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Important to Advertisers.

Because of the large number of casual advertisements which are received by The Daily and Sunday American it is absolutely essential that advertisers who desire to have their ads properly classified should have their copy in the office at the earliest possible moment. The American is recognized as the most valuable medium for these advertisements, and they pour into the office in great volume. Therefore, it is difficult to classify them, especially those intended for The Sunday American. It is no small task to properly arrange these little advertisements under the many different headings, such as "Male Help Wanted," "For Sale," "Real Estate Wanted," "Rooms for Rent," "Business Chances" and many others. The American, however, for the benefit of advertisers, desires to have them properly classified.

More Streets to Be Paved.

Plans for letting out nine contracts, the first batch of 1913, were discussed at the regular meeting of the Paving Commission yesterday. It was decided to hold another meeting before the next session of the Board of Awards in order that the bidding might be gotten under way at an early date. The streets to be improved are as follows:

Contract No. 43—Fayette, from Broadway to Luzerne; Fairmount avenue, from Central avenue to Broadway.

Contract No. 45—Granby, from Exeter to Central; Low, from East to Front; Watson, from High to Central avenue; Forrest, from Fayette to Lexington; Smith alley, east from Frederick to eastern terminus; alley running south from Smith alley, parallel to and east of Frederick, to its southern terminus.

Contract No. 46—West, from Light to Riverside; Charles, from Barre to Hill; Custom House avenue, from Water to Lombard; Commerce, from Water to Lombard.

Contract No. 47—Green, from Lexington to Baltimore; Fayette, from Pine to Paca; Park, from Laurens to North; Sherman Place, from Lanvale to North; Hargrove alley, from Saratoga to Pleasant.

Contract No. 48—Commerce, from Lombard to Pratt; Lombard, from South to Gay.

Contract No. 49—Saratoga, from Calvert to Gay; Frederick, from Lexington to Gay; Pleasant, from Calvert to Guilford; Exeter, from Fayette to Baltimore.

Contract No. 50—Fort avenue, from Lawrence to Fort McH.; William, from West to Clement.

Contract No. 51—Calvert, from Saratoga to Pleasant; Maryland, from Chase to Preston; Maryland, from Pennsylvania bridge to North avenue; Preston, from Cathedral to Guilford; Biddle, from Cathedral to Maryland; Biddle, from Maryland to St. Paul.

Contract No. 52—Laurens, from Eutaw Place to Linden avenue; Laurens, from Pennsylvania avenue to Druid Hill; Bloom, from Pennsylvania avenue to Eutaw; Pressman, from Druid Hill to Linden; Robert, from Eutaw to Linden; Wilson, from Madison to Eutaw; Gold, from Druid Hill to Madison; Mount, from Laurens to Riggs; Division, from Lafayette to Mosher.

Will of Laura V. Jones.

The will of Laura V. Jones, who died December 19, was filed for probate yesterday in the Orphans' Court. She left to her nephews, Jonathan J. E. Conner, Harry C. Conner, William C. Conner, Charles R. Conner and Robert R. Conner, each the sum of $5.

To her nieces, Nora M. Colwell and Nettie D. Gerbrick, she gave $5 each.

To her niece, Elsie E. Cook, she left $50.

To her friend, Hattie Cougel, she left $200.

To Mary M. Mason, wife of Randolph Mason, she gave her topaz breastpin.

To the Chapel of the Advent, Patapsco Neck, near Ostend, she gave all her jewelry to be melted into a chalice for use of the church.

To the Little Sisters of the Poor, Valley Park, she left all her clothing, bedding, furniture and household effects.

The residue of the estate she left to her nephew, George C. Swaine, son of her sister, Facunda Swaine, provided he files a claim for same within three years of her death.

The testatrix states that, not having heard from him for a number of years, she does not know whether he be living or dead. If he does not claim the residue after three years and after advertisement in a newspaper, the residue is to be used for a memorial window in remembrance of herself and her deceased husband, Joseph T. Jones, to be erected in the Chapel of the Advent.

The will was dated October 14, 1912. Randolph B. Mason is named as executor.

Capt. and Mrs. Varney Celebrate.

Surrounded by many of their relatives, Captain and Mrs. William H. Varney, U. S. N. (retired), Wednesday celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage at their home, 712 North Carey street. Mrs. Varney, who before her marriage was Miss Mary E. Hoffman, was married to Captain Varney at her home in Boston on January 1, 1863. Mrs. Varney at that time was connected with the public schools of Boston. During those days Captain Varney was a naval architect and designed some of the fast sailing vessels for the merchant marine. The last ship he designed was the famous Great Admiral. He was appointed from New Hampshire as an assistant naval constructor on July 29, 1869, and was made constructor on March 13, 1873. In this capacity Captain Varney served in all of the large navy yards both on the Atlantic and Pacific Coasts. He was assigned to this city in 1889 to construct the gunboat Petrel, and, becoming convinced that Baltimore was truly a home city, he and his wife have continued to live here ever since that time.

Captain Varney had charge of the construction for the government of the cruisers Detroit and Montgomery, that were built at the Columbian Iron Works under the late Mayor Malster. After having served the government for 30 years he was retired April 19, 1900, having reached the age limit.

Mr. Larkins' Alacrity.

Commissioner of Street-cleaning William J. Larkins again distinguished himself at the City Hall yesterday by being the first municipal official to present Mayor Preston a daily report concerning the work of his department. Last Monday, at the regular meeting of department heads, Mayor Preston instructed city officials to submit to him every morning a typewritten copy of the proceedings of their departments.

It was understood that the order was not to take effect until the following week. In characteristic fashion, however, Commissioner Larkins decided to adopt the innovation on the first of the new year. Accordingly, when Mayor Preston entered his private office yesterday morning he found a complete diary of the events that transpired in the Street-cleaning Department on January 1 lying on his desk.

Last Tuesday Mr. Larkins surprised Mayor Preston by being the first official to present his annual report. Superintendent of Lighting McCuen submitted his annual report to the Mayor yesterday. He was the fourth official to comply with the Mayor's wishes for an early report.

Alleged Assault in Synagogue.

Charged with assaulting and striking Solomon Rubenstein, Max Bronstein, 33 years old, of 7 South Bond street, was arraigned before Justice Smith at the Eastern Police Station yesterday morning. Because of the illness of the prosecuting witness the case was postponed until tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. It is said the trouble started during the services last Saturday morning which were held in Shomre Mishmeires Hakodesh Synagogue, Lloyd and Watson streets. According to Bronstein, who is a son of the vice president of the synagogue, while Rabbi Abraham N. Schwartz was preaching the sermon Rubenstein and several other men were standing in the rear talking too loud. He was sent from his pew near the front of the church to quiet the men. Bronstein claimed that he simply went to the rear of the church of their coats and escorted them to and took each of the men by the lapels seats. "There was no assault, judge," said Bronstein. A number of the members of the congregation attended the hearing yesterday morning.

Loyal Legion.

A most interesting address entitled Further Poems of the Civil War, which was delivered by Capt. Henry P. Goddard, was the special feature of the meeting of the Loyal Legion held last night at the Belvedere Hotel. At the last meeting the same speaker read a paper on a similar subject, and last night he dwelt upon a number of additional poems which deal with some phases of the Civil War. Among these poems were The Cavalry Charge, by F. A. Durvinge; Our Orders, by Mrs. Julia Ward Howe; Sword and Plough, by Charles D. Shanley; The Reveille, by Bret Harte; Ode to Lincoln, by William C. Bryant; High Tide at Gettysburg, by William Henry Thompson, and the First and Last Days of the Southern Confederacy, by William M. Pegram, of Baltimore.

A business session was also held, and later refreshments were served. Among those present were Major Bergland, Mr. Dorton, Captain Goddard, Mr. J. Wistar Huey, Lieutenant Janney, Captain King, Lieutenant Matthews, Lieutenant Owens, Lieutenant Staley, Admiral Stirling, Colonel Taylor and Colonel Vernon. The Legion is to hold a banquet in February, but as yet the exact date has not been determined.

Rehearsals for Music Festival.

David S. Melamet, the well-known Baltimore musical director and composer, will commence rehearsals of his Columbus Cantata—the work that carried off the first prize of the competition of Columbus Year—tonight in preparation for its presentation during the Music Festival that will be held in the Lyric in April by the Oratorio Society, assisted by eminent soloists, the Philadelphia Orchestra and the united singing societies of this city. Those who will take part in the performance of the cantata are members of the Germania Maennerchor, the Arion, Thalia, Frohsinn, Mozart Maennerchor and Harmonie organizations and the Musical Art Club. Rehearsals will be held in the Germania Maennerchor Hall every Friday evening until the date of the festival. Mrs. Melamet will be the accompanist.

Quo Vadis, by the modern Russian composer, Wowojieski, will be given at the first festival performance by the augmented chorus of the Oratorio Society, directed by Joseph Pache. Splendid progress is being made with this score. Rehearsals are to be held at the Peabody Conservatory on Monday nights.

Caveat to Will of F. L. Smith.

A caveat was filed in the Orphans' Court yesterday to the will of Francis L. Smith by Charles Smith. The petition states that Francis L. Smith died December 10 last. It is stated that Francis L. Smith was unmarried and left surviving him Charles Smith (a half-brother), and Helen Beauchamp and Ida Stevenson (his cousins). The petition states that on December 17, 1912, there was offered in the Orphans' Court a paper writing dated January 18, 1908, purporting to be the last will of the deceased. It is alleged that the paper is invalid as the last will and testament of Francis L. Smith. Allegations of testamentary incapacity, etc., are made. The petition was filed through Attorneys Klecka and Klecka.

The will was written on stationery of the Maryland School for the Blind. Mr. Smith left one-half of his property to his cousins, Helen Beauchamp and Ida Stevenson, to be divided equally between them. The other half was left to the Safe Deposit and Trust Company, in trust, to use the same for the aid and benefit of the adult blind men and women of Maryland, and more particularly to furnish them temporary assistance while learning a trade or occupation.

Irvine Cross Hurt in Fox Hunt.

Suffering from a cut on the head and what is supposed to be a dislocation of the right arm, Mr. W. Irvine Cross, counsel of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, was at his office yesterday, showing the results of his run with the Green Spring Valley hounds on New Year's Day.

Mr. Cross, who lives near Stevenson, Green Spring Valley, was one of the number of surrounding fox-hunting enthusiasts who met Wednesday morning at Painter's lane, at 9 o'clock, and sought Sir Reynard. A scent was soon picked up and Mr. Cross was among the leaders in the chase. In negotiating a stiff post and rail in a bit of timber his mount swerved and the rider was thrown against a tree. A cut head and a considerably sprained arm was the result, and Mr. Cross returned home.

It is thought that several bones in the right hand, as well as the upper part of the arm, are either fractured or dislocated and it is probable that Mr. Cross will go under the care of a surgeon.

Whosoever Will Circle.

The anniversary of Whosoever Will Circle, King's Daughters and Sons, was held at the residence of Mrs. Annie E. Johnson, 1706 East Madison street, New Year's Eve and was attended by many members and invited guests. The choir of St. Luke's Union Methodist Church rendered a fine musical program, with Miss Naomi Stanley, organist. Rev. E. W. S. Peck delivered an address, and in behalf of the circle presented the leader, Mrs. Annie E. Johnson, an individual communion set, a cooking range, umbrella and mat, in evidence of the valuable services rendered the inmates of Bayview Asylum and many others in the line of her religious and beneficent work. Mrs. Johnson responded, thanking her coworkers for their gifts. Short addresses followed from members of the circle, choice refreshments were served and the occasion closed amid expressions of delight from the guests. Committee: Miss Millie Whye, chairman; Mrs. Carrie Banks, secretary; Miss Ida Gray, Mrs. Rachel Johnson, Mrs. Mary Edwards, Mr. Louis Johnson.

M. & M. to Attend Inauguration.

The executive committee of the Merchants and Manufacturers' Association, at its monthly meeting yesterday afternoon, authorized the committee on hospitality, of which Col. William A. Boykin is chairman, to arrange for a special train to convey members of the association and ladies of their immediate families to Washington to attend the inauguration of Woodrow Wilson as president of the United States on March 4 next. The annual meeting and luncheon of the association will be held at the association rooms, in the Emerson Tower Building, next Thursday at 1 P. M. The reports of the president and treasurer for the past year will be presented and officers for the year will be elected. The names of those chosen for offices by the nominating committee have been given in The American. Secretary Beacham states that there is a great demand for tickets for the annual banquet to be held at the Hotel Rennert Saturday, January 25. President Taft will attend the banquet.

Captain Zellers' Anniversary.

Surrounded by a number of friends, Capt. Frank J. Zellers, of the Northeastern district, quietly celebrated the seventeenth anniversary of his appointment to the Police Department at his home, 2406 East Preston street, on Wednesday. The Captain called at the stationhouse to give instructions to the patrolmen, and he was given a rousing reception. When seen at night at his home, Captain Zellers stated that he spent nearly the whole afternoon performing on the piano, which is his favorite pastime.

Mr. Singewald Elected Secretary.

H. Elmer Singewald has been elected secretary of the Fidelity Permanent Building and Loan Association, a company subsidiary to the Fidelity Trust Company. The other officers of the company are Edwin Warfield, president; Charles M. Cohn, vice president, and J. H. Beatson, treasurer.

Former Mayor Hooper 54.

Former Mayor Alcaeus Hooper was 54 years old yesterday. He was not allowed to forget the anniversary of his birth, for many of his friends called to see him at his offices, on South street, and offer their congratulations, and those who could not visit him kept him busy answering the phone to receive their expressions of good wishes. The former mayor yesterday seemed to be enjoying the best of health and spirits, and, as he remarked, is far from being an invalid.

When asked if he would comment on public matters Mr. Hooper, with a twinkle in his eye, remarked: "No. I don't believe I have any comments to make. In fact, I am young and inexperienced in such matters, and will leave all of the commenting to be done by the old fellows who know so much more about such things than I."

Mr. Hooper chatted entertainingly for some time, and although he remarked that he was not in a reminiscent mood, the conversation drifted into a discussion of the eloquence of platform speakers of today as compared with that of public speakers some years ago.

"I have heard many lecturers in my time," said Mr. Hooper, "among them Darwin, Spencer and Tyndall. The Peabody Institute used to have a lecture course, and most all of their lecturers possessed the greatest ability. This recalls to me a curious incident and one which well illustrates the progressiveness and energy of the Japanese, who have really performed wonders in advancing their civilization in the past few years. In 1875 Tyndall delivered a most illuminating course of five lectures on Light at the Peabody Institute.

"In 1892 I was in the city of Tokio, and during the course of a rainy period, which kept me indoors for several days, during which I completely exhausted my supply of literature, I called my ricksha man and told him to take me to a bookstore. Of course, most all of the books were in Japanese, but in one corner of a shelf there were several English volumes. I went to the shelf, and picking up a volume and turning to a fly-leaf, what was my astonishment to read the title, A Series of Lectures on Light, Delivered by John Tyndall, at the Peabody Institute in Baltimore. This shows how eager the Japs are to imbibe the science of the Western world, willing to overcome the obstacles of a foreign tongue that they may share in modern knowledge and progress."

Ad Club Down to Hard Work.

The new publication of the Advertising Club, which will be known as Conventionalities, will be issued within the next week. Walter S. Hamburger is the editor and promises one of the most complete Advertising Club papers in the country. The publication will contain an entire account of the work of the Ad Club for the national convention, to be held in Baltimore next June. The 1913 Convention News—Letter No. 1, which will be sent to all of the affiliated and related clubs in the United States and Canada, is now being prepared. It is expected that this first letter will be mailed the first part of the coming week. With each letter mailed a request will also be sent to the president of each club asking him to read it at the midweek luncheon of his local organization. It will go to approximately 200 clubs. Additional copies of the letter will be inclosed for posting on the bulletin and to supply local newspapers, so that the utmost publicity can be obtained and interest created in the approaching convention. Letter No. 2 will be mailed two weeks after the first one.

The press and publicity committee, which was completed yesterday by the board of governors of the local club, is considered one of the best that Baltimore has ever produced. The city editors of every newspaper in Baltimore are members of it. Those to serve on the committee are:

J. Hampton Baumgartner, John E. Cullen, Clarke J. Fitzpatrick, Walter S. Hamburger, Hugh Hassan, Jr., Omer F. Hershey, Walter R. Hough, William B. Kines, Robert E. Lee, Ward H. Mills, J. Edwin Murphy, Edward H. Pfund, S. S. Scott, August F. Trappe and Alfred I. Hart.

Grand Army Club to Elect.

The election of officers of the Grand Army Club of Maryland will be held this evening at the clubhouse, 305 North Greene street. The following nominations have been made: For president, David Moberly; first vice president, George W. Mowen; second vice president, W. O. Saville, recording secretary, William H. Moffett; financial secretary, Samuel J. Schenkell and Charles Emich; treasurer, Horace Penniman; members of the board of governors, James Campbell, Gustav Schmidt, George Parker, A. J. Crockett, James Mitchell, A. D. Smith, Richard Hackett, George Seibold, George McCaslin, George Wilson, George Dietz and Joseph R. Kemp.

Overcome in Gas-filled Trench.

William Steinbaugh, 52 years old, 165 Harford avenue, an employe of the Consolidated Gas Electric Light and Power Company, was overcome by gas fumes while connecting a supply pipe to a gas main on Frederick avenue, near Wilkens street, late yesterday afternoon. Foreman James Strong was inspecting the trench in which Steinbaugh was working, and when he saw the latter lying unconscious at the bottom of the trench he hurried to his assistance. After Strong and several of his men had worked over Steinbaugh for several minutes he was restored to consciousness, and was later able to proceed to his home.

Distinction for Mr. Morgan.

The first city official to qualify in 1913 was James F. Morgan, who was appointed by Mayor Preston a member of the board of managers of the Maryland School for Boys. Mr. Morgan enrolled his name in the municipal book yesterday morning and Mayor's Assistant Secretary Kreuder, Jr., informed him that he was the first official to qualify in the new year. Mr. Morgan was first appointed a member of the board of managers by the late Mayor McLane. He has been reappointed by every succeeding Mayor because of the great interest which he manifests in the welfare of delinquent boys.

No Trouble Over Canal—B. N. Baker

"I believe that all the talk about international trouble over the Panama Canal is a bugaboo," was the statement of B. N. Baker yesterday. Mr. Baker has just returned from a trip through Europe. While in London he wrote an article for the London Times on the Panama Canal and its international significance. He said that the opening of the canal is going to be a bigger thing than the people of this country imagine. Mr. Baker was absent almost two months and he visited many of the European capitals. He said naturally the principal subject of conversation abroad is the Balkan situation.

Skin and Cancer Hospital Officers.

At the meeting of the board of directors of the Skin and Cancer Hospital held last night in the directors' room at the hospital, on North Mount street, the annual election of officers took place. Those elected were: John M. Deponai, president; John N. Wheeler, vice president; W. Morse Keener, secretary; George W. Ritter, treasurer, and Harvey H. Wilson, attorney. The new members of the board of directors elected at the meeting held Tuesday afternoon, were also installed last night. They are Harry H. Mahool, George W. Ritter, W. Morse Keener and J. S. Rawlings, Jr.

Receiver for Bates Hat Co.

Jacob France has been appointed receiver for the Bates Hat Company, of Baltimore city, by Judge Rose in the United States Court. Bond was fixed in the sum of $5,000. A petition was filed by M. S. Levy & Son, claiming $228.75; by the Francis Company, claiming $157.20, and by Samuel Friedenberg, claiming $150.32. They asked to have the company adjudicated bankrupt. The company, through Jacob Bates, its president, consented to the adjudication. Judge Rose thereupon declared the Bates Hat Company bankrupt.

Hear Chinese Missionary.

At the quarterly meeting of the Baltimore branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, held at Light Street German Methodist Episcopal Church yesterday morning, Dr. Li Bi Cu, of Ngucheng, China, a former student at Goucher College, now doing missionary work, recounted her experiences in Chinese hospitals.

After completing her studies in this country Dr. Li Hi Cu went to China, and there spent one year in various hospitals in that country. Her description of the different methods of treating patients was listened to with deep interest by the ladies present.

Sessions were held in the morning and afternoon. The afternoon session was taken up in the reading of reports. The morning session was called to order by the president, Mrs. Don S. Colt. Reports stating that during the first quarter $4,662 has been raised and that additional missionaries had been sent out were made. Last fall Misses Elsie Clark and Nellie Nevitt were sent to Foo Chow, and Miss Katherine Mott Johnson to Pueblo, Mexico.

The Baltimore branch takes in Maryland, the District of Columbia, the Canal Zone and the eastern part of Virginia. Representatives were present from Washington, Virginia and parts of Maryland. Mrs. John T. King, secretary of the home department, is also secretary of the Baltimore branch. Mrs. William E. Moore is the recording secretary, and Mrs. J. S. Rawlings is the treasurer. The society has a station in the Canal Zone and many others in various parts of the world. It is planned to open and support 12 more stations. These will probably be selected sometime this year.

Twenty-four Constables Vaccinated.

There are a number of sore arms about the People's Court these days, and the real cause is that several days ago two physicians—Drs. Spicknell and Gorsuch—of the Health Department visited the court and injected vaccine serum in the arms of 24 constables connected with the People's Court. While a number of the scratches did not take, still there are many that did, and these arms are the ones that are troublesome.

The vaccination of the constables came after one of them had visited a house in Northwest Baltimore last week armed with an ejectment. As no one was at home at the time the constable went into the house and when he came out he noticed a placard on the front door. Upon making an investigation he learned that several members of the family had contracted smallpox, and that the entire family had been sent to Quarantine. Just as soon as the constable returned to the court he reported the matter to Chief Constable James W. Lewis, who in turn notified the Health Department of the fact. Late Monday afternoon, just after all the cases for the day had been tried, the two Health Department physicians went down to the court. The private office of Chief Constable Lewis was transformed into a hospital, and when everything was ready the constables were led into the room one by one and had the vaccine serum injected in their arms as a matter of precaution.

Cardinal Host Sunday.

Right Rev. Owen B. Corrigan, assistant bishop to Cardinal Gibbons and pastor of St. Gregory's Catholic Church, Baker and Gilmor streets, held his annual New Year's reception after the high mass which was celebrated at that church Wednesday morning.

The mass was celebrated by Rev. Charles M. Morrisey, assistant pastor, and the sermon was delivered by Bishop Corrigan. The reception was held in the parsonage after the mass. Bishop Corrigan wore his official purple robes, shook the hand of each visitor and wished him or her a Happy New Year. He was assisted in receiving by Revs. P. L. Ireton and Charles M. Morrisey, the assistant pastors. It was estimated that about 500 persons called at the parsonage.

Cardinal Gibbons will hold his annual reception at his residence on North Charles street Sunday morning after the solemn high mass, at which he will preach. The Cardinal's reception is always looked forward to with much pleasure by people in all walks of life, who call on that day to receive his blessing. At receptions held in the past from 2,000 to 3,000 visitors have called at the Cardinal's home.

Small Fire at West Branch.

Some matches in an old overcoat hanging in a cupboard in the West Branch Young Men's Christian Association became ignited in some mysterious manner yesterday afternoon, filling the room with smoke. One of the members, who was passing the room, the door of which was open, saw the smoke coming from the cupboard. He immediately opened the cupboard door, fanning the smoldering coat into a blaze. The odor of smoke caused the members to believe that a serious blaze had broken out on the second floor of the building, and several of the youths ran out into the street shouting, "Fire! Fire!" The alarm was heard by Stephen Le Compte, 2117 West Baltimore street, who was passing down the street. He notified No. 13 truck, at Carey and Lombard streets. The firemen quickly responded, but the blaze had been nearly extinguished on their arrival. The coat was destroyed, but the damage to the cupboard was slight.

Reuben D. Foster Enters Suit.

Reuben D. Foster, by Attorneys Marbury, Gosnell & Williams, yesterday, in the Superior Court, filed a suit for $500 damages against the Stewart Taxi Service Company and the United Railways and Electric Company. The plaintiff alleges that on April 17, 1912, his automobile was standing on Fayette street, facing east. A car of the United, it is alleged, was approaching in an easterly direction. A taxicab, it is alleged, attempted to pass the plaintiff's auto, and there was not enough room between the electric car and the plaintiff's auto. He claims his automobile was damaged.

German Almanac Out.

The Baltimore Journal Company yesterday issued its annual German Blue Book and Almanac, which is delivered free of charge to the readers of the Baltimore Journal and Sonntags Post. The book contains some excellent reading matter, the perennial, Hebrew, evangelical and Roman calendar. There are also interesting stories of German life, lithographs of more than usual value, and many humorous sketches. There are also many pages of advertising by prominent firms of this city. The book is welcomed annually in many German homes.

Will of Charles R. Stine.

The will of the late Charles R. Stine was filed for probate yesterday. To his widow, Mrs. C. Isabel Stine, is left the estate in full, and she is appointed executrix without bond. Mr. Stine was a member of the Baltimore Stock Exchange and was a well-known turfman. He died last Saturday at the Franklin Square Hospital of heart trouble and was buried Monday in Greenmount Cemetery.

Miss Hanaw Has a New Dance.

Miss Hanaw has a new dance. No, it's not the tango, one-step or anything like the bunny hug or turkey trot. It's the latest shottische that was danced at Delmonico's, in New York, last week. Miss Hanaw took several lessons in the metropolis last week from Mrs. H. Gibbs, of New York. At Union Hall last night, where her weekly dance took place, she unfolded her plans for introducing the new dance.

THE COUNTY

This Man Made to Move On.

For more than an hour late yesterday afternoon several women residents of Catonsville were badly frightened by a desperate looking man who called at their homes on various pretexts, but apparently with the object of robbery. Mrs. Frederick C. Grimm, who resides on Winters avenue, was on the second floor of her home shortly after 5 o'clock in the afternoon when she heard strange noises from the outside. On looking out the window she saw a man about five feet seven inches in height and of stocky build acting in a suspicious manner. Mrs. Grimm asked him what he wanted and he replied that he had come for some bottles which he said were in the cellar.

Instead of being frightened, as were several others, Mrs. Grimm reached for her husband's pistol, and pointing it straight at the visitor, demanded that he quickly move on. This he did, Mrs. Grimm said, until he reached the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Garber, who also live on Winters avenue.

While the stranger was moving up the avenue Mrs. Grimm was watching him from her second-story window and when he stopped at the Garber home she called to him to move on and to be quick about it. Seeing that she was determined he beat a hasty retreat up the road. After the stranger was completely out of sight Mrs. Grimm, who is a self-possessed woman, notified William Grimm, her brother-in-law, and he in turn notified the county police.

Miss Steinman Bride of Triplett.

Jesse Triplett and Miss Irene Steinman, both of Holbrook, in the Second district of Baltimore county, were quietly married at the parsonage of West Baltimore circuit of the Methodist Episcopal Church at 7 o'clock on Thursday evening, Rev. Frank Steelman, pastor of the circuit, officiating. The bride was attired in a traveling suit of blue cloth, with hat and gloves to match, and was attended by Miss Edna Triplett, sister of the groom, as maid of honor. Mr. Triplett's best man was Andrew O'Rourke, stepbrother of the bride. Mr. and Mrs. Triplett left at once for a short trip and on their return will reside at Holbrook, where both are popular in Methodist church circles.

Want Five-cent Fare to Pikesville.

A meeting to protest against the action of the Public Service Commission and the United Railways and Electric Company relative to the reduction of car fare to Pikesville from the city was held last night at the Maryland Country Club. The proposed issuing of books, which would reduce the fare to Pikesville to about eight and one-half cents, is not met with particular favor. The Pikesville residents want a straight five-cent fare to and from the city. Several stirring speeches of indignation were made by prominent citizens of the locality.

Carriers Ill, Mail Piles Up.

George T. Drechsler, letter carrier at Mount Washington, who was injured in an accident Wednesday morning when an automobile collided with his carriage while he was delivering mail, is slightly improved.

Thomas G. Bloom, postmaster at Mount Washington, is confined to his bed. A delay in the delivery of mail in East Mount Washington has been caused by the illness of Drescher and Bloom and the rush of packages of the yuletide season. A substitute carrier is doing Drescher's work.

Elections at Ward's Chapel.

The Sunday school of Ward's Methodist Episcopal Chapel at Holbrook has elected the following officers to serve for the ensuing year: Superintendent, Horace Triplett; assistant superintendent, Albert Ferrel; secretary, Andrew O'Rourke; treasurer, William Mielke; librarians, William Kelley, Frank Gries, Jesse Triplett; organist, Mrs. John N. Price; assistant organist, Miss Edna Triplett.

The Ward's Chapel Temperance Society elected officers as follows: President, William Kelley; secretary, Roy Selman; treasurer, Gilbert Randall.

Christmas Festival at Phoenix.

The Methodist Sunday School at Phoenix held its Christmas entertainment and festival last evening in the church. Special music by the choir and a number of bright recitations by the children made a pleasant evening for those present. William J. Stover, superintendent of the Sunday school, presided. O. V. Hare, superintendent of the Episcopal Sunday School, was called upon to make a short address.

William Trischman Dead.

William Trischman, an adopted son of William Wagner, 18 White avenue, Hamilton, died Wednesday at the home of his foster parents. Mr. Trischman was 24 years old. The funeral will take place tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock. Rev. William P. Batz, of Highlandtown, will officiate at the house and grave. Interment will be in Baltimore Cemetery.

Will of William Hooper.

The will of William Hooper, of Knoebel, was filed for probate yesterday at the office of the register of wills at Towson. He bequeaths his estate to his nieces (Emma J. Durham and Ada E. Hooper), his son (Norville Wise Hooper) and his daughter (Mrs. Ella Dora Bornman).

Schools Open Next Monday.

The public schools of Baltimore county will reopen next Monday.

DEATHS

Mrs. Mary J. Harpel.

Death visited a family for the third time in three years, when on Tuesday morning Mrs. Mary J. Harpel, 1417 Harford avenue, succumbed. Mrs. Harpel was 74 years old. Her death was preceded by that of her husband less than a year ago, and her son, Emory. Mrs. Harpel came of a family of Pennsylvania Germans who settled about 20 years ago on the Camp Chapel road, Germantown, Baltimore county. Since the death of her husband, however, Mrs. Harpel had resided at the residence of her son, Isaac, at the Harford avenue address. The deceased leaves seven sons and four daughters. Walter Harpel, a fireman in the Gardenville Engine Company, is a grandson. Sons of the deceased will act as pallbearers at the funeral, which will take place this morning at 11 o'clock. The services will be conducted by Rev. H. E. R. Rick, pastor of Hiss Methodist Episcopal Church, Harford road, Parkville. The body will be taken to the Camp Chapel Methodist Episcopal Church, Camp Chapel road, after which it will be interred in the burying-ground adjoining the church.

Mrs. Elizabeth W. Stevenson.

Mrs. Elizabeth W. Stevenson, 59 years old, wife of Emory M. Stevenson, chasier for Parke, Davis & Co., manufacturing chemists, died yesterday afternoon in her home, 1025 Edmondson avenue, after an illness of six weeks. Death was due to paralysis. Mrs. Stevenson had suffered three strokes. Born in Safe Harbor, Mrs. Stevenson received her early education there and came here when 31 years old. She was well known in club and church circles, in which she was much interested. Besides her husband, four sons (Harry T., of New York; Charles E. and John F., of Washington, and Vernon E. Stevenson, of Baltimore) and two daughters (Mrs. Myra Stevenson Mac-chant, of Richmond, Va., and Miss Laura F. Stevenson, of Baltimore) survive her.

Roderick Taliaferro.

Roderick Taliaferro, a former resident of this city, died at his home in Philadelphia Tuesday night from the effects of pneumonia, with which he was stricken last Friday. Born in Danville, Va., 54 years ago, he was the son of the late Charles C. and Elizabeth Carter Taliaferro. He moved to this city with his parents when a youth, and received his education in the schools of Baltimore. Twenty-five years ago he went to Philadelphia, where he became connected with the United States Express Company. He is survived by a widow and one sister (Mrs. Susan P. Boswell). The body will be brought to this city at noon today for burial. The funeral will take place tomorrow from the home of his niece, Miss Margaret F. Forsyth, 2821 West North avenue. The services will be conducted by Rev. Dr. Carlton D. Harris, editor of the Southern Methodist. Burial will be in Loudon Park Cemetery.

Mrs. Isabel Steever Little.

Mrs. Isabel Steever Little, wife of Harry Little, died at her home, 238 West Lanvale street, yesterday evening at 7 o'clock after a few days' illness of pneumonia. Mrs. Little was the daughter of the late Daniel Steever, well known in Baltimore as one of the leading dealers of horses in the State of Maryland. Mrs. Little is survived by her husband and five children, including Mrs. Ida LeRoy Breitbarth, of Washington, D. C.; Miss Blanche Little, Messrs. Harry, Conn and John D. Little, the last named the treasurer of the New Academy of Music, and her sisters (Mrs. William Lynch, Mrs. Andrew Hartner, Mrs. William Wilson) and her brother (Daniel Steever, Jr.). Mrs. Little was attended by Dr. Ridgely Warfield and Dr. W. B. McDonald. Rev. Father Smith, of Corpus Christi Church, administered the last sacraments of the church.

Dies Day After Wedding.

Married one day and widowed the next, Mrs. George Robertson will this afternoon attend the funeral of her husband, who died Tuesday at Highfield, Md. The funeral will take place from the home of a brother—Charles Robertson, 2301 Oak street—and later, at 1:30 o'clock, services will be conducted at First Methodist Episcopal Church by Rev. Charles L. Mead. Burial will be in Druid Ridge Cemetery.

Mr. Robertson was born in West Virginia and came to Baltimore 20 years ago. At an early age he learned the trade of a barber and after practicing his profession in a number of shops here he went in business for himself on West Baltimore street. This business he conducted until his health forced him to stop working altogether.

Nine years ago he met his wife, who was then Miss Madia Rentz, of Trenton, N. J., and later they became deeply in love with each other. They were planning to get married when Mr. Robertson's health gave way. He was ordered to leave Baltimore at once. He went to a sanitarium in the Blue Ridge Mountains and afterwards rented a cottage in Highfield, his one hope being that his health might improve so that he could be married.

Last Saturday when his condition became worse and he realized that he could not possibly live, he begged Miss Rentz, who, with his mother and father, had been nursing him, to marry him. She consented and the ceremony was performed on Monday by Rev. George M. Janes, of Monterey. Besides his widow Mr. Robertson is survived by his mother and father (Mr. and Mrs. George W. Robertson), two brothers (Charles and E. J. Robertson) and a sister (Mrs. J. H. Shewell, of Berston Park, Md.).

Gen. Murray's Funeral Tomorrow.

The funeral of Gen. Robert Murray, retired, surgeon general of the Army during President Arthur's administration and a veteran of the Mexican and Civil Wars, who died Wednesday night at his home, 1404 Madison avenue, will be held in Grace Protestant Episcopal Church, Elkridge, Md., tomorrow afternoon at 12:30 o'clock. The services will be conducted by Rev. Robert A. Castleman, rector of Grace Church, who will be assisted by Rev. G. Mosely Murray, the former rector and at present rector of St. Bartholomew's Protestant Episcopal Church, this city. Burial will take place in the cemetery adjoining Grace Church. The pallbearers will be the nephews of General Murray. For the past several years General Murray, who was 91 years old, had been in failing health. Last Friday he developed pneumonia, which was the immediate cause of his death.

He was appointed surgeon general of the Army in 1882, and served in that capacity during the entire administration of President Arthur. Since his retirement he had traveled extensively, but always maintained his home both in this city and at Elkridge, Md. He is survived by two sons (Dr. John Donaldson Murray, of this city, and Robert D. Murray, of New York).

FUNERALS

Mrs. Betty S. Berkeley.

Funeral services for Mrs. Betty Stapleton Berkeley, 83 years old, widow of Dr. Richard F. Berkeley, who died Tuesday from the infirmities of age, were held yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the home of her son-in-law, John Chapin Paine, 1911 Linden avenue. The services were conducted by Rev. William M. Dame, rector of Memorial Protestant Episcopal Church, assisted by Rev. W. Page Dame, the assistant rector, and Rev. Henry Shaw, rector of Prince of Peace Protestant Episcopal Church, Walbrook. This morning at 9:45 o'clock the body will be taken to Richmond, Va., where burial will take place in Hollywood Cemetery.

Anson Ehrhart.

The funeral of Anson Ehrhart, 102 West West street, who died last Sunday, took place from Holy Cross Catholic Church at 9 o'clock yesterday morning. Rev. Armenius Gamp, the pastor, solemnized a high mass of requiem. The pallbearers were members of the Knights of St. Paul, a company of which turned out to attend the funeral. A band of music headed the cortege and journeyed to the Holy Cross Cemetery, where the interment took place. Mr. Ehrhart was a member of the Knights of St. Paul.

Councilman Durm the Donor.

When Watchman Richard S. Jones reaches the City Hall this morning he will find a gallon of oysters in a little box in the corridor adjacent to Mayor Preston's private office. He will also find a card attached, on which is written: "Congratulations on your sixty-second birthday. From a friend."

An American reporter learned last night that the "friend" was Councilman George Durm, of the First ward. Mr. Durm was informed several days ago that one of the City Hall watchmen was going to celebrate his birthday. In his characteristic way Mr. Durm decided to send Mr. Jones an anonymous gift.

Young Toye Leaves Sanitarium.

After being confined to the Beidler-Sellman Sanitarium for over six weeks suffering with a fractured skull and a splintered leg, as the result of being struck by a motorcycle near his home, on Eastern avenue, Findley Toye, the 16-year-old son of Mrs. Julia Toye, was taken to his home yesterday. His physicians say that all he needs now is careful nursing.

Don't Take Substitutes.

Look after your own interest and watch the dealer who is constantly trying to sell you something just as good as the article you ask for. Never take a substitute.

SOCIETY

Miss Elizabeth Barber, of Ankin, near Hankow, China, is the guest of Mrs. T. Alexis Berry at her home on John street. Miss Barber will leave next week for Pasadena, Cal., and will sail from San Francisco for her home in China.

Mr. Harry Preston is a guest at the Grafton, Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Charles Macklin has returned from a visit to Governor and Mrs. Phillips Lee