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Sale Register.

Notices of sales, for which bills are printed at this office, will be published under this head for 50 cts. When bills are printed elsewhere $1 will be charged. See bills for particulars concerning sales.

February 28, at 12 m.—Stock and Farming Implements. M. D. Wilson, one mile from Finksburg. See advertisement in another column for particulars.

Wednesday, March 1—A large Union Sale on the farm of J. C. Buckey, adjoining the town of New Windsor. 25 superior farm and driving Horses, Fresh Cows, Shoats and a large variety of Farming Implements and Buggies and Carts. Sale at 8 o'clock, a. m., sharp. J. C. Buckey manager. J. Thom. Roop, auctioneer. M. G. Shaw and D. A. C. Webster, clerks.

March 1—Intending to quit farming will sell all my Stock and Farm Implements. John F. Shade, near Stonersville.

March 2—3 Horses, 5 Cows, 3 Heifers, 1 Bull, and a lot of Farming Implements and Household Goods. Beniah Bowersox, near Denning's.

March 2—Farm Implements, Stock, &c. Emanuel Yeiser, near Union Mills.

March 3—5 Horses, 2 Colts, 9 Cows, 3 Brood Sows, Wagons, Plows, Drill, Buckeye Harvester, Deering Mower, Grain Separator and Power, in Bachman's Valley, near Bixler P. O., by A. J. Reese. Sale at 9 o'clock, a. m.

March 7—Horses, Cows, Hogs, Farming Implements, Wagons, Harness, &c., in Pleasant Valley, by John T. Lawyer. Sale at 10 o'clock, a. m.

March 8—2 Young Mules, 4 Cows, Heifer, 2 Bulls, large variety of Farming Utensils and Household and Kitchen Furniture. Sarah C. Feeser, Administratrix, near Union Mills. Augustus P. Bankert, auctioneer.

March 9—Horses, Cows, Hogs and all Farming Utensils necessary for conducting a good farm. William H. Stonesifer & Bro., near Bixler.

March 9—Large Sale of Horses, Mules, Cows, Heifers and Farming Implements. Rufus Myers, near West's Mill. Wm. Brown, auctioneer. C. A. Stultz, clerk.

March 10—4 Horses, 9 head of Cattle, Wagons Harness and full set of Farming Utensils, all in first class order. Harvey G. Flickinger, near Tyrone. I. N. O. Smith, auctioneer. Clerks, W. U. Marker and George C. Harman.

March 14—2 Horses, 4 Fresh Cows, 2 Heifers, 2 Bulls, large variety of Farming Implements and Household and Kitchen Furniture. John C. Wantz, near Mt. Pleasant. William Brown, auctioneer.

March 16—5 Horses, 5 Cows, 7 Heifers, 3 Bulls, Hogs, and all necessary Farming Implements and Household and Kitchen Furniture. John P. Benedick, on the farm of Dr. Rinehart, near Tyrone. William Brown, auctioneer. David Shorb and William U. Marker, clerks.

March 18—2 Horses, 2 Mules, 7 Milch Cows, reaper and threshing machine, 2 broad-tread wagons and Utensils needed on a farm. Jacob Eedick, one mile from Bachman's Mill, on Pipe creek.

March 25—68 Acres and 10 Perches of Land, 2½ miles from Marriottsville, adjoining lands of Susie Pearce, Simon Gollhart, Oscar Shipley and Wm. M. Brown; 10 Acres in good Timber, balance cleared; convenient to churches, school and postoffice. Sale at 1 o'clock, p. m. Edward D. Brown.

LOCAL AFFAIRS

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Mrs. Jacob Myerly died on Wednesday at Double Pipe Creek, aged 77 years.

The capacity of the Rohrbaugh distillery, near Lineboro, will be increased shortly.

The Ground Hog was somewhat knocked out this week. The Hog Melt is holding its own.

Prof. W. T. Atkinson gave a soiree to his dancing class in Wantz Hall on Wednesday night.

Rachel Noel, widow of George Noel, died at the residence of her son George in Westminster on Monday last.

The Union Bridge Band will accompany the Concord Club of Baltimore in the inaugural parade next Saturday.

Mrs. Hannah Haines, widow of the late Reuben Haines, died on Saturday at Union Bridge, aged sixty-nine years.

During the storm of Sunday night four corn cribs belonging to L. F. Miller & Sons at Double Pipe Creek were blown over.

A pension has been granted to Mary E. Johnson, colored, of Taneytown, widow of Caleb Johnson, private in U. S. Colored Cavalry.

Jacob Plain, at one time car inspector at Bruceville for the Western Maryland railroad, died of consumption in Union Bridge on Wednesday.

The ladies of the M. P. Church cleared $151.50 by the the festival and oyster supper they held in the store room of Babylon & Gilbert, week before last.

Mr. Charles F. Underhill will give a rendition of Shakspeare's "Midsummer Night's Dream" at Central Hall next Tuesday evening, the 28th. Tickets can be had at Boyle's and Huber's drug stores.

On Monday last P. A. Gorsuch, auctioneer, sold for John C. Shipley, mortgagee, the brick dwelling, blacksmith and wheelwright shop of Edwin Shipley, on Washington road, this city. It was purchased by the mortgagee for $2,550.

A colored minstrel troupe, comprising home talent, gave an entertainment in Union Street Hall on Wednesday night. The performance was very creditable, especially the singing of Morgan, Nolan and Ireland. William Edwards was director.

Some Baltimore parties are prospecting for gold on the farm of Jacob F. Caple, on the Western Maryland Railroad, between Carrollton and Patapsco. They are sinking a shaft and timbering it. It is said some rock taken out will yield $40 a ton.

Owing to the damage to St. Paul's Reformed Church, this city, by the recent storm, services will be held in the lecture room until the building is repaired. It is thought a new steeple will not be erected. The tower will be raised some feet, with a neat finish.

Does farming pay? is a question often asked and often answered in the negative. But some farmers make it pay. One in Freedom district drove a four horse wagon to Baltimore, last week, with a load of pork and cloverseed, and returned home with over six hundred dollars in his pocket.

The snow attained a depth of about eight inches last Friday. There was another dash of snow during the cyclone Sunday night and a fall of about five inches on Tuesday night and Wednesday morning, and an inch or two of hail. The high wind of Wednesday drifted the snow badly, and many county roads were completely closed.

A bust of the next President, Grover Cleveland, was received from a lady in Washington, D. C., yesterday morning, by Hon. Henry Vanderford. It was made of U. S. greenbacks, redeemed and macerated by the U. S. Government at Washington, D. C., and estimated to contain $25,000 in what was former greenbacks.

Mr. Adam H. Diffenbaugh, a well known citizen of Uniontown, died suddenly of apoplexy last Saturday night, aged about fifty-four years. He was a prominent public school teacher and a brother of John T. Diffenbaugh, of Westminster. While at school on Friday he was taken ill. A widow survives him, but he leaves no children.

Jacob H. Dutrow, son of James E. Dutrow, of Silver Run, this county, went to Jefferson county, West Virginia, some years ago, and purchased a farm. Later he purchased more land and recently he made another purchase, adding a $10,000 farm to his possessions. He now owns 700 acres of the best lime stone land in Jefferson county. With him farming has paid.

Hicks announces the following weather for March: Storms will end, eastward, about the 2nd and cold will follow up to the 6th and 7th. Warmer, with storms about these dates, with the regular change to cold north winds following up to about the 10th. Much warmer about the 11th and 12th, with thunder and heavy storms of rain, snow and wind. The cold following will relax and heavy gales and storms will result from 16 to 18th. For two or three days following it will be cold. From 21st to 25th is a period to be watched, especially on the seas. Sharp cold will result, continuing up to returning warmth, and storms about the 29th and 30th. This is equinoctial month; don't be surprised at things irregular and extreme.

New Advertisements.

Trustees' Sale of a Valuable Farm—David N. Henning and Geo. L. Stocksdale, Trustees.

Executor's Sale of a very Valuable Property—Wm. A. McKellip, Executor.

Mortgagee's Sale of a Valuable Farm—Wm. A. McKellip, Attorney and Agent.

Hull's Horse, Cattle and Poultry Powder—Wm. B. Thomas, President.

Wanted—Geo. L. Stocksdale, Attorney at Law, Westminster, Md.

Trustee's Sale of a Lot of Land—Abraham J. Geiman, Trustee.

Legal Notices. List of Unclaimed Matter.

A CYCLONE IN CARROLL.

WESTMINSTER VISITED BY A HAVOC-WREAKING STORM.

The Steeple of St. Paul's Reformed Church Blown Off, Houses Unroofed and Barns and Outbuildings Demolished—Western Maryland College Also Suffers—Damage Reported from the Rural Districts—Roads Blocked by Snow.

A storm of cyclonic force passed over this city last Sunday night. The wind blew from the south all day and quickened about sunset. It increased continuously, until about 9 o'clock, when it veered to the southwest, the west and finally to the northwest. When the wind veered there was some lightning and thunder, rain, hail and blinding snow.

The wind reached its greatest velocity between 9 and 10, and this was when considerable havoc was wrought. Houses rocked on their foundations, outbuildings were completely wrecked, roofs torn from buildings and carried away, a church steeple blown down and minor damage done. On Belle Grove Square, one of the highest and most exposed points, the greatest ruin was wrought.

At the beginning of the storm the roof of the brick dwelling of Thomas Bankard was blown off. The tin was rolled up and carried 100 yards across the square, while the timbers were scattered about, a considerable part of them being hurled on the roof of St. Paul's Reformed Church, tearing holes in the roof. The chimney fell in, breaking a large hole through the ceiling. The upper story had recently been repapered, and where the ceiling was broken a new carpet had been put down three or four days previous.

Next door to Mr. Bankard's the out-buildings on the premises of Jacob Eader were wrecked and the chimney of the back building carried away.

The force of the wind increased and about 9.30 o'clock the steeple of St. Paul's Reformed Church on the Square was blown down. It fell in the vacant lot adjoining, where a parsonage is to be built. Several of the handsome memorial windows were shattered and numerous holes were knocked in the roof. The damage amounts to about $3000. At the parsonage, some thirty yards away, the window lights were blown in and the snow and rain beat in. In one room there was a sick child of the pastor, Rev. Calvin S. Slagle, and it had to be carried down stairs.

One square away, on Liberty street, part of the second story of the brick cooper shop of the flouring mills of W. S. Myer & Brother was blown in and the roof wrecked. Just across the railroad on Green street the front gable of the fertilizer factory of H. S. Roberts & Co. was blown away. The rest of the building was not damaged, and the gable was carried away as through it had been taken down carefully by carpenters. Nearby the wind pump of Edward Lynch had its paddles carried away and a chimney on the back building of Mr. Lynch's residence toppled.

At William A. Cunningham's, at the extreme west end, a wind pump and barn were blown down and several other buildings were crushed, a horse injured. His damage will be about $1000 or $1200.

At Western Maryland College, also at the West End, the roof of Smith Hall was blown off and a small part of the brick work followed it. It is the part of the college where the girls' dormitories are, but the destruction was so quickly over that there was not much of a panic among the students. Two of the students were slightly injured by falling debris. The girls are provided for in another part of the building. Smith Hall is 105x40 feet, and the damage amounts to about $2000.

Near Mr. Cunningham's the stable of Lewis Little was wrecked. On West Main street the residence of the late Judge Isaac C. Baile was party unroofed and the roof carried into an adjoining yard. Mrs. Baile was asleep and did not know of her misfortune until Monday morning.

Near the east end of Westminster the barn of Frank Wampler was wrecked. All through the city chimneys were toppled over, shutters torn off, trees twisted and torn and signs and awnings smashed. Many window panes were blown in.

Near Linwood the house of Jesse Smith was unroofed and two grain sheds were wrecked, together with several smaller buildings. The barn was unroofed, then blown down, and a number of cattle could not be gotten out. The cupola of the residence of Nathan Englar, at Linwood, was blown off, and the grain shed of Alfred Warner, near New Windsor, was blown down. Near Houcksville a new shed, 52 feet long, on the farm of William H. S. Algire, was totally wrecked.

Reports from the country districts on Monday morning were meagre. Many roads were blocked with snow and hucksters who went out had to return. Besides, the mercury was down to 4 and a stiff wind was blowing. It was thought that much damage had been done but the great force of the storm seems to have been spent in this city, and no special damage was done except what is reported above.

Wedded at Sandy Mount.

Mr. Vernon Reese, of Westminster, and Miss Etta Caple, of East View, were married at Sandy Mount M. P. Church on Tuesday afternoon last, the 21st instant. The church was filled with the relatives and friends of the bride and groom, both of whom are very popular in a large circle of acquaintance. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Caple, and she was attended by Misses Katie Smith of Chesterstown, Md., and Miss Jennie Hering, bridesmaids, and preceded by pretty little flower girls, Olive Caple and Jennie Reaver. The ushers were Messrs. George Caple, brother of the bride, William D. Reese, brother of the groom, and Ernest Reese and John P. Everhart, of Baltimore.

The wedding took place at 1.30 p. m., and the ceremony was performed by Rev. G. R. McCready, pastor of the church.

After the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride, from 3 to 5 o'clock which was an elegant affair.

Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Caple, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Osterhus, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hoff, Mr. and Mrs. Emory Zepp, Misses Rosa and Corda Miller, Mrs. Frank Miller, Mr. Bradley Hering and family, Mr. William Bush and family, Dr. Silas M. Gorsuch and family, Mrs. William Swartz, Misses Ada Buckingham, Fannie, Emma and Maggie Caple and brother, Miss Fannie Shilling, Mr. William Westaway, Mr. Lewis M. Sellman, Miss Mary C. Reese, Mrs. Bettie E. Hoff, Mr. and Mrs. U. L. Reaver, Mr. and Mrs. John E. Eckenrode, Mr. Chas. Schaeffer and daughter, Mrs. Geo. W. Miller, Miss Maggie Miller, Mr. Elmer E. Hoppe, Mr. Robert Hoppe, Mr. Thomas Snyder, Mr. William R. Anders, Mr. and Mrs. Orlando Reese, Miss Annie Shriver, Miss Carrie Wampler, Messrs. George and Charles Turfle, Misses May and Carrie Turfle, Miss Tillie Baer and brother, Mr. F. L. Caple and Miss Maggie Caple, Miss Fannie D. Harrison, Messrs. Edgar S. Caple, Charles Caple and family, Lewis Caple and family, Harry Caple and family, Francis B. Yingling and family, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Yingling, Joseph Caple and wife, Jacob Caple and wife, Jacob Stocksdale and wife, Rev. J. R. McCready and wife, Lewis Shipley and family, George Benson and sister, William Benson, Noah Stocksdale and wife, Misses Fannie and Mollie Slasman, Hollace Williams, William Tanner and wife, Miss Emma Tanner, Judge G. T. Hering and family, F. L. Hering and wife, Mrs. Lewis Lamott, Misses Alverde and Ella Lamotte, Miss Effie Bennett, Miss Ella Zepp and brother, Messrs. Chas. Eckenrode, George Hunter, Eugene Reese, Emanuel Shaeffer and wife, Joseph I. Gist and wife, Miss Fink, Miss E. Donnelly, Mr. George Gluh, Miss Annie Lambert.

The guests were from Westminster, Baltimore, Howard county, and all parts of Woolery's district.

A Baltimore Wedding.

Central Methodist Episcopal Church South of Baltimore city on Wednesday afternoon last, was the scene of an interesting marriage, the contracting parties being Miss M. Emily Gardner, daughter of W. W. Gardner formerly of Woolery's district, this county, and Mr. Elwood Kirk Brown of Rising Sun, Cecil county, an employe in the Custom House at Baltimore. The church was filled with the friends of the bridal party, and the ceremony was performed by Rev. John D. Kemp of Still Pond, Md., assisted by Rev. J. W. Duffy, pastor of the church. The bride was attired in a traveling costume of carmel hair serge, with hat and gloves to match, and carried a bouquet of Marechal Neil roses and ferns. The groom was dressed in the conventional black. The best man was Mr. Dixon of Philadelphia, and the ushers were Messrs Harry Brown of Philadelphia and Charles Truehart of Baltimore.

After the ceremony the bridal party repaired to the Northampton, corner Charles and North avenue, were a luncheon was served, after which the happy couple left Union Depot over the Penna railroad for an extended tour north. The presents to the bride were numerous and handsome, consisting of a variety of silver ware and useful articles.

Among those present were noticed Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Gardner, parents of the bride; Mr. Basil Brown and family of Philadelphia and Mr. B. W. Brown and family of Rising Sun; Miss Nettie Gardner of Washington, D. C.; V. Emory Gardner and wife, Miss Sallie Mark, L. N. Gardner, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Bradford of Bradford Grove, Captain J. R. Eams and daughter, W. F. Overholt, and wife, Miss Emma Thatcher, Miss Isedene Buckingham of Freedom, Md., Miss Lillian Hall of Finksburg, Md., Miss Kate Tschudi, Mrs. Howard Tschudi and others.

Eden Items.

Quite a storm passed over this section on last Sunday night, but no damage has been reported.

The wind on Monday and Wednesday has blockaded the roads with snow to such an extent as to make travel almost impossible.

Lewis O. Myles, of Woodberry, circulated among friends in this place a few days last week.

Jacob Wentz visited his brother-in-law, W. A. Snyder, on Thursday of last week.

George Robinson has been kept in the house the past two weeks with a very heavy cold.

David H. Leister lost a horse recently; cause of death unknown.

A small yellow dog, supposed to have been mad, rambled through this neighborhood on Thursday of last week. In the evening he came to James E. Lowe's and was fighting with the dogs. A little boy that was playing in the yard attempted to drive him away when the dog attacked him. The boy ran toward the house and only succeeded in getting away from the dog by the assistance of his mother, who saw him coming, opened the door and drew him in. The dog next came to Wm. H. Snyder's, but was unable to get with the dogs on account of a closed yard. After loitering a few minutes, and being chased, he traveled on. By this time Mr. Snyder received news that the dog was mad, whereupon he quickly armed himself with a double-barelled shot gun and started in search, but night soon set in and made further pursuit impossible. The animal appeared weak and exhausted. Nothing has been heard of it since, and no doubt it wandered way and died. Mr. Lowe has had both his dogs killed. We think that this, together with the trouble occasioned by the dog that invaded this section last August, should be a caution to persons having dogs running at large, and that those visited by such strange looking animals of the canine species, should not hesitate in giving them a fatal fire, whether they show symptoms of hydrophobia or not.

Rev. S. A. Diehl, on his way home from missionary services on Sunday night, was caught in the storm and put up for the night at Reuben G. Bish's, Ceder Grove Mills.

Wakefield Valley Items.

The storm of Sunday night did considerable damage throughout the neighborhood, blew barrick doors off for George P. L. Hoover and Mrs. Sarah Hoover, the roof off of a wagon shed for Dennis A. Smith and other damage.

Mr. and Mrs. George P. L. Hoover gave a quilting party in honor of their little daughter, Miss Sarah J., on the 21st inst. She was four years old on that day. A number of little Misses were invited and each brought a little token of remembrance for her. Games and plays were indulged in incessantly. The children's mammas were invited to quilt, and all spent a gala day. The menu consisted of all the substantials of a well supplied larder. Those present were Mesdames Ezra N. Nicodemus, Edward Smith, Jonas Wagner, Elder Jeremiah Brown, Ed. Bachman, Fletcher Babylon and Joseph Bowers; Misses Fanny Brown, Maggie Nagle, Carrie and Bessie Nicodemus, Jessie Bowers, Pauline and Addie Smith, Sarah Hoover; Masters Guy Babylon and Ralph Smith.

There will be some few changes in residence in the Spring. John Cook, who is tenant on N. H. Baile's farm, will go to Howard Zile's farm, Winfield, and Henry Baker will take possession of N. H. Baile's farm; Basil Smith, who has been tenant on Miss H. May Nicodemus' farm for eight years or more, will go to his farm, near Westminster, and John Snader will take possession; Charles Lindsay will move to Westminster, where he is engaged in butchering with Charles Mitten. Ed. Mitten will move to Charles Lindsay's property, where his son Harry will engage in butchering.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Smith visited Mrs. Smith's father, Mr. F. W. Barnes, Frederick county, last Sunnay.

Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Nicodemus and little daughter were in Baltimore last week.

Miss Mamie Smith, of Marston, visited Miss Ella R. Smith on Tuesday.

Proceedings of the Circuit Court.

The case of John Geiger vs. Caroline Brummel and Joseph Brummel, which was on trial when our report closed last week, was decided in favor of the defendant.

Dr. J. H. Billingslea and Laura V. Lindsay, executors, vs. John Beggs and Mattie E. Beggs; motion of defendants to strike out judgment, motion granted and judgment stricken out. Reifsnider & Reifsnider for plaintiffs; Fink for defendants.

Samuel B. Fox, use of Samuel D. Fox, vs. John H. Shorb and Fred. J. Shorb, administrators; assumpsit; tried before a jury; verdict for defendants. Reifsnider & Reifsnider for plaintiff; Henning and Weant for defendants.

The case of Elizabeth O. Steele and others, caveators, against Clara A. Haines, caveatee, was taken up on Tuesday, and is now on trial. The case is being tried on issues sent from the Orphan's Court of Carroll county, to the Circuit Court, and has created a great deal of interest among the people. Francis Haines, husband of the caveatee, died leaving a last will and testament, bequeathing all his property both real and personal to his wife, absolutely, and in it he makes a request that his wife shall give all his property at her death to his nephews and nieces, who are the caveators, if there is any left at the time of her death. The ground on which the caveat is filed is undue influence and fraud. The case involves about $15,000. Clabaugh & Roberts and Henning for caveators; Reifsnider & Reifsnider and Ex-Judge J. A. C. Bond for caveatee.

Stonersville Items.

Geo. W. Hull Jr., and bride returned from their trip on Saturday last and were given a dinner by his parents on Sunday last. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Hull, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Hull, Sr., Mrs. Catherine Bonsack, Misses Katie and Annie Bonsack, Lydia Trestle, Edward, William and Cornelius Hull, Ida Breckenridge and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Engel, Mr. and Mrs. James Stoner, Miss May Brown.

The Ladies' Aid Society will meet at the residence of John Stonesifer on Wednesday, March 1st. A very enteresting programme has been arranged.

All the young men on Sunday that were out visiting were compelled to stay over night.

Miss Maggie Hull, daughter of Cornelius Hull, has been lying seriously ill with scarlet fever at Mrs. Galt's, at Mt. Pleasant, but at present is improving and out of danger; Dr. Jno. S. Mathias is her physician.

County roads are drifted from fence to fence and we taxpayers thinks the supervisors of county roads should hold back a few dollars and not spend all on the roads in the summer and get a few hands in winter to shovel out roads, as farmers object to people traveling through their farms.

Railroad Items.

Thomas Sinnott, section boss, and his crew were kept busy the past week in keeping the tracks clear of snow at and near the station.

The gates at the crossing on Main street were blown down Sunday night and disabled. Will Helm, flagman, had to resort to the green flag for several days.

John Deeds, clerk in the express office, who has been confined to his house for two weeks by sickness, is able to be in the office again.

Clarence G. Eichelberger, clerk in the ticket office, spent several days at Bruceville this week.

The Western Maryland have commenced work on a building at Union Bridge, on the north side of the tracks for the master of machinery and clerks. The building will be 16x24 feet and contain two rooms, the front being occupied by Mr. David Holtz, master of machinery and the rear by Mr. John B. Epply, clerk, and his assistant.

Jacob L. Plane, car inspector at Union Bridge, died on Wednesday, of consumption, aged about 33 years.

At Boston.

School Examiner James A. Diffenbaugh of Carroll, is attending the meeting of the Department of Superintendance of the National Educational Association, in session at Boston. Mr. John H. Cunningham accompanied Mr. Diffenbaugh.

The other Marylanders attending the session are State Superintendent E. B. Prettyman, Superintendent Henry A. Wise and Assistant Superintendent John E. McCahan, of Baltimore, Prof. Wilbur F. Smith of Baltimore, President of the State Teachers' Association, Examiner John C. Bannon of Anne Arundel county, Examiner John D. Worthington of Harford county, and Mr. Wm. J. C. Dulany of Baltimore.

The Marylanders were presented to Gov. Russell on Tuesday, who received them cordially, expressed high regard for the people of the state and spoke of the pleasure of a recent visit to Baltimore.

The place of the next meeting has not been determined, but there is a strong sentiment in favor of holding it in Baltimore.

Concert.

A concert of high character by the Hotchkin Sisters will be given at Grace Lutheran church, this city, on Thursday evening, March 2d. Many instruments, including the xylophone, mandolin, guitar, flute, zither, autoharp, cornet, violin, piano, will be used; also between two and three hundred bells, including the famous Swiss, Munich, Chime and Russian bells. A grand treat for lovers of music may be expected.

Orphans' Court.

Monday, February 20.—David Englar and Alfred Englar, administrators of Hiram Englar, deceased, returned inventory of goods and chattels and inventory of money and list of debts, and received orders to sell goods and chattels and notify creditors.

The last will and testament of Conrad Stumpf, deceased, was admitted to probate.

The last will and testament of Eliza Jane Englar, deceased, was admitted to probate, and letters testamentary granted to Joseph Englar.

Jesse F. Shreeve, executor of Mary Grammer, deceased, reported sale of real estate.

Letters of administration on the estate of Jesse Myers, deceased, were granted to Chas. F. Myers.

James B. Galt and Robert W. Galt, executors of Samuel M. Galt, deceased, reported sale of real estate.

Elizabeth Lugenbill, administratrix of Peter Lugenbill, deceased, returned inventory of goods and chattels and list of debts and received orders to sell goods and chattels and notify creditors.

Tuesday, February 21.—George L. Stocksdale, executor of William Logue, deceased, returned inventory of goods and chattels, inventory of money and list of debts and received orders to sell goods and chattels and notify creditors.

Benjamin F. Bond and Wesley W. Bond, executors of Benjamin Bond, deceased, returned list of sales of stock and settled first account.

The last will and testament of Samuel Lookinghill, deceased, was admitted to probate and letters testamentary granted to Levi Yingling.

Jemima Shaffer, administratrix of Christian R. Shaffer, deceased, returned inventory of goods and chattels and list of debts and received orders to notify creditors and sell goods and chattels.

Letters testamentary on the estate of Jacob Martin Garber, deceased, were granted to Samuel Bare.

William H. Hood, of H., guardian of Ruth E. and Irene R. Brashears, settled first and final account for each.

The last will and testament of Anna M. Ensor, deceased, was admitted to probate.

Catharine Bonsack, executrix of David D. Bonsack, deceased, returned list of debts.

Melrose Items.

A snow fell on Friday of last week to the depth of 8 inches.

On Saturday last there was a shooting match here for a silver pitcher and a gold watch. George Thieret won the silver pitcher and Walter, son of John S. Wentz, the gold watch. Levi Yost shot for both of the successful parties.

Mrs. Ellen Weaver was very low with pneumonia, but at present is convalescing, under the care of Dr. J. H. Preston, of Manchester.

We believe all the activity of the Manchester people on the Railroad problem has died away. This time the enterprise was given up quicker than several years ago. It is no use trying, Manchester was destined not to have a railroad, and we are certain it will not be as was prophesied. The toot of the locomotive awakening the hills and dales from Manchester to Green Mount.

The custom of sending valentines is rapidly dying out especially in this section of the country. But few were sent and received at this postoffice in 1893.

Aaron Crumrine is on the sick list.

A gentleman of Kentucky by the name of Young, employed by F. E. Smith, contractor, Washington, D. C., was in our town last week, for the purpose of securing a mail carrier. He secured the servic of of Noah S. Zepp for two years from July 1st, 1893.

Unique Valentine Party at Daniel.

Enterprise Lodge on the evening of February 16th held a most enjoyable meeting. After the business had been transacted in ritualistic form, and followed by select reading and singing, the program committee announced a surprise for the good of the order, which consisted of valentines for each member who had not yet received one, as well as for those who had been so fortunate as to get a miserable caricature. The "tokens" were little square packages, wrapped with brighthued tissue paper, to which a strip of paper was attached with some familiar quotation, such as "Sweets to the Sweet," "All That's Sweet was Made to Eat," "You're Exactly Suited to My Mind," &c. After all had been served, as much fun was elicited by the cautiousness with which some of the sterner sex inspected the mysterious package as by each member reading to the lodge the quotation he had secured. When fully satisfied that they contained no explosives, the bands were burst asunder, disclosing to our view cakes resembling miniature snow clad mountain peaks. Then followed a short social feast of reason and flow of soul, to which cake and lemonade added much. The idea was so unique and original that all present could but commend the tact of the present program committee.

Weather Record for the Week.

February 18—mercury 15 at 7 a. m. and 32 at 2 p. m.; clear and blustery until 3 p. m., followed by cloudy weather. February 19—mercury 25 at 7 a. m. and 41 at 2 p. m.; generally clear and blustery until 3 p. m., followed by cloudy weather; light snow between 7 and 8 p. m.; violent snow squall about 9.25 p. m., with cyclone, rain, lightning, thunder, hail and snow, followed by strong northwest wind. February 20—mercury 4 at 7 a. m. and 16 at 2 p. m.; clear and blustery. February 21—mercury 4 at 7 a. m. and 32 at 2 p. m.; clear, followed by partially cloudy weather; snow began falling about 7 p. m., continuing until a late hour; there was also considerable hail. February 22—mercury 23 at 7 a. m. and 29 at 2 p. m.; partially cloudy and blustery, followed by clear weather. February 23—mercury 24 at 7 a. m. and 40 at 2 p. m.; generally hazy. February 24—mercury 30 at 7 a. m. and 38 at 12 m.; partially cloudy and blustery.

In Lent.

How thoughtless many good church people are in Lent, in engaging in idle talk in reference to their fasting or abstinnce. How irksome seems to be the duty. How they complain of it, and talk of it, to the disgust of better informed and more discreet persons. If they made no pretence of observing Lent at all, the offense would be less than the keeping of it and making so much ado over it. The divine oracles say—"When ye fast, be not as the hypocrite, of a sad countenance, for they disfigures their faces, that they may appear unto men to fast. Verily I say unto you they have their reward. But thou, when thou fastest, anoint thine head and wash thy face, that thou appear not unto men to fast, but unto thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly."

Personal.

Miss Mary B. Shellman attended a meeting of the Women's Relief Corps in Baltimore this week. She returned home on Thursday.

Mr. Filmore Nichols, of Washington, D. C., was the guest of Mrs. C. Nichols on Sunday and Monday. Mr. Clayton Nichols spent Sunday here with his family.

Col. J. A. Goulden, Commissioner of Education of New York City, is visiting his old home in Taneytown, where he has many relatives and friends.

Miss Annie L. Stocksdale, of Reisterstown, is the guest of Miss Mary B. Shellman.

Miss Risley, of Philadelphia, spent Wednesday with her friend Miss Thomas.

Mr. Farris Pitt, of Baltimore, and Mr. Whiteford, of Harford county, visited friends in Westminster this week.

Berret Items.

Mrs. H. A. Letterman, of this place, who went to Harrisburg several weeks ago to attend her step-father's funeral, has not been able to return on account of the illness of her mother.

Four of Henry Streaker's family are confined to bed with measles, but are improving under the care of Dr. Aldridge.

William Cook, near this place, expects to start a soap factory here, and it is thought he will do a flourishing business, as he makes a good article.

Oliver Cook, who had been sick, is able to be about again.

George Rice expects to move to the house of H. Wetsel about the first of March.

Stocksdale—Buckingham.

On the 8th inst., at 11.30 a. m., at Deer Park Methodist Protestant Church, in the presence of a large assembly, Mr. C. Norris Stocksdale and Miss Fannie R. Buckingham were married by Rev. Geo. R. McCready, pastor of Finksburg circuit. After the marriage ceremony Rev. W. H. Lane, pastor of Deer Park circuit, on behalf of the Sabbath School, presented the bride with a large, handsomely bound family Bible. The happy couple then, amid a shower of best wishes and happy congratulations, started on an extended wedding tour.

Wedding in Howard County.

A very pretty wedding took place at Providence M. E. Church South, near Glenelg, Howard county, Wednesday evening. The church was filled with the friends of the contracting parties. The bride was Miss Alma Lorena, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joshua B. Day, of Glenelg, and the groom was Rev. William Lee Smith, junior pastor of Freedom circuit of the M. E. Church South. An elegant reception and luncheon followed at the residence of the bride's parents.

Death of a Former Citizen.

Mr. Nimrod Stevenson died in Baltimore on Friday of last week, the 17th inst., at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. D. C. Houck, 1331 Argyle Avenue. Mr. Stevenson was in his 85th year. Several months ago he had a severe fall, and he never recovered from it.

The deceased was born and raised in Westminster district, and went to Baltimore twenty-eight years ago, where he has lived ever since. Five children survive him—Joshua Stevenson, near Westminster, Mrs. Horatio Weaver of Gettysburg, Mrs. D. C. Houck and Mrs. Mary Stone of Baltimore, and Samuel D. Stevenson, of Havre de Grace, Md. His funeral took place on Monday, and the remains were interred in Greenmount cemetery, Baltimore.

For the Democratic Advocate.

Mortality Statistics.

From my pastor's pocket-record I gleaned the following interesting facts: Of the 356 deaths recorded, 5 died between 90 and 100 years of age. Mrs. Elizabeth Koons, nee Snook, Middleburg, Carroll county, Md., was almost a centenarian. Her age was 99 years, 9 months and 3 days. Enumerating in decades from 90 downward we have the following table: Of the 356, 31 died in the 9th decade of their lives, that is they were between 80 and 90 years of age; 66 died in the 8th decade, 37 in the 7th, 26 in the 6th, 22 in the 5th, 21 in the 4th, 22 in the 3rd, 25 in the 2nd, 37 between the age of 1 and 10 years, and 52 were less than a year old, or 89 in the 1st decade of their lives. The first obvious fact is that exactly one-fourth of the whole number died under 10 years of age. And 2nd, the greatest mortality is in the 1st and 8th decades. Another remarkable fact is that one more died in the 8th decade of their lives than in the 3rd, 4th and 5th combined, and only 2 less than in the 7th and 9th combined. The lowest mortality is in the 4th and 10th decades or between the ages of 30 and 40 and 90 and 100. Again, whilst the mortality of the 1st 10 years may seem large it is not more than half as large as it is in the cities. The above deaths occurred in the country or in country villages. PASTOR.

Business Locals.

Dr. H. O. Reik, the Eye and Ear Specialist, will be at his office, 99 E. Main st., on Friday, March 3d, instead of Saturday, 4th, as originally intended. Hereafter he will attend regularly the first Saturday of each month.

Sale Notes for sale at this office.

Maryland Affairs.

While asleep in church at Pocomoke City, on Friday night of last week, some one picked the pocket of John Banks.

Mrs. Elizabeth Aubel, of Frederick city, was 91 years old on Wednesday. She is a native of Hesse Cassel, Germany.

Nearly all the roads in Frederick, Washington and Allegany counties were blocked by the drifting of the snow on Tuesday and Wednesday.

On Sunday the store of Charles A. Ridgely, near Jerusalem Mills, Baltimore county, was burned. Loss $2500, insured in the Baltimore County Company.

Hog cholera has made its appearance in the upper part of Cecil county. Mr. England lost 54, valued at $650. The hogs were recently purchased in Tennessee.

Incendiaries are at work on the lower Eastern Shore. Several barns have been burned recently, together with their contents, entailing much loss, especially in food for horses and cattle.

Col. Charles Duffy, well-known as the proprietor of the Imperial Hotel, Baltimore, dropped dead while on his way to a bank in Williamsport, Pa., on Monday. He was in his 74th year.

The steamer Chowan, of the Maryland Steamboat Company, on Saturday ran down the sloop Mary in the Choptank river, off Oxford. Three of the sloop's crew were drowned and two rescued.

The residence and contents of Kilroy, Forest Hill, Harford county, was burned on Friday night of last week. In the cellar were 100 bushels of potatoes, which were roasted. The property was insured. On Saturday the residence of John Payne, in the same county, was also burned. Both fires were of incendiary origin.

Mrs. Harriet Catherine Staylor, who died in her 81st year, on the 17th instant, in Baltimore, was born on the Eastern Shore. Her father kept an inn at Owings's Mills and the Hand House, on Paca street, Baltimore. She was the widow of John P. Staylor, who died two years ago, in his 84th year. Mrs. Staylor had born to her 26 children, 21 boys and 5 girls. But three of the children are living.

Joseph Lawrence, the twelve-year-old son of John Lawrence, a brick mason, of Williamsburg, Caroline county, has inherited property in New York city valued at $50,000. The property will be held in trust until the boy becomes of age. The inheritance is from his uncle, Joseph Lawreence, a wealthy contractor, who died in Talmage's Tabernacle, Brooklyn. The youth will be sent off to New York to be educated.

About forty newspapers of various names have been published in Frederick county since the first paper in the county was issued by Mathias Bartgis, on January 4, 1786. This first paper, called the Maryland Chronicle and General Advert