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LOCAL ITEMS.

Mr. Joseph B. Boyle has had a very handsome soda fountain, of the best design, put in his drug store, next door to the postoffice in this city.

Dr. Leonard Zepp, Mr. Emanuel Mackley and Mr. Wm. Koontz, East Main street, this city, have had their residences repainted by Mr. S. K. Yingling.

Rev. C. S. Slagle, pastor of St. Paul's Reformed Church, this city, will be in Washington, D. C., on Sunday, where he will preach for Rev. Dr. Schick, who has gone to Europe.

A rural free delivery route has been established at Finksburg, this county, the service to begin July 1. Length of route, 17¼ miles; area covered, 9 square miles; population served, 373; number of houses on route, 83.

Rev. Dr. M. Valentine, the venerable ex-president of Pennsylvania College and of the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg, Pa., preached in the Lutheran Church at Taneytown last Sunday morning.

The fire companies of the various towns in this county were represented at the annual convention of the Maryland State Volunteer Firemen's Association, held at Cumberland this week, by delegates only, none of the companies going en mass.

Messrs. Harry W. Masenheimer, of Manchester, and John W. C. Stick, of Hampstead, are members of the class which will be graduated from St. John's College, Annapolis, at the commencement of that institution, on Wednesday next.

The closing exercises of the preparatory school of Western Maryland College, which will be held to-night, will begin the general program of the 34th annual commencement of the college, as published in the SENTINEL last week.

Mr. Howard E. Koontz, near Frizellburg, has taken the room on Liberty street, this city, adjoining the implement and machinery warehouse of Messrs. Lynch & Steele, where he will keep butter from his creamery, cream and milk for sale.

At their meeting on Monday the County Commissioners, upon the certificate of Dr. J. H. Billingslea and Dr. J. T. Hering, ordered Miss Sarah D. Devilbiss to be sent to the Second Maryland Hospital at Springfield, at the expense of the county. A special pension of $5 was granted to Ada Johns of district No. 7.

On Saturday last Mr. Wm. Struth, mortgagee, became the purchaser, at public sale, of the little farm of Mr. George W. Haines, containing twenty-five acres, on the Gorsuch road one mile east of this city, for $2,500. George L. Stocksdale, Esq., was solicitor in the case and Mr. John W. Reaver auctioneer.

The culmination of a very pretty romance in which severe illness was allowed to be no bar to happiness occurred Monday evening, when Miss Annie L. Warfield, of Ilchester, Md., and Mr. Harry E. Smallwood, of 1240 West Pratt street, Baltimore, were married in the "Little Church Around the Corner."

Mr. Wm. B. Seabrook, a native of this city and son of Rev. Wm. L. Seabrook, was graduated from Newberry College, Newberry, S. C., at the commencement of that institution on Wednesday, and was the prize essayist of his class of twenty-five students, winning the gold medal which is one of the most coveted distinctions of the college course.

Miss Mary E. Adams, daughter of Israel Adams, a well known colored resident of Western Chapel, and Rev. Robert F. Thomas, of Hightstown, N. J., were married at the home of the bride's parents, on Wednesday, 1st inst. The groom was formerly pastor of the Baptist Church, colored, Green street, this city. The marriage ceremony was performed by Rev. P. G. Walker.

As the fast mail train was crossing Main street, this city, on Sunday morning, a valuable dog owned by Mr. Geo. J. Bankert attempted to cross the track and was litetally beheaded by the wheels of a car. The animal's head was jammed down between the track and the planking so tightly that it was pried out with considerable difficulty. The headless body lay outside of the track.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Citizens' Water and Power Company of Westminster was held on Saturday last, when directors were elected for the ensuing year as follows: Dr. Chas. Billingslea, Messrs. E. O. Grimes, Wm. B. Thomas, Denton S. Gehr, Jno. H. Cunningham, A. J. Reese, Frank C. Sharrer. The newly elected board organized by electing Wm. B. Thomas, president; J. Hoffman Fuss, secretary, and John H. Cunningham, treasurer.

Mr. Winter Woodward Myers, son of Mr. A. Baker Myers, formerly of this city, was among the graduates of the High School—Free-hand Department, of the Maryland Institute Schools of Art and Design, of Baltimore, at the commencement of that institution, on Tuesday evening. The commencement exercises were held at Ford's Opera House, before a very large audience. Mr. Myers received one of the $50 premiums given by the Peabody Institute to students of the department in which he graduated.

Flag Day throughout the United States will be observed on June 14, and in many cities, towns and villages of the country patriotic children and lovers of the flag will display the Stars and Stripes from their homes and schools and playgrounds. Allan C. Bakewell, chief aide to the command-er-in-chief, Grand army of the Republic, who has charge of the patriotic education in the schools of the country, has issued a circular calling upon everyone to "rally to the color" and celebrate the one hundred and twenty-seventh anniversary of the birth of the United States flag.

While shopping in one of the stores of this city last week a lady laid her pocketbook on a table and went into an adjoining apartment for a moment. When she returned the pocketbook had disappeared, and could not be found. A few days afterwards it was returned, with its contents intact, to the lady by mail. Whether conscience or the fear of prosecution prompted its return cannot be known. It may be that the statement in last week's SENTINEL "that the willful appropriation of lost property, by the finder, without effort being made to discover the owner, is a crime under the law," had something to do with it.

The canning factories of this city have begun work on the pea crop, which is said to be a good one.

Mr. B. F. Sechrist, superintendent of the electric light plant in this city, has a force of men at work tightening the wires.

The Miller Bros. Co., T. W. Mather & Sons, Mr. Chas. E. Hering, and Messrs Sharrer & Gorsuch, of this city, announce that during the summer season they will close their stores at 6 P. M., every day in each week except Saturday.

Door to Virtue Lodge No. 46, A. F. and A. M., of this city, suspended its communications for the summer at the close of its meeting on Thursday evening. A committee was appointed to consider the matter of having an excursion of the members and their friends to Pen-Mar sometime during the summer. Refreshments of ice cream, strawberries and cake were served on the occasion.

The Common Council of this city held its regular monthly meeting on Monday evening. With the concurrence of the council Mayor Gilbert appointed Mr. John B. Mitten an assistant bailiff, to be paid only when on duty. Orders were passed in relation to obstructions on the streets, and the bailiff was directed to notify all persons causing such obstructions to remove the same.

Private Charles E. Lookingbill, of Co. H, I. M. N. G., has had to pay fines aggregating $6.50 for unexcused absences from drill. The fines were imposed by a court martial, and were subsequently ratified, with costs, by Justice J. F. Rinker at a hearing of the case before him. Capt. Claude Tilden Smith, who is in command of the company, is a strict disciplinarian and is determined to maintain a high standard for the company by requiring strict conformity to the regulations.

While fine rains have visited all sections of this county during the past week nearly every part of the county has escaped the destructive storms which prevailed beyond its western and northern boundaries. The ground is now well saturated with water and further precipitation is predicted for today and probably tomorrow. The extreme hot weather the early part of this week has been followed by so great a fall in temperature as to render artificial heat necessary for comfort.

The editor of the SENTINEL has received from Mr. Charles C. Gorsuch, of this city, a badge similar to those to be worn by delegates to the Republican national convention, which will meet at Chicago on Tuesday, 21st inst., for the nomination of candidates of the Republican party for President and Vice-President of the United States. Mr. Gorsuch will leave here on Thursday next for Baltimore, where he will join the other representatives of the party to the convention and will start on the following morning for Chicago.

The State convention of the Prohibition party of Maryland was held at Salisbury on Tuesday, for the election of delegates to the national convention of the party, which will be held at Indianapolis, Ind., on the 27th inst., and for the nomination of candidates for electors. Mr. George K. Mather, of this city, was chosen as one of the delegates to the national convention, and Rev. J. A. Weigand, of this city, was appointed a member of the State finance committee. Dr. E. B. Penby, of Baltimore, formerly of this county, was appointed a member of the State executive committee.

Mr. Harvey F. Caylor, of Denver, Col., formerly of this county, in writing a business letter to the SENTINEL, says, incidentally: "We have just been enjoying some good rains, while in the mountains they have had snow. As we look west on the foothills or lower ranges and see the beautiful green, then raise our eyes to the main ranges and see them covered with snow, it is a beautiful picture. What we want now is a little warm weather for vegetation. The country looks nice and prospects are good for the farmer. Our tomato and pickle plants are doing well and all we need fear now is early frost in the fall."

The memorial services held at Hampstead on Sunday, as per previous announcement, were of an interesting character and were largely attended. An interesting address, which was listened to with close attention, was delivered by Rev. Joseph P. Wilson. Several choice and appropriate selections were well rendered by the excellent choir of the M. E. Church, in which the exercises were held, and an appropriate solo was well sung by Miss Lulu Fuhrman. After the services in the church the graves of deceased soldiers, in the adjacent cemetery, were profusely decorated with flowers. The exercises were under the supervision of members of Burns Post, G. A. R.

Officers of the Grand Lodge of Maryland, K. of P., with members of the lodges of this city, Taneytown and Frizellburg, paid a fraternal visit to the lodge at Union Bridge on Monday evening, by which the first and third degrees were conferred on the occasion. After the proceedings in the lodge room the visitors were entertained at an elegant banquet by the brethren of Union Bridge. The repast was extensive and tempting and was very heartily enjoyed by all, as were also the fine cigars freely distributed at the close of the banquet. The visitors were much pleased with the work of the lodge, the membership of which is made up from among the best citizens of Union Bridge.

Messrs. George M. Brilhart, of this county; Paul Kieffer, of Frederick, and J. Elliott Ross, of Baltimore, are the three Baltimore men who have passed the examination in competition for the Cecil Rhodes scholarship at Oxford University, England. Mr. Brilhart is a member of the graduating class at Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa., this year; Mr. Kieffer graduated at the same college in 1901, and Mr. Ross at Loyola College, Baltimore, in 1902. There is but one scholarship for this State, and an examination of the three young men will be held at an early date, to determine which of them shall be selected. Mr. Brilhart is a son of Mr. Michael S. Brilhart, of Hampstead district.

The salaries of the postmasters of a large number of towns in Maryland have been increased. In the case of only one town, Centerville, has the salary been reduced. in several cases the increase is exceptionally large. Thus at Annapolis the increase is $200, as it is also that at Hancock. The postmaster at Aberdeem gets an increase of $300, which is very unusual. The following are the figures: Annapolis, from $2,500 to $2,700; Centerville, from $1,500 to $1,600; Cumberland, from $3,000 to $3,100; Emmitsburg, from $1,400 to $1,500; Frostburg, from $1,800 to $1,900; Hancock, from $1,100 to $1,300; Rising Sun, from $1,300 to $1,400; Aberdeen, from $1,200 to $1,500; Brunswick, from $1,200 to $1,300; Chestertown, from $1,700 to $1,800; Easton, from $2,100 to $2,200; Frederick, from $2,500 to $2,600; Hagerstown, from $2,700 to $2,800; Havre de Grace, from $1,600 to $1,700; Union Bridge, from $1,300 to $1,400.

The case of Mrs. Catharine E. Bowman vs. Charles A. Little, Newton S. Cook, Jacob S. Eakle, and Mrs. Lettie Bowman has been removed from the Circuit Court for Washington county to the Circuit Court for Carroll county. The plaintiff claims to be the widow of the late G. Walter Bowman, to whom she was married in July, 1887, and Mrs. Lettie Bowman, one of the defendants, also claims that relation to the deceased, to whom she was married in 1900. The other defendants are the administrator of G. Walter Bowman. An estate of $10,000 or $12,000 is involved in the suit. The plaintiff is a vaudeville mactress. It is stated that Bowman believed he was legally divorced from her before his second marriage. She sues for her dower in the estate. The second wife has a child to whom, with herself, the entire estate will go if her marriage shall be declared legal. Messrs. Bond & Parke have been retained as counsel for the plaintiff. The case was taken to the Circuit Court for Washington county on issues from the Orphans' Court.

To and From Mt. Gretna.

On Monday morning last the Second battalion of United States Engineers, composed of Cos. E and H, passed through this city on the march from Washington, D. C., to Mt. Gretna, Pa., where they will engage in target practice. The battalion numbered 175 men under command of Capt. M. L. Walker. The march on Monday was from Porters Cross Roads, the scene of the previous night's encampment, to Union Mills, where camp was made Monday night.

On the same day, about noon, Troops F and H, Fifteenth United States Cavalry, marching from Mt. Gretna to Fort Myer, Va., reached this city from Gettysburg, Pa., twenty-four miles, and encamped until Tuesday morning on the grounds of Messrs. B. F. Shriver & Co., near their new canning factory, until Tuesday morning. They numbered about 150 men with horses, baggage wagons, &c. They were under command of Capt. Howard R. Hickock, with Lieuts. Francis H. Cameron and M. G. Halliday, of the 15th Cavalry; Lieut. F. A. Ruggles, 9th Cavalry, and Capt. and Assist. Surg. J. S. Wilson. The march on Tuesday was from this city to Brookville, 28 miles, and on Wednesday from Brookville to Fort Myer, 25 miles.

The men were visited in their camp, by a number of citizens, during Monday evening, and the soldiers, in couples and small groups, moved about the streets, fraternizing and conversing with people whom they met, to the sorrow of some too confiding civilians. Peyton Todd, whose home is at Sykesville, was robbed of a silver watch and $5 by a soldier with whom he had struck up an intimacy. Mr. Samuel P. Bair was relieved of a gold watch which belonged to Mr. Silas M. Bish, by whom it had been entrusted to him to be repaired. A slot machine belonging to Mr. Chas. V. Wantz, and fastened to an iron post in front of his cigar establishment, was broken to pieces and its contents, amounting to about $5, stolen.

Mr. Todd and Mr. Bair invoked the aid of Sheriff Wilson and City Officer Jerome and visited the soldiers' camp about 3 o'clock, Tuesday morning, but were unable to identify the men by whom they had been robbed. Subsequently one of the men, upon having been promised immunity from arrest, acknowledged that he had taken Todd's watch and money. The watch, he said, was in one of the wagons accompanying the command and which had already left for Brookeville. The civil officers and Todd, taking the soldier with them, followed and overtook the wagon and recovered the watch, but not the $5. Mr. Bair failed to identify the soldier who robbed him of Mr. Bish's watch and it was not recovered.

The officers of the command were entertained during Monday evening, by Mr. Wm. Grove Lawyer, at his home on Pennsylvania avenue.

New Windsor College Commencement.

The commencement exercises of New Windsor College were held on Wednesday in the college hall, before a crowded audience. Not for many years has there been so much enthusiasm manifested by the friends of the institution as this season. The exercises were of a very interesting character, showing a high degree of proficiency in collegiate work. The program of the day included the following: An essay on "The Influences of an Echo," by Miss M. Corinne Hibbard; oration, "Incentive of Probability," by William M. Fraser; addresses by H. Chas. McBride, George O. Brilhart, Rev. G.W. Baughman and Rev. Dr. D. Riddle. The musical part of the program included instrumental and vocal performances.

Two young ladies of Harford county—Miss Georgia A. Anderson and Miss Mary Ethel Gilbert—were graduated in the commercial work of the college. The honorary degree of doctor of divinity was conferred on Rev. Edward H. Robbins, of Baltimore, and on Rev. Prof. David Alexander McWilliams, of Lincoln University, Pa. The degree of doctor of philosophy was conferred on Rev. Arthur J. Westcott, he having completed the work for that degree.

The annual oritorical contest was held last night and the following is the result of the contest: Miss Cora Buffington, first prize in elocution (gold medal); Miss M. Corinne Hibbard, second prize in elocution (gold medal), and honorable mention of Misses Anna Durbin, Lulu Yohn and Mr. D. Maynard Jones, who were considered to be about equal.

R. F. D. Carriers.

Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristow announces that the salaries of rural free delivery mail carriers are to be adjusted on the basis of the number of miles traveled. Carriers will not be permitted to carry any merchandise for pay except at the request of patrons residing on their routes, and then only provided the same shall not interfere with the proper discharge of their duties. They must not carry any mail matter, except county newspapers, unless the proper postage shall have been prepaid. Compensation for carrying merchandise at the request of patrons must be paid by such patrons. Carriers are not permitted to leave their routes for the purpose of delivering merchandise to a patron, or to receive anything that will in any way delay the delivery of the mail.

Proceedings of Circuit Court.

Since last week's report the following cases has been disposed of by the Circuit Court for this county:—

Ruth Ann Benson vs. John H. Wisner; assumpsit; removed from Baltimore county; tried before a jury; verdict for plaintiff for $1500. Gontrim, Clemson and Biddison for plaintiff, Offutt, J. M. Reifsnider and Bond & Parke for defendant.

State of Maryland vs. Albert Broadus; previously tried before a jury and found guilty of attempting to commit a criminal assault; sentenced to the House of Correction for five years.

Grattan Doyle vs. The Westminster Gas Light Company; damages; tried before a jury; verdict for plaintiff for $375. Bond & Parke for plaintiff, J. M. Reifsnider for defendant. At the conclusion of this case court adjourned until Monday and the jurors were discharged until that time.

Personal.

Miss Margaret Royer, of this city, is visiting friends in Washington, D. C.

Mr. Ferd A. Diffenbach, of Baltimore spent Sunday with friends in this city.

Miss Hofer, of Paris, France, is a guest of the family of Ex-Judge James A. C. Bond, of this city.

Mr. C. Edgar Nusbaum and his bride, nee Miss Shroyer, of this city, have returned from their bridal trip.

Miss Nellie Buckingham, of this city, has returned home from a visit to her sister, Mrs. Dr. Day, of Millville, N. J.

Miss Lucille Thorpe, of Los Angeles, Cal., is visiting her schoolmate, Miss Nell Schaeffer, Pennsylvania avenue, this city.

Mr. E. C. Regester and family, of Baltimore, have come to their country place, near Spring Mills, for the summer.

Messrs. Thomas Anders and J. Albert Mitten, of this city, and Jno. Whitfield Buffington, of Middleburg district, spent several days sightseeing, with friends in Washington, D. C., during the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Myers and daughter Ruth, of Sams Creek; Mrs. Jennie Shreeve and granddaughter, Miss Lotta Englar, of Linwood, are enjoying a ten day's trip to Atlantic City, Ocean City, and Cape May.

Mrs. Geo. W. Stoner, Sr., who spent some time with relatives and friends in this city, has returned to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Howard E. Koontz, near Frizellburg. Mrs. Stoner passed her 79th birthday on Tuesday.

Rev. Arthur P. Zepp, of Taylor University, Upland, Indiana, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Zepp, of this city. Mr. Zepp has been licensed as a local preacher, North Indiana Conference, M. E. Church, and is preparing to enter the regular ministry.

WEDDING BELLS.

Mitten-Wagner.

Miss Blanche W. V. Wagner, daughter of Mrs. Ida A. Whiting, 1009 West Lafayette avenue, Baltimore, and Mr. Charles N. Mitten, Jr., of this city, were married on Wednesday, at the home of the bride's mother. Rev. Mr. Shotes officiated. A luncheon and reception followed the ceremony. Only a few friends were present. After a short trip they will return to this city, where the groom has a residence furnished which they will occupy. The bride is a grandaughter of Mr. Grove A. Shipley and the groom is the eldest son of Mr. Charles N. Mitten, Sr., all of this city.

Brannen-Stocksdale.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Stocksdale, in Thurmont, Frederick county, Wednesday afternoon, their daughter, Miss Bertha Gardner Stocksdale, was married to Mr. James Brannen, of Baltimore. The bride was tastefully attired in dotted swiss, with lace trimmings, and carried Bride roses. Rev. George H. Harris officiated, the ring service being used. Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Brannen left for a trip to the Louisiana Purchase Exposition at St. Louis. They will be at home to their friends after July 5, at Patterson's Mansion, near Waverly. The bride is a granddaughter of Mr. George W. Stocksdale, formerly of this county.

Segafoose-McAlister.

At 2.30, on Thursday, the Methodist Protestant Church of Uniontown was the scene of a very beautiful wedding, which was of much interest to numbers of persons in the village, both the bride and groom being well known here. The groom, Mr. Wm Guy Segafoose, is the only son and child of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Segafoose and the bride Miss Idaliene Pearl McAlister, daughter of Mr. Winfield Scott McAlister, of Surrey, North Dakota. The chancel of the church was handsomely decorated with palms, ferns and cut flowers. The bridal party stood beneath an arch and floral bell. The bride's costume was lavender silk crepe de chene, over morise silk, drop yoke of plain Venice lace, with rose chiffon trimming, picturesque hat of black plumes, and she carried a shower bouquet of Bride's roses. Her going away gown was of herring-bone armure cloth. The bridesmaids, Misses Gertrude Rae McAlister and Grace Camilla McAlister, sisters of the bride, wore gowns of white French silk with "1830" style collars, and carried sweet peas. The ushers were: Messrs. Joseph L. Franklin, of Westminster; David Stem of Winfield, cousins of the groom; Melvin Wilson Routson and Prof. Norman Ray Eckard, of Uniontown. Mrs. Stewart Grayson McAlister, sister-in-law of the bride, of Washington, D. C., rendered the wedding march from Lohengrin, as the bridal party entered the church; during the ceremony "Hearts and Flowers," and after the ceremony, Mendelssohn's wedding march. Rev. Charles Ellsworth McCullough, pastor of the bride and of the church, met them at the altar and very solemnly and impressively used the ring ceremony and united the happy couple. They left on the 4.00 train for an indefinite trip to the north. The groom had luncheon served to the ushers at 12 o'clock at his home.

DEATH'S DOINGS.

Mrs. Maria Bricker.

Mrs. Maria Bricker, widow of John Bricker, died at her home on Pennsylvania avenue, this city, at half-past five o'clock, Wednesday afternoon, and her remains were interred in the burial ground of Biggs' Chapel, this morning, Rev. J. B. Stoessifer officiating. She leaves an adopted son, Mr. Harvey Biggs, of Harrisburg, Pa. Her age was 68 years, 6 months and 10 days.

Wm. J. Catzendafner.

Mr. Wm. J. Catzendafner, one of the oldest and most highly respected citizens of Bark Hill, died at his home in that place on Saturday last. He had attained the ripe old age of 86 years, 6 months, 2 days. He was a retired tailor and during his long life had maintained an upright and honorable character, having been a man of sterling integrity. He leaves a widow and a number of adult sons and daughters. His remains were interred in the Pipe Creek burial ground of the German Baptist Brethren on Tuesday.

Mrs. Maggie A. Little.

Mrs. Maggie A. Little, wife of Prof. James S. Little, of Frizellburg, died at her home in that place on Saturday last, after a long and painful illness, of tumor of the stomach, aged 62 years, 2 months and 1 day. Her husband and one daughter survive her. Mrs. Little was a daughter of the late Peter Rinehart. She was a member of the Lutheran congregation of Baust Church. She was highly esteemed and had many friends in the neighborhood in which she resided. After funeral services her remains were interred in the burial ground of Baust Church on Monday.

Union Mills Items.

Companies F and H, of the 15th U. S. Cavalry, in command of Capt. Howard R. Hickok, which encamped at Westminster on the night of the 6th inst., halted about one hour at this place on that day as they passed through. The same day companies E and H, U. S. Engineers, numbering one hundred and twenty men, in command of Captains Walker and Borden, arrived here and went into camp for the night. They were marching from Washington to Mt. Gretna, Pa.

A very pleasant family reunion was held at the home of Mr. Henry Flickinger, near Union Mills, on May 30. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Henry Flickinger, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hoffman, Mr. and Mrs. John Crowl, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Bankert, Mr. William Flickinger, Misses Alma M. Flickinger, Laura Flickinger, Edna May Flickinger, Helen Bankert, Pauline N. Hoffman, Dora F. Hoffman, Martha Snyder, Masters Harry L. M. Snyder, Ralph J. Snyder, Ralph W. Crowl, Willie Flickinger, John Stephan and David Stephan.

Rev. Christopher Noss, a missionary of the Reformed Church to Japan, delivered an interesting address at the missionary service held at St. Mary's Reformed Church, Silver Run, on the evening of the 5th inst. Rev. Noss is a son of Rev. John G. Noss, a former pastor of the church.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Shriver and Misses Helen and Jeannette Shriver, returned home from their trip to the World's Fair on the 8th inst.

Messrs. B. F. Shriver & Co. began packing peas on Thursday of this week.

Millers Items.

Mr. Wm. Bender is having his dwelling beautified by the application of a neat coat of paint. Tipton & Co., of Hampstead, are doing the work.

The Ladies' Aid Society of Millers Church will hold a festival Saturday evening, June 18, in the picnic grove here.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Hoffacker received a telegram Tuesday last summoning them to the bedside of their son Ross, who is residing with his sister, Mrs. Lewis Sprinkle, at Chattanooga, Tennessee, where he is critically ill. Owing to the latter's illness and ill health of Mrs. H. they were unable to make the journey, so their daughter, Miss Vertie, was compelled to go and left here Tuesday evening for Chattanooga, where she will remain until her brother recovers.

Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Miller, Mrs. Geo. Barber and Mrs. Noah Miller attended the funeral of their cousin, Mrs. Leah Keller, at New Freedom, Pa., Tuesday last.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Brenneman and children, of Neiman, Pa., spent Saturday and Sunday last the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Albaugh.

Mr. Joseph Dandy and bride have moved in the house recently vacated by Mrs. Eliza Smith, Mrs. S. having gone to make her home with her son Seward, near Grave Run.

Mrs. Lewis Seipp spent the past week in Baltimore.

Mrs. Geo. Barber attended lovefeast at Hanover, Saturday and Sunday last.

Uniontown Items.

Dr. James Newton Gilbert, of Central drug store, Annapolis, was the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Wesley Gilbert, a few days the past week.

Elder L. F. Murry, of Woodsboro, a clergyman of the Church of God, was a visitor in Mr. and Mrs. J. Wesley Rodkey's family a few days.

Rev. Charles Paul Meeker, of Chicago, was the guest of his brother-in-law, Rev. J. D. Clark, and family over Sunday, filling Rev. Clark's pulpit morning and evening.

Miss Florence Scott, of Baltimore, visited the Misses Mehring the past week. We are always glad to see her bright cheerful face.

Mrs. Dr. Halliday, sister of the late Marshall G. Shaw, on Monday returned to her home near Atlanta, Georgia, where her husband is a government surgeon.

On Saturday evening, June 11, the Order of Modern Woodmen will hold an ice cream and strawberry festival, on the lawn of the public school house. The Union Bridge Band will furnish the music. Whoever has listened to the music furnished by this band will be much pleased to hear it again. We bespeak for the order the patronage of the public.

The committees of the M. P. Sunday School are busily engaged in preparing for the children's day exercises on Sunday, 12th inst., at 10.30 A. M.

Mrs. Emma Smith, of New Windsor, visited Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Routson and family, for a few days during the past week.

Mrs. Roy Singer and Miss Margaret Cover are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Edward G. Cover, in Easton, Md.

Mrs. Sarah Reaver Stonesifer, of Hanover, Pa., visited her aunt, Mrs. Sarah Fuss, a few days the past week.

Mrs. Flossie Drew, of Chicago, visited her father, Rev. J. D. Clark, and her sister and family, a few days the past week.

Mr. Burrier Cookson had the misfortune to fall from a wagon load of straw on Saturday and to brake one of the bones in his left wrist. Dr. Luther Kemp adjusted the fracture.

Rev. J. D. Clark will preach in the Church of God, Sunday morning at 10.15, on the theme, "Christian Service." All are invited.

Miss Emma Perry, of Union Bridge, is visiting her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Heck.

Mrs. David Wilson, of Denver, Col., is visiting her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Routson.

Miss May Fritz, of Roop's Mill, is the guest of Miss Laura Eckard, this week.

Prof. Norman Eckard, of Baltimore, visited his mother, Mrs. Ann Eckard, and sister during the week.

Mrs. William H. McCollum, of Westminster, was the guest of Mrs. Davis Myers and family on Saturday.

Miss Kate Willett, of Thurmont, will visit her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Palmer, next week.

Orphans' Court.

Monday, June 6th, 1904.—George W. Grob, acting executor of Ernst Grob, deceased, returned inventories of personal property and money.

The last will and testament of Noah C. Brown, deceased, admitted to probate and letters testamentary thereon granted unto Alice C. Brown, who received warrant to appraise, also order to notify creditors.

Clara A. Clary and George W. Clay, administrators of Morgan C. Clary, deceased, returned inventories of personal property and money, also received order to sell personal property.

Daniel S. Hesson, administrator with the will annexed of Caroline Sell, deceased, received order to sell real estate.

Tuesday, June 6th, 1904.—James T. Yingling and John C. Yingling, executors of George Yingling, deceased, received order to sell real estate.

Michael E. Walsh, administrator, d. b. n. c. t. a., of William Trott, deceased, made report of sale of real estate and received order nisi thereon.

The sale of leasehold property of Jacob Thomson, deceased, finally ratified and confirmed by the court.

Harry K. Shaeffer, surviving executor of Joseph Shaeffer, deceased, received order to sell personal property.

Melrose Items.

Mr. Lewis Stoffle, who married one of our girls, has completed a nice house in Hanover, Pa., to which they will move in the near future.

Our enterprising merchant, H. Clayton Miller, got a carload of coal last week. We hope he does not predict cold weather in the next few months.

Wentz's Union Sunday School is in a good condition financially. Besides having $51 in the treasury they have a new organ and a set of new singing books.

The B. V. engine took the freight out as usual on Friday of last week, but did not return in the evening. We hear something has happened to it, and it must undergo repairs before it can be used again. Our freight facilities are not what they should be.

Recently your correspondent met some strange gentlemen from a distant town whom he had never seen before and they said, "We read an account of your trip. "Verily more people know us than we call our acquaintances.

Some of our people are anxious to see what is to be done with our R. F. D. system as it is to be reconstructed the first of July, we are informed by reliable parties. If they make our R. F. D. system as perfect as I found it in Rockingham county, Va., every one of our citizens will be perfectly satisfied. Here us rest offices in the thickly settled neighborhoods and let the people have the choice of being served by carriers or go to the postoffice as we, in a free, independent country, have a right to be served.

There was some reckless driving in town on Saturday evening. It was not seen by any of the society with the long name or perhaps there would be fines imposed.

MORE OF OUR TRIP TO VIRGINIA.

Whenever you meet a German or a Jew, you find thrift or progress in some form. Going through a large dry goods store in a town of perhaps 4,000 inhabitants where 32 clerks are employed in the dull season and 45 in busy seasons, I asked the proprietor, a tall Jew, how he gained the success he was enjoying. "Vell," he said "Ve dreat the farmers rite, and dey gif us dere money." He seems to consider the farmer an important factor in business, and so he is, as business would stop were the farmers to go on a strike and refuse to sell the staff of life. We were treated to some fine selections from an enormous phonograph in a jewelry store. The horn was about 5 feet in length and 1½ feet in diameter. One of the selections sang and played, "Beulah Land," was much enjoyed by all of our party. I passed near a barn that was full of holes, a relic of the great civil war, which is fresh in the memories of many of the older Virginians. As many are interested in war stories I will relate what I have been able to remember. An old veteran told me the following: "Perhaps you think it is a hard matter to shoot a person, but it isn't. As soon as a shot is fired at you and you hear the whistle of a bullet you feel like returning the shot. One time when the ration wagons could not make connections to avoid capture, we lived on crackers for days. We began to feel so empty that we tightened our belts around our waists so as to feel more comfortable. When meat came I was not hungry for it, you may believe it or not, but nevertheless, it is true. During one of our marches I saw a piece of bacon rind yellow with age; I put it in my knapsack and when I toasted it over a fire in the evening, I thought the bacon and the crackers were the best things I ever tasted in my life." Now for some of the war reminiscences told me by another old veteran. "A rebel spy escaped from the union ranks. He started in the direction of his comrades but found he was being pursued, and stopped at a farm house. Soon some Union officers came to the place, and searched the house and barn but could find no trace of the man. The only human being on the place besides the father and mother, was a bent negro woman who was hoeing corn. They thought it was a slave but it proved to be the spy who had donned woman's clothes. Another spy escaped who was pursued ere he had traveled many miles. Coming to a place where a woman was taking down clothes from the wash line, he begged her to help him. She consented and told him where he could find a secure place. Soon the officers arrived and searched the house and barn thoroughly, but no trace of the spy could be found. At times they were so close to him that they could easily have touched him. When they were gone he got out of the clothes basket. The wash had been piled upon him. Deserters risked their lives in many ways. Once one was at table between two ladies when the officers came. The ladies made him lie on the bench and sat on him. Not a very pleasant position but it saved his life. A dear sister of one of these deserters saved her brother's life with the aid of her big hoop skirts. Once a deserter ran up to a farmer's door hurriedly, and told them to show him to an upper room at once. He was shown to a room and locked himself in it. In about ten minutes officers came to search the house; when they came to a locked door they burst it open only to find the window open and a sheet and quilt tied together hanging from the sill. Hurriedly descending the stairs they went in pursuit of the man. In fifteen minutes the man came down stairs. In those days beds had curtains and after opening the window and fixing the sheet and blanket, he secreted himself under the bed. Another spy came to a little girl bleaching clothes and she put him under some of them on the grass. When the officers questioned her she did not tell an untruth but said he went in that direction the way he had gone to hide and they rapidly moved onward. Next week I will tell some of the methods of the Virginia farmers which are quite unlike ours.

Manchester Items.

Rev. Christopher Noss was greeted by a large congregation on Sunday morning in Trinity Reformed Church, where he spoke on the foreign mission work in Japan, and held the close attention of his hearers for 30 minutes. He exhibited various articles of dress and images as an object lesson in his interesting talk.

The storm of Sunday evening in this section was accompanied by terrific bursts of thunder and rumbles that shook the very foundation of buildings. The section about Greenmount suffered from something like a cloud burst and the low lands were inundated over a wide area to a depth of several feet.

General sympathy has gone out to Miss Rica Bergman and her home folks in the sore affliction that has befallen her. For a week or more she was ill from general prostration, but was improving when early Monday morning she was found unconscious. Dr. J. H. Preston was called and found her suffering with paralysis that affected her right side and speech. At this writing she is still critically ill. Rica has been the standby in many families for a number of years and in times of sickness or distress none was more willing to lend a helping hand or felt a deeper sympathy than she.

Arrangements had been made for the Hanover Junior team to play the Juniors here on Saturday last, but when they arrived they proved to be young men juniors, and consequently our juniors grew to be men at once and crossed bats with the visitors to a game like the handle of a jug, all on one side and with barely interest enough to keep the crowd from taking an afternoon nap. The score was 18 to 4 in favor of Manchester.

The members of Daniel and Jacob Lodge No. 23, I. O. O. F., will hold their memorial services in their Hall on Sunday afternoon next, to be followed by the decoration of the deceased members' graves. Ex-Congressman William B. Baker, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Maryland, expects to be present and deliver an address. Other grand officers are also expected. The public is invited to be present.

Workmen are digging the foundation and cellar for the new home of Mr. George M. Hoffman, on South Main street, next to the Franklin House.

Mr. Samuel Geiselman and Miss Erma Kouk, of Hanover, were guests at the home of Mrs. Wm. A. Gettier on Sunday.

Misses Kate and Nora Shower, of Hampden, spent several days with their brother, Mr. Wm. H. Shower, visiting friends in this, their native place.

Miss Lizzie Herr, of Westminster, was a visitor at the home of her sister, Mrs. Dr. L. Trump, last week.

Mrs. Charles J. Everhart is visiting her mother and friends at Frederick.

Miss Eva Preston is home convalescing from the operation on her throat several weeks ago.

Mr. Chas. Sullivan, wife and child, of Milton, Pa., were visitors at the home of their aunt Mrs. Edward Sullivan, at the Washington House.

Mr. George S. Motter is representing the Manchester Fire Company at the State Firemen's meet at Cumberland this week. Acting in a dual capacity as Grand Patriarch of the Grand Encampment of Md., he paid official visits to the Encampment of that section during his stay.

Miss Marie Haines was operated on for appendicitis, at the Johns Hopkins Hospital, on Tuesday of last week. Late reports say she is doing well.

Mrs. William Frock, daughter and grandson, of Woodberry, sp