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LOCAL ITEMS.

Those of our subscribers who intend changing their Postoffice address this spring are requested to give us timely notice of the fact, and in doing so give us the old as well as the new address.

Numbers of Westminster's citizens are having their residences and business places repainted.

Mr. Oscar D. Gilbert has purchased the property of Mrs. Henry B. Albaugh now occupied by Mr. Josephus Orendorff, on East Green street, this city.

Chief Judge Harry M. Clabaugh, of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, has appointed Mr. Frank E. Cunningham, of this city, deputy clerk in said court.

Luther Cross, a colored employee of W. Md. College, had one of the ribs in his left side fractured by a fall on Friday of last week. Dr. M. L. Bott reduced the fracture.

The cars of the fast mail train on the Western Maryland Railroad have received the new color adopted for the passenger rolling stock of the company and the effect is pleasing and attractive.

Under the direction of Prof. Wm. H. Newborough, of York, Pa., the Cecilian Singing Society of Taneytown will give its second vocal concert, in Reindollar's Opera House, on next Monday night, 11th inst.

The County Commissioners were in session on Monday and Tuesday and were engaged on both dates in making transfers and abatements for Westminster and Hampstead districts. No other business of importance was transacted.

Mr. Horace J. Zimmerman, of Frederick, died at his home in that city on Monday afternoon, at the age of 77 years, leaving one son and three daughters, one of the latter being Mrs. Thomas Stitely, of Union Mills, this county.

Rev. J. H. Apple, president of the Woman's College, Frederick, will conduct the services in St. Paul's Reformed Church, this city, tomorrow, the pastor, Rev. C. S. Slagle, being in attendance at the sessions of classis, at Clearspring.

The May term of the Circuit Court for this county will begin on Monday. The dockets for the term contain 83 trial cases, 9 appeals and 14 originals. Three jurors will be drawn today in place of that number heretofore drawn and excused.

The Oakland Woolen Mills, in Freedom district, have closed down for two weeks pending repairs, and the public road between that point and Glyndon, over which the raw material is hauled to the mills, is being repaired by the mill hands.

The weather for several days has been quite springlike, but earlier in the week light frosts occurred and the nights have been cool and chill up to date. This locality was visited by a moderate shower of rain on Sunday evening, but the surface of the ground is becoming quite dry again.

Evangelist John M. Warden, of Harrisburg, Pa., who conducted evangelistic services in Grace Lutheran Church, this city, in February last, and also about a year ago, will spend tomorrow here and will preach in that church, both morning and evening.

Mr. George N. Hunter, of this city, provision dealer, while cutting beef on on Friday of last week accidentally inflicted an ugly gash between the thumb and index finger of his left hand. It required several sutures to close the wound, which was dressed by Dr. M. L. Bott.

Mr. Chas. H. Lantz, who was sentenced to the House of Correction for a year, by Justice Moore, last week, for scalding his wife with boiling coffee, has been released from custody, in $500 bail, pending the result of an appeal from the sentence to the Circuit Court for Carroll county.

The communion service at St. John's (Leister's) Lutheran Church, Rev. R. W. Doty pastor, on Sunday morning last was one of the most deeply interesting ever held in that church. The number of those who partook of the sacrament was greater than ever before in its history. Twenty-four persons were confirmed and added to the membership.

Mr. George W. Devilbis, of Sams Creek, sold last week to Mr. I. N. Stoner, of Medford, 12 steers which weighed 15,183½ lbs. These cattle were fed by Mr. Devilbiss from November last and had gained 4,164 lbs., an average of 347 lbs., or about 2 lbs. each per day. Mr. Stoner says they were the finest fed in that neighborhood during the past winter. He sold them to a butcher in Baltimore.

A series of meetings of the German Baptist Church has been in progress in the hall at Medford, since Sunday evening, April 26th, and has been largely attended, frequently the seating capacity of the hall having been insufficient. The service is in charge of Elder Chas. D. Bonsack, of the Meadow Branch Church, assisted by Elders E. W. Stoner, Uriah Bixler, Ezra Brown, W. E. Roop and Abram Snader. The meetings may continue into the coming week.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Merchants Grocery Company, of this city, was held on Monday, when directors for the ensuing year were elected, as follows: Messrs. Elias O. Grimes, Leister W. Armacost, Ralph S. Royer, E. Oliver Grimes, Jr., John H. Cunningham, W. Frank Thomas and Milton Chew. The board organized by electing Elias O. Grimes, president; Leister W. Armacost, secretary-treasurer; Ralph J. Royer, general manager; E. Oliver Grimes, Jr., counsel. A divident of 5 per cent. was declared.

The grocery and liquor store of Mr. John I. Orendorff, on East Main street, this city, was robbed between 11 o'clock last Friday night and 4 o'clock Saturday morning. Mr. Orendorff was at the store at 11 o'clock, Friday, when he was called to his residence by a message announcing the sudden illness of his father, Mr. Josephus Orendorff. In his haste and excitement he neglected to lock his cash register. At 4 o'clock Saturday morning the rear door was found open, having been forced, and the drawer of the cash register was sprung and empty. As indicated by the register, it had contained $37.33, all of which was missing. A two-gallon demijohn of whisky and probably other articles were also taken. The robbery must have been perpetrated by some person or persons familiar with the premises and who had knowledge of Mr. Orendorff's movements.

Fair weather is predicted for tonight and Saturday.

The attention of those of the SENTINEL's readers whom it will reach before the Shakesperian play at Alumni Hall, Friday evening, May 8th, is called to that interesting event. The play, as heretofore stated, is "Twelfth Night," and is to be presented with all the accessories of costumes and stage setting, as nearly as posible as it was produced in Shakespere's own theatre. It will be a very interesting performance and will afford a rare opportunity to witness one of Shakespere's most entertaining productions under very favorable conditions.

Mr. Harry F. Babylon, whose left leg was broken between the hip and knee, in a railway collision at Hollins' Station on the Northern Central Railway, last week, and who also received other severe injuries, is rapidly improving, at the Baltimore City Hospital, to which he was taken after the accident. It is expected that he will be able to be about again in a few weeks. Mr. Babylon displayed great nerve and fortitude while efforts were being made to get him from under the tender, which fell upon him, a fact which, it is thought, is conducing much toward his speedy recovery.

Handling firearms is not a common accomplishment of the fair sex, but sometime ago our Melrose correspondent noted that a lady in that vicinity had shot a partridge, and now we learn that Mrs. Jonas E. Witter, of Bachman's Valley, is quite expert in the use of the shotgun. About a year ago she brought down a crow and in October last she shot a squirrel. Her last success was in killing a groundhog. About two week's ago she heard the dog barking in the woods near her home and, apprehending that some animal might be prowling around for the purpose of killing her young chickens, took the double-barreled shotgun and, going to the spot, discovered a groundhog in a tree. A well directed shot promptly brought the animal dead to the ground as a trophy of her skill.

An entertainment given by the pupils of Westminster High School, on Thursday evening, in the High School Assembly Hall, was attended by a large and appreciative audience. The program, which consisted of singing, recitations, dialogues, drills, &c., was very creditably and admirably rendered. Excellent music was furnished by the Westminster Orchestra. Numbers of the audience visited the manual training department during the evening and were surprised and pleased with the exhibit of the handiwork of the pupils under the instruction of Prof. Everett A. Hidey, who has charge of the department. Among the exhibits are a couple of bookstands and a neat little stand or table made by pupils of the school, which would not be discreditable to a skilled cabinet-maker. Many articles, made by the pupils of the various grades, are in the collection, including work of the girls, as well as the boys, and all of a very creditable character and indicating careful and conscientious instruction in the work. There are also some specimens of drawing and penmanship by pupils of the school, which are very creditable. Included in these is some of the regular work of the pupils in algebra, arithmetic and bookkeeping which indicate that accuracy and neatness are carefully inculcated by the teachers. Mr. Geo. F. Morelock, the principal, is sustained in his efforts to bring the school to a high grade of excellence, by an able corps of assistants.

For the Sentinel.

Presentation.

On the evening of April 29th, while the pastor, Rev. J. W. Clarke, and wife were attending prayer-meeting a number of their friends took advantage of their absence to assemble at the parsonage in Uniontown. On the return of the pastor and wife they were agreeably surprised to find their house filled with friends. The object of the gathering was to show the pastor and his family, in a tangible way, evidence of the appreciation of his worth, by presenting him with a set of decorated gold band dishes, numbering 112 pieces; also a dozen silver knives and forks, a beautiful tablecloth and 1 dozen napkins, 1 dozen tumblers and a decorated water pitcher, a complete table outfit. Mr. Jesse F. Billmyer made an appropriate speech in presenting the outfit, after which Rev. Clarke made a few touching remarks expressing his appreciation of the gift and the good will that was at the back of the act. Refreshments, consisting of ice cream, cake, bananas and coffee, were served to seventy-two persons. The evening was pleasantly spent in music and conversation. The pastor sang several solos. Mrs. Clarke and her sister, Mrs. Timmins, of Philadelphia, added to the evening's enjoyment by singing several duets.

For the Sentinel.

Death of Mr. Isaac Kiler.

Near Dennings, May 7th, after a brief illness, of paralysis, Mr. Isaac Kiler died and on Monday afternoon his remains were interred in the Dunkard Brethren's Cemetery at Sams Creek, by the side of his wife, who died about 15 years ago. The pall-bearers were: Messrs. David Bloom, James Bond, Chas. Bowersox, Preston Duvall, Thos. Mumford and Wm. Eckard. Mr. Chas. P. Baile was funeral director. The funeral sermon was preached by Rev. Mr. Miller, of the M. E. Church South, to a very large congregation of relatives and sympathizing friends. The age of the deceased was 70 years, 1 month and 11 days. He was a worthy citizen and farmer of New Windsor district, and much respected by all his neighbors and friends. He was the oldest son of the late David Kiler. His younger brother George, who died about 10 years ago, and his brothers Jacob and Daniel, who died within the last 13 months, preceded him to the grave. He is survived by one sister, Elder Wm. H. Franklin's wife, and 8 children—two sons, Jos. and Chas. Kiler, and six daughters, Mrs. Anna M. Bond, Miss Hettie Kiler, Mrs. Fannie Bond, Mrs. Julia Naill, Mrs. Hilda Franklin and Mrs. Elsie Byers.

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A Pleasant Surprise Birthday Party.

The hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Landes, 600 N. Fulton avenue, Baltimore, was the scene of a very largely attended surprise party, on Friday night, May 1st, given to their youngest daughter, Miss Lula M. Landes, to celebrate her 17th birthday. At 8.30 P. M. the house was thronged with guests. Social parlor games, instrumental and vocal music were indulged in. A violin solo was successfully rendered by Miss Lulu M. Landes. Miss Grace E. Landes entertained the guests with a few selections on the piano, also accompanied Miss Adell Sartzman, golden voiced soprano singer, in a few of her favorite solos which were beautifully sung. At 10.30 refreshments were served in abundance, after which the games were resumed until the midnight hour. After bidding goodnight all returned to their respective homes, tendering many thanks for their evening's enjoyment. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Landes, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Harper, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gettier and daughter Mildred, Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Fowler; Mrs. Sarah Blocker, of Alesia; Misses Lucy Owens, Grace E. Landes, Florence Warner, Hannah Schneider, Bertha Schneider, Lizzie Thome, Pearl Shamer, Dora Bremer, Elsie Parlett, Messrs. Leonard Helm, Harry Schneider, Ross Hoffacker, William Landes, Chas. L. Landes, Everett Richard and Clinton Warner.

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Christian Endeavor Social.

A social by the C. E. Society of Sandy Mt. M. P. Church was held at the home of Mrs. Lucinda Hering, on Friday evening, May 1st. A very interesting and instructive program was rendered to a large and appreciative audience, as most of the members of the society were present, besides a number of visitors from other societies represented in the county. After the adjournment of the business features, all were entertained in an adjoining room where refreshments were served.

Municipal Elections.

Municipal elections were held in this city, Taneytown and New Windsor on Monday. In this city but one ticket was in the field and the candidates, with a single exception, were named at a public meeting, held in Odd Fellows' Hall on the previous Friday evening. The exception was Mr. John T. Strevig. Mr. Nelson Gilbert, who was named as one of the candidates for common councilmen, declined and Mr. Strevig was finally selected to fill the vacancy. This was done by a committee appointed at the meeting referred to, for that purpose, and composed of Mr. John H. Cunningham, Dr. Charles Billingslea and Mr. George R. Gehr. Incidentally it may here be stated that the editor of the SENTINEL presided at that meeting, Claude Tilden Smith, Esq., was secretary, and speeches were made by D. N. Henning and M. E. Walsh, Esqs.

The election passed off very quietly and only 143 votes were polled. The significance of the result, however, lies in the fact that municipal authority is continued in the hands of the mayor and common councilmen who passed the ordinance to abrogate or nullify the contract of the city with the Westminster Water Company to supply water for suppressing fires and sprinkling the streets, the mayor and three of the councilmen elected being members of the present board. Against them two suits are now pending in the Circuit Court—one upon application of the Westminster Water Company for a mandamus to compel them to levy the 5-cent tax for the benefit of the company, as provided in its contract with the city, and the other an application of Mr. Fred. D. Miller, a taxpayer, for an injunction to restrain them from carrying out an agreement to contract with the Citizens' Water Company for a supply of water for the purpose specified. On account of the illness of Judge Jones and other hindrances, the pending petitions have not as yet been argued before the court, and the supporters of the Westminster Water Company made no effort to prevent the reelection of Mayor Gilbert and the old board of councilmen pending the issue of this litigation.

The ticket chosen is as follows: Mayor, Oscar D. Gilbert; common councilmen, John J. Reese, John T. Zahn, Wm. D. Henry, John H. Elgen and John T. Strevig.

The election at Taneytown was very spirited and 169 votes were polled, the largest, we believe, in the history of the town. Two tickets were in the field, both of which were headed by Dr. Franklin H. Seiss, for burgess. The names of Messrs. Edward Kemper and John S. Bower, both members of the present board of commissioners, were also on the tickets. The remaining three candidates on the regular ticket were Messrs. Edward E. Reindollar, John S. Fink and Milton A. Koons. The remaining names on the independent ticket were those of Messrs. Jas. Reindollar, Chas. A. Elliott and Harry B. Miller, members of the present board of commissioners, who were left off the regular ticket. Of these only Mr. James H. Reindollar was successful at the polls. He received a majority over Mr. Milton A. Koons, one of the regular candidates, the burgess and commissioners elected being as follows: Burgess, Dr. Franklin H. Seiss; Commissioners, Edward Kemper, John S. Bower, Edward E. Reindollar, John S. Fink and James H. Reindollar. Some votes were cast for Dr. C. Birnie, who was not a candidate, for burgess.

At New Windsor Mr. Charles P. Baile was elected burgess and A. E. Lambert, James T. Lambert, Charles Jones, Winfield S. Drach and Samuel T. Otto, commissioners, all for a third term.

Fire Department Notes.

At the regular monthly meeting of the fire department of this city, on Wednesday evening, it was decided to hold a strawberry and ice cream festival the first week in June.

The department will enter several of the contests to be held in Frederick, during the sessions of the annual convention of the Maryland State Volunteer Firemen's Association in that city, next month. It will be accompanied by a band and will take the full company of firemen.

As in alarms of fire heretofore some confusion has arisen in determining the locality where the services of the department have been required, a request is made of all persons who may hereafter sound alarms to indicate, as plainly as possible, the section of the city in which they shall occur, in order that delay in reaching them may be avoided. In responding to an alarm last Saturday night some of the apparatus was taken in one direction and some in another, because the information given the firemen was not sufficiently definite, and thus considerable time was consumed in reaching the locality where the firemen's services were needed. The alarm, as eventually ascertained, was caused by a slight fire in the hennery of Mr. C. C. Gorsuch, near his lumber and coal yard, on Green street. Fortunately the blaze was suppressed without the intervention of the firemen.

Personal.

Miss Elva Reininger, of Chambersburg, Pa., is visiting Miss May Price, of this city.

Mrs. D. C. Derr, of Union Bridge, spent Monday with Rev. and Mrs. R. W. Doty, of this place.

Miss Rosalie Hubbard, of Norwich, Conn., is visiting Mrs. E. Oliver Grimes, Jr., of this city.

Miss I. V. F. Jenkins, of Woodbine, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Elmer Hood, of Winfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin N. Rockwell, of Altoona, Pa., are visiting Mrs. Rockwell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Saylor, West Main street, this city.

Rev. and Mrs. P. J. Schriver, of Morgan, are visiting Mr. Schriver's parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Schriver, of Gettysburg, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Doty, of Jefferson, spent from Saturday until Monday last as the guests of their son, Rev. R. W. Doty, and wife, of this city.

Mr. S. C. Stoner was the delegate from this city to the State convention of the order of Modern Woodmen of America, held this week at Crisfield.

Miss Hilda Franklin and Mr. Clarence Shebline, of Baltimore, spent Sunday and Monday with Miss Hilda's mother, Mrs. Mary E. Franklin, of Union Bridge.

Rev. L. F. Warner and Mr. Frank Mather, of this city, are attending the Christian Endeavor Convention of the Methodist Protestant Church, for the District of Maryland, now in session at Washington, D. C.

Rev. Calvin S. Slagle, pastor of St. Paul's Reformed Church, this city, and Mr. John H. Gerke, delegate, are attending the Maryland Classis, which began its sessions at Clearspring on Tuesday. Rev. Jas. B. Stonesifer and Mr. J. N. Kroh are also in attendance from Carroll charge.

Miss Bessie Hood, of Daniel, had the misfortune, recently, to run a nail in her foot which inflicted quite a painful wound. She is now able to be about again and, accompanied by her sister, Miss Sophronia Hood, visited her cousin, Miss Edna Baker, near Woodbine, on Monday last.

Daniel Items.

Miss Ada Criswell is visiting in Baltimore.

Rev. Mr. Murry, former pastor of Bethel Church of God, was in this vicinity last week.

The sermon preached to the Odd Fellows of St. Stephen's Lodge, by Rev. Tyler, was a very excellent one.

Mrs. D. Snider is having her house repainted.

Miss Ethel Richardson is visiting friends in Baltimore.

Mrs. N. J Shipley, of Baltimore, is visiting friends in this vicinity.

Watersville Items.

Mr. Stephen Woodward died on Saturday, 2nd inst., at the age of 19 years and 4 months. He was a worthy and highly esteemed young man.

Mr. Wm. Poole is still being treated by Dr. Woodward.

Mr. James Clark's family all have the measles.

Farmers are getting ready to plant corn. Grain is looking well in this neighborhood.

Seminary Commencement Exercises.

The exercises connected with the twentieth commencement of Westminster Theological Seminary began with the baccalaureate service, which was held in the Methodist Protestant Church, this city, on Sunday morning and was attended by a large congregation. The sermon was delivered by the president of the seminary, Rev. Dr. Hugh L. Elderdice, whose text was: "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men," Matthew 4:19. It was throughout a practical and able discourse and was heard with profound interest and attention by the congregation generally as well as by those to whom it was especially addressed. In speaking directly to the latter Dr. Elderdice, among other things, said: "The prime purpose of preaching is soul-winning. When Jesus promised to make Peter and Andrew 'fishers of men' he used the word 'men' in the comprehensive sense of mankind regardless of sex; but for a practical purpose we may confine it for a moment to the masculine sense. According to recent statistics, only 15 per cent. of the churched are men. Does this mean that women are more religious than men? Perhaps so; and also perhaps there has been more fishing for them. Do not do less for women, but more for men. We need more masculine preaching. Effemiancy in pulpit and pastorate will not appeal to the vigorous man. If the field and shop and office were visited as much as the parlor, a different tale might be told. If your preaching be virile and your conduct manly, you may know something of the men-gathering of the sturdy Phillips Brooks and the magnetic Maltbie Babcock. You must know what the soul is and what the winning means. The soul is more than a function of the body, more than a spiritual power, more than animal life; in the full meaning of the word it is the man—a compound of body, mind and spirit. You cannot love the soul invisible without loving the body visible. The young preacher who desired to go as a missionary to the Hottentots because he loved their souls was informed that he could not go unless he loved the Hottentots.

"Avoid the mistake of winning men to yourself. If you secure a personal following, you leave a crippled church when you remove, for your personal following will forsake their old home. Win them to Christ. The condition of success in fishing for men is obedience to the command of Jesus, 'Follow me.' This is not discounting the value of college and seminary training, but emphasizing the truth that after human instructors have done their best you must sit at the feet of the great Teacher of Gallilee. Do not depend upon your eloquent productions. Beecher said, 'Big sermons are a temptation of the devil.' Nor is there any reflection on the legitimate work of the Higher Critic, but a plea to let your ambition lead you into personal and constant fellowship with the Saviour rather than into the composite authorship of the Pentateuch or the mysteries of Biblical reconstruction. At the judgment the question will not be, 'Whom did you follow—Driver, Briggs or Green?' but 'Did you follow Christ?' Do not fish for compliments, salary, position or any object less than men. If you flatter yourselves that you are not suited to country work, you fall from a soul-winner to a place-seeker; if ever tempted to preach for applause, remember the words of Ruskin, 'Thirty minutes to raise the dead in'."

The alumni sermon was delivered Sunday evening by Rev. Claude C. Douglas, A. M., B. D., professor in the seminary. The theme of Mr. Douglas' discourse was "The Ground and Purposes of God's Choices," as revealed in the text, "But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should show forth the virtues of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvelous light," II. Peter, 2:19. He said, in part: "The Bible explicitly declares that God is no respector of persons, but the cursory reader of history would say that he is. In all ages of the world God has singled out men and women for special positions and apart from all doctrines and reasons we must say that God picks his men. But no man was ever chosen solely because of his merit, neither was anyone ever chosen independently of his merit. There are two things to be considered in every choice that God has ever made—the character of the persons chosen and the purpose for which they are chosen.

I want first to reaffirm the teaching of the Bible, that God is no respector of persons. Here is the truth of the matter: God is no respector of persons but he is a respector of character. With God person is nothing and character is everything. If God chooses this man instead of that, the ground of his choice is in the man chosen and the ground of his refusal is in the man refused. He therefore calls men to salvation because they are worth saving, and he chooses certain men for certain positions because they have the qualities of character that fit them for these positions.

The text sets forth clearly that God chooses men for a purpose and declares what that purpose is. "But ye are chosen—that ye should show forth his virtues." God said to Israel, surrounded by nations that did not know God, "Ye are my witnesses that I am God." The very existence of God was to be proved in the lives of those whom he had chosen. God wants to reveal himself in you. There is something better than getting religion, there is something better than being saved, there is something better than getting to heaven; it is being worth saving, it is being fit for heaven, it is being able to reveal God in this life and preparing to make a greater revelation of him in the life to come. God wants to do something more than to save us; he wants to make something out of us.

Abbreviate the text and its scope widens: "But ye are—that ye should." It means that no gift or blessing ever came to man without an obligation to pass it on. We are saved for a double purpose. Paul never speaks of his wonderful experience on the way to Damascus as his being saved, but always as his being called to do something. He said, "I am a debtor." He felt that God had given him something that other men did not have *in order that* he might give it to them. "But ye are—that ye should."

On Monday evening the reunion and banquet of the Stockton Literary Society was held and was a pleasant and enjoyable affair.

The annual meeting of the Board of Governors was held at the Seminary on Tuesday morning at 10.30 o'clock. The business was principally of routine character, but several matters of public interest were disposed of. Among these was the election of a member of the Board to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Rev. Dr. E. J. Drinkhouse, and Rev. J. L. Mills, D. D., of Brooklyn, Md., a former pastor of the M. P. Church of this city, was chosen. Rev. Dr. J. D. Kinzer, of Georgetown, D. C., also a former pastor of that church, was elected president of the Board, and Rev. H. C. Cushing, of Sudleyville, Va., a pastor of the same church a quarter of a century ago, was elected to the chair of Systematic Theology in the Seminary.

The twentieth annual commencement of the institution took place on Tuesday evening in the presence of an interested audience. The exercises began with singing, by the congregation, and prayer by Rev. C. D. Sinkinson, of Atlantic City, N. J. The students then sang, "I Love Thy Kingdon," and the class oration was delivered by Clayborne Phillips, of Kent Island. The address to the graduates was delivered by Rev. J. S. Bowers, of Baltimore, and, after the students sang "God Speed the Gospel," diplomas were presented by President Elderdice to Aubrey Franklin Hess, of St. Mary's, West Va.; George Joseph Hooker and Richard Larkin Shipley, of Baltimore; Franklin Porter Krauss, of Alexandria, Va., and Clayborne Phillips, of Kent Island, who were graduated as ministers of the Methodist Protestant Church. Messrs. Krauss and Phillips also received the degree of Bachelor of Divinity.

The presentation of prizes then took place as follows: To Aubrey Franklin Hess, the Drinkhouse Extemporaneous Debate prize, presented by Rev. J. D. Kinzer, D. D.; to Joel Russell Gaar, of Hudson, La., the Hering Hebrew prize, presented by Dr. J. W. Hering; to Clayborne Phillips, the Wills Thesis prize, presented by J. Norman Wills, of Greensboro, N. C., and the Grimes Greek prize, presented by E. O. Grimes. The exercises were concluded with singing, "God be with you till we meet again," by the students, and the benediction by Rev. J. M. Gill, of Washington, D. C.

Three Wills in Issue.

It now transpires that Mrs. Mary Polk, of Baltimore, to whose will, executed April 14th, 1903, a caveat was entered in the Orphans' Court of Balmore, as stated in the SENTINEL last week, had previously made two other wills. One of these bears date October 2nd, 1896, and gives all her property to her niece, Mrs. Eldridge Packham, for life, with remainder to her children. The other is dated April 30th, 1902, and directs that the remains of the testatrix shall be buried beside the remains of her husband in Krider's Cemetery, Benjamin's Churchyard, Westminster, Carroll county, Md., and provides $1,000 for a monument. By this will Frederick L. H. Glendmeyer is bequeathed the property No. 104, Aisquith street, with the contents, consisting of furniture, plate, bric-a-brac, wearing apparel, jewelry, &c., all other real estate to be sold for cash, the proceeds, together with all cash on hand and in bank, together with $12,000 said to be due by Mrs. Sarah Packham, niece of testatrix, and her husband, Eldridge Packham, Jr., to form a fund to pay the following legacies: To Samuel Helterbridel, a nephew, $6,000, and other children of testatrix's sister, Eliza H. Hilterbridel, $6,000; Susie Brownley, a niece, $6,000; Mollie Myers, a niece, $6,000, and Nelson Bankert, a nephew, $6,000. To the Safe Deposit and Trust Company, $10,000 in trust, to pay the income thereof to Daniel Caltrider, brother of testatrix, for life, and at his death the principal to be divided among the children of his daughter, Barbara Freeman. To Sarah Packham, $5 in lieu of other legacies, it being stipulated that in case she does not contest the will she is to be released from all indebtednes to the estate; if she contests the will, the debt to be collected and to form a part of the general fund. To Fredericka Glendmeyer, $5,000, and to Frederick L. H. Glendmeyer, $5,000, together with all the rest and residue of the estate between them. In case the cash is not sufficient to pay the legacies, they are to be prorated. Frederick L. H. Glendmeyer is named as executor.

Both these wills have been filed in the Orphans' Court of Baltimore and Mrs. Packham and her children have entered a caveat to the will dated April 14th, which had been previously caveated by Messrs. Daniel Caltrider and Nelson Bankert, as stated last week.

Gamber Items.

Misses Golda Barnes and Nettie Slasman represented Providence C. E. Society at the National Convention at Washington D. C., this week. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs Jabez N. Barnes.

The Annual Memorial Day services will be held at Providence Church on Friday, May 29.

Messrs. Geo. E. Benson and James S. Grimes have each purchased a graphophone and every evening they give free entertainments much to the delight of our citizens.

Mr. Geo. H. Barnes is making preparations to build an addition to his dwelling.

Mr. Geo. E. Benson has had his dining room and bed room repapered. Matthews & Myers did the work.

Some persons have so belittled themselves as to rob the graves of Providence Cemetery of flowers. Should the miscreants be caught they will be dealt with according to law.

Quite a lot of interest in the mayoralty election of Baltimore was taken in our village, many gentleman as well as some ladies remaining at the telephone stations until quite late at night to get the returns.

The contractors have begun quarrying stone and excavating for the county bridge at Beasman's ford.

Miss Lily Bellison, of Woodberry, is visiting her uncle, Mr. S. W. Parrish, near here.

Mr. and Mrs. James S. Grimes paid a visit to Mrs. Grimes' parents, at Pikesville, this week.

Mr. Chas. Monroe, son and daughter, of Franklintown, visited Mr. Monroe's brother, Mr. Samuel Monroe, of this place, on Saturday and Sunday last.

Mr. N. Benson, of Westminster, is here looking after the interest of his farm adjoining our village.

Uniontown Items.

Mr. and Mrs. George Selby, of Clear Ridge, are occupying the home of the late Dr. Shreeve.

Mr. Thomas H. Routson spent several days on a visit to his son and family, Dr. Thomas Clyde Routson, of Buckeystown.

Elder W. Philip Englar and wife and Misses May and Missouri Kelley attended the reception given on Monday evening by Mr. and Mrs. William Bowers to Mr. Bowers' brother, Mr. Joseph Bowers, and bride.

Dr. Frank Oldham Miller, of Baltimore, graduate of the Maryland and Johns Hopkins Universities, located in our midst on Tuesday.

Dr. John Weaver and family, of Union Bridge, were in town on Tuesday calling on their friends.

Rev. C. E. McCullough spent Tuesday at Pen-Mar.

Mrs. Mollie Hesson vice-assistant school teacher and daughter Dorie, went to Westminster on Saturday, at the close of the school term.

Mr. J. Wesley Gilbert had a very valuable horse die, on Wednesday, of acute indigestion.

Robert Myers, of Frizellburg, was the guest of Carroll Weaver, Saturday and Sunday, from the M. C. I. of Union Bridge.

Miss Hester O'Mara, of Baltimore, visited her cousin, Miss Hermie Hann, several days during the past week.

Mr. Clayton Hahn spent a few days with his family, returning to Baltimore on Tuesday.

Miss Margaret Harman, of Frizellburg, visited friends in town during the past week.

Mrs. Timmons and daughter Mabel, of Philadelphia, Pa., who were visiting Mrs. T's. sister, Mrs. Rev. J. D. Clark, and family, returned home on Friday.

The M. P. Sunday School has elected officers for another year, as follows: Superintendent, Milton A. Zollickoffer; Asst. Supt., George Selby; secretary, Anna Baust; treasurer, William Shaw; Asst. Sec., Melvin Routson; organists, Minnie Romspert and Nettie Myers; librarian, Morrison D. Smith.

Melrose Items.

Wentz's Union Sunday School was reorganized on Sunday in the presence of 42 people with the following officers: President, Philip M. Wentz; vice-president, John W. Shaffer; superintendent, J. Albert Zepp; assistant superintendent, Parker N. Wentz; secretary, Clayton Sauble; assistant secretary, Edward F. Sterner; treasurer, H. Clayton Miller; managers, Messrs. Murray C. Geiman, Harry J. Groft, Jacob E. Monath, Wm. H. Dherit, Thurbert L. Wentz, Charles C. Schaeffer, Misses Frona M. Schaeffer, Annie J. Horich, Sarah S. Sterner, Edna G. Sauble, Sadie A. Sellers, Clara E. Shaffer; organist, Misses Mary Edith Crumrine and Edna G. Sauble. The Sunday School was first organized before 1850, and there is yet one member in the neighborhood who was present at that time. The school will meet on Sunday, May 10th, at 2 P. M. Everybody is invited.

For the Sentinel.

Houcksville School.

The closing exercises of Houcksville school were held May 1st. The entertainment consisted of dialogues, recitations, drills, solos, &c. All the patrons were present and a very large crowd of young people. At the close of the program each pupil was presented with a pound of candy. Those who took part were: Geo. and Wm. Basler, Herman and Wm. Seipp, Gussie and Edna Rill, Maurice E. Miller, Mary E. Shaeffer, Nettie and Ray Allgire, Hazel and Paul Reed, Earl Rill, Vernon L. Buchman, Mary C. E. Shaeffer, John Henry, Wm. Lang, Anna Harris, Ethel Leister, Anna L. Richards, Roland Buchman, Edna Smith, John Shaeffer, Cletus and Irwin Troyer, Lena Bonner, Maggie Lang and Ralph Reese.

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Big Bargain Lot Ladies' Vests, 8 Cents.

The warm weather of the past few days makes these very desirable just now. A fortunate purchase gave us two cases of these splendid gauze Vests for Ladies, a little more than half price. 8 cents each.

8 Cents.

Special Purchase of New Jap Wash Silk.

These goods have just been imported, and are new, stylish, and very pretty. We were fortunate in getting them and the quantity is limited. Any piece you like for only 25 cents the yard.

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This is the very best Matting Bargain ever offered and the way it has sold shows that it is appreciated. This is the fourth shipment we have had of this one grade alone. Extra heavy China Matting, in neat patterns, woven close and of very fine smooth straw, at 16 cents, or, by the roll of 40 yards, at 15 cents. It would be cheap at 20c.

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WEDDING BELLS.

Erb-Bromley.

The Winchester, Va., *Evening Star* of the 1st inst. says: "Mr. E. Hampton Erb and Miss Elizabeth Bromley, both of Clarke county, were quietly married last night at 8 o'clock at the Presbyterian parsonage in Berryville, by the pastor, Rev. D. H. Scanlon. Mr. Erb is the son of Mr. Chris. Erb, of Clarke county, who is well kown in this city; and his bride is the daughter of the late John Bromley, of Clarke county, and a sister of Mrs. J. L. Maphis and Mrs. M. L. Capper, of this city.

"The couple were to have been married several monthe ago, but owing to the illness of the bride and the death of the bride's mother, the ceremony had to be postponed.

"After the wedding, which was witnessed by only the immediate families and friends of the contracting parties, Mr. and Mrs. Erb went to their new home on the outskirts of Berryville, where they will reside in the future. The groom is a prosperous plumber and his bride is a popular and attractive young lady."

The groom is a native of this county, of which many of his relaives and friends are residents.

For the Sentinel.

A Pleasant Birthday Party.

The hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Frizzell, at Smallwood, was the scene of a very largely attended party on Saturday evening last, given in honor of the anniversary of Mrs. Frizzell's birthday. The guests began to arrive at an early hour and by 8 o'clock the merrymakers had filled the house and were engaging in pleasant pastimes, such as party plays, vocal and instrumental music, &c. Some fine selections were performed on the violin, by Mr. E. B. Arnold, and also on the graphophone. At 11 o'clock refreshments were served, after which plays were resumed and continued till midnight, when the guests departed to their homes after bidding goodnights, tendering the host and hostess cordial thanks for the evening's entertainment and wishing Mrs. Frizzell many more happy birthday anniversaries. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Frizzell, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Brown, Mr. and Mrs. E. Sayers, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Arnold, Mr. and Mrs. Noah Barnes, Mr. William Zellers, Misses Carrie Frizzell, Grace Brown, Gertie Frizzell, Lilly Barber, Lizzie Turnpaw, Minnie Barber, Lottie Frizzell, Helen Brown, Minnie Sayers, Helen Arnold, Edna Zellers, Lilly Frick, Millie Frizzell, Messrs. Silas P. Frizzell, George Seipp, James Schneider, George Wolf, Marshall Carr, Walter Sayers, Augustus Zellers, Paul Zellers, George Williams, Harry Williams, John Barber, Elmer Logue, Carroll Logue, Earl Brown, Marion Bitzell, John Baker, William Davis, Herbert Barber, Charles Lockard, Louis Lockard, Leonard Frick, Ed. Richter.

York Road Items.

Mrs. Clara Lynn, of Baltimore, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Newman.

Mr. and Mrs. Dorsey, of Westminster, are spending several weeks with their daughter, Mrs. Robert Galt.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Koons and daughter, of Hagerstown, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. C. Koons.

Mrs. Wm. F. Dayhoff spent several days of the past week in Baltimore.

Miss Nannie Cover has returned home after a lengthy visit to friends in Baltimore.

Mrs. Robert Koons, of Baltimore, visited Mrs. Geo. W. Koons last week.

Miss E. Corinne Lambert closed her school on Friday last, treating the scholars, parents and friends to ice cream, cakes and lemonade.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Reese are spending some time with Mr. Reese's parents, at Bark Hill.

Mr. Wm. F. Cover has laid out a tennis court which is adding very much to the pleasure of the young people in this locality.

Winfield Items.

Our academy closes June 9.

Miss Ida V. Cauthorn, teacher of our public school for the past year, left for her home at Hood's Mill last Sunday.

A number of people of our town and community are having their vehicles painted by J. P. Waltz & Son, our expert painters.

The friends of the academy will hold a strawberry and ice cream festival at the Academy Hall on Saturday night, May 16th. There will be a balloon ascension during the evening, and an orchestra will furnish music.

The Citizens' Telephone Company is meeting with much encouragement in our vicinity. A great number of our people have taken phones and stock and the Sykesville branch will soon extend to Winfield. We hope soon to have a line to Westminster.

The Academy Board met at the Academy Hall on Thursday night, April 30. Mr. C. E. Stem was elected a member of the board. It was decided to close the academy on Tuesday, June 9th; also, that the commencement entertainment exercises should be held on one evening only, instead of two. The principal of the academy is making a strong effort to have this entertainment a great success. The academy scholars have begun work already, and they will be assisted by Mr. R. R. Carman, of Western Maryland college, and Miss Ada Schaeffer, of Westminster, who will sing several selections. As both are very fine singers. We await June 9th with pleasure and anticipation. The Grimes and Shoemaker orchestra will furnish music for the entertainment.

Berrett Items.

The farmers around Berrett are backward with their corn planting, owing to the wet weather in April, which hindered ploughing for about two weeks. But we are having fine weather now for farm work, though there is very little corn planted in our neighborhood up to the 6th of May. Some are not near done ploughing yet.

Mr. James Penn's stable was burned down about 9 o'clock on Friday morning of last week, entailing a loss of about $200 on which there was an insurance of $100. Four hogs burned, but no other live stock. The colts were turned out of the stable before the men went to their work in the morning. The hay and fodder were burned, but no grain.

Mrs. Margaret Dorsey visited her son, Mr. Basil Dorsey, several days last week.

Miss Amanda Leatherwood was the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Mary Dorsey, one day last week.

Mr. Jacob Young, of Baltimore, visited his sister, Mrs. Alice Flemming, of Berrett, Saturday and Sunday last.

Mr. John H. Conaway was in Baltimore city several days last week visiting. He has two sons and a daughter living in the city.

Miller's Items.

Mrs. Geo. Barber, of this place, and her sister, Mrs. Daniel Redding, of Lineboro, spent Saturday and Sunday last attending lovefeast at Hanover, Pa.

Miss Vergie Rabenstine, of Hanover, spent Saturday and Sunday last visiting friends here.

Mr. G. O. Miller, of Thomasville, Pa., spent Monday last here attending to business affairs.

Mr. and Mrs. Bender spent Tuesday last in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Frank spent Sunday last visiting the former's sister, Mrs. John Walker, near Shearrer's mill.

Mrs. Geo. O. D. Hoover and son spent Wednesday last visiting at Alesia.

Mrs. Elizabeth Miller is on the sick list.

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Proceedings of the School Board.

The School Commissioners for Carroll county held a regular meeting in their office last Monday, the 4th inst. The first meeting in May is the time when the Board fills vacancies, makes changes, or reappoints the trustees of the local schools.

In very nearly all cases the trustees for the past year have been faithful, have given special attention to the schools and they have added very much and been an indispensable factor in making the school work go along smoothly and successfully. The Board was very conservative in dealing with the subject, and left the trustees mainly as they were before.

At Middleburg, E. O. Cash was appointed in place of J. D. Engle, and Wm. L. Kolb was added. At Taneytown, Robert S. McKinney was appointed in the place of Dr. Motter, deceased. At Cranberry it was thought the best results might be reached by placing the school in the hands of the Commissioner, Fred D. Miller. At Spring Dale school, John Burall was appointed in place of David M. Young. At Wentz, Samuel Boyer in place of J. H. Starner. At Springville, Uriah C. Miller in place of E. K. Zimmerman. At Pipe Creek, John Stone in place of Abraham Caylor. At Oakland, Jacob Brandenburg in place of J. J. Koller. At Slack's, Milton Bennett in place of S. D. Shipley. At Reese, August Gesell in place of Wm. Devilbiss. At Harney, J. V. Eyler in place of J. W. Reck. At Franklin, Jno. N. Kaiser, Jesse P. Weybright and J. Frock were all appointed. At Sykesville, Henry Teil and C. M. Leisher. At Union Bridge, Dr. W. Durban Brown, W. D. Engleman and W. S. Wolf were appointed.

It is more in line with propriety as well as law for the trustees to wait until after the board meeting in May before they select the teacher for the following year. To save themselves trouble and disappointment, it would be well for teachers to wait until after the appointment of trustees in May before they apply in formal manner with contract for any appointment.

To allay some useless inquiry, it might be well to state that about the tenth of June the checks for the summer term will be sent to the teachers. What money we may have to meet these payments will come into the office about the fifth of June.

S. SIMPSON, Secretary.

Bachman's Valley Weather Report.

MONTH OF APRIL, 1903.

Date	Temp'ture. Maximum	Temp'ture. Minimum	Precipitation. Amount	Precipitation. Prevailing wind, direction	Character of days
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J. M. MYERS, Voluntary Observer.

LIST OF UNCLAIMED MATTER remaining in the Postoffice, Westminster, Md., May 2nd, 1903:

Buffington, Mr. Clarence; Green, Mr. Darius; Mane, Miss Josie; Monat, Mr. John; Miller, Mr. Andrew; Myers, Mr. C. F.; Woodward, Mr. Sank

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