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LOCAL ITEMS.

The 9th inst. will be Ascension Day or Holy Thursday in the Church calendar.

Corn-planting is about at its height and the farmers of this county are busy with the work.

Burns Post, G. A. R., of this city, will meet on Saturday and complete arrangements for the exercises of Memorial Day, 30th inst.

Maryland Classis of the Reformed Church will meet in St. Paul's Church of that denomination in this city on Wednesday, 22nd inst.

Mr. Clayton Butler, of this city, has secured a position with the Brown Contracting Company, of Cleveland, O.

Mr. Paul Byers, son of Mr. Jno. H. Byers, of Stonersville, has accepted a position as salesman in the store of Mr. Milton A. Sullivan, West Main street, this city.

Capt. O. H. P. Mathias and Mr. Wm. E. Brown, of Baltimore, both of whom served in Co. A, Sixth Md. Regiment, enlisted in this county, have had their soldiers' pensions increased.

Among those who will take the degree of doctor of medicine at the Johns Hopkins Medical School, Baltimore, in June, is Mr Fred. Yohn Cronk, son of Dr. E. D. Cronk, of Winfield.

The members of the Lend a Hand Club, of this city, are requested to meet at the home of Mrs. E. O. Grimes, West Main street, at 3 o'clock, Tuesday afternoon, May 7. A full attendance is requested.

Mr. J. Merriwether Shellman, of this city, for the past 5 years a student at the Westminster High School, has accepted a position in the Architectural Department of the B. & O. R. R. in Baltimore.

Sometime during the past week someone entered the carriage factory of Messrs. Jno. E. Eckenrode & Son, of this city, and cut the rubber tires on two new buggies making them entirely useless.

Attention is again called to the entertainment to be given to night, by the pupils of Westminster High School, at Odd Fellows' Hall. The First Regiment Orchestra will furnish music and the entertainment will be enjoyable and interesting.

Lehigh Classis, Reformed Church, Pa., met in special session on Tuesday of last week, and dismissed Rev. Thos. S. Land, D. D., late president of Allentown College for Women, to Maryland Classis, he having accepted a call to Manchester, this county.

During the month of April there were received 156 deeds, 64 mortgages, 7 bills of sale and 1 certificate of incorporation for record in the office of Mr. D. P. Smelser, clerk of the Circuit Court for this county, and 20 marriage licenses were issued.

Mr. James F. Tracey, near Patapsco, has begun to raise polecats for their fur, which finds ready sale and has considerable value. As yet he has only four of the little animals, but expects to increase the number indefinitely. He has them in a walled pit with a pen covering it.

The Western Maryland Railroad is superseding its lightest weight locomotives with others of a heavy type and much larger hauling capacity. Four of the smaller engines, sold to a railroad in Georgia, passed through this city on Sunday on their way to their southern destination.

The County Commissioners, at their meeting this week engaged in, making transfers and abatements for districts Nos. 9, 10 and 11. Most of the other business transacted was of routine character. The collector of taxes for Freedom district was directed to sell the property of George Bowman, for taxes, as a whole.

Pear trees in this vicinity are in full bloom and apple trees are also beginning to blossom. Whether the freezing temperature during a large part of April destroyed most of these fruits in embryo seems an open question. The full effect of the unseasonable cold weather at that time may not become fully apparent for several weeks.

The Christian Endeavor Society of Benjamin's Reformed Church was re organized on Sunday, 28th ult., and the following officers were elected: Mr. J. Wesley Biggs, president; Mr. Silas Bish, vice-president; Mr. Jas. M. Stoner, recording secretary; Mr. Lewis Hull, treasurer; Miss May Stoner, corresponding secretary and organist; Miss May Stonesifer, assistant organist.

Mr. J. T. Knode, formerly manager of C. and P. Telephone lines in this city and surrounding country, has been appointed manager for the Union Telephone Company in the territory embracing Corry, Union City, Erie and Girard, Pa., with headquarters in Corry. Mr. Knode had been manager of the Corry exchange for several years and is proficient in the telephone business.

The great annual meeting of the German Baptist Brethren, this year, will be held at Los Angeles Cal., beginning on the 21st inst. Elder George K. Sappington, of Johnsville, will be the delegate from the Eastern district of Maryland. Miss Louisa Royer, daughter of the late Jehu and Margaret Royer, near this city, and Miss Fannie Naill, of Sams Creek, expect to attend the meeting.

Dr. Charles Beck, organizer of the Improved Order of Heptosophs, was in this city for ten days a couple of weeks ago and succeeded in securing 16 applicants for membership in Western Maryland Conclave. From here he went to Hampstead and secured 32 applicants for admission to Hampstead Conclave. He was here again on Tuesday evening examining and obligating the new members for Western Maryland Conclave.

Westminster Ruling, No 130 Fraternal Mystic Circle, of this city, will have a degree team from Hagerstown here on Thursday evening next to confer the degrees on a class of 15 members, six of whom are ladies The visiting team is composed of lady members of the circle in Hagerstown, and as the admission of ladies is a new feature of the order here much interest is being manifested in the event and the desire is to have a larger class if possible. Mr. J. T. McCune, Grand Ruler, of Maryland, will have charge of the work.

Prices of coal have been reduced by the dealers in this city.

Rev. Calvin S. Slagle has been appointed chaplain to Door-to-Virtue Lodge, A. F. and A. M., of this city, vice Rev. L. F. Warner, who has removed to Newark, N. J.

Francis Neal Parke and Guy W. Steele, Esqs., trustees, sold at public sale, on Wednesday, the farm of the late Henry Streaker, at Berrett, Freedom district, containing 283, 3 roods, 11 perches to Messrs. Henry and Theodore Streaker, at $35 per acre.

For the Sentinel.

Ascension Day, Thursday, 9th inst., a game of baseball will be played between two picked teams, at Mr. Wm. K. Leppo's farm, Bachman's Valley. Those interested in the game and who wish to take part, are invited to be present at the above place by one o'clock, P. M.

The Missionary Reading Circle of the Maryland Collegiate Institute, at Union Bridge, will render an interesting program in the Brethren's Church, New Windsor, tomorrow evening, 4th inst., beginning at 8 oclock. The subject will be "India, With Her Possibilities." Everybody is invited.

Mr. Jos. P. Yingling is having the sales room of the building occupied by Mr. M. Campbell, butcher, on East Main street, this city, renovated and greatly improved. An iron ceiling has been put in, the walls and woodwork painted and other changes made which give the room an attractive appearance.

A representative of the Gamewell Fire Alarm Telepraph Co., of New York, was in this city yesterday and conferred with a committee of the Fire Department in relation to putting in its alarm system in this city. The company's representative will have an estimate made on the cost and submit a bid for the work to the committee.

Mr. Frank A. Pollitt and Miss Nora V. Snyder, of Baltimore, were married at Wilmington, Del., Saturday last at 12 o'clock, M. The bride was formerly of this city and is a daughter of Mr. Eli Snyder. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Geo. R Wolfe. They will reside at 1016 North Monroe street, Baltimore.

Mr. J. Thomas Roop, of this city, the well known auctioneer, lost his driving horse on Tuesday, the animal having died from an affection of the head produced, it is supposed, by the bite of a rabid dog in March. The horse had been suffering ever since it was bitten and the best veterinary treatment failed to afford relief.

The Westminster Fire Department is endeavoring to make arrangements for an excursion train to Annapolis on the occasion of the meeting of the State Fireman's Association to be held in that city next month. If they succeed it will afford our citizens an opportunity to visit the State Capital at small cost.

On Wednesday night a smoker was held by the members of Westminster Council No. 1537, Royal Arcanum, which was much enjoyed by all present. Mr. J. C. Bond, deputy grand regent of Maryland, was present and delivered an address which gave the members much pleasure and satisfactory information concerning the order, tending to confirm their faith in its stability.

Rev. Albert C. Diffenbach, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Diffenbach, of this city, pastor of the Reformed Church of the Ascension, Allegheny, Pa., is the religious editor of the Pittsburg "Gazette-Times." This is a new department inaugurated, and comments on representative religious thought, movement and men. Mr. Diffenbach was engaged in newspaper work before he entered the ministry.

Mr. Jacob L. Mathias has made for Mr. A. J. Tawney, of this city, a very handsome coon skin robe, in which the pelts of 27 coons with the brushes on were used. Mr. Mathias displayed excellent taste and skill in arranging the pelts so that the brushes show to the best advantage. Mr. Tawnyy prizes the robe very highly as it was made from skins of coons captured by himself, thus showing his skill as a hunter.

The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Middle Conference, Maryland Synod, Lutheran Church, will meet at St. John's (Leister's) Church, near Brunnerl, Rev. R. W. Doty, pastor, on Tuesday, 28th inst. Sessions will be held at 1.30 and 7.30 P. M., at which addresses will be delivered by Mrs. Amy Sadtler Albrecht, returned missionary from India, and Mrs. P. A. Heilman, of Baltimore.

Charles O. Clemson, Esq., of the Westminster Bar, will deliver the address at the Y. M. C. A. Hall in Cumberland, the 5th inst., on the occasion of the memorial meeting of the Cumberland Aerie, Fraternal Order of Eagles. Mr. Clemson is a Past Worthy President of the Westminster Aerie and is being mentioned as one of the candidates for the nomination for State's Attorney for Carroll county on the Democratic ticket this fall.

Carrying into effect the determination reached at the Sunday School Institute held in this city on Monday of last week, by General Secretary Roads, to hold a convention of the Sunday Schools of this county sometime in the near future, it has been decided that said convention shall be held in this city, June 6th and 7th, and every effort will be made to have it the greatest representative Sunday School gathering ever held in this county.

Mr. F. A. Diffenbach, our enterprising news agent, has placed three handsome show cases in his store and has shown his appreciation of home products by having had them made in our city, by that highly esteemed citizen, contractor and builder, Mr. Webster Ebaugh, whose taste in designing, as well as the skill of his employees in executing, has demonstrated that we need not spend our money outside of our own bailiwick for articles of this description, but aid each other in business at home by our patronage.

Forty-four members of Salem Lodge, I. O. O. F., of this city, assembled at their hall on Sunday morning and marched in a body to Grace Lutheran Church, where the pastor, Rev. Dr. P. H. Miller, delivered a sermon appropriate to their presence. His text was from the first Book of Samuel, chapter 18, verses 3 and 4, and his subject Jonathan's love for David as exemplified by the work of the order. Salem Lodge is one of the oldest in the State, having been instituted May 12, 1848, and has a large and active membership.

A reception was given by Grace Lutheran Sunday School Thursday evening in the lecture room of the Church in honor of those who took part in the play, the Carroll County Fair, which was given at Odd Eellows' Hall last week. After the rendition of a short program refreshments were served, consisting of cake, ice cream and fruit. A humorous poem, describing the entertainment at Odd Fellows' Hall from a darky standpoint, written by Mr. P. C. Kennedy, was read and excited much laughter. The SENTINEL will publish it next week.

Taney Lodge No. 28, I. O. O. F., of Taneytown, celebrated the first anniversary of its institution, and also the eighty-eighth of the order at the same time, Friday night last, April 26th. The occasion was made interesting by the initiation of four candidates, upon whom the first degree was conferred, and with addresses by Rev. J. Stewart Hartman, of Silver Run; Rev. Martin Sweitzer, of Union Bridge; Rev. Wm. E. Wheeler and Rev. Mr. Wolfe, of Taneytown. Refreshments of a tempting character were served abundantly and a very interesting and pleasant evening was enjoyed by everybody in attendance. Members of the lodges at Westminster, Manchester, Harney, in this county, and Harrisburg, Pa., were present.

LIST OF UNCLAIMED MATTER remaining in the Postoffice, Westminster, Md., April 27th, 1907:

Brown, Mrs. Elizabeth Husband, Mr. Frank
Cane, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Robertson, Mr. J. L.
Hanks, Mrs. W. D. Snyder, Irene Wantz, N. T.

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

GEO. F. BUGHMAN P. M.

Officers of P. O. S. of A.

Among officers of the State Camp, P. O. S. of A., elected at the recent meeting of that body in Baltimore, are R. H. H. Shipley, of Gist, guard, and Preston B. Englar, of Taneytown, trustee.

The following district presidents for Carroll county camps were appointed:

No. 5—Clifford Unglesbee, Mt. Airy, Camps No. 30, 40 and 47.

No. 6—Wesley F. Barnes, Sykesville, (Rt. 2,) Camps No. 15 and 20.

No. 7—Wm. E. Wheeler, Taneytown, Camps No. 2 and 39.

No. 8—Levi D. Maus, (Rt. 11,) Westminster, Camps No. 5 and 10.

No. 20—Jas. H. Myers, Westminster, (R. F. D. No. 11,) Camps No. 7 and 53.

Fraternal Mystic Circle.

The biennial meeting of the Maryland Jurisdiction, Fraternal Mystic Circle, embracing the jurisdictions of the orders in Maryland, Delaware and the District of Columbia, was held yesterday week in Fraternity Hall, Franklin and Howard streets, Baltimore. There were 35 delegates, representing branches of the order, in addition to the following members of the supreme body, whose headquarters are in Philadelphia: Supreme ruler, F. H. Duckwith; supreme recorder, J. D. Meyers; supreme treasurer, A. H. Swartz; representative to the supreme body for Maryland, Dr. C. Frank Jones. Mr. H. Peyton Gorsuch, of this city, was elected treasurer, Mr. Jno. J. Reese, representative, and Mr. H. Peyton Gorsuch and Mr. Jno. B. Saylor were present from Westminster Ruling, this city. The next meeting will be held in this city in 1909.

Sent to the Cut.

Eugene Peterson, a young colored man of this city, went almost directly from the marriage altar to the county jail, and thence to the House of Correction, this week. He was married on Monday to Lilly Dorsey, daughter of Andrew Dorsey, by Rev. P. G. Walker, a venerable and highly esteemed retired minister of the Colored M. E. Church, and, probably to celebrate the event, imbibed too freely of something a good deal stronger than coffee. The effect of his potations was to render him quarrelsome and pugnacious and ended in his arrest for drunkenness and disorderly conduct, fighting and carrying concealed weapons. He was committed to jail by Police Justice Shriver on Monday afternoon, before whom he had a hearing on Tuesday, when the testimony showed that even his bride did not escape his assaults, having been knocked into the street by a blow. In falling she came in contact with a baby carriage, which was upset and the infant occupying it thrown out. It was testified also that while being conveyed to jail he attempted to draw a revolver on Officer Mitten, who had him in custody. Justice Shriver found him guilty and sentenced him to the House of Correction for one year and he was taken to that institution on Wednesday.

Nominating Town Meeting.

In accordance with the call of Mayor Gilbert a town meeting was held at Odd Fellows' Hall, this city, on Friday evening last, for the purpose of nominating candidates to be voted for at the municipal election on Monday next. The meeting was called to order by the mayor and Mr H. Peyton Gorsuch was elected chairman and Mr. S. C. Stoner secretary.

Nominations having been called for, J. Milton Reifsnider, Esq., in a brief speech commending the present administration presented the name of Mayor Oscar D. Gilbert as a candidate for the eighth consecutive term in that office and the nomination was made by acclamation. The present members of the Common Council were also placed in nomination by Mr. Reifsnider, who spoke of their fidelity and efficiency as municipal legislators. Mr. Harry K. Oursler was placed in nomination by Mr. Harvey Stem. The chairman appointed Messrs. Charles F. Miller and John E. Stonesifer tellers and a ballot was taken which resulted in the nomination of the present councilmen. The ticket, as nominated, is as follows:

For Mayor.—Oscar D. Gilbert.

For Common Councilmen.—John J. Reese, John T. Zahn, William D. Henry, Edwin W. Shriver and Granville E. Lippy.

Mayor Gilbert was called upon for a speech and responded briefly, thanking the meeting for the honor done him, and promising his best efforts, if elected, to give the town an efficient business administration.

Fire Near New Windsor.

A fire which destroyed the fine residence built for and formerly the home of the late Job Hibberd, a short distance from New Windsor, and in which nearly all the household effects and even some of the clothing of Mr. A. R. Larrabee's family, by which the building was occupied, was burned, occurred between 6 and 8 o'clock P. M., last Saturday. The origin of the destructive blaze was singular. Mr. Larrabee was on the eve of removal to Virginia and, in fact, had already gone there leaving his family to pack the household effects for transportation. In doing this excelsior was being used. The packing was wellnigh completed when some one trod on a match of the explosive kind, a spark flew into some excelsior and in an inconceivably short time the flames had leaped beyond control. The only things saved from the burning building were a piano, a few chairs, some clothing and small articles.

The house was owned by Mr. Chas. J. Hibberd. It was one of the finest residences in the vicinity of New Windsor and Mr. Hibberd's loss exceeds $5,000. Upon this his only insurance is $2,500 on a policy in one of the companies represented by Mr. Charles E. Goodwin, of this city. Mr. Larrabee had a large quantity of fine furniture and his loss is supposed to approximate $3,000; with only partial insurance.

Our New Windsor correspondent gives an account of the fire in which Mr. Hibberd's loss is estimated at $6,000 to $8,000 and insurance $3.000 and also states that Mr. Larrabee's loss is fully covered by insurance.]

Reception to a Pastor.

The Methodist Protestant congregation of this city gave a rousing reception to their new pastor, Rev. D. L. Greenfield, D. D., on Tuesday evening last, in the Sunday School room of the church.

The Christian Endeavor Society of the church had arranged for the reception by having the room tastefully decorated and had provided a most interesting program of literary and musical selections, as follows: Solo, Miss Bessie O. Herr; reading, Miss Eva Rinker; instrumental quartet, Miss Armacost, Messrs. Anders, Ackley and Gordon; recitation, Miss LaRue Herr; solo, Miss Katharine Slagle. The exercises were opened with prayer by Rev. P. H. Miller, D. D., of the Lutheran Church.

Addresses of welcome to the pastor were made by Mr. Frank Mather, president of the Christian Endeavor Society, on behalf of the society; by Dr. J. W. Hering, superintendent of the Sunday School, on behalf of the school; and by Dr. Chas. Billingslea, on behalf of the church.

The pastor responded to these warm addresses of welcome in a very felicitous manner, after which all the members of the church and visitors were presented to the pastor and his wife. Dr. Greenfield is anxious to get acquainted with his people as soon as possible, and this occasion gave him a splendid opportunity to meet them. The young people had provided ice cream and cake in abundance, and an hour was spent in a most enjoyable social way. Certainly no pastor who ever came into our community was more warmly welcomed.

Littlestown, Pa., Items.

The annual commencement of the pupils of the Littlestown Schools who have passed the county final examination will be held Friday evening, 3rd inst. In the afternoon of the same day, a school exhibit will also be conducted. The school exhibit is a new innovation and promises to be very successful.

From all indications the summer school to be conducted here by Prof. W. A. Burgoon will be the largest ever held in this part of the county. About thirty pupils have already enrolled. The school will open on Monday.

WEDDING BELLS.

Libbey-Crout.

Mr. William Walsh Libbey, of Philadelphia, and Miss Elsie Marvin Crout, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Crout, of Reisterstown, were married in Philadelphia, Tuesday afternoon, by Rev. J. C. McLaughlin. They went at once to Atlantic City and later will go to Pen-Mar to spend the summer. In the fall they will take up their residence in Philadelphia. The bride is a sister of Mr. Harry E. Crout, proprietor of the Hotel Westminster, this city.

Mobley-Gurley.

Miss Pleasant D. Gurley, of Cumberland, and Mr. George L. Mobley, of the firm of E. S. Mobley & Bro., of Frederick, Md., were married Thursday evening, 25th ult., in St. Stephen's Lutheran Church, of the former city, by Rev. C. F. Floto, the pastor. The ushers were Harry Gurley, George Winters, O. M. and C. W. Brotenmarkle. After the marriage a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, and Mr. and Mrs. Mobley left on a trip to Baltimore, Boston and other points. The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Clarence Mobley, formerly of this city, and assisted in establishing the church in which he was wed. His bride is the daughter of a Cumberland merchant.

Garrett-Johnson.

Hon Robert Garrett, who has twice been the Republican candidate for Congress in the Second district of Maryland, and Miss Katharine Barker Johnson, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Robert W. Johnson, of Baltimore, were married at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Charles and Saratoga streets, in that city, at noon on Wednesday. It was a fashionable affair and the church was crowded with prominent residents of Baltimore and elsewhere. There were ten ushers, all of whom were classmates of Mr. Garrett, at Princeton University. His brother, Mr. John W. Garrett, second secretary of the American Embassy at Berlin, Germany, was best man. There were two flower girls, eight bridesmaids and a maid of honor. It was, in fact, one of the most elaborate and prominent nuptial events in the history of Baltimore society and a couple of columns of Baltimore daily newspapers were devoted to describing it.

DEATH'S DOINGS.

Fred. Clary.

Fred, the eight-year-old son of Mrs. Clara Clary, died of heart disease in Baltimore on the 21st ult. and his remains were interred in Pine Grove Cemetery, near Mt. Airy.

Mrs. Mary Diffey.

Mrs. Mary Diffey, of Mt. Airy, died at the home of her daughter, in Washington, Del., on the 23rd ult., aged 76 years. Her remains were taken to Mt. Airy and interred in Prospect Cemetery.

Samuel Lamberd.

Mr. Samuel Lamberd, a native and former resident of New Windsor district, this county, and a brother of the late Isaac Lamberd, died at the home of his son, Mr. Charles E. Lamberd, in Clarksburg, Va., on Sunday, aged about 80 years, and his remains were interred in Winter's Church burial ground on Tuesday, after funeral services at the residence of Mr. W. S. Drach, conducted by Rev. G. W. Baughman, of Uniontown charge, Lutheran Church. The son at whose home he died was for several years a member of the firm of Derr & Lamberd, in this city.

Mrs. Betty Nordlinger.

Mrs. Betty Nordlinger, of Baltimore, died in that city on Friday last, at the age of 74 years. Mrs. Nordlinger was well known and highly esteemed by a number of the residents of this city. She had been a frequent visitor to the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Strasburger, when they resided here. Mrs. Strasburger, now of Jacksonville, Fla., is her only daughter and she leaves two sons, Messrs. Ellis and William Nordlinger, of Baltimore; also six grandchildren. Her remains were interred in the Baltimore Hebrew Cemetery on Sunday.

Mrs. Susan H. Turfle.

Mrs. Susan H. Turfle, widow of the late James A. Turfle, died on Sunday afternoon at the home of her brother-in-law, Mr. A. R. S. Danner, near Avondale, after a very brief illness of paralysis, aged 60 years, 25 days. Mrs. Turfle was a daughter of the late James Gorsuch. She leaves no children, but three sisters, Mrs. Evaline Powder, of Owings Mills; Mrs. Isabel Brightner, of New Windsor; Mrs. A. R. S. Danner, near Avondale; one half sister, Mrs. N. G. Nygren, of this city, and one half brother, Mr. John Swartzbaugh, of California, survive her. Her funeral took place from Centenary M. E. Church, this city, Tuesday afternoon, Rev. L. E. Bennett, of New Windsor, assisted by the pastor, Rev. Harold M. Rider, officiating, and her remains were interred in Westminster cemetery. The pall-bearers were Messrs. Alvin Duvall, Walter Duvall, George Harris, Lincoln W. Rinehart, Holly Willet and Howard Bowers. Mr. F. C. Sharrer was funeral director.

Miss Mary Spalding.

Miss Mary Spalding, a most worthy and greatly esteemed lady, died at the home of her brother-in law, Dr. J. Howell Billingslea, of this city, after a long illness, on Sunday morning. Miss Spalding was a daughter of the late Charles C. and Sophie Leeds Kerr Spalding, of St. Mary's county and was connected with some of the most prominent families of Southern Maryland. Four sisters and one brother survive her—Mrs. Dr. J. W. Mitchell, of Charles county; Mrs. Richard Hall, of St. Mary's county; Mrs. Dr. J. Howell Billingslea, of this city; Miss Annie Spalding, of Baltimore, and Mr. Chas. C. Spalding, of Cincinnati. Funeral services were held at Ascension Episcopal Church at 2 P. M., Tuesday, by the rector, Rev. Dr. F. M. Gibson, after which the remains were interred in Westminster Cemetery. The pall-bearers were Prof. Howard T. Benson, Dr. J. W. Hering, Messrs. Jos. B. Boyle, J. M. Reifsnider, George M. Parke and Charles E. Fink. Mr. F. C. Sharrer was funeral director.

New Windsor Items.

On Tuesday evening the students of the college, assisted by choir of the Presbyterian Church, rendered the cantata, "Saul" to a large audience, and the cantata was repeated again on Wednesday evening, after which Dr. and Mrs. Fraser entertained the members of the caste. Every part of the cantata was most artistically rendered in full oriental costume. The characters were taken as follows:

Saul, King of Israel—Mr. Howard D. Ensor.

Samuel, the Prophet—Prof. William W. Fraser.

David, Shepherd Lad—Mr. William Hess.

Jonathan, Saul's Son—Mr. Hixon Bowersox.

Michael, Saul's Daughter—Miss Catherine Beacham.

Abigail, David's Sister—Mrs. Howard D. Ensor.

Witch of Endor—Mrs. A. C. Smelser.

Comforter—Miss Carolyne H. Parkhurst.

Miss Marie Royer, of Medford, spent Saturday and Sunday last with Miss Kitty Roop.

Miss Osborn, of York, Pa., is visiting Miss Cara Buffington.

Messrs. Forest Otto and Lara Fritz, of Waynesboro, Pa., spent Sunday last here with their parents.

Mr. Norval Shoemaker and family and Miss Abbie Poling, all of Taneytown, spent Sunday last with Mrs. S's parents, Mr. C. Lambert and wife.

Miss Elizabeth Crawford, of Indiana, Pa., is visiting Miss Nellie Hibberd.

On Saturday evening last the beautiful country home of Chas. Hibberd, known as "Priestwold," was entirely destroyed by fire. The house was occupied by A. S. Larrabee and family, who were preparing to move to Virginia and one of the helpers tramped on a match which ignited some excelsior and the fire was soon beyond control. Very little furniture was saved. Mr. Larrabee's loss is estimated at $2,500, fully insured. Mr. Hibberd's loss is between $6,000 and $8,000 and only insured for $3,000

Ninth Annual Contest Of The Oratorical Association of Maryland Colleges.

Western Md. Again Victorious.

The ninth annual contest of the Oratorical Association of Maryland Colleges was held last Friday evening in Alumni Hall, Western Maryland College, and was attended by a large audience. The exercises included an address of welcome by Vice President William R. McDaniel, of Western Maryland College; reply by Prof. E. J. Clarke, of Washington College, Chestertown; introductory remarks by the president of the association, Prof. James W. Reese, Ph. D., of Western Maryland College; music by the Western Maryland College Quartet and Miss Alice Rich, and orations by the four contestants representing the colleges included in the association—Western Maryland, Westminster; Maryland Agricultural, College Park; St. John's, Annapolis, and Washington, Chestertown.

The contestants and their themes were: John Hunt Hendrickson, Western Maryland College, "The New Politics;" H. W. Lippincott, Maryland Agricultural College, "Ideal Americanism;" Alton S. Arnold, St. John's College, "Education the Safeguard of Nations;" Lewin Wethered Barroll, Washington College, "The Transportation Trust."

The judges of the contest were Prof. James H. Van Sickle, of Baltimore; Prof. Albert S. Cook, of Towson, and Albert S. J. Owens, of Baltimore.

The alternate orators were: William Edward Davis, of Western Maryland; Edgar H. McBride, St. John's; M. H. Adams, Maryland Agricultural, and Walter Hicks Davis, Washington.

The decision of the judges was in favor of John Hunt Hendrickson, of Western Maryland College, with Lewin Wethered Barroll, of Washington College, second. The superiority of the Western Maryland orator was acknowledged by the audience generally and the decision in his favor was unanimous. His victory makes the seventh for the Western Maryland College in the nine contests of the association. Gold medals will be presented to Messrs. Hendrickson and Barroll at the commencements of their respective colleges.

An especial and very interesting feature of the program was the singing of the College Quartet. The gentlemen acquitted themselves with credit and again proved their ability as entertainers.

Uniontown Items.

Miss Belle Hill, of W. Md. College, spent from Friday until Monday with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. G. J. Hill, at the M. P. parsonage.

On Sunday Mr. and Mrs. William Baust went to Union Bridge to visit their daughter and family, Mrs. Clara Crabbs, spending the day.

Mrs. J. J. Weaver, Jr., returned on Saturday from her winter visit to her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Fox, in Washington, D. C. We are glad to extend a welcome home.

On Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smelser entertained Mr. E. Lee Erb and family, of Union Bridge.

Mrs. Wm. Segafoose visited friends in Westminster, during the past week.

Mr. Charley Clingan, son of Mr. John Clingan, employed on the farm of Mr. Alfred Englar, was brought to his father's on Saturday with a broken leg. Drs. Kemp and Weaver set the broken limb. We regret very much the young man's mishap. He was oiling a roller in the field, when the horses unexpectedly started and the roller struck the young man's leg.

Miss Mildred Adams, who spent several months with her sister and family, Rev. and Mrs. R. L. Crawford, returned to her home at Roaring Springs, Pa., on Friday.

Mrs. Jacob Moore and daughter Mary Anna, of Buena Vista, who were visiting Mrs. M's. mother and family, returned home on Monday.

Rev. G. J. Hill will preach in Pipe Creek M. P. Church on Sunday morning and Uniontown M. P. Church on Sunday evening.

Mr. William Baust's family and Mr. John Stuller's family received on Tuesday a telephone from Harrisburg, of the death of a relative, Mrs. Sarah Fleagle, wife of Mr. Bailey Fleagle, formerly of this county. Funeral services were held on Thursday in Baust Church School House. Interment in Church Cemetery.

Mrs. Annie Shaw Hoyt was the guest of her nephew, Mr. Wm. Shaw, and family, during the past week, returning to Hanover, Pa., Wednesday.

The first quarterly conference of the Methodist Protestant Church will be held the last Saturday in May, in Pipe Creek Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Sell, of Tyrone, were guests of Mr. William Baust's family on Sunday.

Mt. Airy Baseball Club.

Mt. Airy seems to have become extremely enthusiastic about baseball and is extending liberal aid to its club, which now has a neat sum in its treasury. On Thursday of last week an entertainment was given for its benefit by the Quartet Club Concert Company, of Baltimore. The club has the following games scheduled:

May 25, Maryland School (Frederick), at home; May 30, Harford Athletic Club (double header), at home.

June 1, Brunswick, at home; June 8, Mount Airy Athletic Club and Relay Athletic Club, Relay, Md.; June 15, Evergreen Lawn, at home; June 22, Walbrook Athletic Club Reserves, at home; June 29, Severn Athletic Club (double header), at home.

July 4, Columbia Athletic Club (double header), at home; July 6, Mount Airy and Severn Athletic Club (Annapolis), Annapolis; July 13, Osceola Athletic Club, at home; July 20, B. C. & A. Ry. Co., at home; July 27, Magnolia Athletic Club, at home.

August 3, McCulloh Athletic Club, at home; August 10, pending; August 17, Mount Airy and Magnolia, Baltimore; August 24, Catonsville Country Club, at home; August 31, Patapsco, at home.

September 2, Lafayette (double-header), at home; September 7, B. C. A. Ry. Co., at home; September 14, Mount Airy and Patapsco, at Patapsco.

The 3rd, 8th, 11th, 15th and 17th inst. have been reserved for practice games. The lineup will probably be as follows; Talbott and Whipp, pitchers; Watkins and Creager, catchers; Williams, first base; Watkins, second base; Sellman, shortstop; Benning, third base; N. Hood, right field; C. Hood, center field; Barnes, left field.

For the Sentinel.

Recital at Union Bridge.

Thursday evening, 25th ult., Misses Elizabeth Gilmore and Katharine Shriver Slagle, and Miss Nettie Alice Whitmore, of this city, gave a recital in music and elocution in the Reformed Church of Union Bridge. The receipts will be used towards making some improvements in the church. The house was well filled with an audience which showed great appreciation of the attractive program. Miss Slagle's skillful interpretation of such masters as Chopin, Rubensteine, McDowell and others was beyond criticism. Her musical powers are well known in this community and have already won for her an enviable reputation. No less enjoyable were the selections by Miss Katharine Slagle, who charmed everyone by the volume and melody of her remarkable voice. The hearers were especially delighted by the daintiness and naivete of her rendition of that dear old Scotch air, "Comin' Through the Rye," which she sang by request. Both these gifted young musicians have been studying under one of the best instructors in Baltimore city and for some time past they have filled responsible positions in two of the churches in that place. Miss Whitmore, who is a graduate in elocution from Western Maryland College, gave four recitations which furnished pleasing variety to the program. The sweet rhythm of Paul Lawrence Dunbar's lyrics and the tender pathos of the ill-fated "Blind Girl" of Longfellow were rendered in a studied manner that won the attention of the audience. The recital will probably be repeated in another town under other auspices.

For the Sentinel.

A Flag Presentation.

An interesting event occurred at Mahlon's public school, near Gamber, on Saturday last, when a handsome American flag, "Old Glory," was presented to the school by Mechanicsville Council, Jr. O. U. A. M. On behalf of the council the presentation address was made by County Superintendent S. Simpson, Ph. D., and the flag was received on behalf of the school by Mr. E. De Witt Simpson. An address was delivered by Rev. S. F. Cassen, who spoke upon the principles and patriotic character of the Jr. O. U. A. M. Large numbers of people were present and the day, with the exercises incident to the occasion, was thoroughly enjoyed. Refreshments were served in abundance to all present by the ladies of the neighborhood. The pupils of the school deserve praise for the manner in which they recited and sung and the teacher, Miss Leister, many feel that her labors have not been in vain as was shown by the manner in which her pupils performed their parts. The program was as follows:

Singing, America, School.
Prayer, Rev. S. F. Cassen.
Welcome Address, Margaret Buckingham.
Recitation, Keep Our Banner Flying, May Klee.
Reading, Sketch of the Flag, M. Buckingham.
Singing, Maryland! My Maryland.
Recitation, Our Flag, Wm. Caple.
Recitation, Our Colors, Edna Zepp, Evelyn Jones, A. Stern.
Recitation, Our Flag, Harvey Davis.
Duet, Honor of the Flag, Millie Spencer, Bessie Zepp.
Recitation, Keep Our Country Free, Herman Green.
Recitation, Under the Flag, Bessie Zepp.
Singing, Hear Our Country's Call.
Recitation, The Flag We Love, Millie Spencer.
Duet, Hurrah! For the Flag, Lillie Stern, Margaret Ruckingham.
Singing, The Beautiful Flag, Burrth Zentz.
Recitation, Address, Rev. S. F. Cassen.
Reading, by the Kid of the Order, George Barnes.
Presentation of Flag, Dr. S. Simpson.
Response, E. DeWitt Simpson.
Singing, Star Spangled Banner.

Manchester Items.

The members of Daniel and Jacob Lodge No. 23, I. O. O. F., with their friends, 150 or more, met in their hall on Friday evening in celebration of the 88th anniversary of the order. The following program, presented by the committee of arrangements, was well rendered: Singing, opening ode; prayer, by Chaplain Burgoon; welcome address, by Noble Grand John W. Burns; singing, America; recitation, Little Miss Treva Burgoon; piano solo, Norma E. Gettier; duet, Ollie Lippy and Willie Myers, with Ethel C. Gettier at piano; violin solo, Hearts and Flowers, Miss Hazel Maurath; piano duet, Miriam Bergman, Treva Burgoon; singing, Star Spangled Banner; violin and mandolin duet, by Miss Maurath and Mr. Rinedollar; duet, Mrs. Shower and R. Hoffacker. At the close of the program the company was dismissed to a general good time, which all seemed to enjoy. At 10.30 an invitation to the banquet room was given, where refreshments were served. The midnight hour had passed when the final good nights were said.

Rev. and Mrs. Thomas S. Land, D. D., arrived here on Wednesday at the home of Mr. J. Wesley Snyder, where they were nicely entertained until they had their home in the parsonage ready to occupy. On entering the dining room at the parsonage they found that other persons had been there and had shelves and boxes loaded with canned goods, preserves, spices, groceries, flour, ham, lard, potatoes, butter &c., as a donation that was appreciated. At the service on Sunday morning Dr. L. installed Mr. C. V. Lilly, Dr. J. H. Sherman as elders, and Messrs. Harvey T. J. Rhodes and Claude R. Hoffman as deacons.

What might have been a serious accident