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Democratic Ticket.

For President,

GROVER CLEVELAND,

of New York.

For Vice President,

ALLEN G. THURMAN,

of Ohio.

Electors at Large.

HON. JAMES HODGES, of Baltimore City.
COL. HENRY PAGE, of Somerset county.

District Electors.

1st District.—W. SCOTT ROBERTS.
2d District.—COL. JAS. G. BERRET.
3d District.—WILLOUGHBY N. SMITH.
4th District.—I. GORHAM MOALE.
5th District.—R. C. COMBS.
6th District.—HATTERSLEY W. TALBOTT.

For Congress Second Congressional District.

HERMAN STUMP,

of Harford Co.

Protection to Labor.

Since the Presidential nominations have occurred much is happening every day to give color to what is likely to be the final positions of the only two prominent candidates. If President Cleveland had done nothing else for this great country, he is certainly entitled to the gratitude of all well hinking people for having made a plain, simple, straight-forward issue upon the most vital political question of the day. The wisdom of his course in this regard is abundantly proven by the daily accessions of strength the Democratic party is receiving from prominent newspapers and individuals all over the country. Scarcely a day elapses but some journal of influence or man of wide-spread reputation declares for the principles our President enunciated in his message and which were endeavored to be given practical effect to in the Mills bill in Congress. It would seem that reduction of duties upon the necessaries of life and consequent relief to the vast majority of our people, laboring men and others of moderate means, who are purchasers and consumers of such articles, together with an economical administration of the government were plain principles—and only to be denied or refuted upon equally plain tenets of opposition, if the Republican party is sincere in its opposition to them. But what do we see? Old dodges—stale political chestnuts are every day being resorted to on the part of the Republican orators and newspapers, instead of frank and straight forward opposition on principle. In the face of every fact, they accuse the Democratic party platform as announcing what they are pleased to entitle by the old term of "free-trade," when there is simply an advocacy of a reduction from the old war rates of duty. Again, and most ludicrously of all, step forth all the bloated, aristocratical monopolists and pompously square their arms upon their hips and gravely announce their determination to "protect American workmen." Republicans, every one of them to a man, Mill owners and such like, who have filled their coffers by the hard-wrung labor of ill compensated laborers. They talk about protection to American labor. American labor is driven every day into strikes and other desperate means of redress by just such Republican monopolists. Men who without the slightest compunctions of conscience will close down their mills and throw out of employment men, women and children indiscriminately, for months at a time whenever it suits their purpose and their pockets to do so. And this has been their steady and unwavering practice ever since the war closed, and during the whole of which period they have steadily enjoyed their "high protective tariff" which they still wish to preserve. The same tariff, too, that while it fosters their monopolies, renders high in price and costly to purchase the food and clothing of the American workmen, whom they discard at pleasure from any employment. Another term of President Cleveland upon the platform of principles of which he is the chief originator, and these things will be rectified. Of course the aid of Congress is as imperatively required as the exertions of the President; but with the co-operation of both, great and solid reforms may be looked for in a brief period. No intelligent man need now be at a loss as to how to vote. If he favors protection to monopoly, vote for Harrison. If "protection to American labor" and to the laboring man's family and home, as well as the real material legitimate interests of every and all classes of American citizens, vote for Cleveland, Thurman and Stump.

The Deer Creek and Susquehanna Railroad.

Public interest along the route of the proposed new railroad from the Susquehanna river to Bel Air has been greatly stimulated and excited by the recent condemnations of rights-of-way which were accomplished during the past and present week. Enough has been developed thus far in this direction, to show that the enterprise need not be a failure on account of any excess of damages awarded to property owners, whose lands are to be occupied by the road. As a rule the damages have been moderate in amount, and in the majority of cases were arrived at by compromise between the railroad officials and the other parties interested, thereby making the settlements a finality and obviating the danger of further expense and litigation. And now comes the important question—"Will the road be built?" Surely at the amount fixed, as sufficient to ensure its building, together with the fact that such amount has already been subscribed to within a small fraction of the whole, this question ought to be unhesitatingly answered in the affirmative. The road will benefit landowners along its entire route of large means, who are directly interested, because it will greatly enhance the values of their respective properties. Have they sufficient enterprise to make it a success? We believe they have, because it is apparent to these citizens, as well as to the citizens of a large scope of the county not so peculiarly situated, but who would nevertheless be indirectly also largely benefitted, that if the enterprise fails at this time it will be many years, probably, before it can be successfully revived. Every thing points to the importance of pushing it through at the present time. Farmers of Deer Creek and all others interested, see to it that the road is built.

—There are about 1500 colored voters in Cumberland County, Pennsylvania. In 1884 nearly all of them voted for Blaine and Logan, but it is safe to estimate that half of them will vote the Democratic ticket this fall. During the previous campaigns, the Republican leaders scared them, making them believe that if the Democratic party got in power they would become slaves. That old gag won't work any more.

At an average, about one colored voter is changing daily, and a colored Cleveland and Thurman club will soon be organized in Carlisle.

A Warning.

The accidental shooting of Mr. John C. Tucker's son by young Vail, at Forest Hill, affords only a special opportunity of warning, in the fact that it occurs in our immediate vicinity, for such occurrences are unfortunately so common that scarcely a daily newspaper is issued that does not record cases nearly parallel. For the man who has arrived at mature age and habitually or commonly carries a pistol whilst in business or other intercourse with his fellow men, we feel the utmost contempt and detestation, as that fact stamps him as a combination of the coward and the bully; besides that he thereby becomes a violator of the statue of the State prohibiting the carrying of concealed weapons. But we are far, very far from applying these remarks to lads of the age of the parties concerned in the Forest Hill accident. "Boys will be boys," and it is pure want of thought and consideration of possible consequences, and with no sinister motives, that they indulge the propensity to use fire arms. The danger to themselves and their comrades is not however lessened by this consideration and we say to them in all kindness, but at the same time in all earnestness, abstain from such dangerous practices. One such accident as occurred at Forest Hill is fraught with consequences that should break up the practice of carrying pistols.

No October Elections.

The *New York Sun* calls attention to the fact that there are no October elections this year in advance of the Presidential contest. Heretofore, as our readers will recollect, a great deal of interest centered in these preliminary State contests, notably in the case of Ohio. It is an excellent feature that the change has been made, so that all elections this year immediately preceding the Presidential one, are done away with. The *Sun* says:

"The Presidential campaign of 1888 has its novelty in the absence of preliminary State elections. The result will be determined by the voting of Nov. 6. In all previous Presidential campaigns the current of public sentiment has been, in great measure, foreshadowed by the preliminary State elections in October, which gave to doubtful and hesitating voters trustworthy indications of the probable result.

The effect of the change will be to enhance and deepen the political importance of the three doubtful Eastern States of New York, New Jersey and Connecticut, and to make independently potent their decision in a national contest."

—The efforts of the Republicans to escape from their free whisky platform are many, and they are as amusing as they are unsuccessful. Some of them in defiance of the plainest and most emphatic language with which it is possible to frame a sentence, desperately declare that there is no such platform; others like the Chicago *Tribune*, say that the Convention was declared and betrayed into adopting the platform, while the latest apology concocted and offered to the public is that the Republicans want whisky taxed by the States instead of the General Government.—*Louisville Courier Journal.*

—The money now lying idle in the Federal Treasury resulting from superfluous taxation amounts to more than $125,000,000, and the surplus collected reaches the sum of more than $60,000,000 annually. Debauched by this immense temptation, the remedy of the Republican party is to meet and exhaust by extravagant appropriation and expenditure, whether constitutional or not, the accumulation of extravagant taxation. The Democratic remedy is to enforce frugality in public expense and to abolish unnecessary taxation.—*National Democratic Platform.*

—General Philip Henry Sheridan, General of the United States Army, died on Sunday last, at Nonquitt, Mass., where he had been taken for the benifit of his health, which has been failing for some time past. The immediate cause of death was failure of the heart. It is said that up to within ten minutes of his death it was not suspected that the end was so near. He will be buried to-morrow at the Arlington cemetry, near Washington, D. C.

—Why shouldn't the colored people of this country hold a Cleveland convention? It is as plain as daylight that Cleveland typifies cheap food and cheap clothes, and it is as plain as the "U. S." brand on an armymule that High-Tax Harrison represents a policy that would keep every poor blackcotton-picker's nose to the grindstone of the millionaire.—*Philadelphia Record.*

—The Democratic majority in Alabama footed up nearly one hundred thousand in the elections this week. Let the good work go on.

Local Affairs.

LITTLE LOCALS.

—Benjamin Harkins, of Forest Hill, is the happy father of a son whom he has christened Benjamin Harrison Harkins.

—A valuable mare belonging to Thomas Livezy, of Thomas' Run, broke her leg some time ago and had to be killed.

—The next meeting of the Deer Creek Farmer's Club will be held at the residence of Mr. D. C. Wharton Smith, at Darlington.

—A description of the new Church at Bethel, near Shawsville, was received too late for publication this week. We will publish it in our next issue.

—The Loyal Legion of Bel Air will hold its regular monthly meeting at the residence of Mr. Finney, on Friday evening, August 10th. at 8 o'clock,

—Mr. L. H. Baldwin, of the Washington Life Infurance Company, has our thanks for a five and a-half pound Bass caught in the Susquehanna river by his fisherman, Mr. Samuel Melown.

—There will be a lawn festival at Grace Chapel, Hickory, on Wednesday and Thursday, August 15th and 16th, from 3 to 9 o'clock each day. The proceeds to go towards repainting the chapel.

—While Joshua Gross, of Sharon, was cutting wood axe slipped and cut his right foot very severely. The wound bled profusely. Dr. Frank Smithson was sent for and rendered the necessary medical attention.

—On Tuesday of last week, John N. Caffey, of Upper Cross Roads, Harford county, went to Baltimore. He came home minus $45, which he alleges was taken from him in a saloon by Thomas Jeter and George Howard.

—Mr. James S. Calder, of Marshall's district, who was a juror in the D. C. and S. Railroad cases, lost a valuable horse by colic on Monday last. He had been driving the animal during the previous week while in attendance on his duties as a juror.

—The Beatty Post, No. 15, G. A. R., of Highland, with a full drum corps, are encamped on the old school house lot, at Forest Hill. Religious services on Sunday, conducted by Rev. Mr. Schultz. The public are cordially invited to visit them.

—As William A. Neeper and John Famous of Mill Green were passing John Day's, near Prospect, on Thursday of last week, a small dog belonging to Mr. Day, ran at the horse causing him to run through a hedge fence, without damage to the buggy or occupants, but injuring the horse considerably.

—The ladies of the Aberdeen Methodist Church will hold a meat dinner at Valiant Park, Thursday afternoon of next week, Aug. 16th. Dinner will be served from 1 to 5 o'clock. Dinner 35 cents. Proceeds for benefit of parsonage. Rowing, fishing, crabbing, sailing and bathing free. Public cordially invited to be present.

—An old Whig election ticket of 1849 was shown us by Mr. C. A. McCann, lately. The nominees were, for Congress, Alexander Evans, for Assembly, Hugh C. Whiteford, John Harkins, Abraham Cole and Henry D. Farnandis. For Commissioners, James A. Fulton, Benjaman Scott Amos, Henry Hall and Thomas J. Marphy.

—Rock Spring Convocational services will be held at Rock Spring by the Rev. Dean Rich, M. D., assisted by a corps of Baltimore and other clergy, morning and afternoon, on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, August 21st, 22d and 23d. There will be inspiring addresses and sermons at each service to which all are cordially welcomed. Thursday afternoon there will be a conference for clergy only.

—John C. Smith was arrested in Bel Air, on Saturday, August 4th, by Officer Bateman, and brought before Justice Richardson, upon the charge of assault upon William and Mary Gittings, colored, and stoning Gittings' dwelling house about midnight, July 23d last. He was released on $100 security for his appearance before the Justice on Monday, August 6th at 10 o'clock. On Monday the case was continued to Monday, August 13th.

—A very pleasant pic nic was held on Tuesday evening, August 7th, in Mr. Elwood Harry's new canning house, near Cambria. Among those present were the Misses Bettie Myer, Cora Day, Hannah Stubbs, Mary Whitaker, Corinne Minnick, Bessie Macatee, Annie McCoy, Messrs. James Butler, Calvin Galbreath, Harry Ellwood, Will Whiteford, C. M. Myer, Jr., Edward Harry, Walter Streett, George Getty, Frank B. Macatee, A. T. Bradley, and many others. Music by Lyle.

CAMP MEETING.—Bel Air Circuit of the African Methodist Episcopal church, began their annual camp meeting in Blake's woods, near Bynum station, last Saturday. The camp will continue until August 21st.

STRUCK BY LIGHTNING.—Lightning struck the barrack of Mr. J. C. Wilson, of Long Green, Baltimore county, on Sunday evening last. It was burned to the ground and with it one hundred tons of hay and 600 bushels of oats. By hard work the barn was saved after catching fire several times.

HARVEST HOME.—The annual Harvest Home and Farmers' pin nic began yesterday at the Rocks of Deer Creek and will continue to-day. Amusements of all kinds have been provided for the occasion. Yesterday the Jackson Guards of Bel Air were the chief attraction. They went through the manual of arms and other intricate and difficult evolutions in a highly creditable manner, and won the applause of all those present.

STARVED TO DEATH—Wm. Scholtz, aged thirty-five, hailing from Hackensack, New Jersey, died at the Almshouse on Monday, of starvation. He was found about six weeks ago near Abingdon and taken to the Almshouse. Since then he has refused to eat anything, saying he wanted to die. Food was forced down his throat, but nourishment sufficient to sustain life he could not be induced to take. He has never wavered from his determination since he was found.

FIRE.—The barn of Jacob Faust who lives near Norrisville, was burned with all its contents, on Wednesday morning. The fire was discovered about one o'clock. The barn contained about five hundred bushels of wheat, three hundred bushels of oats, thirty tons of hay, one broad wheel wagon and a number of other things. The building was insured for $600 in the Washington Company. The contents were also insured in the same company. It is supposed the fire was of incendiary origin.

ROBBERY.—Shortly after Mr. John Harkins, of Chestnut Hill, had retired Thursday night, he heard a noise down stairs. Going down the noise ceased, so he lighted a lamp and laid down on a sofa. In a few minutes the lamp was blown out and a dark lantern flashed in his face. He tried to catch the man and called to his father-in-law who was up stairs, to come down, but before he could come the thief had escaped. Upon investigation it was found that some bread and meat had been stolen. In his hurry the thief knocked over a large jar of preserves.

NARROW ESCAPE.—Edward Tucker and his little brother, sons of Mr. Eli Tucker, of Forest Hill were practicing with a cat and rat rifle on Saturday last, when Harry Amos, who is employed in Messrs. Roe & Tucker's store, asked them to let him look at the rifle. While examining it, it was discharged, the ball entering the muscle of Edward Tucker's right arm, passing through it and striking him in the side. Luckily by this time the force of the ball was spent and no injury was done except a flesh wound. Had his arm not been in the way of the bullet the consequences would have been far more serious.

SAD DEATH OF A YOUNG LADY.—Miss Mary L. Thompson, daughter of the late Wm. Thompson, died on Monday evening last at the residence, of Mr. Geo. R. Glasgow, near Churchville. She had been sick for about three weeks with bilious dysentery. She was thirty-four years of age, and was beloved by all who knew her. For some years past she had been living in Bel Air where she had many very warm friends. Her funeral took place on Wednesday at nine o'clock, at St. Ignatius' Roman Catholic Church, Hickory. The pall-bearers were Geo. Lochary, John Slade J. W. Anderson, Edward Ferry, Wm. H. Bauer, Henry Cain.

FISH SUPPER.—The typographical corps of *The Ægis* office, on last Saturday evening, had a very enjoyable fish supper, at Lyle's Restaurant, Bel Air. The fish, which weighed 5½ pounds was presented to the editor of the *Ægis* by Mr. L. H. Baldwin, General Agent of the Washington Life Insurance Company for Maryland, and through the absence of the editor it was presented to the corps by Mr. Walter H. Mitchell, who has charge of the office in the editor's absence. The assemblage parted about half-past eleven after spending a very pleasant evening. Among those present were Messrs. Wm. A. French, Hugh A. Friel, Oliver H. Smith, Calvin Amos, Geo. H. Bauer, L. G. Mitchell, G. Gover Streett, and Frank Forwood.

PERSONAL MENTION.—Mr. and Mrs. Joshua R. Green and Miss May Green, of Upper Cross Roads, are rusticating at Ocean Grove.

Miss Sadie E. Albaugh, of Baltimore, is visiting at Mr. L. Rockhold's, near Sarah Furnace.

Mr. Newton R. Henderson, of Black Horse, is visiting at his Uncle's, Mr. A. S. Henderson, of Sarah Furnace.

Mrs. Muse, of Baltimore is visiting the family of Rev. J. W. Charlton, of Level.

Mrs. James Andrews and family, of Annapolis are visiting "Holland's Heights," the residence of Mr. R. W. Holland.

ACCIDENTS.—Last Wednesday, while Mr. Jas. Dowling was underneath a threshing machine, on Mr. John Moores farm, he accidentally unscrewed a bolt which held up the boiler and it fell on him, injuring him very severely. When taken out he was unconscious. He was brought to Bel Air, to the residence of Dr. R. D. Lee, who pronounced him badly bruised but no bones broken.

Mark Moore, Jr., colored, while playing in front of Messrs. Whitaker Bros' store, Bel Air, fell and cut his head very badly.

While Mr. Harry Hanway was driving from the Almshouse to Bel Air, on Wednesday, his horse became frightened and ran away. Mr. Hanway was thrown out and considerably bruised. The horse was badly cut about the head and legs.

MEETING OF THE SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS.—The Board of Public School Commissioners met on Tuesday last at their office in Bel Air.

Dr. Benjaman Mason and others having been given a hearing with reference to No. 22, 4th district, it was ordered re-opened.

Mr. J. T. C. Hopkins appeared before the board and spoke to them of the needs of a new school house in South Delta.

The contract for supplying slate boards, was awarded to John F. Unger; for desks, to J. H. Medairy, and for portable boards and slating, to J. W. Bond & Co.

Mr. Harold Scarboro appeared with a petition to reopen No. 12, 5th diserict, but the board declined to do so.

It was ordered that No. 19, 2nd district be started as heretofore, and if the school worked satisfactorily to make permanent arrangements for its continuance.

It was ordered that no grade above the seventh should be organized by second grade teachers.

The following scholars were appointed to chairs in the Normal school; Yaman Flaherty, Hattie Poole, Cassandra A. Lochary, Flora Gallup, Mary Roberts, James B. McComas, and Charles D. Thomas.

The board adjourned to meet September 4th.

DISTRESSING ACCIDENT.

Fatal shooting of Young Harry Tucker By his Friend Robert Vail.

On Sunday afternoon the quiet little village of Forest Hill was in a state of excitement over the accidental shooting of Harry Tucker, son of Mr. John C. Tucker, by Robert Vail. It occurred in this manner. Tucker asked Vail if he didn't want to go to the Camp Meeting and Vail said he would go if he would wait till he got his revolver. Tucker waited and when Vail had come they lay down together on the grass in Mr. Tucker's yard. In a few minutes a pistol shot was heard, when Tucker arose and said, "Bob you have killed me." He then fell and died almost instantly. The ball entered his body in the wright breast, and taking a downward course, came out of his back just below the right shoulder blade. It must have passed through his heart as death was almost instantaneous. Vail has the reputation, in the neighborhood, of having carried fire arms and other concealed weapons for some time past and of being very reckless in the use of them. A jury composed of the following gentlemen met on Sunday afternoon at the residence of the deceased: Humphrey Wilson, Coroner; Nathan Grafton, Foreman; George G. Jeffery, David Gray, John Banister, George Lewis, William Grafton, Abel D. Wilson, J. Edward Ely, John Hurley, I. A. Ely, Wm. J. Wilson and Jos. P. Wilson and viewed the remains, after which they adjourned to meet on Monday at three o'clock at Roe & Tucker's store, at Forest Hill.

At their meeting on Monday evening they decided that Harry Tucker came to his death from a pistol shot, fired by Robert Vail, the ball passing through his heart, and that the act was one of carelessness. He was buried on Wednesday at Centre M. E. Church. The pall-bearers were Coleman Purcell, Mortimer Harkins, Watkins Grafton, Harry Rodgers, Edwin Tucker, and Harry Monks.

DEMOCRATIC POLE RAISING.—The Cleveland, Thurman and Stump club of Shawsville, Harford county, raised a hickory pole 81 feet high, with a new broom and bandanna at the top, and unfurled to the breeze a beautiful banner, having the names of the candidates upon it. The pole was presented and hauled to the spot by Mr. James R. Almony, and raised with the greatest ease under the supervision of Mr. Marion Anderson. There were a great many people present. The meeting was called to order by Thomas Anderson, Esq., President of the club. Thomas H. Wiley, Esq., was made Chairman, Wm. S. Forwood, Jr., and Asbury Wiley, Secretaries. The Maryland Line band, of New Market, Baltimore county, discoursed sweet music. Eloquent addresses were delivered by Geo. W. Richardson, Esq., Walter W. Preston, Hon. George Y. Maynadier, and Col. Herman Stump, candidate for Congress.

DANCE IN BEL AIR.—A very pleasant hop was given in the old Town Hall, Bel Air, on Monday evening last, by the young men of Bel Air. The music was furnished by George Lyle's orchestra. Among those present were Mrs. Holland, black silk and jet; Mrs. Bouldin, black velvet and silk; Mrs. Hennessy, black silk; Miss Annie Young, black lace, decollete; Miss Florence Young, white muslin; Miss Laura Hanson, brocade silk, with court train of heavy cream Ottoman silk; Miss Bouldin, blue cashmere and white lace; Miss Corinne Bouldin, black lace and crimson silk, decollete; Miss Mary Hennessy, white silk, decollete; Miss Price, white lace; Mrs. C. Cochran, foulard silk; Miss Jacobs, white muslin, Miss Gover, white muslin, decollete. Mr. Edwin Webster, Mr. Wm. Franklin, Mr. G. Gover Streett, Mr. Augustus Hines, Mr. Wm. Richardson, Mr. Frank Forwood, Mr. Jas. C. Trundle, Mr. Richard Janney and others. Mr. Frank Forwood was floor manager.

MARYLAND CENTRAL TRESTLES ALL RIGHT.—At the request of William Gilmor, of the Maryland Central Railroad, Mr. Richard Randolph, the well-known civil engineer, on Saturday examined the condition of the trestles on the road between Baltimore and Towsontown and submitted a report of investigation to Mr. Gilmor for transmission to Judge Fowler, of the Batimore county Circuit Court. Engineer Randolph, in his report, which is very exhaustive, says that the condition of the trestle work is not such that any accidents are to be apprehended. In several instances where the timbers were partially decayed he observed new ones lying beside the track ready to replace the unsafe ties, and that where the nails in many of the ties were loose others had been driven near them.

Mr. Randolph further stated that the civil engineer of the road who accompanied him on the investigating tour appeared perfectly aware of the margin of safety required.—*Baltimore Herald.*

OBITUARY.—Mrs. Mary Shannahan, wife of Patrick Shannahan, died at her residence, Fallston, on Wednesday, July 18th, aged 58 years. She was buried at St. John's Church, Long Green, on Friday, Rev. Father Maynadier officiating. The pall-bearers were Dennis Shannahan, Patrick Shannahan, Thomas Shannahan, Thomas Codd, Dennis Maher and Patrick Horan.

Deborah Murphy, wife of Cornelius Murphy, of the Rocks, died on Monday, July 30th, in the 42d year of her age. She was the daughter of Patrick Sullivan. Her funeral took place on Thursday, at St. Ignatius' Roman Catholic Church, Hickory. Solemn High Mass was said by Rev. Father Fowler for the repose of her soul. The pall-bearers were Theodore Walsh, Patrick Hussian, Daniel Lynch, of John, Daniel Lynch and Timothy Sullivan.

Mr. John Archer died at six o'clock Thursday morning at his home, Stockton, near Wilna. He was about 79 years of age. He leaves four children. He will be buried on Saturday morning, at ten o'clock, at Union Chapel.

LAWN PARTY.—A pleasant lawn party was given August 2d, at Mount Pleasant Farm, the residence of Mr. Morris Dean, about two miles from Bel Air. The grounds were in beautiful order and in the evening were brilliantly illuminated with Chinese lanterns. The occasion was the sixteenth birthday of Master Charles W. Ely, of Baltimore. The earlier part of the evening was spent in social games, the young people enjoying themselves to their hearts content. After supper, to which full justice was done by all, promenading and outdoor games were again enjoyed. The refreshment table tastefully arranged with cake, candies, ice cream and other good things again collected all in the dining-room when Charles was made the recipient of several handsome presents, including a gold pencil and cuff buttons. Among those present were Mrs. Ely, Master Charles Ely, Miss Ametia Ely, Mrs. John W. Mealy, Masters Edward and Charlie Mealy, Miss May Mealy Master Judson Mealy, Miss Katie Martin, all of Baltimore, and Master Morris Dean, of Bel Air.

DEATH OF AN AGED RESIDENT OF HAVER DE GRACE.—Wm. E. Woodhouse, an old and highly respected citizen of Havre de Grace, died suddenly at his residence, on Adams street, on Sunday afternoon about 3 o'clock, after a short illness of cholera morbus, aged 82. Mr. Woodhouse came here from New York State many years ago, and has always been prominent among Harford people. He was a son of William Woodhouse, who was a prominent military engineer on the staff of Gen. Macombs in the war of 1812. He has held many positions of trust, having been Deputy Collector of Customs under President Bucanan, resigning under President Lincoln. He was for years engaged in the lumber business as an inspector, and was in the employ of the late John L. Williams many years. He was made a Justice of the Peace, under Governor Whyte, and served a full term. He was a life-long and a very consistant Democrat, and served his party in many minor offices. He was Librarian of the Masonic Library for several years. He leaves a wife and two children—Mr. E. Woodhouse, of this place, and Mrs. India Hosmer, of Indianapolis. His funeral took place on Wednesday afternoon, from St. John's P. E. Church, of which he was a member. It was attended by Morning Star Lodge of Odd Fellows, of which society he has been a member for many years.

TOURNAMENTS.—A grand tournament was held in the field of Mr. James L. Richardson's Old Baltimore Farm, six miles below Perryman, on Tuesday, Aug. 7. There was a very large attendance, despite the excessive heat. The knights were very skilful riders, and the tilting was excellent. The coronation address was delivered by Col. Herman Stump, of Bel Air, nominee for Congress. There were nine contestants for the prizes, resulting as follows: W. H. Rawhouser, Knight of My Maryland, took eight rings, and F. H. Arthur, Knight of Lone Star, also took eight successive rings, which resulted in a tie. In the tie ride with small rings My Maryland took three and Lone Star three. On the second ride, My Maryland only got one and Lone Star two. F. H. Arthur, the successful knight, crowned Miss Martin, of Baltimore, Queen; W. H. Rawhouser, Knight of My Maryland, crowned Miss Blanch Nelson, First Maid of Honor; Geo. Roberts, Knight of Clermont, who took third prize, crowned Miss Courtney, daughter of Mr. George A. Courtney, Second Maid of Honor; Walter Brown, Knight of Happy Home, won the fourth prize and crowned Miss Gallup, daughter of Mr. Daniel Gallup, Third Maid of Honor.

The other knights who contested for the prizes were G. W. Johnson, W. T. Gallup, Benj. Richardson, H. A. Gilbert and George Christie.

The Judges were Messrs. Thomas Morgan, Nathan Barron and John Osborn, Chief Marshall, Charles A. McGaw, Assistants Wilton Greenway and Arthur Cronin. The coronation ball was held in Emmord's Hall, Perryman, and was well attended. Wright's orchestra, of Baltimore, furnished the music for the tournament and dance.

The tournament on the farm of Mr. Micheal Wheeler, near Pylesville, August 7th, was quite a success. Mr. H. R. Bay, Knight of My Maryland, crowned Miss Fannie Smithson, Queen of Love and Beauty; Will Whiteford, Knight of Cambria, crowned Miss Della Hitchcock, First Maid of Honor; Mr. Wm. Hughes, Knight of West Bangor, crowned Miss Hughes Second Maid of Honor, and Mr. T. Whiteford, crowned Miss Kate Lewis, Third Maid of Honor. Mr. Robert Glenn was Chief Marshall, C. M. Myers, Jr., and T. White Assistants. Heralds, Ira Myer and Streett Whiteford; Judges, Thomas H. Streett, M. Whiteford, and Frank B. Macatee. Music was furnished for the tournament by the Delta band and for the pic nic by Bulett's band.

BEL AIR NOTES.—Mrs. Mary Brierly, of Baltimore, is visiting Mrs. Elizabeth Lee, of Bel Air.

Henry Maynadier has a petrified crab apple. It is in a perfect state of preservation and is a great curiosity.

Mrs. M. L. Berry, of St. Louis, who has been visiting in Bel Air for some time, left on Wednesday, for Notre Dame, Md.

Mr. Henry W. Archer, Miss Mary Archer and Mr. C. Graham Archer, of Bel Air, left for Naraganzett Pier, on Tuesday last, to be gone a few weeks.

Misses Juliet and Grace Streett, of Bel Air, are visiting near the Rocks.

Master Harry Price, of Darlington, is spending some time with Mrs. Thomas A. Hays, of Bel Air.

Mrs. Hennessey and her daughter, Miss Mamie, of Baltimore, are visiting R. E. Bouldin, of Bel Air.

Misses Millie and Annie Young, left Bel Air yesterday for a six months trip, in the West.—During their absence they will visit Chicago and St. Louis, where they have relatives.

Mrs. Charles Young, of St. Louis, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Young, of Bel Air, left for her home on Saturday last.

Mrs. Martha Hanna, of Bel Air, is spending a few days at Rural Hill, Md.

Wm. A. Hoblitzell, son of Rev. S. A. Hoblitzell, of Bel Air, has accepted a position as first assistant teacher in the Cambridge Academy.

Miss Mary Kenley, of Level, is visiting Mrs. David Hanway, Bel Air.

Miss Theresa Dallam, of Baltimore, is visiting the residence of Mrs. Mary Dallam, in Bel Air.

Mr. Bertram N. Stump, of Bel Air, left on Monday for Narragansitt Pier.

A new board walk has been laid from the railroad station in Bel Air, running north to the end of Mr. Edward Ferry's property. It was built by private subscription, at the solicitation of Mr. Ferry.

Mrs. Clarence Cochran, of Baltimore, is the guest of Mrs. Wm. Young, Bel Air.

Mr. Frank H. Jacobs left Bel Air on Monday for the Blue Mountain House, where he will spend some time.

Miss. Fida Swartz left Bel Air, last Monday, to visit friends in Hagerstown.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Norris and Mrs. Springer, of Philadelphia, are visiting at the residence of Col. Otho S. Lee.

Mr. Charles Richardson, of Bel Air, has been quite ill during the past ten days with dysentery. He is a little better. Dr. E. Hall Richardson has been attending him.

Mr. J. M. Streett and his daughter, Miss Lizzie returned home last Tuesday evening, after a very pleasant visit to Atlantic City and Cape May.

Miss Lucy Sanner, of Baltimore, is visiting Mrs. John H. Heuer, Bel Air.

Mr. Walter Bateman and wife, of Baltimore, are visiting his father, Mr. Joseph Bateman, Bel Air.

A very interesting game of base ball was played last Monday between the Excelsior and Young Muffers, clubs of Bel Air, which resulted in favor of the Young Muffers by a score of 21 to 19. The excelsior nine was composed of J. W. Richardson, c; Wm. Asher, p; Moores Maynadier, 3b; Jack Constable 2b; Bob Ayres, 1b; Julian Scott 1.f; Joe Dunnigan r.f; J. W. Scott, Jr., s.s. The Young Muffers, who did not "muff" on this occasion, were Sol. Hoblitzell, 1b; George Fisher, 2b; James Richardson, 3b; Albert Richardson, r.f; Charlie Richardson, l.f; Charlie DeHaven, p; Walter Lee, c.

Miss Roberta Archer will move her school this fall to Dr. Wysong's new house on Broadway, which she has rented.

Mr. and Mrs. John G. Rouse and family leeave to-day, for Rehoboth Beach, New Jersey, where they will spend some weeks.

BASE BALL.

The Lapidum base ball club of Lapidum defeated the Churchville Club by the following score, on Tuesday, Aug. 7th.

CHURCHVILLE.	R	O	LAPIDUM.	R	O
F. Wells, l. f.	2	3	J. Silver, s. s.	1	4
Andrews, 1b.	1	2	Craig, l. f.	2	3
E. Everish, 2b.	1	3	J. Spencer, r. f.	2	3
R. Janney, c.	2	2	J. Price, c.	2	2
Colburn, s. s.	0	4	E. Spencer, 3b.	1	4
T. Janney, p.	0	4	Mitchell, 1b.	2	2
Jno. Hays, 3b.	1	2	C. West, p.	1	3
N. Hays, r. f.	0	4	Stevenson, 2b	2	3
G. Hays, c. f.	0	4	Burkins, c. f.	1	3
Total	7	27	Total	14	27

Another interesting game was played one day last week at Churchville, between the Churchville club and the Harford Furnace club which resulted in favor of Churchville by a score of 21 to 14.

Also another game was played by the Churchville club and the Bucktails, of Bel Air, resulting in favor of the Churchville boys.

LETTER FROM DARLINGTON.

The party that left here for four days trip down the bay on Mr. Smith's yacht returned on the 4th. They had a very jolly time and they were much benefitted. S. R. Hopkins, B. J. Williams, Rev. E. Wroth, Rev. Fitzgerald, C. Emlem, Thos. Dever, W. H. H. Whiteford, F. Galbreath, and H. Smith for cook and music.

Joseph Edge and wife have taken a drive to Chester Co., Pa., visiting relations and friends.

The Harmony Sunday School go up the canal to Broad Creek, Wednesday.

The M. E. Sunday School by invitation will join the Rock Run Sunday School, Thursday.

Mrs. Miller, mother of Mrs. D. E. Price, is quite sick at D. E. Price's.

H. S. Holloway is putting a porch to his house.

Mr. J. R. Massey has returned from a week's visit to Kent Co. His health is much improved.

Sunday was a warm day here, and some of our citizens found it very comfortable sitting in the cellar.

Mr. Harry Forman Miss Carrie Perry, and Mrs. Josephene Lowery and daughter, of Centreville, Md., are guests of Mrs. Wm. B. Seife, of Darlington.

An accident which came near being quite serious befell master Willie Sappington, a son of Dr. John Sappington, on Tuesday of last week. While calling on a patient, the doctor left his son in the carriage. The little fellow amused himself while waiting by reading a newspaper, and happened to rattle his paper sufficiently to frighten the horses, causing them to run away, reducing the buggy to a wreck, and inflicting several severe cuts and bruises upon himself. He is now much improved. BOB.

LETTER FROM LAPIDUM.

Death of Mr. James R. Smith—Other News.

Mr. James R. Smith, aged 55 years, died on July 20th, at his residence, at Lapidum. He was an honest, truthful and charitable man, never allowing the needy to want. His funeral took place on Wednesday of last week with masonic honors, at Rock Run cemetery. Two sons and one daughter mourn his loss. The funeral was very large. Revs. McKenney and Chalfon officiated. The pall-bearers were Messrs. Ambrose Cooley, Silver, Reasin, Hopkins, W. C. Wilson and D. E. Wilson.

James Worthington, of the second district, raised 405 bushels of wheat on 12 acres.

Mr. and Mrs. A. White and three little children, of Baltimore, are spending the summer at the residence of Mrs. James R. Taylor, of Webster.

Mrs. Hannah Green, of North Carolina, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Harriet Cooley, of Webster. W. H. P.

LETTER FROM UPPERCROSS ROADS.

Mr. Joseph Ashton has the best tin roof that has ever been put on in this section. It was put on by Conway & Co., of Baltimore.

The Misses Jones and Anderson are on a visit from Washington, D. C., at Mrs. Corbin Amos'.

Mr. Joseph Ashton has the finest herd of Cows in this section, it would pay any one to call and see them.

Goodwill Church, has the best Sunday School in this section, and their organist, Miss Agnes Beaumont, cannot be beat, for the time she has been playing.

Mr. Harry Ashton, while cutting hay with a cutting box, cut his thumb off.

A good many of our farmers are nearly done plowing for wheat in this section.

Our canning houses will start up in about two weeks.

Mr. J. B. Curry and Chas. H. Eck, had their tores robbed last week. Mr. Curry lost $20 in money and some overalls. Mr. Eck lost about $12 in money and some shirts. The thieves just unlocked the doors, did not break in.

We hope all the young Democrats will step to the front this fall and see that Cleveland, Thurman and Stump get the front seats. Ho! for the grand old party. May she wave for 20 years yet. We want all the good old Democratic speakers to be sure and give Marshall's district a call and explain the tariff; for a good many of our old and young voters cannot understand it. Now is the time we want the work done. We are Stump men up this way sure, but come up and see us. R. H. T.

LETTER FROM PROSPECT.

A safe and pleasant time is extended to the editor of the *Ægis* on his vacation tour.

The farmers have finally wound upan unusually large harvest, and are now turning their attention to other farm work, cleaning up fence rows and threshing.

Last Saturday was considered to be the hottest day of the season, up to that time. The section hands on M. C. R. R., between Delta and Pylesville, all gave out and one we understand was compelled to lay for over two hours, in consequence of the extreme heat.

The members of Mt. Vernon M. E. Sunday School have decided to hold a festival in the grove adjoining the church, on Saturday afternoon and evening, August 18th, for the benefit of the school. All are invited to attend.

Mr. J. K. Heaps has increased his business by adding a blacksmith shop to his wheelwright shop and intends to employ a first class workman, for the accommodation of his many customers.