THE CITY

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.

Studied Lessons by Candle; Fire.

Thirteen-year-old Mildred Arthur, who lives with her mother, Mrs. E. A. Watson, and her stepfather at 1701 West Fayette street, narrowly escaped being burned to death early yesterday morning when a candle which she had forgotten to extinguish before going to sleep ignited her bedcloths. The child had been studying her lessons in bed. At midnight she was still poring over her books, but at last, overcome by drowsiness, she fell asleep. The candle, which she had placed on a box close to the bed, burned lower and lower in its socket, until finally it ignited the box, which in turn set fire to the bedclothes.

Shortly after 2 o'clock Mildred awoke. She became aware of a choking sensation and was alarmed to see that the room was full of smoke. Sitting up in bed, the child found that little red tongues of flame were playing up and down along the edges of the counterpane. Calling loudly for help, the child ran out into the hallway. Her mother and stepfather were aroused and hurled the blazing bedclothes to the street. After making sure that the last flying spark had been extinguished, the trio then returned to bed.

Boy Rescued From Harbor.

Stumbling and falling headlong into the icy waters of the Patapsco off the foot of Ann street, where work is in progress on the new City Recreation Pier, Stephen Sporny, 12 years old, of 902 South Wolfe street, narrowly escaped being drowned late Thursday afternoon, and it was only due to the quick action of George W. Rodgers, 230 South Collington avenue, who is aspiring to become a patrolman, that little Stephen is alive today.

Shortly after 5 o'clock Thursday afternoon little Stephen and several other boys were playing near the water's edge. When Stephen fell into the water, which is about 20 feet deep at this point, Rodgers, who is at present employed by the Maryland Dredging and Contracting Company, which is assisting in the construction of the new pier, jumped into a rowboat and pulled for the spot where the lad went down.

Just as the lad came to the surface for the last time Rodgers grabbed him by the collar and hauled him out of the water. Yesterday, outside of his icy bath, the boy was none the worse for his thrilling experience.

Seventeen Delinquent Parents Up.

Seventeen parents faced Justice Smith, in the Eastern Police Court, yesterday morning, charged with failing to send their children to school. All had been arrested on warrants sworn out by Mrs. Mary Watkins, Mrs. Maria Bloch and Miss May McDonnell, truant officers in the eastern section of the city. Twelve of the cases had been continued from a previous hearing and as the truant officers testified that the children had been attending school regularly since that time these were dismissed. The other five were held over until February 7 and if these parents have their children in school regularly from now on these will also be dismissed.

S. Joseph Geilner, 2702 Elliott street, who was to have appeared yesterday morning, failed to do so and as a result a warrant has been sworn out for his arrest. He was arrested sometime ago and at that time said he would not send his children to school. Since then they have been in their class-rooms only once. He may get a Jail sentence Monday, as the magistrate is determined to break up the non-attendance in East Baltimore.

To Marry Convict When Released.

Holley Harry McNamara, sentenced to 10 years in the Penitentiary by Judge Keedy at Cumberland, and whom Mrs. Susan Mary Timney wanted to marry, is now in the institution here. Warden Leonard yesterday said he knew nothing about the romance! Late Wednesday night the woman appeared at the jail in Cumberland and said she wanted to marry the prisoner, who had been sentenced for attempted assault upon 11-year-old Rosie M. Faunton.

Mrs. Timney was accompanied by Rev. George A. Thompson, of Buckhannon, W. Va., who was to perform the ceremony, Mrs. Timney having secured his services after searching for a minister for a week. She says she will wait until he is released, if she is not successful in having the Governor of the state pardon her sweetheart. Mrs. Timney was at the station early in the morning to see McNamara off, and they were in quiet conversation for some time before the train departed. She said they have been friends since childhood and that he is innocent of the crime of which he was convicted.

Cruise to West Indies.

Carrying her full capacity the steamship Cincinnati, of the Hamburg-American Line, will sail from New York today on a 29-day cruise to the West Indies and the Panama Canal. Practically every state in the Union is represented in her long passenger list. The cruise will cover 6,945 miles, with calls of a day or more at nine different ports. On reaching Colon the tourists will be carried across the Isthmus by special train, stopping at the various points of interest along the line of the canal. Although the Cincinnati is the largest steamer visiting the West Indies this season, she has been sold out weeks in advance. The rush to the Panama Canal is establishing new methods of travel in the American Mediterranean. Among those sailing are the following Baltimoreans:

Mrs. J. V. L. Findlay, John B. Kurtz, Telfair W. Marriott, John W. McPherson, Clinton P. Paine, Dr. Roland B. Whitridge and Howard E. Young.

Negress Shoots Rival.

Charged with attempting to kill Carrie Butler, colored, 1354 Carroll street, by shooting at her with a revolver, Geneva Neal, also colored, 837 Clifford street, is being held at the Southwestern Police Station for a hearing this morning before Magistrate Ulrich. According to the police, the Neal woman became enraged because Carrie was receiving the attentions of one of her dusky admirers. The Butler woman was shot in the right arm. She was taken to Franklin Square Hospital, where her condition is not said to be serious.

Mrs. Thomas S. Chambers Ill.

Mrs. Thomas Sisson Chambers, of the Mount Royal Apartments, wife of Dr. Thomas R. Chambers, coroner of the Central district, is seriously ill at the Mercy Hospital, where she has been a patient for the last several days.

Mrs. Chambers was operated upon by Dr. Edward H. Richardson on Thursday for appendicitis. She withstood the operation well and yesterday was reported to be much improved. Mrs. Chambers had been suffering from a mild attack of the ailment for some time, but the attending physicians exerted every effort to cure it without operating. Mrs. Chambers did not respond to the treatment, however, and on Thursday it was decided that an operation was imperative. She was taken to the hospital and prepared immediately for the ordeal. Dr. Chambers is almost constantly at the bedside of his wife.

More Subscriptions to Ad Fund.

The Ad Club convention fund was increased $235 yesterday by four subscriptions which were received at the local club's headquarters. They were from the Coca Cola Company, $100; John E. Hurst & Co., $100; Charles G. Summares & Co., $25, and Elmore B. Jeffrey, $10.

Every contributor to the convention fund will receive a badge and ticket which will entitle him to admission to the departmental sessions, where the real educational work along specific lines will be conducted. These sessions will be held at the Armory during the entire convention week, from Monday, June 9, to Friday evening, June 13.

Interest in this convention has become general throughout the world, as is proved by letters being received daily from various countries. A letter received yesterday morning from Aldo r. Zucchi, of Milan, Italy, expresses the desire that information relating to the convention be sent to him in detail, and states that he will distribute this information himself among the business men of all Italy, so that that country may have as large representation as possible at the convention. He says:

"I do not know of the existence of any advertising clubs in Italy, but will be glad to furnish you names and addresses of the most important advertisers in Italy. Italy's industrial, commercial and agricultural classes have made more progress in the last 10 years than any other Latin country, and enjoy healthy prosperity, particularly the agricultural and industrial population in Italy today is enjoying prosperous times, due to higher wages and salaries, which have more than doubled in the last few years. These conditions are the outcome of the healthy and increasing prosperity of Italian affairs in general. Small proprietors and the working classes today buy specialties, where years ago, when we had no advertising to speak of, this was not possible."

Mr. Zucchi says he intends to come to the convention next June himself.

Hildebrandts Win Suit.

C. H. Hildebrandt & Son, the well-known musical instrument dealers, yesterday won the suit which Herman Hoyer, of the Boston Symphony Orchestra, filed against them and which was tried before Judge Dawkins and a jury in Part 2, of the Superior Court. Mr. Hoyer in his suit claimed that he bought two violins from the defendants, one represented to be a Nicholas Lupot, Paris, 1823, for $650 and another a Carletti, 1863, for $150. He declared that they were not genuine, but imitations. A number of prominent musical people testified for Mr. Hildebrandt, who also went on the witness stand himself.

Mr. Hildebrandt declared that both instruments were genuine and said that the reputation of his house for generations was such as to have become impervious to such charges, water rolling off of a duck's back, so to speak. He declared that when Hoyer came into his shop to see the Lupot, before he could begin to sing the praises of the instrument, Hoyer threw up his hands "con abbandone."

"Not a word, not a word," he cried, "I am able to tell a Lupot a mile off."

The violins were sent on approval to Mr. Hoyer for two weeks. A check came back, "largo, ma non troppo." Then Mr. Hoyer came back, "con furioso." He declared that the violins were not what they were claimed to be and wanted his money back "prestissimo." Mr. Hildebrandt, "un poco agitato," refused to return the money, for he said that the instruments were what he had said they were. Then came the suit.

Mr. Goldsborough Complimented.

A. S. Goldsborough, secretary of the Factory Site Commission and editor of the Baltimore Municipal Journal, yesterday received a letter from the Old Town Merchants and Manufacturers' Association complimenting him on the splendid appearance of the city's new periodical. The letter, which is signed by the officers of the association, follows:

A. S. Goldsborough, Editor Municipal Journal:

Dear Sir—In his address at the annual meeting of this association on Tuesday evening, January 21, our president alluded to the birth of a new paper for this city, the Municipal Journal.

We were requested to extend to you the best wishes of this association for the success of the Journal, and to compliment you on the splendid appearance of the first issue and the valuable information that is given the citizens of Baltimore on matters in which they are vitally interested. Our members who have read the Journal were much pleased and interested in it, and expressed the opinion that it will do much good for our city.

Again complimenting you and the city administration on the first issue of the paper, and wishing you much success in this new journalistic enterprise, we are, very truly yours,

OLD TOWN MERCHANTS AND MANUFACTURERS' ASSOCIATION.

Miss Avice Donaldson Appointed.

Miss Avice Donaldson, a visiting nurse of the Phipps Dispensary of the Johns Hopkins Hospital, was yesterday appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Miss Nell M. Gould yesterday morning. The selection of Miss Donaldson, who is a graduate of the Johns Hopkins Nurses' Training School, is made only temporarily, but it is believed that she will be officially appointed at a future meeting of the officials. Miss Donaldson has been connected with the Phipps Dispensary for about two years and is well acquainted with its methods. She assumed her duties as head nurse yesterday.

Electrical Men Banquet.

The rejuvenation and annual banquet of the Jovian Order was held at the Hotel Emerson last night. Preceding the banquet 32 new members were received into the order. There were about 150 men at the banquet. Melvin H. Jones was the toastmaster. Addresses pertaining to the technical and practical sides of electrical engineering were delivered by Philip S. Dodd, secretary and treasurer of the Society for Electrical Development of New York, and J. C. Scott, of Yale University, past president of the American Institution of Electric Engineers.

Dr. Gorter Visits Quarantine.

Accompanied by his assistant, Dr. C. Hampson Jones, and his secretary, W. Harry Laib, Health Commissioner Gorter visited Quarantine yesterday afternoon. The officials were taken down the harbor on the Quarantine tug E. Clay Timanus, on which Quarantine Physician Thomas R. Richardson awaited their arrival. It was Dr. Gorter's first visit to Quarantine, and he evinced deep interest in what he saw. He examined the smallpox patients and offered a number of suggestions to Dr. Richardson which aimed to improve the condition of the patients.

"What Is a Christian?"

This is not so easy a question to answer as it may at first seem. We read in the Holy Scriptures that certain men and women were first called Christians at Antioch. What were they, and how different from others? Have we those of the same characteristics today, and if so, how identified? These and many other questions are suggested by this sugject, which is to be discussed by Pastor F. F. Cook, of Detroit, tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Academy of Music.

Wants $5,000 for Ducking.

Alleging that a fire hose was negligently turned on him in Rowland's Turkish Baths, George Smith yesterday filed a suit for $5,000 damages in the Superior Court against Harry Rowland, Henry W. Rowland and Nellie Rowland. The plaintiff, in his declaration, states that he came out of the steam room of the baths and was requested to go into the cold water bath. He refused, giving as his reason a weak heart. It was then that the water from the fire hose was negligently allowed to be turned full force upon him. It threw him to the floor, he says, and injured him.

Mr. E. C. Cromwell Weds.

A pretty home wedding was celebrated in Smithfield, Va., on Wednesday, January 29, high noon, at the home of the bride's parents, when Miss Susie Cox became the bride of Mr. Edward Clyde Cromwell, of Baltimore, Md. The home was beautifully decorated in white narcissus, lilies and palms, while Southern smilax draped the altar. Rev. Francis R. Lee officiated.

The bride was given away by her father. She wore a tan cloth traveling suit and carried a prayer-book with a bouquet of lilies-of-the-valley.

Miss Georgie Andrews, of Portsmouth, wearing a handsome dress of blue charmeuse, was maid of honor. She carried a shower bouquet of pink Maryland roses. Mr. Wilber Cox, brother of the bride, was best man, and the ushers included Mr. W. Pedin, of Norfolk; Messrs. R. Cox and Morrison, of Smithfield.

The wedding music was rendered by Misses Nancy Cowling and Virginia Beryman. After the ceremony luncheon was served. Among the out-of-town guests were Mrs. Pedin, Mr. Pedin, Norfolk; Miss Frances Jones, Farmville, Va.; Mrs. C. T. Hudson, Norfolk; Misses Georgie and Eliza Andrews, Portsmouth. The groom, who is a son of the late Edward B. Cromwell, for many years chief proofreader of The Baltimore American, is a rising young chemist of this city.

Hotel Man Missing.

Matthew White, Jr., cashier of the Hotel Belvedere, vice president of the Maryland Hotel Clerks' Association and a member of the board of governors of National Society of the Greeters of America, has received information of the strange disappearance of Charles Carroll Murden, for the last six years bookkeeper of Hotel Imperial, New York city and ex-president and present chairman of the board of governors of the Greeters.

Every member of the Greeters in the United States has been asked to look out for Mr. Murden. Each hotel manager and proprieter in the United States has also been instructed to look out for him.

Mr. Murden left the home of his sister, Mrs. Paul Hanbury, at Portsmouth, Va., on Saturday, December 14, and arrived in New York on Sunday, December 15. Immediately upon his arrival he went to his home at 252 West Thirty-eighth street, from which place he disappeared at 11:30 the same evening.

Mr. Murden has been suffering for the past six months from a nervous malady and general ill health. It is thought by his physicians and friends that his illness may have resulted in a temporary loss of memory and that he has left New York.

Mr. McCay's Bridge Suggestion.

City Engineer McCay has written a letter to the State Roads Commission proposing that they use some of the Lexington street and Baltimore street girders over Jones Falls in the construction of the new bridge that will have to be built on the Frederick road. The City Engineer believes that the use of these girders, if the bridge can be arranged for them, will effect a saving of from $15,000 to $25,000, depending on the cost of the concrete bridge.

The City Engineer is not requesting the State Roads Commission to abandon their concrete bridge, but simply to receive proposals on an alternate bridge of the design made by him. If the girders meet the stresses and strains called for by the State Roads Commission this will effect a considerable saving to the city and enable the State Roads Commission to spend that additional money on paving elsewhere in the city.

May Be Walter F. Steinberg.

Acting Marshal James Manning thinks that he has positively established the identity of the man believed to be Arthur Bondy, whose body is now at the morgue. The man was found dead in a gas-filled room in the St. George Hotel, 7 and 9 North Front street, with Elizabeth Smith, of 30 South Washington street.

Thursday the Acting Marshal sent a telegram to New York asking the police of that city to aid him in identifying the man. He believed him to be Walter F. Steinberg, 115 East One Hundred and Fifteenth street, Harlem. Yesterday a telegram was received from New York stating that Becky Steinberg, of that address was found and identified the man in every way except his height. A photograph will be sent to New York in the hopes that he will be positively identified.

Rev. Dr. Bell Improved.

Rev. Dr. Ezra K. Bell, pastor of First English Lutheran Church, who is at the Mercy Hospital suffering from the effects of an operation for appendicitis and gallstones, was reported last night to be much improved. The aged pastor is still seriously ill and as yet has not been permitted to receive any of the number of friends and members of his congregation who have called at the hospital to inquire about his condition. Only the members of his family are allowed at the bedside.

Rev. Dr. Bell was operated upon on Thursday by Dr. A. C. Harrison. He is 65 years old, but is a man of strong constitution and of vigorous health.

Ill, Shoplifter Is Paroled.

Mrs. Margaret Powell, the aged woman who was arrested last April on a charge of shoplifting and who lived at that time at 749 McHenry street, was pardoned yesterday by Governor Goldsborough and released from the Maryland Penitentiary, where she was serving a three-year term. Illness was the plea on which a daughter, Mrs. Emma Brown, secured her release. Mrs. Powell was taken by the daughter to her home. Mrs. Powell's husband is serving a term in the Penitentiary for receiving stolen goods. He and his wife and the daughter were arrested last April by Detectives Busick and Pohler. Mrs. Brown was paroled.

Gave Recital at White House.

Prof. Ludwig Breitner and his niece, Miss Kavourdjean, took part in a musical at the Presidential Mansion in Washington recently, at the express invitation of President and Mrs. Taft. For their program they gave together the Variations for two pianos by Beethoven and St Saens and Man Left Nuhr Einmal. Professor Breitner gave alone the Rubinstein Barcarolle, two Etudes of Chopin, and Marche Turque by Beethoven. There was a large company of invited guests, including the French Ambassador and other notables in society at the national capital.

Pastor to Celebrate.

The musical program in connection with the thirty-sixth anniversary of Rev. I. C. Burke, as pastor of the Third Evangelical Lutheran Church, tomorrow, will be as follows:

Orchestral selections; choir, Praise the Lord (Gabriel); violin solo, Franklin Walters; choir, Te Deum in D (Bauer).

At the evening services the Studio Quartet, composed of Messrs. Townsend, Price, James and Townsend, will sing selections. Tenor solo, Ivers James; cello solo, Master Albert Koke; choir, Te Deum (Zundel).

John Heller is organist and director.

Mayor Denies Pier Rumor.

Mayor Preston yesterday set at rest the rumors, published from time to time, that the city is contemplating the building of a $1,000,000 pier in Lower Canton for the use of ocean-going ships. He said the matter had never been considered by him and that he had not received the slightest information on the subject from the Harbor Board or any other commission of the city government.

MADAM LUIS PASTOR

Formerly Miss Constance Cassanove Lee, who is suing for a divorce from the former secretary of the Spanish legation in Washington. She was married in this city. Recently she became a society reporter in the national capital.

W. B. Duke to Wed Miss Turner.

Announcement has just been made of the engagement of Miss Katharine Marie Turner, daughter of Mrs. Joseph J. Turner, to W. Bernard Duke. The wedding will take place in February and will be very quiet.

Miss Turner is widely known as a writer, a lecturer on historical subjects and as an artist, her particular branch of art being the illuminating of manuscripts. She is a graduate of St. Joseph's College, Emmitsburg, which conferred on her the degree of doctor of letters. She was the first woman in the state, it is said, to receive such a degree and is one of the very few who hold it. It is said that St. Joseph's has conferred the degree on only two of its former students.

For the last three years Mrs. Turner and her daughters have been making their home in St. Marys county, although they are now in Baltimore for the winter. While in St. Marys Miss Turner has been making a study of the old records still to be found there bearing on the early history of Maryland.

Mr. Duke is head of the Duke-Peterson Hardware Company and is one of the vice presidents of the National Bank of Baltimore.

Goucher to Try Again.

Within the next two weeks, a wind-up campaign will be launched by the trustees of Goucher College, with the hope that the $200,000, which is needed to keep the institution in Baltimore will be subscribed by generous Baltimoreans. Plans for this campaign were discussed at a meeting of bishops, ministers and laymen of the Methodist Church, held in New York Thursday afternoon. The $300,000 that is still needed from persons living outside of Baltimore, has been assured.

John T. Stone, who was present at the meeting held in New York, was of the opinion yesterday that the money needed will be forthcoming. He stated that only 40 days remained in which they could get the required amount. "I believe," he said, "that Baltimoreans will come to our help. The wind-up campaign is expected to bring great results, and we are living in hopes."

If the money cannot be raised in that time, Baltimore will know Goucher College no longer.

Bosley Estate Worth $25,673.89.

An inventory filed in the Orphans' Court yesterday shows the persoual estate of the late Dr. James Bosley, former health commissioner, to have been worth $25,673.89. It consists of: Furniture and personal effects, $557.50; leasehold property, $1,800, and the following securities:

BONDS.	
$4,000 United Railways and Electric Company income	$2,480.00
$3,000 Norfolk Railway and Light Company	3,000.00
$2,000 Tidewater Power Company	1,800.00
$2,000 Seaboard Air Line	1,700.00
$8,000 United Railways and Electric Company first mortgage	6,800.00
STOCKS.	
200 shares United Railways and Electric Company	4,600.00
10 shares Mercantile Bank	400.00
195 shares Howard County Sanitarium Company	1,950.00
5 shares Royal Arcanum Club Building Company	25.00
Cash	561.39
Total inventory	$25,673.89

Cooksey Succeeds Houston.

At yesterday's meeting of the Paving Commission, R. M. Cooksey was appointed to succeed L. J. Houston, who resigned his position as assistant chief engineer, several days ago. Mr. Cooksey will receive a salary of $2,100 a year, which is $300 less than his predecessor received. For the past year Mr. Cooksey acted as assistant to Mr. Houston. In view of his good work, the commission thought that he deserved promotion.

Mr. Gustav J. Barrett was appointed stenographer and clerk in place of George M. Dersch, who resigned. He will receive a salary of $800 a year.

Evan V. Rinehart resigned as inspector and John Thorne resigned as bookkeeper.

Mr. Bernard Crozier was promoted from an inspectorship to the post of assistant engineer, with a salary of $1,350 a year.

It was reported at the meeting by Chairman R. Keith Compton that paving work is proceeding on two streets, namely, Central avenue, between Oliver and Pratt, and Bethel street, between Lancastr and Pratt.

Free Organ Recital Tomorrow.

J. Atlee Young, organist, will give the next afternoon organ recital at the Peabody Conservatory of Music tomorrow afternoon. Max Rosenstein, violinist, will assist Mr. Young

Maryland Alumni to Dine.

The annual banquet of the Maryland Alumni Association of the University of Virginia will take place at the University Club this evening at 7 o'clock. All signs point to an unusually interesting and successful occasion. The Sons of Old Virginia from far and near will be on hand, and the good old song will come into its own again.

The toastmaster will be Rev. Arthur B. Kinsolving and the speakers will be Prof. Armistead M. Doble, of the University of Virginia; Mr. B. Howell Griswold, Jr., Dr. Henry E. Shepperd and Mr. Henry A. Osborn, Jr. Senator Thomas S. Martin and Hon. William A. Jones have both promised to come, if possible, and will talk informally. The University of Virginia Alumni resident in Maryland are more numerous than those of any other university outside of Maryland, and include many prominent men of Baltimore.

The officers of the Maryland Alumni Association are: President, George P. Bagby; vice president, Dr. David M. R. Culbreth; secretary and treasurer, J. Mercer Garnett, Jr.; assistant secretary and treasurer, Robert R. Carman. The executive committee consists of the officers named and Decourcy W. Thom, Alexander T. Leftwich, Moses R. Walter and Beverly T. Mister.

German-Americans Elect.

The Independent Citizens' Union of Maryland held its annual meeting in Germania Maennerchor Hall and elected the following officers:

President, Albert L. Fankhaenel; first vice president, Louis C. Schneidereith; second vice president, Oscar Bitter; secretary, Augustus F. Trappe; financial secretary, Augustus Roeder; executive committee, Heinrich Hermani, Frank Reinhardt, Herman Jelinck, Charles F. Roessler, Otto C. Schoenrich and Paul Johannsen.

D., M. & V. Hearing February 14.

By advertisement in this morning's American the Public Service Commission announces the date for a hearing on the petition of the Delaware, Maryland and Virginia Railroad Company to mortgage its property to secure a bond issue of $800,000. The hearing will take place on Friday morning, February 14, at 11 o'clock.

Charles J. Bonaparte to Speak.

At the meeting of the Men's Club of the Protestant Episcopal Church of St. Michael and All Angels, which will be held Monday evening in the assembly hall of the church, Charles J. Bonaparte will make an address on The Pharisees. An attractive program has been arranged by the committee in charge.

Field Secretary to Aid.

A series of revival meetings will begin tomorrow at the Fuller Memorial Baptist Church, Fulton avenue and Winchester street. The pastor, Rev. H. P. Lucken, will be assisted by the field secretary of the Baptists of Virginia, Evangelist R. D. Garland, of Richmond.

The Mutual Life Insurance Co.

In 1912 the Mutual Life Insurance Company paid to policyholders and their beneficiaries, in death claims, matured endowments, dividends, etc., the sum of $60,965,488.96. This was more than a million dollars ($1,172,413.25) for every week in the year, and amounted to $201,872.48 for every working day (302). It exceeded the sum paid in 1911 by more than three and a half million dollars ($3,611,762.83), and was several millions more than any other company has ever paid to policyholders and their beneficiaries in a single year.

The amount paid to policyholders ($60,965,488.96) exceeded the amount received from policyholders in premiums, for supplementary contracts, etc., ($57,263,659.36) by nearly four million dollars ($3,701,829.60).

In the matter of dividends to policyholders, the company has again broken all records, having paid in 1912 in cash dividends the sum of $15,006,280.25, while for dividends payable in 1913 it has appropriated the extraordinary amount of $17,368,046.93, an increase of $2,361,766.68 over the sum paid in 1912

The sum appropriated for dividends payable in 1913 ($17,368,046.93) is 33 per cent. of the total premium income of 1912 ($52,822,792.85, not including consideration for supplementary contracts and annuities).—Advertisement.

THE COUNTY

Firemen Save Rectory.

The prompt action of the Catonsville Fire Department and the Catonsville Volunteer Hose Company saved St. Timothy's Protestant Episcopal Church and rectory from probable destruction by flames yesterday afternoon.

Frederick B. Pattison has charge of the rectory, which has been closed for several months in the absence of Rev. Percy F. Hall, who is at Summerville, S. C., convalescing from a recent illness. Yesterday afternoon Mr. Pattison carried a box of paper caps from the rectory that had been used in an entertainment, to the yard, and burned them with some other rubbish. After lighting the fire Mr. Pattison went to his home, a short distance from the church, and returned in about 10 minutes to find that the fire, fanned by a stiff southwest wind, had spread to some leaves beside the fence, setting fire to the fence and a pile of old lumber. The Catonsville auto engine and Volunteers responded to an alarm and quickly extinguished the blaze.

County Church Notes.

The St. Paul's Brotherhood, of Ward's Methodist Episcopal Chapel, at Holbrook, has issued an invitation to the public to attend a social to be held in the lecture-room of the church on Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. William Kelley is the president.

Rev. John W. Hoerr, pastor of St. James' Lutheran Church, at Rockdale, who has been very ill with grip, which threatened to develop into pneumonia, is now able to leave the house.

A progressive euchre and five hundred party will be held in St. Charles' Hall, at Pikesville, on Tuesday evening for the benefit of St. Charles' Parochial School. In the absence of the pastor, Rev. M. J. Riordan, who will deliver a lecture for the benefit of St. Peter's Church, Baltimore, that evening, the affair will be under the supervision of Rev. Henry T. Newey, of New York, who is spending several weeks as the guest of Rev. Father Riordan. A dance will follow the card party.

Twelfth District Women Meet.

For the purpose of broadening their plans in the Twelfth district, the Woman's Civic League held a district meeting yesterday afternoon in School No. 53, St. Paul and Twenty-sixth streets, which won the prize in the recent window-box contest. The meeting was in charge of Mrs. John S. Fulton, chairman of the committee in that district, and there was a good attendance of the leaguers and women of the neighborhood. Mrs. Francis M. Jencks told of the activities of the educational committee; Mrs. James Swann Frick explained the progress of the smoke abatement committee, and Mrs. Edward Shoemaker spoke of the membership committee's work. There were also reports of the refuse disposal and home garden committees. This is the first meeting to be held in the Twelfth district, which comprises the Twelfth ward of the city.

Three Divorce Suits.

Mrs. Carrie Scott Counselman, by her attorneys, Bussey & Duncan, filed a bill yesterday in the Circuit Court at Towson for an absolute divorce from Louis A. Councilman, who, she states, is employed at Sparrows Point.

Charles Plummer, by his attorney, John S. Ensor, filed a bill for an absolute divorce from Annie Plummer, whom, he states, he married in 1903. The couple have three children.

Houston T. Thayer, by his attorneys, Fisher & Fisher, filed a bill for an absolute divorce from Mrs. Margaret A. Thayer, of Catonsville. Mr. Thayer states that he was married in 1899 and that he and his wife have been separated for more than three years.

Mrs. Phoebe C. Taylor Dead.

Mrs. Phoebe C. Taylor, 25 years old, wife of John Taylor, of Wilhelmina Park, and daughter of Mrs. John W. Cooper, of Warren, died Thursday night, after a lingering illness of heart trouble. She leaves three children (Wesley, Eugene and Henry Cooper, of Warren), and Harvey and Lee Cooper, of Baltimore, are her brothers, and Mrs. Sophie C. McKewen, of Wilhelmina Park, her sister. She was a member of the Methodist Church. Burial will be at Warren.

Mr. Talbott Has the Grip.

Congressman J. Fred C. Talbott is confined to his home in Baltimore county with a mild attack of the grip. He expects to be at his Baltimore city office on Monday. Allan McLane, who is being boomed as a candidate for Baltimore County Commissioner, has also a mild attack of the grip.

Mrs. Gagliano Dies Suddenly.

Mrs. Congeta Gagliano, wife of Samuel Gagliano, of Texas, died suddenly yesterday morning. Apparently in good health she attended to her household duties on Thursday.

DEATHS

Thomas J. Connors.

Thomas J. Connors, 68 years old, of New York, who was taken to the Mercy Hospital on Thursday night suffering from heart trouble, died yesterday morning. Coroner Chambers, of the Central district, gave a certificate of death due to natural causes and decided that an inquest was unnecessary.

Connors was sitting in a doorway on North Calvert street, a short distance from the house in which he had boarded for several days, in a semiconscious condition when he was found by Patrolman Pearce, of the Central district. Pearce roused the man and accompanied him to the hospital. Dr. Hogan, of the house staff, pronounced Connors to be suffering from an affection of the heart.

The dead man was supposed to have been connected in the theatrical business, but as far as could be learned had no friends in this city. Just a short while before he died Conners told the attending physicians that he had a relative named Bryan Schwartz, living in Guilford, Mont. Coroner Chambers will get into communication with the relative immediately. The body is now at the morgue.

Mrs. Sheive Dies in Bristol, Tenn.

A dispatch to The American last night from Bristol, Tenn., stated:

"Mrs. Mary E. Sheive, widow of George W. Sheive, formerly prominent in business and Masonic circles of Baltimore, died here this evening at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Howard S. Kimmell. Her husband was formerly Masonic grand lecturer for Maryland. The funeral will take place in Baltimore on Sunday."

Mary Casey Ritter.

Mrs. Mary Casey Ritter, wife of Henry T. Ritter, died yesterday afternoon at her home, 1233 Mount Royal avenue.

Funeral of Mr. Weis Tomorrow.

The funeral of Herman Weis, founder of the furniture firm of H. Weis & Son, who died Thursday, will take place from his home, 724 Dolphin street, tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. The services will be conducted by Rev. Dr. William Rosenau, rabbi of Eutaw Place Temple, assisted by Rev. J. Schuman, the cantor. Burial will be in the Hebrew Friendship Cemetery.

Greetings From Mr. Mahon.

Collector of Water Rents and Licenses Loden has received a letter from John J. Mahon, leader of the Democratic city organization, who is on his way to California. Last Monday Mr. and Mrs. Mahon, who are being accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Padgett, were in Grand Canyon, Arizona. "We are having a fine time and hope that everybody in Baltimore is well," wrote Mr. Mahon. "Extend my best wishes to my good friends. Expect to be in California in a few days."

Mme. Zeisler Triumphs at Peabody.

Madame Fannie Bloomfield Zeisler had another phenomenal triumph at the Peabody Institute yesterday afternoon in one of her characteristic programs. She has played the most of the Beethoven sonatas and other piano master works on her former visits to her musical friends in this city, and yesterday she played an equally strong program but of a different kind. Three of its great works would have made a great concert. She opened with the Schumann Etudes Symphoniques, which is taxing enough for a piano giant. Then she gave a Chopin recital, of Ballad Mazurka, two etudes and the great Valse op. 42. After half a dozen less important works she played the Liszt Mephisto Waltz, another kind of a witches' waltz derived from the second part of Faust. A few comparatively wicked words by the great poet Goethe had their effect in stirring up three great musicians—Paganini, Liszt and Berlioz—and each genius treated them in his own way, but all with great life and power, in depicting the weird and infernal.

Of course Madame Zeisler was recalled over and over again, and the audience showed no disposition to leave the hall until the great artist added the little Mendelssohn Spring Song, which, like a heavenly smile, brought the audience back from the shades of Dis and discord to the normal musical weather of the upper air again.

The house was early sold out, as usual when Madame Zeisler plays, and some of her most intimate friends were obliged to stand during the entire performance. Some of the numbers were hardly worthy of a place on such a fine program, except on the theory of Madame Malibran that a great artist can make music out of any composition whatever. When told that she had her success by always choosing the best works, she said she would sing an English song in Italian and call it Maria Fac il Calderon. When her friends had dried their tears she said the words meant simply, Mollie, Put the Kettle On.

The next recital will be given February 7 at 4 o'clock by Fritz Bruch, violoncellist, and Theodore Heinburger, violinist.

Will of Mrs. Bertha Strouse.

The will of Mrs. Bertha Strouse, widow of Samuel Strouse, who died last week, was filed for probate yesterday in the Orphans' Court. The testatrix directed that the executors set apart her diamonds, jewelry and other personal ornaments and that they divide them into two equal parts, one part to her daughter Bettie, wife of A. J. Strauss, and the other portion to her daughter Elsie, wife of Harry M. Kaufman. The residue of the estate, after payment of debts and funeral expenses, is to be divided into seven equal parts, one of said parts to each of the following named children of the testatrix: Isaac Strouse, Jr., Moses S. Strouse, Elliott Strouse, Bettie Strauss, wife of A. J. Strauss, and Elsie Kaufman, wife of Harry M. Kaufman. The remaining seventh part is left to her sons, Isaac Strouse, Jr., and Moses S. Strouse, in trust to pay the income to her son, Henry Strouse, for life. Upon his death the income is to be paid Howard Samuel Strouse, son of Henry Strouse, the principal to be turned over to the grandson when he reaches the age of 21 years.

The testatrix appointed her sons, Isaac Strouse, Jr., and Moses Strouse, as executors of the will.

Pro-Cathedral Choir to Celebrate.

The choir at the Pro-Cathedral will present elaborate musical programs tomorrow at the morning and afternoon services, it being the tenth anniversary of St. Barnabas' choir, inauguraated in 1903 by the director of the Pro-Cathedral choir, J. P. Tingle: The program for 11 A. M. follows:

Processional—Maidstone .....Gilbert
Kyrie—Gloria Tibi.....Calkin
Hymn—Thatcher .....Handel
Sermon by the Resident Canon.
Anthem—Remember Now, Thy Creator, Steggall
Soloist—Master Eugene Walter.
Sanctus—Agnus Dei—Gloria in Excelsis, Calkin
Nunc Dimittis.....Gregorian
Recessional—Brasted .....Weimer

The following will be sung at 4:30 P. M.:

Processional—Alford .....Dykes
Magnificat—Nunc Dimittis.....Calkin
Treble Solos.....Master Temple Gladmon
Tenor Solos.....J. P. Tingle
Hymn—Materna .....Ward
Sermon by the Resident Canon.
Anthem—Hall, Gladdening Light..Martin
Recessional—Urbs Beata.....Le Jeune

Governor's Secretary Recovers.

After an absence of more than six months, during which his life had been given up by physicians attending him for typhoid fever, A. DeReeves, secretary to Governor Goldsborough, will return to his duties this morning. Mr. DeReeves has recovered, and for the last two weeks has been at Atlantic City. William Dawson, who is employed in the office of Land Commissioner Hanson, acted as secretary to the Governor while Mr. DeReeves was away.

In Honor of Miss Gilpin.

Mrs. J. Kemp Bartlett gave a beautifully arranged luncheon yesterday afternoon at her home on Mount Royal Terrace for Miss Laura Gilpin, of Colorado Springs, who is visiting her daughters, the Misses Virginia and Mary Garrett Bartlett. The decorations for the table were jonquils and yellow-shaded candelabra, and the guests included, in addition to Miss Gilpin and the Misses Bartlett, Miss Juliana Keyser, Miss Elizabeth Jencks, Miss Georgiana Williams, Miss Dorothy Lee, Miss Anne Martin, Miss Caroline Wood and her guest, Miss Elizabeth Stafford, of Wilmington, Del.; Miss Nannie Hardcastle, Miss Clara Murray, Miss Dorothy Powell, Miss Anna Stump, Miss Elizabeth Dickey, Miss Virginia Stokes, Miss Martha Levering and Miss Helen Evans.

In Honor of Miss Hannibal.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hannibal gave a dance last evening on the roof garden of The Emerson for their daughter, Miss Ruby Hannibal. The rooms were decorated with quantities of smilax, dotted with red roses, and a seated supper was served at midnight, when the tables were decorated with bowls of red roses and red shaded lights.

The chaperones were Mrs. Thomas Young, Mrs. J. F. Hinds and Mrs. Franklin F. Sanner. Among the out-of-town guests were