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ORPHANS' COURT WORK

Transfers of Real Estate, Marriage Licenses, &c.

Marriage Licenses.
Wm. E. Caylor, 22, and Carrie V. Slonaker, 19, both of Carroll county. Destie S. Gorsuch, 23, and Mary L. Browning, 20, both of Carroll county. Herbert C. Miller, 23, Pleasant Valley, and Grace P. Little, 17, Westminster.

County Commissioners.

The County Commissioners on Monday appointed D. J. Crim, of Woodbine, constable for District No. 14, and H. R. Helwig for District No. 12. A request will be made of the Governor to appoint a justice of the peace for the same locality.

Transfers of Real Estate.

Edwin J. Wentz to David H. Burke and wife, conveys 6 acres and 5 perches, for \$1500.
Eliza H. Robins to Michael Brillhart, conveys 3 acres, 2 rods and 25 perches, for \$175.
Irene E. Beaman to Annalove Jordan and another, conveys 4 acres and 19 perches, for \$5.
Sarah L. Fogle to Stewellyn S. Poole, conveys 12½ acres, for \$2,525.
John D. Sholl to John Sholl, conveys 14 acres, for \$5,000.
Gettysburg Water Company to County Commissioners, right of way, for \$100.
F. P. Weaver et al. to County Commissioners, right of way, for \$100.
Jeremiah Flohr to Allen W. Hoffman, 100 square feet, for \$500.
Gobias A. Mastin to Charles R. Martin, ¼ of an acre and 23 square perches, for \$224.
Edward C. Fowler to Annie M. Copersmith, conveys lot near Westminster, for \$100.
Carrie V. Stoner and husband to Charles H. Sellman convey 200 acres, for \$4,900.

School Board.

The principalship in Patapsco is vacant on account of the recent marriage of the teacher, Miss Beale Franklin, to Mr. Ferdinand Bonnotte, son of Dr. Bonnotte, of Western Maryland College.
Commissioner Levi D. Reed has named as trustees of Franklin High School, Middleburg District, Messrs. John H. Kaiser, Lester Troxler and Theophilus Hahn.
On account of the increased number of applicants fewer schools are vacant than is usually the case at this season of the year.
In the superintendent's office the work of compiling the statistics and getting the material ready for the State report is well nigh completed.

Justice Shriver's Court.

Judge Shriver has disposed of the following cases:
State of Maryland vs. Lewis H. Haley; charge of assault; tried and found not guilty.
State of Maryland vs. Lewis H. Haley; charged with carrying a concealed weapon; found guilty; fine \$25, plus costs.
State of Maryland vs. Daniel Roop; charge of assault; tried and found guilty; fine and costs paid.
State of Maryland vs. David J. Engleman; charge, non support; tried and found guilty; case settled.
State of Maryland vs. Howard E. Penn; charge of assault; plea of guilty; fine and costs paid.
State of Maryland vs. Howard E. Penn; charge of assault; tried and found guilty; fine and costs paid.
State of Maryland vs. Bradley Penn; charge of assault; tried and found guilty; fine and costs paid.
Mayor and Common Council of Westminster vs. Charles Turlic; charge, discharging a gun in corporate limits of Westminster; tried and found guilty; fine and costs paid.

Orphans' Court.

Monday, July 25.—Columbus A. Conway, Chas. S. Conway and John W. Conway, administrators of Ruth Ann E. Conway, deceased, returned report of sale of personal property.
Columbus A. Conway, Chas. S. Conway and John W. Conway, executors of John H. Conway, deceased, returned report of sale of personal property and report of sale of real estate, upon which Court granted an order nisi.
Robert E. Lee and Philip S. Lee, executors of Rachel E. Lee, deceased, returned inventory of personal property.
Letters of administration on the estate of Andrew P. Fowler, deceased, were granted to William R. Fowler, who received order to notify creditors, and returned inventory of debts.
Letters of administration on the estate of Catherine E. Fowler, deceased, were granted to William R. Fowler, who received order to notify creditors.
The last will and testament of Albert Study, deceased, was admitted to probate and letters testamentary thereon were granted to Joseph H. Study, who received warrant to appraise and order to notify creditors.
Letters of administration on the estate of Charles E. Babylon, deceased, were granted to Wm. I. Babylon, who received warrant to appraise, and order to notify creditors.
The last will and testament of Maria A. Divall, deceased, was admitted to probate and letters testamentary thereon were granted to Margaret A. E. Lockard, who received warrant to appraise, also order to notify creditors.
The last will and testament of Jacob Lockard, deceased, was admitted to probate and letters testamentary thereon were granted to Margaret A. E. Lockard, who received warrant to appraise, also order to notify creditors.
Tuesday, July 26.—Wm. H. Koons, administrator of Eleonora S. Koons, deceased, settled his first and final account.

Nearly Hanged Himself.

Charles Shipley, 19 years old, came near committing what is believed to be an "involuntary" suicide in the blacksmith shop of his grandfather, Edward Shipley, in this city last Saturday to amuse some small boys. He fastened one end of a chain to a hook on a post and then wrapped the other end around his neck, and stood on a table.
His grandfather, who was present, was unable to lift him, but other persons appeared and the young man was released from the chain. By that time respiration had ceased, but Dr. E. M. Sullivan, who was hastily summoned, succeeded in reviving him. He had been overcome by the heat and collapsed while entertaining his young friends.

Sunday School Celebration.

For the Advocate.
Wisner's Sunday school will hold their Sunday school celebration all day Saturday, August 6th, in Wesley Lippy's grove, about ¼ mile north of the school house. Come and hear the little children speak and see the marvellous patriotic flag drill, in which no pains have been spared to make them pleasing and interesting. Able speakers will be present and there will be music by the Union Mills Band. Refreshments consisting of cake, confectioneries and ice cream will be sold for the benefit of the school. Everybody come and enjoy the day with us. Balloon ascension in the afternoon.

Mr. Crouse in Hospital.

Mr. Benjamin F. Crouse, State Insurance Commissioner, is ill at the Johns Hopkins Hospital. Mr. Crouse's case is somewhat of a puzzle to the physicians and has been for about six weeks. He intends staying at the hospital until a thorough examination can be made.
Mr. Crouse complains of being weak. His physicians first declared it a stomach trouble, but recently decided that the ailment was of a different nature, and he has gone to the hospital in order that they can have the opportunity of thoroughly diagnosing his case.

The Cardinal's Birth-Day.

Cardinal Gibbons was 76 years old Saturday, and he spent the day quietly at the home of Mr. B. Frank Shriver, Union Mills, near Westminster.
There was no special observance of the anniversary except in the Shriver home. The Cardinal has been there about a month and expects to return to Baltimore in the next few days.
During his stay at Union Mills the Cardinal has been preparing his sermon for the Eucharistic Congress and doing much reading.

Sunday School Rally.

The Sunday schools of Mt. Airy district will hold a Sunday school rally in the M. E. Church, Mt. Airy, on August 7th, afternoon and evening.
Every Sunday school in Mt. Airy district should be represented at this rally, and aid in making it a splendid success.
Remember the time, August 7th, 2:30 p. m., and 7:30 p. m.

\$2,000 Loss by Fire.

During the severe electrical storm Wednesday the large frame barn of Uriah Vitz, near Middleburg, was destroyed by lightning. The flames destroyed the barn and stock of grain and a hog-house. The property was insured for \$1,500 in the Dug Hill Fire Insurance Company of Carroll county. The loss was estimated at about \$2,000.

A CHINAMAN'S WEALTH.

Seattle, Wash., July 27.—In the person of Chiu Kee, a Chinese laundry owner who has operated laundries in the cities of the Pacific Coast, Kitsap county has the wealthiest lodger ever incarcerated in its jail.
When Kee was brought over to the King County Jail this afternoon he occupied a room in the basement here. For Kee, when arrested, had in gold coin, paper money and certificates of deposit \$150,000.
Kee was arrested by United States Inspector Hamer Friday afternoon for having opium in his possession. Under the statutes it is now a crime to have the poppy drug, even for one's own use. When Kee was arrested in his room the officers discovered two huge wooden chests. These they decided to seize and search, believing they contained opium, but they did not find any. When they attempted to carry them from Kee's room they were too heavy to move. How they were carried into the room has not yet been discovered. It was decided to open the chests in the room. The officers found no opium, but they did find sack after sack crammed full of certificates of deposit, gold coin and paper money. They carried the sacks to a place of safekeeping, after estimating that Kee's wealth amounted to at least \$150,000.

Nine Out of Ten in Church.

Lindsborg, Kan., Saturday.—A canvass recently made by Miss Anna Carlson, editor of the Lindsborg News, develops a remarkable record. There are about two thousand persons in Lindsborg, and nine-tenths of the population are Swedish or of Swedish descent. Miss Carlson announces that nine out of every ten of Lindsborg's population are church members and that probably ninety-nine out of every hundred regularly attend church services.
Miss Carlson explains that in Swedish or Swedish-American homes the religious instruction of the child begins at the mother's knee, and the study of the Bible and catechism is almost compulsory.
Twenty miles south of Lindsborg is the town of Inman, in McPherson county. Its population is made up largely of Germans or persons of German descent. In this community of five hundred more than ninety per cent. are church members.

DEATH'S HARVEST.

Well Known Residents And Others Who Have Passed Away.

Huff.
Mrs. Mary Huff, widow of Jacob Huff, died at her home at Sandville, Westmoreland, after a short illness, aged 83 years, 11 months and 20 days. Her husband passed away 4 months ago. She is survived by two sons—Fillmore and Albert Huff, of Sandville. Mrs. John H. Mitten, wife of the manager of the American Sentinel, of this city, is a sister.
The funeral was held at Sandville M. P. Church, July 25, at 2 p. m. Services were conducted by Rev. S. F. Cassen. Interment being in the adjoining cemetery. Pallbearers were Winfield Caple, Emory Zepp, Frederick O. Shipley, Jabez Shreve, Howard Lockard and Wm. Tanner. P. C. Sharrer funeral director.

Spaulding.
Mrs. Ida Mullikin Spaulding, aged 43 years, wife of A. K. Spaulding, died on July 26. She was a sister of Mrs. Jas. H. Billingslea. Funeral services were held at Holy Trinity Church, near Collington, Prince George's county, Md., on Thursday, July 28, at 3 p. m.

Roop.

Mr. Ezra Roop died at his home, Warrenton, Oregon, Saturday evening, July 29, in his 79th year.
The deceased was a son of the late Abram Roop, of this county, and removed to Missouri in the early sixties. He is survived by a widow, four sons and two daughters, also a sister, Mrs. Mary Horn, of Medford, this county.

Fowler.

Mary E. Fowler, wife of Ed. C. Fowler, near this city, died on July 23, aged 52 years, and 9 months. The funeral services, conducted by Rev. Father J. C. Mallon, were held at St. John's Catholic Church, on July 25, the interment taking place in the adjoining cemetery. She was a daughter of the late John and Mary J. Brown, of Westminster. She is survived by her husband, one daughter, Mrs. J. C. Coppersmith, one sister, Mrs. John Arbaugh, Union Bridge; two brothers, Elder E. C. Brown, Westminster, and John C. Brown, New Windsor. She was a kind neighbor and is much missed by her many friends. The pallbearers were Michael E. Walsh, Joseph B. Boyle, Ezra Copersmith, Edward Yansing, James W. Hook and A. Humbert. F. C. Sharrer funeral director.

Henry.

Susanna Elizabeth, wife of Samuel Henry, living on the Manchester road, near Cranberry, died Wednesday, aged 55 years, 7 months and 29 days. Funeral services were held at the house this afternoon, conducted by Rev. R. W. Doty, and the interment was in St. Benjamin's cemetery, at Kridler's. The pallbearers were A. G. Humbert, Adam Rupert, Tobias Gurr, Wm. Hunter, John D. Shaffer and Abraham S. Burkholder. James M. Stoner was the undertaker.

Stubbs.

The remains of Arthur, aged 7 years, 2 months and 4 days, son of Elmer Stubbs, of Baltimore, were brought to this city Wednesday afternoon and interred in the Deer Park cemetery, at Sandville, Rev. E. O. Ewing the pastor, conducting the services. James M. Stoner funeral director.

Hahn.

Mrs. Ida Hahn, 52 years old, wife of Theophilus Hahn, of Detour, died from paralysis. For four years she had been confined to her bed. Besides her husband she is survived by several children. The funeral took place Thursday morning from the Keyville Methodist Episcopal Church, where services were conducted by Rev. R. G. Koons, assisted by Elder John S. Weybright.

The Cow.

The dairy cow, if able to express herself in a way which the human family would comprehend, might well claim to be man's best friend. She might establish such claims by calling attention to the fact that from her product and from her carcass man manufactures more of the necessities of life than from any other similar source. She furnishes these necessities to him from infancy until such a time as temporary things are no longer associated with his existence, and she does it ungrudgingly and constantly.
In addition to contributing to man's necessities and his pleasure, the prosperity of an agricultural community is more closely identified with her than with any other of the domestic animals. The horse is quite essential in tilling the soil, but where necessity requires it the sturdy son of the cow can take his place, as he has done in every agricultural section on earth. The horse can only furnish labor and can only return a profit to his owner when conditions are right for returning satisfactory grain crops. It is a well known fact that the dairy cow is the salvation of the farmer in times of poor crops as she is able to convert the rough crops which are never a total failure, into dairy products which always have a cash value.
In addition to this she furnishes skin milk and butter milk for the calves, pigs and poultry and fertility for the soil, without which a farm becomes less valuable each year and the whole country less prosperous.
The elimination of the dairy cow would necessitate an almost revolutionary readjustment of man's tastes and requirements. It would mean untold suffering and hardship. Of course she will not be dispensed with, but her value can perhaps be best appreciated by contemplating such a loss.
She will continue to be man's best friend as long as the human family exists and will keep on supplying him with his greatest needs just as she has done through all ages.

Motor Cars Cannot go in Pennsylvania.

In last week's issue of this paper it was stated that reciprocal relations had been entered into between the States of Maryland and Pennsylvania as to motor cars. This information was taken from a daily paper and we believed it to be correct. Upon investigation, however, we find it is not true, for although Governor Crothers has offered the Pennsylvania authorities the right to tour the State without license, if the same privilege is accorded to Marylanders, he has received no reply to his letter.
Marylanders should therefore receive a license before driving through that state, and the Maryland authorities arrest all Pennsylvanians who come here without a license or a permit.

New in Camp.

The Forrest and Stream Club opened camp Wednesday, July 27th, when the following members left Westminster on the fast mail: John J. Reese, J. Francis Reese, W. L. Seabrook, Geo. A. Miller, James M. Stoner, F. T. Butler, Dr. Glenn W. Horner, James D. Mitchell and J. Albert Mitten. The large tent was erected, and the camp is in readiness for the large number of its members and visitors who are expected during the encampment.
Arrangements have been completed with the Western Maryland Railway Company for the encampment. The train will stop at the camp: Fast mail going West, leaving Westminster 5:30 a. m., during entire encampment. Pen-Mar express coming East, leaving Monocacy about 6:45 p. m., every day except Sunday, July 31st, when the train will stop at Monocacy at 5:33 p. m.
On Saturday, the 30th instant, the train leaving Westminster at 6:12 going West will stop at camp.
Also ladies' day, Wednesday, the 3rd of August, the train leaving Westminster at 6:15 will stop at camp.
John J. Reese, the commissary, sent two fine bass home Wednesday evening. Frank T. Butler, the vice-president, caught a sun fish the first day measuring two inches long.
The storm on Wednesday afternoon caused some excitement in camp, and the dining tent was blown down, but the boys soon had everything in good shape.

Birthday Social.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Shipley, of Patapsco, tendered a birthday social to their son, Herman Shipley, in honor of his nineteenth birthday, on last Wednesday evening, July 27th. The invited guests began to arrive between 8 and 9 o'clock, and after they had arrived, lawn games were played with much enjoyment until 10:30. While the game enthusiasm was at its height, the signal was given to retire to the dining room, where at each serving a spectacle pleasing to the sight as well as tempting to the palate demanded their attention. After a much enjoyed evening provided by the gracious hostess, the guests departed for their respective homes.
The guests were: Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Shipley, Messrs. Hayden Taylor, Marion Taylor, Vernon Stockdale, Ralph Barrick, Wm. Van Cleef, Carlyle Earp, Arthur Evans, Leslie Orr, the battery Saturday night club, Messrs. Deborah Ireland, Josephine McCollum, Ruby McCollum, Ruth Chew, Naomi Chew, Floretta Shamer, Myra Shilling, Carroll Taylor, Norma Barrick, Alvie Spencer, Oliver Leppo, Charles Shipley; Messrs. Mary Stockdale, Deborah Ireland, Josephine McCollum, Ruby McCollum, Ruth Chew, Naomi Chew, Floretta Shamer, Myra Shilling, Hattie Shipley.

Sandyville Fortalls to Gamber 9 to 9.

The Sandyville base ball team crossed bats with the Gamber boys, at Gamber, on Saturday, July 23. The game was well played until the ending of the seventh inning, when Barnhart, taking offense at a close decision in favor of Bittel on second, withdrew his men from the field.
Brown opened the game for Sandyville with a grand slam and curve, but when Arnold hit out a two sacker for Gamber, their pitcher "went to the bad" immediately, and Gamber had him at their mercy.
The score stood 2 to 2 until the close of the game, and it is a generally conceded fact that the game, seeing much sooner forfeit the game than lose it by a contest.
The Gamber boys expect a great game with the Pikesville team, at Gamber, on Saturday, July 30.
The battery Saturday night club, Messrs. Bittel, Gosnell and Smith; Sandyville—Brown and Barnhart.

Rededication of Patapsco M. E. Church.

The Rededication Services at Patapsco M. E. Church, Chas. R. East, pastor, on Sunday, July 24th, will be as follows:
9 a. m., Love Feast, led by Mr. T. Frank King, of Boring.
10:30 a. m., preaching by Rev. Dr. Edward L. Watson, of Baltimore.
2:30 p. m., Children's service.
7:30 p. m., Service of Song, led by Mr. Frank Magee, of Carrollton.
8 p. m., preaching by Rev. J. Tolly Marsh, of Baltimore.
"Come thou with us and we will do thee good."

To Enjoy Camp Life.

For the Advocate.
The members of the so-called "Hungry Camp" will encamp from the first of August until the 31st, near the Monocacy River, on the Hees farm. This location was secured through the kindness of Mr. Norman Hess. This makes the fifth consecutive year for this camp, and all the members are looking forward for a grand time, as it is a fine location, being only three miles from Taneytown. Those who expect to go are as follows: Messrs. George Stouch, Howell Grumble, Jos. Smith, Jesse Stouch, Wm. Yingling, Sterling Grumble and Joseph Yingling.

Grace Lutheran Church.

Sunday school and adult Bible class 9 a. m. Preaching by the pastor at 10:30 a. m., and 7:45 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E., at 7 p. m.

WEDDING BELLS.

Franklin—Bonnotte.

Miss Beale Franklin, daughter of the late Dr. Benj. Franklin, and Mr. Ferdinand Bonnotte, son of Professor Bonnotte, of Western Maryland College, were married at the Cathedral in Boston, on the 20th of July. The wedding was quite a surprise to the many friends of the young people in Westminster. Both of them taught school in Carroll county a few years ago, and are deservedly popular.
At present Mr. Bonnotte is filling a position in the navy department at Boston, on Board the United States ship Wabash.

Meyerly—Fox.

On July 9, at Barlow, Pa., by Rev. Emory Stocklager, Jacob T. Meyerly and Miss Sarah E. Fox were married. Both parties are from Carroll county and live at Detour.

Clagett—Townsend.

Miss Margaret Townsend and G. Albert Clagett were married last Wednesday at the home of T. Watson Tracey, near Grace, by Rev. Wilson Thomas, a former Hampstead pastor.

Methodist Episcopal Church.

Sunday school 9:15 a. m. Preaching 10:30 a. m. Anthem, "Hark! the song of Jubilee." Vesper service 8 to 8:50 o'clock. Anthem, "Nearer Jesus." Subject of pastor's address, "Self-Respect."

Methodist Protestant Church.

Public worship, with sermons by the pastor at 10:30 a. m., and 8 p. m. Sunday school and adult Bible classes 9:30 a. m. "Pleasant Hours" of song and prayer on Wednesday evenings. The summer guests among us are invited to all these services.

MEANS \$1,200,000 A YEAR.

Income for W. M. E. R. From Recent Big Coal Contract.

New York, July 27.—The Wall Street Journal says:
"The contract recently signed by the Bethlehem Steel Company with the Davis Coal and Coke Company, which secures to the former a constant supply of coal for the next 20 years, means likewise a constant source of revenue and traffic to the Western Maryland Railway.
"The Davis Coal and Coke Company is the operating and sales agent for the Western Maryland's coal properties. Under the terms of the contract the delivery to the Steel Company of the minimum tonnage of 750,000 tons of coal a year is required. The maximum tonnage will be 2,000,000 tons. It is estimated that the contract, including both cost of coal and freight charges, will involve an amount in the neighborhood of \$60,000,000. To fulfill this it will be necessary for the coal company to expend about \$1,500,000 in repairing its facilities, sinking new shafts and constructing spur tracks. With the exception of a contract made about five years ago by the United States Steel Company with the Pittsburg Coal Company to run 25 years, this is the largest coal contract ever placed.
"All of the coal for delivery under this contract will originate on the Western Maryland tracks. The minimum daily supply which can be demanded by the Bethlehem Steel Company is to be 2,000 tons and the maximum 6,000 tons. The company's officials estimated that the average tonnage will be about 3,300 tons a day. On this the Western Maryland will secure a haul of about 204 miles from Thomas, W. Va., to Shippensburg, Pa., where the coal will be turned over to connecting lines for delivery to the steel company.
"Irrespective of revenues from the contract price of the coal, from which it will indirectly be benefited, the traffic derived from the source will mean to the Western Maryland gross revenues of approximately \$1,200,000 per annum. Deliveries will begin in May, 1912. By that time the company's new extension from Cumberland to Conneville will have been completed."

RAID REVEALS \$50,700.

Half in Opium and Half in Gold and Silver Coins.
Kansas City, Mo., July 26.—An opium "still" and distributing house was found by revenue officers in the tea store of Charles Kwong Sang at 113 West Sixth street here today. The officers found \$25,700 worth of opium and \$25,000 in gold, silver and paper money packed away in trunks, boxes and sacks and hidden under mattresses.
Following a similar raid in St. Louis a few days ago the St. Louis police notified Chief of Police Griffin, of Kansas City, that they had every reason to believe that there was a distributing house in Kansas City. Detectives were placed on the trail and today's seizure followed.

Man Slays Huge Porcupine.

Walla Walla, Wash.—W. O. Carter, who lives on the Knott ranch on the State line, had a prolonged fight with a porcupine, which he finally succeeded in killing.
He had gone out to feed the stock when his two dogs found the porcupine. They plunged into the fight and succeeded in wounding the beast, but got much the worse of the struggle. Carter, going to their rescue, dispatched the animal.
The dogs seemed perforated with the barbed quills and their sufferings were intense. From the two dogs 150 needles were extracted.
The porcupine weighed 40 pounds and is said to be one of the largest ever taken here.

John E. O'Rourke, a New York engineer, who bridged the Hudson at Poughkeepsie and drove the Pennsylvania railroad tunnel under the North River, has submitted a plan to the Secretary of War for raising the battery at Havana harbor by pneumatic caissons.

PERSONAL MENTION

[Persons who contemplate going away, or have friends visiting them, and desire publication of same, will please send the names to this office.]

Misses Anna Gehr and Jessie Shaw, this city, are at Diehl's Island.

Miss Henrietta Roop is visiting Miss Nellie Crebbs, Hagerstown.

Mrs. Amanda Lockard, this city, is spending some time at Pen-Mar.

Mrs. Daniel P. Hunter, of East Green street, is visiting at Pen-Mar.

Miss Lottie Caple is visiting her brother Guy, at Finksburg Station.

Mrs. Frederick R. Hall, of Baltimore, spent several days in this city the past week.

Mrs. James H. Billingslea and son, Levine, are visiting near Royal Oak, Talbot county.

Mrs. D. H. Roelky, of Frederick county, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. R. W. Doty, this city.

Miss Myrie Caple, of Sandville, is spending ten days with friends in Union Bridge and Linwood.

Edward O. Diffendal and family, and a number of friends are spending the week camping near Bruceville.

Mrs. Harold M. Rider, of Baltimore, is spending the week in Westminster as a guest of the Main-Court Inn.

Miss Luella Gernand and Miss May Little, of Westminster, are visiting relatives and friends in Hanover.

Judge Harry M. Clabaugh and family, of Washington, are summering at their country residence, near Taneytown.

Miss Nan Diffendal, of Taneytown, will spend next week in Westminster as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. Walter Shunk.

Miss Marguerite Shunk is spending two weeks with Misses Nellie Devillias and Gladys Nusban, Sam's Creek.

Mrs. Mary Mather and Miss Marian Kenly, of Baltimore, are visiting Mr. T. W. Mather and family, Liberty street.

Miss Grace Eby, of near Patapsco, is spending several weeks at Blue Ridge Summit and Rocky Ridge with relatives.

Mrs. George Wick, of Baltimore, has returned to her residence at Eastview after spending two weeks at Atlantic City.

J. Meriwether Shellman, of Baltimore, and Mr. W. M. Fairfax, of Washington, are guests of Miss Mary B. Shellman.

Jas. H. Cassell, who has been at Hot Springs, Arkansas, for several months, returned home Monday much improved in health.

Miss Florence Shipley, of Reisterstown, spent several days the past week with Misses Viola and Pauline Barnes, near Gamber.

Misses Catherine Preston, of Leesburg, Va., and Mary G. Moore, of Sandy Springs, Md., are guests of Dr. and Mrs. Henry M. Fitzhugh.

Mrs. E. N. Buckingham has returned to her home in Baltimore, after spending several weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Wm. D. Reese.

Miss Marietta and Claude Caple, of Philadelphia, are spending the summer with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis W. Caple, Sandville.

J. Albert Mitten, secretary and treasurer of the Lake Drummond Canal Co., Norfolk, Va., is spending his vacation with his parents in this city.

Fernando Pomas, of San Juan, Porto Rico, after making a tour of Europe, is visiting Miss Mary Reese, East Main street, and will later go to Washington.

Mr. Charles Brownhart and son, of Philadelphia, and Mrs. Minnie Gornall, of Cumberland, are visiting their mother, Mrs. Elizabeth H. Brown, Green street.

Messrs. Geo. H. Birnie, of Taneytown, and Jas. E. Shreve, Jr., of Westminster, represented Carroll county at the Christian Endeavor summer conference held at Pen-Mar last week.

Misses Bertha and Edna Kerchner, of York, Pa., and Mrs. Theo. Kopp and daughter Fannie, of Baltimore, have returned home after spending ten days with Miss Ethel Crumrine, of near Melrose.

Mrs. Richard Blackwell and two daughters, Beatrice and Elizabeth; Mrs. B. W. Gore, Mrs. F. G. Nash, Mrs. M. V. Harris and Mr. Riggs, all of Baltimore, are guests of B. F. Bosley, of Greenmont.

Mr. Clinton Croul, of Baltimore, visited in Westminster Sunday last. He was accompanied home by his son, Master Harry, who has been visiting several weeks with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Absalom Reese.

John Conway, wife and daughter, of Eastview, have returned home after a trip to Waynesboro, Pa., and other points as far as Chambersburg, spending the most of their time with Mr. and Mrs. David Little, of Waynesboro.

Wild Berry Crop Ruined.

Thousands of women and children who annually spend many days in the environs of Duluth picking wild berries will this year be almost entirely deprived of that amusement or will find but scant reward for their labors, for the crop will be practically nil, says the Duluth News-Tribune. Only in a few places, where the delicate thorns of the wild berry roots have been protected by heavy foliage in wooded nooks or where they have been supplied moisture by hidden springs, will there be any fruit at all, for in all the more exposed and better known places the fierce glare of the sun, shining day after day, has dried all the moisture out of the ground. There has been no rain to replace it, with the result that, though the early spring produced blossoms which promised a bountiful harvest, the fruit has shriveled and dried before it ever reached maturity.

NEWS IN GENERAL

The Georgia Prison Commission has prepared a bill authorizing a \$250,000 appropriation for segregation of the races at the State convict farm.

Much trouble is being had in Baltimore county over the assessment blanks. Many are being returned to the assessors and one filled out improperly.

In the Supreme Court of Appeals of Virginia last Saturday the will of Geo. T. Smith, which is composed of the three words "Everything is Lou's" was held to be invalid.

James Grassham, a blacksmith, of Corning, Ark., while fishing in Lake Corning opened a mussel to get bait and found a fifteen grain pearl. It is said by judges to be worth \$200.

As the result of stepping upon a package of needles twenty years ago, Mrs. Joseph Orris, twenty-eight years old, is reported to be dying at her home in Richland Township, Pa.

The officials of Scotland Yard believe that Dr. Hawley H.rippen and his former stenographer, Ethel Clara Leneve, are aboard the Canadian Pacific steamer Montrose, en route from Antwerp to Montreal.

A cyclone at Milan, Italy, on July 23 did great damage, destroying buildings and telegraph lines, and impeding the railroad traffic by its wreckage. About one hundred persons were killed and five hundred injured.

The gun explosion which cost 11 lives at Forts Monroe, was weak in said to have been due to the failure of a safety mechanism to operate when a sudden and powerful pull was given by an artilleryman in attaching the lanyard.

The select committee of Parliament on considering the civil list for King George V. recommended a provision of \$3,170,000 yearly for the maintenance of the royal family. This is an increase of \$65,000 over the allowance made during the last reign.

Old Mother Earth, like femininity through all time, but with far greater success than most of her sex, has defied man to learn her age. Scientists still admit their defeat. Their latest estimate credits her with "not above 70,0