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## Home-Coming Commencement

### PRESIDENT T. H. LEWIS DELIVERS BACCALAUREATE SERMON.

#### RECEPTION GIVEN TO VISITING STUDENTS AND THEIR FRIENDS.

##### Celebration of Dr. Lewis' Twenty-Fifth Anniversary—President Ira Remsen of Johns Hopkins Delivers Address—Big Home-Coming Dinner—Gov. Crothers Present.

The forty-first commencement of the Western Maryland College takes precedence of all others in point of interest and in the number of old graduates and former students who returned to their alma mater.

It was the twenty-fifth anniversary of T. H. Lewis' presidency and an occasion that will long be remembered, not only by all who are in any way associated with the college, but by all the citizens of Westminster. The buildings and arch on College Hill were beautifully decorated with flags, Maryland colors, and the colors of the hotels and many places of business were elaborately and tastefully decorated, and also a number of the residences of the city, so that Westminster presented a gay and festive appearance during the week.

Saturday evening an event took place on the campus which is an annual affair and of great interest to all the students, as well as to many other spectators. This was the cremation by the Freshman class of the Latin author, Virgil. It was a ghostly scene: The funeral procession drew near, a funeral oration was delivered by a member of the class, and the effigy was lighted and consumed by the flames. This was followed by a splendid display of fireworks.

The opening exercises were held in Alumni Hall, on Friday evening, June 9th, when the contest in elocution took place between members of the Freshmen and Sophomore classes for the Norman prizes.

Students of the Preparatory school were given certificates of graduation, and the degrees were announced.

Baccalaureate Sunday dawned clear and bright, but it was a very warm day. Notwithstanding the heat, however, Alumni Hall was filled with a congregation that received an educational treat in Dr. Lewis' fine sermon, the subject of which was "College Ideals." As usual the congregations of the Lutheran, Reformed, Methodist Protestant and Methodist Episcopal Churches united with the college in this service the minister of each of the above churches being present and taking some part. The singing was led by the vocal teachers of the college, Miss Rimbach, and the choral society sang the beautiful anthem—"O Worship the Lord," by Watson.

In his sermon Dr. Lewis told of some of the ideals that had guided him during the past 25 years. He said that the building of a college like the building of a tabernacle is a Divine work. A good teacher must be a good man, and education must not be regarded as a purely secular calling, having nothing to do with spiritual results.

Again the college, like the tabernacle, is intended to be a meeting place between God and the youth. Its students should be led by their instructors face to face with the Author of all truth and the Source of all wisdom.

However, even though the teacher may discover the truth, promulgate it and make it dominant, the ideal is not fully realized until by the divine alchemy of precept and example the teacher has accomplished in his students the incarnation of truth into character.

Dr. Lewis paid a splendid tribute to the men who founded the College, to the first president, the late Dr. J. T. Ward, and to Dr. J. W. Reese, the oldest member of the faculty.

In the evening the town churches again united in the service at Alumni Hall. The sermon was before the Christian Associations of the college and was delivered by Rev. Henry Apple D. D., president of Franklin and Marshall College.

On Monday the graduates recited in music and elocution took place, part of the program being given in the morning and part in the evening. The recitations were as follows: "The Hero," by John Malford Dooley; "Each in his own Tongue," by Anna Marie Crumrine; "The Little God and the Machine," by Anna Carville Harrison; "The St. John's Fund," by Carl Trigg; "Rebecca Mary's Diary," by Harriet Helen Englar; "The Brave Heart," by Grace Elizabeth Steele; "Two Gentle men of Kentucky," by Josephine Matilda Gray; "The Passing of Arthur," by William Clark Coulbourne; "The Winning of Brunhilde," by Dorothy Elderidge; "Romance and Juliet, Act II, Scenes 4 and 5," by Isabel McCollum Rupp; "Merchant of Venice, Act V, Scene 1," by Alvin Dey Stultz.

The following piano selections were rendered: "Mozzkowski's Moment Musical," by Agnes Reese; Mendelssohn's "Caprice in A-minor," by Laura Eleanor Ruark; Raff's "Valse Favorite," by Lillian Eleanor Godwin; Chopin's "Ballade in A-flat," by Marguerite Louise Stem.

Tuesday and Wednesday were red-letter days of commencement week. Trustees, graduates and former students poured into the city on every train and flocked to the exercises. The Board of Trustees met in the Library, Tuesday morning, and transacted some of the important business of the college. Prof. Wm. R. McDaniel, vice-president of the college, and Rev. A. N. Ward, pastor of the Methodist Protestant church, of Denton, Md., were elected members of the Board to fill the vacancies occasioned by the deaths of B. Frank Crouse

and Dr. Kinzer. At 10:30 a. m. the most popular contest of the week took place. It was the oratorical contest between the Webster and the Irving societies, and between the Browning and Philomathean.

The Webster orators were Arthur Mirian Birdsall and Roger Taylor Day, whose subjects were "The Right of Suffrage" and "The Moral Awakening in America." The Irving orators were Harry Spurgeon Beall and Chandler Sprague, who spoke on "Wealth vs. The Commonwealth" and "The True Monroe Doctrine." The Browning society was represented by Martha Elizabeth Thomas and Leslie Whitney Orr, whose subjects were "The Silver Lining" and "The Royalty of Life." The Philomathean essayists were Anna Fisher, whose subject was "Queens Gardens," and Margaret Grace Dennis, whose subject was "The Magic Wand of Life." The College Glee Club rendered several fine selections during the program. The judges on composition were Prof. Robert A. Armstrong, West Virginia University; Prof. E. B. Prettymann, Randolph-Macon College; Prof. James Routh, Jr., University of Virginia. Judges on delivery were Rev. J. F. Heisse and W. O. Atwood, Esq., of Baltimore, Md., and Rev. W. H. Hetrick, of this city.

The annual society reunions were held on Tuesday afternoon in the society halls. Many ex-members attended these reunions and made impromptu talks, some recalling interesting events of the past, and others congratulating the societies upon their continued success and prosperity. Refreshments were also served.

Later in the afternoon the business meeting of the Alumni Association was held in the special room for that purpose, and an unusually large number of members was present. I. Irving Pollitt, of Baltimore, is president of the Association and Miss Mary L. Shriver is secretary. Reports of officers and committees were read, and ways and means for helping the college were discussed.—also the members of the class of 1911 were received into the Association, and officers elected for the ensuing year.

On Tuesday evening a beautiful reception was given by the President, to visiting students and friends of the college. This was a delightfully informal occasion, and hundreds of faces beamed with the happiness of meeting and greeting friends of the long ago.

Dr. and Mrs. Lewis received their guests on the brilliantly lighted lawn; they were assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Jarman, of Illinois. During the evening, Farson's Orchestra played many fine selections. Upon leaving the dining-room each class formed in a group, and College Hill resounded with class yells.

After the reception, the class reunions were held, some of them on College Hill and others in the town. The class of 1896, twenty-two of whose members were present, banqueted in the style at the Main-Court Inn; the class of 1902 was served a banquet at the Westminster Hotel, and Mr. Frank Z. Miller entertained the class of 1892.

Wednesday morning marked the culmination of the commencement exercises. Alumni Hall was crowded with friends of the college, former students and graduates of many years standing, when the trustees, Dr. Lewis, the prominent speakers of the day, members of the faculty and the graduating class took their places on the platform. Rev. Dr. J. M. Sheridan, president of the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church offered a short prayer, when the graduates received their diplomas from Dr. Ira Remsen, president of Johns Hopkins University.

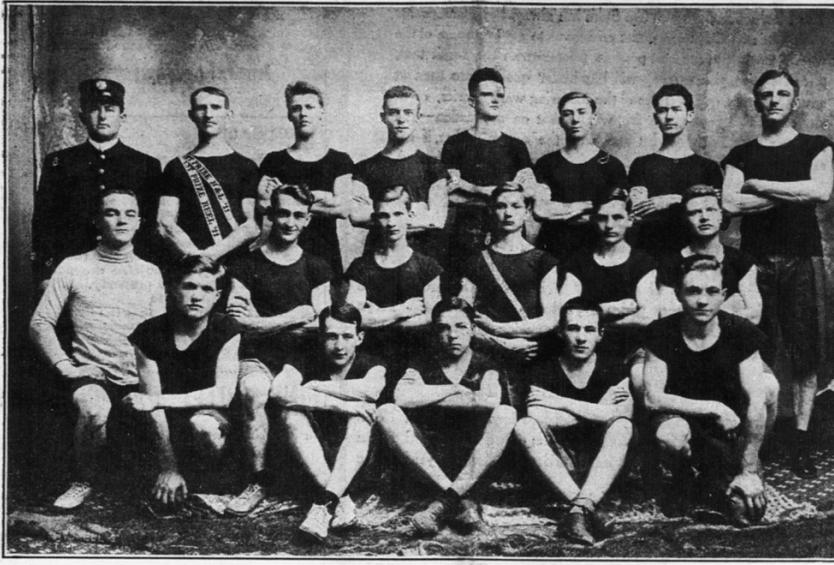
The following honors were announced:

Graduates: John Malford Dooley, Cardiff, Md.; George Hyson Enfield, Woodbine, Pa.; Fulton Monroe Gibbs, North Keys, Md.; John Thomas McCann, Baltimore, Md.; Frank Earl Shipley, Savage, Md.; Harvey Clinton Fisk Smoot, Delmar, Del.; Alvin Dey Stultz, Westville, N. J.; Carl Trigg, Twiggstown, Md.; John Wright, Pylesville, Md.; Monza Grace Algire, Hampstead, Md.; Mercedes Bowman, Bridgewater, Va.; Anna Marie Crumrine, Melrose, Md.; Mary Livingston DeLashmott, Buckeyestown, Md.; Grace Donovan, Laurel, Del.; Harriet Helen Englar, Linwood, Md.; Lillian Elinor Godwin, Easton, Md.; Josephine Matilda Gray, Grayton, Md.; Isabel McCollum Rupp, Westminster, Md.; Olive Pearl Simpson, Cumberland, Md.; Grace Elizabeth Steele, Westminster, Md.; Ruth Ann Stewart, Oxford, Md.; Mary Elizabeth Stonestifer, Mt. Crawford, Va.; Geraldine Waters, Savage, Md.; Lulu Lauretta Wooden, Leeds, Md.

Graduates Cum laude: Robert Milton Stonestifer, Mt. Crawford, Va.; Charles Roberts Thomas, Westminster, Md.; Ellen Thomas Jackson, Ashton, Md.; Ruth Shoemaker, Ashton, Md.; Anna Carville Harrison, Crumpton, Md.; Esther Viola Kaufmann, Westminster, Md.; Ruth Monroe, Westport, Md.

Graduates, Summa Cum Laude: Kent Roberts Greenfield, Westminster, Md.; William Clark Coulbourne, Walker's Ford, Va.; Arthur Maynard Bacon, Westminster, Md.; Dorothy Elderidge, Westminster, Md.; Margaret Louise Stem, Westminster, Md.; El-

## WESTMINSTER FIRE DEPARTMENT REEL TEAM.



Top row reading from left to right:—Captain J. G. Diffendal, W. Long, L. Billingslea, E. Zahn, L. Zepp, N. Daley, C. Beaver, W. F. Thomas.  
Middle row:—E. Gehr, A. Shriver, G. Bell, H. Byers, J. Mathias, R. Billingslea.  
Bottom row:—E. Steffy, W. Yingling, J. Smith, J. Yingling, F. Arnold. Photographed by James D. Mitchell

enor Laura Ruark, Salisbury, Md.; Edith May Lippy, Snyderburg, Md.; Caroline May Townsend, Baltimore, Md.; Olive Pearl Pennell, Chestertown, Md.; Ava Taylor, Hurlock, Md.

Graduates in Pedagogy with Certificate of the State Board of Education: John Malford Dooley, Fulton Monroe Gibbs, Frank Earl Shipley, Harvey Clinton Fisk Smoot, Alvin Dey Stultz, Carl Trigg, John Wesley Wright, Monza Grace Algire, Grace Donovan, Harriet Helen Englar, Josephine Matilda Gray, Anna Carville Harrison, Ellen Thomas Jackson, Esther Viola Kaufmann, Edith May Lippy, Ruth Monroe, Olive Pearl Pennell, Isabel McCollum Rupp, Laura Eleanor Hark, Ruth Shoemaker, Olive Pearl Simpson, Ruth Ann Stewart, Mary Elizabeth Stonestifer, Ava Taylor, Caroline May Townsend.

Junior Class, Gold Medals: Chas. Herling Murr, Baltimore, Md.; Margaret Grace Dennis, Presnon, Md.

Honorable Mention: Alfred Pfittsch Baltimore, Md.; Joseph Wellington Welch, Hoes, Md.; Arthur Miran Eridsall, Manssungen, N. J.; Cleora May Landon, Fairmount, Md.; Leslie Whitney Orr, Lonaconing, Md.; Mary Estelle Toad, Preston, Md.; Norah Estelle Bradshaw, Deal's Island, Md.; Nellie Horn Mitchell, Baltimore, Md.

Sophomore Class, Gold Medals: William Stewart Peebles, Harrisville, W. Va.; Alice Schwaninger, Trappe, Md.

Honorable Mention: Paul Christopher Phillips, Salisbury, Md.; Roger Xavir Day, Tuscarora, Md.; Irving Phillips, Salisbury, Md.

Freshman Class: Gold Medal Euillia Clifford Ryall, Fruitland, Md.

Gold Medal for piano, Marguerite Louise Stem, Westminster, Md.; Honorable Mention, Laura Eleanor Ruark, Salisbury, Md.; Lillian Elinor Godwin, Easton, Md.; Agnes Reese, Westminster, Md.; Gold Medal in Elocution, Dorothy Elderidge, Westminster, Md.; Norman Prizes for Winners at Sophomore and Freshman Contests in Elocution: Marion Howk Landing, Marston Station, Md.; Pearl Williams Fish-ell, Vaughan, N. C.; Louise Wright Morris, Salisbury, Md.; Maude Gibbs, Crom, Md.; Bates Prize, Gold Medal "to the member of the senior class who has made the best all around record as a college man" Carl Trigg, Twiggstown, Md.; "Sons of Rest," Gold Medal, to best all around athlete, Carl Trigg; Second Honors in Latin Oratorical Contest, Gold Medal, Carl Trigg.

Literary Societies Oratorical Contest: Merrill Trophy—Irving Society, Orators, Harry Spurgeon Beall, Lay Hill, Md., and Chandler Sprague, Haverhill, Mass.; Newell Trophy, Philomathean Society, Essayists—Anna Fisher, Denton, Md.; Margaret Grace Dennis, Preston, Md.; Margaret Grace Dennis, Trustee, through Rev. Hugh L. Elderidge then bestowed upon Prof. William R. McDaniel, vice-president of the college, the honorary degree of doctor of science. The honorary degree of doctor of divinity was conferred on Rev. E. H. Van Dyke, now a missionary in Japan.

Dr. Ira Remsen, president of Johns Hopkins University, delivered an eloquent address on the differences between a college and a university. First however he congratulated Dr. Lewis in behalf of the trustees and faculty of Johns Hopkins University, and wished him long years more of good work for the college. Dr. Remsen explained that a college is disciplinary and preparatory. Its function is to furnish the necessary ground work upon which the studies of the professions or the activities of life are based. The university furnishes opportunities for those who wish to take up professional studies, as in theology, medicine, law or teaching. He said that it is coming to be the case more and more that medical students are required to have the good preliminary training provided by well equipped colleges; also that a similar change is pending in legal education.

The university is a place where those of scholarly tendency may go for the purpose of developing their powers to the fullest extent.

After this address Dr. W. R. McDaniel, on behalf of the trustees and faculty, presented a fine oil painting of Dr. Lewis. He spoke of the zealous efforts Dr. Lewis had put forth for the college and briefly reviewed the life of Dr. Lewis. The painting, which is a very fine one, being the work of Miss Marie de Ford Keller, was then unveiled by Dr. Lewis' little granddaughter, Mary Hamilton Veasey. It shows Dr. Lewis in his gown and wearing his scarlet, olive-lined hood seated by a table on which there are

a number of volumes. The figure is full of character and strength and is a remarkably fine likeness.

Dr. Joshua W. Hering presided over the rest of the exercises which were given over to addresses highly congratulatory of Dr. Lewis' faithful administration of the college.

On behalf of the members of the State Board of Education, of which Dr. Lewis is a member, Col. W. S. Powell, of Ellicott City, presented a handsome loving cup to Dr. Lewis. Prof. James W. Reese spoke in behalf of the faculty; William C. Coulbourne, president of the class of 1911 for the undergraduates; Lynn R. Meekins, Editor of the Baltimore Star, for the alumni and Daniel Baker, of Baltimore, for the trustees.

Dr. Lewis then arose and gave a brief verbal expression of his appreciation, speaking of the hard work required and of the hearty co-operation he has had.

Benediction was pronounced by Rev. F. T. Tagg, of Baltimore.

An elaborate home-coming dinner followed the exercises, it was attended by over 300 friends, graduates and former students of the college, and was a thoroughly delightful occasion. Farson's Orchestra from Baltimore rendered fine music during the banquet and played the accompaniment to several songs written in honor of the event, and sung by the diners.

The dinner was a most enjoyable and made a short speech congratulating Dr. Lewis, and saying pleasant things of the college and of Carroll county. Other entertaining after-dinner speeches were made, and a number of classes gave their yells, and manifested much college enthusiasm.

The Home-Coming dinner was the closing event in the most successful and enjoyable commencement in the history of the college.

After eating a light dinner, the bunch proceeded in the afternoon, to the State Road, where the hook and ladder contest was to be held. This race course was a heavier upgrade than the course of the morning. As the hook and ladder was a great deal heavier than the hose carriage, we thought that we were up against it for sure. But each man determined to do his best.

Meyersdale, our closest opponents in the morning race, were so confident in winning the hook and ladder contest, that they made no secret of it, but boasted about it continually. They ran and their time was 37 1-5 seconds, this was good time considering the uphill run.

It was our turn next. As we walked down the course, preparatory to running we could hear the spectators, commenting upon our lightness; and not a person in the crowd thought that we had a ghost of a chance. But there was a surprise in store for them, and we proved to them, beyond a shadow of a doubt, that it does not take size to win; but grit and endurance. For, we beat Meyersdale out by two seconds. R. Billingslea, our ladder scaler, displayed the same old form that he did at Frostburg three years previous. For hardly had the ladder touched the ground, before he was up it, his hand grasping the top round. Hagerstown came second, and Meyersdale the "boasters," third. This race proved, that there was no quitter among us. The crowd knew that we were the winning team, when they saw us coming down the line, for every man, woman, and child cheered us as we neared the finish. They knew our handicap, and they admired us for the good fight that we were putting up. Everyone was for us.

The fourth and last event, was the 100 yard dash. In this race, Levine Billingslea, was chosen to represent our team. On account of this being his first race, he was a little slower getting off than his more experienced opponents. But he demonstrated that he was the best runner among them, by finishing as he did a little ahead of the Meyersdale man.

The judges said, "Billingslea, of Westminster wins the race, time 14-4-5 seconds." At this decision the Meyersdale bunch raised a howl. The race was close, but there was no doubt that it belonged to Westminster. However, the other companies entered, disputed it, saying, "that it was a tie heat." Rather than have a lot of contention, and knowing as we did, that Billingslea was the best man among them, we decided to let him run the race over; for, we had already won three first prizes.

And as the first prize in this event was only \$10, and as Billingslea was already sure of second if he lost to the Meyersdale man, the race was run over. But the fates were against us. In starting Billingslea slipped, and his opponent got such a start that it was impossible to make it up. Although gaining on him at every stride, it was impossible for our man to recover the lost ground.

We, the reel team, wish to thank all our Westminster friends for our reception on our return. We wish to thank the other members of the Fire Department for the manner in which they stuck to us. Their interest in us was no doubt largely responsible to a great extent for our victory. Above all we wish to extend to Captain Diffendal our hearty appreciation of his capable management of the team. And also to thank Harry K. Shaeffer for his interest in the team as well.

The meet was a successful one from every point of view. The weather was ideal, the town was elaborately decorated, and the proverbial Maryland hospitality was everywhere in evidence.

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## Westminster Brings Home the Bacon.

For the Advocate.

Westminster Fire Department Reel team won \$220 at the State Firemen's Convention held at Lonaconing, Md., on the 7th, 8th and 9th of June, taking three first places and two second places.

On Thursday morning, the 8th of June, the Westminster Fire Department left for Lonaconing, Md., to attend the annual convention, and to enter the athletic events, which usually occupy an important place in the convention's program. Our team this year was lighter than usual, and for this reason our friends were skeptical about our chances of bringing anything home with us. But never have the boys shown more interest in the reel and hook and ladder team than this year. We do not boast of any star performer. Every man on the team was a worker. And Captain Diffendal is to be congratulated upon his capable management of the team.

Friday, the day of the races, was an ideal day, the sun shone brightly, and the sky was as clear as a crystal. The pure mountain air had a bracing effect on everyone.

The first race to be run was the reel race. In this race, each company runs 250 yards, lays 50 yards of hose, connects to plug, breaks coupling and attaches nozzle to hose ready for water.

We drew first place. The race course was a stiff upgrade. In view of the fact, that we were the lightest team entered, we were handicapped more than the heavier teams. The team that we feared the most was the Meyersdale team. This was composed of husky men. Our aggressiveness looked like a bunch of boys before the race, but when the race was under way, it was as if we were nothing to it, as far as Meyersdale was concerned.

However, it was on this upgrade run that our hard practice showed up. For we not only made better time than any other team, but we made a better run and a stronger finish than our heavier opponents. The time for the run, break and coupling was 39 4-5 seconds. Fast time and under the conditions, exceptionally good. Meyersdale came second, with 40 2-5 seconds.

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## ASSESSMENT OF CARROLL

### The Increase Since 1910 is \$7,339,129

#### EXEMPTIONS WERE MADE UPON FARMING IMPLEMENTS LESS THAN \$300.

##### The Total Valuation on Real and Personal Property, Foreign Stocks, Bonds, is \$25,454,431.

Below is given the tables of the new assessment recently made for Carroll county which was completed this week. The total assessable property amounts to \$25,454,431, against 18,115,302, showing an increase of \$7,339,129.

Districts	Real	Personal	Foreign Stocks, Bonds, &c.	Exempt
Taneytown	\$1,753,689	\$407,580	\$397,674	\$38,416
Uniontown	1,249,562	287,129	378,792	27,880
Myers	1,098,688	216,554	242,536	8,583
Wooley's	1,244,149	256,085	156,714	40,910
Freedom	935,535	230,406	129,335	12,840
Manchester	1,578,707	412,583	544,283	66,900
Westminster	3,524,275	670,256	1,213,959	36,811
Hampstead	1,049,273	203,654	187,097	2,225
Franklin	539,576	149,422	65,901	11,550
New Windsor	1,342,091	315,459	325,784	25,100
Union Bridge	954,958	169,895	302,283	5,804
Mt. Airy	576,116	148,713	71,825	6,530
Berrett	736,756	178,432	106,225	22,535
Totals	\$17,395,700	3,836,776	\$4,532,204	\$310,249
	5,326,527	310,249		
	4,532,204	3,526,527		

Net Grand Total.....\$25,454,431

The exemptions, made in accordance with the law are upon farming implements less than \$300 in value and hence come under the head of personal property, and are deducted from the total of that species assessed.

The net grand totals by districts, as compared with the taxable basis of 1910, are as follows:

Districts	1911.	1910.	Increase.
Taneytown	2,250,527	1,715,713	804,814
Uniontown	1,837,603	1,381,637	505,966
Myers	1,549,195	1,128,250	420,945
Wooley's	1,616,038	1,175,645	440,393
Freedom	1,282,436	880,773	401,663
Manchester	2,478,873	1,609,538	869,335
Westminster	5,371,879	4,008,000	1,363,879
Hampstead	1,437,799	1,070,115	367,684
Franklin	743,289	552,692	190,597
Middleburg	1,334,424	996,218	338,206
New Windsor	2,022,234	1,459,062	563,172
Union Bridge	1,421,332	804,433	616,899
Mt. Airy	790,124	592,842	197,282
Berrett	998,878	740,336	258,542
Total	\$25,454,431	\$18,115,302	\$7,339,129

Included are the basis of 1910 were bonds, private securities, &c., amounting to \$625,811, taxable at the rate of 30 cents on \$100. State tax will be payable on the entire assessment of 1911, but for county purposes the county commissioners will probably make a reduction to 30 cents on the \$100 on a portion if not the whole of the foreign stocks, bonds, &c. The basis for the levy this year will vary to some extent from the assessment, on account of transfers and abatements made. Since the assessors reports were filed, but the variation will be slight.

## COURT HOUSE NEWS.

### TRANSFERS OF REAL ESTATE—MARRIAGE LICENSES.

#### County Commissioners Inspect Roads

##### Transfers of Real Estate.

Mary Cora Smith executrix, to Joshua Smith, conveys 126 acres, for \$7056.

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Wm. Davis to Albert F. Arrington, conveys property, for \$400.

Adam M. Kalbach and wife to Frank H. Garner, convey 45 acres, 3 rods and 4 perches, for \$562.50.

Benjamin D. Kemper, sheriff, to Union Bridge Banking and Trust Company, conveys 63 acres and 38 1/2 perches, for \$2000.

Sarah C. Trump to W. Frank Thomas, conveys property, for \$5.

W. Frank Thomas and wife to Elizabeth and Sarah Trump, convey property, for \$5.

##### Marriage Licenses.

John W. Hillbridge, and Hilda E. Haines, both of Uniontown, Md.

Milton H. Haller, Silver Run, and Susan S. Maus, Tyrone.

John A. Harman and Elsie Poulson, both of Carroll county.

Frederick N. Gardner and Elizabeth A. Freshill, both of Baltimore.

##### County Commissioners.

The County Commissioners have been inspecting bridges and roads in various districts and find some good work done in some of the districts. They have recommended a new steel bridge in district No. 5, on the road from Sykesville to Henryton road: also a bridge over Roaring Run. On Wednesday of this week they were in Manchester district and ordered a new bridge at McCollough, near Alesia. They also want the roads from Manchester to Hampstead and from Manchester to Pennsylvania line put in better condition and also the York Road, all of which lead in to Manchester and Hampstead.

The County Commissioners are adding another improvement to the County Almshouse by putting down concrete instead of the old brick pavement, which was in bad condition. This will add very much to the county home. Paul Case is the contractor.

##### Orphans' Court.

Monday, June 12.—Letters of administration on the estate of Adeline C. Hyde, deceased, granted unto William H. A. Hyde, who received order to notify creditors.

Julia A. V. McQuay, administrator, w. a. of William H. McQuay, deceased, settled her first and final account.

Daniel D. Sharrer, and John Milton Reifsnider, executors of Jacob Sharrer, of Joseph, deceased, settled their second and final account.

The last will and testament of Ann Elizabeth Adams, deceased, admitted to probate, and letters testamentary

##### Why, Indeed!

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##### Commencement Dance.

On Wednesday evening a very enjoyable dance was held in the Post Office Hall. There was a large attendance, owing to the number of out of town people who had come to this city to attend the Commencement exercises. The guests began to arrive at nine o'clock and soon were gliding over the floor to the good dance music which Miss Shriver and Mr. Williams always play. Messrs Gill and Walker, of the College, had charge of the arrangements. Those present were Misses Sue Billingslea, Eleanor Fouke, Hilda Devillish, Mary Gehr, Alice Miller, Harriet Miller, Helen Bacon, Caroline Billingslea, Margaret Beacham, Dorothy Albaugh, Jessie Shaw, Mary Richardson, Henrietta Rupp, Margaret Bennett, Mrs. Fuller, Washington, D. C.; Miss Kilmer, Williamsport; Etta Kemp, Baltimore; Mildred Hudson, Baltimore; Helen Hooper, Alice Treway, Havre de Grace; Miss Mullinix, Frederick; Miss Runkles, Mt. Airy; Miss Clark, Miss Chapin, Pasadena; Miss Stormstedt, Washington, and Miss Shriver, Wilmington; Messrs. Barth, Phillips, Treisler, Hagerstown; Selby, Mt. Airy; Phelps, Daub, Hagerstown; Riggan, White, Gibson, Mt. Airy; Walker, Walkersville; Hood, Mt. Airy; Blair, Hagerstown; Twigg, Gibbs, De Witt Simpson, William Simpson, Benj. Bonebrake, Baltimore; Edward Brundige, Francis Reese, Smith Billingslea, Edwin Gehr, Charles O. Clemson, Chester Baile, J. Carbery Boyle, Roberts Thomas, E. M. Newton, James W. Beacham, Jr., John Edwards, Charles Richardson, Robert Gill and Clarke Coulbourne.

##### Miss Alice Miller Entertains.

On Friday afternoon, June 3, Miss Alice Miller entertained a number of her friends at an afternoon tea, at her home on Centre street, from four to five o'clock.

Mrs. Frank Powers assisted Miss Miller in receiving, and among others present were Mrs. Frank Z. Miller, Misses Caroline and Sue Billingslea, Dorothy Albaugh, Eleanor Reifsnider, Frances Seabrook, Eugenie and Eleanor Fouke, Lella Schaeffer, Stella and Bettie Knapp, Helen Bacon, Marianna Albaugh, Margaret Beacham, Isabelle and Henrietta Rupp, Ruth Richardson, and Mary and Helen Larrimore.

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