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Sale Register.

Notice of sales, for which bills are printed at this office, will be published under this head for 50 cents; when bills are printed elsewhere $1 will be charged. See bills for particulars of sale.

March 3—Horses, Colt, Cows, Sow and Pigs, Shotes, Farming Utensils, &c. Wm. H. Hughes, near Hood's Mills. Jos. W. Berret, Auctioneer.

March 12—Stock, Farming Implements generally and Household Goods at the late residence of Alfred Bower, near Spring Mills, one mile from Westminster. John H. Bowers; John G. Shunk, auctioneer.

March 11 and 12—5 horses, 6 cows, sows, shotes, farming implements and household goods of William J. Beggs, four miles from Westminster, on the Bachman Mill road.

March 13—4 large mules, 15 shotes, harness, farming implements, 500 bushels of potatoes, household furniture. P. J. Bennett, near Denning's. Jesse T. Wilson, auctioneer.

March 25—Horses, Cows, Hogs, Shotes, Farming Utensils, Household Furniture; John T. Ingels, Taylorsville, on the new Liberty road. Jesse T. Wilson, auctioneer.

March 18—Horses, Cows, Sheep, Brood Sows, Shotes Pigs, Farming Implements and Household and Kitchen Furniture: Charles F. Myers, one mile southwest of New Windsor. Samuel Crawford, auctioneer.

March 19—Horses, Cows, Shotes, Farming Implements, &c. John T. Shuey, one mile east of Warfieldsburg, on the road leading to the Washington road. P. A. Gorsuch, auctioneer.

March 15—3 mares, 3 cows, sow and pigs, farming utensils and household goods. John A. Greenholtz, near Mexico, 2 miles from Winters' mill. J. G. Shunk, auctioneer.

March 27—2 Horses, 2 Mules, 6 Milch Cows, Bull and Heifer, Shoats, 2 Wagons, Farming Implements and Household Goods. Amos Shaffer, near Winters' Mill.

February 28—Four horses, 8 cows, 2 heifers and agricultural implements of Charles E. Mitten, on the farm of Daniel Mitten, adjoining Westminster P. A. Gorsuch, auctioneer.

March 4.—Stock and Farming Utensils of John R. Wolf, three miles from Westminster, on Uniontown turnpike, adjoining lands of John Royer. Wm. Brown, auctioneer.

March 8—Live Stock, Farming Implements and everything on the farm. Valentine C. Wentz, near Stonersville. Wm. Brown, Auctioneer.

March 11—6 Horses, 11 Cows and Heifers and Farming Implements. Geo. Fiscel, on Alfred Zollickoffer's farm, near Uniontown. Wm. Brown, Auctioneer.

March 13.—Stock, Farming Implements, Household and Kitchen Furniture, &c. Wm. L. and Michael T. Frock, administrators, one mile from Bachman's Mill. Wm. Brown, auctioneer.

March 29—Horses, Mule, Cows, Farming Implements, Household and Kitchen Furniture. Emanuel Koontz, near Weist's Mill. Wm. Brown, Auctioneer.

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Local Brevities.

The Westminster Band realized about $50 from the Mme. Fry concerts.

Many of the cellars of houses in the West-End were flooded with water during the last thaw.

Between midnight and daylight last Monday morning there was a fall of about an inch of hail and snow.

On Tuesday last, Mr. Wm. H. Shaeffer of this city accidentally cut his left wrist with a chisel, inflicting a very severe wound.

Mr. Charles V. Wantz has been elected director of the Union National Bank, this city, in the place of William Reese, deceased.

The popular game in this city, at this time, seems to be chess. Why not arrange for a contest between players from the East-End and the West-End?

Ascension Protestant Episcopal Church, this city, is undergoing some repairs and a new heater will be put in next week, the old one having become worthless.

The appointment of cattle weigher will be made on Tuesday next, and the appointee will be a citizen of Carroll, so we are assured. Appointments of Magistrates will be made at that time also.

Westminster has been livelier this winter than usual. There have been dinners, suppers, sleighing parties, dances, concerts, parties and lectures. No one can complain of the town being dull, except dispeptics.

Since the organization of Western Maryland College in 1868, 2023 students have been entered upon its rolls, making an average of 119 students for each scholastic year. The graduates of the college number 133.

Paul G. Crout, a native of Carroll county, and son of the late Hezekiah Crout, died at Mount Hope on Wednesday, in his fortieth year. He was an active politician in Baltimore and had held several minor offices under the city Government.

On Tuesday night last, the colored men's debating club discussed the question "Which will influence a man to the greatest extent, love of money or love of woman?" "The judges decided in favor of the love of woman. Query—Which influenced the judges?

A gentleman at the West End a few days ago, desiring to cross Main Street, called a friend to witness the attempt, in order that he could inform his family of his fate in the event he got lost in the mud. The gentleman crossed safely, however, his head being visible all the time.

According to a report to the Legislature by Comptroller Turner, Western Maryland College received from the State of Maryland from October 1, 1873, to October 1, 1883, ten years, $47,300. During that period the aggregate donated to academies and colleges by the state amounted to about $800,000.

Mr. R. R. Foutz, brother of Mrs. M. E. Goodwin, of this city, died in Baltimore on Wednesday morning of apoplexy, aged 59 years. On Monday he was picked up on the street by a policeman, who, finding Mr. Foutz ill, took him to the University Hospital, where he died. He had no family, and was engaged with his brother, S. A. Foutz, a commission merchant.

Two cases from the Circuit Court of Carroll county were argued in the Court of Appeals this week. Derrett vs. Bowman was argued by Judge Maulsby for the appealant and by Judge Tuck and Jas. A. C. Bond, Esq., for the appellee. Frazier vs. Worthington and Hardesty was argued by Judge Maulsby for the appellant and by Fielder C. Slingluff, Esq., for the appellees.

E. M. Van Deusen, D. D., of Utica, New York, has purchased the store house and dwelling and nine acres of land at Carrollton Station of Mr. J. F. Rinker. Dr. Van Deusen has been rector of Grace Protestant Episcopal Church at Utica for about thirteen years, and has been forced to retire from the ministry on account of failing health. He will remove to this county about the 1st of March.

We learn from Dr. B. F. Shipley, of St. James, Howard county, that thieves several nights ago forced an entrance, by means of a crowbar, into his granary, and stole therefrom six bushels of wheat. They also broke the locks of his poultry houses, and nearly made a clean sweep of his poultry. The Doctor's house was burned some time ago, since which time he has resided some distance from his outbuildings.

Since Sunday, January 27, there has been but one clear day until yesterday. The sun shone out once or twice during that time, but only for a short time. Such a season of cloudy and rainy weather is most unusual, if indeed the oldest inhabitant can recall a similar one. The temperature has been quite mild too, the mercury ranging from 34 to 61. On Wednesday bees were buzzing about, and trees have begun to bud. The mild weather is not so unusual, but the cloudy, murky, rainy weather is.

A fine Hambletonian mare was stolen from Diedrick H. Helms of New York city last December, about the time of a large bank robbery there. The mare was traced from New York to Philadelphia, from Philadelphia to Baltimore, and thence she was shipped to this city. Mr. Helms, Edgar S. Slawson, a New York detective, and Albert Gault and Seargeant Barringer of Baltimore were here on Thursday looking for the animal and got out a search warrant. They failed to find the mare and left in the afternoon.

The eighth lecture of the course before the students of the Theological Seminary of this city, was delivered in the Methodist Protestant Church on Wednesday evening, by Rev. D. L. Greenfield, of Baltimore. "The Preacher in his Pulpit," was the subject of the lecture. The duties of the minister of the gospel were clearly defined, the preparation for the work fully set forth, and the grave responsibilities of the sacred office brought out in bold relief. The lecture was an able one and held the attention of the audience throughout, growing in interest until its close. The lecture on Monday night—"The Preacher in his Study,"—was equally able, showing the lecturer to be a man of culture, thoroughly furnished in his high calling, and deeply imbued with the spirit of his mission. On Monday evening next Rev. W. S. Hammond, of Baltimore, will lecture on "The Preacher Among his People," and on Wednesday evening Dr. J. W. Hering will lecture on "Voice Production and Preservation." These lectures are open to the public.

SYKESVILLE ITEMS.
Death of Thomas Evans—Mysterious Burglary—New Bridge.

Mr. Thomas Evans died suddenly on Friday night, at the residence of Capt. W. P. Gorsuch. He was a well-known and wealthy citizen of Washington, D. C. He was twice married. His last wife was a daughter of Capt. W. P. Gorsuch, with whom he had been making his home most of the time since her death. Mr. Evans had a large circle of friends, and was a general favorite in the community. He leaves a son and daughter. His remains were interred at Washington, D. C., on Sunday. J. M. Zimmerman, Dr. J. W. Steele and others of the district attended the funeral.

Burglars were in Sykesville again on last Saturday. They had chosen a new field for operations, and this time selected the residence of the Rev. Dr. Piggot. The thieves approached the house from the rear, and taking out a broken pane of glass, succeeded in removing the entire lower sash of the window and entered the room. In this room, which is used as a dining room, there was stored in an unlocked safe several bottles of wine, some of which was kept for communion services. Mrs. Piggot, who was awakened at the time, thought she heard a noise below, and, with light in hand, descended the steps. On opening the stair door she saw the thief go towards the door leading to the yard, which he opened and then walked out. Mrs. Piggot, who showed great courage and presence of mind, did not cry out, but followed him to the door. The intruder said nothing, but walked quietly away. He left several bottles of wine on the floor, and had taken his tobacco from his mouth. When he was alarmed he was probably prepared to enjoy some wine before making further exploits. The hour was 3 o'clock in the morning, with the moon brightly shining, and notwithstanding Mrs. Piggot blew a horn and called aloud for assistance, no one heard her. Not until daylight did any one know of the attempted robbery. Dr. Piggot is now in his 89th year, and it was feared the shock would have a bad effect upon his already feeble condition; yet he and Mrs. Piggot have borne well the strain upon their nerves. This, like the railroad robbery, still remains a mystery, and all the people have been able to find out is that the midnight marauders are very fond of wine.

Messrs. Selby and Ridgeley, presidents of Carroll and Howard county board of Commissioners, accepted the new bridge at Gorsuch's switch on Wednesday. The bridge is a substantial structure. Some little filling remains to be done, when the crossing will be complete. Col. Polk was present and commended the work. The rain pourned down while the bridge was being inspected, and there not being enough umbrellas to go around, the situation was not altogether pleasant. Mr. Joshua D. Warfield, of Howard, who agreed to do the filling, invited all present to his house, where an elegant dinner was served.

Gaither's Siding will now ask for a bridge at that point across the Patapsco between the two counties. We suppose Mr. John E. Gaither will have to do some of the filling there.

Dr. Chas. C. F. Schroeder has finally decided to locate in Sykesville.

Frank Brown has purchased a large traction engine for his farm.

Pleasant Valley Items.

Our quiet little town was thrown into an excitement on Saturday morning last by the announcement of the sudden death of Mr. A. J. Bankard, who had been very ill for nearly four weeks, the last week of which, however, he appeared to be much better, and it was thought that he would soon be able to be out again, when, all of a sudden, he was called away before any of his children could be summoned except the one with whom he was living. His remains were interred on Monday in Pleasant Valley cemetery. The deceased was a little over 58 years of age, was a good citizen, and highly respected by all who knew him. He leaves three daughters and a host of friends to mourn his loss. The funeral sermon was preached by Rev. J. G. Noss from 1st Corinthians, 15th chap., 52d verse.

We noticed in the *American Sentinel* a little before the holidays that the Tyrone correspondent for that paper had stuffed a sausage for Mr. Wm. Stremmell which measured 23 feet in length, and wanted to know who could beat it. We would say right here, that Mr. Jeremiah Zepp can beat it all hollow, as he made a sausage which measured 41 feet and 3 inches long, and he did not have any of the Tyrone shrinkers to do it with, either.

Mr. George W. Yeiser, teacher of the public school at this place, held a public examination on Friday, the 25th ult., most of the parents and others being present. The exercises were extended to all the grades, and the manner in which the pupils answered and the attention they paid to their teacher proved the entire satisfaction of all present, and showed that the school is very successfully taught. Much credit is due to the grammar, geography and arithmetic classes, but special credit to Mr. Yeiser's history class, which is composed of sixteen pupils, that proved to the audience that they can enumerate all important events as they occur in the history of the United States from 1492 to 1881.

The question, "Which is the more pleasing to the eye, art or nature?" will be discussed at the Pleasant Valley Hall next Thursday evening, February 21st. J. N. Ditch and M. W. Webster will speak in favor of art, and Isaac Sullivan and G. W. Yeiser in favor of nature.

Farmers Convention.

The ADVOCATE having noticed a call for a convention of farmers of central Maryland, has received a letter from Wm. B. Sands, Esq., editor or the American Farmer and Secretary of the Baltimore County Agricultural Society. Mr. Sands says he is requested to extend an invitation to any agricultural society or organization in the county and farmers in general in Carroll. It is hoped that Carroll county will be largely represented at the convention. Below is Mr. Sands' letter:

MESSRS. VANDERFORD BROS.:—The committee of arrangements appointed by the Agricultural Societies of Baltimore and Harford counties to prepare for "The Farmer's Convention of Central Maryland" to meet in this city on the 22nd instant, request me to write to you, (they having noticed your editoral comment on the extract from the Belair *Ægis*,) that the farmers' organizations and the individual farmers of Carroll will all be gladly welcomed to that meeting and that it is hoped they will respond in large numbers and participate in the proceedings. Acting upon your suggestion invitations have been extended to all the known agricultural associations in Carroll, and it will be doing a public service, as is conceived, if you will, through your widely read columns, ask any that have been omitted to attend by delegates or in full force.

The reason the farmers of the whole State were not invited was that this meeting was intended as a local attempt to bring together farmers of the middle portions of Maryland, who are contiguous to Baltimore and whose interests are identical; but the agriculturists of any and every portion and county will be welcomed.

There is no special scope or aim to this convention. Subjects of general interest will be discussed, addresses made and papers read, some of them by gentlemen of prominence in their respective lines. Very respectfully,

WM. B. SANDS.

Sam's Creek Items.

Isaiah Devilbiss has rented his farm situated near this place to John Horton. Mr. Devilbiss will remain on the farm and will stock it. Mr. Horton and family will occupy a part of his house and get one-third of the crops raised on the farm, and also a portion of the marketing for his services. Possession will be given April 1st.

Charles W. Brown, Jr., has rented the farm of Andrew Alexander, Jr. Possession also given April 1st.

The amount which Geo. Kiler gives Elder Joel Roop in trading farms is $4,750, instead of $2,750, as reported in last week's ADVOCATE.

Your correspondent was misinformed.

Last Sunday morning Rev. J. R. Cadden, who has been on this (New Windsor) circuit for three years, preached his last sermon at Bethel Church, taking as his text, Numbers xiii: 30-33, and as usual gave his audience a sound and instructive sermon. The congregation generally at Bethel regret to lose such an able minister.

Public sale season is here. All the stores, mills and shops are lined with posters, a large number of which, we noticed, because of their neat and bright appearance, were printed at the ADVOCATE office.

Orphans' Court.

Monday, February 11.—John H. Chew, administrator of Hiram Jordan, deceased, settled first and final account.

Jacob Rupp and Daniel Rupp, executors of Christian Rupp, deceased, returned additional list of sales of personal property; also settled first administration account.

Wm. P. and Elias N. Gardner, executors of Nimrod Gardner, deceased, settled seventh account.

Levi Snider, administrator of Jacob Snider, deceased, returned inventory of goods and chattels, list of debts and inventory of money, and received order to sell goods and chattels and order to notify creditors.

Francis Warner, administrator of John Rupp, deceased, returned inventory of goods and chattels, list of debts and inventory of money, and received order to sell goods and chattels and order to notify creditors.

Tuesday, February 12.—John J. Reese and Dr. J. W. Hering, executors of Wm. Reese, deceased, received order to sell real estate and leasehold property, and order to sell and transfer stock.

Marriage Bells In Wooler's District.

Sandy Mount Church, on Wednesday evening last, was filled with relatives and friends who had assembled to witness the marriage of Mr. Dennis A. Smith, of Westminster, and Miss Susie M., daughter of Mr. William Miller, of Woolery's district. The ceremony was to take place at 7:30, and a few minutes after that time the organ gave notice that the bridal party were at hand. Preceded by the ushers, Messrs. H. M. Miller, brother of the bride, Joseph Smith, brother of the groom, Ed. Hoppe and Thomas Zile, the bride leaning on the arm of the groom, advanced to the railing where they were met by Rev. W. D. Litsinger who read the ritual of the M. P. Church for such occasions, the responses of the groom and bride being given in a distinct and clear tone. During the marriage ceremony the organist, Miss Alverda Lamotte, rendered a soft strain.

At the conclusion of the marriage all repaired to the home of the bride where a reception was held. The bride and groom received the congratulations of their friends, after which refreshments were served in abundance—ice cream, oranges, bananas, malaga grapes, nuts, cake, &c., the tables being handsomely decorated with natural flowers.

The bride was attired in blue ottoman satin with natural flowers, and the groom in black with satin tie.

The room containing the presents of the bride was an object of great attraction, there being nearly two hundred presents, consisting of solid silver and plated ware, four rocking chairs, two china tea sets, bed and table linen in abundance, knives, forks, spoons, toilet sets, hanging and table lamps, silver tea set, and many other useful and ornamental articles.

Notwithstanding the inclement weather and bad roads, nearly all that were invited attended, thus showing by their presence that the bride and groom had their best wishes for a happy and prosperous future. In addition to those from Westminster and the immediate house of the bride, there were persons present from New Windsor, Baltimore, Reisterstown, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and Martinsburg, West Virginia.

Carroll County Teachers' Association.

[Reported for the Democratic Advocate.]

The Teachers' Association met in Central Hall on last Friday, there being a very fair representation considering the inclemency of the weather. A committee, Messrs. McSwiney, Sullivan and Baughman, was appointed to prepare resolutions on the death of William Reese, late President of the School Board. The newly-appointed Examiner, Mr. Jas. A. Diffenbaugh, addressed the teachers upon the importance of reporting properly, the necessity of accounting for all book-fees due, &c. He stated, as being the express order of the Board, "that all reports must be properly and fully filled out, and all bills be accompanied with the proper vouchers before payment will be made; that incorrect reports will receive no correction in the office, but will be returned to the teacher for correction; that no orders for books or stationery will be filled unless receipted for by the teacher; and that all book-fees due must be satisfactorily accounted for."

Numerous addresses by prominent teachers, in reply and commendatory of the action of the Board, followed. A committee was appointed to prepare a petition praying the Legislature to abolish the book-fee system, a copy of which is to be sent to each teacher, in order to secure the signatures of the patrons.

"Why are we at the foot of the ladder?" provoked quite a general discussion. The Association adjourned to meet the first Friday after the first meeting of the School Board following the close of the spring term.

Linwood Items.

Bessie, aged about two years, daughter of J. T. and Anna Dayhoff, was severely scalded on Thursday of last week, from which she has suffered much. The child whilst playing around, fell near the cookingstove, upon which there was an ordinary sized stew-pan containing boiling water. The mother in haste to pick up the child accidentally touched the handle of the pan by which it was upset, emptying the contents upon the abdomen and lower limbs of the child, causing a severe burn. Medical aid was rendered by Drs. W. N. and G. M. Martin, of Uniontown, and hopes of recovery are entertained at present.

Recent discovery has revealed the fact, that sometime during Old Winter's present sojourn Jack-frost has been meddling with the valuable contents of cellars, and rabbits resorted to the bark of young fruit trees for bitters.

Suitable poles intended for the telephone line between this place and Uniontown, have been furnished by Messrs. Wm. H. Blaxsten and Thomas Wood.

Mumps have appeared in the school for colored children at Muttontown. Several cases of measles are reported here.

The ADVOCATE print is well represented among the many sale bills posted at our public points.

Shipley Items.

The mud and valentines are all the go here, and wherever you go it is mud, mud or valentines.

Our county roads are almost impassable on account of the mud, caused by the thaw up, followed by heavy rains. Our young men seem to think it is all right, as it will give both man and beast ample time to recuperate their weary limbs and lost rest caused by their liberal indulgence during the sleighing period.

On the 2nd inst. one of our "farmers" declared he knew where the lair of a "Candlemas" animal was, and if he did not put in his appearance by 10, a. m., that they would go for him. The time arrived, and the expected visitor hadn't come. The den being under a brush pile, "Well, boys," said he, "we'll dig him out." The brush pile was burnt, digging was commenced, a depth of 8 feet obtained, and no ground hog found. "I wonder how deep they will burrow?" he inquiringly asked, and then suggested that he never had much faith in that sign anyhow. He then gave up the pursuit and said: Well, Vennor's prophesy was good enough for him.

The growing grain looks well since earth has shed its icy mantle.

Leap Year Party.

The first Leap Year party of the season was given at the residence of Mr. Wm. A. Cunningham on Thursday evening, February 14, by the ladies of Westminster, as a compliment to Miss Lulie Cunningham, and in recognition of the many pleasant entertainments tendered them by her on former occasions. Both ladies and gentlemen were in fancy costumes and masked. Each lady wore on her left shoulder a rosette of ribbon with a number in gilt. The gentlemen were provided with envelopes containing duplicates, and the lady and gentleman having corresponding numbers, joined the promenade and danced the first set with their valentine. Programmes of the dances were furnished, and two ladies acted as floor managers. Refreshments were served at eleven o'clock, and dancing continued until two A. M. The party was a decided success and greatly enjoyed by all. The music was furnished by Messrs. Morelock, Mitten and Frizzell.

Warfieldsburg Items.

Since our last report, Mr. Scott Lloyd has been lying in a very critical condition. We are informed however that he is slightly improved. Mr. Wm. N. Sellman and Mr. Jno. Beggs, continue to improve slowly.

The members of the "Gem" were the guests of Mr. Edwin E. Stoner and his sister, Miss Girtie, last Wednesday evening, one mile south of here. After being received by our kind host and hostess in true Maryland style, and attending to the regular routine of duty, the following programme was rendered: Full chorus, by the society, "As a Shepherd;" Mr. George Pennington then read an essay, subject. "Truth;" next a vocal solo by Miss Girtie E. Stoner, entitled "The Day is Done," which was followed by a rehearsal, by Mr. Chas. F. Manaham, subject "Now and Then." The Society rendered a full chorus and adjourned to meet at Dr. Jas. P. Summers', Wednesday evening next.

Circuit Court.

The February term of the Circuit Court commenced on Monday and adjourned on Thursday. A number of judgements were entered by confession and default. C. R. Miller was examined and admitted to the bar on Tuesday. The case of Aaron Weant vs. William Dayhoff, for the custody of two children of the latter bound to him orally for a term of years, and who were taken home by their father after two years, was tried on an appeal from the Orphans' Court. The Orphans' Court decided that that court had no jurisidiction and the Circuit Court sustained the court below. D. N. Henning, Esq., for the plaintiff; ex-Judge Wm. N. Hayden for the defendant.

Weather Record for the Week.

February 9—mercury 36 at 7 a. m. and 40 at 2 p. m.; cloudy and rainy. February 10—mercury 38 at 7 a. m. and 45 at 2 p. m.; generally cloudy, with rain at night. February 11—mercury 34 at 7 a. m. and 38 at 2 p. m.; cloudy with snow and hail before daylight and light rain during the day. February 12—mercury 38 at 7 a. m. and 48 at 2 p. m.; cloudy, with light rains. February 13—mercury 52 at 7 a. m. and 61 at 2 p. m.; cloudy, with heavy rains in the morning, partially clear in the afternoon, rain at night. February 14—mercury 59 at 7 a. m. and 48 at 2 p. m.; cloudy, with heavy rains in the early morning. February 15—mercury 26 at 7 a. m. and 28 at 12 m.; clear.

New Advertisements.

Trustees' Sale of the most valuable Farming Lands on Meadow Branch and Big Pipe Creek—Wm. A McKellip, Chas. B. Roberts, Isaac E. Pearson, Trustees.

Public Sale of Valuable Town Property—John J. Reese and Joshua W. Hering, Executors.

Orchilla Guano, the Great Soil Enricher—R. A. Wooldridge & Co., Baltimore, Md.

Hand-Made Furniture, Undertaking, &c—O. M. Hiteshew, Uniontown, Md.

Farm to Rent—John W. McFadden, Trevanion, Carroll county, Md.

Blacksmith Wanted—Louis F. Schultz, Sykesville, Md.

Trustee's Sale—Wm. P. Maulsby, Trustee.

The Farmers' Convention of Central Maryland.

Legal Notices: List of Unclaimed Matter. J. Q. Stitely & Son, Westminster, Md.

Tank P. O. Items.

Fox hunting is about the only thing that is on the programme at present.

Israel Folk started for West Virginia last week. Jackson Frank and David Hare are going to California the first week of March.

Our farmers are hauling their wheat to the market, and are realizing $1.05 and $1.07 per bushel.

Another singing school has been started at Miller's school house, under the direction of T. P. Frank.

The district trustees met at Miller's school on Wednesday afternoon.

For the Democratic Advocate.

Lisbon Items.

It seems that our harmless quotation of "Harold, sleep no more," has called forth a long tirade from "D." Now we did not throw down the glove for a friendly or unfriendly controversy with any one. He says "we come at them cart before the horse." Is that a reason why the horse should proceed to "gobble up" and annihilate the cart, by bringing forward a lot of chaff, which, when winnowed, is chaff still? He compares us with the ostrich, which he says "thrusts its head in the thicket and sees nothing." Now, this description of that bird is found in old time geographies, and is a long-exploded humbug. If "D." will consult Wilson and Audubon—either of whom are authority in ornithology—he will find the ostrich described as having little use for wings, being swift runners, but unyielding when attacked. We know the country from Woodbine (which we claim as a suburb of Lisbon) to Uniontown, and indeed to the rocky heights of Gettysburg, and all "D." says regarding the march of improvement, in "lovely fields, etc.," we subscribe to as true. Just where "Sleepy Hollow" is geographically located we know not. In the winter of '67-8 we had a correspondent and friend whose missives were so headed, and with whom we spent many pleasant evenings. His temporary home was on the west side of the summit. In the early part of 1861 we attended several weekly meetings of a spelling school, held at night in the old schoolhouse, the president of which was spoken of as coming from "Sleepy Hollow," on the eastern side of the slope; so we are at sea regarding its exact location. We call to mind as we write the memory, and the well-remembered faces, of two at least with whom we held friendly converse, and whom we rarely failed to meet on those occasions, who are resting in the beautiful "new churchyard" spoken of.

Memories of "The Pines?" Certainly we have, and the name will cling to it for years to come, even if every tree is cut down, but the "summit" is not

"The peak that walls the world,"

nor is it the whole of Carroll, and we repeat that we have many social ties that bind us to some of its residents. We have many friends in its borders, and its soil holds our beloved dead, who rest not in "the pretty new churchyard," but in a beautiful private cemetery, kept by loving hands, situated on an eminence overlooking two adjoining counties, where the fragrant woodbine and trailing myrtle distil their perfume with the dews of even, and where, as the lengthening shadows eastward pass, the wood robin comes to sing, and the balmy breeze takes up the refrain through the foliage of the trees near at hand.

Our indulgence, ln a dreamy moment, of olden memories, has called forth this

"Modern Joshua,
Blowing his distressing ram's horn at the walls
Of social Jerichos, that, bolt upright,
List with composure to the serenade."

During the sleighing season, a few weeks ago, accompanied by a young gentleman friend, we called at Mr—'s. about 8 p. m.; we were told he had gone to a "re-union." Continuing on our way, we next called at Mr—'s., near by; we found the young gents preparing for bed, and were told that Mr. and Mrs.—— had gone to an "old folks' re-union" beyond "The Pines." Baffled in seeing either party, we drove on, intending to call on a gentleman within a few rods of the "Chapel and new P. O.," chat awhile with himself and family, and ask some particulars about the "social," or "re-union," we had been told the parties named were attending. Arriving at the latter gentleman's house,

"Not a ray of light could I see."

It was then about 9 p. m. After twice calling we concluded that they were literally "f a-s-t asleep." Disgusted, we turned homeward, thinking "Sleepy Hollow" an appropriate name for that region. Further down we stopped with a gentleman, related our failure in finding anyone at home or awake, who told us there was a "coon feast up the road." This is all we know about it—know nothing of the details, or whether or not we were "sold" in regard to its occurrence. In Howard a "social" is frequently reported for the local make-up of our county paper. In this spirit we called for an account of the "coon dinner"—if *worth reporting*.

We pass by without comment the fling at "the unselfsustaining (?) elements" of "our Hollow," merely saying that "private research on the north of the Patapsco with its midnight lamp" failed to find the existence of the immortal author from which the quotation was taken. We have never at any time claimed to have shed any light on that section, and if we are vain on any subject, it is that we *write our own communications* for this and other journals. The "literati" (one t, if you please,) of this "Hollow" attended no college; we graduated in the school of experience, whose *Alma Mater* may have been adversity; and much of what we have learned and unlearned we owe to our own midnight lamp.

We retire by saying that no personal allusion, however remote—no slur on that section—was intended, and if "D." or others feel their sensibilities aggrieved, they must concede that we have made the *amende honorable*.

Thanks to "The Gem" for their kind invitation.

LISBON CORRESPONDENT.

Business Locals.

FOR RENT—A House with six rooms, at East End, Westminster. G. W. Lamotte.

FOR SALE—House and Lot, one-quarter of an acre, located on the New Windsor road, near Mr. Cunningham's residence, Westminster, Md. Wampler & Manning.

DELAYS ARE DANGEROUS.—A slight pain in the back, headache, or heaviness about the chest and stomach may portend of something very serious, while if taken at the start it is easily remedied. We don't know of a more valuable remedy in such cases than J. M. Laroque's Anti-Billious Bitters. Their action upon the human system is truly wonderful. Don't delay, but use the Bitters now; the price is reasonable, and all druggists sell them; 25 cents and $1. W. E. Thornton, proprietor, Baltimore, Md.

Says an Exchange. "A monument will be erected to the discoverer of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup."

Smoke the Talent Cigar, at L. C. Trumbo's.

30 Rolls of Carpet have been received and still more coming. Prices lower than ever before, at J. T. Orndorff's Double store. ii

You ought not catch a cold, but if you do, use Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup. Price 25 cents.

Clover Seed is *Wanted* by N. I Gorsuch & Son. Highest prices paid. 3m

Large Sow and Nine Pigs for sale. Apply to Emanuel Yeiser, Union Mills.

Old John Brown's Fort at Harper's Ferry is not so celebrated as Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup.

Bran, Shorts, Cotton Seed and Flax Seed Meals, constantly on hand. N. I. Gorsuch & Son. 3m

Sale Notes for sale at the ADVOCATE Office.

News from Egypt on Tuesday gives details of the fall of Sinkat and the massacre of the 600 troops of the garrison by the rebels. The garrison made a sortie aud was for a long time successful in repulsing the rebel attacks, but the attacking forces gained the upper hand and the garrison was completely destroyed except a few who were made prisoners. The fate of the women and children is unknown. The streets of Suakim present a heart-rending appearance. They are thronged with women whose weeping and wailing give unmistakable evidence of their distress and forebodings.

Norwalk, Connecticut, is shocked over a lively row which occurred Sunday night in the Congregational church, caused by remarks made by Rev. G. W. Wesselins, the retiring pastor, in his sermon. The reverend gentleman was frantic with rage, denouncing the congregation as a mob. The excitement became so hot that it was necessary to extinguish the lights to prevent a personal encounter.

TRUSTEES' SALE OF VALUABLE REAL And PERSONAL PROPERTY

AT THE MOUNT PLEASANT HOTEL,

Situated in Myers' District, Carroll county, Md., on the turnpike leading from Westminster to Gettysburg, Pa.

By virtue of a deed of trust from Peter Bankert and Elizabeth C. Bankert, his wife, dated 8th day of November, 1883, and duly recorded, the undersigned, trustees named therein, will offer at public sale, at the Mount Pleasant Hotel, about six miles from the city of Westminster, on the turnpike above named,

On Saturday, 1st day of March, A. D. 1884,

at 11 o'clock, a. m., the following valuable real and personal property, to wit:

FIRST—Various articles of HOUSEHOLD AND KITCHEN FURNITURE, set of blacksmith tools, and many other articles too numerous to mention.

SECOND—THE MOUNT PLEASANT HOTEL PROPERTY, WITH 18 ACRES OF LAND belonging thereto. This is one of the oldest and best established stands in the county. The land is in a high state of cultivation, under good fencing, fruit of every variety, water in abundance, and all necessary outbuildings suitable for the conducting of the hotel business.

THIRD—SIX ACRES OF LAND, more or less, within sight of the hotel aforesaid, situated on the road leading therefrom to Bachman's Mill. The improvements are a comfortable two-story frame and weatherboarded DWELLING HOUSE, recently erected, and all necessary outbuildings, never-failing well of water near the door, &c. About one-half of this lot is in thriving young timber, balance cleared, in a high state of cultivation, and under good fence.

FOURTH—61 ACRES OF LAND, more or less, situated on the public road leading from Stonersville to Pleasant Valley, and about one mile from either place; one-half in timber and balance in farming and meadow land. No buildings on this lot; it is, however, under good fencing, has some fruit thereon, well watered, &c.

FIFTH—15 ACRES OF LAND, more or less, situated about one mile from Stonersville, fronting on the public road leading from said village to Pleasant Valley. This tract is heavily timbered, and adjoins lands of John Dudderow, Valentine Wentz, Josephus Bankert and others, and is the same which Peter Bankert purchased of Adam Humbert, deceased, on the 20th day of May, A. D. 1850.

SIXTH—ONE-HALF ACRE OF LAND, more or less, situated opposite the Mt. Pleasant Hotel and fronting on the turnpike aforesaid. The improvements consist of a large and comfortable Brick DWELLING HOUSE, erected within the last few years, blacksmith shop, &c. There is an abundance of fruit of choice varieties, well of good water near the door, and the lot enclosed with good fencing.

The various parcels of land above described are located in the most industrious and prosperous portions of this state, and, being convenient to churches, schools, postoffices, &c., are worthy the attention of any one in want of a home in a highly favored neighborhood.

Terms of Sale of Real Estate:—One-third cash on the day of sale or upon the ratification thereof by the Court; the balance in nine and eighteen months, credit payments to be secured to the satisfaction of the trustees, and bearing interest from the day of sale.

Terms of Personal Property:—All sums of $10 and under, cash; on all sums above $10 a credit of six months will be given upon notes with approved security, bearing interest from the day of sale.

For information concerning any of the properties above named, call upon Peter Bankert, Esq., residing opposite the Mt. Pleasant Hotel, or upon any one of the trustees at Westminster, Md.

WM. A. McKELLIP, CHAS. T. REIFSNIDER, WM. B. THOMAS, } Trustees.

McKellip & Clabaugh, Reifsnider & Fink, Solicitors.

feb 9-ts P. A. Gorsuch, Auct'r.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

This is to give notice that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Carroll county, letters of Administration on the Personal Estate of

JACOB N. BANKARD,

late of Carroll county, deceased. All persons having claims against the deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof legally authenticated, to the subscriber on or before the 9th day of September, 1884; they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate.

Given under my hand this 11th day of December, 1883.

FANNIE BANKARD, Administratrix.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

This is to give notice that the subscribers have obtained from the Orphans' Court of Carroll county, in Maryland, letters of Administration on the Personal Estate of

MICHAEL FROCK,

late of Carroll county, deceased. All persons having claims against the deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof legally authenticated, to the subscribers, on or before the 9th day of September, 1884; they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate.

Given under our hands this 4th day of February, 1884.

WILLIAM L. FROCK, MICHAEL FROCK, Administrators.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

This is to give notice that the subscribers have obtained from the Orphans' Court of Carroll county, in Maryland, letters Testamentary on the Personal Estate of

WILLIAM REESE,

late of Carroll county, deceased. All persons having claims against the deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof legally authenticated, to the subscribers, on or before the 9th day of September, 1884; they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate.

Given under our hands this 4th day of February, 1884.

JOHN J. REESE, DR. J. W. HERING, Executors.

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FARM, STOCK & IMPLEMENTS AT PUBLIC SALE.

ON MARCH 5, 1884, at 10 a. m., a farm of 80 acres, at Finksburg Station, on Western Maryland Railroad; frame dwelling, bank barn, apples, peaches, pears and grapes, running stream; postoffice, schools, mills and churches convenient; half-mile from turnpike; 2 acres in wood, 12 acres in wheat; improvements nearly new. Also canning house and fixtures.

Also all the live stock and farming implements. For terms and other particulars see bills. JOHN W. KIRKMAN.

feb 9-3* R. C. Matthews, Auct.

DON'T YOU FORGET IT.

As we intend to leave Patapsco this spring, and not wishing to move our goods, will sell following goods at *Great Bargains* for Cash until March 31st, 1884:—DRY GOODS, NOTIONS, HARDW