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The date on the label on your paper shows the time to which your subscription is paid.

LOCAL AFFAIRS

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Don't make a mistake and write '92 after today.

Ice from seven to ten inches thick has been housed this week.

Prof. J. C. Horst has opened a dancing school in Westminster.

Westminster business houses generally will be closed on Monday next.

The merchants of Westminster all report a particularly good Christmas trade.

Skating by moonlight has been much enjoyed by the young people of this city this week.

The Westminster Band and two drum corps paraded the streets at different times last Monday.

Jacob Wohlgemuth won a thirty-pound turkey on Tuesday evening at Sheeley's restaurant.

A number of water pipes froze during the cold spell this week, some bursting and flooding cellars.

The number of holiday excursion tickets sold from this point on December 24th, 25th and 26th was 187.

The demand for poultry, especially turkeys, was greater than the supply in Westminster during the holiday season.

Mrs. Mary Coppersmith, a sister of Mr. John T. Anders, of Westminster, died at Hampstead on the 16th, aged about 51 years.

The young people of Westminster are enjoying the unusually good skating, and Winters' dam is crowded with skaters every day.

The Benevolent and Aid Society of Benjamin's Reformed Church will meet on Wednesday evening, January 4th, at the residence of Mrs. I. R. Hoppe.

The Adams Express Company was kept busy and did a thriving busines in shipping packages from this point. The shipments were the heaviest ever known here.

The latest case of petit larceny reported, is the loss of a pair of eye-glasses from an Insurance office on Court street. Moral—when you go out lock your office door.

Rev. Charles N. Morris, rector of Ascension P. E. Church, was presented on Christmas day with a handsome pocket communion service by the members of his congregation.

The committee working up the railroad enterprise between Manchester and Maple Grove are talking confidently of having the road in running order by the first of next May.

Mr. William H. Orndorff, of Middleburg district, raised five pumpkins on one vine last season which weighed in the aggregate 250½ pounds—weighing respectively, 72, 63, 57½, 33 and 25 pounds.

The passenger travel on the Western Maryland Railroad was so heavy between Baltimore and Hagerstown on Christmas eve that the train due at Westminster at 5.35 p. m. was run in two sections.

January 1st is a legal holiday. When a legal holiday falls on Sunday, the following day is observed as such. The County Commissioners, therefore, will not be in session until Tuesday, January 3d.

Postmaster George E. Sharrer remembered the mail agents, star route carriers, and other postal employes with presents at Christmas. There were fourteen in all. The gifts consisted of turkeys, gloves, handkerchiefs, etc.

The employes of Mr. E. O. Grimes, including those connected with the warehouse, ticket and express office, caned him in a very pleasing manner, by presenting him with a handsome gold-headed ebony cane on Christmas eve. Mr. James F. Rinker made the presentation speech.

Mr. Samuel B. Eppley died at his home in Union Bridge on December 20, aged 80 years, 8 months and 7 days. He had been in feeble health for some time. His wife died on March 3, 1888, in her 77th year. Nine children survive him, one being Mrs. Charles Hesson, of Westminster.

Look to your horses and see that they are kept well shod throughout this icy weather. A horse attached to a buggy, last week, slipped and fell in front of the ADVOCATE office, and broke a shaft. Remember Franklin's saying—"for the want of a nail the shoe was lost, and for the want of a shoe the horse was lost."

The Sunday school at Benjamin's Church had a very enjoyable Christmas service on Friday evening, December 23d. A large audience was present and the school rendered in a creditable manner a beautiful Bell Service which had been selected for the occasion. At the close of which each member of the school received a pound of choice candy and an orange.

A decree was filed in the Circuit Court on Thursday granting a divorce to George M. Roop, of Union Bridge, from his wife, Margaret. The bill of complaint was filed on the 4th of August last. The decree orders the one child to be delivered to the custody and guardianship of its grandfather, Mr. John Utz. The decree was granted upon the ground of desertion by the wife.

Christmas exercises were held at Benjamin's Reformed Church on Monday night, with appropriate services conducted by Mr. Snyder Stephan, Westminster. The altar was beautifully trimmed for the occasion, representing a winter scene. Miss Maggie Stoner was given a handsome present by the congregation, for her services rendered as organist for the past year.

A young horse hitched to the grocery wagon of John H. Keene, ran away on Saturday morning, starting at Western Maryland College and running down Main street. When in front of William G. Rinehart's house, near Union street, the wagon came in contact with a hitching post, breaking it off. It then struck a tree and upset, scattering the oysters, vegetables, etc., all along the street. The wagon was badly broken, but the horse was unhurt.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church near Arcadia, in Baltimore county, after an addition and extensive improvements, will be re-opened for divine services on Sunday, January 8th, 1893, Rev. P. H. Miller, of Grace Lutheran Church, of Westminster, will preach the consecration sermon at 10 o'clock, A. M., and Rev. D. J. Hauer, D. D., of Hanover, Pa., will preach at 7 o'clock, p. m. Other ministers are expected to be present on the occasion.

A Christmas entertainment under the auspices of the Epworth League, was held in Centenary M. E. Church on Christmas evening. The program consisted of addresses by George R. Gehr, of Westminster, and Rev. Evan Edwards, of Randolph-Macon College, of Georgia; Bible reading by Mrs. S. K. Herr; recitation, Christmas chimes, by seven young ladies, with organ and bell accompaniment; solo by Miss Testie Herr Buckingham; anthems and carols by the choir.

The Sunday school of Ascension P. E. Church had their Christmas tree on Monday evening. The exercises consisted of the singing of carols and distribution of gifts and a short address by the rector, Rev. C. N. Morris, who was the recipient of a well filled stocking from the tree. At the close of the services the signal was given and the younger members made a rush for the tree, stripping it of all its ornaments, literally tearing it to pieces and greatly enjoying the fun.

At the meeting of Westminster Lodge No. 41, I. O. M., of this city, on Tuesday evening, the following were elected officers for the ensuing term: W. M., John H. Gerke; J. M., Edward F. Hoff; Rec. Sec., Thomas Zepp; Fin. Sec., James H. Cassell; Treasurer, John B. Saylor; Chaplain, C. E. Jerome; Con., John D. Biehl; Organist, S. P. Bair; Rep. to Grand Lodge, Charles Stonesifer; Trustees, William H. Bell, Jr., B. F. Crouse, Milton Schaeffer, Samuel Knight and John H. Mitten.

On Tuesday evening, Centenary M. E. Sunday school held its Christmas anniversary in the Sunday school room. Instead of the usual tree, a wind mill was represented, in front of which stood several flour barrels. At a given signal from the superintendent, S. K. Herr, Santa Claus, appeared at the window of the mill and called for the Brownies to come and help make candy for the children, whereupon they jumped from the barrels and disappeared into the mill. After a short talk to the children, Santa Claus distributed candy and oranges to them.

Nicholas Parker, colored, of Westminster, has been granted a pension by the Pension Bureau.

John A. Krouse has sold 58 shares of the stock of the Farmers and Mechanics' National Bank of Westminster, par $10.00, to Miss Sarah R. Fringer, of Taneytown, at $11.25 per share.

A young man named Steinburg, of Baltimore city, aged between twenty-five and thirty years, died at the residence of James Weishore, near Uniontown, Thursday morning. He was spending the Christmas holidays there and had been sick since Sunday last.

Mr. John C. Frizell, a well known citizen of Westminster, was taken ill on Thursday morning, having one attack before breakfast and one after. The attacks resulted from indigestion and were considered serious. His son, Mr. G. W. Frizell, of Baltimore, was sent for at once, and arrived in the evening. Yesterday Mr. Frizell was greatly improved.

Mr. Richard J. Baker, of Freedom, who will reach his 81st year on January 13th, next, writes us that he has kept a diary for nearly twenty years, and in refering to it he finds this the coldest December, from the 20th to 26th inclusive, for the past ten years. He has taken the mercury at 7 a. m., and 1, 6 and 10 p. m. each day, and the average has been as follows: 1883, 27°; 1884, 23½°; 1885, 40°; 1886, 32°; 1887, 36°; 1888, 32°; 1889, 49°; 1890, 33°; 1891, 48°; 1892, 20°.

The M. P. Sunday school, this city, had installation of officers and teachers and a Christmas treat on Thursday night. Dr. J. W. Hering, superintendent, made an address. The other officers installed were Scott Jordan, secretary; Theodore Derr, librarian; John Derr and Washington L. Brown, assistants; Jesse C. Shreeve, missionary; Miss Anna Shriver, organist, and Arthur Stonesifer, cornetist. Santa Claus appeared after the installation and gave each scholar a Christmas treat.

Christmas at Wisner's.

[Reported for the Democratic Advocate.]

Christmas was observed in a very pleasant manner by the public school at Wisner's, on the 23d. Regular school exercises were held until noon. Then the pupils were dismissed, and after spending several hours in play were again called into the school-room at about 2, p. m. By that time there was quite a number of visitors to witness the exercises of the afternoon which proved to be very interesting and we hope profitably to all who were present. The first on the program was singing, "Merry Christmas to You All." This was followed by appropriate readings, recitations, dialogues, etc. Where all did well it were best to name none, and certainly all did very well and reflected much credit on Miss Essich, their teacher. At the conclusion of the exercises, Santa Claus, amid the jingling of bells, informed us that he was about to call upon us, and greatly to the little folks delight he entered the school room and took his position on the platform in the presence of all amid shouts of laughter. The roll was then called by the teacher and forty-four pupils, ranging from six years, to tall maidens and youths, stepped forward and Santa Claus presented each a package of choice confectionery from their teacher which all appeared to appreciate very much. The teacher was also the recipient of a handsome present which was delivered at her residence the following morning by the pupils as a testimonial of their love for her personally, and their appreciation of her as a teacher. All expressed themselves much pleased with the exercises, and the occasion will be long remembered by all who were present.

Personal.

Miss Emma F. Shorb, of Emmitsburg, is visiting Miss Clara Eckenrode, Liberty street.

Messrs. Edward and Ohlen Walsh, of Baltimore, are visiting their brother, Rev. J. L. Walsh, Westminster.

Miss Nettie Shreeve, daughter of Mrs. Eliza Shreeve, gave a very pleasant Christmas party to a number of her friends on Monday evening. The table was prettily decorated and loaded with all manner of good things, to which the little folks did ample justice. Rev. Evan Edwards was present and helped entertain the guests. Those present were Misses Mary Weaver, Helen Gorsuch, Helen Crouse, Testie Herr Buckingham, Carrie Brown, Norma Gilbert, Agnes Gorsuch, Georgie Buckingham, Myrle Caple, Maggie Royer, Julia Wells, Susie Melvin, Nellie Albaugh; Masters Carroll Albaugh, Walter Melvin, Ira Crouse, John Edwards, of Westminster, and Miss Phœbe Neidig, of Frederick.

Miss Rosie Reese, who has been ill with pneumonia, is slightly better.

Quite a number of young people spent the holidays in Westminster. Amongst those from Baltimore were—Harry Baughman, George Parke, J. Gore Mills, Richard F. Brown, Thomas Moore, William Everhart, John F. Everhart, Harry Grumbine, Frank Daily, Bernard Mills, James Lynch, William Mitten, Charles T. Reifsnider, Jr., Edward Manning, William Cress, Harry Legg, John Hardy, Robert Stevenson, George Awalt, Maurice Mitten, William Baer, Wm. Emory Frizell, J. Shorb Neale and John Gilbert.

Miss Nettie Wampler, of Baltimore, spent several days with her sister, Mrs. Charles N. Kuhn, this week.

Frank Derr and wife, of Baltimore, were in Westminster several days this week.

Reverdy Snader and wife, of Baltimore, visited relatives in Westminster during the past week.

John L. Reifsnider, Jr., of Virginia; William Zepp, of Norfolk, Va.; W. Clarence Wickert, of Hampstead; George Webster, of Washington; Frank King, of Cumberland; Louis L. Billingslea, of Philadelphia, Pa., all spent the holidays in Westminster.

Miss Elizabeth Driscoll, of Massachusetts, is visiting her parents on John street, Westminster.

John McClellan, of Johnsville, Frederick county, spent several days with Charles A. Horner, Westminster.

Miss Carrie Horner is visiting friends in Johnsville, Frederick county.

Wilbur Buckingham, of Westminster, spent the holidays in Baltimore.

Ex-Judge James A. C. Bond, of Westminster, and Elias B. Arnold, of Smallwood, went to Calvert county, on Sunday last, to visit Mr. Bond's father. They returned at noon yesterday loaded down with wild ducks which they bagged during their visit.

Mrs. J. Toxel Knode and Miss Zourie Schroeder, of Frederick, were guests at Mr. Jacob Thomson's, this week.

Russell Mentzer, of Coatesville, Pa., visited Mr. Harry Keefer this week.

Miss Margaret Clarke, of Howard county, is visiting the Misses Irwin, Westminster.

Kirk Matthews, of Howard county, is visiting Percy Shriver, Avondale.

Edward Stout, of Waynesboro, Pa., is visiting friends in Westminster.

The young ladies gave a dance at the City Hotel on Monday night. There were about fifteen couples present. Mrs. Stirling, Miss Elizabeth Irwin and F. Neale Parke were the committee. An Italian orchestra furnished the music.

Samuel A. Tubman, Jr., of Baltimore, and C. Eugene Tubman, of Lancaster, Pa., are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tubman, near this city.

Miss Emma Michael and Miss Louisa Henkel, of Baltimore, are the guests of Misses Helen and Laura Wampler, of Westminster.

Mr. Clayton Nichols, who is engaged in Baltimore, came to Westminster to spend the holidays with his family, expecting to return last Tuesday. He was taken with rheumatism and is still confined to his bed.

During Christmas Prof. C. Hamilton, Superintendent of the National Cemetery at Gettysburg, with his wife and daughter, and Robert Hamilton, of Seven Stars, Pa., were guests of Rev. S. A. Diehl.

Mrs. John Megee and children of Mt. Holly, N. J., and Mrs. A. F. Orndorff, of Taneytown, spent the holidays at Mr. Geo. C. Crass'.

Misses Nellie Francis and Mary Henderson, of Baltimore, visited Miss Hilda Crass during the holidays.

Mr. John Kleff, of St. Louis, Missouri, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Kleff, at the City Hotel. Mr. Kleff left here about nineteen years ago, and has been home only once before in that time. He is much pleased with the great changes here.

Mr. E. P. Brundige and family, and Dr. R. B. Norment and family, of Baltimore, spent the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. William H. Starr, No. 54 West Main street.

Jordan's Retreat Items.

Christmas day passed off very pleasantly. "The Retreat" was thronged with visitors, which made things lively. Mr. Luther Coppersmith of Summit county Ohio, spent his Christmas in the Retreat, also Master Clay E. Jordan and Miss Susie Frances Reese, of near Bloom.

Harvey T. Haines and wife are at his father's W. H. Haines. He is in bad health.

Our school closed on 23d for the holidays, when the scholars made their teacher, Miss Lillian Trayer, a present of a handsome old gold album, with a beautiful gold leaf upon it.

The fourth and last quarterly meeting of Linganore circuit will take place at St. James today, the 31st, at 11 o'clock. Dr. Rodgers, presiding elder, will be present. Watch meeting Saturday night; January 1st, lovefeast at 9.30, followed with preaching and sacramental service.

Melrose Items.

The entertainment at Wentz's schoolhouse on Saturday evening last was a complete success. Good order prevailed before and after the entertainment. Andrew Wilson, who was to have taken a part, was absent on account of sickness. A large number of people from other neighborhoods were present. Some Hanover people were heard to remark: "It certainly was good," which is to the credit of the efficient teachers, H. B. Burgoon and Charles W. Nace. The school, which numbers about 70 pupils, will be treated early in January.

James C. Myers and family spent Christmas near Union Mills.

Messrs. Jacob H. Zepp and Samuel Sterner visited in Hanover during the holidays.

Misses Bertha and Laura S. Sullivan, of near Lineboro, spent Christmas at home.

Mr. Andrew Shanabrook and Miss Amanda C. Sullivan, Mr. Shanabrook and a young lady, Miss Bair and another young gentleman, all of Hanover, spent Saturday evening at the home of Mrs. Kate Sullivan.

On Monday and Tuesday of this week some of our farmers were busy hauling ice. They say it is from 5 to 7 inches thick and of fine quality.

Master Harry U. Geiman returned from Indiana last week, and every one was glad to see him. He paid your correspondent a visit, and a merry time we had.

Mr. L. B. Hoff has secured the services of Mr. Robert Hoppe, of near Westminster, as sawyer.

Last year a woman in Kansas predicted that the world would come to an end on Christmas day by going up in blue smoke. As the day was misty some people were afraid her prophesy would come true.

We believe the railroad between Manchester and Greenmount will be built.

Mr. Wm. Crumrine slaughtered two porkers, weighing 755 pounds; Geo. M. Zepp five, weighing 1519 pounds, and a beef that dressed 400 pounds.

Mr. Valentine Menchey, of near Manchester, has a crab apple tree in his house that has leaves and some apples upon it.

Mr. Robert Hoppe killed forty partridges and one pheasant recently, and missed but one. Recently while going to the sawmill he killed nine partridges in an hour's time.

People should be careful when writing to anyone in Melrose, for there is a Melrose, Carroll county, in Indiana, and Ind., when written, greatly resembles Md. Care should also be taken when anyone from here sends away their address.

Mr. Jacob Bixler and family, of Indiana, are in this neighborhood.

Herbert Myers, of Baltimore, spent Monday of last week at James C. Myers' and then went to his home, near Union Mills, to spend the holidays.

Messrs. N. W. and J. L. Brown, of near Hanover, spent Christmas in this neighborhood.

Mrs. Eli Wisner is not very much improved, and there is little hope of her recovery.

Mr. Thomas James and family have returned to this neighborhood from their Milton, Pa., home, and will reside here permanently.

Beware of the "greengoods" letters that are being sent around now.

Silver Run Items.

The silk quilt made by Mrs. T. F. Kessel-ring, of this place, for the benefit of the Lutheran congregation, was chanced off on Monday evening, at Haines' store, in the presence of a number of spectators. The drawing was done by three disinterested parties, O. A. Haines, John N. Mark and J. P. Hull. There were 350 chances, at 15 cents each. The drawing continued from the different boxes for sometime, when the name of Sarah C. Hawk, of Littlestown, Pa., and the card, No. 361, marked prize, was drawn. The quilt was on exhibition at Hanover and York fairs. The chances were taken by parties of five different states—Illinois, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Maryland and West Virginia.

The cold snap of the past week has produced very fine ice in this section, and a large quantity has been gathered. A number of houses have been filled from J. Harvey Maus' mill dam.

On Sunday morning last a son of Jonas Legore died with chronic croup. His funeral took place on Tuesday morning.

The carpenters and painters working on the new church have been complaining of the cold weather. Two of the heaters would not work, on account of the flues being choked with brickbats and mortar, and the heat was not sufficient to warm the building. Since they have been cleaned the house is more comfortable.

Dick Dell and family, of Hanover, visited his father-in-law, J. R. Lippy, this week.

Misses Cornelia and Augusta Little visited friends at Hanover during Christmas.

Dallas Boose is on a visit to his brother, Dr. Theodore Boose, at Clearspring, Washington county.

George Koontz, whose sickness was noticed in the ADVOCATE several weeks ago, is still confined to his bed, although he suffers no pain.

George Mihm has been suffering from a very bad cold the last few weeks. Mr. Mihm is 92 years old, according to his age as given when registering several years ago.

William H. Bachman recently killed three hogs, weighing 270, 290 and 303 pounds.

We wish the proprietors and readers of the ADVOCATE a happy new year.

Bankert's Mill Items.

The Christmas exercises held by Baust's Church Sunday School on Friday night of last week were quite a success. About 250 persons were present. At 7.15 the school was called to order, and the exercises commenced by singing anthem, "Praise ye the Lord." The singing was under the direction of Mr. Geo. C. Harman, with Miss Birdie Fleagle at the organ, and Mr. Peter Wareheim cornetist. Next was a prayer, by officers teachers and larger scholars in concert; the Apostles' Creed; Gloria in excelsis; The Lord's Prayer, by 10 young ladies; singing, The Lord's Prayer; exercises in catechism, on the birth of our Saviour, by a class of 28 boys and girls, interspersed with Christmas carols, closing by little ones singing "Praise Him Little Children," with a responsive echo from the gallery by Mr. Chas. Marker, Misses Maggie Foglesong, Mary Myers, Mattie Sell, Mrs. Wm. U. Marker and G. C. Harman; recitation, The Ushers, by Ed. Fritz, Luther Eckard, Katie Jones, Bessie Bollinger, Annie Fritz, Mattie Sell, Maggie Haifley, Mary Myers and Cora Segafoose; singing, solo, by May Harman, "Meet You By and By," Geo. C. Harman at the organ; Commandments, by 10 girls, chanting the same, with response; address by Rev. M. L. Firor; treat for the school, closing Prayer by superentendent, Mr. Jos. Myers. All did their parts well and reflected credit on themselves.

Mrs. W. U. Marker is lying dangerously ill with a complication of diseases, but at this writing is somewhat improved. She is attended by Dr. Luther Kemp, of Uniontown.

Priestland Academy.

Last Friday morning, the 23d, the Longfellow Literary Society, of Priestland Academy, gave a very pleasant Christmas entertainment. The schoolroom was beautifully and artistically decorated with evergreens and pictures. The program for the occasion was rendered very creditably. It was opened by singing "Welcome Beautiful Christmas Day;" opening address, "Christmas Time," Birdie Myers; recitation, "Writing to Santa Claus," Grover Repp; recitation, "A Surprise Secret," Rachel Repp and Arthur Shriner; reading, "Nellie's Christmas Eve," Katie Fiscle; singing, "Happy Greeting;" recitation, "Merry Christmas," Elsie Burall; recitation, "Surprise for Santa Claus," Pearl Flater; charade, Arthur Shriner; recitation, "A Christmas Secret," Birdie Myers; singing, "What's the Meaning;" recitation, "The Rocking's Christmas," Katie Fiscle; recitation, "Make Believe," Zella Burall and Clara Barnhardt; reading, "Little Harold," Birdie Myers; reading, Lewis Stultz; singing, "Christmas Bells;" recitation, "A Little Boy's Speech," Grover Zepp; recitation, Rachel Repp; recitation, "Old Santa Claus," Katie Fiscle; reading, "A Visit from St. Nicholas," Bessie Ecker; recitation, "A Medley," Grover Repp; singing, "God Be With You 'Till We Meet Again."

The pupils justly merited the applause and approbation liberally bestowed upon them by the visitors. Each pupil was presented with a bag of candy and a Christmas card. The teacher in turn was remembered by them with a pretty and useful gift.

Pleasant Party at Eldersburg.

Mrs. E. Frizzell's hospitable home in Eldersburg was the scene of a very enjoyable gathering on Wednesday night, the 28th. The weather was perfect and the moon shining bright and nothing to mar the pleasure of the evening. All anticipated a delightful time, and their hopes were fully realized, for the fun never lagged from the beginning to the end of the affair. Games and plays were indulged in until all were invited to the dining-room where a table was bountifully spread with all the good things of the season, cake, oranges, nuts, grapes, dates, confectionery, etc. After all had done justice to the table they returned to the parlor and continued the pleasures of the evening until a late hour, when all went home, voting it the pleasantest party of the season. Those present were Miss Bessie Davis, Philadelphia; Misses L. Backer, J. Reynolds, Grace Scrivenor, S. Reed, E. Selby, L. Ridgely, E. Bennett, M. Barnes. A. Bennett; Messrs. Devries, Ridgely, A. Selby, Wampler, Reynolds, Gates, Ruby, Reed, F. Selby, Brandenburg, G. Selby, Bennett.

Hood's Mills Items.

On Thursday evening, December 22d, the hospitable residence of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Linthicum, near Hood's Mills, was the scene of a very pretty wedding. The contracting parties were Mr. Daniel C. Maylan, of Baltimore, and their charming daughter, Miss Mattie Linthicum. Promptly at the hour appointed for the ceremony (6.30 o'clock) the wedding march was performed by Prof. J. G. E. Walker, of Baltimore, and the bridal couple were ushered into the spacious parlor, which had been decorated for the occasion, attended by Messrs. Walter Smith and John Kavanaugh, of Baltimore, as groomsmen, and Miss Ollie Linthicum, sister of the bride, as first bridesmaid, and Miss Arabelle Cecil, cousin of the bride, as second bridesmaid. Rev. A. C. Powell, of Baltimore, in a solemn and impressive manner performed the ceremony and pronounced them man and wife. The bride wore white cashmere, with lace and ribbon trimming, and wore a bouquet of Marechal Neil roses. The groom was attired in black. After congratulations all were invited to the dining room to partake of the sumptuous supper and delicacies of the season. Music, both vocal and instrumental, and all kinds of games was indulged in.

Among those present were Rev. A. C. Powell and Prof. G. E. Walker, of Baltimore; A. P. Forsythe and wife, Dr. Sprecher and wife, Asa Hepner and wife; Thos. W. Crawford and wife, Mrs. C. C. Cecil, Miss Arabelle Cecil and Miss Virgie Crawford, of Ijamsville; Miss Hannah Linthicum, of Thurston; Miss Mira Wolfe, of Comus, Montgomery county; Miss Carrie King, of Urbana; Misses Mertie and Annie King, of Baltimore; Misses Adelle and Annie Dorsey, Hood's Mills; Mrs. Dr. Linthicum, Baltimore; Misses Anna and Josie Forsythe, Mrs. Annie Lawrence; Mrs. Lorentz, Frederick; Miss Clark, Ellicott City; Messrs. Willie Hammond, John, Web., Richard and Chas. Carthorn; John Kavanaugh, Chas. Hodesty, J. W. Linthicum, Baltimore; Maurice Browning, Ijamsville; H. W. Linthicum, Sykesville; Walter Smith, Baltimore county; Clarence, Harry and Richard Dorsey, Hood's Mills; Daniel Buckey, Union Bridge; C. J. Peregroy, Baltimore; John Pfoutz, Union Bridge.

Miss Abbie McKinney and brother are spending their vacation with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin McKinney.

Messrs. Daniel Buckey and John Pfoutz, of Union Bridge, spent a couple of days last week with the Misses Dorsey, Hood's Mills.

Mr. Wm. Hammond and brother spent Sunday last with friends in Montgomery county.

Miss Annie Dorsey, of Hood's Mills, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Robert Galt, Taneytown.

Mrs. Jane Hammond is slowly recovering from a severe spell of sickness.

A Delightful Family Reunion.

The home of Mr. Jesse Eckard, at Melville Mills, near Wakefield, was the scene of a charming family reunion and sumptuous Christmas dinner on Monday last, given by Mr. and Mrs. Eckard to and in honor of their children and grandchildren. The guests began arriving at an early hour, each with the same fond desire to spend the day at the old home. At one o'clock all were invited to the dining-room and to a large table filled to profusion with viands appropriate to the season, which were amply discussed by all. After full justice had been done to the good things at the table, the grandfather called upon the boys to exercise their muscles by endeavoring to split a huge log that measured five feet in diameter, and they fell to it with the will and zeal of youth, that "knows no such word as fail," and soon the stubborn wood yielded to their sturdy blows and gave them the victory. This interesting feat accomplished, a grand reception and all honor were given the venerable couple by their descendants. Several hours were spent in this pleasant family reunion before the guests departed for their several homes leaving the aged parents and grand-parents filled with gratitude and joy that they had been able to gather all their children, with their husbands or wives, with a single exception, and all their grandchildren under the roof-tree at the happy Christmas time. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Eckard, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Diffenbaugh, Mr. J. Copenhaver, Mr. and Mrs. C. Myerly, Mr. and Mrs. S. Duvall, Mr. and Mrs. G. Harman, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Eckard, Mr. and Mrs. D. Fiscel, Mr. and Mrs. E. Eckard, Mr. and Mrs. C. Yingling, Mr. and Mrs. N. Eckard, Mr. and Mrs. C. Copenhaver, Misses D. Copenhaver, J. Eckard, B. Myerly, Z. Eckard, P. Eckard, M. Harman, Messrs. C. Shattel, E. Copenhaver, A. Copenhaver, S. Myerly, J. Harman, W. Harman, C. Eckard, R. Yingling, P. Yingling.

Eden Items.

Quite a number of our people have been visiting during the Christmas holidays.

John S. Leister, wife and daughter, and Geo. F. Leister and sister Jennie, have returned from a trip to Wrightsville, Pa.

David H. Zimmerman, wife and daughter Lettie, are spending some time visiting relatives in Baltimore.

Mrs. Mary C. Leister and son Frank, are spending a week with Mrs. Leister's brother at Washington, D. C.

Geo. Robinson and wife are at Emmitsburg spending a week with Mr. Robinson's sister.

Howard Walker is recovering from an attack of scarlet fever.

Noah J. Leister has been "knocked out" the past few weeks, not by Corbett, but by a boil on his wrist, keeping him from work.

The remains of Mrs. Christianna, widow of the late Philip Horpel, who died in Baltimore, were interred at St. John's (Leister's) Church on Thursday afternoon. Messrs. Green, Brehm, Neudecker, Martin, Basler and Houck were pallbearers.

David H. Zimmerman and Geo. Robinson have each finished a new ice house.

Pinkeye with children and young people, and epizootic with horses is very common.

David J. Leister recently slaughtered three hogs that weighed 245, 295 and 415 pounds. On Tuesday Mrs. Amanda Leister had four killed that weighed 204, 331, 352½ and 378; also a beef, a few weeks ago, that dressed 686.

Medford Items.

The pupils of Medford school assembled with their much-loved and esteemed teacher, Miss Anna M. Barnes, at the usual hour of opening school on the 23rd, and after going through with the daily routine of study in the forenoon, were given a few hours for indulging in the pleasures of school-life, which that they did with a merry good will, knowing that they would not meet again for some days. In the meantime their teacher was preparing a surprie for them in the schoolroom, and the ding-dong of the school bell summoned them again to the school-room but not to study, but the scholars gave recitations, readings, &c., after which each was presented with a huge sack of candies, nuts, &c. The teacher was presented by the pupils with a very large and handsome plush photograph frame, a large chromo, also framed, and a box of perfumes. The school is in a flourishing condition notwithstanding the unpleasant weather.

The many friends of Miss Louise Baile will hear with much regret that she is ill again with the grip.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard M. Evans, of Columbus, Ohio, are here on a wedding tour. At present they are visiting Mrs. Evans' brother, Mr. Amos Wampler. They will also visit New York, Washington, and other places before returning home.

Wedding at Ivy Hill.

A very pretty wedding occurred at the Ivy Hill Farm, near Glen Falls, Baltimore county, on Tuesday last, the 27th instant. The groom was Mr. John Martin, and the bride Miss Eleanore Martin, both of Glen Falls. The ceremony took place at the residence of the groom, and was performed by Rev. Osborne Belt, of the Hampstead circuit. Among many other invited guests who witnessed the ceremony and partook of the hospitalities of the happy couple were Deputy Collector of Customs Henry Lingenfelder, wife, son and daughter, of Baltimore, Miss Frisbie, a niece of Mr. Lingenfelder, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Bond, Mr. and Mrs. William Gist, of Baltimore county, and Mr. and Mrs. John Basler, of Carroll county. The bride was the recipient of a large number of handsome presents. The usual country serenade by non-professionals was rendered in the evening.

Weather Record for the Week.

December 24—mercury 8 at 7 a. m. and 20 at 2 p. m.; clear, with heavy wind. December 24—mercury 16 at 7 a. m. and 25 at 2 p. m.; light snow between 6 and 7 a. m.; generally cloudy; light snow between 6.30 and 9 p. m., followed by clear weather and high wind. December 26—mercury 7 at 7 a. m. and 20 at 2 p. m.; cloudy, followed by partially clear weather. December 27—mercury 6 at 7 a. m. and 19 at 2 p. m.; generally clear. December 28—mercury 13 at 7 a. m. and 23 at 2 p. m.; cloudy, followed by clear weather. December 29—mercury 9 at 7 a. m. and 21 at 2 p. m.; generally clear. December 30—mercury 11 at 7 a. m. and 22 at 12 m., clear.

Orphans' Court.

Tuesday, December 27.—The last will and testament of Conrad Schnell, deceased, was admitted to probate.

Letters of administration on the estate of Levi Selby, deceased, were granted to Mary Selby.

Frances V. Pearre, executrix of Nathaniel Shipley, deceased, settled first account.

Wakefield Valley Items.

There was an entertainment held in the Brick school house, Friday night, 23d inst., under the auspices of Mrs. L. S. Sellman and Miss H. May Nicodemus, proceeds for the benefit of the new Pipe Creek M. P. Church, which is in course of erection. An excellent program was produced. The program was received too late for insertion.

Mrs. I. N. Stoner, tendered a very sumptuous supper, Friday evening 23d instant, of oysters, salads, meats, relishes, and in fact all that goes to make up a first class supper, to her mother, Mrs. David Baile, it being her 60th birthday anniversary. Only invited guests were present.

Mr. Joseph Bowers spent from Saturday until Wednesday in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Little, returned from visiting in Virginia, last week.

On Friday, 23d inst., Mrs. Laura Sellman, teacher of Wakefield public school, caused her scholars to be very happy by treating them to candies, nuts, &c., after which they presented her with five volumes of books, thereby showing their appreciation of her services as teacher.

New Advertisements.

Great Clearing Sale at S. Kann, Sons & Co's., 11 east Main street, near Railroad, Westminster, Md.

To Save Money and Secure Best Bargains—G. W. Morningstar, 38 west Main street, Westminster, Md.

Commencing with the New Year—Theo. Derr & Son, Westminster, Md.

Wholesale Grocery, &c.—F. Z. Miller & Co., Westminster, Md.

Alpha for Sale—Thomas J. Hood, Alpha, Howard county, Md.

Lauer's Special—Gay and East streets, Baltimore, Md.

List of Unclaimed Matter.

How to Prevent It.

The following can be used by merchants and others at this season with benefit: Both moisture and frost may be prevented for a time by putting a slight film of glycerine over the inside of the pane. Glycerine has a great avidity for moisture, and will absorb quite a quantity before it is saturated and begins to run. It will require renewal, for the reason that it also takes up a great deal of dust.

In order to clean show cases use the following: Cleanse the surface of the glass with a cotton wad, and then rub the glass briskly with cotton velvet charged with jeweler's rouge. This will both remove the scratches and give a fine polish.

Maryland Affairs.

The iron supports to the roof of the power house in course of erection for the city passenger railway company, in Baltimore, fell on Friday of last week and 11 men were injured, one probably fatally.

The Union Knitting Mills, of Frederick city, have boxed and ready for shipment between 25,000 and 30,000 dozen of hosiery of various grades. A large proportion of this consignment will go to cities in the West.

The Ellicott City Times, of December 24 says, in speaking of turkeys, "that Thaddeus Grimes has one which dressed 35 pounds; Mrs. Jacob France, of Alberton, one of 33 and George K. Ridgely, of Roxbury, one of 31 pounds.

John T. Maddox, a well-known justice of the peace in Baltimore, on Tuesday of last week slipped as he was entering his residence, producing concussion of the brain from which he died on Saturday last. He was a native of Salisbury, Md., and was born in 1824.

Four colored people were found dead in their rooms on Saturday morning at the Colored Home for the Aged, in Baltimore. Two old women, Fannie Ward and Maria Jones, and two children were asphyxiated by coal gas. Fannie Ward's nude condition and torn clothing indicated a struggle for life.

A new industrial company, to be known as the Goode Manufacturing Company of Frederick County has been organized. The purpose of the company is to manufacture straw hats and various other articles in straw and paper. The directors are Messrs. Frank and Ignatious Goode, Charles W. Ross, Henry Williams, of Frederick, and F. J. Fitzpatrick, of Baltimore. The new industry is expected to give employment to a large number of hands.

Franklin Duval, aged fourteen years, son of Thomas Duval, farmer, near Armiger, Anne Arundel county, was shot through the heart and instantly killed by his brother Oliver, aged ten years, on Saturday last. The boys were playing with two guns in the sitting-room, when the gun in the smaller lad's hands went off, the full charge of bird-shot entering his left breast. The shooting was clearly an accident, neither of the boys knowing the guns were loaded.

Frederick Otte, a driver for Adams Express Co., Baltimore, on Saturday was caught between the wagon and a car, and had four ribs broken, one of which punctured the right lung. The air taken into the lungs passes through the puncture and under the skin, causing it to be inflated. The man's face, neck and body, as a result are swollen far beyond their natural size. The patient does not seem to suffer much pain. His skin is as tight as a drum and seems almost ready to burst. Otte will die as there is no way by which he can be relieved.

Benjamin Brittingham and John Brittingham, brothers, of Powellsville, while attempting to cross the tracks of the New York, Philadelphia and Norfolk Railraid, in Salisbury, Monday afternoon in a four-wheeled buggy, were struck by the New York express. Benjamin was instantly killed and John died during the night from the effects of his injuries. The vehicle was reduced to kindling wood, but the horse escaped injured. Benjamin was caught on the pilot of the engine and carried over a hundred feet. His wounds were scalp wounds and his death resulted from concussion of the brain. John was knocked to the east side of the track, with his left arm resting on the rail