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LOCAL ITEMS.

A light rain, with slight snow, fell in this city on Sunday morning.

Mr. Grove A. Shipley has had his residence on West Main street, this city, repainted.

The Electric Light and Power Company of this city has had a number of shade trees, which obstructed the wires of the company, heavily trimmed.

A game of football between the East and West End Juniors, of this city, last week, resulted in a victory for the latter by a score of 17 to 0.

The pupils of West End public school, this city, Mrs. L. S. Sellman principal, held an election on Tuesday, at which 95 votes were cast—46 for Parker, 41 for Roosevelt, 8 for Swallow.

The handsome new residence being erected for Mr. Jacob L. Shafer on Pennsylvania avenue, this city, is nearing completion and will be an ornament to that locality.

The November term of the Circuit Court for Carroll county will begin on Monday next. Up to this time the dockets contain 85 trial cases, 24 originals and 17 appeals.

Rev. Wm. E. Wheeler, for several years pastor of the Woodsboro charge, Lutheran church, has received and accepted a call to the pastorate of the church of that denomination at Taneytown.

Three new hose reels recently purchased by the fire department of this city have arrived and, being of superior construction, add very materially to the department's apparatus for fighting fires.

Mrs. James H. Cassell has purchased, from Misses Laura and Ella Crouse, the property in which Mr. Cassell's jewelry store is located, on East Main street, this city. The price paid has not transpired.

Mr. George C. Anders, for many years a prominent general merchant at New Windsor, has made a deed of trust to Messrs. Solomon S. Ecker and George O. Brilhart for the benefit of creditors. No schedule of assets and liabilities has yet been made public.

The N. I. Gorsuch Son Company has put a new 100-horse power boiler in its steam flour mill in this city. The growing business of the company required greater power than has been heretofore at command, making the introduction of the new boiler a necessity.

Rev. K. G. Murray, pastor of Aberdeen Methodist Episcopal Church, son of Mr. Chas. M. Murray, of Hampstead, has accepted an invitation from the Young Men's Christian Association of Dickinson College, to deliver a series of addresses to the students on "Prayer."

The new dwelling in course of erection for State's Attorney Guy W. Steele, on the grounds fronting on the Westminster and Washington turnpike, recently purchased by him, is now under roof and ready for the plasterers. Mr. Chas. B. Hunter is the contractor for the building.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Duvall, of Warfieldsburg, have returned home from a visit to the Louisiana Purchase Exposition at St. Louis, Mo. They also visited Mr. E. S. Coxwell and family and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Poole, of De Soto, Mo., and Mr. J. Wesley Poole and family, of Chicago, Ill.

Mr. Amos Ebaugh, of Mt. Pleasant, who went to the Presbyterian Eye and Ear Infirmary, in Baltimore, three weeks ago, where he had two operations performed upon his eyes, has returned home, and we regret to say has experienced no improvement in his eyesight.

The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company has decided to build an addition to the station at Mount Airy at a cost of about $1,700. The old frame structure has been there for many years and is used for both freight and passenger business, and is quite inadequate.

The fine farm belonging to the estate of the late Jehu Royer, lying between this city and Meadow Branch, will be offered at public sale, by Messrs. Jehu Royer and A. H. Huber, trustees, tomorrow at 10 o'clock. It is one of the most valuable and desirable farms in this county, and the sale will, no doubt, be very largely attended.

Frank S. Davidson and his Famous Company, Band and Solo Orchestra will appear at Odd Fellows' Hall, this city, to-morrow, Saturday night. The new "Old Farmer Hopkins" will be presented in a faultless manner, as a complete scenic outfit is carried adaptable to any stage. A crowded house no doubt will greet the company as they have been here before.

Mr. John Bernstein has sold his house and bakery, with the lot on which they stand, on East Main street, this city, to Mr. John Baker, of Westminster district, for a price not stated. Possession of the property is to be given the purchaser April 1, 1905, when it will be occupied by Mr. Charles A. Lantz, who will conduct the butchering and meat business on the premises.

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Dinner at a Barn Raising.

A sumptuous dinner was served at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin R. Starner, near Meadow Branch, on Friday, 4th inst., the occasion having been the raising of a new barn for Mr. Daniel Baugher, to take the place of the one destroyed by fire sometime ago. At 1.30 o'clock, P. M., those who participated in the work were invited to the dining room to partake of the generous meal which consisted of roast beef, ham, celery and all other kinds of vegetables, pies, cakes, &c., in lavish abundance. The diners numbered 85 and to say that it was an enjoyable affair is expressing it very mildly. The day was a very pleasant one for all present.

Gist Items.

Revival services at Bethesda M. E. Church, conducted by our sen or pastor, Rev. F. G. Watson, closed Sunday night, October 30th. It was quite a success, there being twenty-one converts. Rev. Mr. Graffilin conducted the services two nights. He preached two very impressive sermons. Our former pastor, Rev. A. B. Wood, of Relay, was with us two nights, and preached two fine sermons.

Mr. R. H. H. Shipley, mother and sister, and Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Bennett and daughters spent a very pleasant time at Mr. and Mrs. Byron Shipley's, Sunday, 6th inst.

Miss Minnie Poole, who had been very ill for some time, is convalescent.

Mr. Harry Criswell is now on the sick list.

Mr. F. B. Shauck and family contemplate moving to Baltimore county, in the near future, where Mr. Shauck is employed in a mill.

Miss Mary E. Bennett is attending Winfield Academy this year.

The members of Bethesda M. E. Church will hold an oyster supper on the 18th and 19th inst., to which the public is cordially invited.

John M. Roberts, Esq., president of the Board of Supervisors of Election, of this county, requests us to say that it is desirable that all bills against the board shall be rendered at once, in order that they may be passed upon and paid without delay.

A dwelling house, near Day, in Freedom district, owned by Mr. Basil Shipley and occupied by a Mr. Harrison and family, was destroyed by fire on Sunday afternoon, and most of Mr. H's. furniture and household effects were burned with it. When the fire was first discovered the flames were bursting from the roof and it is supposed originated from the chimney, either by a spark or from a defective flue. So rapid had been its progress that one of the children, who was in an upper room asleep, at the time, was rescued with difficulty and narrowly escaped being burned to death. The loss on building was $600 to $800, with partial insurance in the Dug Hill Company. Mr. Harrison had an insurance of $80 on his furniture in the same company.

DEATH'S DOINGS.

Miss Bertie Viola Jenkins.

Miss Bertie Viola, daughter of Mr. Wm. R. and Mrs. Ella Jenkins, of Patterson Park avenue, Baltimore, died October 30th, at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John K. Shipley, of Gaither, where she was spending a few weeks vacation, aged 17 years, 7 months and 7 days. She was of a kind and genial disposition and bore a smile for every one. Her funeral took place on Tuesday, November 1st, Rev. D. D. Dudley, of Springfield Presbyterian Church, officiating. Interment was in the Messiah Lutheran Church cemetery. Funeral music was furnished by a select choir. The pallbearers were: Messrs. Chas. and Frank DeLashmutt, Upton Henry, Windsor Kesler, Going Dorsey and C. Arnold Fleming.

Personal.

Miss Bess Nicodemus, of New Windsor, is visiting Miss Christine Roberts, of this city.

Mr. Grant Franklin and wife, of Baltimore county, were in this city, this week.

Messrs Geo. Batson and Charles H. Baughman, of Baltimore, were in this city on Tuesday.

Mr. William A. Baer, of Hanover, Pa., visited relatives and friends in this city, this week.

Mr. Geo. L. Mobley and Mr. Johnson Erb, of Cumberland, Md., visited their parents, in this city, this week.

Mrs. Laura Fuhrman, of Jacobs' Mills, Pa., visited her father, Mr. John F. Shade, near this city, this week.

Mr. Geo. H. Mitten, of Washington, D. C., spent this week in this city and in Middleburg district, visiting relatives.

Dr. O. W. Barton, surgeon dentist, who with his wife had been visiting relatives in Virginia, has returned to his home in this city.

Mr. Samuel Cover, is having her residence on West Main street, this city, repainted. Mr. Chas. E. Bowers is doing the work.

Mr. Horace G. Reese, of the U. S. postal service arrived at his home in this city, on Monday, from Nashville, Tenn, and upon his return will be accompanied by Mrs. Reese.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert K. Hoff, of Sandyville, have issued invitations to the wedding of their daughter, Miss Winifred Hoff, and Mr. Winfield Caple, of the same place, which will be solemnized at Sandy Mount Methodist Protestant Church, Sandyville, at 2 o'clock, Thursday afternoon, 24th inst.

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A Surprise Party.

Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Weigand, who Tuesday next will leave this city, where they have long resided, with their family, for N. J., were given a surprise party, at their home on West Main street, on Monday evening, by a large number of their neighbors and friends, as a token of the esteem in which they are held and of the hearty good wishes felt by all that they may be prosperous and happy in their new home at Newark. The evening was spent in pleasant intercourse and conversation and at a suitable hour refreshments were served in abundance. An especially pleasing incident of the function was the presentation to Rev. and Mrs. Weigand of a handsome chair, as a mark of the kindly regard in which they are held by a multitude of friends. A happy presentation speech was made by Rev. C. C. Douglas and a feeling reply by Mr. Weigand, who assured the guests that the gift would be carefully cherished and their happy associations in Westminster ever tenderly remembered. Those present were: Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Weigand, Rev. L. F. Warner, Mr. T. W. Mather and wife, Rev. C. C. Douglas and wife, Mr. John H. Elgen and wife, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Lantz, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse F. Shreeve, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Shriver, Mr. and Mrs. Edward S. Mobley, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver M. Crouse, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Wantz, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. R. Grumbine, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Stoner, Mrs. Caroline Nusbaum, Mrs. Chas. P. Cassell, Miss Ella Crouse, Dr. Chas. R. Foutz, Mr. Geo. L. Mobley, Misses Pauline Fuss, Anna Weigand, Fay Stoner, Emily Zepp, Masters Roscoe Douglas, Vernon Crouse, Russell Crouse, Edwin Shriver, Jr., Reginald Stoner and Chester Cassell.

Carrollton Items.

Mary E., aged four years, the only daughter and child of T. W. Taney, died on Tuesday of last week at the home of Mr. Edward Shaffer, her grandfather, of diphtheria. One of Mr. Shaffer's children has been sick from the same disease for a week or more but is better. Mr. Taney's child was buried in the Church of God Cemetery on Wednesday afternoon of last week. Much sympathy is expressed for both families by the people of Carrollton and vicinity.

Rev. D. M. Browning, pastor of Hampstead Circuit, paid a visit to Carrollton on Saturday morning last, having driven over in his daydon. The object was to meet his daughters and grandchild. One of the daughters is the wife of Rev. Vernon Ridgely, of Liberty; the other was visiting her sister, Mrs. Ridgely, and returned home with her father.

Quite a number of persons went to Westminster on Saturday last by train from Carrollton Station, as it was understood to have been bargain day at the big stores in Westminster, from the big advertisements which appeared in the Sentinel and other county papers. Persons who went came back with large bundles and even had new trunks.

The revival services, which were held at Wesley Church for nearly two weeks, closed up on Thursday night of last week. Very little success attended the meeting. There were no conversions. Several unruly young men present at times disturbed the meeting by loud talking. They had to be appealed to by the pastor on several occasions during preaching. Shame on them.

Uncle Nick Houck, who was attacked by paralysis sometime ago, and who was compelled to use crutches for a while in his daily walks, has put away the crutches and on Friday last he was seen on the county road, with a cane in hand, visiting his wife's sister, Mrs. Elias Walsh's. Mr. Houck is now residing with his brother-in-law, Mr. John Walsh, and has grown quite stout during his sickness.

Farmers are very busy husking corn but large quantities still remain out in the fields.

At Sandyville on election day matters were very quiet, and it would hardly have been imagined from the quietude of the occason, that there was any voting going on. Your correspondent, who voted early, his number among the twenties, had no trouble in voting whatever.

A man and nothing more than a man and a foreigner by birth, at that, gave vent to his Democratic feelings on Monday last at Carrollton Station, in the presence of several gentlemen, by defaming the character of President Roosevelt. It is to be hoped that the United States marshal may catch on to the occurrence and bring the man and witnesses before him. All such mean men need to be punished.

Smallwood Items.

Mr. Francis L. Freyman and Miss Laura M. Lockard were married at Smallwood parsonage, Wednesday, November 2nd, Rev. A. T. Evans officiating.

Mr. John Spencer has almost completed his new house. It adds to the appearance of the place very much.

Mr. E. B. Arnold has bought a new automobile.

The remains of William Leonard Freyman, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Freyman, were buried Nov. 7th, from Deer Park church, Rev. Dr. Miller, pastor of the Lutheran Church, Westminster, conducted the service.

Miss Ada Ogg, who had been ill several months with consumption, died at her home near Bird Hill, Nov. 7th. Funeral service was held at Deer Park Chapel. She is survived by a mother, three brothers and a sister.

Millers Items.

Mrs. Lewis Schaffer spent Monday last among relatives in Baltimore.

Mrs. Richard Wantzhime, who had been quite ill, is improving.

The Sunday School at the Church has decided to hold its Christmas entertainment Christmas eve, Dec. 24th.

Quite a number of men gathered at the home of Mr. John Graf, on Thursday last, for the purpose of raising a new barn, 40x70 feet.

Preaching here Sunday at 10 A. M. The presiding Elder of the U. B. Confe ence will be present and deliver an address.

Mrs. Geo. Kerchner, who had been ill for some time, is able to be about again.

The Christian Endeavor Convention.

The first biennial convention of the Maryland Christian Endeavor Union, held in this city last week, was, it is generally conceded, the best in its history. It was the fourteenth convention of the organization. Between 300 and 500 regularly accredited delegates were present from all over the State and many other Christian Endeavorers came to gain fresh inspiration from the proceedings and to see and greet the founder of the Christian Endeavor movement, Rev. Francis E. Clark, D. D., who recently reached America after a second tour of the world, during which, as president of the World's Union, he visited societies and conventions in many lands and was everywhere received with the warmest fraternal greetings.

The first and second sessions of the convention were held in the Methodist Protestant Church, which had been chosen as the place for all the day sessions, but had subsequently to be abandoned as the convention grew in numbers and the audiences far past its capacity to accommodate them. The church was tastefully decorated with the Maryland colors, "Old Glory," and the flag of the society.

Enrollment of delegates and informal greetings preceded the opening exercises, but the convention was called to order promptly at 10 o'clock, by Mr. George K. Mather, of this city, president of the State Union, who presided in a most efficient and capable manner until the close of the last session on Thursday night.

The first action of the body was a devotional service, led by Rev. C. E. McCullough, of Uniontown, and the opening prayer was made by Rev. E. C. Makoskey, of Buckeystown.

The first address was by Rev. J. M. Holmes, of Baltimore, upon the subject of "Bible Study." The speaker prefaced his remarks by reading an extract from the Century Magazine, which affirmed that one cannot deny that the battle has gone against the Bible as a literary work, and bewailed its loss from the field of literature. The man who wrote the article, Mr. Holmes declared, was not a good Christian Endeavorer, and he had only read it to contradict it. The speaker then showed by quotations from some of its sublime passages that nothing in profane literature approximates it in beauty. Challenging the truth of the Century's article he ardently presented the greatest of books as the greatest of literary productions. He especially counseled its consecutive reading, and declared that in an hour and a half on every Sunday of the year devoted to that purpose the entire Bible could be read, book by book. He denied that Bible study was being neglected in colleges and universities, and said that 25,260 college students are now enrolled in Bible classes. Johns Hopkins University is giving special attention to the subject. Greater interest is now being taken in Bible study than ever before this time. The Bible is God's Library. The speaker then suggested a plan of Bible reading. He had read the book of Job through on a Sunday afternoon in fragments of time that he did not need in other duties. The Bible he reads contains 1248 pages, and he can read twenty pages of it in an hour. At this rate the whole Bible can be read through in 62½ hours. He believed in reading one book of the Book of Books through at a sitting.

In the absence of W. A. Schumacher, of Baltimore, an ex-president of the union, who was on the program for an address on the "Uses of Christian Endeaver Unions," his place was taken by W. C. Perkins, another ex-president, also of Baltimore, who said that these uses are a unity of purpose among the society and its members, the sacredness of the C. E. obligation, the increase of excellence in service and the development of specialists in the work. He illustrated the beneficial effect of this by showing the advantages of the employment of specialists in secular occupations. This is an age of specialists and effective work is accomplished by their employment in the various departments of Christian Endeavor.

N. H. Hanna, of Belair, an ex-president of the union, spoke on the "Good of Christion Endeavor Conventions." He favored an annual, instead of a biennial convention of the union, a sentiment which elicited manifest approval on the part of the delegates. Inspiration and enthusiasm, he said, are carried back to the churches from these conventions. Another beneficial effect of conventions is improvement in organization. The better the organization the more effective the work. Conventions bring into touch workers from all over the State who learn improved methods of work from each other.

One of the great needs in the Christian Endeavor movement is the missionary spirit, a burning zeal for the spread of the Gospel and men to lead in carrying forward the missionary work. Christian Endeavor conventions drill into the members of the society the great importance of this work. The Church needs young people who will stand for principle. It may take a conservative man to run things, but it takes an enthusiast to do things.

The concluding address of the opening session was made by Rev. T. Holmes Walker, of Baltimore, on "The Clarion Call! Wanted, Leaders." It was an earnest and eloquent presentation of the subject. The great peril of the Church today, the speaker said, is the indifference of its members, and this peril is to be met by Christian Endeavorers. If we go home fired with the truth that the King's business is important and pressing, we shall aid in awakening the Church to this danger. Leaders are needed—men to direct; men to enthuse. We have machinery enough. Leaders are needed; leaders to plan as leaders in secular enterprises plan. No man can become a good, a true, genuine leader in Christian Endeavor unless he is a good, true, genuine follower of the great leader, Christ Jesus.

THE COMMITTEES.

At the conclusion of the session the president announced the following committees:

On Nominations—W. A. Schumacher, W. C. Perkins, M. E. Reddick, H. N. Hanna, Walter Gale.

On Resolutions—Rev. Edgar T. Read, M. C. Robinson, Rev. H. S. Ecker, Rev. W. S. Phillips, Mrs. A. Suter.

On Business—Fred. Ohrenschall, W. M. Robinson, H. N. Hanna, Miss Florence Hammond, Rev. B. F. Ruley.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The afternoon session opened with a devotional service, led by J. P. T. Mathias, of Thurmont. W. M. Robinson, the state secretary, submitted his report, by which it appears that the number of societies in the state, including the juniors, is 411. The total membership of the Christian Endeavor societies is 10,800, and of the junior societies 4,200, an increase in the total of 2,100 during the year. The societies raised for all purposes $8,481.64, of which $3,200 went to missions, $3,700 to their churchas, and $1,400 to other banevolent objects. Seventy-six of the societies showed an increase of 10 per cent. and over in membership during the year.

The report of M. E. Reddick, the treasurer, was submitted, showing the receipts of the union for its own purposes during the year to have been $991.12 and the disbursements, $987.65.

The reports of Mrs. A. Suter, junior superintendent; Rev. Edgar T. Read, missionary superintendent, and Miss Florence Hammond, temperance superintendent, indicate increased activity by the society in these several departments of work.

Following the submission of these reports Rev. D. S. Colt, D. D., of Baltimore, delivered an address on "How to Win Young Men." He spoke in most impassioned tones of the importance of this work, urging holiness of life and consecrated personal effort as a necessary feature of success in bringing young men to Christ. Their confidence must be won and they must be led to see that true happiness only can be found in His service.

The remainder of the session was devoted to short talks by Mr. Fred. Ohrenschall on "The Part of Laymen in the Work of the Church," Mr. Chas. Ecker on "Their Influence in the World," Mr. Walter R. Gale on "The Layman's Need of Christian Endeavor," and Mr. Harry Gilligan on "Christian Endeavor's Need of Laymen."

After adjournment a junior rally was held at Grace Lutheran Church, where the Juniors of the M. P. and Lutheran Churches, assisted by the Junior Epworth League of Centenary M. E. Church, gave an exercise entitled "The Light of the World." The church was crowded with an audience which greatly enjoyed the well rendered entertainment, given in the form of a cantata, for which the societies participating had been instructed and prepared by Mrs. L. F. Warner and Mrs. E. Oliver Grimes, Jr.

It was followed with an address by Rev. S. G. Rupp, of Baltimore, and the presentation of two junior banners, the first, for the largest contribution to the Children's Fresh Air Fund of Baltimore, to the Junior Society of the Northminster Presbyterian Church, and the second to the Junior Society of Harlem Avenue Christian Church, Baltimore, for the largest contribution to missions. Rev. B. A. Abbott, of Baltimore, made the presentation address.

EVENING SESSION.

The evening and all subsequent sessions were held in Alumni Hall, and were attended by large numbers of people, the commodious hall having been well filled at the day sessions and crowded in the evenings with audiences never before surpassed in this city. Wednesday evening's session opened with devotional exercises, led by Rev. Harry Ecker, of Allegany county.

Rev. F. H. Lewis, of Baltimore, delivered an address on "The Christian Endeavorer as a Citizen." Among other things he said that the essence of good citizenship was a right relation toward God, yourself and your fellow-man. The Christian Endeavorer as a citizen must be filled with a sane optimism; must believe in his fellowman because he believes in himself. Must strive to aid his fellow-man to be a good citizen. Among the requisites of good citizenship are purity, peace and morality.

Rev. Dr. J. L. Allison, of Baltimore, delivered an address on "Ownership and Obedience." He quoted a phrase used by the great Apostle, "Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ," making it the text of his remarks. Christian Endeavorers belong, as did Paul, to Jesus Christ, and His ownership of them presupposes obedience and service on their part. If they are truly His this obedience and service will be spontaneous, making a true test of their discipleship. Christian Endeavorers should test themselves by this principle and seek to obey and give to Him the best service of which they are capable.

THURSDAY'S SESSIONS.

THURSDAY MORNING.

From 8 to 9 o'clock, Thursday morning, a prayer meeting for juniors and junior workers was led by Mr. R. A. Harris, of Baltimore, and was followed by a devotional service, led by Mr. W. S. Norris, president of the Baltimore County C. E. Union.

"The Importance of Junior Work" was the subject of an address by Rev. B. A. Abbott, of Baltimore. In the Junior Society, he said, the child is being taught to put what he learns into action, and that is training him for service. The Junior Christian Endeavor Society is the training school of youths for future service and its effect will be to give them open mouths to speak for Jesus Christ. It is not a school of cant, but of simple, practical, everyday truth.

Rev. J. M. Holmes, of Baltimore, again took up the subject of "Bible Study," and prefaced the interesting address which he made, by reading a telegram sent as a Centennial message, by President Grant, to a Sunday School convention which had asked him for a word of encouragement. This, he said, was the only message ever emanating from the Presidential office, which referred wholly to the Bible. It was as follows:

"WASHINGTON, JUNE 6, 1876.

"My advice to Sunday Schools, no matter what their denomination, is:

"Hold fast to the Bible as the sheet anchor of your liberties, write its precepts in your hearts and practice them in your lives. To the influence of this book are we indebted for all the progress made in true civilization, and to this we must look as our guide in the future. 'Righteousness exalteth a nation but sin is a reproach to any people.'

"Very Respectfully,

"U. S. GRANT."

The speaker then reviewed the history of the Jewish people previous and subsequent to the Babylonish captivity and recommended the reading of the books of the Bible, in relation to that period, in the chronological order in which they were written—historically and prophetically—taking up Jonah, Isaiah, Daniel and Ezekiel, in that order, then going back to the book of Ezra and following it with Haggai and Zechariah, prophets of the Jews' return from captivity.

"Baltimore, 1905," was presented by W. O. Atwood, chairman of the committee on the international convention to be held in that city in July next. He detailed the preparations now being made for this convention. He said that it will be necessary to raise $18,000 to $20,000 to meet the expenses incident to the convention. He named as members of the committee Messrs. Smith, Robinson, Baker, Schumacher, Perkins, Ohrenschall, Sisco, Harris, Mahool, Mowl, Abbott, Johnson and others. Mr. Perkins will have 125 helpers in his branch of the work; Schumacher, on reception, wants 800; Ohrenschall, on entertainment, 100, and all the others large numbers of assistants. Mr. Mahool will have charge of the decorations. Mr. Mowl will have charge of the ushers. Rev. Mr. Abbott will have charge of the evangelistic department, and Mr. Johnson, of a Saturday excursion, which will go out in all directions.

The convention will be held in the Fifth Regiment Armory, on the floor of which 16,000 chairs will be placed, and 3,000 in the galleries. One of the most attractive features of the convention will be the singing, which will be led by a choir of 2500 voices. Rev. Carey Bonner, of London, England, whom Dr. Clark had said is a wonderful leader of music, will arrive in Baltimore four weeks before the convention for the purpose of training the great choir. Great interest is being manifested in the convention by Christian Endeavorers in foreign lands, and the presidents of the English, Scotch, Irish, South African and other Unions will be present and participate in its sessions. The Massachusetts Union has promised the largest attendance in the history of international conventions; New York will send 5,000 delegates, Pennsylvania an equal number and other States in proportion.

In the absence of Rev. C. C. Clever, D. D., of Hagerstown, who was on the program for an address on "Christian Endeavor and Missions," Rev. C. E. B. Ward, who has been employed as field secretary of the Maryland C. E. Union, delivered a short address on Field Work. The best work of all, he said, is the personal touch, visiting the societies and coming in immediate contact with the members. This is the vitalizing power of the whole field work movement.

After Mr. Ward's talk Rev. Francis E. Clark, D. D., prsident of the World's Christian Endeavor Union and founder of the first C. E. Society, which resulted in the great C. E. movement throughout the whole of christendom, was introduced and delivered an address on "The Sanity of Christian Endeavor." He received a hearty greeting from the members of the convention and others when he appeared on the stage, and before taking up the subject of his address spoke at considerable length about the Baltimore convention. All eyes, that is, the eyes of all Christian Endeavorers, throughout the world, are turned toward Baltimore and the great convention to be held there next July. While not officially designated a world's convention, it will be practically so. In Hawaii, Australia, South Africa, Great Britian and on the Continent of Europe prayers are being offered for its success. The singing at the convention, he said, will be an international jubilee concert, and will be equal to great musical entertainments for the privilege of hearing which men pay $25 or $50 and even more. "I have never thought, dreamed, prayed, or talked so much about a convention," said Dr. Clark, "as I have about this one to be held in Baltimore."

Taking up the subject selected for his address he said the sanity, the reasonableness of it appeals to the intelligence of the people. The fact that in 24 years it has gone around the world and is now established in every country on earth shows this. Its purposes are to bring young people to Christ, to increase acquaintance and christian fellowship among them and make them more useful in the service of God. Surely the sanity, the reasonableness of this must appeal to all unprejudiced minds. Christian Endeavor gives its members the opportunity of expressing their religious life. Loyality to the church is one of its prominent characteristics, and for all these reasons the sanity of Christian Endeavor is unquestioned.

Between the adjournment of the morning and opening of the afternoon sessions a conference of Junior Workers was held, at which some earnest and suggestive talks were made by the ladies of the convention especially interested in that branch of work.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

The afternoon session of Thursday was devoted to a Christian Endeavor Institute, the first ever held at a convention of the State Union in this State. The session opened with a song and prayer service, led by Mr. R. A. Harris, of Baltimore. Three periods of 30 minutes each were devoted to the institute. The first period was led by Dr. Clark, on the general topic, "County and District Unions; Purposes and Problems." County Unions were heard from and the leader submitted a number of interrogatories, soliciting replies from delegates, among them what difficulties had been encountered, encouragements met, weaknesses discovered? Are societies loyal to the Unions? When and how often shall conventions be held? Union committees—what can they do? Many helpful suggestions were made on these several divisions of the topic by Dr. Clark, who is a master of methods in the C. E. work.

At the close of the first period an address on "How the Quiet Hour Prepares for the Busy Hour," was made by Mr. W. J. Mackee, and then the second period of the institute was led by Rev. C. B. Ward, on the general topic, "The Local Societies—Problems and Possibilities." The divisions of this topic were: The increase campaign; how secure members? The value of associate and honorary members. The pledge; why have one? The prayer-meetings; how make them interesting and profitable? The verse-readers' class; how secure graduates? Busy committees; plans and methods that have proven successful. Business meetings; how keep them out of ruts? Successful socials; what to do to have them?

The third period covered the general topic, "Our Three Departments of Work" and was led by Mr. William Shaw, secretary of the World's Union. The topic was divided thus:

The Society and Missions. How interest the members? How secure contributions?

The Society and Temperance. What will make bright, helpful temperance meetings? The importance of total abstinence.

The Society and Juniors. The great importance of training the children. Co-operation of the parents. Caring for junior graduates.

Much valuable information was elicted from the leader, and from delegates to the convention on the several points thus outlined.

The session closed with an address on "The Forward Call," by Rev. T. C. Atchison, D. D., of Baltimore.

THE CLOSING SESSION.

Interesting as the proceedings had been throughout all the sessions up to the close of Thursday afternoon, all were surpassed by the culmination of the convention Thursday evening. It is impossible in the space allotted to this report to give more than a faint outline of the evening's proceedings, which held the close and unwearied attention of the vast audience to its close. The session opened with a song service, followed with a 15-minute period of devotional exercises, conducted by Rev. Frank T. Benson.

The first business in order was the reports of committees and election of officers. The committee on resolutions submitted a series containing the expression of thanks to the citizens of Westminster, for their generous entertainment of the delegates; to Western Maryland College, for its kindness in allowing the use of Alumni Hall for its proceedings, and to several other agencies for courtesies extended. The committee on the election of officers, through its chairman, Mr. W. A. Schumacher, reported its nominations for the various positions and the report was unanimously adopted, as follows:

President, Frederick Ohrenschall, Baltimore; vice presidents, George K. Mather, Westminster; Eugene Pennington, Centerville; Dr. John S. Green, Gittings; secretary, Alfred S. Day, Jr., Baltimore; recording secretary, Miss Flora E. Strout, Baltimore; treasurer, M. E. Reddick, Baltimore; junior superintendent, Mrs. Antoinette Suter, Baltimore; missionary superintendent, Mrs. W. W. Shaw, Havanstown; temperance superintendent, E. D. Carhart, Northeast; press superintendent, Henry Gilligan, Baltimore; correspondence superintendent, W. M. Robinson, Baltimore; superintendent of fresh air work, Henry N. Hanna, Belair; superintendent quiet hour, Mrs. L. M. Baughman, Uniontown; directors, Richard A. Harris, Rev. O. G. White, Baltimore; Rev. Conrad Clever, D. D., Hagerstown; Revs. George W. Miller, D. D., Carl W. Scovel, Baltimore; W. S. Phillips, Crisfield; J. A. Heinbaugh, Messrs. W. C. Perkins, W. H. G. Atwood, W. A. Schumacher, W. O. Atwood, Baltimore; Henry N. Hanna, Belair, and ex-officio the presidents of Baltimore city and the county union.

After reading the report, and its adoption by the convention, Mr. Schumacher paid a high but well deserved compliment to the retiring president, Mr. George K. Mather, to whose efficiency, fidelity and zeal the great success of the convention was largely due. The new president made a short but effective address.

A very pleasing incident of the session was the presentation to the Dickeyville Society of the banner for the largest contribution to the cause of missions. The presentation address was made by Mr. W. C. Perkins, who stated that the banner was sent to this country by the C. E. Union of Japan and finally came into possession of the Maryland Union. It is a beautiful work of art. The Dickeyville Society is well entitled to hold it for the ensuing two years as, though numbering but 26 members, its contributions to missions amounted to $350. Mr. Perkins stated, also, that in addition to this the Dickeyville Society had already contributed $225 toward the expenses of the coming convention of the International Union, with still more to follow.

Mr. William Shaw, secretary of the World's Union, delivered an interesting address on "Christian Endeavor Dimensions," and the last address of the evening was made by Dr. Clark, who brought to the convention "Four Christian Endeavor Lessons from the Antipodes." It is not venturing a questionable assertion to say that, while the addresses delivered from the beginning to the end of the sessions were, with very few exceptions, of a high order, this of Dr. Clark was the most interesting and effective of them all, and it is to be regretted that it cannot be reported in full, as no abstract can do it justice. Dr. Clark speaks with fluency, yet deliberately; with fervor, yet without rant, and his audiences lose no word of his remarks and do not soon forget their substance.

On this occasion he told, briefly, of his tour of the world, on which he was accompanied by his daughter. He went in his official capacity as president of the World's Union, and everywhere he met with the most cordial fraternal greetings. After leaving San Francisco in the closing hour of 1903 the first stop was made at Honolulu, Hawaii, where he attended a C. E. meeting at which he heard addresses in the English, Hawaiian, Chinese, Japanese, Portuguese and other tongues, all those nationalities being represented in the C. E. Societies of the Sandwhich Islands.

Several places were visited in Australia, where effective work is being done by Christian Endeavorers, about whose zeal and methods Dr. Clark told the convention. Among the societies visited was one composed of "Blackmen," as they are denominated in Australia, and who are known as the most degraded type of the human race, following practices that would be abhorrent to a Hottentot. Several young lady Endeavorers were sent, a few years ago, from Melbourne to the region inhabited by these degraded people and have succeeded in christanizing a number of them and in organizing a flourishing C. E. Society.

From Australia Dr. Clark visited South Africa, where he attended a meeting at which Boers and Englishmen sat together in fraternal fellowship, with apparently not a trace of the bitterness begotten by the late war between their countries. He also visited New Zealand, and told an interesting story of the ki-wi, a species of wingless bird native to the country. Centuries ago, he said, this bird had wings and could fly. But it was not exposed to any danger; there were no foxes or other beasts of prey, no serpents or other enemies to make it afraid, and so, though possessing the power to fly it did not use it. In time, therefore, this power was lost. With each successive brood the wings diminished in size and after centuries of non-use, disappeared entirely. The moa, a monster bird of New Zealand, had a similar experience, and finally became extinct, because of inability to escape from the enemies which eventually invaded the country. Dr. Clark employed these facts very forcibly as an illustration of the fate which must inevitably befall the professed follower of Jesus Christ who neglects the use of the spiritual privileges belonging to that profession.

It was noticeable that Dr. Clark said very little, if anything, about the honors everywhere paid him as he passed from country to country, although it is known that in many lands he was called to "stand before kings."

After his address and a few closing remarks by the retiring president the convention finally adjourned. It is proper to add that, throughout, the proceedings were interspersed with singing, led by Mr. R. A. Harris, of Baltimore. At both evening sessions a large select choir sang anthems in a highly pleasing manner, the solo parts having been taken by Misses Bessie Herr, Ada Schaeffer, Mr. Walter M. Graham and others.

The retiring officers of the Union were: President, George K. Mather, Westminster; vice-presidents, Rev. Harry S. Ecker, Frostburg; T. Pliny Fisher, Denton; W. A. Schumacher, Baltimore; secretary, W. M. Robinson, Baltimore; recording secretary, Miss Helen G. Lewis, Baltimore; treasurer, M. E. Reddick, Baltimore; junior superintendent, Mrs. A. Suter, Baltimore; missionary superintendent, Rev. Edgar T. Read, Union Bridge; temperance superintendent, Miss Florence Hammond, Baltimore; chairman press committee, Alfred S. Day, Baltimore; chairman correspondence committee, W. C. Perkins, Baltimore; directors, Rev. Dr. C. Clever, Rev. Dr. John Lee Allison, Mr. Frederick Ohrenschall, Rev. B. A. Abbott, Rev. F. H. Lewis, Messrs. W. O. Atwood, W. H. G. Belt, Henry N. Hanna, R. A. Harris.

The chairmen of the convention committees were: Entertainment, Mrs. George K. Mather; reception, Mr. Guy L. Fowler; decoration, Mr. George Armacost; registration, Miss Mary B. Shellman; transportation, Mr. W. C. Perkins; junior rally, Mrs. A. Suter; press, Mr. Alfred S. Day; leader of convention choir, Mrs. Margaret Tracey.

Between 350 and 400 delegates attended most of the sessions of the convention and it is estimated that at the close about 500 were in attendance.

Lunch at noon and in the evening of each day was served to all the delegates and many others, at the Firemen's Building, and all were furnished entertainment at the homes of Westminster at other periods of their presence here.

The executive committee of the Union banqueted Dr. Clark and Mr. Shaw, in the banqueting hall at the Firemen's Building, previous to the opening of Thursday evening's session.