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Tuesday, March 10th, at 12 o'clock, m., sharp, 5 horses, 17 cows and heifers, 1 bull, 1 brood-sow, 2 shoats, wagons, binder, mower, plows, harness, &c., by Jno C. Dell, on the Noah Lippy farm, near Mt. Union Church.

Thursday, Feb. 26th, at 10 a. m., sharp, 4 work horses, 6 milch cows, 3 bulls, 1 brood sow, with pig; 1 boar, broadtread wagons, Osborn binder, Adriance mower, threshing machine and power, winnowing mill, grain drill, plows, harrows, harness, &c., by Jos. Helwig, 1 mile northwest of Pleasant Valley, near the Stone road. 12 months credit. Also at the same time and place, a Geiser Traction Engine and Grain Separator, with Blower, as good as new; and 1 Tornado Feed Cutter, by David J. Helwig.

Wednesday, March 11th, at 10 a. m., 3 work horses, 1 fine driving mare, 5 milch cows, 1 heifer, 1 bull, 1 brood sow, with pig; 11 fine sheep, 2 broadtread wagons, 4 or 5-horse; falling top buggy, McCormick binder, McCormick mower, grain drill, winnowing mill, circular saw and belt, horse power, harrows, plows, harness, corn and potatoes, &c., on the Judge Smith farm, adjoining Westminster, by Ezekiah D. Bowersox. 9 months credit.

Wednesday, Feb. 25th, at 10 o'clock, A. M., 3 horses, 7 cows, 3 steers, 2 heifers, lot of farm implements, milk cans, about 100 barrels of corn, &c., by Alfred A. Mitten, about 1½ miles from Westminster, on Warfieldsburg road, adjoining Spring Mills, Western Md. Railroad. 9 months credit.

Saturday, March 21st, at 12 o'clock, M. sharp, 2 horses, one a fine driver, 5 milch cows, large brood sow, with pig, 5 fine shoats, Western wagon for 2 or 3 horses, horse power, feed cutter, plows, harrows, harness, corn, potatoes, &c., by Theodore J. Myers, of J., on the Taneytown road about ¼ of a mile from Frizellburg.

LOCAL ITEMS.

The grain warehouse and elevator in Union Bridge, after April 1st next, will be conducted by Mr. E. A. C. Buckey, of Johnsville.

Mr David Holtz, master of machinery of the Western Maryland Railroad, has appointed Mr. C. H. Reeves, Jr., of Baltimore, road foreman of engines.

The epidemic of measles which prevailed here for a short time is abating and the children of families in which cases occurred are returning to the schools.

School Examiner, Prof. Simpson, has accepted an invitation to deliver an address at Ellicott City, the 15th instant, before the Teachers' Association of Howard County.

A marriage license was issued on Tuesday by the Court of Common Pleas, of Baltimore, to Patrick J. Finn, widower, and Miss Mary B. McDonald, of Sykesville.

Mr. Jesse N. Williams, of this city, has sold his farm, containing 87 scres, near Warfieldsburg and adjoining the farm of Mr. John T. Rickter, to Mr. Charles C. Rickell.

During the month of January 61 deeds, 25 mortgages and 6 bills of sale were received for record at the office of the clerk of the Circuit Court for this county, and 25 marriage licenses were issued.

Mr. Walter S. Helm, of this city, who is employed by a telephone company, in Philadelphia, fell from a 35-foot pole in that city, on Monday. Strange to say the principal injury sustained was a sprain of his right ankle.

Mr. Frank T. Schaeffer, who has been with Messrs. Gilbert & Gehr and their predecessors in this city for 18 years, as their head mechanic, has severed his connection with the firm and will go into business for himself.

Mr. Grove A. Shipley, mortgagee, sold at public sale, on Tuesday, 8 acres of land heretofore owned by Samuel Baum, in Myers' district, to Mr. Wm. A. Leppo, of Silver Run, for $229. Ivan L. Hoff, Esq., was the solicitor.

Ray Fogle, operator at W. M. railroad station, at Waynesboro, Pa., who is suffering with pleuro-pneumonia, was taken to his home, Double Pipe Creek, Tuesday afternoon. Jesse Lee, Union Bridge, is operator temporarily.

The SENTINEL has received a copy of the eleventh annual report of the Sheppard and Enoch Pratt Hospital, for the year ended November 30, 1902, at which time the number of patients under treatment was 98—43 men and 55 women.

Mr. Washington Shorb, a merchant at Double Pipe Creek, died on Friday of last week at the age of 65 years. He was a member of the Lutheran Church. He leaves a widow, one son, Emory C. Shorb, and one daughter, Miss Bruce Shorb.

A report was in circulation in this city, some days ago, to the effect that a case of small-pox existed in the place. Chief of Police Jerome, however, after a diligent investigation, found that the story was a hoax, by whom started is not known.

Mr. George Stouch, of this city, was taken to the Maryland University Hospital, Baltimore, on Monday, suffering with strangulated hernia. An operation was performed which afforded relief and Mr. Stouch is recovering.

The lecture on liquid air, which was to have been given in the High School Building on the 26th of January, has been postponed till the 23d of February. It is a splendid lecture, fully illustrated, and will richly repay all who may attend.

The County Commissioners, at their meeting on Monday, appointed Messrs. Frederick Elgen, T. J. Gunn and Lewis F. Hood examiners for a road in Mt. Airy district petitioned for by Mr. Wm. D. Griffith and others. They also granted a special pension of $5 to Ada Johns, of district No. 9.

Did the groundhog see his shadow? is a question of a preplexing nature to those who have confidence in his prophetic ken. The skies were, for the most part, overcast with clouds during the morning of that day, but there were occasional bursts of sunshine and the afternoon was clear and bright.

The Baltimore *Sun* states that Henry L. Hyde, living near New Windsor, has been granted an absolute divorce from Mary E. Hyde and the custody of their child. They were married November 23, 1897, in Westminster, and lived together about a week. The divorce was granted for abandonment.

John L. Upperco, one of the oldest residents of the Fifth district of Baltimore county, died at his home near Woodensburg, on Tuesday, 27th ult. His age was 82 years. Funeral services were held at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Arcadia, on the 29th inst, Rev. S. J. Derr officiating.

On account of the illness of three of the teachers the public school at Union Bridge has been temporarily closed.

Mr. Ephraim T. Miller, of Union Mills, has been granted a reissue of his soldier's pension, at $8 per month.

Mrs. M. L. Bott, of this city, who has been quite ill with acute bronchitis and lung trouble, is somewhat improved.

Many changes of residence, it is said, will take place in this city the coming spring. The supply of houses, however, will be equal to the demand.

Mr. Graham Dukehart, grand lecturer of the Grand Lodge of Maryland, A. F. and A. M., paid an official visit to Door to Virtue Lodge, of this city, on Thursday evening.

Rev. J. B. Stonesifer, pastor of Carroll charge, Reformed Church, who has been on the sick list for the last two weeks, is convalescent and expects to be able to attend to his clerical duties on Sunday.

Rev. James W. Reese, Ph. D., is seriously ill with pneumonia, at his home on East Main street, this city. His many devoted friends, however, will be relieved to learn that yesterday morning he showed symptoms of improvement.

The many friends of "Prince," the black terrier of Hon. F. T. Shaw, will learn with regret that he is no more. Prince died on Monday last from a complication of ailments and old age. Prince's reputation rested largely on his devotion to his master and his hostility to cats. He was 16 years old.

The family of Mr. George Haines, near this city, is very seriously afflicted at this time, six of its members being down with measles, Mrs. Haines being one of those suffering with it. The two sons, aged, respectively, 10 and 12 years, are seriously ill with typhoid pneumonia, but Dr. M. L. Bott, the attending physician, thinks they will recover.

Tobias H. McCarty and Harry Crouse, charged with forging the name of Mr. J. Howell Stonesifer, of Bachman's Valley, to orders for money on several merchants of this city, had a hearing before Justice G. W. Crapster, on Monday, and in default of bail in the sum of $1,000 each, were committed to jail for the action of the grand jury. They were held in two cases.

Mrs. Freeman, wife of Mr. Samuel M. Freeman, of Washington, D. C., died at her home in that city on the 3rd inst., after a lingering illness, aged about 50 years. Mrs. Freeman was a daughter of the late Jacob Masenheimer, of this county, and a sister of Mrs. Andrew Fresh, of this city. She leaves a husband and one daughter. Her remains were interred in Washington.

Dr. George F. Baughman, recently appointed postmaster of this city, has executed his bond in the sum of $10,000 as required by law, and has forwarded it to the Department at Washington, for approval. His bondsmen are Dr. Charles Billingslea, Messrs. George R. Gehr, Upton L. Reaver, F. Thomas Babylon and Chas. C. Gorsuch. The bond was acknowledged before Justice William Moore.

The February term of the Circuit Court for Carroll county will begin on Monday. The dockets contain 164 trial cases, 6 appeals and 12 originals. Some changes have been made in the jury list, Judge Thomas having drawn Mr. Wm. H. Sharp, in place of Mr. Amos Wampler, excused, for Westminster district; Messrs. Jos. T. Stem and Milton O. Myers, in place of Messrs. John W. Lambert and George C. Anders, for New Windsor district.

Burglars entered the house of Mr. George Gross, about a mile east of Hampstead, last Saturday night, broke open a trunk in which there was $25, of which they took $10. They also visited the pantry and ate half a pie. Mr. and Mrs. Gross heard their movements, but supposed it was their son, Mr. John Gross, who was out during the evening, returned home and going to his room. He did return a short time afterwards and, it is supposed, the robbers became aware of his approach and fled.

Easter and the Jewish Passover will fall this year on the same date—April 12th. It was the design of those who adopted the Gregorian calendar to make Easter perpetually recur on different dates from the passover, but the plan has not been effective, as these Christian and Jewish festivals have several times fallen on the same days and will do so again. They thus occurred April 14th, 1804 and April 3rd, 1825, and, in addition to the coming April 12th, will fall together April 1st, 1923; April 17th, 1927, and April 19th, 1981.

The SENTINEL has received from Dr. J. C. Clark, superintendent of the Springfield State Hospital for the Insane, at Sykesville, a copy of the seventh annual report of that institution, from which it appears that on October 1st, 1901, the number of patients under his care was 330; that during the year ended September 30, 1902, 55 males and 102 female patients were received and 36 male and 23 female patients discharged, leaving the whole number remaining 428. Of these 253 were males and 175 females. 13 males and 18 females were from Carroll county, the largest number from any single county in the State. The receipts from all sources during the year were $110,284.09 and the expenditures $109,318.45.

Mr. Joshua Crawford, one of the oldest citizens of this county, died at the home of his son-in-law, Mr. John Hesson, near Avondale, about one o'clock, Tuesday morning, in his 87th year. Mr. Crawford was a retired farmer. Mr. Crawford was, for many years, a member of Baust Reformed Church, where funeral services were held and his remains interred on Thursday. Politically he was a staunch Republican. Three sons and five daughters survive him. They are: Mrs. Emanuel Shaeffer, Mrs. Charles N. Mitten, Messrs. Theodore and Jerome Crawford, of this city; Mrs. John Hesson, Mrs. Harry Singer, near Avondale; Mrs. George Nusbaum, of Frizellburg, and Mr. Augustus Crawford, of Colorado.

The weather during the past week, in this locality, has been quite changeable. On Sunday morning it hailed and snowed for a short time, then rained and became so mild that frost rapidly disappeared from the ground. It rained again on Wednesday and a cold wave, with very high wind followed on Wednesday night and continued about thirty hours. Public roads became beds of mire and almost impassable. The mail vehicles engaged in the rural free delivery service found it a difficult matter to make their rounds, the horses becoming exhausted in their efforts to make their way through the mud. The situation was not improved on Thursday, the surface having been frozen, but not sufficiently to hear the weight of the teams. Some of the wagons went out with four horses attached.

Mr. Nathan Haines, a native and for 60 years a resident of this county, died at his home, No. 1013, West Lanvale street, Baltimore, on Thursday night of last week, aged nearly 92 years. Mr. Haines, while residing in this county, engaged in farming, in which he was successful. He was a man of enterprise and excellent judgment in financial and other affairs and acquired a handsome fortune. He was one of the early friends of the Western Maryland Railroad and at one time president of the company. Notwithstanding his great age he retained his mental faculties comparatively unimpaired and was physically active until his last illness, congestion of the lungs, with which he suffered for a few days before his death. He left this county upwards of 30 years ago and from that time resided in Baltimore. Mr. Haines was an uncle of Mr. Jos. L. Haines, near Linwood, and Mrs. J. J. Weaver, Jr., of Uniontown. He was twice married, his first wife having been Miss Beulah Lippincott, of Riverton, N. J. His second wife, who survives him, was Miss Elizabeth Roberts, of Philadelphia. He leaves one daughter, Mrs. E. O. Manakee, of Washington, D. C., and six grandchildren. Mr. Haines was born near Union Bridge. His parents were Friends and he was also a member of that branch of the Christian Church. His remains were interred in the Friends' Cemetery at Union Bridge, on Sunday.

Kenton, Ohio, newspapers of recent date contain accounts of the death of Mr. Titus Garrettson, of that place, which occurred on Tuesday, 27th ult., at his home in Kenton. Mr. Garrettson was born in Baltimore, December 19, 1841, and while quite young, removed with his parents and their family to a farm in the vicinity of Finksburg, this county, where he resided till his father's death in 1868. Soon afterwards he went to Kenton where, for many years, he was engaged with his brother, Bennett Garrettson, in the leading jewelry business of the place, which later he conducted alone. In June, 1882, he married Miss Belle Matthews, daughter of the venerable Ex-Justice George W. Matthews, of this city, an estimable lady and widely known here, who survives him, with an only son, Mr. Stuart T. Garrettson, of Kenton. One sister, Mrs. Edwin Buckingham, resides in this State. The Kenton papers speak of Mr. Garrettson as a citizen who occupied a high place in the esteem of the people of that place. He was a member and a regular attendant of the First Baptist Church of the town and a sincere and earnest christian. Funeral services were held on the 29th ult., at the home of the deceased.

Insurance Case Dismissed.

Messrs. Bond & Parke, solicitors for Charles E. Fink, Esq., and others, trustees for the benefit of creditors of Mr. David Cowan and wife, have voluntarily dismissed in the Circuit Court for Carroll County the equity case instituted by them against the North British and Mercantile Insurance Company of London and Edinburg to recover on a policy of insurance in the defendant company for the loss by fire of certain buildings in Westminster. The trustees, as ground for equitable relief, alleged in their bill of complaint that they prepared after the fire formal proofs of loss in accordance with the terms of the policy, but that Mr. and Mrs. Cowan refused to sign and swear to them, and upon such refusal the trustees within 60 days after the fire gave notice and made proofs of loss as the representatives of the insured.

The insurance company, by Geo. Whitelock and Edward A. Robinson, of Baltimore, solicitors, answered the bill of complaint, setting up in avoidance of the policy the existence of a number of mortgages on the property at the time of the insured's acquisition of title and the execution of a subsequent mortgage thereon (the policy providing that it should be void if the interest of the insured in the property was other than unincumbered and sole ownership), and also setting up the existence of various judgments against the insured and the failure to furnish proofs of loss.

Letter from Harry Huber.

A recent letter to his family from Mr. Harry Huber describes the accident as viewed from his ship, the Vixen, in the turret of the battleship Massachusetts off Culebra Island, West Indies. The young sailor says: "On Thursday the 15th, our ship left Culebra for San Juan for mail and stores for the fleet. We returned to this place, Culebra, the next morning, delivered the mail to the ships lying off shore in what is known as Target Bay, passed into the harbor at Culebra where the ship left the balance of the mail. We then proceeded to deliver the stores to the various ships of the fleet. While so engaged the big ships began their target practice, commencing with the Illinois. The Massachusetts followed, and had fired twice when we noticed from the deck of our ship a tremendous puff of smoke nearly as big as the ship pouring from her turret. Almost immediately streams of water came rushing out of her port holes. All of us had an idea as to the trouble. Shortly afterwards a boat came alongside and gave us the sad particulars.

"It appears that the gun hung fire—that is did'nt go off when the lanyard was pulled. There is an order forbidding the opening of the breech in such cases, until a certain length of time has elapsed. This order was not carried out. The crew were firing on time and didn't want to be counted slow. It so happened that when they opened the breech the charge 'went off' and out at the breech, striking the back part of the turret, filling it with flames. Seven of the gun's crew were killed outright and two more are wounded so badly that they cannot recover. A gloom has been thrown over the entire fleet."

Tragic Death of Mr. Charles C. Crawford.

Mr. Charles C. Crawford, of New Windsor, aged about 34 years, was found dead near Priestland schoolhouse, on the road leading from Linwood to McKinstry, about 5 o'clock on Tuesday morning. His foot was caught under the seat of his buggy and his body was hanging head downward from the vehicle. The horses had stopped and were standing in the road.

Mr. Crawford was engaged in the livery business at New Windsor, and had driven a commercial traveler from that place to Johnsville, in Frederick county, Monday afternoon and was on the homeward drive, when, it is supposed, he was stricken with paralysis and fell from the buggy, his foot catching under the seat. There were no marks of violence on his person and his death was probably caused or, at least, accelerated by the blood flowing to and suffusing the brain.

Mr. Crawford was a son of the late Dr. Francis A. Crawford, of Franklin district, who was one of the most prominent physicians in this county. Sheriff F. A. Crawford and William L. Crawford, of this county, are brothers, and Mrs. R. O. D. Warfield, of Howard county, is a sister of the deceased. Five or six years ago Mr. Crawford married Miss Devilbiss, a granddaughter of the late James Devilbiss, near Uniontown, and for several years they resided at Waterloo, the Crawford homestead, in Franklin district, but for some time past he had been engaged in business at New Windsor and resided there. Mrs. Crawford survives him, and he leaves two little daughters. His remains were interred in the burial ground of the M. E. Church, at Taylorsville, on Thursday afternoon.

Death of Mr. Levi Valentine.

Mr. Levi Valentine, an aged and formerly well known citizen of this county, died at his home near Carrollton about 3 o'clock last Wednesday morning, after an illness of several weeks. Mr. Valentine belonged to a prominent Carroll county family and was, himself, a man of more than ordinary intelligence. For a number of years preceding the latter part of 1867 he was clerk to the board of County Commissioners, an office which he filled with marked ability. He was a staunch Union man and Republican and the change which occurred in the political complexion of the county, in 1867, caused his retirement. In 1869, upon the recommendation of the central committee of the Republican party of the county, he was appointed to a position in the Baltimore custom house, from which he was afterwards transferred to the office of the United States Steamboat Inspectors in Baltimore, as clerk to the board. His clerical ability and good judgment, after a number of years of service, led to his promotion as a member of the board, an office which he filled with efficiency and fidelity until some time during President Cleveland's first administration, when he resigned.

He then purchased a small farm near Carrollton, this county, to which he removed and where he resided until his death. He was a very useful citizen and will be very much missed in that neighborhood. He had attained the age of 86 or 88 years, but was physically active and vigorous until his last illness. Mr. Valentine was a brother of Rev. Milton Valentine, D. D., LL. D., who for many years past has been prominently connected with the institutions of learning of the Lutheran Church, at Gettysburg, Pa., who was formerly president of Pennsylvania College and is, at this time, president of Gettysburg Theological Seminary. He leaves a widow, four married daughters, two of whom reside in Baltimore, one in Michigan and one, Mrs. Houck, at home; also two sons—Messrs. John and Vincent Valentine, of Baltimore.

Mrs. M. Fitzgerald Smith's Will.

The will of the late Mrs. Margaret Fitzgerald Smith, of Baltimore, widow of the late Charles F. Smith, which was admitted to probate in the Orphans' Court of Baltimore, on Monday, made numerous bequests among which were several of a benevolent character, including $4,000 to the Church Home and Infirmary, North Broadway, Baltimore, for the purpose of endowing a bed for an adult person, to be known as the "Charles Fisher Smith Bed;" $1,000 to the vestry of the Protestant Episcopal Parish of the Ascension, Westminster, to be invested and the income applied to paying the salary of the rector; $1,000 to the Home for Incurables, Baltimore; $500 to Sister Anna Maria, of St. John's Orphanage for Boys, at Waverley, for the benefit of the orphanage or any other institution to which she may be attached.

Among the bequests to individuals are: $5,000 to Charles E. C. Smith, of Baltimore, son of the late Judge John E. Smith, of this city, and $1,000 to each of the Judge's other three children, Julia W. Smith, (Mrs. F. W. Fouke,) Arthur F. and Guy Fitzgerald Smith; $2,000 to Mrs. Julia Fisher Campbell, daughter of Col. Wm. A. McKellip; $1,000 to Mrs. Anna Reifsnider Faber, $2,000 to Miss Bettie S. Reifsnider, $1,000 each to Charles T. Reifsnider, Jr., J. Smith Reifsnider and Ralph S. Reifsnider, children of ex-Judge Charles T. and Mrs. Elizabeth M. Reifsnider, and $100 to Miss Sarah H. Roop, of this city.

Golden Wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. George Leas, of this city, celebrated their golden wedding at their home, on Church street, Sunday last, making the anniversary, as it fell on the Sabbath day, the occasion principally of a family reunion, the only others present other than Mr. and Mrs. Leas and their descendants having been Mrs. Jane Coon, who was at their wedding, 50 years ago; Miss Jennie Hunt, of Vienna, Va., and Rev. L. F. Warner, pastor of Westminster Methodist Protestant Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Leas were married in this city 50 years ago, February 1, 1853, by Rev. John Winter, a clergyman of the Lutheran Church, of which Mr. Leas was then a member. Mrs. Leas has been a member of the Methodist Protestant Church for 58 years, and a year after their marriage Mr. Leas connected himself with that denomination. Mr. Leas was for many years a contractor and builder in this city, and many of its buildings were erected under his supervision. There were gathered about the aged couple on Sunday, in addition to those already named, their seven children, some of the sons with their wives and one daughter with her husband, 10 of their 15 grandchildren and one great-grandchild, as follows: Mr. and Mrs. Chas. W. Leas and daughter, Mrs. Harry Norris, with her little daughter, Kathryn; Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Fowler and daughters, Misses Lotta A. and Julia Leas Fowler; Mr. Joseph Leas and son, George G. Leas; Mr. and Mrs. Harry M. Leas, son, Harry Leas, and daughters, Esther N. and Edna Ruth Leas, all of Baltimore; Mrs. May Green, wife of Rev. A. H. Green, and her daughter, Esther Green, of Roxbury, Pa.; Mrs. Elizabeth Zahn, daughter, Lillian, and son, Edwin L. Zahn, of this city; Rev. H. S. Leas, of Vienna, Va.

The last named, who is the youngest of their children, assisted by Rev. L. F. Warner, performed anew the ceremony which united their parents in wedlock 50 years ago. This scene was an impressive and very interesting feature of the celebration.

Mr. and Mrs. Leas were the recipients of liberal gifts of gold coin. An elegant dinner was served, with lighter refreshments later, and the day was passed in an exceedingly joyful and happy manner by all present.

Proceedings of the School Board.

The board of School Commissioners held a meeting in their office in the court house last Monday, 2nd of February. Friday, 20th of February, was fixed as the day for the meeting of the Carroll county Teachers' Association in Westminster, and also the day on which the teachers will receive their pay for the winter term, which ended on Friday, 10th instant.

At the suggestion of Mr. B. Frank Crouse, counsel for the board, it was ordered that all the schools of the county observe Monday, 23rd of February, as Washinton's birthday, and that the teachers prepare a program for that day, with addresses, readings and recitations appropriate to the occasion, program to include the reading of Washington's Farewell Address and the Declaration of Independence. As the public school is a prime factor in making true, useful and intelligent citizens it is thought to to be eminently appropriate on these patriotic occasions to have these documents read and studied with suitable comments on the part of the teacher. The examiner will see that each teacher is provided copies in due time.

The perennial promises to extend the school year in Carroll county have so long failed of realization, that of late years the suggestion has been received with much hesitation. But it gives me very great pleasure to announce that the School Commissioners, with no dissent, voted to give the people of this county part of a summer term the present scholastic year. This means that while in the past the schools have not run longer than seven or seven and a half months, this year they will be open for eight full months or more. I will not be satisfied until we get three and a half or four terms.

The Board heartily endorsed Mr. Simon P. Weaver, of Westminster, who will take charge of Cranberry school next Monday, February 9th, in place of Mr. Herbert L. Leister, resigned.

S. SIMPSON, Secretary.

For the Sentinel.

Bennett-Fleming.

Brandenburg M. P. Church, at Berrett, this county, was the scene of a beautiful wedding on Wednesday afternoon, 28th ult. The contracting parties were Mr. Thomas F. Bennett, a thrifty farmer in the vicinity of Freedom, and Miss Anna M. Fleming, the accomplished daughter of Mr. George Fleming, residing in the neighborhood of Berrett. A few minutes after 3 o'clock the bridal party entered the door of the church and proceeded under the sweet strains of the wedding march, played by Mrs. Warner, sister of the groom, to the altar of the church, where they were met by Rev. C. E. Dudrear, pastor of the West Falls circuit, M. E. Church, who performed the ceremony. Mrs. Edna Todd, of Baltimore, was the maid of honor, and Misses Edna Glennan and Effie Conaway were bridesmaids. Mr. Martin was best man, and Messrs. Frank J. Brandenburg, Edgar Easton, Sewell Frizzell and Arnold Fleming were ushers. The bride, a beautiful blonde, and her attendants were attired in white. The church was attractively trimmed and a large audience of friends witnessed the ceremony. A fine luncheon was served at the home of the bride to the bridal party and the more immediate friends. The bride was the recipient of a number of valuable and useful presents. The couple left on the B. & O. at Sykesville, at 6 P. M., for a tour east. They will reside near Freedom. The good wishes of many friends attend them.

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Revival at Union Bridge.

Revival services, which have been quite a success, have been in progress, for the past three weeks, at the Methodist Protestant Church at Union Bridge. Sunday, January 25th, was Decision day and twenty-two persons united with the church. February 1st eight others united. The men's meetings, held every Thursday evening, have been a decided success. Thursday evening, January 29th, Rev. J. M. Holmes, D. D., one of Baltimore's strongest speakers to men, addressed the meeting. The music at these meetings is an attractive feature. Meetings of this character, for men, will be held every Thursday evening until April. Evangelistic services will be held every Sunday evening until April. By the management and untiring efforts of the pastor, Rev. Edgar T. Read, the meetings have proven quite a success and much credit is due him.

For the SENTINEL.

Surprise Mask Party Near Oakland.

A delightful masquerade party was tendered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Graham, near Oakland, on Saturday evening last, 31st ult. The evening was one long to be remembered by the young folks for each and every one was made to feel at home by the kind and genial hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Graham. They made their unexpected appearance about 8.30. All nature seemed to have contributed her share to make the evening an ideal one. Their costumes were novel and picturesque, and quite a time elapsed before any of them was recognized. Games and instrumental music were the features of the evening, Miss Carrie Ware organist, Mr. Robertson, of Philadelphia, violinist. About 10.30 the doors of the dining room were thrown open and all were invited to partake of the delicacies of the season. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Graham, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Black, Mr. Walter Townsend, Mr. Robertson, Misses Ella and Grace Beasman, Carrie Ware, Clara Richardson, of Henryton; Messrs. John, Charles and Will Williams, Andrew Graham and Grant Beasman. Those who were masked were: Misses Belle Haight, granny; Mollie Kidwell, nun; Carrie Smith, gipsy; Emma Herrera, traveling sales lady; Alice Bowie, summer girl; Lillie Herrera, ghost; Mary Webster Ida Cill, Viola Shipley and Georgie Becraft, fashionable ladies; Nannie Bowie, lost child; Mollie Williams and Tressa Black, nurses; Messrs. Robert Fantom, general; Ethelbert Wilson, lieutenant; Ernest Black, private soldier; Clarence Black, Filipino; Garfield Herrera, colored preacher; Thurston Bowie, Indian; Hughie Ireland and George Goodrich, clowns; Truman Albaugh, wet weather man; Harry Becraft, beggar man; Clarence Beasman, Henry Ware, Black Rachel; Mahlon Clapper, Jap; John Russell, Uncle Sam; Oden Bowie and Will Cill. The guests after bidding their kind host and hostess adieu and expressing themselves as having spent a most delightful evening, went on their wending way home.

Miller's Items.

Mr. Edward Brown, of Glen Rock, Pa., spent Saturday and Sunday last visiting his parents, near here.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Cullison, of Maple Grove, died on Wednesday evening last, from diptheria. Interment was made at Greenmount cemetery Thursday, Rev. J. M. Houseman officiating.

Mrs. Oliver Bollinger is seriously ill at this writing, with a severe case of pleurisy. Dr. J. H. Sherman, of Manchester, is his attending physician.

Miss Edith Miller gave a delightful "social" to a number of her friends on Saturday evening last. The guests arrived at an early hour, and were received with a hearty welcome. Games and other amusements were at once indulged in until 10.30, when refreshments were served. Those present were: Misses Alvertie Miller, Emma Hoffacker, Maggie Miller, Laura Miller, Laura Hoffnagle, Edith Miller, Messrs. Ross Hoffacker, H. C. Frank, Richard Deagen, Wm. E. Warner, Carroll Wareheim. Everett and Lloyd Miller.

We are glad to note that Mr. Lansing Smith is able to be out again, after several week's illness.

Misses Alverta and Maggie Miller spent Friday and Saturday last visiting friends in Baltimore.

Mr. H. G. Frank, of Ruhl, Pa., spent a day recently visiting his parents near here.

Mrs. Lewis Seipp, of Dickeyville, Md., spent Saturday and Sunday last, visiting her son, Mr. John Seipp.

Mr. David L. Brown, near here, is on the sick list.

Misses Alvertie and Clara, and Mr. Stephen Bollinger, of York, Pa., are spending a few days with their father, Mr. Oliver Bollinger, who is very ill.

Rena, the 8-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Israel Hare, who has undergone an operation at a hospital at Baltimore, is expected to return in about a week.

A Masquerade Party.

One of the most pleasant events of the season was the masquerade party given in Academy Hall, on Friday evening, the 30th ultimo. It was surprising to see so many merry masqueraders brave the muddy roads and windy weather to attend the gathering. The costumes were unusually fine, and very few persons were recognizable until the masks were removed at ten o'clock. We could not describe the costumes of a few and tell who wore them, for we would not know where to begin or end. After the masks were removed, Mr. J. W. Fleming made an impromptu stump speech on "Everything." Several of the guests responded with short recitations, and then games were begun. At 11.30 refreshments were served, after which games were again indulged in. At shortly after one o'clock the guests departed, carrying with them pleasant memories of the evening they had passed. Among those seen present were: Misses Grace Stem, Maggie Houck, Bertha Roberts, Mary Brandenburg, Amanda Leatherwood, Sarah Bloom, Mildred Myers, Amelia Cover, Stella Aldridge, Clara Foutz, Pearl Mercier, Golda Frizzell, Grace Todd, Bertie Cover, Grace Franklin, Lottie Eyler, Debbie Zile, Florence Brandenburg, Edith Fleming, Edna Zile, Minnie Pickett, Bertie Manahan, Messrs. Beverly B. Bennett, Howard Kuhn, John Delashmutt, Frank Brandenburg, David Stem, Ollie Devries, Geo. Devries, John Bushey, Harry Bushey, Enos Gosnell, Thomas Harrison, Chas. Englar, Wilbur Buckingham, Raymond Meyers, Henry Owings, Roscoe Aldridge, J. W. Fleming, Ernest Cover, Theodore Streaker, Harvey Frizzell, Arthur Zile, Vernon Bradley. Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Zile, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Stem and Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Stem were the chaperons for the party.

Winfield Items.

"Who hath woe, who hath sorrow," —who hath cuss words? Verily, he who hath to travel over our roads.

Miss Golda Frizzell, of Bloom, spent Saturday and Sunday with her sister, Mrs Aubrey J. Stem.

The semi-annual examinations have ended at the Academy, and the result is very gratifying. The third term opened on Monday.

The masquerade party given in the Hall on Friday evening, the 30th, was a very successful and pleasing affair, considering the unfavorable weather conditions that prevailed. An account of the party appears in another column of this paper.

Quite a number of our people have been on the sick list this week. Miss Maggie Houck, Messrs. Arthur Zile and Oliver Buckman have been confined in their homes for several days, and Mr. Granville Caples and Mrs. Kate Pickett are suffering with severe hemorrhages.

The Academy Board met on Tuesday evening, at the residence of Dr. E. D. Cronk. The report of the secretary and treasurer showed encouraging results for the first half year, and the members of the board considered plans to secure even better progress for the next term, and to put the school on such a basis for the future as will insure for it greater success than it has ever known before. It was decided that the number of members on the board should be increased by securing patrons and friends of the school to join it. The increased board could then elect an executive committee of three to manage the school. The change would mean more people directly interested in the school. From the present condition of the school, and with the broader basis the above change will insure the future of Winfield Academy is pleasant to contemplate.

LIST OF UNCLAIMED MATTER remaining in the Postoffice, Westminster, Md., January 31st, 1903:

Buckingham, Mrs. Fannie
Burles, Mr. Bel,
Chew, Rev. Wm.
Clements, Mrs. A. O.
Greenwood, Mr. Samuel E.
Teel, Mr. R. F.
Thomas, Miss Martha

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

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Good Values in Ladies' Muslin Underwear.
Special Prices on Small Lots to Close Out.

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Laces and Embroideries, Under Price.

We have some splendid bargains in these goods now on our center counters. This is the season that most ladies like to make up this class of goods, so we have lowered the prices on them to help them out.

LOT No. 1.—Fine Laces and Embroideries, in medium widths, worth up to 5 cents, but during this sale, your choice for 1½ cents.

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Lot No. 3.—Extra fine Embroideries and Laces, in all widths, very pretty goods, your choice for this sale only 9 cents the yard.

Ladies' Muslin Underwear.

A new line with us, but we will keep it regularly in the future. For this opening sale we offer special bargains in all kinds of garments. Priced from 10 cents to 98 cents. Every piece guaranteed good value. See them on center counter front.

Very Low Prices On Odd Lots.

We have many small lots of Underwear, Remnants in Dry Goods, Blankets, Robes etc., in which the quantities are too small to describe particularly, for fear of being sold before you would get this paper. But we will make the price very interesting on any of them.

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Westminster Cemetery Company.

The annual meeting of the lot owners of the Westminster Cemetery Company, for the election of officers and transaction of other business, was held at the First National Bank of Westminster, on Tuesday evening last. The meeting was organized by calling Mr. U. L. Reaver to the chair and appointing Mr. George A. Miller secretary. The president of the company, Mr. John L. Reifsnider, submitted his report, which is appended below. The annual report of the secretary and treasurer, Mr. John J. Reese, was submitted. It shows a balance in bank, at the close of the year, of $137.13 and also special deposits of $600, the purpose of which is explained in the president's report. The election of officers was then held, and resulted as follows:

President.—Mr. John L. Reifsnider.

Board of Managers.—Dr. J. W. Hering, Messrs. George R. Gehr, Chas. C. Gorsuch, John Bernstein, Frank K. Herr, John J. Reese.

Secretary and Treasurer.—John J. Reese.

Superintendent.—Theodore S. Mitten.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

OFFICE OF THE WESTMINSTER CEMETERY CO.,
Westminster, Md., Feb. 3rd, 1903.

To the Lotowners of The Westminster Cemetery Company:—We are brought to the end of another year in the history of The Westminster Cemetery Company, and as on former occasions, I now present for your consideration, a general statement of the financial condition of the Company's affairs at the present time.

I am sure you will unite with me in the satisfaction which we all feel at the excellent showing which the Treasurer's report makes.

From this you will see that we have in The Union National Bank of Westminster, as a special deposit, the sum of Six Hundred Dollars, besides which the Treasurer has in his hands, for the current use of the Company, the further sum of $137.13 at the close of present fiscal year. As I have stated in previous reports, and which it may be proper for me to repeat here, the Company has no outstanding indebtedness of any kind, that all its assets are entirely clear.

During the year there have been thirty interments, as follows: One from Philadelphia, 1 from Washington, D. C., 1 from Littlestown, Pa., 2 from Hagerstown, Md., 7 from Baltimore city, 7 from outside the city limits of Westminster, and 11 for Westminster.

The heavy freeze and sleet of a year ago did much damage to the trees in the Cemetery grounds. Some of the trees had to be removed, but as is the case in almost all instances of this kind, the damage appeared greater at first than it afterward proved to be. We have also removed some of the other trees during the year, that seemed unsightly and in the way.

I think it was agreed by all who frequent the Cemetery, that the grounds never presented a better appearance than during the past summer and fall.

Some of the large driveways, that have already been macadamized, will require an additional coating of stone during the coming summer, and some of the roadways upon which there has heretofore been no stone, will in all probability be macadamized, it being the purpose of those who are in the present management, as long as they are in charge of the affairs of the Company, to keep the grounds, including walks and driveways, in as neat and orderly a condition as it is possible for us to do, so that we may all feel that our dead have not only a decent place of interment, but an attractive spot, in which their mortal remains may repose.

The President and Board of Managers value very highly the many expressions of appreciation which come from those who are interested in the Cemetery.

As President of the Company I wish to express my appreciation of the aid and uniform courtesy of the Secretary and Treasurer, and all with whom I have been, for so many years, closely associated in this work. Also to the Superintendent for the faithful manner in which he has discharged the duties of his position.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN L. REIFSNIDER, PRESIDENT.

For the Sentinel.

A Pleasant Event.

An enjoyable Christian Endeavor social was given on Friday evening, 30th ult., at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth Gardiner, of Bird Hill. An interesting program was well rendered. Although the wind raged without, one forgot its fierceness when hospitality was so generously bestowed. About forty persons were present. Refreshments, consisting of lemonade, fruit, cake, etc., were abundantly served. At a late hour the guests dispersed thanking the genial host and hostess for their entertaining efforts in promoting such a pleasant evening's enjoyment, and hoping for many more like occasions.

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Manchester Items.

The members of Daniel and Jacob Lodge No. 23, I. O. O. F., with their families and invited friends held their annual oyster supper on Friday evening last in their hall. The supper hours were from 7 to 10, during which time 80 suppers where served. The lodge room was thrown open to the enjoyment of the large company who well improved their opportunity for a general good time. The way they used up old Bingo was a caution, while the joggle went on until the energy naturally gave out and produced a yearning for home, sweet home, which was reached with the midnight hour in sight.

One day last week Mrs. Ephraim Trout was found in her home with impaired speech and partial paralysis of the body. Dr. Preston was summoned and found it to be but a slight stroke that soon yielded to treatment and at this writing she is again her usual self.

On Saturday evening last the Alesia Socials, marshalled by Mr. Emory McCullough, put in an appearance in the I. O. O. F. Hall which had been secured for them for a social dance. They were joined by a number of young folks from Millers and this place making quite a large company for a good social time, which was much enjoyed by all until a late hour. The Zepp & Menchey orchestra furnished the music.

Mr. A. B. Myers spent Monday with his sister, Mrs. Frank Cofiel, and family, at Arcadia, where the aged father, Mr. Philip Myers, is ill with heart trouble. He is an octogenarian which adds to the feebleness of his condition.

Mr. Geo. Trout, on York street, has bought the Hoff home and 4 acres of land near Millers, for the sum of $1,000 dollars. He expects to occupy it in the spring.

Mr. Monroe Lamotte, of Baltimore, was among friends here on Friday of last week.

The ladies of Trinity Mite Society will give an entertainment in the I. O. O. F. Hall, of this place, on Saturday evening, 14th inst., at which one of Longfellow's productions, "The Blind Girl of Castle-Cuile," with its droll songs and readings that make it popular and interesting will be given; also the humorous play, "The Old Maids' Convention," that is full of fun itself, will be given.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Bond, of Phoenix, spent Sunday among friends in town.

Mr. Charles Miller, of Baltimore, was attending to business here on Monday.

Mud is trumps. The Baltimore and Hanover turnpike and the adjacent county roads are engaged in a mud slinging contest. At this writing the turnpike's score is far in advance as the bottom has dropped out of it between Melrose and Hampstead.

Frizellburg Items.

There will be many changes in this place in the spring.

Mr. William Wantz lost a good milk cow last week.

Mr. Samuel Kauffman, near Winfield, is visiting his brother John, near here.

Mr. William Byers, of Marston, spent a few days with folks in this locality last week.

Jacob Zahn erected a meat house recently.

Mr. Charles Warehime was in Baltimore several days, where he will probably locate in the near future.

Mr. Isaac Motter and wife, of Frederick, and Mrs. Maggie Wheeler, of Washington, D. C., are guests of Dr. J. Rinehart, this week.

Leonard Zile has a steer that gained 100 pounds a month since November. Who can beat it?

Mr. Harvey Freemen and wife went to Washington to attend the burial of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Samuel M. Freeman.

Edward Warehime, of Baltimore, is home for a few days.

Personal.

Miss Cora Butler, of this city, has been visiting friends in Washington.

Misses Geneva Schorr and Catharine Schorr, of Baltimore, are the guests of Miss Florence Butler, of this city.

Mrs. Geo. B. Harris, of Henderson, N. C., is spending a week with her cousin, Mrs. Prof. Simpson, on College avenue, this city.

Mr. W. Scott Zepp, of Lynchburg, Va., spent from Saturday till Monday last with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Zepp, of this city.

Mr. Wm. H. Vanderford, senior editor of the *Advocate*, and his wife are expected to return to this city on Wednesday evening from their bridal trip to the South and Cuba.

Mr. Felix Holt, assistant paymaster in the United States Navy, was the guest of the family of Mr. Charles Schaeffer, of this city, this week. Mr. Holt is about to start for a California port, to which he has been ordered by the Department.

Uniontown Items.

The friends of Mrs. Martha Devilbiss Crawford, in this commlnity, were shocked on Tuesday morning to learn of the sudden death of her husband, Mr. Charles C. Crawford. She was a young lady of our vicinity and daughter of the late Thos. Devilbiss. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the family in their deep distress.

Miss Maude Wagner is on a visit to friends and relatives in Baltimore.

Mrs. Sallie Hoffman Warner, of New Oxford, Pa., is spending part of the week visiting friends in town, the guest of Mr. and Mrs Harry H. Brough.

Mrs. Mary Fowler, of Baltimore, is the guest of her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. Lee Erb.

The members and friends of the M. P. Church are preparing to hold an oyster supper in the lecture room of the church on Friday and Saturday evenings. Supper will be served each evening. On Friday evening there will be a musical and literary entertainment, consisting of instrumental and vocal music, readings, &c., given free. The public's patronage is earnestly solicited.

Miss Grace McAlister accompanied her sister, Miss Gertrude McAlister, to Baltimore, after several weeks spent at her father's home.

Mr. Samuel W. Hiltebidle is quite ill at his home, with a serious attack of grip. Dr. Hoff is attending physician

Preaching in the Church of God, Sunday, by the pastor, Rev. J. D. Clark. Subject for 10.15, A. M., "Unstable as Water;" at 7.00 P. M., "The Three-fold Christ," (continued). There will be preaching in the Church of God, Frizellburg, at 2.30 P. M.

Tuesday evening, February 10, at 1.30, Rev. A. Bateman, Ph. D., will deliver an illustrated lecture in the Church of God, (Uniontown). Subject, "My travels in Ireland and Scotland." Dr. Bateman will also deliver the same lecture on Saturday at 7.30 P. M., in the Church of God, Frizellburg. Admission 10 and 15 cents.

Union Mills Items.

Mr. John Curry, an expert butcher, of Medford, this county, dressed a nine hundred pound steer, at John Fuhrman's, near the Pennsylvania line, in ten and a half minutes, last Tuesday afternoon. The killing and bleeding of the beef was not included in the time given. Curry took off the hide, the feet and the head and removed the entrails of the animal in the time mentioned, and he made a very good job of it. Two assistants worked the rope and pulleys with which the steer was suspended to the limb of an apple tree, but no one but the butcher used a knife or other tool. About two hundred people were present and a benefit collection was lifted for Curry.

Mr. Harry Cratin and Miss Effie Groft, two well known and estimable young people of our village, were married by Rev. J. Stewart Hartman, at the Reformed parsonage, Silver Run, at noon, on the 3rd inst. They took a wedding journey from which they returned the following Friday and on the evening of that day were given a reception at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Groft.

Mrs. Arthur C. Bowers, who has been in bad health for several months, was recently taken to St. Joseph's Hospital, Baltimore, for treatment.

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A fine lot of Bronze Turkeys, for breeding purposes, for sale, or will be put out on Shares. Apply to WM. B. THOMAS, Main Street, Westminster.

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