[illegible] death in the [illegible] wedding was very quiet. The bride was a frequent visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Starr and has sung at several affairs in this city.

Mr. George F. Jones, of Taunton, Mass., is a guest of his mother, Mrs. Lillian Jones, Fair Ground Hill, near this city.

It is a winter of soft coal and soft drinks, but not of soft answers.

City markets are paying $8 for 350 pounds of ear corn and $2.12 per bushel for wheat.

The officials deny that there is any shortage of munitions for the soldiers, as the poor hard pressed French are supplying them.

The turkey gobbler that remains alive after Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's, must feel pretty well ashamed of his personal appearance.

When Secretary Baker was asked if he discouraged women from knitting for the soldiers, he replied, "Nit," with a K on it.

The old time theory of the Congressional holiday recess was that every little absence helps delay legislation.

There are some people about now who would like to trade off about 42 calendars offered by admiring friends at Christmas for one copy of the Old Farmer's almanac.

The parishoners of First Methodist Episcopal Church, on Temple street, in the West End Boston voted to accept the recommendation of the pastor, Rev. William R. Gilbert, that services be suspended and the coal in the church bins be distributed among the poor of the district. "It is all right," said Mr. Gilbert, "for us to pray that the situation be better, but I feel that we should do something more for these people."

The famous North Hinder lightship is to be withdrawn from its station this month and will not be replaced, says an official announcement by the Dutch authorities.

The Irish potato on every table in America every day in the year is the object of a campaign begun Monday by the United States Food Administration. Grocers will be asked to inaugurate a "potato day" each week, selecting whatever day is slack in deliveries and making a special price. Fairly regular purchases are to be urged on the public, so that distribution will be equal everywhere for the next five or six months, relieving railroad congestion and encouraging production of a larger crop next spring. "Germany's wise use of potatoes helps her to hold out against the Allies," the Food Administration says in urging that the enemy's own methods be turned against him.

UNIONTOWN

Mrs. Roy H. Singer is spending the week with relatives in Easton Md,

Mrs. Benton Flater has returned from the Ferderick Hospital, where she was operated on some time since and is gradually getting stronger.

The I. O. M. Lodge held a banquet at its hall Saturday evening.

Miss Blanche Shriner, of the Church of God Sunday school, completed on last Sunday an unbroken attendance of ten years.

Miss Bertha Shriner, Westminster, spent several days this week with her parents, Milton Shriner and wife.

Mrs. Harry Haines, Baltimore, visited at J. W. Rodkey's during the week.

Lewis Waltz and wife gave a reception New Year's Day, to their son John L. Weltz and bride.

Rev. and Mrs. W. E. Saltzgiver entertained their brother-in-law. William Rowe, of York, this week.

Lapps Wanted Laws Changed.

An unusual venture in representative [illegible]ernment was made by a recent con[illegible]ence of 100 Lapps in northern Swe[illegible] These delegates represented the [illegible]e nomadic people, and their pur[illegible] was to frame a united protest [illegible]st certain laws affecting their [illegible]er herds. The Lapps rarely [illegible] any settled habitation, moving [illegible] place to place after the herds [illegible]often coming into hostile contact [illegible] the settled Scandinavian farm[illegible] The law of Sweden requires the [illegible]ps to pay fine and damages when [illegible] reindeer damage crops, and it [illegible] secure a modification of this [illegible] the Lapps held a repre[illegible]ence.

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[illegible] teachers for anoth[illegible] Mr. Ezra Bish, who was [illegible] of this class from its foundation many years ago, and also its first president, was unanimously chosen for life-time, President, ex-officio, and honorary teacher, emeritus.

At the next regular meeting, on January 9th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Royer, on Carroll street, the Executive Committee will appoint five members on each of the following five regular committees: membership, absentee, devotional, social and music, which the class will approve in regular session.

The plan for the new and enthusiastic study of the International Lessons for 1918, as announced by the teacher, with the class approval, will take in the uniform features, the grade and ages, and the graded features for the Sunday-school, and promises to be a rich year of real Bible study.

In the absence of Mr. Carl Yount, our regular secretary, Mr. Philip Royer, acted sec'y.-pro tem, while Mrs. William Ditman and Carroll Royer acted tellers during the class re-organization.

W. E. Roop, Cor.

Miss Ethel A. Roop, A. B., of Western Md. College, and also graduate in Pedagogy and Elecution of the same high standard institution, and recent Post-Graduate of Johns Hopkins University, who resigned her assistantship in the Manchester School of Carroll county, has been relected as principal of one of Baltimore County's best schools, near Parkton, and is now successfully engaged in her school work at that place.

Thursday night the St. Benjamin's Lutheran Church was crowded to hear and see the popular Cantata, "In Search for a King."

It was rendered in the grand successful way in which it was written to be rendered.

Much praise is due the superintendent, Mr. Milton Yingling and the organist, Miss Marjorie Yingling. All acted their parts with no small degree of cleverness.

The brotherly love between the members of the different churches and Sunday school was pleasing and we are grateful for their assistance. We hope some day to return the compliment.

The school received their treat of oranges and candy.

On Sunday the officers: Mr. Milton Yingling, Supt.; Mrs. Charles Leese, Supt. of the Junior Department; Miss Marie Kauffman Supt of the Cradle Roll; Miss Belle Starner, Organist; Miss Marjorie Yingling, Organist at the Cantata; Mr. LeRoy Smeak, Sec., received presents from the school.

CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT

Wantz's Public school held a Xmas. Entertainment on December 21, 1917. A well arranged program was rendered which was as follows: Opening Chorus, school; address of welcome, Dennis Warner; Responsive Reading, school; song, O Beautiful Echoes; recitation, Hilda Warner; dialogue, By nine intermediate pupils; solo, I will be a Sunbeam; recitation, Christmas forty years ago, Elizabeth Gentzler; recitation, The Baby's Stocking, Earl Shaffer; song, Joy Bells are Ringing, school; recitation, Mary Richard; recitation. Alice Hersh; exercise, The Bible, 8 pupils; song, Christmas Banners Waving, school; recitation, Florence Frock; recitation, Dortha Miller; song, A Soldier of the Sunshine, 6 pupils; recitation, Grace Shaffer; exercise, The New Year; song, Oh the Beautiful Old Story, school; recitation, Helen Wentz; diologue, The Sick Christmas Doll, 3 pupils; Responsive Reading, school; song, Over the Snow, school; recitation, Margaret Royer; recitation, Correne Shaffer; recitation, Wm. Richard; duet, Star of the East; recitation, Melvin Shaffer; recitation, Richard Warner; exercise, Chime of the Bells; recitation, Edward Feezer; song, To lay at the Christ-Child's Feet, school; recitation, Mary Miller; exercise, Hilda Warner and Elizabeth Gentzler; recitation, Edna Politz; duet, two girls; recitation, Alice Hersh; song, Beautiful Star, school; recitation, Melvin Shaffer; drill, Christmas Patriots.

No passenger or freight trains were operated on the Shenandoah division of the Badltimore and Ohio Railroad from Monday night until Tuesday night, in compliance with orders emanating from Director-General McAdoo, requesting all available engines for clearing the Brunswick and other terminals of congested freight. Train service was annulled without notice to the public and as a result many people whose holiday leaves had expired found themselves marooned in Win[illegible]ton, Va. The only trains furnish[illegible] [illegible]ompositions were on the [illegible]

[illegible] McClure of Dorchester [illegible] arms.

The House was called to order promptly by Chief Clerk Albert J. Ahmony, of the last House. Delegate Fisher, of Prince George's, was chosen temporary Speaker. Ely, of Carroll, nominated Wooden for Speaker and Delaplaine, of Frederick, seconded the nomination. Delegate McIntosh placed Carville D. Benson in nomination and Byrant seconded the nomination. The ensuing vote resulted in 54 votes for Wooden and 46 for Benson. The two absentees from illness were R. J. Dawson, of Talbot and S. Smick, of Baltimore city.

Delegates Benson and Burdette escorted the new Speaker to the chair amid hearty applause. and the oath was administered by Delegate James Campbell, the veteran member from Allegany.

An organization committee of nineteen was apointed to report next Tuesday night. The members from this county were Speaker Wooden and Delegate Ely.

The House adjourned to meet next Tuesday night at eight o'clock.

Governor Harrington in his message referred to woman suffrage and prohibition. He proposed that woman suffrage be submitted to the people.

He endorsed prohibition and said: "The question of restriction of the sale of intoxicants or of the prohibition of their sale altogether is one which will not down, and comes up at every recurring Legislature and is especially important and pressing at this time, when the whole nation recognizes the importance of restriction, if not total prohibition, from national necessity during the continuance of the war, while many favor its total prohibition forever in Maryland regardless of the war."

Speaker Wooden made an excellent impression in his first session as presiding officer. His little inagural, was short, well expressed and in good taste. He presided with ready decision and with apparent ease although there was nothing to test one's parliamentary skill.

The Governor's message declaring in favor of prohibition and a vote on woman suffrage, and talking all around and about the Annexation question without saying anything definite, was, of course, the sensation of the day if it could be called a sensation for it created apparently much less interest and discussion than might have been supposed. The anti-prohibitionists as well as those opposed to suffrage had a few more or less lurid remarks to make about the recommendations on those subjects, but there were no indications of surprise at what the Governor said about them or about annexation. The message was not read at all in the House except by title.

RESOLUTION ON THE DEATH OF ABRAHAM H. HUBER

December 29, 1917.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Westminster Fertilizer Company the following resolutions were unanimously adopted.

WHEREAS: Death has removed from us our Secretary and fellow-member A. H. Huber, who for many years was our successful treasurer and manager. It is our desire to record our sorrow and sincere affection and admiration for him, he was always faithful and constant in duty to his office. In the community Mr. Huber occupied a prominent position as a citizen, his knowledge of men and affairs made him a most useful member of the Board in his advice and counsel and also the same was sought by men in all walks of life in their personal affairs and it always seemed a pleasure to him to render any help desired and he will be missed by many, each member of the board feels a sense of personal loss of his death in their midst.

And be it further resolved that these resolutions be spread as a permanent record on the Minutes of this Company, and published in the papers; also that a copy of same be sent to his family.

W. U. MARKER, Act. Sec.

RESOLUTIONS ON THE DEATH OF MILTON H. CHEW

December 29, 1917.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Westminster Fertilizer Company the following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS: This Board sorrows in the death of its fellow-member, Milton H. Chew. It is our desire to record our sincere affection and admiration for him. His counsel and judgment was always rendered with a high and honest purpose and we feel the loss of a useful member; and be it further resolved that these resolutions be spread as a permanent record on the Minutes of this Company, and published in the papers; also that a copy of same be sent to his family.

W. U. MARKER, Act. Sec.

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[illegible] Games in the parlor. [illegible] games in the kitchen for the old folks and games in the living room. Before twelve all were invited to partake of refreshments, apples, cakes, lemonade and sweet cider. During the evening as usual they had some Santa Claus visitors. As the visitors bade them all a Happy New Year and departed for their homes they found it a different atmosphere without from within. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Frick, Richard Baker. Bert Fowler, Charles A. Wagner, Frank Frick, Leonard Frick. Clarence Bitzel, Marion Bitzel, Ernest Skinner, Howell Davis, Albert Davis, Brown, of Westminster; Misses Elizabeth Logue, Viola Logue, Prudie Logue, Ethel Bitzel, Jeannette Owings, Lillie Davis, Helen Brown, Viola Frick, Dorothy Davis, Evelyn Frick, Martha Owings, Lillie Lambden, Cleedie Williams; Messrs. Harry Blizzard, Bertron Blizzard, Albert Frick, Ferdiuand Frick, Vernon Beard, George Beard, John Saylor, Herman Saylor, Charles Saylor, Walter Saylor, Frank Magins, William Logue, Truman Beard, Roy Bowman, Monroe Blizzard, Winfield Bitzel, Chester Williams, Kenneth Brown, Edgar Mengel, Edward Bollinger, John Shipley, Mack Fowler, Howell Davis, Jr., John Rosenberger, Arthbert Fowler and Brown of Westminster.

The Deer Park Ladies' Aid Society met at the parsonage for its December meeting. We did not only hold a meeting but had a good sociable visit to our pastor and wife. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Sites and Mrs. Fannie Buckingham. The rest of the members accepting the good things that came their way. The next meeting on the last Thursday in January will be held at the home of Mrs. Ivan Sayers, Smallwood.

The Xmas entertainment given by the Deer Park Sunday school is worthy of mention. If we would try to say which did best we would have to mention them all. The audience was large and was very quiet and attentive throughout the whole program. and when you can hold a country audience hushed, you have to have some thing worth while. There were a number of visitors from a distance. Mr. Bausher and family, a former pastor, and Mr. Robert Shriver and Rev. Read, of Westminster, were among them. Mr. Bausher gave a short talk. Mr. Shriver and Rev. Read spoke about the Red Cross and its work and invited any in the audience that wished to join.

We had a quiet wedding in our neighborhood during the holidays when Miss Medie Lockard, daughter, of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lockard, was married to Mr. John Babylon, of Cumberland. We wish them a long and happy life although we are loathe to part with one of our young ladies.

Miss Viola Logue was home from Baltimore for the holiddays.

Mr. Harold Spencer and family visited his father, John Spencer. during the holidays.

Walter Sayers spent the week end at home.

Miss Myrtle Cover spent Xmas with Mr. Howard Logue.

Mr. Douglas Campbell, of Camp Meade, spent Xmas with Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Sayers.

Mr. John Plack visited Mr. Frank Frick.

Miss Nettie Niner spent several days with Miss Virgie Davis, of Bird Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Wagner entertained at dinner on Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. John Conaway, Richard Baker, Miss Lillie Lambden, Louise Williams, Elsie Conaway, Mr. Elias Arnold and Albert Frick. In the afternoon Mr. Edward Niner and wife and Miss Pearl Lockard were also present. Refreshments were served, consisting of ice cream, cake, apples and candies.

Mr. Howard Logue invited his friends to come on New Year's night and have games with him, but it turned out there were all kinds of games. One of the noisestones was the game of pit. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Sarah Davis and Miss Viola Logue to which all did ample justice.

On Wednesday night Mr. Clarence Bitzel's male friends paid him a visit in a body. A very pleasant evening was spent.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Baker entertained at Xmas dinner Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Owings and family. Xmas entertainment on December 26 as usual. All parts of the program were well rendered.

Following is a report of the Red Cross membership in this city and county to the present time: Taneytown, 408; Uniontown, 337; Myers, 334; Woolery's, 626; Freedom, 425; Westminster, 1921; Hampstead, 352; Manchester, 430; Franklin, 166; Middleburg,251; New Windsor, 440; Union Bridge, 256; Mount Airy, 400 and Berrett, 288. Total membership is 6634.

(From the Philadelphia Inquirer.)

The trouble with the Masses was that its editors tried to camouflage themselves with the letter "M."

[illegible] the cigar factories were in full blast although they had a limited supply of coal. At Greenmount they were cutting ice 8 and 9 inches thick as clear as a crystal.

At the home of Dr. Denner on Sunday evening from some interruption in the circulation the top section of the boiler at his heating plant bursted. It put the home in the full power of the zero weather which at this writing is being adjusted.

Mr. Stephen Baltozer, of Hartford, Connecticut, spent several days here among friends.

On Wednesday evening a company of ladies and gentlemen gave a social in the movie picture hall in honor of their friend, Mr. William H. Masenhimer, who spent Christmas here from Camp McClellan. Games and dancing were indulged in and a good social time enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Mary Barnwell is doing quite well in care of a trained nurse.

Mr. A. Ralph Yingling spent from Saturday to Wednesday at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Yingling. He is from Camp Meade. He received greetings and hand shakes from many friends.

Mr. Paul Leese slipped on the ice on Foundry Avenue and fell backward with such force that he had to be carried home and lay unconscious for three hours.

Prof. and Mrs. Lester Reindollar, of Cincinnati, spent the Christmas holidays here with Mrs. R's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George L. Mauratte.

Mrs. Belle Miller left for her Baltimore home on Monday after spending a week among friends in this place.

Mr. George A. Motter spent the New Year's holidays with friends in Thurmont.

Miss Margaret Fuhrman on York street enjoyed the holidays with relatives in Baltimore.

Miss Sadie E. Masenhimer and Mr. John B. Baker enjoyed a pleasant visit among friends in Baltimore during the New Year holidays.

Mr. D. L. Dubbs has been a shut-in for a month from weakness and nervous trouble.

Grover Graf who has been west for several years is visiting his mother, Mrs. William Graf, West of town.

Several groups of masqueraders enjoyed a good time in many homes last week where everybody was trying to find out who was who.

We are sorry to say the condition of Mr. A. E. B. Myers has not made any improvement and he is closely confined to bed.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter W. Wentz entertained a company of lady and gentlemen friends on Christmas evening to a social and served fine refreshments.

Dr. and Mrs. Sherman entertained a company of lady callers on Monday afternoon and served refreshments.

An appropriate service was held in Immanuel Lutheran church on Monday night beginning at 11o'clock to the closing hour of 1917, followed by happy New Year greetings.

BARE BRANCH

Mr. Charles Sheckles spent the Xmas holidays with his brothers, Messrs. Jessie and Walter Sheckles.

Miss Treva Deardorff spent Xmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Helwig and family.

Misses Mary and Elva Myers and Miss Cora Koontz spent Friday with Miss Anna Senft.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Myers entertained on Thursday evening Mr. and Mrs. Upton E. Myers, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Frock, Mr. Jacob Myers, Mr. Upton U. Myers, Mrs. Walter Helwig, Mr. Edward Zepp, Mr. Wilmer Myers, David Myers, Sterling Frock, Miss Lydia Koontz, Lottie Myers, Myrl Myers, Cora Koontz and Ruth Frock.

Mr. Robert Cook, of Baltimore, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Koontz and family.

Mrs. Claude Myers spent Friday with Mrs. John Senft.

Harvey T. Starner, of Camp Meade, spent a few days with his paprents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Starner. Mr. Starner is looking well and appears to be in the best of spirits.

Miss Mabel Helwig spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Helwig, of Hanover.

TYRONE

Miss Mabel Hull spent last Sunday afternoon with Miss Annie Marker.

Mr. Ralph Marquart was home a few days over Christmas.

Misses Grace Marquart and Annie Marker spent last Friday with their aunt, Mrs. Carrie Whitmore, of near Taneytown.

Christmas Day was dull in Tyrone and New Year was very quiet.

Mr. Edward Gardner and wife spent Monday in Westminster and Tuesday at Mrs. Gardner's parents, Mr. Tomas Myers, near the Valley.

Misses Annie Marker and Grace Marquart spent New Year's Day with Miss Mabel Hull.

Mrs. Mamie Babylon and daughter Janette, of near Sell's Mill, spent Wednesday evening with Mrs. Sallie Gilbert and family.

Miss Mabel Hull spent Monday afternoon with Grace Marquart.

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Mr. and Mrs. Jabez N. Barnes were Greatly surprised by their son's visit home from Lake Michigan Navy Camp; Mr. Levi Harrison Barnes, who spent from Sunday, December 23, till Monday, December 31st. His visit was enjoyed very much.

Many socials have taken place during the past week. On Wednesday, December 26, many relatives and friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Wm. Barnes. A very pleasant evening was spent. All had a good time.

On Friday evening, December 28, a crowd gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David N. Leister." Many selections were played on the victrola. All enjoyed themselves very much.

On riday evening, December 28, a crowd gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Hoff. Party plays were indulged in until a late hour when all departed for their homes. wishing Mr. and Mrs. Hoff many more happy occasions.

On Sunday evening a crowd gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jabez N. Barnes and social games and party plays were indulged in until a late hour when all left for their homes.

On Tuesday evening, January 1, 1918, there was a social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joshua L. Barnes. Those present were: Messrs. Moses Barnes, Guy Caltrider, Stanley Barnes, Leslie Conaway, Gilbert Barnes, Lewis Barnes and Carroll and Arthur Ford; Misses Virga, Carrie and Martha Hoff, Eva and Hilda Ford, Flora. Bessie and Edna Barnes and Dorothy Barnes. The masqueraders arrived about 10 P. M. Those who were in the parade were: Mr. and Mrs. Leister, Mr. and Mrs. John Conaway, Mrs. Coleman and Mrs. Hershel Ford. Refreshments were served and many games were indulged in until a late hour when all departed for their homes.

There will be Sunday school and preaching this Sunday afternoon at Providence M. P. Church. Also Christian Endeavor at 7.30. The leader will be Miss Eva M. Ford.

On Wednesday, December 26, the following were guests of Mrs. Annie Ward: Messrs. and Mesdames Albert Arnold, Lewis Miller, Lee Ward, Jas. Barnes, Claude Brothers, Chester Stimax, Frank Warehime, Samuel Arnold. Messrs. Wilmer Ward, Herman Ward, Frank Devilbiss, Nathan Poole, Leslie Barnes, Maurice Poole, Eddie Poole, Joseph Ward, Misses Hariet and Blanche, Mae and Annabel Ward. Emily Arnold and Virginia Stimax.

Homage Paid Joan of Arc.

Old and new were reunited when Orleans and New Orleans met in the fifteenth century hotel de ville of the city on the Loire at the heart of France recently, says a Paris correspondent. The bicentenary of the new world city was the occasion of the United States delegates' visit. Homage was paid to Joan of Arc, the champion of the medieval struggle for freedom. She was the subject of French and American speeches, and flowers and a bronze palm leaf were laid at the foot of her statue. A pilgrimage, too, was made to the fort of Tourelles, so famous in the defense of the city by the maid. The events of those far-gone centuries served as a distant romantic background to the present struggle, in which the most recent figures to appear on a crowded canvas are those of the United States soldiers on the Flanders front. Side by side with the mention of medieval names and events were heard, in the old halls of Orleans, those of President Wilson and the battle of the Marne.

Just as Easy.

Two commercial travelers, while on a train on the Oregon Electric railway, got into an argument over the action of the automatic brake.

"It's the inflation of the tube that stops the train," declared the first traveler.

"Wrong, wrong!" shouted the second. "It's the output of the exhaustion."

So they wrangled for an hour. Then, when the train arrived at the station they agreed to submit the matter for settlement to the motorman. That gentleman, leaning condescendingly from the door of his car, listened with an attentive frown to the two travelers' statement of their argument. Then he smiled, shook his head, and said:

"Well, gents, ye're both wrong about the working of the vacuum brake. Yet it's very simple and easy to understand. When we want to stop the train we just turn this 'ere tap, and then we fill the pipe with vacuum."

Coal Production in France.

Recent figures of coal production in France, an industry of which the department of the Loire, in the St. Etienne consular district, is an important producing center, with an annual output of over 3,000,000 tons, show an increase from 1,800,000 tons in November, 1916, to 2,367,000 tons in March, 1917, says the Scientific American, and a total increase in production and importation of from 3,400,000 tons in January, 1917, to over 4,000,000 tons in May. This gain was made possible by a readjustment of mine workers and a closer study of transportation problems. The movement of coal by motor lorries, in addition to other commodities by a fleet of heavy motor trucks purchased and operated by the city of St. Etienne, is a recently inaugurated service which has aided distribution and relief of congestion materially.

[illegible] the lee [illegible] within [illegible] of a mile of it. Beyond this he begins to crouch and advances only when the seal's head is down.

Now, as the seal is one of the most wide-awake of animals and has the habit of throwing up its head quickly every few seconds to guard against danger, it follows that the Eskimo has to be extremely alert if he would get his seal. When the seal's head is down upon the ice its eyes are shut, and it is said that in these brief intervals it takes its sleep.

The hunter, by carefully watching the seal's movements, is able without much difficulty to get within about 200 yards of it, but at closer quarters he is obliged to employ other tactics. He lies down at full length on the ice. Then the real sport begins.

When the seal's head is down the hunter, who keeps a keen eye on his prey, is able to approach still nearer by dragging himself forward on his elbows. This maneuvering continues for some time, until the distance between man and beast has been reduced to a few yards.

When near enough to make a sure shot, the Eskimo takes his bow and arrow from his side and sends a swift shaft through the head of its outwitted companion.

FLOCK TO HER WITH GIFTS

Woman in Atlanta Used Slippers as a Bait for Men Friends and Got Many Presents in Return.

There was a sharp young lady in Atlanta, who had 40 or more admirers. For each of these she bought slippers, all of the same pattern, which she had an aged seamstress make up, says the Augusta News. Meanwhile she kept a pair for herself in the parlor, where she could have them on hand whenever one of her lovers called. Of course, each young man asked for whom she was making such pretty slippers. She would reply, with a bewitching smile and half a wink: "Oh, they're for a man friend of mine."

Then each infatuated youth went off to invest in a gift. Some bought clothes. Some bought jewelry. One bought furniture. In return, the girl bestowed upon each of them a pair of slippers, worked by the seamstress and footed by a Dutch shoemaker, at an average cost of $2.65 a pair. The presents from her admirers averaged $45 per man.

The pair the girl worked herself she presented to a young dry goods clerk in Augusta, to whom she was secretly married. She afterward sold her presents and had enough to start housekeeping.

Protest a Happy Ending.

The Paris correspondent of the Pall Mall Gazette recenty reported a curious suit that should interest the readers of Flaubert's romance of Carthage. The action was brought by the niece of Gustave Flaubert against the adapters of "Salammbô" for the cinema.

Flaubert, it will be remembered, finishes his novel with the mobbing and death of Matho before the eyes of his mistress, who seems entirely indifferent to his fate. This would not do for the film. The adapters not only save the general's life, but ring down the curtain with the marriage of the lovers, who "live happily together ever after," and have a multitude of children to grace their old age.

This platonic and commonplace ending to a "masterpiece" horrified the dilettantes, who made so much fuss about the caricaturing of the story that Flaubert's literary executor felt compelled to take the matter up, and has appealed to the courts for redress. —Kansas City Star.

Shoes Worn in Early Days.

High-heeled boots were worn by ladies for three parts of the eighteenth century. They raised their fair wearers some inches, rendering walking difficult and running impossible.

But these fashions were confined [illegible] the rich. The poor wore shoes [illegible] wood, reeds and untanned leather. The Highlander made brogans out [illegible] untanned deer hide, and the southern nations wore cloth sandals and slippers. It was not until the year 1[illegible] that an Englishman invented "rights and lefts;" previously both shoes [illegible] shaped exactly alike. So far as [illegible] can discover, the aboriginal [illegible] America never went barefooted [illegible] always made and wore moccasins, [illegible] easiest shoe ever invented.

Keep After Things.

Do you remember when you [illegible] to swim, or ride a bicycle? You [illegible] to it for all you were worth, but [illegible] couldn't get the hang of it. The [illegible] few days afterward, you tried [illegible] and it "came to you" first thing [illegible]

But it wouldn't have "come" [illegible] if you hadn't "gone to it" that [illegible] time. The effort which seemed [illegible] wasted at the time you made it [illegible] wasted after all. You will find [illegible] same with learning how to think [illegible] you can't keep your mind on the [illegible]ject tomorrow morning, keep on [illegible] till the half hour is up. The [illegible] morning you'll do a little better [illegible] you'll surprise yourself within [illegible] weeks.—Exchange.

Making Mineral Wool.

An American firm operating in Australia has started works near Melbourne for turning the local basalt into "mineral wool" for use as an insulator in packing machinery and ice chests and as a substitute for asbestos, according to the Scientific American. The basalt is melted down with a proportion of freestone and limestone and then steam, at an immense pressure, is forced through the fluid. The liquid rock, thus aerated, flies into the air and falls in flakes on the floor.

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