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HAND OF DEATH

Ethel Clements Vansant in her 34th year, died at her home in Wilmington, Del., Sunday afternoon at four o'clock. About ten days ago Mrs. Vansant was stricken with influenza and her condition was not considered alarming until last Thursday when blood poison developed from an injury sustained to one of her limbs several years ago from a fall, and her condition gradually grew worse until the end. She was the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Clements, of Crumpton, and was united in marriage to Price Vansant, a former resident of Millington, nine years ago last Saturday. They moved to Wilmington several years ago. Besides her husband she leaves a ten months old baby girl, Martha Virginia and is also survived by her parents and one sister, Mrs. David Clements, of Crumpton, and one brother, Joel R. Clements, of Millington. Her remains were brought to Millington by Tuesday evening's train, and interment made WWednesday morning at ten thirty in Millington Cemetery.

Mary Agnes Copper, wife of Walter C. Copper, after a weeks illness of influenza and pneumonia died at her late home, corner College avenue, and Calvert street last Saturday, October 19th, Besides her husband and three children, Rudolph, Virginia and Kathryn, she is survived by her parents, Ferman and Agnes Mulford, also two brothers and two sisters, Mrs. J. H. Copper and Mrs. J. Edward Goodman, Lloyd and Spencer Mulford. Funeral services conducted by Rev. T. F. Beauchamp were held Monday at 2 p. m. with interment in Chester Cemetery. The pall bearers were: Charles Fowler, Jno. A. Kennard, Edward Smith, Romie Patrick, Frank Taylor and Milton Fogwell. Undertaker, C. L. Dodd.

J. Henry Husleton died at the home of J. Lockwood, near Chesterville, on Sunday night with the influenza, age 35 years. He was sick about a week. He leaves a mother, Mrs. J. T. Reed, of Golt's, one brother, Ernest, and two sisters, Mrs. Emma Benning, of Wilmington, and Mrs. Laura Walls, of Kennedyville. The funeral took place Wednesday, interment at Dulaney's Cemetery, Rev. Mr. Moore officiating; J. L. Smith, undertaker. The bearers were E. T. Townsend, Lewis Walls, Samuel Huselton, Arthur Huselton, J. Lockwood, J. George.

Mrs. Laura E. Dunlap, wife of Geo. Dunlap, of Wilmington, passed away at her home Tuesday, October 8, after about six week's illness from stomach trouble. She was the daughter of Eliza and Philemon Lloyd, of Fredericktown.

Claude Preston, the five-year-old son of John and Mary Dishong, died at his home in Wilmington, October 14, of pneumonia, following influenza. He was laid to rest in Chester Cemetery. Claude was a bright and happy little boy. When God calls we must part.

The body of Mrs. Annie Berryman whose death noted in News last week, was brought from Baltimore to Rock Hall by steamer B. S. Ford on Thursday, 17th, and was accompanied by her husband, Mr. Wm. Berryman, parents, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Shreck, brothers, Wm., Alvin and Millard Shreck. Her sisters, Misses Myrtle and Yula being sufferers from influenza could not attend. Undertaker Casey and representatives of the Daughters of America met the remains and all proceeded to Wesley Chapel cemetery where a brief discourse was delivered by Rev. T. C. Smoot of the M. E. Church and the earthly casket was tenderly laid to rest by the hands of her loved ones.

John Thomas Richards, of Hopewell, Va., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Richards, formerly of Church Hill, died at the duPont Hospital, Hopewell, last Thursday night, of double pneumonia, following an attack of Spanish influenza.

Mr. Richards was 30 years of age, and conducted a blacksmith business in Church Hill with his father for several years, under the firm name of J. T. Richards & Son.

In the spring of 1915, Mr. Richards married Miss Jane McCleary Rochester, a daughter of the late JohnMcC. Rochester, of Church Hill, and she, with two small sons, John Rochester Richards and Thomas Wesley Richards, survive.

The deceased will be remembered by Chestertown residents as "Mordecia" when the Choral Club presented Queen Esther.

Miss Elizabeth Keating Aldridge, younger daughter of the late George W. Aldridge and Mrs. Margaret Keating Aldridge, of Centreville, died at the Union Protestant Infirmary, Baltimore, where she was a nurse, Sunday night at 8.30 o'clock, of bronchial pneumonia, following influenza.

Miss Aldridge was 21 years old, and a nurse. Besides her mother, she is survived by one sister, Mrs. B. W. Derringer, of Spanglor, Pa., and two brothers, Corporal George W. Aldridge, in France, and William D. K. Aldridge, at St. John's College, Annapolis, Md.

The sad news of the death of Miss Elsie Bond Wilson was brought to Cecilton on Sunday evening. Miss Elsie was the youngest child of Alexander Wilson and wife, and would have celebrated her fifteenth birthday on the twenty-third of next month. She enrolled as a student at St. Mary's School in Burlington, N. J., about two weeks ago, and was in school less than a week when she became ill with influenza which brought on pneumonia.

The Crisfield Times speaks as follows of a former Washington College student:

Chrisfield was cast into gloom on Wednesday last, by the death of Joseph Disharoon, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Disharoon, which occured at the Colonial Hotel about 6 o'clock Wednesday evening.

"Joe" was 18 years of age and was one of the most popular boys in Chrisfield. He was well-known in the younger social circle, an athlete of local prominence, and was beloved because of his high character and affable disposition. The death should have cut short such a promising career is deeply regretted by a large circle of friends and acquaintances.

The deceased was a graduate of Chrisfield High School, and entered Washington College, Chestertown, several weeks ago. Suffering an attack of influenza about 10 days ago, he came home, but his condition continued to grow worse and resulted in his death on Wednesday. "The Times" joins with his many friends in deep regret because of his death.

Fountain Crew, of Betterton died in Baltimore early Friday morning, October 18, after a short illness of pneumonia in the 40th year of his age. He is survived by his wife who was before marriage Miss Violet Moore, an aunt, Mrs. Mary Gordon and four brothers.

Mr. Crew was one of Betterton's most highly respected citizens and had the confidence of all who knew him. He was kind, firm friend and an indulgent and affectionate husband. In the home circle was his best and purest disposition shown. He was a good man—he was an honest man. Those who knew him best, best knew how to appreciate these sterling qualities which characterized him while living and to regret deepest while dying.

He was a member of Betterton M. E. Church and as a Christian was devout and unaffected in his duties and faithful in the services he rendered to his God.

The funeral took place from his late home in Betterton Sunday morning, conducted by Rev. R. P. Nichols, interment in Still Pond Cemetery. The bearers were Cornelius, T. Ben., Robt., and Caldwell Crew, Harvey B. and Carleton C. Moore. W. H. Krusen in charge of funeral arrangements.

Grace R. Beck daughter of Wm. J. and Susie B. Beck, died at her late home in Bustleton, Pa. Her remains were brought to Chestertown by train Tuesday evening. Funeral services were held on Wednesday morning at Wesley Chapel, with interment in Church Cemetery. Rev. Mr. Raum, officiating; C. L. Dodd, undertaker.

Owen Connelly Beauchamp, after nursing back to health a devoted wife and lovable daughter, was on last Wednesday evening, stricken with influenza. His condition was so much improved on Sunday the his physician gave him permission to get up on Monday, but not feeling quite so well he remained in bed and during Monday night his condition gradually grew worse, pneumonia developed about five a. m. Monday, shortly after losing consciousness and he passed into the great beyond at noon. Mr. Beauchamp who was 36 years old, was born and raised at Connelly's Mill, he with his father the late J. W. Beauchamp, conducted Beck's Mill. Fourteen years ago he married Miss Lydia Rollison, moving to Chestertown about 8 years ago and took up meat cutting. He associated himself with C. E. Kirby, taking charge of his meat department. He has been a faithful employee, never tiring in his efforts to please, always at his post from early morn until late at night. His untimely death caused a shock such as is seldom felt in the community, to his numerous friends.

He leaves besides his wife and daughter, Gladys, two sisters, Mrs. Ollie Hancock, of Newburn, N. C., and Miss Eva Beauchamp, of New York. Funeral services conducted by Rev. Henry B. Martin, was held at his late residence, Thursday afternoon, at three o'clock, with interment in St. Paul's Cemetery. The bearers were Chas. Rollison, Dr. H. G. Simpers, Frank V. Simpers, C. E. Kirby, H. F. Jefferson and R. Groome Parks. C. L. Dodd, undertaker in charge.

Dorothy Patrick, the 14th months, old daughter of Wm. and Sadie Patrick, died at the home of her parents, after a brief illness of influenza, on Friday night. Funeral services conducted by Rev. T. F. Beauchamp, were held Sunday at four p. m. with interment in Chester Cemetery. C. L. Dodd undertaker.

Wm. H. Eisenbrey, whose boyhood home was at Rock Hall, died on Thursday 17th, at his home in Baltimore aged 70 years, of influenza and pneumonia. After an illnes of six days. He leaves a wife, brother, Edward, of Baltimore, and sister, Mrs. Ella Satterfield of Rock Hall. Interment was made in Baltimore on Sundya morning.

Rev. Louis Henry Mietzach, formerly of Pomona, Kent county, departed this life at his home in Summerdale, near Harrisburg, Pa., Wednesday, October 9th, at 4 a. m., a few days prior to his twenty-second birthday, He was born in Baltimore but after the age of twelve spent his life in Queen Anne's and Kent counties respectively. He accepted Christ and became a member of Bond Chapel when in his early teens. At the age of eighteen he entered Wesley Collegiate Institute at Dover, Del., to prepare for the ministry, and shortly after began preaching God's word in different religious circles and around Dover. He completed his course in three and one-half years, excelling in art, atheletics and religious activities. In March of this year he accepted a circuit in lower Delaware, Hickman and Epworth Churches, along with his school work. He held this circuit until June when he graduated and accepted a church at Summerdale, near Carlisle, Pa., where he intended entering Dickerson College this Fall. He knew no idleness and cheerfully toiled onward bearing the greater part of his financial expenses by his labors, being aware at the same time that had be the sum rightfully due him he would not have that burden. His great love for all humanity made one of his aims always to appear happy and make everyone around him happy. He bore his troubles alone with God.

His high ambition was to become a bishop in the Methodist Episcopal Church but higher still he desired to make "not only a living, but a life," his words.

He married Daisy E. Patrick of this town, June 13, 1918, in Washington, D. C., to whom he had become engaged at the age of eighteen.

He was sick nine days of pneumonia and several days before his death seemed conscious of his departure. After receiving the promise from his wife to try to be happy on earth without him he assured all who were with him that he was ready to go to his eternal resting place, feeling it was God's plan. His many friends and dear ones feel the loss of a true and willing man, but God knows best.

He leaves a widow, a mother, Mrs. Marie Mietzsch, and a brother, Wm. Mietzach, both of Baltimore.

Funeral services were held at the home of his brother-in-law, Geo. W. Patrick, on High street, Sunday, Oct. 13th, at eleven o'clock, Rev. T. F. Beauchamp officiating; interment in Chester Cemetery, C. L. Dodd having charge of funeral arrangements.

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Mrs. Gertrude Nickerson died at her home near Swan Creek Wednesday after a long illness, aged 53. She was operated on at Easton Hospital some months ago. She leaves a husband, Elbert Nickerson, and two sisters, Mrs. A. S. Crouch, Mrs. Eliz. Bedwell, and one brother, William L. Faulkner. The funeral took place yesterday from her home with interment at Chester Cemetery; Rev. Mr. Raum officiating. C. L. Dodd, undertaker. The bearers were Lawrence Stevens, Ringgold Jones, Samuel Tucker, Neal Willson, Leroy Strong, Edw. Clothier.

Francis M. Clift, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. G. Clift, of Chestertown, died Wednesday night of pneumonia, aged 5 years. Funeral was held on Friday with interment at Chester Cemetery; Rev. Mr. Beauchamp officiating; C. L. Dodd, undertaker.

T. Hanson Stavely, oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Stavely, of Lynch, died at the army camp at Pittsburg, Pa.,Wednesday morning of pneumonia aged 27. The deceased entered government employ for special service last spring and was sent to Pittsburg for training. The deceased was one of the most popular young men in the county. He was a shining light in all the programs and social affairs about the county and radiated sunshine wherever he went. He leaves a brother, Wroth, besides a father and mother. The funeral took place yesterday interment at I. U., Rev. S. S. Hepburn officiating; Wm. H. Krusen, undertaker. The bearers were Wm. and Edw. Hepbron, Edw. Pennington, John Moffett, Harrison Cornelius and Julian Ford.

Nannie Massey Brown, aged 33 years, died of influenza-pneumonia after a week's illness at her home last Saturday, near Church Hill, Mrs. Brown before marriage was Nannie Massey, daughter of the late Josiah and Mrs. A. E. Massey and was married to Robert J. Brown about six years ago.

On Sunday her only child, a little boy, one year old, Arthur Merritt, succumbed to the ravages of influenza the two together were laid at rest in Chester Cemetery Monday afternoon. Fathers McGoldrick and Earner, officiating. The bearers were her three brothers, Josiah, Hubert and Paul, J. C.Catlin, Wm. Godwin and John C. Smith. Undertaker, W. H. Good, of Church Hill.

THE REAPER AND THE FLOWERS

There is a Reaper, whose name is death,
And, with his sickle keen,
He reaps the bearded grain at a breath,
And the flowers that grow between.

"Shall I have naught that is fair?"
saith he;
"Have naught but the bearded grain?
Though the breath of these flowers is
sweet to me,
I will give them back again."

He gazed at the flowers with tearful eyes,
He kissed their drooping leaves;
It was for the Lord of Paradise
He bound them in his sheaves.

"My Lord has need of these flowerlets
gay,"
The Reaper said, and smiled;
"Dear tokens of the earth are they,
Where He was once a child."

"They shall all bloom in fields of light,
Transplanted by my care,
And saints, upon their garments white,
These sacred blossoms wear."

And the mother gave, in tears and pain,
The flowers she most did love;
She knew she should find them all again
In the fields of light above.

Oh, not in cruelty, not in wrath,
The Reaper came that day;
'Twas an angel visited the green earth,
And took the flowers away.

ROCK HALL

Mrs. William Biggs has just received a letter from Albert Winchester, who is somewhere in France. He says his company is in the front line trenches. He is well and doing well. Such food as is being served he spurned when back home, but now, as they have become used to it, it is not so bad, they relish it immensely. He is now cook for his squad and likes the job,in fact, he likes army life.

One of the soldiers at the government tower on Huntingfield died there last week, a victim of the influenza.

Mrs. Edgar Hague has been ill for a week but is now improving.

George Colyer had his hand injured quite badly while at work in his boat at Culley's oyster wharf in Swan Creek.

"Man that is born of a woman is of few days and full of trouble." "His flesh upon him shall have pain, and his soul within him shall mourn." Nevertheless, there are bright spots along life's journey, thank God. One of the bright spots was witnessed the past week by the relatives of the late Maxwell Ryan through the following expression of sympathy from Camp Meade:

"In this hour of bereavement over the loss of your son, Private Maxwell Ryan, of this company, this command send you their sympathy. Private Ryan was an honest and faithful soldier, and his comrades regret his loss. Very truly yours, Wilford Broadbelt, 1st Lieut. U. S. A. Comdg. 42nd Co., 154th D. P. Brigade."

The "Flu" seems to be letting go its grip in this section. Quite a number of colored people have died here about.

KENNEDYVILLE

Mrs. T. E. Crew, of Washington, D. C., has been visiting her sister, Miss Lula VanDyke.

Mrs. Rachel Hill and son, and Mr. and Mrs. James Archibald left Saturday for South Carolina where they hope to find the climate better for Harry.

Miss Jennie Bowers is sick at Dr. J. W. Urie's with the "Flu."

Miss Mabel Norris is helping in the postoffice as Mr. Dempsey is sick with the "Flu."

Don't forget the W. C. T. U. will as usual serve meals in Weer's Hall on Election Day. All contributions are thankfully received.

Mrs. George Biddle, Jr., has been quite sick with the influenza at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Benj. E. Benton. We are glad to report her condition very much improved at this writing.

Miss Susan Oliffe, of Kennedyville, has been very sick with influenza, but is very much improved.

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