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LOCAL AFFAIRS.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

The canning factories have commenced putting up peas.

Mrs. A. M. Jelly and her son Harry, of New Windsor, are at Atlantic City.

Miss Carrie Brooks, of Baltimore, is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John M. Yingling.

Charles C. Parker, wife and child, of Wilmington, Del., are visiting his mother, Mrs. T. Parker.

Mrs. Brown, *nee* Miss Grace Woods, formerly of this city, but now residing in Baltimore, is at the City Hotel.

Charles A. Crumbacker, of Linwood, has purchased a grand square Chickering piano for his daughter Miss Clemie.

On Monday Chas. T. Reifsnider sold at private sale a farm of 192 acres near Alesia, to Jacob A. Fredericks for $3,500.

Commencement exercises of Springfield Academy will take place in Springfield Church, Sykesville, on Wednesday, June 20.

Josiah Shilling, who was bailiff to the grand jury for a number of years, died on May 31, near Sandyville, aged nearly 89 years.

We are indebted to Harry G. Kleff, formerly of the Hotel Albion, for St. Louis papers during the Democratic national convention.

Two hundred seventy-four persons went to Gettysburg on Thursday with Burns Post, G. A. R., excursion. Over 400 were on the train.

From Charles B. Roberts, Jr., we have received an invitation to the commencement of Rock Hill College, which takes place on June 22.

The Misses VanBibber have purchased the lot on Willis and Centre streets from Col. John K. Longwell and will build a handsome residence on it this summer.

On Wednesday afternoon a game of ball was played between the Reisterstown and Westminster clubs in this city. Score 22 to 6 in favor of Westminster.

The young gentlemen gave a hop at the City Hotel on Thursday evening. About seventy persons were present, many from a distance, and they had an enjoyable time.

Many former students of Western Maryland College called at the ADVOCATE office during the past week. We are always glad to see the "boys" and renew our acquaintance.

Edward Lynch, of this city, has sold 10 acres of land, near Waynesboro, Pa., to Willis Frantz, for $290 per acre. Mr. Frantz proposes quarrying limestone on his new property.

A short horn Durham cow, owned by Andrew Drechsler, near Carrollton, on June 13, dropped a calf that weighed 129 pounds. It was 3 feet high, 4 feet 1 inch long and 3 feet 1 inch around the body.

Never had Carroll county a finer prospect for a large wheat crop than at present. A drive through any district in the county will show wheat, rye and potatoes looking fine, while grass, though short, is well set.

A strawberry and ice cream festival will be held by the ladies of the West End, on June 21, 22 and 23. Proceeds to be applied to the fountain corner Main street and Pennsylvania avenue. The Band will be present each evening.

At the last meeting of the School Board, John A. Brown, Reuben J. Mathias and Geo. W. Slonaker were appointed trustees of Uniontown public school. This was inadvertently omitted from the report of the Board's proceedings.

A. C. Strasburger and wife, of this city, celebrated their fifth anniversary on Sunday last by a dinner. A number of ladies and gentlemen from Baltimore and this city were present. Congratulatory telegrams and letters were received from a distance; also many presents.

George H. Munshour while fishing in Sam's Creek, near Devilbiss' mill, on Saturday last, caught a carp that weighed 9¾ pounds. At the same time Wm. Sharretts captured one that weighed 6½ pounds. They are supposed to have been washed out of Pinkney J. Benedict's fish pond.

Seventy-eight persons from this city attended the fair for the benefit of the Union Bridge Fire Company on Monday evening last, many of whom were members of the Westminster Fire Department. The Band accompanied them. They returned on a special train, much pleased with their visit.

Mr. B. F. George, of Texas, with his Mexican Cowboys, gave an exhibition in the presence of several hundred persons, in this city, on Friday morning, of the process of lassoing wild horses on the plains. After the exhibition his twenty-five horses were put up at auction and sold at prices advantageous to purchasers.

On Friday of last week, five men were horribly burned by the overturning of a ladle at the Bessemer mill of the Pennsylvania Steel Works at Steelton near Harrisburg, Pa. Wilson Shaeffer died in an hour and Samuel Zearfoss cannot live. The others are seriously burned. Mr. Shaffer was a native of Hampstead, and had been in the mill about two months.

The contest of the will of the late John L. Crise, of Baltimore, formerly of this county, resulted both on Saturday in the will being sustained by the jury. Decedent bequeathed all his estate, valued at $250,000, to his second wife and her children, cutting off the children of the first wife with small sums. Suit was brought by the children of the first wife to upset the will "because of undue influence and mental incapacity on the part of the testator." The jury were out 48 hours.

We are indebted to Mrs. Jacob Roop, of Hampstead district, for one of the largest and handsomest bouquets of flowers we have ever seen. It was delivered, fresh and fragrant, by Mr. Roop himself, who said it was a Cleveland and Thurman bouquet. And well he might so call it, for its exquisite perfume but typefies the grateful fragrance exhaled by the lives of these eminent men,

"Favor'd of heaven, whom not the languid songs
Of luxury, the siren! nor the bribes
Of sordid wealth, nor all the gaudy spoils
Of pageant honor can seduce to leave
Those ever-blooming sweets, which from the store
Of their own virtues spring perennial
To charm the enlivened soul."

At Jerome Park Course, on Monday, R. W. Walden's Holiday was second in the Encore stakes for two-year olds; six furlongs; time 1.18¼. In the Banner Bearer stakes, one mile, his Refund was second; time 1.47. The New York *Star*, in speaking of this race, says:—Thurman's colors were victorious at Jerome Park Monday. In the fifth race Banner Bearer (dam Bandana) won, after a splendid contest. The Democrats all played Banner Bearer, while the Republican turfmen backed Moonshine and lost. This is a great year for the Turkey red, when even the turf acknowledges its supremacy and the noble equines sweep triumphantly along under its inspiring influence.

Mt. Airy Items.

Pinkney Memorial P. E. Church, now being erected in this place, will be an attractive building when finished. It is built of brick, gothic style, 24x50 feet, with spire 65 feet high. The mason work was done by the Messrs. Bell, of Libertytown, Frederick county, and the carpenter work by Mr. Wachter, of Frederick. The building committee are Messrs. Anderson, Robert Sellman, Albert Jones, Albert Maynard and Dr. J. E. Bromwell. The brick were hauled by J. V. Horn, and the sand and stone by Benjamin Jackson. The church will cost $2,500, and the congregation has been liberally assisted.

George A. Davis has just completed a bank barn 40x60 feet, 20 feet to the square. He will also have water run into the house and barn by means of a wind mill.

Licenses Issued in Carroll.

Following is a list of the licenses issued from the Clerk's office from January 1 to May 1, 1888, inclusive:

55 female traders licenses, stock $500; 112 traders licenses, stock $1,000; 15, stock $1,500; 48, stock $2,500; 31, stock $4,000; 18, stock $6,000; 3, stock $8,000; 3, stock $10,000; 2, stock $15,000; 1, stock $20,000; 31 traders liquor licenses, stock $500; 26 ordinary licences, rental $100; 3, rental $200; 3, rental $300. 2, rental $400; 2, rental $750; 18 oyster house licenses; 39 horse and jack licenses at $10; 1 at $12, 5 at $15, 1 at $25, and 1 at $100; 1 pedlar's license, 1 horse, $150; 3 bill brokers licenses, $50; 8 billiard table licenses.

CIRCUIT COURT.

The following cases have occupied the attention of the Court since our last:

Joseph H. Bemiller vs. Agricultural Insurance Company, of Watertown, N. Y.; action of assumpsit on a policy of insurance for the burning of a barn and contents; before a jury; verdict for Bemiller for $2152.65. McKellip & Clabaugh and Roberts for plaintiff; Maulsby, jr., and Sawyer for defendant.

State vs. Andrew Wisner, of Silver Run; selling liquor to minors; two cases steted on payment of cost, and one guilty; fined $50 and cost and license suppressed. Henning for State; Reifsnider & Reifsnider for traverser.

State vs. Simon P. Heilig, of Manchester; selling liquor to minors; steted on payment of costs. Henning for State; Fink for traverser.

On Moday morning the following prisoners were sentenced by the Court:

Geo. Watson, larceny, two years in the penitentiary.

Chas. Hill, larceny, two cases, two years in the penitentiary in each case.

Joseph Robinson, assault, six months in the county jail.

Andrew Stone, assault, six months in the county jail.

Wm. Cox, assault, two cases, two years in House of Correction in each case.

State vs. Lewis E. Lamotte, of Hampstead; selling liquor on Sunday; five cases; tried before the Court; found guilty in four and fined $50 and costs in each case and license suppressed; acquitted in one. Henning for State; Bond for traverser.

State vs. Allen Stansbury, of Hampstead; selling liquor to minors; tried before the Court; not guilty. Henning for State; Reifsnider & Reifsnider for traverser.

State vs. Geo. Marks, of Lauver; selling liquor on Sunday; three cases; two stet on payment of costs; in one plead guilty, fined $40 and costs. Henning for State; Pearson for traverser.

State vs. Geo. W. Hoffacker, of Miller's Station; selling liquor to minors; two cases; tried before the Court; acquitted in both. Henning for State; Reifsnider & Reifsnider for plaintiff.

State vs. James E. Smith and Russ Jones; obtaining money under false pretence; tried before the Court. Adjudged not guilty. Henning for State; Bond, Roberts and Pearson for defendants.

Wm. Fisher, who was convicted last week, was sentenced to the penitentiary for two years.

NOT LYNCHED,

But a Close Call—Arrest of a Colored Desperado—Taken from the Lock-Up by Colored Men Who Attempt to Lynch Him—He Escapes After the Rope is Around His Neck.

On Wednesday night last, John Bowens, colored, made an assault upon a blind man named Otho Jones and Ida Milbury, both colored, who were on their way home from Union Bridge to Muttontown. Bowens wanted the woman to go with him, but she refused. Bowens then assaulted her with a razor, nearly severing both ears. Jones interfered, but being blind could not see what he was doing, and Bowens gashed him in numerous places with the razor. The woman's jaw was broken, and Jones received nine cuts on the face and body. Both are reported to be in a critical condition.

On Thursday Bowens came to this city and returned to Union Bridge by the 8.20 p. m. train. Upon its arrival he was arrested and placed in the lockup.

About one o'clock on yesterday (Friday) morning a crowd of colored men broke into the lockup, took Bowens and started out of Union Bridge for the purpose of lynching him. They had everything in readiness and upon reaching a tree the noose was placed around his neck and they attempted to draw him up when the rope was found to be too short. Bowens was released, though closely guarded, and his captors were engaged in lengthening the rope, when he made a sudden leap and escaped.

Bowens has the reputation of being a desperate character, and has served one term in the penitentiary and has also been in the House of Correction.

A rumor prevailed that Bowens was hung and that after the deed the men became frightened, cut the body down and buried it.

Another rumor says that Bowens took to the woods, is thoroughly armed, and will not be taken without a desperate resistance.

Proceedings of the Orphans' Court.

Monday, June 11.—Bradford O. Slonaker, administrator of Elizabeth Bowers, deceased, returned list of sales of goods and chattels.

Virginia Burnham, executrix of John B. Devries, deceased, returned inventory of goods and chattels, list of debts and inventory of money.

The last will and testament of Elizabeth Campbell, deceased, was admitted to probate and letters testamentary granted to George A. Shower.

Susannah T. Cushing, administratrix of Josiah Cushing, deceased, settled 1st and final account.

Mary E. and Philip W. Dietz, administrators of Michael Dietz, deceased, settled first and final account.

Tuesday, June 12.—James A. Diffenbaugh, guardian to Elva A. Lippy, deceased, settled second and final account.

Chas. T. Reifsnider, guardian of Thomas O. and Julia D. McGirr, deceased, settled first and final account.

Henry F. Hoffacker, acting executor of Susan Hoffacker, deceased, settled second and final account.

John Galt and Henry Galt, executors of Sterling Galt, deceased, returned list of sales of grain and settled second account.

George W. C. Demmitt, administrator of Mary M. Demmitt, deceased, returned inventory of goods and chattels, inventory of money and list of debts, and received order to sell goods and chattels.

Report of sale of goods and chattels of Nathan Raitt, deceased, returned by R. W. Simpson, agent and attorney for administrator.

Ella C. Smith, executrix of Frances Smith, deceased, returned inventory of goods and chattels, inventory of real estate and list of debts, and received order to notify creditors.

McKinstry's Mills Items.

Mr. Crouse and family, of Frederick, Md., spent several days last week with Thomas Haines of this place. Miss Clara and Rosa Senseney, of Linwood, visited their aunt, Mrs. Sarah E. Parris in this place. Miss Florence Shriner, of Union Bridge, visited relatives and friends in this place. Clarence Clemson is visiting Frank Repp at Boyd's Station. Mrs. Mary Weaver, of Union Bridge, is visiting relatives and friends in this vicinity.

Mrs. Mary A. Englar is having a new roof put on her house.

Miss Alice Perry, who has been an invalid for the past eight weeks with an attack of typhoid fever, is able to be out again.

M. O. Repp purchased four fine steers of Samuel Hoff.

A game of base ball will be played on Saturday, the 16th instant between the McKinstry's Mill and Hopewell clubs.

Children's day will be observed in the Sam's Creek M. P. Church, of this place, on Sunday, the 24th instant.

The farmers of this vicinity are preparing for the coming hay crop which is not a full one. From the indications there will be a fair crop of grain.

Health of community good.

Tyrone Items.

Last Sunday morning the remains of Mrs. Samuel Harnish were interred at Baust's Cemetery. Rev. Mr. Souders officiating, assisted by Rev. Mr. Delp. Mrs. Harnish was a daughter of Jacob Nusbaum, and was 27 years and 5 months old. She leaves a husband and four small children.

On Wednesday morning Jacob Bankard was buried at the same place, Rev. Mr. Souders officiating. Mr. Bankard was 83 years and 5 months old. He leaves 5 children, 22 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. He was born in Myers' district and resided there until about 44 years ago, when he moved to Uniontown and engaged in farming. He was confined to his bed 24 weeks. He was a member of the Reformed Church, and in politics a Republican. Mrs. Bankard, who survives him, is 83 years old, and is quite active, doing all her house work, milking and butter making without assistance.

Memorial services will take place on the 17th, instead of the 10th instant.

Hay making is the order of the day. Grass is not good. Rain is needed. Cherries are ripe but scarce. Harvest will take place in about two weeks. Machine agents are busy.

Frizellsburg Items.

A pair of Howe scales will be erected this week in this place by Silas M. Bish. They will weigh 10,000 pounds and are something needed in this community.

Ephriam Haifley will have lumber sawed this week for a new house on his lot. The sawing will be done by Samuel Baust & Co.

A large crowd attended the decoration services in this place on Sunday last.

A few farmers are making hay. Within the past few weeks the grass has improved.

Abraham Willet has a stalk of rye from a rye patch on new ground which measures 7 feet 5 inches. It appeared in the ADVOCATE in the Uniontown items that Mr. Weaver had one as tall, but of course it grew on a garden spot.

Hall Brown improved his residense and restaurant very much by putting a front porch from end to end of the building. Emanuel Wantz has had his barn covered and repaired. Calvin Starner is having his barn covered and repaired; the work in both instances was done by H. M. Snader and Robert Fleagal.

WESTERN MARYLAND COLLEGE.

Close of the Twenty-First Year—Beautiful Weather—Large Crowds in Attendance, &c.

[Reported for the Democratic Advocate.]

June has come and the voice of the graduate is heard in the land. Quite a month ago Western Maryland College circulated among its many friends neat invitations to attend its twenty-first anniversary, with an accompanying order of exercises, and the extent to which these invitations were accepted was a gratifying evidence of the growing appreciation of the College throughout the State. If we may judge of the year now closing from this last week we could but say it has been one of marked success and that the College has been moving straight onward brightening the record she has already made.

The exercises of the week were opened with the

Calisthenic Exhibition.

Considering the large audience of last year and the success of the entertainment at that time, it was not surprising that a much larger audience should witness the performance on this occasion.

PROGRAM.

Male Department.

1. Figure Marching—music, The American Line.
3. Freehand Exercises—Concert Recitative from Hiawatha.
5. Vaulting Horse Gymnastics.
7. Club Swinging—music, La Gitana Waltz.
9. Cane Drill—music, Secret Love Gavotte.

Female Department.

2. Club Swinging—music, Smith Hall Waltz.
4. Single Clubs—Misses C. L. Mourer and H. E. Walmsley.
6. Reigen—music, Clickety Click Galop.
8. Dumb Bells—music, Every Day March.
10. Broom Brigade—music, School Girls March.

Accompanists—Piano, Misses Beeks, Mills, Nusbaum and A. Shriver; Organ, Maud Mills; Drum, J. C. Mobley.

For "Figure Marching" the young men thirty-two in number were uniformed in neatly fitting shirts trimmed with blue and pants with blue belts. This, together with their erect carriage and precision of step, gave them a very soldierly appearance. Twelve figures were plainly brought out and the ease and smoothness with which one figure changed into another was not less interesting than the figures themselves. The sixth item, "Reigen" was also a kind of figure marching, but differing greatly from that just mentioned, for while the young men were continually moving forward, the young ladies made all of their figures by marking time in place of wheeling in ranks of four or eight. Dresses of pink and blue in alternate ranks of fours increased the distinctiveness of the figures.

The novelty of having the Freehand Exercises performed to the rythm of poety made them very attractive, while the selection itself, the charming story of Paukuk-keewis from Longfellow's Hiawatha lent additional interest.

The young ladies made a very favorable impression with the dumb bells. The exercise consisting of arm movements, stepping and tapping, was divided into three parts, each requiring a different grouping of the class on the stage.

It is impossible in an exhibition like this to give much of the regular gymnastic work of the boys, but they showed to great advantage the uses they could make of the Vaulting Horse. Their exercises in mounting and dismounting, vaulting in various ways, and in turning somersaults and handsprings were loudly applauded.

The club-swinging was a great feature of the program. The young ladies exhibited much grace and dexterity, especially the two doing the movements with the single clubs. They executed some of the most intricate swings and twists such as would have done credit to professionals, and the skill with which the one club continually passed from one hand to the other was marvelous. The class of twenty young men stood in lines of fives and as one looked down any line, it seemed as if all the arms were moved by one person so perfectly in unison were the movements. When it is considered that these boys have been swinging clubs only one year, their success in these beautiful and bewildering movements seems wonderful.

The Cane Drill and Broom Brigade which closed the program for the respective departments were very entertaining. In the former the canes were used for calisthenic exercises, for fencing, and in giving character attitudes, in the latter the brooms were used for guns in a short military drill, and then in an exercise showing their various uses in the house. The young men dressed a la Barry Wall; the young ladies wore flannel dresses of dark blue trimmed with white braid, with dusting caps to match, and carried dust pans at the side.

Every exercise of the program was made up by Prof. McDaniel who is in charge of the department. The audience manifested a delighted interest throughout and pronounced the performance, from beginning to end, a great success.

Baccalaureate Sunday.

This Baccalaureate Sunday will always be looked back upon with even greater interest than generally attaches to these occasions, as marking the institution of a significant change in the customs of the day. It has been usual to see on the morning of this day, the long procession winding its way from the hill to the church in the city, and then to find the church insufficient for the accommodation of the visitors in addition to its own congregation. But it was not this way this time. The services were held in Smith Hall, and in addition to this point of improvement the college received a kindly recognition which has never before been accorded to it. No services were held in the Lutheran, German Reformed and Methodist Episcopal churches, and a large part of the congregations of these swelled the audience in Smith Hall.

In the early morning the clouds hung heavily around but vanished in time not to spoil the record of Western Maryland of never having had a rainy Baccalaureate day. At each end of the large stage were seated the school, at the centre of the back was the choir of the Westminster Methodist Protestant Church; immediately in front of them the Faculty; in front of them a row of ministers, while occupying two chairs just behind the pulpit were the venerable ex-President Ward and President Lewis. Some wreaths of green tastefully arranged, and large vases of flowers, kindly sent by Mrs. J. L. Reifsnider, added their beauty to this already beautiful and interesting scene.

A liturgical service, prepared for the occasion, was participated in by the audience and school, and was interspersed by choir anthems that were exceptionally fine. The choir was led by Mr. H. M. Gemand; the soloists were: Mrs. T. A. Murray, of Baltimore; Mrs. C. V. Wantz and Mr. T. A. Murray.

The theme of the President's sermon was "The Deceptiveness of Learning," and his text was "Take heed that ye be not deceived." Luke xxi, 8. It was an able and eloquent discourse, and was listened to by all with eager interest.

In the afternoon the Young Men's and Young Women's Christian Association held impressive services and were addressed by the Rev. J. M. Holmes, of Oxford, Md., who had come on to deliver the sermon before them at night. Both of these organizations are branches of the regular association, have full memberships and exert a powerful influence for good on all those within their scope.

The sermon above referred to was preached in the M. P. Church to a crowded house. The text was the 18th verse of the 7th chapter of Ecclesiastes. The discourse was full of rich thought and happy illustrations. The theme was the importance of reflection and consideration in order to adapt our ways and works to God. The divine work is finished, ours is not; the divine work is the outcome of infinite wisdom; ours must therefore conform to it or fail disastrously. The music was of the same high order as in the morning, and was rendered by the same choir. The prayer after sermon was offered by the pastor of the church, Rev. J. T. Murray, D. D., and the benediction was pronounced by President Lewis.

Art Exhibition.

Of the many successes incident to commencement week, none was more decided than the exhibition of the Department of Art. No sooner were the doors of the studio thrown open, at 3 p. m. on Monday, than the admirers of art thronged in, and each successive day brought those who were anxious to see again, and others still who were seeing it for the first time. The studio is located upon the third floor, and has an excellent Northern light, so desirable for the regular work of the department, and so advantageous for exhibition purposes. On entering, the visitor was presented with a catalogue of unique design, and which of itself was a work of art. The cover was of heavy ragged edge brown paper, printed in a contrasting shade and tied with delicate silk cords of variegated colors. Altogether there were 165 pieces on exhibition, so of course nothing like all can be mentioned in the short space allotted to this report.

DRAWING.

The first drawing to be mentioned is one in charcoal by Gertrude F. Beeks, of Still Pond. It is a winter landscape entitled "New Year's Day," and is very notable for efficient management of light and shade and representations of snow. Lilian Erb, of Westminster, had very creditable pencil and charcoal sketches from casts. Mary J. Fisher, of Denton, exhibited fine outline drawings and shaded drawings from casts. Her original treatment of the subject "Bachelor's Comfort" is worthy of special mention. The pipe and tobacco pouch, the tankard and daily paper, so essential to such a picture, stand out beautifully against a sombre background. Miriam Lewis, the 12-year-old daughter of President Lewis, has some good pencil drawings, and gives promise of some fine work in the years before her. A St. Bernard dog and a donkey are two of the best executed pieces in the room. The lifelike look of the dog's eye, his shaggy hair, and the evident stubbornness of the donkey in drawing his load, are brought out in a remarkable way. Edith Stevens, of Edesville, has a charcoal drawing, original in design, which has many merits. It was catalogued "In the Studio." The objects of the picture are only a palette and a pot with brushes against a dark drapery, but its simplicity was one of its charms. We must not omit to mention its smoothness and accuracy of shadow. In going on down the catalogue we come next to the medal piece, by Clara V. Underhill, of Baltimore. It is an original design, made up of books, rolls of manuscript, spectacles and candle, called "Study Hour," and done in charcoal. Lillie Woodward, of Westminster, had charcoal drawings of her "Puppy Bob" and "Pussy Nig," which elicited very favorable comments. Harvey Grow, of Frederick, and Geo. Sharrer, of Westminster, each had good pencil drawings, and the former a much admired crayon drawing of a violin.

WATER COLORS.

"High Tea" and "There was Once a Boat on a Billow," two sepias in brown and white, are remarkable for clear washes. They are the work of Mary Fisher. Nettie Shriver, of Westminster, had a fine collection of water colors, the most of which were flowers painted from nature. Of all her pieces her chrysanthemums in body color were perhaps the most admired. The next collection was by E. May Wallis, of Bell Buckle, Tenn., a member of the graduating class, and who expects to make art a profession. She has been a most successful student, and her pictures show the work of a true artist. Her original design picture of "Old Friends" was awarded the gold medal in this branch. It is a collection of well-worn books, one of which we could readily imagine was the Bible. "The Bell Buckle," a yachting scene, is truly a thing of beauty. The combination of delicate tints produces a most pleasing effect. Two pastels, "Evening" and "The Roadside," are, in the opinion of the writer, the finest things on exhibition. They are particularly forcible in atmospheric effects and in rich harmonizing greens. Few school exhibitions could show anything as fine as these.

OIL PAINTINGS.

Gertrude F. Beeks has a very faithful picture of a branch of magnolia; Lucile Dodd, of Wye Mills, a panel of "La France" roses; Miss Erb, of "Golden Rod and Thistle;" Miss Griffin, of Denton, a large canvass entitled "The Mill on the Floss;" Laura Jones, of Chesapeake City, also a large canvass, and panels of poppies, flags and June roses; Cora Sellman, of Warfieldsburg, had several pieces; Jennie Smith, May Wallis and Lillie Woodward also have some good paintings.

DECORATIVE PAINTING.

Miss Lucile Dodd has a very dainty set of chocolate cups; Miss Nettie Shriver, an exquisite scarf of bolting cloth painted from nature in pansies and apple blossoms. She also has a very rich silk screen painted in appropriate designs. It is impossible to give anything like a fair account of the beautiful and valuable work in this branch.

ART NEEDLEWORK.

A very prominent object in the room is a handsome screen by Mrs. Chas. Billingslea, of Westminster. The embroidery was done on brown and dark blue satin sheeting, and the panels set in a frame of mahogany. The panel on which the design was Cherokee roses was especially admired. Mrs. Billingslea has also a sofa cushion embroidered in silk and gold cord in arabesque pattern. Miss T. E. Caulk, of Sassafras, has a very pretty table scarf of light green felt embroidered in patterns of lillies and dogwood. Miss Lucile Dodd's mantel lambrequin of terra cotta satin, and sofa cushion of steel blue, embroidered with old pink rope silk, are two of the handsomest articles shown. The medal article in this branch is a sofa cushion of terra cotta satin sheeting, embroidered in white and green in Italian stitch, and backed with terra cotta plush. Miss Fisher has also a rich mantel lambrequin of ecclesiastical green embroidered in filagree of gold thread and old pink. Miss Iva Lowe, of Greensboro, exhibited two chair scarfs of great beauty, one on Persian silk, pale blue in color and decorated with pink roses; the other light sea water green and done in Japanese pattern. Miss Fannie Sappington, of Rock Hall, has a buffet scarf which was admired by all. It is of linen duck, embroidered in pattern of oranges and with handsomely knotted fringe. Miss Sellman has a towel rack cover of linen duck, in white and old blue, with beautifully tied fringe. Miss Ada Smith, of Westminster, has several beautiful articles—a sofa cushion of green sage satin sheeting with Japanese pattern, done in Italian stitch in shades of pink and maroon; a buffet scarf foot rest and bracket lambrequin, the latter of rich red plush done with gold cord in coaching stitch. Miss C. V. Underhill has a table cover of sage green velours done in Persian pattern that attracted much attention, as did also her towel rack cover embroidered in morning glories. Another very beautiful article of hers is a bureau scarf of French sheeting done in cord stitch with different shades of yellow.

And yet all these are but a few of the many beautiful things that filled the room and were so artistically arranged.

Great credit is due to the teachers, Miss Olivia Rinehart in drawing and painting and Miss Lottie Owings in embroidery, for such an excellent and in every way handsome exhibition.

The decision as to the merits of the paintings and drawings was made by Miss Anna C. Volck, of the Maryland Institute of Art and Design, who came up specially for that purpose.

Concert.

PROGRAM.

PART FIRST.

Piano Duet: Overture to Masaniello.....Auber
Prof. Rinehart and Miss Mills.
Vocal Duet: "The Mountain Riders,".....Bordese
Misses Stem and Harlan.
Piano Solo: Sonata, Op. 10, No. 1.....Beethoven
Prof. Rinehart.
Vocal Solo: "When the Heart is Young".....Buck
Mrs. A. J. Carnes.
Piano Trio: Coronation March.....Meyerbeer
Misses Whittington, Kendall and Underhill.

PART SECOND.

Chorus: "Fond Hearts".....Concone
Vocal Class.
Piano Duet: Second and Last Movements from First Symphony.....Beethoven
Prof. Rinehart and Miss Stem.
Vocal Trio: "Sweet Daisy".....Curschmann
Misses Hyde, Franklin and Stevens.
Piano Solo: "Bubbling Spring".....Rive-King
Miss A. Shriver.
Piano Trio: Rakoczy March.....Liszt
Miss Wilmer, Prof. Rinehart and Miss Beeks.
Evening Hymn.....Concone

We give the above program of the annual concert of the Department of Music in order that the reader may get a comprehensive idea from the selections and the composers represented of the high standard of the entertainment on Monday night. Auber's celebrated Overture to Masaniello was a very happy introduction to the rich musical feast which was to follow. It was bright and sparkling, in parts brilliant. Nothing more need be said for its execution than that it was played by the professor himself and the medalist of the department. The young ladies giving the vocal duet which followed possess vocal talent above the average, their voices blended beautifully and showed their cultivation to good effect.

The next number was one of the choicest of the program. Beethoven's music never fails to thrill the true music-lovers with ecstatic pleasure, and when it is played in such faultless manner as it was on this occasion the pleasure is all the more entrancing. There is much more in Prof. Rinehart's playing than mere manual dexterity. He combines with this a thorough comprehensiveness of his selection and gives to it an expression which is as delicate and yet forcible as his playing is exact. It was well that this should be followed by the vocal solo of Mrs. Carnes which was in every way as choice a representative of vocal as the former was of the instrumental department.

The piano trio which closed the first of the program was well performed, and the chorus opening the second part showed careful training and skillful management of voices. The next item—a selection from Beethoven's first symphony—was a delightful one. The professor was well supported by his pupil, whose part was a prominent one, and the whole performance produced as near an orchestral effect as could be expected from a piano.

The vocal trio seemed to be greatly enjoyed by the audience and the young ladies were warmly applauded. Miss Shriver's performance, without the notes before her, of what Rive-King is pleased to style one of her "tone-poems" showed that she merited the compliment of being assigned a solo on the program. The Liszt March arranged as a trio, was very attractive and elicited considerable applause. The concert was very fittingly closed with an "evening hymn" sung by the full vocal class. The performance was over by 9.15, and the large audience was soon wending its way town-ward through the lovely night air, all pleased, even those who had come to talk instead of listen, for they had enjoyed, at least, the sound of their own voices and were serenely indifferent to the annoyance they had caused others.

Grades and Awards.

On Tuesday morning, at 10.30 o'clock a. m., the entire school, with parents and many friends from the city, assembled in Smith Hall to hear the grades for the year read and the honors announced. The members of the Faculty were seated on the stage, and suspended in a prominent position was the medal board, bearing its glittering burden of enviable prizes. The exercises were opened with the regular manual service in every day use in the school, this being the last time for the year, all the feeling such occasions inspire in the young hearts seemed to be embodied in the earnestness with which they sang and engaged in the responsive readings. After secretary McDaniel had read the grades in each study the President announced the honors, those named coming upon the stage to receive their medals from the hands of the Preceptress, Miss Owings.

After this was over the President in some happy remarks presented Mr. H. G. Watson, the captain of the Base Ball Club with a mask and pair of gloves and no presentation was received with more applause than this. The following is the list of honors:

SENIOR CLASS.

Valedictory.....Caroline Willing Phoebus
Salutatory.....Elizabeth May Wallis
Valedictory.....Edward Cropper Wimbrough

JUNIOR CLASS.

Gold Medal.....Laura Bell Taylor
Gold Medal.....Levin Irving Pollitt

SOPHOMORE CLASS.

Gold Medal.....Marian Emma Money
Honorable Mention.....{ Misao Tsune Hirata / Anna McFeeley Thompson
Gold Medal.....John Franklin Harper
Honorable Mention.....William Irving Mace

FRESHMAN CLASS.

Gold medal.....Hannah McClean Blandford
Honorable Mention.....{ May Nelson / Maud Cleves Mills / Imogene Caulk / Elizabeth Caulk
Gold medal.....Francis Neal Parke
Honorable mention.....{ Benjamin Whitely Woolford / Albert Stevens Crockett

SECOND YEAR PREPARATORY.

Certificate of Honor.....Janie Butler Thomas

FIRST YEAR PREPARATORY.

Certificate of Honor.....Lillie Roop Woodward

MUSIC.

Gold medal.....Maud Cleves Mills

DRAWING.

Gold medal.....Clara Virginia Underhill

PAINTING.

Gold medal.....Elizabeth May Wallis

ART NEEDLEWORK.

Gold medal.....Mary Jones Fisher

In addition to the above, Miss L. L. Hill of Long Corner, and Miss C. L. Mourer of McDonogh, received certificates for proficiency in post-graduate studies, and Mrs. L. J. Pollitt of Salisbury received the Weigand Temperance Medal, with honorable mention of Mr. F. Neal Parke of Westminster.

Society Reunions.

At 2.30 p. m., on this day, each of the Literary Societies held reunions in their respective halls. There were in attendance a large number of ex-active members and visitors. Spicy programs had been arranged for the occasion and these together with numerous impromptu speeches made the time pass delightfully. Refreshments were served in great abundance.

Society Contest.

A large audience greeted the representatives of the societies as they came forth to the fray and even before the first speech was made excitement ran high as to who would carry off the laurels. Hitherto the contest has been confined to the Irving and Webster Societies, each composed of young men. But the ladies were also allowed a part this time. The program was as follows:

PROGRAM.

Browning Essay....."Let By-gones be By-gones"
Miss L. E. Gore, Vienna, Md.
Philomathean Essay....."Unwritten Music"
Miss G. F. Beeks, Still Pond, Md.

MUSIC.

Irving Oration....."A Drop of Water"
Mr. G. W. Ward, Daisy, Md.
Webster Oration.....The Prisoner of the Bastile"
Mr. J. B. Whaley, Suffolk, Va.

MUSIC.

Browning Essay...To-day is the Key of to To-morow
Miss L. B. Taylor, Waverly, Md.
Philomathean Essay.....Drifting"
Miss A. L. Jones, Chesapeake City, Md.

MUSIC.

Irving Oration.....From Nature to Nature's God"
Mr. W. M. Weller, Cumberland, Md.
Webster Oration.....America's Future"
Mr. H. G. Watson, Centreville, Md.

JUDGES.

Hon. John E. Smith, J. A. C. Bond, Esq., Mrs. I. E. Pearson, Mrs. Chas. Billingslea.

Music furnished by the Westminster Cornet Band.

This too, was the first time there has ever been a decision as to the winning society announced. Knowing that this was to be done, put all concerned on their best metal and the result was a set of productions above the average. Rev. J. T. Murray, D. D., spoke for the lady judges and announced the result in favor of the Philomatheans. In the absence of Hon. John E. Smith who was detained by sickness, Rev. Mr. Cooper acted in his stead and proclaimed the Irvings ahead.

Class Day.

The following is the program of the exercises on Wednesday morning.

Invocation.....Rev. J. T. Ward, D. D.
President's Address.....E. C. Wimbrough
Instrumental Solo.....L'E'clair—J. Ascher
Dollie Whittington.
Reading of Grades.....E. May Wallis, Sec
Reading of History.....Jas. McD. Radford
Reading of Prophesy.....Carrie W. Phoebus
Presentation of Class Annals and Shields.
Class Ode.

The history and prophecy were both well written, and the reading of the bogus grades was laughable in the extreme. We give the class ode by J. McD. Radford, of Jersey, Ga.

Class Ode of 1888.

Our happy college days are o'er,
As classmates we must sever,
But ties of faithful friendship will
Unite our hearts forever.
And as we each our course pursue,
Where duty's voice may call us,
Those happy days we'll cherish still
Whatever may befall us.

As children from parental roof,
Unused to toil and sorrow,
Lose half the pleasure of to-day
In fears for their to-morrow,
So we, with fears we dare not speak,
Behold life's paths before us,
Not knowing where these paths may lead,
What storms may gather o'er us.

But trusting Him whose watchful eye
Doth guide from ways of error,
When nights are dark and tempests high
And dangers fill with terror,
We each will follow at his word,
Where-e'r that word may guide us;
Assured that He who loves us will
Each needful thing provide us.

And though our paths on earth divide,
In that bright home in heaven,
Dear Father, at our Saviour's side,
May victory's palms be given
To all the class of Eighty-eight,
Their number still unbroken,
To each the crown of life be given,
The glad "well done" be spoken.

Meeting of the Trustees.

The Trustees held their annual business meeting in the College Library Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock. There was an unusually full attendance, The President's report was a matter of great delight and satisfaction. The financial condition is far above what it ever was before, and the numerous and great improvements in the school are unquestionable evidences of prosperity. The Institution has come of age, this being the close of its twenty-first year. It has passed the tentative and experimental years and now assumes its position, as of right, among the well-tested and firmly established colleges of the land. All the transactions of the session of the Board are not known, but it is known that it was decided to erect during the summer a building between the main edifice and Ward Hall for the accommodation of the large Primary and Preparatory Departments. The subject of erecting a President's residence on the grounds was also discussed. The Board were entertained at dinner by the President.

Alumni Association.

At 2.30 a. m., the Alumni Association was called to order in Smith Hall by the President, A. L. Miles, '81, Crisfield. Here too there was a full attendance and much interest for Alma Mater manifested. Several stirring