's Hall, Middleburg, was received too late for publication in last week's SENTINEL:

The Farmers' Institute held by the Middleburg Farmers' Club proved a very pleasant and profitable meeting. An appreciative audience of about 100 was present. The speakers were all present and the program was rendered in full. Mr. J. W. Kerr emphasized the propriety of adopting methods you have most faith in. Of plumbs for market he said the native varieties are the best, as they are free from the curculio and crop every year. Japan varieties were recommended for home use, the Abundance and Shabor varieties leading. "The great law is *Man*. If the *Man* is not, then success is shy in every avocation in life."

Prof. Robinson's talk on lime brought out the fact of the individuality of certain crops requiring lime. One advantage in sowing ground lime is the heat produced while slacking in the soil. 25 bushels per acre gives the best results.

Director Patterson's talk on feeding dairy cows brought out the fact that we feed too much corn meal and do not raise as much oats as used to be raised. He gave this as one reason for clover failing to grow as it used to. We should aim to raise protein instead of buying it. Raise cow peas, soy beans, oats and alfalfa. 1 acre cow peas is equal to 3 tons bran, 6 acres alfalfa equals 20 tons of bran. There are varieties of corn running high and low in protein. The average is 8 per cent., but varieties have been analyzed that showed 16 per cent. and the same with other crops. You will hear much more on this subject in a year or so. The young man, Mr. Doane, from the experiment station, gave a very creditable talk on handling milk, and butter making. Messrs. Royer Bish, Wm. Flickinger, Reuben Sayler, L. T. Sharetts and J. P. Weybright, gave talks on building and filling silos, feeding, &c.

[The writer desires to say in reference to Prof. Robinson's opinion, as quoted in the report, that twenty-five bushels of lime to the acre gives the best results, that he does not share in that opinion. No arbitrary quantity can be set up as a standard, because soils vary very widely in their constituents. In some cases, where lime is altogether lacking in soil, large quantities can be applied with benefit. Some soils need little if any lime. Indeed, there are cases in which its application would be positively injurious. This opinion is not theoretical, but is based upon actual experience.—ED.]

Ecker-Sellman.

A very pretty wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. Lloyd Sellman, a prominent farmer of this county, near Gosnell, on the 6th inst. The contracting parties were Mr. Sellman's granddaughter, and daughter of Mrs. Edith A. Sellman, Miss Lucinda A. Sellman, and Mr. Harry E. Ecker, both of Gosnell. Promptly at 12 o'clock, noon, the bridal party entered the parlor and was met by Rev. C. E. Dudrear and Rev. Jones, pastors of West Falls Circuit, M. E. Church, who joined the happy couple in wedlock. Miss Josephine Sellman, sister of the bride, was maid of honor and Mr. Harry Gosnell, cousin of the bride, best man. After the beautiful ceremony congratulations were in order and many kind expressions for their future happiness in life were tendered the newly married pair. The bride was attired in mode cloth, trimmed with white satin and cream braid, and carried a white prayerbook. The groom wore black with white tie. The bride was the recipient of many handsome and useful presents. After spending a short time in social conversation the guests were invited to the dining room, where, to the satisfaction of all, a sumptuous dinner, such as would satisfy the most fastidious, was spread. Much credit is due those who had charge of the culinary department. Those present were: Mr. Lloyd Sellman, Mr. Perry Franklin, Mrs. Edith A. Sellman, Mr. George Haines and wife, Mr Thomas Barnes and wife, Mr. J. Belt Townsend and wife, Mr. J. Theo. Gosnell and wife, Mr. George Demmitt and sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Reed, Mrs. James Flemming, Mr. Samuel Lowman and wife, Mr. Samuel Hood and wife, Mr. Milton Penn and wife, Mr. Harry Trayer and wife, Mr. Albert Harrison and wife, Mrs. Mary C. Baker, Mr. Samuel C. Poole, Misses Rhoda Ecker, Mary Sellman, Elsie Harrison, Nettie Harrison, Elizabeth Penn, Grace Condon, Pearlie Pickett, Lillie and Josephine Buckingham, Ruth Gosnell, Messrs. Christ Kriemer, Burgess Condon, Augustus Gosnell, Maurice Sellman, Charles T. Penn, John Cantwell, Emory Poole, Emory Lindsay, Robert Penn and Mahlon Geiman.

Patapsco Items.

At this writing we are having another cold wave, and the snow, which fell on the 24th and 25th ult., still covers the ground to the depth of 10 inches. Sleighing has been fine.

The remains of Miss Mary E. Evans, eldest daughter of Mr. Joseph Evans, of Carrollton, were interred in the burial ground of the Union Bethel, Church of God, on Friday, 8th inst. Rev. Mr. Slagle, pastor of Pleasant Grove Circuit, M. E. Church, officiated at the funeral. The pall-bearers were: Messrs. David Walsh, Frank Long, Henry Long, Edward Reese, Wm. Horpel and Charles Koontz.

The protracted meeting at Union Bethel, which had been suspended on account of the obstruction of the roads by snowdrifts, has been resumed. Owing to the illness of the pastor and his family, Elder S. B. Craft, of Uniontown, has temporary charge of the meeting.

Mr. Lewis Arnold, who was ill with brain fever, is able to be out again. Dr. M. L. Bott, of Westminster, attended him.

A child of Rev. John W. Evans has been quite ill, but under the skillful treatment of Dr. M. L. Bott, is improving.

There are still a few cases of grip in this vicinity.

Mr. George L. Shamer and son and Mr. Alfred Weaver are digging a well for Mr. Jacob Caple. It has reached a depth of more than sixty feet, but as yet there is little prospect of water. Mr. Caple expects to build a dwelling house the coming summer.

Union Mills Items.

Miss Rebecca Earhart has sold the large walnut tree that stood in front of her dwelling house, at the head of Wolfe's mill dam, to a timber agent, R. B. Boyd, for $155. Boyd removed the tree at his own expense. It was sawed off two feet below the surface of the ground which was first removed from around the trunk. The trunk log was fourteen feet long and nearly four in diameter. Two limb logs, twenty and thirty feet in length, respectively, were also secured. Josiah Kump's team will haul the logs to Hanover, Pa., from which place they will be shipped to Germany. The tree was about one hundred and fifty years old.

His Eminence, Cardinal Gibbons, was the guest of Mr. T. Herbert Shriver, for several days, last week.

Mrs. Eliza Fundenberg and daughter Miss Thekla Fundenberg, of Deer Park, Md., on the 12th inst. returned home from a week's visit to the family of Mr. H. Wirt Shriver.

Mr. Thomas J. Stitely is confined to the house with an attack of the grip.

Last Sunday evening, 10th inst., Mr. Harry W. Shriver, of Union Mills, and Miss Alice Le Fevre, of Littlestown, Pa., were quietly married at the Reformed parsonage, Littlestown, the ceremony having been performed by the Rev. F. C. Seitz.

LIST OF UNCLAIMED MATTER

remaining in the Postoffice, Westminster, Md., February 9th, 1900:

Andrar, Mr. Gesho
Churchill, Mr. E. R.
Clark, Eliza
Cox, S. Hellman
Cullen, Rev. F. A.
Lewis, C. M.
Pyles, Mr. Charlie
Randall, Mrs. Marian
Sahenar, J. H.

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

Manchester Items.

We are nearing the three weeks mark since our section has been partially snowbound. Many of the leading roads running east and west have been completely blocked since then and travel has been through private roads and fields which has brought forth a great deal of complaint against the road authorities by the traveling public and taxpayers for what they think is a neglect of duty. The sleighing has been fine and almost all the hauling and travel has been by sledding. The thermometer has been sporting about 10 and 20°. Fine ice was formed and at this writing the harvest has been completed, but the best ice of the season is forming. The coasters have been having a royal time on the hill south of town.

On Monday last death claimed another of our old citizens in the person of Mr. John Harpst, who died at the home of his son-in-law, Mr. David Leese, one mile N. E. of town, at the age of 81 years and 6 months. His remains were laid to rest in a family lot here on Wednesday, Rev. Flick officiating. Mr. Harpst had been in failing health for several years and when grip set in weary nature yielded and he passed peacefully away. He leaves 3 children, 21 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Mr. Frederick Berwager, another octogenarian, is lying quite ill at the home of his son-in-law, Mr. William Rohrbaugh, from a stroke of paralysis. Mr. B. has been a man of remarkable constitution. In his younger days he followed the business of well digging and passed safely through many accidents and miraculous escapes from death to so ripe an age, having been quite active until within some months ago.

Too great a flow of water into the boiler of the steam heating plant at the Gettier cigar factory, on Thursday last, resulted in a perfect wrecking of the three middle sections of the boiler and completely tied up the operations of the place for a time, but it is now in operation by stove heat until the plant can be repaired.

When the teams were reined up in a sledding and sleighing party at the Stick Hotel in Hampstead, one night last week, twenty of our citizens alighted and were mustered into the comforts of the hostelry by the host and hostess where a pre-arranged royal supper was awaiting them, to which the keen appetites did full justice, amid good cheer and merriment. Those of the party were: Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Hoffacker, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. N. Gettier, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Shower, Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Preston, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Hoffacker, Mr. and Mrs. C. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Lamotte, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shower, Mrs. C. M. Masenhimer, Mr. G. S. Motter, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. J. Everhart.

The members of Daniel and Jacob Lodge No. 23, I. O. O. F., with their families, will hold their annual oyster supper on Friday evening, 22nd inst., in the Hall.

We are sorry to state that the venerable host of the Franklin House, Mr. I. D. W. Stonesifer, is so much indisposed as to excite the fears of his family and friends.

The 6-year-old daughter of Mr. Horatio Loats is quite ill with pneumonia.

Colds, influenza, &c., keep our doctors quite busy.

Teachers' Institute.

School Examiner Simpson has perfected arrangements for the Teachers' Institute for this county, which is to be held at Westminster High School Assembly Hall, from Monday till Thursday, 18-21 inst. It will be under the supervision of Prof. M. Bates Stephens, State Superintendent of Institutes, with the following corps of

INSTRUCTORS:

M. Bates Stephens,
Superintendent of Public Education in Maryland.
J. W. Hering,
Comptroller of the Treasury.
T. H. Lewis,
President Western Maryland College.
J. W. Reese,
Professor Ancient Languages, Western Maryland College.
C. C. Boyer,
Department of Pedagogics, Keystone State Normal School, Pa.
F. Bonnotte,
Professor Modern Languages, Western Maryland College.
F. T. Tagg,
Editor Methodist Protestant, Baltimore, Md.
J. P. Fockler,
School Examiner of Washington County.
Mrs. Ida A. Elliott,
Teacher of Modern Geographical Methods.
S. Simpson,
School Examiner of Carroll County.

The program in full will be as follows:

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18th.

MORNING SESSION, 9.30 O'CLOCK.

Opening Exercises, Rev. P. H. Miller, D. D.
Address of Welcome, Rev. T. H. Lewis, D. D.
Response, J. Frank McBee.
Music.
Address, State Superintendent Stephens.
Toward the Top, C. C. Boyer, Ph. D.

AFTERNOON SESSION, 1.30 O'CLOCK.

Purposes of an Institute, State Superintendent Stephens.
Concentration of Consciousness, Rev. S. Simpson, Ph. D.
Music.
Mental Moods and Tenses, C. C. Boyer, Ph. D.
Public Education in France, F. Bonnotte, Ph. D.

EVENING SESSION, 8.00 O'CLOCK.

The Fiscal System in Maryland, Hon. J. W. Hering, M. D.
Optimism, Rev. J. W. Reese, Ph. D.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19th.

MORNING SESSION, 9.00 O'CLOCK.

Opening Exercises, Rev. W. R. Graham, D. D.
Some Obstacles to Public School Work, State Superintendent Stephens.
Phases of Modern Education, C. C. Boyer, Ph. D.
Music.
Manners and Morals in the Public Schools, Miss Birmingham.
Discussion, Miss Sarah A. Bloom, Levi D. Reid.

AFTERNOON SESSION, 1.30 O'CLOCK.

Model Recitation in Geography, Mrs. Elliott.
Building the Pupil's Thoughts, C. C. Boyer, Ph. D.
Music.
Address, Mrs. Elliott.
Thoughts Suggested by the Southern Education Association, Rev. S. Simpson, Ph. D.

EVENING SESSION, 8.00 O'CLOCK.

Address, "Venus and Vulcan," C. C. Boyer, Ph. D.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20th.

MORNING SESSION, 9.00 O'CLOCK.

Opening Exercises, Rev. J. A. Price, D. D.
Enthusiasm in Teacher and Pupil, W. A. Burgoon.
Discussion, W. K. Burgee, Miss Effie Hess.
Music.
The Pupil's Emotions, C. C. Boyer, Ph. D.
The Moral Influence of the Teacher in the Community, Rev. F. T. Tagg, D. D.

AFTERNOON SESSION, 1.30 O'CLOCK.

Address, Prof. John P. Fockler.
Teachers' Reading Circles, State Superintendent Stephens.
Music.
The Will of Pupils, C. C. Boyer, Ph. D.
Address, President of the School Board.

EVENING SESSION, 8.00 O'CLOCK.

Elocution Recital, Miss M. Belle Cochran.
Music by the Westminster Orchestra.
ADMISSION 25 CENTS.
Proceeds to be invested in a circulating library for the teachers of Carroll county.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21st.

MORNING SESSION, 9.00 O'CLOCK.

Opening Exercises, Rev. C. S Slagle.
Address, State Superintendent Stephens.
Music.
Subtle Reciprocity, C. C. Boyer, Ph. D.
Closing Remarks, Rev. S. Simpson, Ph. D.

AFTERNOON SESSION, 1.30 O'CLOCK.

Business Meeting of the Carroll County Teachers' Association.

Following is a list of the members and officers of the School Board of the county, names of the members of the committees and secretaries of the institute:

BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS:

Jacob H. Blocher, President,	Alesia, Md.
Peter Buchman,	Hampstead, Md.
John O. Devries,	Eldersburg, Md.
Theo. F. Englar,	Westminster, Md.
John B. Eppley,	Union Bridge, Md.
E. O. Grimes,	Westminster, Md.

S. Simpson, Examiner.
Geo. H. Caple, Assistant.

RECEIVING COMMITTEE:

Mrs. Laura S. Sellman,
Mr. George H. Caple, Miss Lillian Franklin.

MUSIC COMMITTEE:

Miss Ida F. Lockard,
Miss Alice Reindollar, Mr. W. A. Burgoon.

SECRETARIES,

Miss Alice V. Moore, Mr. W. A. Burgoon.

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Specials on our Center Bargain Table this Week.

4 quart Granite Straight Kettles, with lids, 25c. 10-inch Granite Basting Spoons 3c. Large size cake Wool Soap 3c. Special lot ladies' Scissors 10c. First grade Scissors and Shears, every pair warranted and stamped with our own name. We will replace any pair that breaks or in any way fails to give satisfaction in a year. Choice 25c. All steel Curry Comps, 5c. Good Horse Brushes 25c and 50c. Glass Cutters 5c. Wire Tea Strainers, all sizes, 5c. Silver plated spoons, knives and forks, every one warranted for 2 years' constant use. If they wear off or tarnish in that time will be replaced free. Tea Spoons, 25c the half dozen. Table Spoons, Knives and Forks, 50c the half dozen.

News of Picture Frames.

A number of new mouldings have recently been added to our line making it very complete. Some marked reductions in price too have been made. We are doing a brisk business in this department. Now is the time to bring in your pictures and get our ideas and prices on frames. Some special bargains in ready-made frames. 8x10 Photo Frames with mat, either gilt, white or oak, ready to hang, 15c, usual price 20c. 10x12 Frames in oak, gilt, white or black, ready to hang, 25c. Special lot 16x20 Frames, made of short ends, and worth much more, ready to hang, 50c for choice. Large heavy Gilt Frames, 16x20, ready to hang, $1.00. We have some new pearl pictures in heavy gilt frames and some large frames for crayon pictures at very interesting prices. Other new ones will arrive this coming week.

See notice of other new goods in the Advocate this week.

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Carrollton Items.

The grip still abounds in the Carrollton locality. The entire family of Mr. Joseph Leppo, residing near Union Bethel Church of God, has been confined to the house from attacks of the disease. So fully was this the case that Mr. Leppo was compelled to do all the work of the home and farm duties himself. All now are convalescent.

Revival services were begun in Union Bethel Church of God, Carrollton, on Friday night. The pastor, Rev. Mr. Murry, will be assisted in the work by Rev. S. B. Craft, of Uniontown, and Rev. John Evans, of Patapsco. Rev. John Evans preached Sunday morning and Rev. S. B. Craft on Tuesday and Wednesday night. There has been no conversions as yet but a good spiritual interest pervades the meetings.

The weather has been extremely cold in this region for the past week or more, so much so that farmers in the locality keep their stock as well as themselves in doors. Not a team has been seen passing along from Patapsco to Carrollton for over a week.

I see by the SENTINEL of last week, that an old friend, Lynn R. Meekins, formerly of the editorial staff of the American, is to give a lecture at Western Maryland College Friday night. There is no doubt Mr. Meekins will please his audience, as he has the ability to do so. He is a fine fellow, good natured and kind.

Sandyville Items.

The Ladies' Mite Society of Sandy Mount M. P. Church gave an entertainment at the home of Mrs. Vernon Reese, on Friday night, 8th inst. A very interesting program was rendered which was enjoyed by a large audience.

Messrs. Theodore and Walter Blizzard left for Muscatine, Iowa, on Saturday 9th inst.

Mr. Wm. Leister, who has had an attack of pneumonia, is out again.

For the Sentinel.

A Surprise Birthday Party.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Brilhart, "Meadow Lawn," near Snydersburg, was the scene of a very pleasant surprise party on Thursday, 7th inst., given in honor of the sixty-sixth anniversary of Mr. Brilhart's birthday, by his sons, sons-in-law and daughters, who took with them a bountiful supply of the substantials and delicacies of the season. The daughters took charge of the kitchen and prepared an elegant and tempting dinner of oysters in every style, meats, coffee, chocolate, lemonade, wine, &c., a feast which was heartily enjoyed by host and hostess and their self-invited guests. Social conversation and music were prominent features of the day and altogether it was a very pleasant occasion. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Brilhart, Mr. David J. Brilhart, Mrs. Alice V. Leister and daughter, Miss Golda A. Leister; Mr. and Mrs. J. Franklin Switzer, Mr. and Mrs. James T. Yingling and daughter, Miss Naomi Yingling; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bixler and daughter, Miss Addie Bixler; Miss Willella Brilhart, Mrs. Sarah Nagle, Misses Cora Nagle, Treva Burgoon, Messrs. Paul and Raymond Leister.

New Windsor Items.

The people of New Windsor, who remember with great pleasure last winter's presentation of "Lady Nancy," are much interested in the preparation of another operetta, to be given early in March, by the New Windsor Choral Club, assisted by the College Chorus, under the direction of Mrs. A. M. Abbott. The operetta is brimful of fun and catchy music, but as it is short it will be preceded by a good comedy and vocal solos.

A college musical will be given February 22nd. Piano solos and choruses will be rendered by the pupils, and songs by Mrs. Buffington, Mrs. Arthur Smelser and Mrs. Abbott.