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Local Items Of Interest

WE SELL CHAUTAUQUA TICKETS.

Timonium Fair begins Tuesday at Timonium, Baltimore county.

A circus will be in town September 20th.

The school board will be in session Tuesday.

Mr. J. Thomas Myers, Wesminster Carrier 12 is offering his farm of 103 1|2 acres at private sale.

Mrs. Charles E. Lippy and daughter Grace of this city, are visiting friends and relatives in Baltimore.

Mr. H. C. Albaugh, of this city, visited friends in Hanover, P., Wednesday last.

Miss Flora Lynch has returned to Virginia after spending her vacation with relatives and friends in this city.

Mrs. Harvey Arnold, of Baltimore, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John T. Lynch, of E. Main street.

Miss Rose Orendorff, of E. Main street, is visiting friends in Baltimore city.

[redacted] visited the home of Mr. [redacted] lton and daughter Dorothy, of W. North avenue, Baltimore have been visiting friends in this city and vicinity.

Mr. Harry Ward, of Baltimore, has taken charge of the American Express Company's office in this city in place of Mr. George Ohler transferred to Cumberland.

We received an unsigned account of a surprise party but did not publish the same. If the person who signed it "One of Them" will send us his or her name we will publish the article.

A Wilson, Marshal and Talbott Club was organized Tuesday evening in the Boyle building. Dr. James H. Billingslea was elected president and Mr. Frank Power, secretary.

Misses Grace Steele and Margaurite Stem, of this city, will leave Monday for Owings Mills where they will teach in the School for the Feeble minded children.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Hay made sale of some of their personal property yesterday morning at their former home Center and Willis streets. They are now residing at 1234 W. Lafayette Ave., Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Dorsey Brandenburg, gave a birthday party Saturday August 24, 1912, at their home, "Forest Level", in honor of the 18th birthday of their daughter Miss Elsie. The lawn was decorated beautifully with many-colored Japanese lanterns and instrumental and vocal music was indulged in. The house was tastefully decorated green, white and pink being the predominating colors. Delicious refreshments were served to about 150 guests. Miss Elsie received a large number of valuable, handsome and useful presents.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Grimes, of Mt. Olive this county, entertained the following persons Sunday last: Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Brandenburg, of Hoods Mills; Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Pickett, of Morgan; Mr. James Brandenburg and children, of Marriottsville; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Brandenburg and son, of Sykesville, Master Francis Buckingham, of Winfield and Mr. and Mrs. Smith, of Hot Springs, Arkansas, Mrs. Smith, who was formerly Miss Maggie Place, of this county. She, with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Place, moved West thirty six years ago, this being her first visit to her native state since she left it.

We would call to the attention of our readers the advertisement of the Maryland Agricultural College found in another column of this paper. The young men who have graduated at this institution in recent years are doing splendidly in their chosen vocations. In Agricultural Science and Engineering, the Maryland Agricultural College has probably no superior among the colleges of its class in this country. The work is thorough and practical, and when a young man graduates there he is prepared to enter at once upon his life's work.

The Federal appropriation brings the cost of a course at this institution within the reach of all. Our young men who are going away to college would do well to consider M. A. C.

Former Governor Frank Brown was in this city Tuesday on business.

Mr. Cleveland Diffendal, of Baltimore, is visiting relatives in this city.

Miss Marianna Albaugh, of Longwell Place, this city, is expected home to-day from the hospital.

The tender of a large freight engine was off the track yesterday in the freight yard in this city.

Mr. John E. Eckenrode has sent some very fine carriages and other vehicles to the Timonium Fair.

A large amount of wheat was brought to this city during the past week.

Mr. David Crowl, of Cherrytown, is very ill. He is in his 73 year and has been a successful farmer.

Mr. Carroll Henry, of the B. & O. R. R. dining car service, visited his family in this city this week.

Dr. and Mrs. Rufus Weaver, of Philadelphia, Pa., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Arthur, of Frizellburg, this county.

Mr. and Mrs. George Ohler left Wednesday for Cumberland, Md., where Mr. Ohler will take charge of the American Express Company's office.

Mr. George Leas, of E. Main street, left to-day for the home of his daughter, Mrs. Rev. H. H. Green, Leemont, Accomac county, Va.

Master William Frizzell entertained Sunday last Miss Elizabeth and Alverta Powder and Miss Nettie Frizzell, of Spring Valley Farm.

Miss Mabel Hunter, of Chambersburg, Pa., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Paul Case, of E. Green street, this city.

Mrs. Sarah Perry and her niece Miss Laura Perry, of Philadlphia, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hood, of Taylorsville.

Miss Mamie Babylon, of Cincinnati, Ohio, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. A. Kurtz Myers, of Frizellburg, this county.

Mr. David Fried has opened a merchant tailoring establishment in the room formerly occupied by Mr. John T. Anders.

Messrs Charles E. Lippy and John H. Hanna, of the Babylon and Lippy Co., returned home Wednesday from a business trip to New York and Philadelphia.

The lady of this city, who lost her pocket book in Baltimore, Sunday last, may receive information leading to its recovery by calling on Mr. Dewes L. Farrer, of this city.

Mr. George W. Albaugh is having the one story frame building between the N. I. Gorsuch Son Company's warhouse and the Babylon Building torn down.

Mr. and Mrs. Lueco R. Gooch and two children, of Henderson, N. C., who had been visiting Mrs. Ella Simpson and family, of Willis street, this city, left Wednesday for their home.

Mr. Clarence E. Bachman, of Bachman's Mill, this county, who graduated this year from Gettysburg College, has accepted a position as a chemist with the Dupont Powder Company, at Wilmington, Delaware. He left for the latter place Wednesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Kurtz Myers, of Frizellburg, this county entertained Sunday last Mr. and Mrs. F. Thomas Babylon and Mr. and Mrs. D. Snyder Babylon and daughter Eleanor, of Westminster. Misses Grace and Ethel Fuhrman, of Baltimore and Miss Mamie Babylon, of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. William A. Doyle and son Frank, of Chicago, Ill., are visiting relatives in this city. Mr. Doyle, is a prominent lawyer of Chicago. Mr. Doyle's father formerly resided here but removed to Illinois when a young man. Mrs. M. E. Walsh is a cousin to Mr. Doyle.

The following persons have had the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone installed in their residence: Mrs. E. G. Lynn, Middleburg, Union Bridge 41-5; Miss Mollie Williams, Westminster, Westminster 214-R; Messrs J. J. Bankard, near Uniontown, Union Bridge 21-4; Wm. E. Eckenrode, near Uniontown, Union Bridge 21-11; S. R. Weybright, near Detour, Union Bridge 11-3; J. C. Weybright, near Detour, Union Bridge 11-3; W. H. Otto, Keymar, Union Bridge 41-4; John M. Baile, near Medford, New Windsor 11-2; John E. Deeds, near Medford, New Windsor 11-22; W. A. Judy and Company, Westminster, Westminster 60-R; Theodore Strevig, Lineboro, Hampstead 26-15; Blue Ridge College, New Windsor, New Windsor 9-K: Ervin L. Hess, Taneytown ,Taneytown 17-F; Wm. E. McCaffrey, Bachman's Valley, Westminster 807-12; David Fried, Westminster, Westminster 48-K.

LIST OF UNCLAIMED MATTER

Anderson Mr. and Mrs. Edward F. Jr.
Broseker Mr. Wm.
Bratton Mr. G. S.
Gaither Miss Mary.
Haughton Miss Caroline.
Johnson Mr. James B.
Johnson Mr. Thos.
Kelbaugh Elizabeth.
Martin Mrs. Anner.
Myers Miss Lavinia.
Nuse Miss Ella.
Christian Miss Edmonia.
Pool Mr. Nathan G.
Regester Co.
Thompson Mrs. Mary E.
Wetherall Miss Fanny.
Wellams C. R.
Zeppe Miss Myrtle.

H. P. GORSUCH. P. M.

The salary of the rural free delivery carriers has been raised from $1000 to $1100.

Mrs. Frederick Eckenrode, of Hamilton, Baltimore county ,is visiting friends and relatives in this city.

Mrs. John Steffey and family will leave Monday for Baltimore where Mr. Steffey is now employed.

Mrs. George Matthews and youngest daughter, of E. Main street, is visiting her father and sister, of Sams Creek, this county.

Mrs. Charles Hesson, of E. Main street was called to Union Bridge Thursday by the serious illness of her brother, Mr. Samuel Eppley.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray Bloom, of Hagerstown, after spending a week visiting Mrs. Bloom's mother, Mrs. Marie Babylon, of this city, left Wednesday to spend ten days in Newark, Ohio.

Mr. Clifton L. Murray, of Hampstead was arrested and taken to Baltimore Wednesday upon a warrant charging him with contempt of court in refusing to pay his wife $3 a week alimony.

Messrs Theodore Dell, of Green county, Ohio, and J. Brooke Dell, of Indianapolis, Indiana, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. States N. Dell, of Bird Hill, this county. Mr. Theodore Dell has been absent for 25 years. Neither brother knew of the other's intention to visit the parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Owings; Andrew Polster; Mesdames Laura Prugh Fannie Magin, of Baltimore; Misses Hilda Prugh, Gladys and Beulah Smilto, Marie Polster and Christina Owings, and Messrs. Lester Polster, Monroe Owings, Wm. Prugh, Herbert Owings and Boyd Owings were entertained Thursday evening of last week, August 22, by Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bair.

We have been informed by several of the stockholders of the Baltimore Roofing and Asbestos Manufacturing Co., who reside in this city, that about all of the preliminary work necessary for the location of the plant near Finksburg, this county, has been completed and construction of the same will begin in the very near future. The establishment of this enterprise in our midst and the number of people that will be employed will mean much to our county.

Governor Goldsborough has announced the following appointments: Superintendent of public buildings at Annapolis, R. Frank Smith, Twenty-first ward of Baltimore city; assistant superintendent, Edward H. Jones, of Solomons Island; general inspectors of oysters for Baltimore city. Jos. S. Beeks, John T. Hart; James E. Marshall, of Baltimore city; Albert L. Wingate, Wicomico county; at Oxford, William A. Dobson, of Talbott county; at Annapolis, George W. Letournau, of Annapolis; at Cambridge Richard H. Hart, of Dorchester county; at Nanticoke, Thomas J. Walton, of Wicomico county.

A few of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Wolf met at the latter's home August 18, and the evening was spent very pleasantly. The old folks enjoyed the instrumental and vocal music very much. Those present were: Messrs and Mesdames Murray Flinchbaugh, and son Charles, of York, Pa., Albert Bair and Andrew Polster; Mesdames Laura Prugh, Elizabeth Owings, Fannie Magin and daughter Margaret, of Baltimore; Misses Hilda Prugh, Marie Polster and Christina Owings, and William Prugh, Herbert Owings and Boyd Owings.

The Forty Ninth Convention of the Maryland Sunday School Association will take place September 11. 12 13 in Frederick, Md. Mr. W. C. Pearce of Chicago, Associate General Secretary of the International Sunday School Association and Mrs. Mary Foster Bryner of Chicago, International Superintendent of Elementary work will be our visiting specialists. There will also be a large force of State workers on the Program which promises Diecussions - "Delightful Fellowship" and a new vision of Sunday School work for all. Every Sunday School in the State is invited to send any number of delegates including their pastor and superintendent.

Write Mr. C. Albert Gilson, Frederick, Md., at once Chairman of the Entertainment Committee of your coming and state what you wish to pay for board and lodging. Prices range from $1.00 to $2.00 per day.

Marriages

LEE—BAKER

Miss Lotiie E. Baker, daughter of Mrs. Charlotte Baker, of Annapolis, and Mr. Charles F. Lee, formerly of this city, but now a resident of Annapolis, were married in Baltimore August 27, 1912, by Rev. W. G. McNeil, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, of Annapolis. Miss Baker was a teacher in the public school of Annapolis and Mr. Lee is engaged in the real estate business.

CHAUTAUQUA FREE ON SUNDAY

The program of the chautauqua for Sunday will consist of addresses by Mr. George H. Turner and Dr. Paul M. Pearson. Music will be furnished by the Ciricillo Band. The afternoon session will begin at 2 o'clock and the evening at 7.30. Everybody will be welcome. The people of Westminster are especially favored in having Dr. Pearson, the organizer of the first eastern Chauutauqua Circuit, with them.

PLEASANT VALLEY

Miss Ada Geiman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Geiman is in a critical condition.

Mrs. C. Herbert Myers is on the sick list.

Mrs. Henry Baker, Mrs. Scott Bollinger and daughter Mary Anna, of Wakefield, spent several days with her brother, Mr. Edward Hahn. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Charles Black, of Pipe Creek Valley.

MANN SHOWS UP THE DEMOCRATS

Minority Leader Explains Their Record of Inefficiency

FEW BILLS OF IMPORTANCE ENACTED BY THEM

Disorganized, Unprogressive and Inactive Was Part of the Description Applied to the Democratic House by the Republican Leader. Their Main Work Boasting of What They Were Going to Do at Next Session--- His Forecast of December Proves Correct.

Washington, August 27.—Inefficient, disorganized, unprogressive and inactive was the description applied by Republican Leader James R. Mann to the Democratic House of Cngress just adjourned. In a statement issued today reviewing the work of the House, Mr. Mann characterized some of the Democratic majority's work as stingy and silly, and other of its acts as pure extravagance.

"The boatss about economy in the House of Representatives went by the board," declared the minority leader. "The main work in the House on the Democratic side has been a constant boasting of what they were going to do at the next session.

"I said last December that this session of Congress would last longer and do less than any other regular session of recent years. My forecast proved correct. This session of Congress has enacted laws fewer in number and of less importance than any session in recent years. The laws we have passed are in the main of little importance and generally local in character. The Panama Canal Bill is the one of greatest importance, and in the main that was a bill prepaerd by me in a prior Congress.

"The claimed reformation of the rules has proven a farce. That the House has been inefficient is shown by the fact that over 200 Senate bills which passed the Senate remained unacted on in the House.

"It is a constant boast that the Democrats at this session passed a law providing for publicity of campaign contributions. Such is not the fact. They only passed an amendment to the law which had previously been passed by a Republican House, and the principal part is one relating to primary campaign expenses, and that was considered in the law by the Republicans of the House against the protest of the Democratic side of the House. Somewhat similar is the bill relating to eight-hour labor, which is only an amendment of a previous law and only made a slight change in the provisions of the original act.

"Practically all the laws of any importance passed at this session were either bills prepared in a previous Congress and left over for lack of time to consider, or else they were bills prepared by officials in President Taft's administration."

Mr. Mann referred to the public health laws, the homestead laws, the bill creating a children's bureau and others as being within the classification.

The Democrats were forced to agree to a parcels post, which only a short time ago they insisted they would not agree to. They are entitled to no credit for it. Outside of money expended for the Panama Canal, which cannot be considered as ordinary expenses, the appropriations for this session of Congress exceeds those for the last Republican session. Not only is this so but the Democrats have appropriated money in many places where it was pure extravagance and where the money was not needed and have refused to make appropriations where they are absolutely essential for the conduct of good government."

A CARROLL COUNTY BOY SAVES A LIFE

The following appeared in one of the Dayton, Ohio newspapers, of August 7,1912. The Fred Ward mentioned is a son of Mr. John T. Ward, of near this city.

MOTORMAN JUMPS FROM HIS CAR TO SAVE LIFE OF SINKING LAD

Plunges From Platform and into the Canal

Halting his car and plunging off the platform into the Miami and Erie canal at the rear of 23 Catherine street, about 9.30 Monday morning, Fred Ward, of Belmont, a motorman on a D. S. & X, S. traction city car, was successful in his efforts to save the life of Dudley Gordon, 8, of 603 Warren street.

"The boy, who had been playing along the course for some time, toppled headlong into the water from the east shore. It was considerably beyond his depth and he was unable to swim a stroke. There was no one about to help him, but as the car hove in sight the motorman noted the bobbing head of the youngster in the murky waters. He had sunk twice and was going down for the third time when Ward reached his side and dragged him to safety. Motorman Ward didn't hesitate to discard any of his wearing apparel. Instead, he leaped into the water and swam to the boy's side. When lifted to the bank the boy was unconscious.

The police department was notified and motormen Spurgeon and Reither made a run to the place, as did the automobile patrol. Heroic measures were resorted to and in a few moments the lad opened his eyes and returned to consciousness. However the men had a hard time in bringing about resuscitation, and only a fraction of time would have sufficed to to have caused death had there been a particle of delay. The boy was taken home in the patrol It is believed that he will be all right in a day or two and will suffer no ill effects from his narrow escape from death.

The accident occurred at the rear of the home of W. G. Decker, and members of that home kindly lent all assistance possible. The action of Motorman Ward is strongly commended, both by members of the police department and his employers. They quickly sent a relief man out to take charge of the car while Ward went to his home and donned dry clothing.

Young Gordon is a son of Mr. and Mrs. William F. Gordon. His father is a buffer by occupation.

FLOHRVILLE

Union Chapel Sunday school held its annual picnic Saturday August 17th. which was enjoyed by all present.

Mr. Eugene Trayer has begun work on the concrete foundation for his new store.

Mrs. Harrison Day and children spent several days last week with Mrs. Harrison's sister at Hoods Mills.

Miss Helen Gist, of Baltimore and Mrs. Eckard visited Mrs. Willard Pickett, of Woodbine, Wednesday last.

Mr. and Mrs. Ranson Gist. Miss Lillian Lockard. Mrs. Day and Mrs. Joseph Brandenburg attended the farmer's picnic at Mt. Airy Saturday last.

Mrs. E. M. Alexander and children have returned home after visiting friends at Taneytown.

Messrs Ralph Hood and R. L. Moore who were injured are able to attend to their duties at the hospital.

EQUIPMENT FOR W. M. R. R.

Consignments Are Now Arriving Traffic Is Very Heavy.

The Western Maryland Railroad Tuesday received its first consignment of new equipment which was purchased some time ago. Within the next two weeks all of the equipment will have arrived and the road then will be in a position to start what promises to be the best year in its history. It was announced yesterday that in all probability passenger trains will be placed in operation over the new extension between Connellsville and Cumberland on October 1.

Since the new line was opened for freight traffic some weeks ago, the freight has increased so rapidly between Baltimore and the West and vice versa on this road that additional trains have been placed in service. The officials of the road are exceedingly optimistic over the outlook and say that an enormous amount of freight will come to Baltimore within the next few months over the new line.

Six of the passenger coaches that arrived yesterday will be placed in service immediately between this city and Elkins and on the Blue Mountain trains. These cars are of the most improved style. They seat 75 persons, have steel underframes and were made by the Barney & Smith Company, of Dayton, O.

Twelve more of the same style coaches wil arrive within a few days. Besides these, the company has six steel mail compartment cars en route to this city five baggage coaches and nine large passenger engines of the Pacific type. Fifteen large freight locomotives are also on the way.

It is believed that within a short time the majority of 500 box cars, ordered some time ago by the company, will arrive here. They will be immediately placed in service. At present there is no congestion of freight on this road. When the fall shipments begin the new freight cars will be able to prevent a tieup in shipments. The Western Maryland at this time has as much equipment as any road of its size in the country. Of course with freight increasing on the new line more freight cars and engines will have to be placed in service.

As to the operating of passenger trains on the Connellsville Extension, all of them for the first few weeks will be locals—operating between Connellsville and Cumberland. There is no intention of placing through trains from Baltimore to Pittsburg until late in the fall or early winter. By that time almost all of the improvements now under way will have been completed.

SMALLWOOD

Work on the state road is progressing rapidly. It looks like it will be finished this fall.

The Oak Grove canning factory has been running with a full force during the past week.

A large number of summer boarders is in our midst.

During the past week the public school at this place has been repaired, a new roof and belfry having been put on it by our local contractor, Mr. Wm. H. Saylor.

The Carroll County Fair and Agricultural Association has let the contract for printing its large posters for the fair to The American Sentinel. Work on the fair ground fence will begin the first week in September.

COURT HOUSE NEWS.

TRANSFERS OF REAL ESTATE

Edward Oursler and wife to Chas. E. Houck and wife 21 prs.

Henry F. Troxell and wife to Samuel Geeting, right of way.

Christian H. Pape to John C. Pape, 1a and 60 prs.

ORPHANS' COURT

August 27th, 1912.

Mary E. Clousher and David S. Clousher, executors of Verley J. Clousher, deceased, reported sale of real estate on which the Court passed an order of ni. si.

Union Bridge Banking and Trust Company, executor of Jacob Stoner, deceased, reported sale of personal property, also sale of real estate on which the Court passed an order of ni. si.

Elizabeth H. Rakestraw, mother of James E., Mary C., and Malcolm H. Rakestraw, infants, received order to use funds, deposited with Union Bridge Banking and Trust Company.

Monday, Sept. 2nd being a legal holiday, Court will meet Tuesday and Wednesday, 3rd and 4th.

PIPE CREEK VALLEY

Mr. and Mrs. James Bittle and son, of Brunswick, and Mrs. Albert Wolf, of near Harney, spent Monday with Freddie Yingling and family.

Edward Brown wife and daughter spent Sunday at Emory Grove Camp.

Miss Helen Giggard, of Cranberry Valley, spent Thursday with Charles Black and family.

Frank Kain wife and daughter spent Sunday with Edward Hahn and family, of Pleasant Valley.

Walter Thomas, wife and daughter Elizabeth, and son Wm., of near Meadow Brook, spent Sunday with Jno. E. Bemiller and family.

Miss Ruth Leppo, of Mayberry, spent this week with her parents, Cyrus Leppo and wife.

John Study wife and daughter Elizabeth spent Sunday with Edward Eckard and wife, of Westminster.

Miss Ella Shank visited Jacob Frock and family of Mount Pleasant on Sunday.

Upton H. Myers, E. H. Myers, Jacob Lawyer, Frank Hollinger and Freddie Yingling and wife visited Charles Bittle and wife on Sunday.

John E. Bemiller and wife spent last Wednesday with Amos Wolf and family, of near Manchester.

George Stewart and wife spent Sunday with Harry Bollinger and family, of near Frizellburg. They also visited the cement plant at Union Bridge.

Mrs. David Lookinbill and children spent Tuesday with Charles Bittle and wife.

UNIONTOWN

Mrs. Rebecca Myers spent last week in Waynesboro, with Charles Selby and family.

Mrs. Catherine Gilbert, in company with some Linwood friends, is spending some time at Ocean Grove N. J.

Dr. J. J. Weaver has returned from the hospital in an improved condition.

Pearl Rodkey, who has been spending the summer at J. W. Rodkey's returned to Baltimore Sunday evening.

Her sister Ruby and Andrew Gazel and wife accompanied her home; also Andrew Gagel and wife.

Miss Nellie Haines returned from her visit to Hampstead, Westminster etc., and on Monday left for Baltimore, from whence she will go to Pocomoke City, to engage in the millinery business.

Mrs. Elizabeth Kelly spent part of the week with her daughter, Mrs. Jacob Price.

Mrs. Catherine Stevenson visited Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rodkey.

Miss Helen Diehl, of Hagerstown, is at Wm. Bankard's.

Mrs. Della Malehorn and children and Theresa Marshal, of Baltimore, are at Joseph Slonaker's and Samuel Harbaugh's.

Miss Nellie Crabbs is visiting her grandparents of this place.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wolf, of Baltimore; Mrs. Jennie Schofield, of Washington and Mrs. Zumbrum, of Union Bridge, visited friends here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Fritz, of Philadelphia, visited Mr. Robert Davidson.

Miss Arminta Murray and Miss Bertha Shriver, teacher in the infant department of the Bethel S. S. took classes to the grove below town, Tuesday afternoon, and all enjoyed themselves. An inviting lunch was served by those having the arrangements in charge.

Miss Myrle Waltz, of Baltimore, is spending her vacation with her parents on Clear Ridge.

Henry Gobright, is improving the appearance of his property by the use of the paint brush.

JORDAN'S RETREAT

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Pittinger spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Kress.

Mr. and Mrs. David Haines spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Goodwin.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kress spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Kress.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Winter, Mr. Henry Haines, Misses Cora Pittinger, Rosie and Julia Wagner and Messrs Charles and Earl Pittinger and Herman Haines spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Haines.

Mrs. Leonard Kress and Mrs. Samuel Pittinger and daughter Margaret and son Earl spent Monday afternoon with Mrs. Charles Haines and family.

Mrs. Charles Haines has returned home after a two weeks visit to friends and relatives at Woodsboro.

GREENMOUNT U. B. CHURCH QUARTERLY CONFERENCE

The last quarterly conference of Greenmount U. B. Circuit for this year will be held Saturday Sept. 14th., at 1 P. M. Rev. W. H. Washinger D. D. of Chambersburg, Pa., will preside. Business of importance will be transacted and a delegate elected to the Annual Conference which will comence October 9th. in Frederick, Md. All official members of the circuit are supposed to be present. The pastor, Rev. Geo. W. Strine, will make a report of his year's work.

Industries of Westminster

The George B. Jackson Torpedo Factory

Did you ever loaf around a shoemaker's shop? Did you ever notice what a strange facination it has for the idle men of a small town and what "great" questions are discussed by the shop loafers? You have also noticed, of course, that the shoemaker, because of his acknowledged superior wisdom and his hesitancy to take sides in discussions, naturally became the arbitrator.

In the year 1832 there lived in the town af Haddenfield, N. J., a shoemaker by the name of Samuel Jackson. He was, like most cobblers of those days, a poor man but industrious honest and popular with his patrons. His shop, like every other cobbler's, became the loafing place of evenings for many of the wiseacres and wits of the town and many were the questions discussed within its four walls. The numerious discussions, perhaps, led Mr. Jackson's mind along lines other than the mending of shoes, because one day he determined to experiment with certain chemicals in order to produce an explosive he had fancied would be of use to the commercial world. The materials used were very expensive, in fact so expensive that Mr. Jackson, with his small means, could only purchase small bottles of them. (The same chemicals are now sold in carload lots.)

The experiments upon which Mr. Jackson devoted so much of his spare time were at last successful and he very soon abandoned his little old shop in Haddenfield, bade adieu to the loafers and, with his family, moved to the city of Philadelphia where, with the financial aid of friends, he began the manufacture of fireworks and other explosives. The firm of Samuel Jackson Sons, composed of Samuel Jackson, father, and Wilton Jackson and Samuel Jackson, sons, grew to be one of the leaders in their line. In 1876 the firm was awarded the first prize over all competitors at the Centennial Exposition at Philadelphia, defeating Paine of England who made a special trip to this country in order to take personal charge of his exhibits.

During the Civil War the firm made cartridges for the U. S. Government. In 1862 its factory blew up killing Mr. Edward Jackson a son of Prof. Samuel Jackson Jr. The firm also supplied tons of amunition for the Franco-Prussian war. In 1882 a lot of material which the firm had stored in an attic of the old Admiral Porter residence in Chester, Pa., blew up, killing 12 firemen.

From what we have said it will be seen that the business of making explosives is a very dangerous one and the Jackson family, like many other families engaged in hazardous undertakings, seems to be fascinated with the business. In 1877 Prof. Samuel Jackson, uncle to Mr. George B. Jackson, went to South America with a $5000 display of fireworks and two years after Mr. Wilton Jackson, father of George B., and Mr. Samuel Jackson Jr., returned with a$10,000 one.

The business of Samuel Jackson Sons continued to prosper until 1894 when it was forced out of business by the trust which cut the price of torpedoes from $15 per gross to $1 per gross. Mr. Samuel Jackson, the poor shoemaker of Haddenfield, and founder of the firm, died in 1892 and two years after the firm's business was wound up.

We have gone into some detail as regards the firm of Samuel Jackson Sons in order to show that Mr. George B. Jackson, of this city, is descended from men who have devoted practically their whole lives to the business of manufacturing explosives. Our Mr. Jackson's connection with the business began when a boy and he has been engaged in it ever since. He is the son of Mr. Wilton Jackson of Philadelphia, and was born there in 1880. In 1904 he began on his on account the manufacture of torpedoes used by railroads as signals but it was not very long before he too was forced out of business by the trust. Shortly thereafter he came to Westminster and accepted employment with Messrs N. I. Gorsuch and son, Mr. C. C. Gorsuch, one of the members of the firm, being his father-in-law.

In 1908, Mr. Jackson, whose mind still dwelt upon the things he had been associated with before coming here, conceived the idea of manufacturing the torpedo he is now selling to seven per cent of the railroads in the country. It is used as a signal and is daily growing in favor with the railroad world. This time Mr. Jackson patented his mixture and assigned the same to his father. He has other applications for patents pending.

Mr. Jackson began in a small way, but gradually his patrons began to realize the value of his goods and, although his factory has been burned out twice during the present year, he is still pushing on with the same energy and determination that prompted his grandfather to quit the cobbler's bench and move to Philadelphia.

The Jackson torpedo factory is located on the alley running from Main to Green parallel with the railroad. It is comparatively new and is properly equipped for the business. It stands out by itself and does not endanger the surrounding properties. During the year Mr. Jackson employs from 20 to 40 people and his payroll runs from $6000 to $8000 per annum. The output last year amounted to 80,000 gross of torpedoes and they were shipped as far south as Peru, South America; as far north as Portland, Maine, and as far west as Van Couver's Island. They are also shipped to Mexico.

The young people of Pleasant Grove M. E. Church will hold a comical entertainment in Mrs. Miller's grove near Snydersville Thursday, September 5, 1912, at 8 P. M. If the weather is inclement it will be held the first fair night following.

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