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LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Local Brevities.

Old John Robinson's circus and menagerie will exhibit here two weeks from to-day.

"Red summer burns to its latest ember," and "autumn is putting on her russet robes."

Dr. D. F. Penington, special correspondent of the Baltimore *Day*, was in Westminster yesterday.

Public schools open on Monday next, and some private schools. Western Maryland College opens on Tuesday.

The Carroll County Teachers' Institute met in this city yesterday, preparatory to commencing duties for the ensuing school year.

Don't forget to get registered next week. Registers sit from Tuesday until Saturday, from 8 o'clock in the morning until 7 in the evening.

Door to Virtue Lodge No. 40, A. F. A. M., will resume labor Tuesday evening, Sept., 4th, and will continue to meet weekly throughout the year.

A number of fine farms and other real estate is advertised in this issue. Desirable homes can be secured on reasonable terms. Read the advertisements and attend the sales.

The sale of the real estate of the late Jacob Hoffacker, at Alesia, advertised by David H. Hoffacker and Jacob Shaeffer, executors, to be sold on the 17th of September, will not place until the 24th.

Col. Preston, two daughters and son, of Abingden, Washington county, Va., were on a visit to Mrs. Newson, on Thursday last. Also Mrs. Saunders, daughter of Mrs. Newson, from the same place.

J. F. Tracey, of Patapsco, brought to this office last Saturday a blackberry stalk that was eighteen feet high. How's that for high? Perhaps the prolific growth was due to the Republican system of protective tariffs.

At 3 o'clock this (Saturday) afternoon a Cleveland and Hendricks pole will be raised at Gorsuch's Switch, on the B. & O. Railroad, in Freedom district, and speakers from Baltimore and Westminster are expected to speak.

The fine rain of last Faiday night, saved this section from a threatened drouth. The corn crop was beginning to feel the need of rain, and it came before any injury was done. On Thursday night and yesterday there was another fine rain.

The sale of the Jos. M. Gist property, in Freedom district, by Chas. B. Roberts, guardian, &c., will take place on Thursday, September 11th. Last week the ADVOCATE had the day of the week wrong, but the day of the month was correct.

The late arrivals at Dielman's Hotel, New Windsor, are Mrs. J. G. Bowen and children, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Waters, Mr. and Mrs. McCoy and family, Miss Effie Barr, J. P. Ardesar, all of Washington, D. C.; Misses Pasano, Baltimore, Md.

Twenty-five cents will pay for the ADVOCATE for the campaign, beginning with next issue and closing with the issue of November 8. Sent to any address in the United States, postage prepaid. Send in your names and money by Monday.

The Hampstead *Enterprise* says Dr. Edw. Wells, of that place, has discovered an antidote to nicotine in tobacco. The discovery has been tested by chemists and pronounced to be perfect for removing nicotine from tobacco, without injuring the tobacco.

At the special meeting of the School Board on 11th inst., Miss Alice Jean who has taught Brandenburg's school in the 5th district for some years, appeared in person and resigned the school. The appointment of Joshua Leatherwood as her successor was confirmed.

Gen. Hazen, Chief of the Signal Service, has written to Messrs. W. S. Myer & Bro., of this city, asking if they would be willing to hoist the flags, or weather signals, upon their mill in this city. They signified their willingness at once, and are expecting to hear again from the chief of the bureau in Washington.

Mr. George F. White, of this city, lately with Mr. A. H. Wentz, jeweler, left here on Tuesday for Spartanburg, South Carolina, where he has accepted a position in a jewelry establishment. Mr. White is a polite and accommodating gentleman, and made many friends while residing here. He is a skillful workman, too.

The assault of J. Wesley Fridinger upon James Searle, at the ore banks near Ebbvale, reported in these colums last week, turned out to be upon investigation before Justice G. W. Crapster last Wednesday, to be a common assault, instead of an assault with intent to kill, as alleged. Fridinger was therefore fined fifty cents and costs.

A number of persons from this city will go on the excursion to Luray, to-day, via the Western Maryland railroad. Train leaves Westminster at 7.02 o'clock this (Saturday) morning, and the fare is only $3.40. This is a good opportunity, (and perhaps the only one that will be presented this season) to see this wonderful natural curiosity.

The spirit of enterprise possessed by W. S. Myer & Bro. manifests itself in various ways. Would that Westminster had several hundred of such thoroughgoing business men. They are now putting down, at their extensive mill property, a brick pavement 200 feet on Liberty street, and 195 feet on Green street, ten feet wide. Mr. Ed. Awalt is doing the work.

There is reason to believe that a gang of thieves is prowling around this town and neighborhood. See that your stables and carriage houses are well secured, and the bolts and bars of the doors and windows of your dwellings also. Have your firearms in readiness for any emergency. No one knows how soon they may be needed for the protection of person and property.

Members of Burns Post are busy making arrangements for the annual re-union of the survivors of the 6th Maryland Regiment, to be held here on Friday, September 12th. They expect to make the affair pleasant, and all ex-soldiers, Federal or Confederate, as well as the citizens generally are cordially invited to be present. We will give programme of the re-union next week.

Following are some yields of wheat in the neighborhood of Smallwood, in Woolery's district—Henry Wardenfelt 44½ bushels per acre, on three acres, and an average of 30 bushels on all his wheat land; John Frick, an average of 35 bushels; Elias B. Arnold, an average of 30 bushels; Wm. H. Caple, on 17 acres, an average of 43½. This is good cropping for what used to be called the barrens.

Mr. John Lloyd, living near the Washington road, near Warfieldsburg, raised this year 692 bushels of wheat from 21½ acres, or an average of 32 1-5 bushels per acre. Seven years ago Mr. Lloyd purchased the farm for $20.75 per acre, when it was not productive and in bad condition. By industry, lime and manure, he has brought it up, in the short time he has owned it, to its present state of productiveness.

In order that advertisements shall not trespass too much upon space usually devoted to reading matter, we this week issue a sixteen column supplement, making the paper forty-eight columns instead of thirty-two. On the first page will be found a story, and another chapter of the "Tour of the Cyling Rambler," while the fourth page contains an article on earthquakes and two columns of political matter. In addition to some legal and other advertisements in the supplement, the reader will find six columns of interesting reading on various subjects.

The second sanitary council of Maryland, under the auspices of the State Board of Health, will be held at the Blue Mountain House on September 17th, 18th and 19th. The object of these councils is to awaken an interest in sanitary reform throughout the State, and to prevent as far as possible the introduction and spread of epidemic and pestilential diseases. It is hoped that representative men of every profession or business, as well as the philanthropic women of the State, will attend and endeavor to forward this humane work.

On Saturday night last a burglar entered the house of Henry K. Sherman, at, Taneytown, and secured about $2.50 in money. Mr. Sherman was aroused by the noise of the burglar, and on jumping out of bed, he discovered the burglar, (his daughter having brought a lamp) lying on the floor beside the bed, with his face covered with his hands. Mr. Sherman was about to hit him with a chair, but fearing that there might be others to come to the rescue, did not do so. While his daughter went to get a pistol, the burglar escaped. The thief was recognized as George Brown, of Baltimore, who had been working for Robert Knox, near Taneytown.

Two Out of Four Games.

Within the past week the Westminster Base Ball Club has met upon the diamond three different clubs, playing four games, winning two and losing two. Their most formidable opponents—the Littlestowns—gave them another defeat last Saturday in the shape of 17 to 2. Houseman not being able to pitch his incurve ball on account of a sprained thumb, the visitors got 18 hits off of him. Long, of the Northwestern League, pitched for the visitors, and was surprised by our boys making six hits, as he intended blocking us out.

On last Monday the club started for Portsmouth, Virginia, arriving by steamer "Virginia" about 10 a. m. Tuesday morning. Mr. L. L. Billingslea, manager, having arranged for this game for the purpose of giving the boys a nice trip on water, certainly felt complimented by the manner in which the boys carried off the honors on Tuesday, easily winning the game by a score of 8 to 4. Our boys put in 8 good hits, the home team only getting 4 off of Houseman. On Wednesday the Portsmouths won the game by a score of 13 to 8, making 7 off of Mitten in two innings and only 6 off of Houseman in seven innings. Had Houseman pitched the nine innings, with fair umpiring, he could easily have won the second game; but, judging from a number of the umpire's decisions and the bets freely offered at odds on the home team, we think it impossible to have won the game.

The trips down and up the bay were very much enjoyed by the members of the club and the friends who went with them, some of whom had never spent so much time on water. The Norfolk boats are elegantly furnished and the tempting diet astonished some of the stomachs of our boys, who were not used to "a few soft crabs," then "a few fried oysters," followed by "some deviled crabs," "a few hard crabs," "some stewed oysters," and "a few more crabs." The dainty fish, fowl, oysters and crabs, with rich desserts, beat some of our boys worse than did the Littlestown Base Ball Club.

Portsmouth looks like a huge country town with its broad streets, low houses, mostly weatherboarded, and the great quiet in which it is shrouded, while Norfolk, across the river, is a busy city, full of life and business, but has very narrow and crooked streets. Norfolk contains about thirty thousand inhabitants, Portsmouth about ten. We are greatly indebted to Mr. Hudgins of the latter place for the attention shown us.

The Portsmouth club, it should be remembered, is the club that defeated the Baltimore Unions, a crack professional club, standing second in the National Union Association. Their defeat on Tuesday was the first this season.

On Thursday evening the Frederick club played a game here. Our boys, owing to an accident, did not get home until after 3 p. m., so that the game was called an hour later than was intended. Only five innings were played, Westminster winning by a score of 10 to 5. Driscoll pitched for the home team, striking out 10 of the 15 at the bat. Nicholas caught all four games almost without error, and Clabaugh played first base equally well.

The game this (Saturday) afternoon at 2.30 o'clock, promises to be one of the most interesting of the season. The Patapsco Club is perhaps one of the best amateur clubs in Baltimore city, made up of the battery of the Our Boys and good picked players. They will come prepared to redeem the defeats heretofore always met with by Baltimore clubs at the hands of Westminster, and we propose to make it hot for them. Officers will be on the grounds to enforce rules, and ladies can be assured of comfortable seats and plenty of company. Base ball has now become the fashionable thing in Westminster, and a large crowd is expected to be present. Should rain prevent the game will be postponed until next Saturday. Games may be expected Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday of next week with good clubs, among which may be the Our Boys.

Linwood Camp Notes.

[Reported for the Democratic Advocate.]

The fine rain here on Friday night and Saturday morning last settled the dust, and the fine and refreshing weather created an impetus for going to camp-meeting, in progress near this place. The meeting commenced on Friday, the 22nd. The attendance on Saturday was small. There were but 24 tents on the ground.

Early on Sunday morning the principal roads leading to the place of meeting were lined with vehicles loaded with occupants wearing cheerful and smiling countenances, wending their way to camp, fanned by the refreshing breeze that prevailed. Besides the large number that reached the place by private conveyance, between one and two thousand came by rail, special trains being run east and west. By noon every available point upon the rough and rugged hillside was densely packed with vehicles, horses and a moving mass of people, all overshadowed by the spreading branches of fine forest trees, which formerly belonged to the estate of the late Moses Haines, but now owned by one of his sons.

As usual on occasions where a large crowd has convened, under no restraint, save self-control, the observer will notice that all apparently seek that enjoyment most gratifying, whether it be real or imaginary. Whilst a number were enjoying the benefits of a good morning sermon, others delighted in promenading and talking within the circle, much to the annoyance of those wishing to hear. Outside the circle were groupes of persons discussing promiscuous topics, while many contented themselves sitting in vehicles looking at the surrounding scenes. The most striking feature, it is said, was the great effort made by those particularly interested in appeasing the appetite which appeared to exist among the multitude. Besides a table well loaded with seasonable and substantial viands, ice cream, melons, confectioneries, ice water, &c., were rapidly disposed of at remunerative prices during the day. Very few attended the meeting on Monday. Quite a large crowd was present on Tuesday. The meeting closed Thursday night.

Sales of Real Estate.

On August 16th, Geo. W. Weant, as executor, sold the following real estate of Samuel Weant, deceased, near Harney, in Taneytown district: Farm of 118 acres, with good improvements, to Washington Weant, at $38.50 per acre; farm of 60 acres, adjoining the above, also with good improvements, to Richard Hill, at $43 per acre.

Wm. A. McKellip and Nicholas D. Norris, trustees, sold to Dr. F. T. Shaw, on Monday, for $3,425, the Norris dwelling in this city, adjoining Carroll Hall.

Geo. L. Warner has sold his house and lot in Hampstead to John Blocker, of Upperco, Baltimore county, for $1,700 cash. Frank Fowble has sold his house and lot in the same town to George Lambert, of Beckleysville, Baltimore county, for $1,200.

Wm. A. McKellip and Jas. A. C. Bond, trustees, sold a farm near Winfield, in this county, containing 78¾ acres, formerly the property of Hamilton Shower, for the sum of $58 per acre to Edwin J. Crook. The price obtained was considered a good one, and shows that lands in Franklin district are not only in demand, but rapidly increasing in value.

Select Hop at Poplar Springs.

[Reported for the Democratic Advocate.

The Glenwood Socials gave a very delightful select hop at the Poplar Springs Hotel on Tuesday night last. The company was well chosen; the music so good that it would have inspired octogenarian or a valetudinarian with a desire to trip "the light fantastic;" the supper (under the management of the worthy hostess, Mrs. R. Ensey) all that could be desired, and the unanimous verdict as the pleasant evening drew to a close was, "The nicest party we have attended for many a day." Howard, Baltimore, Carroll and Anne Arundel counties sent forth their fairest belles to grace the occasion, and they were well supported by their attendant cavaliers. Among the gentlemen present we noticed John Warfield, Esq., of Baltimore city, and the gallant chief engineer of the Catonsville short line. We have not space to particularize those from the vicinity, and would not specially mention a few where all were so charming.

We hope that this may not be the last social which we shall attend at Poplar Springs; for the remembrance of its pleasure inclines us, like Oliver Twist, to ask for more.

Weather Record for the Week.

August 23—mercury 68 at 7 a. m. and 76 at 2 p. m.; cloudy and showery up to 3 p. m., followed by clearing weather. August 24—mercury 68 at 7 a. m. and 74 at 2 p. m.; clear. August 25—mercury 56 at 7 a. m. and 70 at 2 p. m.; generally cloudy. August 26—mercury 66 at 7 a. m. and 79 at 2 p. m.; cloudy, up to 9 a. m., with slight rain, followed by clearing weather. August 27—mercury 62 at 7 a. m. and 78 at 2 p. m.; clear. August 28—mercury 68 at 7 a. m. and 76 at 2 p. m.; generally cloudy, with rain at night. August 29—mercury 62 at 7 a. m. and 68 at 12 m.; cloudy and rainy.

New Advertisements.

Legal Notices. List of Unclaimed Matter.

Get Your Fertilizers from A. & F. A. Stirling, Glen Falls, Md.

John Robinson's Ten Big Shows.

Farmers, Read With Care—L. Zepp, Westminster, Md.

Auction Sale of Store Goods—J. Oliver Wadlow, trustee.

Road Notice—Nathan H. Franklin, Jos. Tener, Thomas N. Shipley, and others.

Postponed Trustees' Sale—Wm. P. Maulsby, trustee.

Windsor Sulphur Springs—A Successful Season—Happy Guests—Weekly Entertainments, &c.

[Reported for the Democratic Advocate.]

This justly popular resort, situated in our rural and healthful Carroll county, on the busy and enterprising Western Maryland Railroad, at the prosperous and thriving town of New Windsor, is especially popular and successful this season. Since our last report the following additional guests are registered:

Jos. Whyte (son of Hon. Pinkney Whyte), wife, child and servant, D. H. Miller (son of Decatur H. Miller), wife, children and servants, M. H. Townsend, Mrs. M. H. Town, send, Thomas Finley, Mrs. Thomas Finley, Robt. Higgins, J. Higgins, Miss Jessie Barnette, Miss Carrie F. Baker, Miss Ida Barton, Miss Mary Ely, Miss Olivia Gollibart, W. A. Boykin, Mrs. W. A. Boykin, Rob. Boykin, Miss L. Boykin, Miss Mary Boykin, J. J. Sheppard, Mrs. J. J. Sheppard, Miss A. Sheppard, Miss Maud Sheppard, Miss Belle Henherson, Miss L. Hulbard, Miss M. Gray, Miss A. E. Dodge, Miss Anna Prentiss, U. B. Sinclair, jr., Mrs. U. B. Sinclair, R. Brown, Mrs. R. Brown, Miss Jessie Brown, R. V. Lansdale, all of Baltimore.

Capt. R. W. Tyler, Mrs. R. W. Tyler, Miss M. Tyler, Miss E. S. Tyler, R. K. Tyler, Mrs. A. T. King, Miss L. King, Miss E. M. Gray, E. Gray, F. Gray, Mrs. J. Turner, W. Turner, Mrs. A. T. McCallum, Miss L. D. McCallum, Miss Carrie McCallum, R. H. Graham, J. Graham, Miss M. Graham, Mrs. Judge R. B. Warden, Clifford Warden, Mrs. Clifford Warden, Miss E. Warden, Edward Graves, Mrs. Edward Graves, Chas. Graves, all of Washington, D. C.

L. Vollers, Mrs. L. Vollers, Miss Katie Vollers, Miss L. Rulfs, Wilmington, N. C.

G. J. Hooper, Mrs. G. J. Hooper, Richmond, Va.

Miss Sue Hunter, Miss S. K. Hunter, Funkstown, Md.

E. M. Heiner, Philadelphia, Pa.

There is a general social intercourse among the guests, and games of all kinds, carriage and horseback riding, walking in the groves, swinging in the hammocks, fishing in the streams, are among the amusements, and are greatly enjoyed. On every Friday night for the last five or six weeks a special entertainment has been given in the spacious College Hall under the brilliant lights of the Bailey reflectors, and Terpsichore reigns supreme, while "Youth and pleasure meet, to chase the glowing hours with flying feet." On last Friday evening the laundry and quarters of the service was granted to the sons of Ham for an entertainment, in consideration of their extraordinary faithfulness to duty this summer—even while campmeetings beckoned them away. The hour came, the music came, the sable sons and daughters of Africa came from your good city of Westminster, from Uniontown, from Union Bridge and all around, until the place became too straight for them; and by special request of the guests of the resort the entertainment was given in the large hall. A merrier night was perhaps never spent in New Windsor. The "Virginia hoe-down" was given by special request, and was cheered and encored to the echo. When the "wee sma' hours" were approached the whole dark brigade retired in good order to the quarters for refreshments and closing exercises.

The crowning event of the season will be a select Soiree Dansante on Friday night, Aug. 29th, in the large hall of Windsor Sulphur Springs. Reception Committee:—Mr. R. K. Tyler, Miss Olivia Gollibart, Miss Katie Vollers. Director:—Mr. M. S. Clark.

The main buildings and the annex are still filled with guests, who linger longer than usual this season.

The fall term of New Windsor College and Windsor Ladies' Seminary will begin on Wednesday, September 10th, with a larger attendance than on any former year. Success to the college and the Windsor Sulphur Springs. *Esto perpetua.*

Republican County Convention.

The Republicans of Carroll held primaries last Saturday and a convention on Monday, to select delegates to the 2nd congressional district convention which met on Thursday, at Waverly, Baltimore county. The convention was called to order by Samuel Roop, chairman of the County Central Committee, and Thomas F. Sheppard was chosen chairman, and Dr. Chas. Thomson and J. H. Mitten secretaries. Three districts—Taneytown, Manchester and Franklin—were unrepresented, though the committee admitted a citizen of the 9th district as a representative, and he cast the five votes of the district. That was an unusual proceeding, irregular and a power the convention had no right to exercise. This brought the voting strength of the convention up to fifty, though not more than thirty or thirty-five actual delegates were present.

Nominations being in order for delegates to the congressional convention the following were named—Geo. W. Wilson, Milton Schaeffer, Chas. E. Norris, Joel Ebaugh, Thomas F. Shepherd, G. Allen Davis, Samuel Roop, David Rinehart. Ten being named, it was moved and carried that the five receiving the highest number of votes should be declared the delegates and the other five the alternates. Samuel Roop received 50 votes, Geo. Wilson 40, Milton Schaeffer 45, Joel Ebaugh 35 and Thomas F. Shepherd 25, and were thus chosen delegates. The vote for the others ranged from 5 to 20, and they had the distinguished honor of being chosen alternates.

Orphans' Court.

Monday, August 25.—The last will and testament of Ann E. Bowman, deceased, was admitted to probate, and letters testamentary granted to John Diehl Bowman, who received order to notify creditors.

The last will and testament of Sophia Hull, deceased, was admitted to probate, and letters testamentary granted to Dr. James P. Summers, who received order to notify creditors.

Letters testamentary on the estate of Frederick Shoemaker, deceased, were granted to Dr. Charles Thomson.

Miriam Albaugh, executrix of David F. Albaugh, deceased, returned inventory of goods and chattels, and received order to sell goods and chattels and order to notify creditors.

Tuesday, August 26.—John W. and Theo. H. Biggs, administrators of James W. Biggs, deceased, received order to sell real estate.

Edward E. Koons, executor of Lydia Ann Sherman, deceased, returned inventory of real estate and list of sales of personal property.

Letters of administration on the estate of Frederick Dickensheets, deceased were granted to Frederick W. Dickensheets, who received order to notify creditors.

Public Schools of Carroll.

The public schools of Carroll will open on Monday next, and efforts are being made to increase their efficiency, and at the same time to effect a saving in expenses. The School Board have adopted some rules and regulations to these ends, that will be strictly enforced, and enforced will accomplish these results. These rules and regulations have been printed, and will be furnished to trustees and patrons, and will tend to simplify all that pertains to book fees, incidental expenses, care of property, &c.

In addition, the Examiner, Mr. James A. Diffenbaugh, has prepared and had printed for distribution to teachers, a schedule of daily exercises for use in schools. This schedule seems to be just what has been needed, and insures regularity in the schools, and uniformity throughout the County. The lessons for each day in the week, and the time to be devoted to them, are given, and their use will result in a regularity that must prove beneficial to pupils.

Pleasant Valley Items.

On Saturday evening last, while Messrs. George Bowers and Alawais Feeser were taking their supper, their two-horse team, which had been hitched above the house, broke loose and ran away with the wagon, taking the road towards Silver Run. When near Mr. Michael Frock's they overtook Mr. John Leister, who was looking over some mail matter as he was riding along in his carriage, and not noticing the team coming in time to get out of the way, ran the tongue of the wagon into Mr. Leister's carriage, throwing him forward on the dash and breaking one post and smashing the entire back of his carriage. Fortunately, however, no serious damage was done to either Mr. Leister or the horses.

The Pleasant Valley Sabbath School will hold its annual celebration and festival on Saturday, the 6th of September. Every effort is being made to make the occasion a pleasant one.

A Bold Robbery.

A robbery was committed at the jewelry establishment of A. H. Wentz, this city, on last Saturday night, about twenty minutes of 10 o'clock. The thief was a colored man, and was observed in front of the store by several other colored people. Suddenly he broke the glass in the show-window, grabbed two watches, a gold watch case, and a pair of gold bracelets, and made off, running across the street and into an alley, and was soon out of sight and hearing. Mr. White, Mr. Wentz's assistant, was in the store, and saw the thief break the glass and grab his booty. He rushed after him immediately, but the thief made good his escape. The goods were valued at $125, the thief, in his flight, dropping one watch, which was recovered. This is the most daring robbery ever committed or attempted in this city, and up to this time the thief has not been captured.

Shipley Items.

Last Friday at 4 o'clock we received a very fine shower of rain, which laid the dust for our pic-nic, which began at 6, p. m., instead of 1, as intended. The pic-nic was well attended until 10½ p. m., at which time it closed for the night. At 8 o'clock Saturday morning the Sabbath School committee met and made all necessary arrangements for the pic-nic, which was begun again promptly at 9 o'clock, with the Snydersburg Band present. The pic-nic was well attended in the morning and better in the evening. The Sabbath School was very ably addressed in the afternoon by the Revs. Charles Reid and Heyde, of your city, and our pastor, Rev. Geo. R. McCrady. After the addresses, which were interspersed with music by the band and singing by the school, the school was mustered out and back again to the selling stand, where a nice treat of ice cream and cake was provided for them. The committee succeeded in selling out all their ice cream, watermelons, cantaloupes and confectionery at an early hour in the evening. The net proceeds amounted to $35.

The people of this neighborhood have succeeded at last in reducing the debt on Zion Chapel, by subscription, festivals and pic-nics, from $675 to $400, and should the future prove as favorable to us as the past, by the kind assistance of the people in and around our neighborhood we may expect soon to see the remaining debt raised or provided for and the church dedicated, which is earnestly hoped for.

New Freedom, Pa., Items.

Prof. Bahn has returned from his visit to Europe, where he spent four weeks.

The Lutheran and Reformed Sunday schools will hold their annual pic nic on the Summit Grove camp ground, September 6, 1884.

Our farmers are buying young steers to pasture, since the pasture seems to be plenty.

The Oakland M. E. Church will hold a festival on Saturday evening for the benefit of the church. The New Freedom Cornet Band is expected to furnish the music.

Mrs. Louis Grove was buried on Monday at Shrewsbury, aged 68 years, 4 months and 7 days.

A Cleveland and Hendricks club will be formed here and to be full uniformed. There will be speakers present from a distance. Come out Democrats.

There is some strong talk of starting a string band and a male glee club here, but it is more than likely that talk is the beginning and ending of it.

Miss Allie Formwalt, who has been visiting W. T. Stonebraker's, has returned to her home at Long Green, Md.

The presiding Elder of the M. E. church preached a very able sermon last Sabbath evening, after which the Lord's supper was administered.

A Republican's Eleven Reasons for Betting on Cleveland.

An independent Republican of this city, who says positively that he will not vote for Blaine, and who has not yet decided whether to vote for St. John or Cleveland, recently made a wager on the election of Cleveland. The amount he staked would be considered in the sporting world as neither large nor small, but it is an amount which it would be inconvenient for a man of ordinary means—as is the man referred to—to lose. He does not admit the possibility of losing, and bases his hope of winning upon the following eleven reasons:

1. In 1880 Garfield was elected by a narrow majority. He was supported by the entire Republican press of the country, and as a rule the independent newspapers were "Independent Republican." Now the very ablest Republican newspapers are supporting the Democratic nominee, and as a rule the independent newspapers are "Independent Democratic."

2. The Republican party is not now and will not be united. Four years ago all factions of that party were in perfect accord at the close of the campaign.

3. The independent non-partisan vote is against Blaine. It was for Garfield.

4. The State administrations of New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, California, Kansas, Connecticut and Nevada are Democratic. They were Republican four years ago. Their influence and patronage are therefore directly transposed.

5. The influence of the Southern question (the whole range of negro outrages, tissue ballots, false counts, intimidation, etc.,) has nearly vanished from national politics.

6. The tariff is not so popular, and protection will prove a less potent party cry than in 1880.

7. Trade and manufactures are languishing. Four years ago they were flourishing. The Republicans got the credit then, and will be held responsible now.

8. Conceding that Butler's candidacy will damage the Democratic chances, it will be more than offset by the damage St. John will do the Republicans. Butler and St. John may be considered, in relation to Democratic chances, as certainly no worse than a "stand-off."

9. The business depression and the civil service act will lessen campaign contributions, which were so plenty in 1880.

10. The Republican funds must be scattered over many States—Massachusetts, Connecticut, New Hampshire, all the Middle States, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Wisconsin and the Pacific slope. New York and Indiana only needed "salvation" in 1880.

11. The demand for a change on general principles, which naturally grows as a party remains in power.—*Racine (Wis.) Dispatch to Chicago Times.*

A False Issue.

From the New York World:

That genuine specimen of oily gammon, Senator George F. Hoar, of Massachusetts, has written to a "Dear Young Friend" a letter defending Blaine from the charges made against him in the Fisher bribery and corruption business. The Blaine organs seize greedily on this Hoar letter and declare that it "ends the controversy;" that there remains nothing more to be said on the subject.

The only "defense" offered by Mr. Hoar for his tattooed candidate is in substance that Blaine was investigated and satisfactorily acquitted of any wrong-doing in the Fisher corruption. Mr. Hoar knows that this is untrue. Mr. Blaine never suffered the Fisher letters to be seen. He read as much of some of them and in such form as he pleased. He suppressed others. When the Congressional Committee peremptorily demanded the letters Blaine sacrilegiously feigned to have had a sunstroke while on his way from church, and so evaded having the letters forced from him. He would not have done so if he had not known that he had falsified their contents.

Blaine affected illness until the adjournment of the session and then saved himself from probable expulsion from the House by sneaking into the Senate with the unmet charges of official corruption in the Speaker's Chair damning his record. Would an honorable and honest man have taken a seat in the Senate before clearing himself of an infamous charge and, in fact, for the purpose of getting rid of the charge?

Mr. Hoar's position is a false one. His story of Blaine's acquittal is an untruth. It would be just as true to say that Eno has been acquitted of robbing the Second National Bank, or that "Limitation" Kellogg has been acquitted of the offense for which he was indicted.

The Outlook.

The New York *Herald* has been making careful inquiries of well-informed persons as to the political prospects in several of the most important States East and West, and the result may be briefly summarized. In Ohio the Democrats are fairly sure of success; Indiana will certainly go for Cleveland by at least 10,000; Michigan will be lost to the Blaine ticket; the probability is that Iowa will cast its electoral vote for Cleveland; in Wisconsin the Democrats believe they will carry the State; it is thought that with faithful, hard work Massachusetts can be carried for Cleveland; New Hampshire Democrats say they can carry the State unless the Portsmouth navy-yard swamps them; Vermont will cast a very greatly reduced Republican majority in November; Connecticut is regarded as a doubtful State, with the chances in favor of the Democrats, and New York and New Jersey appear to be safe for Cleveland. The *Herald* concludes:

A survey of the field at this moment gives promise of a "tidal wave" in November against the Blaine ticket. From all quarters reports come to us of very large and increasing Republican opposition to the Blaine ticket and much smaller defection from the Democratic ranks than was at one time feared. There is, according to our reports, a spirit and determination this fall among the voters everywhere which promise very important results—a determination to "make a change," and to see whether tho people still control or whether the "machine" politicians really have the country by the throat.

DIED.

At Sandy Hook, Md., August 21, 1884, John R. Smith, in the 69th year of his age.

In Baltimore, August 24, 1884, suddenly, James B. Murray, in the 65th year of his age.

RELIGIOUS NOTICES.

St. Paul's Reformed Church.—Divine services Sunday morning 10½; evening 7½.
A. S. WEBER, Pastor.

Senator Gorman on the Campaign.

Senator Arthur P. Gorman, of Maryland, is at the head of the Democratic organization, being chairman of the Executive Committee of the National Committee and also chairman of the Congressional Committee, composed of Senators and Representatives from every State. He is in a position to know, better than any one else, the state of the campaign throughout the country. Whilst in Baltimore last Monday he was interviewed by a *Sun* reporter, and we extract the following from the published report:

"The real issues of this campaign cannot be dodged by the Republicans. There is a universal demand that the books of the Treasury Department shall be overhauled by new bookkeepers. A long continuance in power of the Republican party has made them careless, extravagant and corrupt. Defalcations are being frequently brought to notice. Depression in business is now upon us, and a change of men and an overhauling of accounts is demanded everywhere. Four years ago Senator Davis, of West Virginia, when chairman of the committee on appropriations of the United States Senate, as the head of that committee overhauled thoroughly the accounts of the Treasury Department. He forced from unwilling witnesses, all of whom were officers of the treasury, the testimony that there were 1,300 erasures on the treasurer's books, and millions of dollars entered, so as to make the books balance, without a single item to show when the entries were so made or what had become of the money. This extraordinary showing did not attract popular attention at the time because we were in the midst of great prosperity. Now the case is reversed. Grant & Ward's failure had the effect of drawing special attention to public institutions and public officers. Every man in his private business is having a balance sheet and taking an account of stock. It is perfectly safe to say that the people of this country will appoint new agents to overhaul their affairs at Washington."

"What is the belief as to the probable result in New York in November?"

"As I have before indicated," said Mr. Gorman, "the campaign is not yet thoroughly organized. A few disappointed politicians and some who have been misled by the false reports have been making a great noise through the press and otherwise against Gov. Cleveland. I am satisfied he will carry that State by a much larger majority than has been given to any Democratic candidate since the war. I have been amazed at the strength of the opposition to Blaine in his own party. It is not confined to New York city, but extends throughout the whole North, and my belief is that Cleveland's vote will surprise the most sanguine Democrats."

"What is the information you have of Ohio and West Virginia, the two October States?"

"Ohio is naturally a strong Republican State in presidential elections, and the Democrats have not as a rule expected much from that State in national contests. My impression, however, is that the Republicans are having a great deal of trouble to hold their majority there. West Virginia is a Democratic State, with an average majority of some 5,000 or 6,000. They have had their local troubles, as we have had in Maryland, and on their local ticket in the October election there is unquestionably some trouble. It would be so, no matter who the Republican nominee might be; in other words, Mr. Blaine's nomination has not brought about the condition of affairs there, as the Republicans would have us believe. Notwithstanding these local troubles, I think our Maryland friends can rest perfectly easy as to the result in West Virginia."

"Maine holds an election in September. What is the outlook there?"

"The Democrats of Maine are making a reasonably well-organized fight, but no special attention has been paid to it by the national organization. Notwithstanding this it is apparent to everybody that the Republican managers have been alarmed as to the condition of affairs there, and have even found it necessary to have their candidate for President at some of the public meetings. It is a Republican State, but I do not believe they will be able to get their usual majority, not because of any special organization on our part, but simply from the desire of the people everywhere for new men, better methods and an overhauling of accounts."

Independent Republicans.

The *New York Herald* of Tuesday says: "How is the movement progressing?" a *Herald* reporter yesterday asked Mr. Horace E. Deming at the headquarters of the Independent Republican Committee at No. 35 Nassau street.

"It is spreading so rapidly that we find ourselves constantly compelled to enlarge our clerical force to take care of it," responded Mr. Deming. "Within the past three days we have had sent in to us the names of more than 2,000 Republicans who are pretty well understood to be opposed to Blaine. We had 390 such names from Iowa this morning; from New York State we received about 800 names this morning. On last Thursday we had upward of 2,000 names sent in from different points in this State."

"Are those names sent to you from all over the country?"

"No, our principal advices outside of New York State come from New Jersey, Ohio, Indiana, Iowa and Wisconsin."

"Don't you hear from the New England States at all?"

"Oh, you don't understand. The movement, of course, extends all over the country, but it would be impossible for us to take care of such a wide area. There are other committees besides our own to whom reports are made. For instance, the New England States concerning which you ask, are mainly looked after by the Massachusetts Independent Republican Committee—or rather they have been until recently, when a committee was formed in Rhode Island, which will lighten the work of the Massachusetts committee. We were receiving on an average thirty names a day from Rhode Island ourselves until the Newport meeting, but now as they come in we send them to the committee of that State, and gradually the arrangement is becoming understood. It was the same in Indiana. We used to receive great lists of names from there, but now a committee has been formed in Indiana, and we turn everything from that section over to it.

THE SILENT VOTE THAT COUNTS.

"But, speaking of New England, I might say that three fourths of our strength there—and, for that matter, a goodly proportion of it throughout the country—lies in the silent vote. In Maine and New Hampshire particularly they don't wish to make much noise about what they are doing, but there is a very lively 'still hunt' in progress there, and it will become very much warmer as the campaign advances. When we receive letters from that section of the country—and the experience of the Massachusetts committee is the same as our own—the writers say. 'These men have expressed themselves as against Blaine, but they don't want to advertise the fact.' Last week, for instance, we got one list of over a hundred names from Blaine's own county, in Maine, with the assurance that they were anti-Blaine, but preferred to be quiet about it."

"Then the movement is actually making great headway, even in Republican strongholds?"

"It is increasing every day, and its progress is not among any one particular class either. Our lists often comprise the names of laboring men, bankers, lawyers, and ministers. I recall a letter that we got the other day from a western university. It was from one of the professors. He said, as I remember it, that there were twelve or thirteen professors in the university, of whom he sent us the names of seven who had openly announced that they would vote for Cleveland. The others, he said, had not fully made up their minds, but they were determined on one point—they would not vote for Blaine."

Blaine as a Litigant.

From the Lawrence (Mass.) Sentinel:

The trick of suing for damages for libel, on the same ground as that Blaine has instituted against the Indianapolis *Sentinel*, is an old one with that gentleman. The Portland *Argus*, the leading Democratic organ in Maine, says that Blaine tried the damage dodge on it, on the same ground of aggravation, some twenty-five years ago, to the tune of $25,000, the result being that the *Argus* had only to pay for the writ in the civil suit. Some time afterwards Blaine had the proprietor of the same journal indicted in an other county, on the same charge, but declined to bring his case to trial, and it was nol pros'd without the knowledge of the accused. Both processes were mere bluffing; and there is not the least possible chance that the Indianapolis journal will ever be called upon for any defence. The *Sentinel's* "withers are unwrung." It says: "If there is one act which more than another will incline the belief that the reports of immorality on Mr. Blaine are not without foundation, it is his attempted injunction of investigation and discussion by the press. Is his record of such a character that he must needs resort to theatrical methods, to calcium lights and stage thunder, rant and crocodile tears, to produce an effect? 'Fifty thousand dollars or your life!' says Jim Blaine, the Rupublican tough to the *Sentinel*. Nice way for a plumed knight to make a ra