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LOCAL ITEMS.

Hay-making has begun in this county, and the crop, it is said, will be a heavy one.

With favorable weather barley harvest will begin in this county about the first of next week.

Children's day exercises will be held at Mt. Pleasant M. E. Church, Gamber, on Sunday, 19th inst.

The young apples are rapidly falling from the trees and it is thought the crop in this locality will be a light one.

The canning factories in this city are packing peas and cherries, of both of which there are said to be abundant crops.

The summer solstice will occur on Tuesday, 21st inst., which will be the longest day of the year, and, technically, the beginning of summer.

Flag Day, June 14, was not generally observed in this county. A few flags were displayed, but for the most part the character of the day was overlooked.

After a week's delay U. S. pensioners in this locality received the checks for the quarterly payment on Tuesday, thus putting considerable money in circulation.

Mr. John I. Orndorff, of this city, has been constrained to discontinue the grocery business, in which he had been for some time engaged, on account of ill health.

That pest the potato bug has not yet put in an appearance in this locality the present season. But the summer is yet new and the weather has been unreasonably cold except for a few days, and the bugs may come later on.

The Blue Mountain House opened on Wednesday. Mr. J. W. Lynch is Manager Harry F. Crout's chief clerk. Mr. H. H. Harbaugh, of this city, has taken up 25 horses and a number of vehicles for the livery, which he will run this season.

Rev. C. D. Redke, of Baltimore, State chaplain of the P. O. S. of A., is paying official visits to the camps of the order in this county. On Tuesday evening he visited Washington Camp in this city and received a cordial welcome from the members.

Mr. Clarence Milton Schaeffer, son of the late Milton Schaeffer, of this city, was graduated from Pennsylvania College, Gettysburg, Pa., at the commencement on Wednesday, and will next week become shipping clerk at the large wholesale grocery house of Messrs. Earhart, Conrad & Co., Hanover, Pa.

Rev. Jas B. Stonesifer, of Carroll Place, and Rev. Calvin S. Slagle, of this city, attended a special meeting of the General Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States, at Carlisle, Pa., this week, held for the purpose of electing three professors at Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Smith Orrick, of Glyndon, attended the commencement exercises at Western Maryland College this week. Mr. Orrick was a former student at the college and their son, Smith Hilton Orrick, was a member of the graduating class. Their second son, Frank, expects to enter the college next year.

Mr. and Mrs Jacob H. Bemiller and two children, of this city, and Mr. Reuben S. Weller, of Silver Run, are attending the State reunion, being held at the School for the Deaf, at Frederick. The event began on Wednesday and will terminate tomorrow. Mr. and Mrs. Bemiller and Mr. Weller are graduates of the institution referred to.

The Church of God Sunday School will hold its annual festival on the school house lawn on Saturday evening, June 25th. The Union Bridge Band will furnish music for the occasion. Preaching by the pastor Rev J. D. Clark Sunday morning and evening. Subject for the morning, "The Christian's Perfection." In the evening the service will be evangelical.

A lighted paper balloon fell on the roof of one of the buildings in the grounds of the Citizens' Lumber and Coal Company of this city, on Saturday evening last, causing a slight blaze which might have developed into a serious conflagration, but for a slight sprinkle of rain and the prompt response of the firemen to an alarm. As it was the damage was comparatively insignificant.

Mr. L. A. Haller, of this city, had one of the bones of his left arm, between the wrist and elbow, crushed or fractured, at the canning factory of B. F. Shriver & Co., Union Mills, on Tuesday. He was endeavoring to throw a belt from a pulley, when his arm was caught between the belt and pulley-wheel and the injury inflicted. Dr. Jos. T. Hering rendered the necessary surgical treatment in the case.

The afternoon of Tuesday, July 26th, will be considered Masonic afternoon at Pen-Mar Park. The occasion will be an excursion under the auspices of Door to Virtue Lodge of this city. The members of this lodge and other lodges in the county and elsewhere, with their families and friends, will comprise the excursionists, of whom, it is expected, there will be a large number. A special train will leave this city at 2 P. M., stopping at New Windsor, Union Bridge and Thurmont. No fare for the round trip will exceed $1.

Charity Lodge No. 58, K. of P., of this city, will hold a public memorial service in Odd Fellows' Hall on Sunday, 19th inst., which will be followed by the decoration of the graves of deceased members, in Westminister Cemetery, where appropriate ceremonies will be observed. The service at the hall will include exercises by the lodge, an address by Knight J. Milton Reifsnider, prayer by Rev. L. F. Warner, and sacred music under the leadership of Mrs. B. F. Crouse. C. C. Denton Gehr will be master of ceremonies. We are requested to state that a cordial invitation to attend these services is extended to the public.

Pen-Mar, the popular excursion resort of the Western Maryland Railroad, will be formally opened next Wednesday, when the Independent Order of American Mechanics will hold their annual meeting. The grounds have been thoroughly overhauled and improved and the place presents many new attractions. On Sunday the Germania Maennerchor, of Baltimore will give an excursion to Pen-Mar. For the balance of June the bookings made by General Passenger Agent Howell include: Royal Arcanum Day, June 23; reunion of the United Brethren Church, June 25; meeting of Baptist Young People's Union, June 28, and the reunion of the Mystic Circle, June 30.

Prof. John Royer sold a very fine Estey Chapel organ to the Reformed and Lutheran congregation of Baust Church, and delivered it last Tuesday.

A refreshing and timely rain fell in this locality last night and this morning. The prediction of the weather bureau is for clearing weather this afternoon.

The Lutheran congregation of Baust Church, Rev. Geo. W. Baughman pastor, will hold Children's Orphans' Home services on Sunday morning, 19th inst., at 10 o'clock.

The commencement exercises of St. John's (Catholic) Parochial School, of this city, will be held in Odd Fellows' Hall on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings next, and will be of an interesting character.

Mr. Joseph B. Boyle's drug store was thronged on Saturday last, at the inauguration of his fine new soda fountain, and the palatable beverage was gratuitously and liberally served to all visitors.

Mr. John Clayton Cassell, formerly of this city, represented Council No. 4, of Philadelphia, at the meeting of the Great Council, Independent Order of Red Men, of Peunsylvania, at Harrisburg, this week.

A change in the time schedule of the Western Maryland Railroad will go into effect on Sunday, 19th inst., but has not yet been received for publication. It is said that additional trains will be put on the road and that faster time than heretofore will be made.

Mr. Theodore Derr, one of the worthiest and best known residents of this city, sustained an attack of apoplexy and partial paralysis this morning and is seriously ill. The vocal chords and throat are involved and he is unable to swallow or speak. He is attended by Dr. W. D. Wells.

The Blue Mountain Express will commence its run to-morrow, leaving Hillen Station daily except Sunday at 3.25 P. M., stopping at all city stations except Penna. Ave. This train will arrive: Westminster, 4.28 P. M., New Windsor, 4.42 P. M.; Bruceville, 4.58 P. M.; Blue Ridge, 5.43 P. M.; Buena Vista, 5.47 P. M.; Blue Mountain, 5.55 P. M., Hagerstown, 6.20 P. M.

Mrs. Savilla Myers, widow of Noah Myers, who has been living alone, at her home near Pleasant Valley, was found by some of her neighbors, yesterday, lying at the foot of a stairway in a helpless condition and it was at once discovered that she was suffering with paralysis. She is in her 83rd year and is in a critical condition.

Mrs. E. Yantis Jones, of Denver, Col orado, announces the marriage, on June 8th, of her daughter Mary, to Mr. Herbert Reynolds, of Greely, Colorado. Mrs. Jones is a daughter of the late H. W. Jones, a native of Westminster and brother of the late Mrs. Katharine J. Shellman. She visited her cousins, Mrs. Fannie C. S. Pearson, and Miss Mary B. Shellman, last summer, and during her visit made a number of friends in this city.

The examiners appointed under what is known as the barber law, passed by the legislature last winter, were in this city yesterday and examined such of those engaged in that occupation in this county as have not followed it for three years. Permits to continue under instruction, were given in these cases and certificates to those who have been engaged in the business for three years and upwards, without examination. Instructions in the methods required by law in conducting the business were given.

Three Marylanders get commissions as second lieutenants in the United States Army, as graduates from the Military Academy at West Point, this year. They are: Robert M. Campbell, of Owings Mills; Ursa M. Diller, of Double Pipe Creek, and Thomas M. Robins, of Snow Hill. Lieut. Diller is a son of Dr. C. H. Diller, of Double Pipe Creek, and was a former student at Western Maryland College. Lieut. Campbell is a son of Dr. Campbell, of Owings Mills, and a grandson of the late Dr. Jesse L. Warfield. Lieut. Diller has been assigned to duty in the Philippines at his own request.

About 5 o'clock, last Sunday afternoon, the barn of Mr. John W. Angel, near Middleburg, caught fire and was burned to the ground. His corn-crib and granary, with some corn and rye, hay, straw, and machinery were also entirely destroyed. A horse belonging to a son of Mr. Luther Angel, near Taneytown, who was visiting at Mr. Angel's, perished in the fire. The property is tenanted by Mr. J. Addison Koons, a nephew of Mr. Angel's. The loss is about $800, with insurance of $250 in the Baltimore County Company. The origin of the fire is not known.

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, $73,-135.16; Farmers and Mechanics National Bank of Westminster, $129,474.90; Union National Bank of Westminster, $217,049.75; First National Bank of Westminster, $271,028.70; total, $689,-706.51. At the same time the deposits in the Westminster Savings Bank were $777,001.82 and with the Westminster Deposit and Trust Company $488,125.47, total $1,265,127.29, making a grand total of $1,954,733.80. At the same time the individual deposits in the Union Mills Savings Bank amounted to $10,-554.92.

The case of Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Mummaugh and children against the Western Maryland Railroad Company, reported in the proceedings of the Circuit Court this week, excited great interest. Mrs. Mummaugh's husband, George Wm. Mummaugh, in stepping from a car of the railroad company, to the milk and market platform at Carrollton Station, on the 28th day of June, 1901, while the car was in motion, missed his footing and fell to the ground, sustaining injuries which caused his death two days later. He had put a calf on the car for shipment and the train was started while he was still aboard. The defence of the company was contributory negligence, but the jury found for the plaintiff and assessed damages at $6,000.

The first apportionment of the school tax fund, under the General Education bill, passed by the legislature last winter, was made by Comptroller Atkinson on Wednesday. The fund is now raised under the special tax for educational purposes to 15 cents on the $100 and apportionments of the fund so provided are required to be made on January 1, March 15, June 15 and October 1 of each year. There is also a change in the apportionment, in the fact that there is no division into amounts for white and colored schools, but the whole sums are turned over to the school authorities of the different counties and Baltimore city, to be by them divided. Under this first apportionment Carroll county receives $6,845.48. The whole fund distributed aggregates $243,017.96. The distribution is, apparently, much more equitable than it was previous to the decision of the Court of Appeals under the old law, when the counties having a large number of colored children received an undue proportion of the fund.

An unsuccessful attempt was made to blow open the door of the safe in the office of the Western Maryland Railroad, at Double Pipe Creek, sometime during Monday night or Tuesday morning. The attempt has a humorous side. The safe was not locked and only contained about $10, which belonged to a private party, the railroad funds being taken from the office every night. The burglars were not aware, of course, that violent measures were unnecessary to gain access to the safe, and in proceeding to blow it open, with nitro-glycerine, accidentally locked it. They were frightened off before a sufficient amount of the explosive could be introduced to effect their purpose. When the condition of the safe was discovered on Tuesday morning, the railroad officials hesitated to unlock it, fearing the act might cause an explosion, and it was finally opened by Mr. E. H. Koons, night telegraph operator in this city, who lives at Double Pipe Creek, and who knew the combination, having, heretofore been employed in the office at that place.

Western Maryland College.

THIRTY-FOURTH COMMENCEMENT.

THE WEEK'S EXERCISES.

Commencement week at Western Maryland College began with the closing exercises of the preparatory school on Friday evening last, when twenty-six students of the higher sub-freshman class received certificates of graduation entitling them to enter the freshman class of the college. The program of exercises, which included original speeches, recitations and music was as follows:

Chorus, "Night;" Alfred the Great, (original) Ellery DeWitt Simpson, Westminster; The African Chief, (Bryant) Hamilton Ward Lewis, Westminster; The Children of a Hundred Years Ago, (original) Miss Nora Amelia Stoll, Brooklyn, Md.; vocal solo, Miss Katharine Mae Kemp, Baltimore; The Church of Brou, (Arnold) Miss Fannie Benson Merrick, Crumpton; Our Early Naval Heroes, (original) Miss Rose Eleanor Galbreath, Street; The Evils of War, (Campbell) Charles Walter Sanderson, Wilmington, Del.; piano solo, Miss Ruby Kathryn Ahern, Millington; Benjamin Franklin, the Statesman, (original) Theodore Wesley Darnell, Magnolia, N. J.; A Trying Situation, (Forest) Miss Ellen Morgan Bowling, La Plata; vocal solo, Miss Mary Edith Crumrine, Melrose; The Rise of Japan, (original) J. Winford Stayton, Wilmington, Del.

Of those who participated in the program Misses Stoll, Merrick, Galbreath, Ahern and Bowling, and Messrs. Simpson, Lewis, Sanderson, Darnell and Stayton received certificates of graduation. The others who received certificates are: Alfred C. R. Buckingham, Westminster; Willie C. Diller, Double Pipe Creek; Urquardt St. C. Bowell, Chaney; Carlton N. Etchison, Gaithersburg; Thorwold L. Holton, Westminster; I. Forrest Otto, New Windsor; Francis J. Power, Avondale; Miss Nancy C. Ayers, Berlin; Miss Charlotte Benhoff, Baltimore; Miss Kate C. Griffith, Potomac; Miss Bernice Lynch, St. Inigoes; Miss Emma Celeste Norris, Van Bibber; Miss Mary E. Osborne, Baltimore; Miss Elsie M. Saulsbury, Baltimore; Miss Marjorie S. Vickers, Overbrook, Pa; Miss Olive D. Willis, Cambridge. The first honor to female students was awarded to Ellery DeWitt Simpson, and the second to J. Winford Stayton. The first honor to female students was to Miss Rose E. Galbreath, and the second to Misses Ellen M. Bowling and Elsie M. Saulsbury. The only honor awarded in the lower sub-freshman class was to Miss Pauline Fuss, of Union Bridge.

SATURDAY, JUNE 11.

The class receptions were held on Saturday evening and President Lewis, according to his custom for years, entertained the members of the senior class at dinner.

SUNDAY, JUNE 12.

The baccalaureate service in the course of the events incident to the commencement was held in the Alumni Hall on Sunday morning and attracted an immense audience, well nigh one-third of the population of Westminster having been present.

The service was marked, as is customary by the processional, the students and faculty marching from a side entrance around the spacious stage to their seats on the platform, singing as they marched, Luther's great battle hymn, "A mighty fortress is our God." This was a scene which, though often repeated, loses none of its impressiveness and interest to the waiting audience, and it was a fitting introduction to the service which followed and received, apparently, its undivided attention. It was followed with the opening invocation and prayer by Rev. P. H. Miller, D. D., pastor of Grace Lutheran Church, this city, who conducted the service. The Choral Society of the college, under the leadership of Prof. Leon Sampaix, sang Schubert's "Omnipotence," and the Decalogue was read by Rev. James W. Reese, Ph. D., of the college faculty. The psalter was led by Rev. Durbin G. Miller, pastor of Centenary Methodist Episcopal Church, concluding with the repetition of the Apostles' Creed, in unison, and the Gloria. The Choral Society then sang Beethoven's "Hallelujah," and the scripture lesson was read by Rev. L. F. Warner, pastor of the Methodist Protestant Church of this city. The large audience then united with the Choral Society in singing the hymn, "Oh, For a Faith That Will Not Shrink."

The baccalaureate sermon which followed, and was the most impressive feature of the service, was delivered by the president of the college, Rev. T. H. Lewis, D. D., from the text: "Nevertheless, when the Son of Man cometh shall He find faith on the earth?" Luke xviii., 8. His theme was a question, "What is left of faith?" and the sermon was a forcible argument in support of the belief in a future life and of eternal salvation for believers.

The tendency of the age to decry and abjure this sort of faith was tersely set forth, and then the argument in support of the validity of belief in the christian religion was presented by analogy. The decline of faith was admitted and this was attributed to the growing inclination of the race to demand the demonstration of all things requiring acceptance. "To believe nothing, to accept nothing, until it has been demonstrated, to collect facts and to try all theories by the right test of facts, these are the axioms of physical science." This tendency, the preacher said, may be seen in industrial movements, where men have also begun the application of experimental methods. "Men now go into business as they used to go to war." They expect no concessions and make none. The survival of the fittest, which means the survival of the strongest, is the law of life and the excuse for all hardness of heart and questionable morality. To live the strenuous life, the rough rider's life, in the saddle and pistol in hand, is accepted as the ideal worthy of a true man, while faith is regarded as pusillanimous and destined to contempt as well as failure."

These conditions have their effect upon the religious life, causing it to be supposed that the religion of the future must be a religion without faith; a religion brought down from mystery to the business and bosoms of men. The preacher denied, however, that we have arrived at that period when the scholar has been educated beyond faith; when the man of action has found it unnecessary to his success and peace.

Looking into this tendency it was shown very forcibly that in all human affairs faith is constantly exercised in matters that cannot be demonstrated. Verification by the senses is not the whole of knowledge. The science of geometry was cited as an illustration of this truth. Geometry is built upon axioms which cannot themselves be proved. Our mental processes in the science cannot be demonstrated, and this is true of all reasoning. "The most rigid logical formula, the most elaborate argumentations," reduce themselves finally to a few axioms which cannot be demonstrated, but are simply believed.

Other illustrations were employed in support of the contention that faith is a principle which enters into every sphere of man's physical life, and then the annalogy between these conditions and the sort of faith referred to in the text was presented in a syllogistic arrangement not easily controverted. If this principle of faith is true in ordinary human affairs, "it is not strange to expect eternal salvation to be likewise conditioned on faith, so that he who will not believe shall not enter into life."

"The critical, skeptical school so much in vogue today would teach us to deride faith as childish and unworthy a rational, educated man. And another school, no less misguided, it seems to me, would teach us to scorn at science as profane, and require us to limit faith to mere credence of unintelligible statements of mysteries. But God is wiser and broader than all the schools, and He would teach us that this world and all worlds are His; that the truth of nature and all truth are His; that life in the body and all life are His; that faith is the gift of God, the divine second sight, the final and supreme faculty by which alone we can better attain the highest truth or the highest significance of any truth.

"Shall He find faith on the earth?' Because man is more than matter, more than animal, more than reason; because man is soul, whose very breath is faith, I answer, 'yes.'"

"We walk in the dark, but we walk by faith; and as we go there grows in us the passionate intuition of a coming day. We know not all the road we must take, but our hearts are cheered by faith, and our feet stablish themselves on faith, and a great courage rises in us that the way we go is not a way of delusion or danger, but the 'path that shineth more and more into the perfect day.'"

The service was closed with prayer and the benediction by Rev. Dr. H. L. Elderdice, president of Westminster Theological Seminary.

Sunday evening the sermon to the Christian associations of the college was delivered by Rev. A. R. Steck, D. D., pastor of the Union Lutheran Church, York, Pa. Dr. Steck preached an eloquent and impressive discourse from the text, Matthew xvii., 8. He was heard with wrapt attention and deep interest as in eloquent phrase he depicted Jesus as the "Adequate Vision" of all who look for light and truth. "They saw no man save Jesus only."

As the usual act of courtesy on the part of the congregations of the Lutheran, Reformed, Methodist Episcopal and Methodist Protestant churches, no service was held by either of them during the day, but all united in the services at the college.

MONDAY, JUNE 13.

At 10.30 A. M. the exhibit of work in drawing and painting was opened in Smith Hall, and at 2 P. M. the literary societies held their annual re-union, in the society halls.

The annual art exhibit has become a decidedly pleasant and entertaining feature of commencement week at Western Maryland College.

We noted with gratification the large number of visitors who were present at the opening of this exhibit and their manifest interest and pleasure in the very excellent work shown. We give our hearty commendation to the students of this department of the college as their work testifies to their industry and patient and forts as well as ability when they achieve such results as are here offered for our inspection We notice the work of the Levine Hall and College Freshman classes covers a wide field in free hand drawings, object drawing, nature work, work from models, perspective, construction, designing, historic ornament and figure posing.

The prizes were awarded in the Freshman classes to Miss Cornelia Willis, prize; honorable mention to Misses Eleanor Harrington, Lillian Nelson, Sarah Stallings, Margaret Mills, Carrie Thomas and Susie Sparks; to Mr. Hunt J. Hendrickson, prize; and honorable mention to Messrs. Philip Ramer, T. Robert LeCompte, Lewis E. Purdum, Harvey M. Phillips, Geo. F. Thomas and Alan W. Tull.

In the Levine Hall classes, to Francis J. Power, prize; honorable mention to Messrs C. Walter Sanderson, Theodore W. Darnell, Thorwald L. Holton, J. Howell Billingslea, H. Ward Lewis and Robert Stonesifer; to Miss Ellen Bowling, prize; to Misses Caroline Hobbs, Ruby Ahearn, Elsie Salisbury, Rose Galbreath, Nora Stoll and Katie Griffith, honorable mention.

The work of the special art students shows improvement over even the best of last year's exhibit, and embraces work in charcoal and pencil from casts and models; and from life, painting in oil and water color, including landscapes, marine figure pieces, and portraits, nature sketches and pastel and black and white work from life. Mrs. Edward S. Mobley shows a large collection of oil and water color pictures which are remarkably well executed and her work in the pyrography is very pleasing. We call attention to the contrasting figures in her oil canvas of "Hagar and Ishmael," in grief and desolation alone at night in the desert, and her "Dancing Girl," a scene in the marble court of a palace. Mr. Grover Keller displays a fine collection of oils, water colors, and charcoal drawings and burnt wood. His portrait of his grandfather, in oil, is a splendid piece of work.

Miss Ethel Dukes has a large collection of oil, water color and burnt wood. Her "Scenery in the Upper Alps" is a fine piece of work and her chair and clock are much admired. Miss Helen Chaffinch, among other, shows a fine marine and beautiful rose piece. Miss Edith Morris has, among others, a very good copy of the three old sailors leaving the harbor at dawn and a very pretty moonlight river view. Miss Nellie Ringgold and Miss Carrie Hobbs both show very attractive marine and landscape and flower pieces. Miss Florence Wix and Miss Bertha Anstine have among their studies very natural fruit and flower pieces, one especially good bowl of red roses. Mr. Palmer Tredway has a very fine basket of peaches and some good nature sketches. Mr. John Edwards has a number of color sketches from life and charcoal pen and ink and pencil work and a sketch book full of illustrations. Miss Bertha Roberts has several water colors, a fine fruit piece and a large plate rack in the burnt wood which finds many admirers. Mr. Merriweather Shellman has excellent work in charcoal from casts and life, a pencil, pen and ink and water color sketches. Mr. Edwin Gehr shows a fund of humor in his pencil and charcoal sketches and has work in charcoal from casts and from life and nature sketching in oil, an Indian in oil and a large pastel, to gether with water color and oil landscapes. The work of the last two boys must be a great gratification to friends and relatives.

Miss Irwin, the instructor in this department, has a life sized oil portrait of the President's daughter which has received favorable comment from the visitors.

The graduates' recital in music and elocution was held in Alumni Hall, at 8 P. M., and attracted one of the largest audiences ever assembled in this city. The spacious auditorium was crowded and many persons were obliged to stand during the rendition of the program, which consumed several hours, and was one of the finest ever given by graduates of the departments mentioned. It was as follows:

PIANO.

Mary Emily Clark, Cecilton, Md.
Minnesang, Eisoldt.
Nelsie Elizabeth Horsey, Crisfield, Md.
Fantasia, Halevy—Stephen Heller.
Bessie Bradley Sloan, Lonaconing, Md.
Mazurka, Sigmund Moskowa 1.
Nellie Adele Sellman, Baltimore, Md.
Mazurka Fantasia, Joseffy.
Elsie Lavinia George, Sudlersville, Md.
Valse Impromptu, Franz Liszt.

VOICE.

Nellie Adele Sellman, Baltimore, Md.
"Ah! Perfido!" Beethoven.

ELOCUTION.

Grace Agnes Thomas, Buckeystown, Md.
Levin Irvin Insley, Bivalve, Md.
The Merchant of Venice, Shakespeare.
Act III. Scene 2. Portia—Bassanio.
Ella Love, Lonaconing, Md.
Through the Flood, "Beside the Bonnie Brier Bush," Ian Maclaren.
Margaret Jane Bennett, Westminster, Md.
The Terror, H. C. Cunner.
George Leroy White, Princess Anne, Md.
Othello, Shakespeare.
Act V. Scene 2. Othello, Iago, Cassio, Lodovico, Gratiano.
Eugenia Cleveland Roop Geiman, Westminster, Md.
My Wedding Day, Belle C. Greene.
Marianna Sterling, Crisfield, Md.
King Richard III. Scene 2, Shakespeare.
Richard III. Lady Anne.

TUESDAY, JUNE 14.

Among the events of Tuesday at the college was the meeting of the board of trustees, which transacted business of a routine character principally. The vacancy in the board caused by the death of Mr. John Dodd, of Centerville, was filled by the election of Mr. M. Bates Stephens, of Caroline county, state superintendent of education.

The annual contest for the Norment prizes in elocution, established by the late Samuel Norment, of Washington, D. C., took place at 10 A. M. There are two freshmen and two sophomore gold medals of the intrinsic value of $20 and $30, respectively, for each class. Those who contended for them on this occasion, with their themes, were: Freshmen—Lewis E. Purdum, Mount Airy, "Warwick Before Barnet"; William N. Sellman, Westminster, "Heart of Old Hickory"; G. Frank Thomas, Adamstown, "The Spellin' Bee"; J. Hunt Hendrickson, Frederick, "An Imperial Secret"; Miss Sarah A. Stallings, Baltimore, "Romance of the Swan's Nest"; Miss Lillian L. Zahn, Westminster, "Little Christel"; Miss E. Margaret Mills, Washington, D. C., "Thora"; Miss Carrie H. Thomas, Buckeystown, "The Pied Piper of Hamlin." Sophomores—George E. Bevans, Pocomoke City, "The Unknown Speaker"; Wesley D. Adams, Atlantic City, N. J., "The Queen's Letter"; Roy C. Smith, Denton, Md., "Joan da Costa"; Sumner Graves, Laurel Grove, "Alexander's Feast"; Miss Margaret L. McCune, Hagerstown, "Absolution"; Miss Nellie Darby Riverton, "The Rose Act"; Miss Madeleine L. Gilbert, Westminster, "Bob"; Miss Marjorie Lewis, Westminster, "The Day of Judgment." The names of the successful contestant, were announced on commencement day and will be found in the report of that day's exercises.

The program was interspersed with a vocal solo, by Miss Sara Rebecca Garey, of Northeast; a piano solo, by Miss Blanche L. Walls, of Church Hill, and the Prison Song from Il Trovatore, by the Mandolin and Guitar Club.

The annual business meeting of the Alumni Association was held in its hall, which has been handsomely furnished, at 4 P. M. The principal business transacted was the election of officers, which resulted as follows: President, Wm. G. Baker; Baltimore vice-president, Miss Belle Cochran; Eastern Shore vice-president, J. Frank Harper; Western Maryland vice-president, Miss Mollie Jones; New York City vice-president, Dr. Harry D. Watson; Washington City vice-president, D. Fulton Harris; Secretary, Miss M. Louise Shriver; treasurer, Prof. W. R. McDaniel; alumnal editor, T. R. Woodford, '98, Baltimore; assistant, Miss Jewell Simpson, '99, Westminster. After the election the annual banquet of the association was held.

At 8 P. M., was the annual contest of the literary societies for the Merrill and Newell trophies, in which the interest is of wider range, probably, than in any other event, as hundreds of students, scattered all over the country still cherish pleasant memories of the societies with which they were connected and watch for the result of the contest at every recurring commencement. On this occasion the female societies, Browning and Philomathean, contended for the Newell trophy, and the male societies, Irving and Webster, for the Merrill trophy. The contestants and their themes were: Miss Sara Rebecca Garey, Northeast, Browning essay, "The Queen of the Ages"; Miss Clara Elizabeth Walls, Church Hill, Philomathean essay, "A Life Serene"; Miss Della Mayfield Wright, Belair, Browning essay, "A Living and a Life"; Miss Nellie Darby, Riverton, Philomathean essay, "Heredity Versus Will"; Franklin Ellsworth Rathbun, Mountain Lake Park, Irving oration, "The Yellow Peril"; Burdette Brewington Webster, Westminster, "America's Mission to the Orient." All the contestants were roundly applauded by students and audience.

The judges on composition were: Dr. A. W. Kelley, Prof. G. E. Marsh, Miss S. J. Knott, of Adrian College, Adrian, Mich.; on delivery, Rev. Dr. H. L. Elderdice, Prof. J. W. Reese, Ph. D., of Westminster, and Rev. E. L. Watson, of Baltimore.

The Newell trophy was awarded to the Browning and the Merrill trophy to the Irving Society.

The exercises began with a piano solo by Miss Marjorie Lewis, of Westminster, and the essays and orations were interspersed with vocal and instrumental music, as follows: Vocal solo, Miss Margaret Scott Miller, of Cumberland; piano solo, Miss Edith Margaret Mills, of Washington, D. C.; vocal solo, Miss Helen Elizabeth Chaffinch, of Easton, Md. While the judges were in consultation at the close of the program, the Glee Club sang Boating and was repeatedly encored.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15.

This was commencemeut day and the interesting exercises of the occasion were attended by many residents of this city and county and visitors from other counties and States. Numbers of old students returned to their Alma Mater, to greet former friends and acquaintances and to mark the progress of the institution, which has grown into an important and efficient seat of learning under the able presidency of Rev. Dr. Lewis.

The exercises began with a processional similar to that which marked the baccalaureate service on Sunday morning, and were opened with prayer by Rev. F. T. Little, D. D., president of the Maryland Annual Conference, Methodist Protestant Church. There were three salutatories, a tie having occurred between Miss Ella Love, of Lonaconing, and Miss Maud Melvina Stremmel, of New Windsor. Miss Love pronounced the Latin salutation and Miss Stremmel the English address. There were also a female and a male valedictory. Six other speakers were chosen for excellence in composition and delivery of orations during the junior and senior years. The exercises were in the following order, including the themes of the orations and essays: Latin salutatory, Miss Ella Love, The Return of the Ages; English salutatory, Miss Maud M. Stremmel, The Economic Functions of the Church; salutatory, Bayard Devilbiss, of Walkersville, Perils of National Expansion; music, by First Regiment Band; first essay, Miss Nellie Adele Sellman, of Baltimore, Our National Heritage; second essay, Miss Eugenia Cleveland Roop Geiman, of Westminster, Travel in Colonial Days; third essay, Miss Nelsie Elizabeth Horsey, of Crisfield, Indian Character; music, First Regiment Band; first oration, Charles Martin Elderdice, of Cambridge, The True Ideal of Manhood; second oration, George Leroy White, of Princess Anne, The Landing of the Mayflower; third oration, Levin Irving Insley, of Bivalve, The American Ideal; music, First Regiment Band; undergraduate honors and conferring of degrees; valedictory, Miss May Emily Clark, of Cecilton, Oliver Cromwell, the Man for the Hour; valedictory, Paul Culler Whipp, of Jefferson, Alexander Hamilton and the American Constitution; unveiling the class shield and singing the ode.

All the stndents named in the program and also the following, who prepared essays and orations, but did not deliver them, were graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts:

Benjamin Edward Fleagle, of Mayberry, The True Aim in Life; William Lee Hoffman, of Buckeystown, Formative Influences in Daniel Webster's Life; Smith Hilton Orrick, of Glyndon, The Man of Destiny; Jacob Casper Shamberger, of Shamburgh, The Universality and Necessity of Law; William Gooch Simpson, of Westminster, Religion in Chaucer's Day; Miss Margaret Jane Bennett, of Westminster, The Aspiration of the American People; Miss Eugenia Gott Chiswell, of Poolesville, The Nation's Debt to Hamilton; Miss Mary Esther Coughlin, of Salisbury, Bryant the Poet of Natore; Miss Carrie Williams Gardiner, of Annapolis, The Struggle for Social Supremacy; Miss Elsie Lavinia George, of Sudlersville, The Saint of Today; Miss Edith Katharine Greenlee, of Greensboro, Literature in the American Colonies; Miss Daisy Deane Paradee, of Pocomoke City, The Providence of Real Life; Miss Sallie Ewell Sheridan, of Hanesville, Woman's Duty to Her Country; Miss Bessie Bradley Sloan, of Lonaconing, Women After Graduation; Miss Marianna Sterling, of Crisfield, Twentieth Century Chivalry; Miss Emma Barnes Stewart, of Oxford, George Sand; Miss Grace Agnes Thomas, of Buckeystown, The Emancipation of the Human Slave. The names are given in alphabetical order and not according to standing in the class.

Paul Culler Whipp, Bayard Devilbiss, Jacob Casper Shamberger, George Leroy White, Misses Mary Emily Clark, Ella Love, Maud Melvina Stremmel and Eugenia Gott Chiswell were graduated summa cum laude.

Honors were awarded to undergraduate students as follows:

Junior Class—Gold Medals, Melvin Reece Harkins, of Chestnut Hill, and Miss Laura Veach Clark, of Cecilton; honorable mention, John Michael Henry, of Yale Summit; Burdette Brewington Webster, of Westminster; John Roscoe Elliott, of Laurel, Del.; Miss Cornelia Houston Lansdale, of Davidsonville; Miss Ethel Ruthrauff, of Westminster.

Sophomore Class—Gold Medals, Herbert Cleveland Apsley, of Baltimore, and Miss Annie Stella Blandford, of Clinton; honorable mention, Miss Mary Rebecca Thayer, of Oakland.

Freshman Class—Gold medals, John Hunt Hendrickson, of Frederick, and Miss Gertrude Helen Gemmill, of Freeland; honorable mention, Miss Lillian May Nelson, of Baltimore, and Miss Mary Allen Griffith, of Potomac.

Supplementary—Gold medal in piano, Miss Elsie Lavinia George, of Sudlersville; gold medal in vocal music, Miss Nellie Adele Sellman, of Baltimore; gold medal in elocution, Miss Marianna Sterling, of Crisfield.

Norment Elocution Gold Medals—Sophomore class, Sumner Graves, of Laurel Grove; Miss Madeleine Gilbert, of Westminster. Freshman class, John Hunt Hendrickson, of Frederick; Miss Carrie Hull Thomas, of Buckeystown.

The first honor in the State Oratorical Association contest was conferred on Levin Irving Insley.

The degree of A. M., was conferred on former graduates of the college, as follows: Rev. Thomas Plummer Revelle, of Seattle, Wash., class of '93; John Mays Little, of Towson, '97; Miss Indiana R. Wheelton, of New York City, '98; Rev. Claude C. Douglas, of Westminster, '99; William Nicholas Willis, Preston, '99; Rev. Samuel A. Harker, Allenton, N. J., '00; Rev. Harry H. Price, Tehuacana, Tex., '00; Dr. James Edwin Shreeve, of Ellicott City, '01; Miss Marion Clark, of Cecilton, '01.

A pleasant incident occurred at the close of the regular exercises, when President Lewis announced that honor was about to be paid to early friends of the college. He then personally conducted to seats at the front of the platform Dr. J. W. Hering, of this city; Rev. Dr. S. B. Southerland, of Baltimore; Rev. Dr. John J. Murray, of Pittsburg, Pa., and Rev. Dr. David Wilson, of the United States Army. Mr. Daniel Baker, of Baltimore, stated in an appropriate speech that a tablet had been prepared which contained the names of all the original incorporators, and would be placed in the first college building erected on the grounds. The four men mentioned were of the incorporators, and are yet members of the board of trustees, Dr. Hering being the president. Mr. John G. Clark, of Baltimore, is another of the surviving incorporators, but was not able to be present. These are all the surviving members of the board, and with a single exception the only incorporators still living, 27 having passed away. Dr. J. W. Hering responded to the address of Mr. Baker and briefly reviewed the history of the college from its incorporation until the present time. In the course of his remarks he affirmed a statement made by Mr. Baker to the effect that none of the incorporators dreamed when they first met to complete their organization and start the new institution on its career, that it would achieve the wonderful success it enjoys today. He attributed its great progress to the guiding hand of Divine Providence.

Following is a complete list of the incorporators: John G. Clark, Rev. Daniel E. Reese, Rev. James K. Nichols, Rev. Dr. Silas B. Southerland, Rev. Dr. Lawrence W. Bates, Rev. Peter Light Wilson, Rev. Daniel W. Bates, Rev. Rh