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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.

Some farmers in this county have commenced cutting off their corn.

The fall term of the public schools of this county began on Monday last. In this city the attendance was large.

Miss Ruth Roberts, of Sams Creek, has accepted the position of cashier in Mr. Charles E. Hering's department store, this city.

The many friends of Miss Lydia B. Starner, near Frizellburg, who was paralyzed last Saturday afternoon, will be glad to learn that she is improving.

Forty-three voters obtained transfer certificates from the Supervisors of Election during their meeting in this city, on Tuesday.

The autumnal equinox will occur on Thursday next, 24th inst., when the day and night will be equal, the sun rising at 6 A. M. and setting at 6 P. M.

The fall term at Western Maryland College began on Tuesday with a large number of students in attendance.

Mr. George A. Bixler, of this city, who held the position of collector for the Electric Light and Power Company, has resigned and Mr. B. F. Sechrist has been appointed in his stead.

The business transacted by the County Commissioners, at their meeting on Monday, was chiefly of routine character. Mary Stuller, of district No. 7, was granted a special pension of $5.

The 5564th Jewish era will begin on Tuesday, 22nd inst., at which time the Hebrew New Year will also occur. The business places of Messrs. A. C. Strasburger and H. Rosenstock, of this city, will be closed on the occasion.

Heavy showers of rain fell in this locality on Thursday morning and afternoon. The weather for a week previous had been very warm, the mercury rising well up in the eighties daily, but a cool wave followed the rainstorm mentioned.

Rev. D. Snyder Stephan has sold his property at the corner of West Main and John streets, this city, and the adjoining property also, to the Westminster Hardware Company. The exact price paid has not transpired, but is said to have been between $10,000 and $11,000.

E. Oliver Grimes, Jr., Esq., of this city, has purchased, of Miss Sallie Longwell, four building lots on Willis street, on which he will at once have erected a handsome residence. The lots are beautifully located and, together, have a frontage of 200 feet on Willis street, with a depth of 198 feet.

Miss Bertha Wooden, daughter of Mr. Wm. S. Wooden, of Baltimore, (formerly of Hampstead) and Mr. Henry E. Whack, a member of the Baltimore Chamber of Commerce, were married in St. Paul's English Lutheran Church in that city, on Tuesday of last week. The pastor, Rev. P. A. Heilman, performed the marriage ceremony.

Readers of our Carrollton correspondence will notice the allusion to some very large potatoes raised by Mr. Benjamin Croft, of that vicinity. Our correspondent has left the three potatoes described, at this office, where they can be be seen by any person desiring to do so. They are certainly a very fine product.

Harrison Woodward, a colored youth of this city, aged 14 years and 6 months, was committed to the Colored House of Reformation at Cheltenham, on Monday, by Justice J. F. Rinker, until he shall have arrived at the age of 21 years. The commitment was made at the request of the boy's mother, Mrs. Ida Woodyard, who reported that he was beyond her control.

Miss Nettie A. Whitmore, of this city, was accidentally shot in one of her limbs, while practicing with a cat rifle on Friday last. The ball could not be located and she was taken to the Maryland University Hospital in Baltimore, on Friday afternoon. The X-rays were used to determine the location of the ball and it was found unnecessary to remove it. Miss Whitmore will not suffer permanent inconvenience from the injury.

Rev. David W. Brown, aged 74 years, a worthy colored local minister, lately suffered with an attack of appendicitis. It was at first supposed that it was a case of acute indigestion, but signs of inflammation of the stomach and bowels developed, and later his physician, Dr. M. L. Bott, of this city, definitely diagnosed his disease as appendicitis. Dr. Bott treated the case with opiates and other remedies and effected a cure without resorting to a surgical operation.

Mr. J. Frank Magee, of Reese, who, two months or more ago, went to a hospital in Baltimore for treatment for a diseased leg, returned home on Friday last. While in the hospital he underwent a surgical operation which was successful, and he is now able to move about with the aid of crutches. Mr. Magee's many friends will be pleased to hear that he is recovering. It will be necessary for him to return to the hospital to have the cast in which his leg is incased removed and to have the limb dressed. He has suffered severely but is in good spirits.

Department Commander William Stahl, Past Department Commander George W. Johnson, and Chief Mustering Officer John A. Thompson, of Baltimore, and Department Inspector James Campbell, of Cumberland, paid an official visit to Burns Post, G. A. R., of this city, on Saturday last. It was the first meeting of the post after the summer recess and was largely attended. The visiting officers dined with members of the post at the Hotel Albion. They found the post in excellent condition and had a very pleasant time with their comrades of the Grand Army.

The individual deposits, subject to check, in the several national banks of this county, at the close of business on the 9th inst., were as follows: First National Bank of New Windsor, $77,115.50; Farmers and Mechanics National Bank of Westminster, $124,345.36; Union National Bank of Westminster, $237,826.67; First National Bank of Westminster, $285,031.07; total, $724,318.60. At the same time the deposits in the Westminster Savings Bank were: $715,737.03, and in the Westminster Deposit and Trust Company $475,300.25, total $1,191,037.28, and grand total, $1,915,355.88.

St. Benjamin's Lutheran Sunday School, near this city, will hold a picnic in Mr. Andrew D. Reese's grove, tomorrow, Saturday afternoon, September 19th.

The case of Clarence Strine vs. J. W. Stimmel has been removed from Frederick to the Circuit Court for Carroll county for trial. Strine's eyes were destroyed by a blast while he was working for Mr. Stimmel, and he is suing for damages.

Charles Mitchell, who was arrested under a State warrant by Officer Jerome on Tuesday, on a charge of vagrancy, had a hearing before Justice J. F. Rinker, this morning, and was sentenced to the House of Correction for two months.

The Odd Fellows of the United States will gather in Baltimore in great numbers next week during the meeting of the Supreme Grand Lodge of the order, which is to be held in that city. It will be a memorable occasion in Odd Fellowship in the United States, which had its birth in Baltimore. On Wednesday a grand parade will take place and, with the rich regalia of the order worn by thousands in line, will present a very attractive spectacle. Members of Salem Lodge, this city; Sulphur Spring Lodge, New Windsor, and St. Stephen's Lodge, Daniel, will go to the city on that occasion in a body. Excursion tickets will be sold by the Western Maryland Railroad, from its various stations, to Baltimore, from the 19th to the 23rd inst., inclusive.

A gang of rogues and swindlers accompanied Walter L. Main's circus, which exhibited in this city on Friday last, and, it is said, relieved numerous persons of various sums of money by their schemes and games. One party, it is said, dropped $60 on the wet cloth or some other equally bald swindling game, while many lost $1 or more in the same way. It is singular that intelligent people can be taken in by such transparent gambling devices as are employed by these sharpers. Yet it is only history repeating itself. It is not creditable to Mr. Main that he permits his show to be accompanied by a gang of swindling gamblers intent on robbing too credulous victims. The former appearances of the show here were, we believe, free from this most objectionable adjunct.

For disturbing the public peace, drunkenness and disorderly conduct, profane swearing &c., a number of persons have been before Justice J. F. Rinker, of this city, during the past week, and have paid the legal penalty of their violations of the law. On Friday, James North, white, who has no fixed place of residence, was arrested by Officer Jerome and Justice Rinker imposed a fine of $2 and costs. In default of payment North is serving thirty days in jail. On Saturday, Lorenzo Bell, colored, who was charged with drunkenness and disorderly conduct, was arrested by Officer Jerome and Justice Rinker imposed a fine of $3 and costs, which were paid. These cases were all for violations of city ordinances. On Monday Nettie Frisby, Lizzie Dorsey and Annie Spriggs, all young colored girls, were arrested by Constable Elias N. Davis, under State warrants, for disturbing the peace, profane swearing &c., and were each required to pay a fine of $1 and costs.

On the first page of the SENTINEL this week, will be found a sketch of the life of Mr. Henry C. Dern, Sr., who died on the 8th inst., at Altoona, Pa. The sketch is taken from the Altoona *Tribune*, with which Mr. Dern was connected and of which he was one of the owners and publishers for many years. The tribute paid by it to his life and character is well deserved. He was in every respect a good citizen, as he was a successful man in his chosen profession. In his prosperity he never forgot or neglected the home or friends of his youth and early manhood, and it was always his habit to spend a week or more, annually, in this county. On such occasions he never failed to visit the SENTINEL office, where he always received a cordial and hearty welcome. Mr. Wm. H. Lockard, now one of the SENTINEL's compositors and one of the oldest printers in the State, worked in the office of the Carroll County *Democrat*, when Mr. Dern was one of its apprentices, and the friendship which then existed between them has always been maintained. In the death of Mr. Dern Altoona has lost one of its best and most worthy citizens.

Last Thursday evening, September 10th, was a very pleasant occasion at the home of Miss Carrie Green, "Forest Glen," near Carrollton, the having been a apron social, given in honor of the Misses Stockdale, Miss Blanche and Edna, of Baltimore, who are visiting Miss Green. The house was tastefully decorated with golden rod and fern, and the lawn was brilliantly lighted with Japanese lanterns, making it altogether a very pretty sight. About 10 P. M. the gentlemen present were furnished with aprons which they were to hem without the ladies' assistance, making quite an interesting sight to watch. Several prizes were offered. Mr. Samuel Elserode and Rev. W. C. Harden won the first prizes, while Mr. Robertson and Mr. Houck won booby prizes. After the aprons were finished all were invited to the dining room, where an abundance of cake and fruit was served, which all enjoyed. Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Green and daughter, Miss Carrie, Messrs. William Morland, Maurice Green, Misses Blanche and Edna Stockdale, Mollie Shilling, Rosy Tracy, of Baltimore; Addie Hoff, Hollace Williams, Goldie Shilling, Flossie Minters, of Westminster; Blanche Flater, Carrie Buckingham, Carrie Zepp, Etta Zepp, Myrle Caple, Winifred Hoff, of Sandyville; Ida Elserode, Mary Elserode, Nora Buchman, Messrs. Raymond Buchman, David Elserode, Samuel Elserode, of Hampstead; Joseph Devilbiss, of Philadelphia; Miss Cora Barnes, Messrs. Albert Houck, Willie Eckenrode, Lester Robinson, Harry Dutrow, Walter Robinson, Guy Caple, Rev. W. C. Harden, Ross Taylor, Walter Taylor, Herbert Buckingham, Claude Buckingham, Frank Houck, George Caltrider.

For the Sentinel.

A Reception.

On Monday evening a reception, under the auspices of the Epworth League of Pleasant Grove M. E. Church, was given to Mr. J. F. Magee, of Reese, upon his return from the Maryland University Hospital, where he underwent an operation a few weeks ago. The members of the family were entirely unaware of any demonstration until a large number of guests had arrived. A short program was rendered. A member of the Epworth League, of which Mr. Magee is also a member, made an address of greeting, thanking our Heavenly Father for our brother's return to us, and praying that he may be speedily restored to perfect health. To this Mr. Magee responded in a few but touching words. Refreshments were served. Mr. Magee is doing well considering his ailment.

Dedication of a Firemen's Hall.

As heretofore stated in the SENTINEL the new Firemen's Building at Hampstead, just completed, will be dedicated tomorrow. The following program for the occasion has been arranged and published:

10.30 A. M.—Parade—Hampstead Fire Co., Alesia Band, Hanover Fire Co., Pleasant Valley Band, delegations from other visiting companies.

12 M.—Dinner.

2 P. M.—Dedication in hall.

4. P. M.—Firemen's drill by Hanover Co.

5. P. M.—Supper.

7 P. M.—Exhibition fire drill, sham fire, &c., Hampstead Fire Co.

A bazaar for the benefit of the fire company was opened in the hall last night and will be continued each week day evening until the 26th. It will also be opened during the day tomorrow.

LIST OF UNCLAIMED MATTER

remaining in the Postoffice, Westminster, Md., Sept. 12th, 1903:

Anigher, Mr.
Diggs, Mr. Wesley
Dorsey, Miss Florence G.
Fulton, Mr. John
Isner, Rev. C. A.
Keabler, Mr. William
Keplinger, Miss Bunnie
Jennie Dennie
Maurader, Miss Annie
Neff, Mr. Henry
Willis, Wm.

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

GEO. E. BAUGHMAN, P. M.

WEDDING BELLS.

Hett-Reifsnider.

Miss Naomi Alberta Reifsnider and Mr. Clarence H. Hett were married last Monday, September 14th, at 8.10 A. M., at the Reformed parsonage, Frederick, the pastor, Rev. Dr. E. E. Eschbach, performing the marriage ceremony. The bride, who is an attractive and popular lady of that place, is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel D. Refsnider. She was attired in a navy blue etamine traveling suit, with hat and gloves to match. Mr. and Mrs. Hett will reside in Philadelphia, where the groom is engaged in business. The bride formerly resided, with her parents, near this city.

DEATHS DOINGS.

Mrs. Jesse E. Ruthrauff.

Mrs. Jessie Evelena Ruthrauff, wife of Mr. Charles A. Ruthrauff, and daughter of the late Airhart Winters, of this county, died at her home in Baltimore, on Saturday last, and her remains were brought to this city on Tuesday, and interred in Westminster Cemetery, in the presence of numerous mourning relatives and friends. Rev. Calvin S. Slagle, of St. Paul's Reformed Church, this city, officiated at the grave.

Mrs. Elizabeth E. E. Walker.

Mrs. Elizabeth E. E. Walker, wife of Rev. Perry G. Walker, pastor of the Union Street Colored M. E. Church, died at her home on Union street, this city, on Thursday morning, aged 71 years, 1 month, 17 days. Mrs. Walker was a daughter of the late Rev. John Baptist Snowden and a sister of Mr. John M. Snowden, of this city, and Rev. Thomas B. Snowden, of West Virginia. She was an estimable and very worthy woman and was universally respected. Her husband, to whom she was married in May 1853, more than 50 years ago, survives her and she leaves three adult sons and two daughters. Her funeral will take place at the Union Street Church tomorrow afternoon at 1 o'clock, after which her remains will be interred in Ellsworth Cemetery.

Carrollton Items.

Mr. Howard Blizzard, while on a visit to his sister at Patapsco, on Sunday last, was suddenly taken sick with a nervous spell to which he is subject, and was unconscious for sometime. Dr. J. T. Hering, of Westminster, was summoned by telephone and remained with Mr. Blizzard for several hours, and he is now in a fair way to recover.

Miss Lillian Sykes, of Woodberry, paid a visit to her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Joel Sykes, last week.

Mr. John Young, of Baltimore was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Houck on Saturday and Sunday last.

Mr. Noah Long, of this vicinity, for the first time paid a visit to Gettysburg and the battlefield on Saturday last, having driven all the way from his home and back in one day, a distance of more than fifty miles. Mr. Long was much pleased with his visit and stroll over some parts of the battlefield, the cemetery, and the city, &c.

A surprise party was tendered Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shaffer, on Thursday evening of last week, at which there were over fifty young and middle aged persons. Those present were: Misses Alice Mathias, Estelle Reese, Lottie Houck, Alvertie Dull, Mamie Reese, Agnes Walsh, May Houck, Edna Lovell, Ethyl Abbott, Dora Lowell, Dycie Shaffer, Olive Hitchcock, Martha Collins, Junie Richards, Rosa Richards, Mamie Lovell, Grace Shaffer, Minnie Shaffer, Mabel Lebrun, Hilda Lovell, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Shaffer, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shaffer, Mrs. Lovell, Mrs. Tawney, Miss Lola Abbott, Messrs. Wm. Frank, Horatio Mathias, Arthur Lynch, Walter Algire, William Shaffer, Benjamin Miller, James Walsh, Arthur Walsh, Newton Davidson, George Reese, Robert Bill, Cleveland Neubaker, Vivian Davidson, Frank Houck, Luther Martin, Willie Martin, Charles Walsh, Charles Breitweiser, Elias Basler, Clark Shaffer, Emory Shaffer, Paul Shaffer, Allen Ebaugh John Snider, Clarence Lovell, Chester Sherman.

Mr. and Mrs. Lovell and two daughters, who are at present residing at Woodberry, paid a visit to their two sons, near Richard's Mill, last week. They returned home on Sunday last. Mr. Lovell is employed at Poole's machine shops, Woodberry. The family expect to return to the country next spring.

Rev. Dr. L. B. Wilson, presiding elder of West Baltimore district, M. E. Church, held quarterly meeting at Wesley Church on Saturday afternoon last and preached to a good congregation on Sunday morning.

Mr. Benjamin Croft, the veteran farmer of this vicinity, assisted by his son Charley and a force of helpers, has been getting out his crop of potatoes the past week, which are very fine as well as very large. Mr. Charley Croft gave your correspondent 3 potatoes one of which measured 9 inches in length and 7½ inches in circumference, one 8½ inches in length by 8½ inches in circumference, and the other 7½ inches in length and 8½ in circumference. This one is shaped almost exactly like the right foot of a human being. They are of the Clarke's Early Seedling variety. Who in Carroll county can beat this?

The public schools of this vicinity opened on Monday with a fair attendance. Mr. Simpson Ebaugh is the teacher at Brown's, and Mr. Wm. Shaffer at Wesley schoolhouse.

Personal.

Mr. G. W. Weaver, of Gettysburg, Pa., is visiting friends in this city and vicinity.

Miss Christie A. Reindollar, of Taneytown, is the guest of Miss Janie Reaver, East Main street, this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. H. Baughman, after spending the summer in this city, have returned to Baltimore for the winter.

Miss Ruth Roelkey, of Knoxville, Frederick county, is visiting her sister, Mrs. R. W. Doty, Pennsylvania avenue, this city.

Miss Sylla Ball, of Baltimore, and Miss Fanny Graham of Norfolk, Va., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Ball, of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Lockard, of this city, left on Wednesday for a trip of two weeks in Philadelphia, Atlantic City and Wayne, Pa.

Mrs. Jennie B. Kreglo and daughter, Miss Myy C. Kreglo, of Hagerstown, have been visiting friends in this city this week.

Mr. E. C. Regester and family will return to Baltimore next week after spending the summer at their country residence near this city.

Miss Mamie McDaniel, of Frederick, who had been visiting her friend, Miss Estella Aldridge, near Winfield, has returned home.

Mrs. Wm. H. Staub and Mrs. Caroline Blackston, of Frederick, are visiting Mrs. Staub's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John E. Eckenrode, of this city.

Mrs. Mary Keller and daughter, Miss Maggie Keller, of Baltimore, and Rev. John M. Gill and son Robert, of Chestertown, have been visiting Mrs. Jane Coon, of this city, this week.

Miss Bertha V. Bricker, Miss Gertie E. Schwartz, Mr. Wm. A. Tuerke, of Baltimore, and Miss LaRay Hann, of Hampstead, were the guests of Miss Jennie L. Handley, of this city, last week.

Mr. James L. Stoner, of the United States Regular Artillery, now stationed at Fort McHenry, Baltimore, spent Saturday and Sunday last with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James M. Stoner, of this city.

Mr. Edgar Slagle, of this city, has returned to Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa., to resume his studies for the ensuing year, and his sister, Miss Katharine Slagle, has gone to the Woman's College, at Frederick, Md.

Mr. LeVere Stem, of Chicago, Ill., and Mr. Arthur G. Albert, of Sams Creek, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Matthews, of this city, on Saturday and Sunday last. On Sunday morning Mr. Stem sang a solo at St. Paul's Reformed Church and at the Methodist Protestant Church in the evening, and both congregations were very much pleased with his beautiful voice.

Uniontown Items.

Miss Lily Schiferling, of Baltimore, is visiting her parents, Rev. and Mrs. George Bowersox.

Miss Lucy Fleagle, of Baltimore, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Fleagle, and other friends, during the past week.

Miss Edith Routson has returned home after a visit of several months at Buckingham School, near Buckeystown.

Mrs. Gover Routson was the guest for a few days of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ephraim Kelley.

Mrs. Alfred Coley, who was visiting her mother, Mrs. Susan Harbaugh, went to Baltimore on Thursday.

Mrs. Charles Hooper and son, Guy, of Baltimore, visited Mrs. H's. brother, Rev. C. E. McCullough, and family at the M. P. parsonage, several days during the past week.

Prof. T. Moale Ireland, of Finksburg, and Mrs. Mollie Hesson, of Westminster, as principal and assistant teacher, respectively, took charge of our school on Monday with an enrollment of fifty-one scholars. We extend a welcome to Mr. Ireland and hope he and Mrs. Hesson will be very successful in their work of training the minds, and teaching the young ideas of their pupils to shoot profitably.

Mrs. Harry H. Brough is visiting Rev. William Delp, a former pastor of our Lutheran Church, and family, at German Valley, N. J. Rev. and Mrs. Delp have issued the announcement of the engagement of their daughter, Miss Florence Elizabeth Delp, whose marriage will take place in the near future.

Mr. Will Eckenrode lost a very valuable horse on Wednesday which died with spasmodic colic.

Miss Mary Baughman, who was visiting friends in Greencastle and Huntingdon, Pa., returned home on Saturday.

Miss May Routson is the guest of her uncle, Mr. Harve Routson, and family, at Waynesboro, Pa.

Mrs. J. Wesley Gilbert went to Baltimore during the week to visit her mother, Mrs. Ebaugh, who is ill and suffering from a broken hip bone. Mrs. Ebaugh is ninety-two years old.

Evening service in the Methodist Protestant Church will be at 7.30 instead of 8 o'clock.

An account of the business meeting of the Church of God, recently held, will be given next week.

Mrs. Jacob J. Weaver, Jr., accompanied Mrs. Edmund K. Fox and family to their home in Washington, D. C., last Wednesday.

Miss Minnie Sittig, of Baltimore, is visiting the families of her uncles, Messrs. Charles and Henry Sittig.

Mr. C. E. McCullough is visiting at the home of her parents at Clarksville, Md. After fatigue of travel complications of a serious nature set in, but we are glad to learn she is now improved in health, and was able to take a short drive on Tuesday.

The pastor, Rev. C. E. McCullough, is trying to secure the services of Rev. L. A. Bennett, of Delmar, Del., to assist him during the annual protracted meeting, which will be held in the Pipe Creek M. P. Church, beginning October 25.

Mr. and Mrs. George Selby spent Saturday and Sunday with their son Edgar and family, at Westminster.

Shipley Items.

Our busy days have come again and our many laborers are at their respective duties. Early seeding and cutting of corn are among the busy duties now.

Our public school opened on the 14th inst., with a good attendance.

Our Christian Endeavor Society reorganized on the 13th inst., by electing Mr. Grove J. Shipley, president; Mrs. Althea Polster, vice-president; Mr. John T. Wagner, treasurer; Mr. John M. Hook, secretary; Miss Maud L. Easton, librarian; Miss Gertrude L. Hook, organist, and Miss Lulu Shipley, assistant organist. The society consists of about 40 members and is supposed to meet every Sunday evening at 7 o'clock.

The following were guests, on the 13th inst., of Mr. and Mrs. Grove J. Shipley: Mr. Grant Miller and wife, of Unionville, Frederick county; Mrs. Johnzie Easton, of Winfield; Mr. Harry Hughes, of Sykesville; Mr. Grove Mc. Shipley, of Finksburg; Messrs. F. E. Grimes, C. H. Shipley, E. G. Shipley, Reuben Barnes, Mrs. Mary S. Hook, and Perlie E. Grimes, miss Bessie S. Shipley and Master Vernon Grimes, of near by.

Corn with us, both Indian and sweet, is a fair crop, considering the season. Apples are fairly abundant, but in many instances they are falling rapidly. Wheat in this locality averages about 15 bushels per acre this year.

The remains of Miss Valma Schneider, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gust Schneider, of Baltimore, and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schneider, of Shipley, who was on a two-weeks' visit to her grandparents in the country, and who passed away on the 10th inst., were laid away to rest on the 12th inst., in the German Lutheran Cemetery. The pall-bearers were: Messrs. George Hook, Urner Shipley, Byron Wagner and Charles Magin, Jr. Rev. Dr. P. H. Miller, of Westminster Lutheran Church, officiated.

Gist Items.

Mr. Frederick Breamer is visiting his daughter, Mrs. John Williams, at Dayton, O. Mr. Breamer expects to be in Dayton two weeks, and while there will visit several of his old acquaintances whom he knew when he lived there several years ago.

Mr. Wm. P. Jordan, who made an extended trip through Virginia, North Carolina, Tennessee, Alabama and Mississippi, returned home on Sunday afternoon last, delighted with his trip. He found the people very sociable and kind. Cotton, corn, tobacco and sorghum cane are the principal crops raised there. The country in some sections is level while in others it is very mountainous, especially near Asheville, N. C., and Chattanooga, Tenn. where the mountains are quite high. There are only about three cities in Tennessee that have saloons in them. They are Memphis, Nashville and Chattanooga. The best corn seen by Mr. Jordan was in northern Alabama and Virginia, it being a poor crop in North Carolina, Tennessee, and Mississippi. The main product in these states is cotton, which is a good crop this year, so the planters say. Cotton-picking began the 1st inst. Mr. Jordan brought a stalk of cotton home with him, which he pulled in Somerville, Tenn.

Some of our farmers are cutting off their corn but it is rather green yet. Mr. Joseph B. Shipley finished cutting his crop to-day. Some few are doing their fall seeding. The threshing season is about over for this year.

[Mr. Jordan has sent the stalk of cotton alluded to above, to this office, where it can be seen for a few days. Some of the balls are open, some partially so and some still tightly closed. —ED.]

Miller's Items.

Mr. Geo. W. Hoffacker, near here, is improving his property by building a new carriage house.

Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Frank, of Beckleysville, spent Sunday last, as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Frank.

Misses Annie and Maggie Fisher, who had been spending several weeks' vacation with their parents here, returned to Baltimore on Monday last, where they will resume their work.

Messrs. Evan Miller and Wm. E. Warner attended the circus at Westminster, Friday last.

Masters Harry and Frank Ray, of Baltimore, spent several days among relatives here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Smith and children, of Baltimore, spent Saturday and Sunday last the guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rinehart Hoffnagle.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Bollinger, accompanied by their son, Emory Bollinger, and family, spent Friday, Saturday and Sunday at Seven Valley and York, Pa., on business and pleasure combined.

Miss Geneva Hare, of Manchester, spent several days the past week among relatives in and near this place.

The public school here opened Monday last with 45 pupils.

Mr. Joseph Hoffnagle and wife, near Baltimore, and sister, Miss Laura Hoffnagle, of Baltimore, spent Saturday and Sunday here.

Manchester Items.

Although our senior nine did not have a game of baseball scheduled for Saturday last interest was not left to languish for a game. Mr. Harvey Burgoon, our expressman to Green Mount, marshaled his home nine and challenged the Green Mount team. The challenge was accepted. About 2 P. M. the visitors put in an appearance and H. T. J. Lamotte, acting umpire, called the game. The line up was:

Green Mount.		Burgoonites.
Smith,	p.	H. Burgoon,
Miller,	c.	S. Burgoon,
Shaffer,	ss.	Trout,
Hahn,	1b.	Flick,
Yingling,	2b.	Trump,
Gardner,	3b.	Hassett,
Dehoff,	rf.	Hoffman,
White,	lf.	Sanders,
Bixler.	cf.	Myers.

Although the game was full of errors there was enough of good playing to make it interesting to all present, as it ended with a close score, as follows:

Innings	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	t'l
Green Mount.	5	1	0	0	0	0	2	4	0	12
Burgoonites.	1	4	2	1	2	3	0	0	0	13

In the absence of the general annual picnic of Trinity Reformed Sunday School this year, the teachers and lady friends of the infant department interested themselves in the little ones and arranged a picnic for Saturday afternoon. About 2 P. M. the line of march was taken up to Moreland's spring, just east of town, where a good time was enjoyed in games and rambles through the grove. At a later hour the company was augmented by a number of ladies who went equipped for recreation. When the supper hour was announced the different groups spread their cloths under the spreading oaks and enjoyed the many goods things on hand. The evening proving all that could be desired for an outing, kept them until a late hour.

On Friday a company of gypsies passed through town and encamped for a day at Cape Horn. They were well equipped with fine wagons and good horses.

Mr. Abraham Greider, of W. Va., was called to Columbia, Pa., last week to attend the funeral of his sister. On his return home he came by way of our town and spent Wednesday with his daughter, Mrs. E. W. Sullivan, at the Washington House.

Dr. Wm. M. Panebaker, of Baltimore, spent several days in Bachman's Valley last week looking after his farming interests.

Messrs. Chas. M. and Wm. F. Masenhimer, made a business trip to Hanover on Saturday.

Mrs. Edwin J. Hays and daughter Leah, of Baltimore, were the guests of Mrs. Wm. N. Gettier on Thursday, visiting friends in our town.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Houck, of Baltimore, spent Sunday with their sister, Mrs. Cornelius Miller, on South Main street.

Mr. Dickey and his sister, of Dickeyville, visited at the home of Mrs. J. M. Motter on Sunday, Miss Dickey extending her visit for some days.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Fuhrman, of Hanover, were guests of Mr. Fuhrman's mother, Mrs. E. W. Fuhrman, on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel H. Hoffacker, of Alesia, spent Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. Harry Warehime

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Motter, of Baltimore, spent Sunday with their mother.

Mrs. Crist, of Baltimore, is visiting her sister, Mrs. David W. Young.

Messrs. Wm. R. S. Denner and Harry Preston returned to their studies at Gettysburg College on Wednesday, 9th inst.

Masters Trump and Ober Herr, of Westminster, spent Sunday with friends here, as guests, at the home of their aunts, Misses Sarah and Lizzie Trump.

Miss Lela Albaugh entertained her lady friends, the Misses Witman, of York, during the past week.

Mr. Elias Buckingham, Jr., of Elkridge, was here on Monday and Tuesday enjoying a visit among relatives.

Mrs. Hettie Merkle, on North Main street, had the champion peaches of this section. They were all very large, but one was found that measured 11 inches in circumference.

Builder John Smith, with a corps of hands, is about finishing the new barn on the Panebaker Brothers' farm, in Lippy's Valley, to take the place of the one struck by lightning and burnt several months ago.

Messrs. George and Henry Warner, of Linesboro, have bought the routes and fixtures of the butchering business of Mr. Edward Miller, of Black Rock, Pa., Mr. Miller has been running a wagon to town for some years serving our people with meat, which after the first of October will be run by the Warner Brothers.

Mr. Henry Fuhrman and bride attended the wedding of their niece, Miss Margaret Jaeger, and Mr. Claudge Leber, last Wednesday, in Baltimore, returning to the home of their mother. They have been enjoying the time in visiting friends in this section before leaving for home.

Mr. Chas. E. Houck is digging a well at his home on South Main street, making considerable progress through rock with the use of dynamite.

Mrs. Wm. H. Shower entertained her mother, Mrs. J. M. Motter, and her visitors, at tea on Sunday evening, at her home on Foundry avenue.

Mr. Lewis Dinst has sold his 40 acre farm, a half mile east of town, to Mr. Richard Martin, for the sum of $1900. This land adjoins the home farm of Mr. Martin, which, with this addition, will be a farm of 100 acres.

Mr. Babylon, of Gamber, was a visitor at the home of his aunt, Mrs. Miranda Rudisil on Saturday and Sunday.

On Tuesday while many persons were still enjoying their noon meal, the fire bell pealed forth an alarm and the cry of fire was taken up. Every person rushed to the Washington House on North Main street, where smoke was pouring forth from the second and third story windows. The firemen were soon on hand and discovered that the fire was between the floor and ceiling and in the partition wall. These were torn open and it was found burning and had made considerable progress as the laths and flooring were charred and only needed a draft to burst into a blaze. The firemen soon suppressed the fire and prevented a serious conflagration. The hostess, Mrs. Sullivan, was the first to discover the smoke pouring forth and gave the alarm. Its origin seems a mystery. There was no fire in the house except in the kitchen. The chemical engine was not of much avail at first, in the absence of engineer Motter, while its general appearance showed neglect upon the part of some one; and that it should be more frequently examined and recharged was evident to everyone. Another object lesson to those having it in charge.

The New Windsor baseball team is scheduled to play our seniors on Saturday, 19th inst.

Master Will Miller entered the Glenville academy on Monday last as a student for the second year.

Mrs. A. E. B. Myers accompanied her little daughter to Frederick on Wednesday, to enter her upon her second year in the Md. school for the deaf. She was accompanied by Mrs. John Shaffer, of Melrose, who entered her 12-year old daughter for her first year.

The potato rot is pretty general in this section. Many persons have delayed the digging of their crop leaving them to rot in the ground. Others who took theirs out several weeks ago hauled them out by loads while others again had but little loss. Early potatoes are not affected with rot.

On Wednesday evening Messrs. Thomas Shaffer and Henry J. Rhodes started from the residence of John E. Leese, in this place, with four-in-hand and a wagon well filled with straw, to convey a merry company of young folks to the Spring Garden Hotel, Hampstead, of which Mr. W. C. Stick is proprietor, where they received a hearty welcome, were given the freedom of the house and indulged in games and merriment till a late hour, when refreshments were served in abundance. Those present were: Misses Bertha and Beulah Witman, of York, Pa.; Annie and Hattie Warner, Annie and Clara Folkert, Sadie and Nora, Hallie Tongue, of Baltimore; Mollie Williams, Carrie Ware, Tressa Black, Annie and Alice Holbrook, Edith and Lola McDonald, Miss Young, Miss Clara Riddle, Messrs. Garfield and John Herrera, John Williams, Oscar Gladhill, Frank Trumbolt, Willie Williams, Robert Frantom, Ernest Black, Wilbur Green, Clarence Black, Wilton Pat, David Kelly, Isaac Holbrook, Maurice Righter, Daniel Richardson, Wm. Cowan and Henry Ware.

Melrose Items.

Last Saturday we had a very heavy thunder shower, while in Bachman's Valley the people were enjoying the celebration, but not conscious that a rain was passing north of them.

Last week Messrs. George and Samuel Warner, near Lineboro, bought the butcher route and fixtures of Messrs. E. R. Miller & Son, of Black Rock, Pa., and will take possession of the same on the 3rd of November. We are personally acquainted with the purchasers, and know them to be honorable gentlemen. We wish them success.

Miss Hattie A. Houck, of our town, has a flower stalk with 107 bunches of flowers in bloom. It is of the Lantana variety of verbena.

Mrs. George Zepp, Sr., has several pumpkins of last year's growth which are solid and sound.

Mr. Emauel Sellers, of our town, recently threshed 112 bushels of wheat from 3 acres of ground. This is an especially good yield for this year, the wheat crop as a rule having been much below the average. Anyone doubting this can have it verified by asking Mr. Sterner, of Black Rock, Pa., who threshed the wheat. This makes an average of 37½ bushels per acre.

Wentz's school opened on Monday with 23 pupils, under the supervision of Mr. Horace Garrett, teacher.

Gamber Items.

Mrs. M. L. Bennett, of Asbury Park, N. J., who had been spending the summer with her daughter, Mrs. Dr. S. N. Gorsuch, has returned home accompanied by Mrs. Gorsuch and son Maurice, where they expect to spend several weeks.

Miss Mae Gorsuch has returned home after spending some time with friends in Green Spring Valley.

Typhoid fever is still raging but as yet none of the cases, which are under the skillful treatment of Dr. S. N. Gorsuch, our resident physician has proved fatal.

Orphans' Court.

Monday, September 14th.—The last will and testament of George W. Ogg, deceased, was admitted to probate, and letters testamentary thereon granted unto George C. Ogg and Laban G. Ogg, who received order to notify creditors.

Letters of administration on the estate of Catharine Sholl, deceased, granted unto Milton E. Myers.

Albert Prugh,