THE CITY

Reminiscences of Mrs. Howe.

Reminiscences of Mrs. Julia Ward Howe and her ideals of suffrage for women was the subject of an interesting address delivered by her daughter, Mrs. Florence Howe Hall, yesterday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. William M. Ellicott, 714 St. Paul street. It was under the auspices of the Equal Suffrage League of Baltimore. Mrs. Hall related many interesting anecdotes and incidents in connection with her distinguished mother's life and what proved to be of unusual interest to those present was her mother's connection and activity as one of the pioneers in the movement for woman suffrage and how, by her numerous addresses delivered in various parts of the country, she was instrumental in furthering the cause of woman's political freedom. Mrs. Hall stated that her mother became identified with the movement as far back as 1868, and was much interested in the Sorosis and New England Clubs, of Boston, which were among the first to be formed for the advancement of the woman suffrage cause.

At a pure milk crusade started in Boston years ago Mrs. Howe was indignant because its organizers had only the consumer and the producer named in the benefit, and before a meeting on that subject, told her hearers that it was the babies who needed the protection of pure milk more than any one else, and she was loudly cheered for the suggestion. Mrs. Howe was very much interested in the peace crusade of 1872 during the Franco-Prussian War. She went about appealing to the mothers to use their influence to have the bloody strife ended. She was also instrumental in the formation of what is known as Mother's Day throughout Pennsylvania; this was accomplished in 1876, during the centennial.

"In her declining years," said Mrs. Hall, it became the custom wherever she spoke for the audience to rise as she entered the hall and, on on occasion, at a gathering in Boston, an Englishman was present and, noticing the unusual honor conferred, remarked that it was the custom in his country to only honor the nobility and royalty in such a manner. After mother became too old and feeble to stand and address the public, she frequently spoke while sitting in a chair. A short time before her death we asked her for 'the ideal aim in life. Her feeble reply was: 'To learn, to teach, to serve and to enjoy.'"

Two Useless Alarms.

Two alarms were sounded and nine engines, trucks and other apparatus of the Fire Department brought to the scene yesterday afternoon merely because R. S. Scott, engineer for the Consolidated Gas Electric Light and Power Company, tried to wreck an old oil storehouse on the company's property at Nanticoke and Bayard streets.

The storehouse, or tower as it is called by some, was a brick building and strongly constructed. It had been out of use for some years and was in the way of development going on at the plant. A short time ago it was decided to raze it. The lower part of the rear wall was torn away and propped up with scantling. Yesterday this scantling was set fire with a view of causing the building to fall when all the woodwork had burned. A pedestrian saw the fire, and believing the gas works afire, sounded an alarm from box 564, Bayard and Nanticoke streets. Someone else spied the flames shortly afterward and sounded another alarm from box 545, Cross and Wyeth streets.

When the firemen arrived they watched the flames to keep them from spreading and later extinguished them after the building had fallen. Rumors that the gas works were afire spread rapidly, however, and a large crowd was attracted. Round Sergeant Daniel Fluskey and Patrolmen William E. Lawrence and Henry T. Jackson, of the Southwestern district, were sent to the scene to keep the crowd from the property of the gas company. Near where the building was fired are two large gas tanks. Every precaution was taken, however, to keep the sparks and flames from them. The old building was erected in 1882 and was a part of the old Consumers' Gas Company, so well known to older residents.

Justice McCawley Ill.

Justice William McCawley, for 30 years a justice of the peace and one of the best-known men who has offices in the downtown section of the city, is seriously ill from the infirmities of age at the home of his nephew, William McCawley, 921 West Franklin street. Justice McCawley will be 85 years old next month. Born in Ireland in 1828, he came to America and settled in this city when he was but seven years old. He received a good education here, and before the Civil War he began the coach-making business at Warsaw, Va. At the outbreak of the war he enlisted as a private in William Henry Lee's Light Horse Cavalry, where he rose to the rank of captain. He had two horses shot under him during the war, and was once wounded by a bullet through the leg, and just before the close of the conflict was captured and sent to Fort Delaware prison.

After the war Mr. McCawley opened a carriage-making business in this city on South Paca street. Thirty years ago he was appointed a justice of the peace, and this position he has held continuously ever since, through many changes of administration. He never married, and frequently, when friends would ask the secret of his longevity, he would laughingly attribute it to his bachelorhood. His greatest hobby was fishing and swapping stories.

He continued in good health until last September, when he began to fail. He made a visit to a nephew in Newark, N. J., in the hope of mending, but became worse and returned to Baltimore.

Alleged Deserter Surrenders.

After being sought by the United States authorities as an alleged deserter since the early part of last December, Isaac R. Phillips, whose home is in Illinois, surrendered to Patrolman Himmelman at the Eastern Police Station, yesterday afternoon. Shortly after 4 o'clock Phillips walked into the station-house and asked that he be arrested, stating that he was a deserter. He was attired in a sailor's uniform. Thinking that the man might be wrong, Patrolman Himmelman searched the record and found that there was a reward of $50 offered for the arrest and delivery of the man to the government authorities.

Phillips was a member of Company E, Seventeenth Infantry, stationed at Fort McPherson, Ga. He stated that while a member of this company he had a desire to enlist in the Navy. On December 4 he deserted the Army and the following day enlisted in the Navy, being stationed on the U. S. S. Constellation. On March 7 last he received his discharge from the vessel for inability. From then on, according to his statement, he has been traveling on the road. Arriving in this city yesterday morning without funds and weary he decided to give himself up. Phillips enlisted on April 15, 1911, for three years. He will be held at the Eastern Police Station for the United States authorities.

Mrs. Ellicott Is Delighted.

Mrs. William M. Ellicott, president of the Equal Suffrage League, and many of the members are having a season of rejoicing over the receipt of four letters joicing over the receipt of two letters, two from the Maryland senators and two from representatives, all of which are laden with assurances that, so far as the writers are concerned, the happenings and the lack of police protection afforded the marchers in the recent suffrage parade in Washington will be sifted to the very bottom. The promptness of the Maryland statesmen in responding to the letters of protest from the local suffragists against their treatment in Washingon seemed to tickle the women very much, especially the letter from Congressman Konig, which, in substance, was as follows:

I have yours of recent date concerning the proposed action by Congress to investigate the disorder attendant upon the suffrage parade in Washington, and I can assure you the same will receive my earnest consideration. Whether we favor or oppose the extension of the right of suffrage to women, we must recognize and respect their rights to present their views in any lawful manner that to them may seem fit and proper, and this right of theirs must be properly secured.

Dynamite Victims Buried.

The bodies of many of the victims of the disaster have been laid in their final resting places. Several of the funerals took place Monday and several more yesterday. In all cases the services yere simple yet they attracted large crowds of the curious.

Capt. William Edgar Van Dyke and Mate Maynard Diggs, of the tug Atlantic, both of whom gave up their lives in an effort to rescue the men left on the Alum Chine, were buried Monday.

The services over the body of Captain Van Dyke were held at his home, 1448 Boyle street. Long before the hour a crowd assembled before the door and several policemen were needed to make a lane for the hacks. Rev. Ernest von Hahmann Arning conducted the ceremonies at the home and at Cedar Hill Cemetery. Services were also conducted by Cedar Conclave, No. 6, Improved Order of Heptasophs, and the Harbor Rescue Association. The pallbearers were selected from the organizations. The American Association of Masters, Mates and Pilots and the Atlantic Transport Company were also represented by delegations. Many handsome floral designs, the gifts of friends and associations, were banked about the casket and these were placed around the grave in Cedar Hill Cemetery.

The body of Mayward Diggs, 35 years old, of 50 South Potomac street, mate of the tug Atlantic, was laid to rest in Mount Carmel Cemetery.

The funeral services at his home began at 12:30 o'clock. Long before this hour hundreds of friends and relatives lined he pavements in front of the little home.

The funeral of Francis P. Doyle, 1222 South First street, took place yesterday. After short services at the home, the body was taken to St. Bridget's Catholic Church, where a requiem high mass was celebrated by Rev. Lawrence McNamara, pastor of the church. Burial was in Holy Redeemer Cemetery.

At about the same time the funeral of Edward Castle, 3232 East Lombard street, another victim of the explosion, took place from St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church, Baltimore and Lakewood avenue. A requiem high mass for the repose of his soul was celebrated. Burial was in Bonnie Brae Cemetery.

The service over the body of Chief Officer Edwin Waters, of the Alum Chine, took place yesterday afternoon at Cowan's Undertaking Establishment, 901 Hollins street. A large number of the men who were of the crew of the lost vessel and who were saved attended. Capt. F. J. Anstey, the commander of the vessel, who was a schoolmate of the dead mate, was also present. The pallbearers were survivors of the disaster. Burial was in Cedar Hill Cemetery.

Yesterday afternoon the funeral of John Markel, 104 South Tenth street, Highlandtown, another of the victims, took place at 2 o'clock. Burial was in Mount Carmel Cemetery.

The funeral of Joseph T. Wood, a colored waiter on the collier Jason and one of the victims of the explosion, took place yesterday from his home, 1109 Druid Hill avenue. After services at the home the body was taken to St. Francis' Catholic Church, where a high mass of requiem was said by Father Dinneen. Burial was in Laurel Cemetery.

Mr. Lawrence Goes for Magistrate.

Attorney William H. Lawrence gave Justice Ulrich, at the Southwestern Police Station, "a call" yesterday afternoon after the magistrate had told a prisoner how he would dispose of a case in several weeks if the prisoner kept promises he made to the court. James A. Sweeney, 22 years old, 426 North Payson street, was arraigned for failing to support his wife. Mr. Lawrence was counsel for the young wife, Mrs. Effie Sweeney. The young couple had been separated for a short while and all efforts to effect a reconciliation yesterday proved futile. Sweeney seemed anxious to have his wife return to his abode, but the wife flatly refused. The magistrate then asked Sweeney if he would give his wife at least $5 each week for her maintenance. He declared he would. "Well, I will set this case for a further hearing," said the magistrate, "and if you are prompt in your payments I will then dismiss the case if your wife still refuses to live with you."

"You have no authority to say that," interrupted the lawyer. "When a man marries he marries for better or worse, and if conditions become so that his wife cannot live with him he must continue to support her. You have no authority as a police magistrate to say that you will dismiss the case against this man if he is prompt in his payments to his wife for a few weeks. It is your duty to see that he does make the payments, and if he does not or is delinquent it is then your duty to send the case to the Criminal Court. Personally I would like to see the couple reunited, but if the wife cannot live with her husband because of his conduct it is your duty to see that he supports her."

Justice Ulrich explained that he did not mean to say he would dismiss the case. He set the date for a further hearing on March 23.

Getridge Sent to Reformatory.

Arthur Getridge, the 14-year-old boy who was accused of entering the establishment of the Howard Fisher Paper Company with intent to steal, was yesterday sent to the Maryland School for Boys by Judge Williams, in the Juvenile Court, while Dr. James W. Harry, one of the probation officers, was assigned by Judge Williams to look up the condition of the boy's family. The boy will remain in the institution until June 1. He is the son of Frank Getridge who, two weeks ago last Saturday, left his home in Harrisonburg, Va., with his sick wife and three children. They got a house at 1415 West Mulberry street. The elder Getridge secured a position at $9 a week, while the younger Getridge got work at $4.50 a week. The rent and expenses have made the family practically penniless. Patrolman Edward Steupel arrested the boy.

Miss Ascherfeld to Give Concert.

Miss Clara Ascherfeld, the well-known Baltimore pianist and accompanist, will give a concert at the Academy of Music Concert Hall tomorrow evening at 8:15 o'clock. She will present the following fine program; Bach Toccata and Fugue D minor, Mendelssohn Scherzo, Schumann Romance in F sharp major, Mozart Minuet arranged by Clara Ascherfeld, Saint-Saens Caprice on themes from Gluck's Alceste, Debussy Jardin, Clair de Lune and Arabesque, Max Reger Humoreske, Chopin Etude and Waltz, and Brahms' Liebeslieder, Walzer, op. 52, sung by Brahms vocal quartet, with Miss Ascherfeld and Miss Zinnisch at the piano.

Manhole Blown High in Air.

Residents in the vicinity of Duncan and Fayette streets were given quite a shock yesterday shortly before noon, when an explosion, resulting from wires becoming short-circuited beneath a manhole, blew the lid of the hole about 10 feet in the air and shattering several windows in the surrounding houses. Following the exp osion a small fire started in the hole, and a silent alarm was sent to No. 24 Engine Company. The firemen arrived in a few moments and extinguished the blaze. The wires that caused the short circuit carried 14,000 volts of electricity.

Railroad Engine Catches Fire.

Shortly after midnight yesterday Engine No. 49, of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad caught fire in the Locust Point freight yards, and before it was extinguished had caused a damage of about $50. The fire was discovered and extinguished by the crew and other employes of the company. No alarm was sounded.

STAGE FOLK

Viola Allen as Chinese Lass.

For the first time in her career Viola Allen is appearing as a Chinese. Miss Allen is appearing in the character of the Ming Empress in The Daughter of Heaven, which is the attraction at Ford's Grand Opera House this week. "The only thing that I object to in the part," said Miss Allen in her dressing-room last night, "is I'm afraid it's going to leave me permanently almond-eyed.

"The part of the Ming Empress is one of the most difficult and, at the same time, most interesting and most human which I have ever played," was her summary of the possibilities which The Daughter of Heaven affords her.

"The difficulties in the part are largely due to our lack of knowledge of the Chinese," she explained. "As far as stage possibilities go we have always regarded the Chinese as a comic figure. His deeds and misdeeds have been held up to laughter in scores of musical comedies, but The Daughter of Heaven is one of the first plays to present a serious and accurate picture of Chinese life. Anyone who has followed the amazing course of recent events in China during the revolution cannot fail to realize the noble aspects of the Chinese characters—the courage, the self-sacrifice, the reverence which these people possess. I don't think that even in our own American Revolution we could find a more imposing figure than China's George Washington—Dr. Sun Yet Sen.

"For my model, however, I went back a few years. I found the late empress Dowager very suggestive in working up my part in The Daughter of Heaven. She was, you know, a sort of Celestial Queen Elizabeth, who combined feminine wiles and male courage in handling her great empire for so many years. According to the rumors of her court she loved one of her chief generals, but although she might have been powerful enough to have beaten down opposition, she never married him, choosing to sacrifice her love for the sake of her empire.

"Ancestor worship is the great cornerstone of Chinese civilization. When one understands the Chinese conception of honor due to one's forebears, it becomes possible to realize the struggle which the Empress goes through in the play before the wonderful final scene, where she gives her life to satisfy the claims of the dead and her love to satisfy the demand of the living.

"I don't think in any other nationality which I have presented have I found a type which ran the gamut of so many emotions. The Chinese stoicism, of course, demands in many cases that the emotion be displayed more or less by suggestion, but there are moments when this emotion overflows all restraints of station and race. The farewell of the Empress to her boy, for instance, touches the universal motherhood appeal. There is no line of race or longitude drawn which can seriously alter this emotion."

Blames Public for Immorality.

Miss Annie Russell, who is appearing with her own company in old English comedies at the Auditorium Theater this week, has one of the most charming personalities of any actress on the stage. It is Miss Russell's high ideal to produce the clean and wholesome old English comedies, and the venture represents her own money.

"I blame the public for stage immorality," said Miss Russell yesterday at the Hotel Stafford. "To elevate the drama the audience must be elevated first. Playgoers applaud and encourage insipidities, romantic insincerities, sensational indecency, vulgarity and coarseness. The theater exists solely for the theatergoer and is entirely due to his demands. He buys and pays for the thing he wants. The theater caters to his demands. The tired business man does not want high art and will not buy it. So the theater merchant offers for sale the stuff that he knows the audiences will purchase. The playgoer and his family pay high prices for the nasty stuff. They pack the playhouse, then lift their hands in horrified, virtuous protest against the stage and wonder how to elevate it."

Miss Russell ridicules the abuse of the modern star system and says that it means "more millinery, good looks, good figures, high kicking and low thinking.

"The dignity of the stage is largely in the hands of American women," said Miss Russell. "The women are working so intelligently, so successfully along all the lines of general public interest that they should be a power in upholding the theater in its high position of far-reaching enlightenment and healthy amusement, especially as it is a very center of influence on manners and morals of untellable importance. This can be accomplished by strong support of worthy plays, by fearless, intelligent criticism, based, of course, on a serious study of the theater and its conditions, a critical appreciation of the acted drama and some knowledge of the art of acting. Fortunately, there is a large group of highly intelligent, enthusiastic theater lovers who maintain some part of the theater at its highest level, and while the group is small compared with the greater mass of theatergoers, its influence is enormous."

A Fortune in His Face.

An actor can have no better asset than his face. With Stuart Barnes, who is one of the headliners at the Maryland Theater this week, his face is his fortune. It is one of those big, round ones that molds to exaggerated expression and pictures well the feeling of the character he depicts. Barnes is a clever actor who has taken a little bit of every-day human nature and made a whole lot out of it. He has selecter that very uncomfortable period in the life of the average man between the time when he first sees his best girl and his ultimate capitulation to her charms.

Was Greatest Mrs. Malaprop.

Miss Paget, who is playing as a prominent member in Miss Annie Russell's Old English Comedy Company, is an actress of unusual distinction and long known on the stage. She is really an Englishwoman, but has been identified with the American stage so long that she is regarded as belonging to it. Miss Paget, on her first coming here, made a starring tour in a society play, adapted from the German, which furnished one of Ada Rehan's best parts, and triumphantly held her own, in critical estimation, in comparison with the famous Daly star. Miss Paget was for a number of seasons with the late Joe Jefferson and took the place of Mrs. Drew as Mrs. Malaprop in the great comedian's production of The Rivals, again winning her way in face of inevitable comparison, for Mrs. Drew was the greatest Mrs. Malaprop of her time. In this character, which she plays with Miss Russell, she is unrivaled on the stage today. She has a long number of characters credited to her, and displays all the finish and artistic command of ease and detail which is so often found lacking in present-day artists. Personally, Miss Paget is a handsome woman of commanding presence, of very attractive manners and engaging personality.

Liquor Board to Hear Protests.

The Board of Liquor License Commissioners yesterday resumed hearing of complaints and protests against issuing liquor licenses to certain individuals who have applied for such licenses for the year beginning May 1. The board has arranged to hear these protests beginning at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

To Lecture on Socialism.

A lecture will be given by Peter W. Collins this evening in the Loyola College auditorium on Why Socialism is Opposed to the Labor Movement. The announcement of his coming has attracted considerable attention in labor circles. Mr. Collins is also the author of the famous Twelve Reasons Against Socialism, which series of reasons was published in newspapers and magazines the world over, reaching millions of readers in America and Great Britain.

Antis Say Cause Has Been Helped.

That the cause of opposition to suffrage has been encouraged and helped considerably by the recent suffrage demonstration in Washington, whatever the outcome of the action now pending before the committee on investigation, is the opinion of Mrs. Michael B. Wild and Mrs. Jesse Slingluff. Membership slips from women and applications from men who are hot enrolled as members in the Association Opposed to Suffrage is the outcome of the parade, they say.

The membership has increased and Mrs. Wild says there should be a men's organization opposed to suffrage to give the men something to do. Business men, market men and others have expressed their willingness to take a part and say they do not believe in suffrage for women.

Teas are soon to be held in the afternoon at the pretty new headquarters of the Maryland Association and the next annual meeting is not far distant.

An echo from the antisuffrage mass-meeting held in Washington, which was nearly disturbed by the suffragists, who tried, it is said, to make a demonstration on the outside, was told by Mrs. Wild yesterday. She said that Mrs. John Martin said of the suffragists: "When a woman stays at home to attend to her household work, even washing her own front steps, she is called a female who does the drudgery. If another woman hires herself to wash the marble steps in one of the big public buildings she is a 'human being.'"

Are Taxicabs Common Carriers?

Is a taxicab a common carrier? This is a question the Public Service Commission is asked to decide. Attorney Henry W. Williams argued the case yesterday before the commission and quoted from the law to sustain his contention that the taxicab cannot so be considered.

Several months ago the Public Service Commission demanded from the various taxi companies a report of their rates, operations, etc., and the Stewart Company took the stand that the commission did not have jurisdiction.

In view of the fact that the 1910 legislature ratified the Public Service Commission Act on April 5, and three days later approved an act giving the Police Board the right to regulate rates of all hackney carriages, under which taxis are supposed to be, it would appear that the contention of the Stewart Company is well grounded. Mr. Williams quoted the Public Service Act, which gives it power to regulate companies engaged in general traffic on public streets, as to routes, rates, etc., but it was shown that taxis have no established routes and rates are regulated by the Police Department.

Messrs. Laird and Timaous, who heard the argument, made no decision, holding the matter under consideration, but it is thought the taxi company will be given a favorable decision and allowed to remain without further question under the regulation of the Police Board.

Hearing Is Set for Tomorrow.

The hearing on the complaint filed with the Public Service Commission regarding the train service on the Northern Central Railway to and from points between Cockeysville and Parkton is set for tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock in the offices of the commission. The people north of Cockeysville have on numerous occasions individually and in bodies pointed out to the railway company the hardships to which they are put on account of trains not running on schedule time and the lack of accommodations at such times when they are most needed. Under the present schedule there are no trains from points north of Cockeysville arriving in Baltimore earlier than 8:20 A. M. The company has two earlier trains starting from Cockeysville. Their patrons between Cockeysville and Parkton claim that they are entitled to the same service given the people south of Cockeysville, and they point out that this condition could be made by making Parkton the terminus for these local trains instead of Cockeysville.

Interesting Art Exhibit.

An interesting exhibition of old and modern handicraft will be held in the galleries of the Peabody Institute from March 15 to April 2 under the auspices of the Handicraft Club of Baltimore. Tea will be served during the afternoon free of charge, when the following ladies will act as hostesses: Saturday, March 15, Miss Louise Dawson; Monday, March 17, Mrs. J. Helmsley Johnson; Tuesday, March 18, the Philokalai, Goucher College; Wednesday, March 19, Mrs. James Teackle Dennis; Monday, March 24, Mrs. John S. Gibbs, Jr.; Tuesday, March 25, Miss Amelia de Pau Fowler, and Thursday, March 27, Miss Mary C. Goodwillie.

The officers of the Handicraft Club are: President, J. Hemsley Johnson; vice president, Thomas C. Corner; second vice president, Miss Louise Dawson; recording secretary, Miss Sarah Ireland; corresponding secretary, Miss Emily E. Graves, and treasurer, Lawrence H. Fowler.

Rehearsal for Lenten Concert.

A rehearsal for the annual lenten concert given by David S. Malamet to be given next Monday in the New Academy of Music Concert Hall will be held tomorrow night. The program which has been arranged is an ambitious and an interesting one, including the Credo from the Papa Meccelli Mass, Lotti's Crucifixus and Rossini's Stabat Mater. The following will be the sopranos: Misses Minnie Adt, Ida Shaw and Mrs. Otto Hempel. The contraltos will be Miss Anna G. Baugher, Miss Eugenoa Erb and Mrs. Henry Franklin. Charles Henry, Clarence Tucker, Harry Gerholdt and Fuller Fleet will be the other soloists.

A feature of the program will be the celebrated soprano-mezzo duet by Miss Erb and Miss Shaw. Mrs. Hempel will also sing Inflammatus.

Patrolman Kuebler Ill.

Stricken suddenly while on his beat, Alfred F. Kuebler, 1042 North Arlington avenue, a patrolman of the Northwestern police district, was taken to the Maryland General Hospital yesterday, where he is reported to be in a serious condition.

Patrolman Kuebler was stricken yesterday in front of 1504 Pennsylvania avenue and fell to the pavement. Sergeant Burns, of the Northwestern district, who was standing near, ran to his assistance and had him conveyed to the hospital. According to the physician he is suffering from heart trouble.

Woman Fined $50 and Costs.

The heaviest fine that Justice Supplee at the Central Police Court has imposed on a woman was handed out yesterday to Ella Fluhart, charged with disturbing the peace in the house at 818 East Fayette street. George Kulsee, the woman's companion in the affray, was arrested on the same charge and the Magistrate fined the Fluhart woman $50 and Kulsee $25 and costs.

Retail Furniture Dealers Act.

The Retail Furniture Dealers' Protective Association held its monthly meeting last night at the Hotel Emerson. J. Elkridge, of Scranton, Pa., addressed the members on the advisability of establishing a credit bureau. The association pledged itself to do everything in its power to protect the furniture dealers from delinquent debtors. For this reason it has invited a number of outside dealers, who are interested in credit bureaus to come to Baltimore and address them.

Strike of Theater Ushers.

Six ushers at the Thomashefky Theater went on strike last Saturday and they state that they will not return unless given better terms by the management.

THE COUNTY

Wesley A. Royston Dead.

Wesley A. Royston, of Phoenix, Ind., died at his home at noon yesterday, death being due to catarrh of the stomach. Mr. Royston was born in 1837 in the Tenth district of Baltimore county. In 1864 he married Miss Mary C. Richardson, daughter of William Richardson, and they at once took up their residence on the farm near Phoenix which he had obtained from his father the year previous. It was then all wild-land, covered with a heavy growth of timber, which he transformed into one of the most highly cultivated and desirable farms of the locality. Mr. Royston retired from farming some years since and with his wife made his home at Phoenix. There were four children (William A., now deceased; Augusta, wife of William Smith, of the Tenth district; Mary E., wife of Frank Hale, of Butler, and Blanche, wife of William Shelly, of Phoenix). The deceased was a brother of the late J. Marion Royston, of Phoenix, who died 15 years ago. The paternal grandparents, John and Ruth (McClung) Royston, spent their lives in the Tenth district of Baltimore county, where they reared 11 children—seven sons and four daughters.

Wesley A. Royston, Sr., father of the deceased, was the youngest of the family, and throughout life was identified with the agricultural interests of the county. He married Miss Mary Fuller, daughter of William Fuller, who was killed by his slaves at his home in the Tenth district. The following children were born in this union: Alice, widow of Robert Wilson, a captain in the Union service during the Civil War; George R., a resident of Baltimore; Cecelia, wife of Desmas Carter, of Baltimore; Clara, wife of Eli Matthews (now deceased), of Baltimore county; Mary Ellen, wife of R. Oliver Price, of Phoenix; J. Marion (now deceased), of Phoenix; Emma, who died in childhood, and Frederika, wife of Rev. Curtis C. Griffith, a Methodist Episcopal minister.

Funeral of Mr. Clinton.

The funeral of Henry DeWitt Clinton, 78 years old, the oldest member of the Maryland Line Confederate Soldiers' Home, Pikesville, who died suddenly Monday morning of heart trouble at the home, took place yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock from St. Charles' Catholic Church. Rev. Michael J. Riordan, the pastor, officiated. The pallbearers were Messrs. John Dunning, Owen Higgins, Arthur Pue, O. G. Kenley, H. F. Sleepack and J. F. Alderson. Burial was in the Confederate lot in Loudon Park Cemetery. The deceased, who is survived by one son and two daughters, entered the home in 1888. He was born in Baltimore and enlisted in the war between the states in September, 1862, at Shepherdstown, as a private in Company K of the First Virginia Cavalry. He was later transferred to Company K of the Second Maryland Cavalry in 1864. He was wounded in the shoulder by a pistol ball at Westminster, Md., and taken prisoner and held at Fort McHenry. Before the close of the war he was transferred to Fort Delaware and from thence to Richmond, Va., where he was made guard of the arsenal at that place, where he remained until the close of the strife.

Exploding Shells Cause Fire.

Fire, caused by the explosion of gun shells, damaged the home of Samuel French, on Bucks avenue, near the Western Maryland Railway, at Arlington, to the extent of about $400 yesterday morning shortly after 10 o'clock. The explosion took place while the members of the family were on the first floor, but no one was injured. The Arlington Fire Department was on the scene in two minutes after the explosion and was later followed by the Roland Park Fire Department. The blaze was soon under control. Only the second floor of the three-story frame house was partly burned. Several gun shells were left in a coat worn by Mr. French on a recent hunting trip, and these are believed to have been set off by mice, which chewed the heads off a box of matches, also left in the coat. While Capt. Charles Hoffman, of the Arlington Fire Company, was directing a stream of chemicals on the blaze two more of the shells exploded. Considerable excitement was caused in the neighborhood, owing to a report that someone had been shot.

Two More Auto Fire Engines.

The Baltimore County Commissioners yesterday awarded the contract for furnishing two automobile fire engines to the American La France Fire Engine Company at $9,200 each. One of the engines will be installed at Towson and the other at Highlandtown. The purchase of these engines completes a circuit of auto fire engines for the county. There are now auto-engines at Catonsville, Arlington, Pikesville, Roland Park and Gardenville.

The County Commissioners last week agreed to appropriate $3,500 toward purchasing of an auto fire engine for Cockeysville, and residents of the place will raise the balance of the money necessary.

County Commissioner Henry P. Mann said: "The installation of three auto fire engines in the county practically places every section under fire pratection. It is the policy of the County Commissioners to replace all of the fire engines drawn by horses with auto engines, as greater good can be accomplished by them."

Mr. Fishpaw's Home Damaged.

The dwelling of Robert Fishpaw, at Phoenix, caught fire Monday morning about 11 o'clock. The fire, it is believed, started from sparks flying in the air from burning brush and leaves nearby. The roof and part of the upper story were destroyed. The track hands of the Northern Central Railway noticed the flames, and the foreman, Henry Wilson, immediately sent them to render assistance. One of the fire plugs was used and the flames were soon under control. All the furniture was saved, some of it being somewhat damaged by the water. A lot of preserves and jellies were spoiled.

Want Another Trustee Appointed.

A bill was filed yesterday in the Circuit Court at Towson by Mrs. Rachael A. Slagle, through her counsel, Barton, Wilmer & Stewart, against Charles W. Slagle and D. Clinton Slagle, trustees under the will of the late Charles W. Slagle, of Roland Park. In the bill Mrs. Slagle asked that D. Clinton Slagle be relieved from further performance of any duties as trustee, as he is now ill and unable to do so, Judge Duncan signed an order relieving Mr. Slagle as trustee unless cause is shown to the contrary on or before April 14.

Death of Mrs. Moore.

After a lingering illness Mrs. Eliza Anna Moore, aged 61 years, wife of Philip Moore, died at her home, at Ilchester, near Catonsville, yesterday morning at 1 o'clock. Death was due to heart trouble. Besides her husband she is survived by two sons (Jesse and William Moore) and five daughters (Mrs. Molly Cugle, Mrs. Charles Weber; Mrs. Antonio Farschner, of New York; Mrs. John K. Smith and Mrs. George Ogle).

Lease of Marble Quarries.

A lease by which the Beaver Dam Marble Quarries Company leased its quarries to the Beaver Dam Marble Company for five years at a rental of $6,000 a year was filed yesterday at Towson.

Brother Sues Brother.

The Circuit Court at Towson was occupied yesterday with the trial of the suit of David Ring against R. Howard Ring, his brother, for the alleged obstruction of a road over which the plaintiff claims to have a right of way. The two brothers own adjoining farms near Mount Winans. The case will be argued today. Ernest C. Hatch appears for the plaintiff and Harry M. Benzinger and Henry Dinneen for the defendant.

DEATHS

Mrs. Isabella C. Jones.

Mrs. Isabella C. Jones, widow of Alexander Jones, died yesterday morning at her home, 1511 Eutaw Place. Mrs. Jones had been an invalid for the past five years. She was a member of Madison Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church, and was associated with all matters pertaining to the church until she was incapacitated through illness. She is survived by three children (Mrs. Isabella C. Irelan, Mrs. J. William Stoddard and Alexander F. Jones). Interment will be in the family lot in Greenmount Cemetery tomorrow and will be private.

Edward T. Schultz.

Edward T. Schultz, the oldest Mason in years of service in Maryland, died at his home, 1740 Park avenue at 2 o'clock yesterday morning from congestion of the stomach. His death comes as a surprise to his friends, for he was ill only about 15 hours. He was 86 years old. Mr. Schultz is survived by a widow (Mrs. Susan R. Schultz) and one son (Arthur H. Schultz).

He was born in Frederick, Md., being a son of the late Henry Schultz, and was educated there. When he was 20 years old he went to Alabama, but returned to Maryland and located in Baltimore after two or three years in the South. He entered the cotton yarn business and continued it until he became blind, 15 years ago, when he retired. His former business is now operated by his sons under the name of Schultz & Bro.

He was the state historian of the Masons and wrote the history of the order in Maryland years ago. For 25 years prior to his death he was chairman of the committee on correspondence of the Grand Lodge of Maryland Masons. In 1872 he was the grand commander of the state. In all he was a member of the Masons for 60 years.

Besides being one of the best-posted men in Maryland on Masonic affairs he was the author of many books. Even after he was stricken blind, 15 years before he died, he continued to write articles and books. This he did with the assistance of a stenographer, whom he employed to come to his home four or five times a week. After losing his sight his most important book was the History of the Meeting Places of the Grand Lodge of Maryland Since the Year 1770.

The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Masonic Temple, where services will be held by Rev. Henry Branch. He will be buried with Masonic rites, and the members of his lodge will attend the funeral in a body. Burial will be in Loudon Park Cemetery.

Mrs. Margaret G. Rowe.

The funeral of Mrs. Margaret Grace Rowe, wife of Dr. H. M. Rowe, president of the Automobile Club of Maryland, who died yesterday at the Maryland General Hospital following an operation, will take place tomorrow afternoon from her home on the Johnny Cake Road, near Ingleside avenue, Catonsville. Services will be conducted by Rev. John Nesbitt, pastor of the Catonsville Presbyterian Church, assisted by Rev. Dr. Edwin Leibfreed, of Brooklyn, N. Y. Mrs. Rowe was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Nilan, of Pittsburgh, and came to Baltimore after her marriage 14 years ago. Four weeks ago she was taken ill, and her physicians, after diagnosing her case, ordered her to the hospital to undergo an operation. Besides her husband she is survived by her daughter (Miss Portia Rowe), three sisters (Sister Mary Flavia, Mrs. Kate Kramer and Miss Della Nilan), one brother (Thomas Nilan), all of Pittsburgh, Pa., and three stepsons (George H., Harry M., Jr., and Earle W. Rowe). The pallbearers will be J. A. Ansbaugh, of Pittsburgh; Dr. William Caspari, E. B. Passano, H. D. Harris, E. Edwin Griffith, J. M. Zamoiski, William M. Ballou, and H. M. Luzius. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Mrs. India E. Mayes.

Mrs. India E. Watts, who, prior to her marriage a few years ago to Charles E. Mayes, of Red Lion, Pa., was a resident of this city, died Monday afternoon at her home in the Pennsylvania town after a brief illness. The body will be brought to this city this afternoon and will be taken to the home of her sisters, the Misses Watts, 309 North Calhoun street. The funeral will take place from there Friday morning at 10 o'clock. Burial will be in Loudon Park Cemetery. Mrs. Mayes was born in Baltimore 41 years ago and lived in this city practically all of her life. About four years ago she was married to Charles E. Mayes, of Red Lion, Pa. Mr. Mayes is the proprietor of a large laundry in that town and is also freight agent for the Maryland and Pennsylvania Railroad at Red Lion. Since her marriage Mrs. Mayes had been residing at Red Lion. She is survived by her husband and three sisters (Misses Mattie and Edith Watts and Mrs. William H. Rimmey, all of Baltimore).

John C. Clarke.

Succumbing to a complication of diseases that resulted from injuries to his hip, John C. Clarke, 55 years old, an advertising agent, and descendant of one of the oldest families in Maryland, died early yesterday morning at his home, 1614 East Hoffman street. Three weeks ago he was dismissed from St. Joseph's Hospital as cured. The day following his dismissal he had a fainting spell and fell from his chair, sustaining another fracture of the hip. Since then he had been confined to his bed. The first injury to his hip was received last August, when he stumbled while crossing the street near his home, landing against the curbing. He was carried into the house and was later sent to St. Joseph's Hospital. Mr. Clarke was born in Leonardtown, Md., and was a descendant of the Abell family. He is survived by a widow (Mrs. Olivia Clarke), a stepson (Harry Haines, captain of Company E, Fourth Maryland Regiment, and formerly captain of Company M, First Maryland Volunteers) and one sister.

Mrs. Sarah C. Hilberg.

Mrs. Sarah C. Hilberg, 88 years old, widow of Francis L. Hilberg, died Monday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. S. C. Rodenmayer, 116 West Twenty-third street. Death was due to the infirmities of age. Mrs. Hilberg was born in Baltimore and had spent her whole life in this city. She was a member of the First Reformed Church for more than 60 years. She is survived by two sons (Frank L. and Charles W. Hilberg) and three daughters (Misses Isabella and Margretta Hilberg and Mrs. S. C. Rodenmayer). The funeral will take place this afternoon at 3 o'clock from the home of her daughter. The Rev. O. S. Hartman will conduct the services. Burial will be in Greenmount Cemetery. The pallbearers will be members of First Reformed Church.

Miss Mary Werger.

After a lingering illness, Mary Werger, 52 years old, daughter of the late Peter and Elizabeth Werger, died yesterday morning at the home of Mrs. Christian Ebert, 259 South Fifth street, Highlandtown. Death was due to paralysis. Miss Werger was stricken on February 2 while she was doing work about the house. She leaves no relatives. The funeral will take place on Friday morning at 8 o'clock.

Mrs. Antonia Shannahan.

Mrs. Antonia Shannahan, wife of James J. Shannahan, a foreman of the Pennsylvania Railroad, died suddenly last Sunday at her home, 3897 Foster avenue. The funeral will take place this morning at 7:45 o'clock, and the body will be taken to Long Green, Md., for burial. Besides her husband, Mrs. Shannahan is survived by two small children, two sisters and three brothers.

Found Dead in Room.

Charles W. Hays, 55 years old, a machinist, was found dead at 4:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon in the rear second-story room of his home, 919 North Central avenue, by his sister, Miss Martha Hays. Death was due to Bright's disease, from which he had suffered for several months. Coroner Davis was notified and gave a certificate of death from that cause. Failing to evoke a response from his room at supper time yesterday, Miss Hays entered her brother's room and found him dead. She notified the other members of the family. Mr. Hays is survived