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TRANSFER OF REAL ESTATE.

Collectors to Be Sued for Back Taxes After April 1—A. G. Humbert Appointed Stewart of Almshouse.

County Commissioners.

The County Commissioners on Monday appointed Augustus G. Humbert as the Alms House for another year. Mr. Humbert is the present overseer.

A notice was sent out to each tax collector of the county that if all taxes in arrears were not paid by April 1, suits would be brought upon their behalf.

Orphan's Court.

Monday, March 7.—Irwin L. Hess and Samuel D. Hawn, executors of the late estate of Daniel Reese, who died on March 1, 1909, received order to sell real and personal property of the late Daniel Reese, who died on March 1, 1909, and received order to sell personal property.

The last will and testament of Geo. Richards, deceased, was admitted to probate, and letters testamentary were granted to Harry F. Richards, who received warrant to appraise, also order to notify creditors. Letters of administration on the estate of Martha E. Zepp, deceased, were granted to William Zepp and Sallie Harris, who received warrant to appraise and order to notify creditors.

Letters of administration on the estate of William H. Cornell, deceased, were granted to Ella S. A. Cornell, who received warrant to appraise and order to notify creditors.

Letters of administration on the estate of Susannah M. Reese, deceased, were granted to Denton Reese, who received warrant to appraise and order to notify creditors, and who received inventory of debts.

Letters of administration on the estate of Levi Wetzel, deceased, were granted to William C. Wetzel, who received order to notify creditors, and to Daniel Utz, executor of Daniel Utz, deceased, settled his second and final account.

Letters of administration on the estate of Mordecai Fritz, deceased, were granted to Anna M. Fritz, who received warrant to appraise and order to notify creditors.

Letters of administration on the estate of Samuel L. Little, executor of Almira Little, deceased, returned inventory of personal property and received order to sell personal property.

Monday, March 8.—William Zepp, Sallie Harris, administrators of Martha E. Zepp, deceased, returned inventory of personal property and received order to sell personal property.

William G. Wetzel, administrator of Levi Wetzel, deceased, returned inventory of personal property and received order to sell personal property.

Harvey C. Freeman, administrator of Barbara E. Freeman, deceased, upon petition to Court received order to sell real estate sold by intestate during her lifetime.

Marriage Licenses.
Roy J. Knott, 29, Bruceville, and George E. Dabel, 19, Graceham, Md. received a license to marry on March 10, 1910.

Charles J. Barnes and wife to John Enzor, conveys 100 acres, for \$1,000.
Pearre Wantz, trustee, to B. F. Over Co., conveys 88 acres, 1 road and 2 square perches, for \$4,419.69.

Miller and Henry J. Hofer, executors, to Jeremiah Yingling, conveys 3 acres and 26 square perches, for \$290.
Blanche V. Brashear to Raymond Brashear, conveys 111 acres, 2 and 18 perches, for \$3,500.

Thomas F. Markey, conveys 1 road and 27 perches, for \$250.
E. Dorsey to Geo. F. Dorsey, conveys 1/4 acre, for \$25.

ENCAMPMENT MAY COME HERE.

WORK ON W. W. & G. RAILROAD TO BEGIN APRIL 1st.

Westminster Foundry Company to Take Over Business of the Register Company.

At the meeting of the Merchants and Manufacturers' Association on Monday night the following business was transacted:

Executive committee reported progress in the matter of securing permanent quarters. They expect to make arrangements to share the rooms of the Westminster Library, over Smith & Reifsnider's office. These rooms are being heated and lighted, and after being fitted up by the Association will make splendid apartments in which the M. & M. can entertain out of town visitors. Members will have the privilege to take their guests to these rooms.

The secretary was instructed to write to Mr. Redmond of the Washington, Westminster and Gettysburg R. R., and extend to him an invitation to appear before the association, with definite plans as to what he intends to do in the matter of having another steam road come to this city. Mr. Redmond writes that ground will be broken for this road before the first of April, and desires the co-operation of the city in an effort to have the road come here. He also states that it would be to the road's advantage to have the line go about two miles to one side of the town, but if the merchants and citizens will arrange for right of way they will change their plans and come here. The association feels that it would be better not to tie up any right of way until they have the line guaranteed that the road will come through this city.

Mr. Howell of the Western Maryland R. R. will arrive here in a special train at 8.30 a. m., this morning, accompanied by Gen. Warfield, the Quartermaster of the United States Army, and several other prominent military men. The association has made arrangements to entertain these guests and to make every effort to have them look with favor on the site of Camp Crothers, for the encampment of the United States Army, as well as the Md. National Guards and National Guards of surrounding States. Should they decide to camp here next summer, Westminster will be a scene of National importance.

The same maneuvers that were conducted around Boston last summer will be repeated here, and over 10,000 soldiers will be encamped. This is something worth going after. Mr. Howell, Dr. W. Mathew, W. Frank Thomas, Dr. J. Howell Billingslee and Comptroller Dr. J. W. Hering are the committee who will have the entertainment for Mr. Howell and his guests in charge.

The secretary and president were instructed to execute a lease with the Westminster Foundry Company, which has taken over the business of the defunct Register Company. The property is owned by the M. & M., and the lease has the approval of the Board of Directors of this company.

It was moved and seconded that all outstanding bills owing the Association be paid.

A notice will be sent out to all the stockholders as follows: "You are hereby notified that your dues as members of the M. & M. Association are now due and payable, and that no member will be entitled to receive any dividend until said dues are paid."

G. B. JACKSON, Secretary.

TWO FIRES.

Barn and Barrick Struck by Lightning and Burned.

Carroll county was in the grip of one of the heaviest March thunder storms ever remembered by our oldest citizens on Sunday night. About 9.30 o'clock a dark cloud began to appear in the West and by 10 o'clock streaks of lightning were seen, and continued to lighten more frequently and with heavy peals of thunder, and by 10.30 we were in the midst of a heavy thunder gust with heavy rain.

A bolt of lightning struck in the barn and wagon shed on the farm of Frank Barnes, near Sam's Creek, and totally destroyed it with its contents, which consisted of hay, a wagon, plows, corn planters, 2 mowers and lumber of various kinds.

The barn on the farm of John DeLashmuth, near Woodbine, was also struck by lightning and destroyed with provender and some machinery.

A New Orchestra Organized.

"Skiddoo String (?) Orchestra of Westminster was organized last Monday night, and elected Mr. William F. Hiram captain. After the organization the members decided to call at the residence of Mr. H. F. Cover West Main street early Tuesday evening to serenade Mr. D. Snyder Babylon and bride, who just returned from a pleasant wedding tour. The orchestra was promptly on the job at 8 p. m., with a number of imported instruments (store boxes from Miller Bros. back yard, tin pans and bells from some junk pile) and rendered a number of their best selections. Among which were "Get Your Money's Worth," "We Won't Leave Until Morning," etc. Mr. Babylon standing the strain about as long as any human being could, handed a musician a false note to play on which they gracefully made away with on a tie pile in the W. M. R. R. freight yard. At the end of the joyful evening, the orchestra departed to meet on next Wednesday evening. All musicians in attendance will be made fast for thirty minutes, under orders by the captain.

WHICH WILL BE THE SUCCESSFUL ONE?



DEATH'S HARVEST.

Well Known Residents And Others Who Have Passed Away.

Wimert.

Frances Wimert, daughter of Walter C. and Louise Wimert, of near Cranberry Station, died on Monday about 6 a. m., of pneumonia, aged 1 year, 7 months and 2 days.

Funeral services took place on Tuesday at Benjamin's (Kridler's) Lutheran Church, Rev. R. W. Doty officiating. Interment in the cemetery near the church.

The pallbearers were Jesse Stephen, Frederick Mathias, John Shafer and John Martin. James M. Stoner funeral director.

Slorp.

Taken from a Dayton, Ohio, newspaper. Thomas Michael Slorp, of Dayton, Ohio, died March 2. In the death of Mr. Slorp there was removed an enterprising citizen and one who possessed many of the qualities of true gentleness. His death was the result of an attack of heart trouble.

Mr. Slorp was born at Westminster, Md., December 16, 1848, and is consequently a little more than 61 years of age. He is survived by three sisters and five brothers. The sisters are Mrs. Mary White, Mrs. E. M. Baker and Mrs. Anna R. Arnold, all of Dayton. The brothers are Ham and William J. Slorp, of Westminster, Md.; John Edward, of Chambersburg, Pa.; Jerry H. of Dayton, and Theodore Slorp, of Michigan. He also leaves a wife, five children and one grandson, as follows: Mrs. Edward E. Vernon, Mrs. Harvey Ayers, Mrs. Edward Wetzel, Miss Otella and T. Harry. The grandson is Richard Ayers.

After coming to Ohio in 1872, Mr. Slorp worked at Salem, O., as a carpenter. He later removed to Dayton and has resided here ever since. He had been serving as construction foreman for 17 years for the Dayton Lumber Company. More recently he managed the outside work for J. H. Slorp & Son, contractors and builders, of this city. He was known to have constructed some of the finest and most difficult work in this city. He was a kind, indulgent father and husband. He was a member of the Oak Street United Brethren church.

The funeral was held from his late residence at 49 Locust street Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The interment was at Woodland. Rev. E. Bowman officiated.

Riordan.

Mrs. Bridget Riordan, wife of Mr. Cornelius Riordan, died on Thursday at her home, near Libertytown, aged 70 years. She is survived by her husband and several children. The funeral took place Sunday morning from St. Peter's Catholic Church at Libertytown, Rev. Father Samuel Kavanaugh officiating. Interment was made in the cemetery adjoining the church.

Smith.

Mrs. Laura E. Smith, wife of Mr. Charles Smith, of Mount Airy, died on February 28, after a brief illness, aged 61 years. She is survived by her husband and a number of children and grandchildren. Mrs. Smith was widely known and most highly esteemed throughout the community. The funeral was largely attended at Mount Airy Methodist Episcopal church on Wednesday at 10 a. m. Rev. M. L. Courtney, assisted by Revs. Kuhlman and Horsey, conducted the services. The floral tributes from loving friends were very handsome. The pallbearers were Henry Clay, William Hood, William Etchison, E. M. Molesworth, George Sank and Gasway Molesworth. Interment was made at Prospect cemetery.

Adams.

Theodore H. Adams, aged 69 years, died at his home in Waynesboro, Pa., on March 6, from a day's illness of grip. His frame was warped and enfeebled by suffering from asthma, from which disease he had been a sufferer since his boyhood.

Mr. Adams was well known in Uniontown district where he spent almost his entire life. He taught school for 22 years in the same district. Later he engaged himself in the huckster business, but owing to the exposure and bad health he discontinued same and moved to Waynesboro in 1899, where he resided until his death. He was a member of Wintler's Lutheran Church, near New Windsor, and was an officer of the church many times. His remains were brought to the home of Dr. J. T. Englar on Monday. Funeral took place at Wintler's Lutheran Church Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. G. W. Baughman conducting the services. Interment was in the new cemetery in the West end of Uniontown, recently purchased by the residents of the town.

MEETING OF GRANGERS

THE RESOLUTION FAVORING LOCAL OPTION KNOCKED OUT.

Resolution for County Fair Adopted. Good Attendance.

Davis Hall was filled with several hundred people last Saturday. It was the annual meeting of the Pamona Grange of Carroll County, and the farmers and their wives took a day off to discuss agricultural questions. The meeting was called to order by George A. Leister, master of the Carroll County Pamona Grange. Harry L. Rinehart, its secretary, read the minutes of last meeting, which were approved. On motion Mr. E. O. Garner, Jas. H. Myers and W. E. Wilson were appointed a committee on credentials, which reported that the following granges were represented by delegates: Silver Run, Taneytown, Union Bridge, Medford, Fritzellburg, Snydersburg, Freedom, Arcadia, Westminster and Smallwood.

A resolution was offered favoring local option, but no action was taken, as the grange decided it was a political question. In the afternoon, the public meeting in open session was addressed by Dr. Howell Billingslea on roads. He also proposed bonding the county and also the present manner of constructing State Roads. He favored the telford system of road building, and his remarks met with evident approval.

Addresses were made by Rev. R. W. Doty on environment and Professor Schmidt on selection and breeding of field corn. Michael E. Walsh spoke of a County Fair and offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Whereas, The organization of an Agricultural Association and County Fair has been discussed for some time in this county.

And whereas, It is believed that such a fair will stimulate Agriculture, Horticulture, Stock Breeding, Poultry Raising and other departments of farming industries.

And whereas, It is deemed wise to establish such a fair in the central part of the county, if a proper location can be secured.

And whereas, It has been suggested by the General Passenger agent of the Western Maryland Railroad Company that said Company would be glad to lend any reasonable aid.

And whereas, It is deemed wise and expedient that the responsibility in the selection and conduct of such a fair be distributed through out the county, and that the board of directors should consist of a member from each precinct in the county.

Now therefore be it further resolved by the Pamona Grange of Carroll County at its quarterly meeting held at Westminster on March 4th, 1910, that said Grange will give its hearty co-operation and support to the organization of a County Fair.

And be it further resolved, That the master of this grange appoint a committee of five who shall have full power and authority to nominate and select a board of directors, one from each precinct in the county, and that the board of directors so selected shall have a charter prepared as soon as practicable and then proceed to acquire the necessary land for said purpose and proceed to the organization of a County Fair.

The master appointed the following a committee: Michael E. Walsh, John H. Leister, E. G. Shipley, Upton Gladhill and Harry L. Rinehart.

Mr. Walsh also offered a resolution requesting the amendment of insurance laws, as follows, which was adopted:

Resolved by the Pamona Grange of Carroll county, Maryland, which grange represents twenty subordinate Granges and more than five hundred farmers that the Senate and House of Delegates of Maryland, be respectfully requested to so amend the insurance laws of Maryland at their present session, so that a Home Storm Insurance Company (mutual) will not be obliged to pay a tax of \$1500.00 annually, when a foreign company does not pay such tax.

And be it further resolved, That the said Senate and House of Delegates be earnestly urged to pass House bill No. 424, which bill gives the desired relief.

The meeting was also addressed by Mr. B. F. Crouse on good roads and the advantages of Carroll county. Mr. Guy W. Steele spoke of the County Fair.

A resolution was then offered by Mr. Bushey opposing the proposed bond issue. It evoked a warm discussion and was accepted. Mr. Jos. D. Brooks spoke positively in support of the resolution, referring to conditions which he asserted proved that the roads were good enough.

Dr. Hitchcock of Taneytown called attention to the fact that the Grange had been actively engaged in advocating good roads; that any improvement cost money and it was now time for the farmer to "put up or shut up."

February 24th, 1910.

Hon. J. A. Goulden.

House of Representatives.

Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Goulden: Mr. Tucker has just handed me your letter of February 19th.

As to "ordinary stone pikes," I can say that in Montgomery county, the County Commissioners are building stone roads, 12 feet wide, of limestone, brought by the Railroad from Frederick county for about \$4,000 per mile, and the citizens think, at least, as good as the "Shoemaker" road at from \$6,000 to \$12,000 per mile. The cost should be reduced by using local stone. With kindest regards, F. C. HUTTON.

CITY'S NEW CHARTER

MEETING LASTS UNTIL MIDNIGHT.

Some Warm Debates—Adjourned to Meet Tonight.

A large number of citizens of the town met at the Firemen's Building on Wednesday night at 7.30 to consider the new charter. Mr. Geo. R. Gehr was elected chairman and W. Frank Thomas secretary. Mr. Guy W. Steele was then requested by the chairman to present the proposed charter.

Mr. Steele stated that it had been prepared by him, as counsel for the town, and approved by a committee of the Merchants & Manufacturers Association. He read it and it was afterwards discussed by sections, various changes being made, but was not gone over entirely. The meeting adjourned after 12 o'clock to meet tonight at 7.30 o'clock.

The charter simply gives power to the Mayor and Common Council to meet present conditions. One of the changes made by the meeting was suggested by Mr. John Cunningham, requiring at one election the Mayor and two councilmen to be elected for two years, and three councilmen in the next. Thus we will always have in office some one familiar with the work. It is proposed to take in Liberty street. This question as well as an amendment of Mr. Reifsnider, which would give a regulation of the charge for service by light and water companies, will come up tonight, and the tax rate. The authorizing of the bonding of the city to pay off its present indebtedness, will also be presented.

Clayton Butler, of Baltimore, is home on a visit.

Miss Etta Snyder, East Main street, is ill with appendicitis.

Mr. F. L. Hann and family, of Hampstead, moved to Baltimore last week.

Harry Little, this city, left for Pittsburgh this week to seek employment at his trade.

Mrs. Mary Diffendal and Mrs. E. O. Diffendal, this city, are spending several days in Baltimore.

Mr. M. O. Myers, of Waynesboro, Pa., spent a few days with his son, Raymond Myers, this city.

Mrs. O. D. Gilbert, who is ill at the Union Protestant Infirmary, Baltimore, is improving very slowly.

Mrs. Estella Kuhn, of this city, went to the Hebrew Hospital, Baltimore, on Thursday for treatment.

James Pearre Wantz, Louis Sachs and Dr. Charles R. Foutz took a spin to Baltimore on Sunday last in their automobiles.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Snider Babylon returned home on Tuesday evening from their wedding tour, through the South and Cuba.

A marriage license was issued in Baltimore on Tuesday to Charles A. Lattier and Minnie C. Freyman, of Westminster, Md.

Miss Mary S. Gist, of Smallwood, Md., spent the past two months in Washington, D. C., visiting her sister, Mrs. H. B. Bowersox.

Mr. and Mrs. James Reese and family of Waynesboro, Pa., spent from Saturday until Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah Geiman, Pennsylvania avenue.

Mrs. Thomas Anders, of Liberty street, and Mrs. Otto Diffendal, of Cleveland, Ohio, visited Mr. David Jenkins, at Blue Ridge Summit, on Sunday. Mrs. Jenkins is dangerously ill.

Mr. Zahn a Nonagenarian.

Mr. Frederick Zahn, of this city, became a nonagenarian on Thursday, 3rd instant, having been born March 18, 1820. The ninetieth anniversary of his birth was celebrated at the residence of his nephew, Mr. John T. Zahn, with whom he resides, on East Main street, and who, with his good wife, gave a little party in honor of the event. A tempting repast was served, and quite a number of the venerable man were present to offer their congratulations and join in the festivities of the occasion. Mr. Zahn also received between thirty and forty postal cards of congratulation. Mr. Zahn was born in Austria and came to this city in 1842, 63 years ago. He resided with his brother John until the following year, when they moved to a farm in the county. He tells many interesting reminiscences in that early period of the history of this county. His wife died years ago and he has no children. He is still fairly vigorous, physically and mentally, and in pleasant weather may often be seen on the streets of this city.

Methodist Protestant Church.

Rev. Jas. Ray Johnson, formerly superintendent of Florence, Crittenden Mission, New York, will hold meetings in the Methodist Protestant Church each evening next week. Sunday—Evangelistic services at 10.30 a. m., and 7.30 p. m. Rally service of children and young people at 3 p. m. Christian Endeavor meeting at 6.30 p. m. Meeting for special prayer at 4 p. m., and revival service at 7.30 p. m., every evening next week. The presence of the people of Westminster and the co-operation of all Christians of every name, is besought, in this effort for the moral uplift and religious quickening of the community.