

## Local and Personal.

This is meant to be a purely local news column, to which the RECORD invites contributions. Events of local importance—whether current or in the near future, accidents, cases of extreme illness, society and church happenings, marriages, deaths, etc., should be reported to the Editor in writing; otherwise they may not appear.

Mrs. John Fair, this district, is ill with a complication of troubles.

Mr. Arnold, of Baltimore, is a visitor at P. S. Hiltner's, near town.

A sister of Mrs. Rev. J. O. Clippinger, living near Chambersburg, Pa., died on Thursday morning.

It is reported that Rev. G. W. McSherry and family will remove, next week, to their new home at Boiling Springs, Pa.

Mrs. V. Ruebsam, the mother of Mrs. Prof. H. Meier, died at her home in Washington, on Tuesday, interment being on Thursday.

Howard Myers, of Trevanion, was in town on Wednesday, for the first time since his injury over six months ago, and is now apparently in perfect health.

Rev. J. O. Clippinger who has been severely afflicted during the past week, is at this time somewhat improved, and in a few days will be able to sit up again.

Now that school has closed, the mind of "young America" is sure to turn to baseball—that is, the part which don't have to help plant corn and "taters, and such like.

Our merchants are now well stocked up with new spring goods, and anticipate a good season's trade. Money is comparatively easy and goods cheap, so why should not business be good?

The members of the Junior C. E. Society of Grace Reformed church, participated in an egg hunt at the parsonage on Monday evening. The young people enjoyed themselves hugely.

Nearly everybody who uses our Special Notice column tells us that "it paid." Certainly it does. Whenever you have something that somebody else wants, it pays to let them know it.

Master Oliver Lambert was ran over by a colt, on Tuesday last, and knocked senseless. For a time, it was feared that he was seriously injured internally, but fortunately escaped with severe bruises.

It is said that the Western Maryland Co., will place several telephones here in the near future. Probably a little concession on both sides would result in placing back as many as have been taken out.

Mrs. Mary A. Golden (nee Wivell), relict of William Golden (who died just six years ago), a native and a resident of this section of the county upwards of forty-three years, attained her eightieth year, Thursday, 14th.

Geo. H. Birnie & Co., Bankers, have put in a long distance, or Chesapeake and Potomac, telephone, in addition to the Western Maryland 'phone. There are now five subscribers to the long distance service, in this place.

Charles Clark was in Baltimore this week, buying stock and tools with which to open a harness shop in Thurmont. We wish the young man success, and commend him to the good people of Thurmont as deserving liberal patronage.

Both the Reformed and Lutheran churches of this place held special Easter services last Sunday evening. At the former, Filmore's "Easter day" service was used, while at the latter, the Cantata, "The King Triumphant," was rendered.

The buggy and wagon sale of Franklin Bowersox attracted a great crowd of people here last Saturday. Among other items, twenty-two buggies were sold; everything seemed to bring satisfactory prices—but sales everywhere have been good this spring.

There is considerable store box and tobacco juice war talk going on, here and elsewhere, which is very patriotic and entertaining, but we have not learned that the Baltimore recruiting office has been over-crowded. Walk up to the Captain's desk, boys, or reef your tongues.

Milton L. Fair, Lake City, Iowa, in renewing his subscription, says: "You ought to see our town booming. It is way ahead of Taneytown—have fine water-works, good telephone system and next month the town will be lit up all over with electric lights. I have all the work I can do, carpentering—at \$2.50 a day."

On Wednesday night, April 20th., at 7.30, the Pilgrim Band will deliver an illustrated lecture on John Bunyan's Pilgrims Progress in Grace Reformed church. The lecture will be delivered free of charge, except a collection will be taken up when the service is concluded. The above should not be missed by any one. The Pilgrim Band has lectured in over 700 churches throughout the country and always with good results following.

Rev. Ephraim Angell, of Tipton, Iowa, writes the RECORD, as follows: "Arrived at Chicago, Thursday evening, at my son Charlie's, and found my daughter Mrs. Maggie Eck, of Spokane, there awaiting me, much to my surprise. We all started for Tipton on Monday, where we were met and conveyed home. On Tuesday, which was the 28th anniversary of our marriage, the G. A. R. boys and W. R. C. came in until the house was full, and tendered us a reception which all enjoyed very much. Mrs. Angell received a handsome parlor table as a token of their regard."

## COUNTY AND STATE.

News Notes of General Interest from various Sources.

The Maryland Game Association will issue a pamphlet containing the new game laws, about which there is much doubt, as the law recently passed applies fully to only a few counties.

Carroll County C. E. Union will hold its annual session in the Pleasant Lutheran church, Rev. Wm. H. Ehrhart, pastor, on May 25, 26 and 27. A good program has been arranged.

The freight traffic on the western system of the Western Maryland Railroad is very heavy just now. The yards at Shippensburg a few days ago were blocked with freight for twenty-four hours.

The Middle Conference of the W. H. & F. Missionary Society of the Lutheran church, will meet on April 27th, at Middletown, Md., Rev. M. L. Beard, pastor in charge. Miss D. Kugler, returned medical missionary will make the evening address.

Rev. Oliver M. Ruark, formerly of Middleburg, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church of Williamsport, Md., while riding a bicycle to Martinsburg, near the latter place, met with an accident, and was painfully injured. He is still confined to bed, and unable to return home.

Rev. Dr. F. W. Conrad, for many years editor of the *Lutheran Observer*, died Sunday at his residence in Philadelphia. Dr. Conrad was taken ill a week ago. At first it was believed that with careful nursing he could be pulled through, but his advanced age was against him and he succumbed to the attack at 8 o'clock in the evening.

Naval Academy officers express great admiration for Consul-General Lee, and predict further honors for the Virginian. The course of President McKinley is also commended. The greatest interest is exhibited for war news. Twenty recruits for the navy have thus far been enlisted in Annapolis, seventeen of whom have been ordered to sea service.

Joseph A. Ramsburg, nurseryman of Frederick city, says he has inspected a number of blossoms of the early fruit trees in Frederick county and was unable to see that much damage had been done by the recent frost. He considers that the blossoms are in a very good condition, and if there is nothing further to blast them, the indications are that there will be a large crop of early fruit in Frederick county.

The Frederick Examiner says: "The Western Maryland Telephone Company purchased on the 5th, instant, from the Western Union Telegraph Company the poles on the old line to Boonsboro. This will close the gap between Hagerstown and Shepherdstown, W. V., for the telephone line. Beyond Shepherdstown there are poles lying along the pike to carry the line to Martinsburg, W. Va."

The commission of Benjamin H. Blackston, postmaster at Frederick City, expired April 5, and as yet his successor has not been appointed. There are two applicants for the position, Garrett S. DeGrange, treasurer of the republican county central committee, and C. L. C. Lampe. As both are being advocated by opposite factions of the republican party, there are many who believe the appointment will not be announced until after the municipal election, which is to be held in Frederick City on the 19th.

At Eckhart mines, on Tuesday, a pay car of the Cumberland and Pennsylvania Railroad arrived there to pay their men. As is usually the custom, everybody wanted to get on the car to get their money first, and before the car had come to a standstill a rush was made by the men to get on the platform. Joseph Williams, a fifteen-year-old boy, was caught in the rush by the men and forced under the wheels of the car and his leg was crushed off. He was saved from death by a man who saw him forced under the car and succeeded in getting his body from under the wheels.

The one and a-half story frame warehouse building at Chewsville, owned by Mr. B. Abner Betts, a member of the Legislature, and used as a station by the Western Maryland railroad, burned to the ground Thursday of last week between 1 and 2 o'clock entailing a loss of several thousand dollars. The building was insured. The building was struck but a few feet from the railroad track and sparks from a passing engine lit upon the shingle roof and set fire to the building. The railroad telegraph office is located in the station, and so rapidly did the fire spread that the operator, Mr. George Diefenbaugh, narrowly escaped with his life.

Lewis D. Syester has been employed by James Ardinger, father of Otto Ardinger, the newsboy arrested at the instance of John Livers of Gettysburg, Pa., charged with certifying a purse containing money, certificates, bonds, and Ohio train, to bring suit against Constable Rowland, and his bond, and against Mr. Livers for damages to reputation and loss of time. Mr. Livers was notified that unless he made reparation suit would be brought, and he offered \$1.50 to settle. This was declined. He was told that he would have to publish in Hagerstown papers that he did young Ardinger an injustice, and also pay a suitable sum for loss of time and damages.

## DOUBLE PIPE CREEK FIRE.

The Grain Elevator again Totally Destroyed by Fire.

On Monday, at 9.30 a. m., the hay shed attached to the depot was discovered to be on fire, by men at work there. It is said that within forty-five minutes after the outburst of "Fire," the hay shed, warehouse elevator, depot and ticket office lay in ashes, and the fire under control. By the heroic efforts of the men and women of the town, and those who saw the fire, the stabling of Mr. Martin L. Egle and Mrs. E. J. Buckley were saved. The wind then changed more north, and had it not been for the steel roof on Mr. Buckley's house, it could not have been saved.

The building used one time as a creamery, burnt, together with some lumber around the depot. The rest of the lumber that was on fire was scattered, and the fire put out. Mr. C. B. Anders' loss is over \$4,000, on building, machinery and elevator, insurance on building, \$8,000. (J. W. Barwick, who operated the elevator, is reported to have an insurance of \$4,400, on contents, which will likely cover his loss.—Ed.)

**Death of Mr. Joseph Kelley.**  
Mr. Joseph Kelley, whose sickness from pneumonia was mentioned locally last week, died at about 1 o'clock on Sunday morning, having been in bed but three days. Mr. Kelley was a gentleman of sterling integrity and quiet demeanor, and since his residence in Taneytown has made many warm friends, who, with his immediate family, mourn his loss. He was a cooper by trade, a first-class mechanic, industrious beyond the average and a man whose habits and character, in every particular, were above suspicion.

Funeral services were held at Sams Creek M. P. church, near McKinstry's on Tuesday morning, the sermon being preached by Rev. D. Frank Garland, of Taneytown Lutheran church. He leaves a widow and four children, two of which live in this place, Miss Joanna and Mrs. Archie A. Crouse, and Mrs. Alice Ogle and Mr. John Kelley of New Windsor. He was in his 74th year.

**An Anatomical Wonder.**  
A Mr. Fitzgerald gave an exhibition at the office of Dr. F. H. Seiss, on Friday evening last, to a few invited spectators, of the wonderful power he is able to exercise over his muscles and joints. He unjointed, successively, his shoulders, elbows, wrists, hips, and knee and ankle joints, giving as many as six dislocations at one time. The non-professional is both unable to appreciate and describe the many feats he performed, but can readily understand that he is, as he claims to be, a world-wide anatomical wonder.

He has exhibited himself in all the leading medical colleges of the country and has at innumerable times posed as a subject before classes of medical students for some Professor to lecture on. His name also appears in a number of the leading text books on surgery, which is abundant proof that he is wonderfully made. Apparently, his muscles are elastic, like rubber, and in addition has the necessary control over them to "break himself up" at will, without any apparent injury. He says he is fifty-five years of age, but does not look to be over forty.

Last Friday evening William Cromer, a brakeman on the Frederick Division Pennsylvania railroad, whilst getting a pin from the tender to make a coupling, had his right hand caught by the bumpers. His third finger was crushed and little finger was split open. He was taken to his home at Littlestown, where Dr. E. K. Foreman, the company's surgeon, dressed the fingers.

**MARRIED.**  
WEAVER—FAIR.—On April 9th., '98 near Uniontown, by Elder Solomon Stoner, Mr. William H. Weaver to Miss Louisa M. Fair, both of near Taneytown.

**DIED.**  
Obituaries, poetry and resolutions, charged for at the rate of five cents per line. The regular death notices published free of charge.

**FISCAL.**—On March 7th., '98, near McKinstry, Miss Cordelia J. Fisel, aged 40 years, 6 months and 13 days.

**KELLEY.**—On March 10th, in Taneytown, Mr. Joseph Kelley, aged 73 years and 1 month.

**Church Notices.**  
Communion service will be held in the Uniontown Lutheran church as follows: Uniontown, April 17th; Mt. Union, April 24th; Baust, May 1st; Winters, May 8th. Preparatory service in the respective churches on the Saturday previous, at 2.30 p. m. G. W. BAUGHMAN, Pastor.

Professor J. B. Brumbaugh, of Juniata College, Huntingdon, Pa., will preach in Union Bridge German Baptist church, Saturday evening 10th, inst., and on Sunday morning at Union Bridge. Services at 7.30 in the evening. All are invited.

No preventing Providence, Bishop Dickson, of Chambersburg, Pa., will preach in the Taneytown Messiah U. B. church, next Sabbath, at 10 o'clock a. m., and in the Harney U. B. church, at 7.30 p. m. All are cordially invited to attend. J. O. CLIPPINGER, Pastor.

Uniontown Church of God; Sabbath School at 9 a. m.; preaching at 10.15; in the evening at 7.15. At Mayberry, at 2.30 p. m. The church at Mayberry will give an Easter entertainment on Saturday evening, April 16th, beginning at 7.30. S. B. CRAFT, Pastor.

## WAR NOT YET DECLARED.

The Senate not in a Hurry to Vote on Intervention.

Briefly, the war situation is held in check by the Senate, the House having practically declared war on Wednesday. The vote in the Senate is not expected before Saturday, when it is thought a resolution identical to that passed by the House will be adopted. There is a feeling on the part of some that Spain's armistice should be given a trial, but very few think that it can result in the peaceful solution desired by this country.

Some think that because war has not been openly declared, peace is nearer. This is not correct, as the relative positions of the United States and Spain are as far apart as ever, so far as the absolute freedom of Cuba is concerned. The armistice proposed for Cuba, still means Spanish control, which this government cannot allow without a distinct back-down from its position. Although in "statu quo" the fact still remains that war can only be averted by the unconditional withdrawal of Spain from Cuba—something not likely—leaving the real situation exactly as it has been from the beginning.

General Lee likely gave the exact situation when he expressed his belief before the Foreign Relations Committee that "the battleship *Maine* was blown up by a submarine mine, and that some of the Spanish officers who had charge of the electrical wires and torpedoes in the arsenal at Havana, were responsible for the explosion. General Lee gave it as his opinion that a blockade of Havana would result in the early surrender of the city. He described the Spanish army as being without discipline. He did not think the armistice proclaimed by General Blanco would be accepted by the insurgents or have any effect upon the situation in Cuba."

**An Interesting Collection.**

(For the RECORD.)  
Possibly a great many of our readers have visited the jewelry store of Mr. G. M. Hyder, in Westminster, and noticed several stuffed birds and animals in the store; but it would be well worth the trouble for anyone to visit his home and examine his collection, which is enough to make the heart of the naturalist swell within him. Mr. Hyder is an experienced taxidermist, in addition to his passion for collecting. On entering the door the first thing that meets your view, is a large owl that looks as if he was just going to ask you "hoo" you are. At every turn one sees birds, opossums and raccoons—all rare specimens of the taxidermist's skill.

As far as we know Mr. Hyder has every kind of bird native to Maryland from a tiny humming bird to the skeleton of a crane seven feet high. This crane was captured on Englewood's dam, near Union Bridge, some years ago. Owing to some bones being broken, it could not be stuffed and only the skeleton is preserved, which is certainly a wonder to any one caring for such things. In addition to these things Mr. H. is the possessor of a red bird, which, like the barber's stuffed owl, "gets down from its perch." This bird and its mate was captured by Mr. Hyder on Quaker Hill, near Union Bridge, sixteen years ago. The female is dead, but the male, who is of a very pugnacious disposition, is still alive although he is a great sufferer from rheumatism and does not sing very much any more. Mr. Hyder has a great many other curiosities and relics, besides his collection of birds and animals.

**Orphans' Court Proceedings.**  
MONDAY, April 11th., 1898.—Jacob H. Lambert, administrator of Emanuel Lambert, deceased, received order to transfer mortgage.

Mary E. Armacoast, administratrix pendente lite, of Cornelius Armacoast, returned additional list of debts, inventory of personal property and settled first and final account.

Letters of administration on the estate of Cornelius Armacoast, granted to Mary E. Armacoast, Ellen S. Elsewood and Columbus Elsewood.

Last will and testament of Mary Glennan admitted to probate.

TUESDAY, April 13th., 1898.—John Husebaugh, Jr., executor of John Husebaugh, returned inventory of personal property.

Daniel B. Saylor, executor of Catherine Cheeseman, settled second and final account.

Letters of administration on the estate of David Knodle, granted to Edward O. Weaver.

Noah Yoost and Henry Hemphing, executors of Valentine Yoost, returned additional list of sales personal property and additional statement of cash and settled first and final account.

**Grafting Wax.**

(For the RECORD.)  
The following request appeared in last week's RECORD from Bark Hill: "Will some one tell us how to make a good grafting wax?" The following I find very good; four parts rosin, two parts bees wax and one part tallow.

I also wish to say, for the benefit of those interested in fruit-growing, that I find it much better, in grafting, not to split the wood in order to insert the scion. I have been very successful the past year by simply opening the bark with the scion slanting and pressing the bark firmly around it then cover with wax.

The old way of splitting the wood leaves a place which never becomes solid, and will, in course of time, decay. I think the new method much better, and will be pleased to show any one how it is done.

J. A. ANGELL.  
Harney, Md., April 11, '98.

## UNION BRIDGE NEWS.

An Interesting Easter Service and other News Items.

The annual Easter service of the Reformed church Sunday school was held at the church last Sunday eve, with the service as follows: Organ voluntary, Miss Mary Ropp; anthem, "The Lord is risen indeed," by choir; singing, "His word endureth forever," by school; invocation; singing, "He is faithful that promised," scripture lesson; creed; prayer by Pastor; singing, "Joyfully Sing," by school; recitation by Mary Stoner; exercise, "The Bow of Promise," by a class of girls; singing, "Come and trust Him," by school; singing by primary class, "Lift up, O little children," exercise, "Bring garlands," and "I believe," by a class of girls and boys; singing, "Marching in the way of truth," by a class of boys; singing, "The Lord of Life is Risen," by school; responsive reading; anthem by choir, "Jesus knows it all," address by pastor and recitation by Charles O. Clemson, of W. M. College; solo, "Trust him to-day," by Myrtle Gilbert; recitation, "What can his children offer," singing, "Giving song," by infant class; offering; solo, "The Holy City," by Clarence C. Clemson; responsive reading; singing, "Thou ever living King," by school; doxology and benediction.

Miss Jennie Smith, the Northern Railway evangelist, has been holding a series of meetings in the M. E. church of this place. Miss Jennie has been successful in turning a few souls to Christ. On Tuesday and Wednesday noon's she held half-hour services in the railroad shops. Another meeting was held at the shops yesterday, and she will hold another to-day. On Wednesday night, a sermon was preached to Monocacy Tribe of Red men. Meeting at the church Sunday morning, afternoon and night.

Mr. Clarence Miller, traveling salesman, spent Sunday with his brother, Charles Miller.

W. M. R. engine No. 45 arrived at the shops Monday from Philadelphia.

The Fire Company will begin their opening fair and festival, June 1st, in the Firemen's Hall.

Our concert band will have their annual concert, May 5th., and will run an excursion to Baltimore, May 12th.

While at play on the school ground on Tuesday, little James Schindler had the misfortune to fall and break his arm. James is one of Miss Eppley's pupils, and this is the first accident of any kind that has ever happened in her school, during five years experience as teacher.

Rev. R. L. Patterson, Mr. R. O. Fuss and Mrs. S. Eppley attended the Executive Committee meeting of the Y. P. S. C. E. in Westminster, on Saturday last.

The Easter services at the Lutheran and Reformed churches on Sunday evening were beautifully rendered and well attended.

Mrs. Hannah Saylor has been quite ill at the home of her son, Mr. Reuben Saylor, near town.

Miss Byrde Myers, of Western Maryland College, spent the Easter holidays at home, accompanied by three of her friends.

**Song and Easter Service.**

(For the RECORD.)  
A very interesting Endeavor Service of song and story was given at Mt. Union Lutheran church, Tuesday evening. Familiar and soul-stirring hymns, such as "Jesus Lover of my Soul," "Just as I am," "Sweeping thro' the Gates," "Nearer Home," "The Heroes of the Maine," "Home, Sweet Home" and others, were rendered by the choir. Interesting incidents relating to the hymns and the writers, were read by different members of the society. The pastor, Rev. G. W. Baughman gave a brief address on Hymnology.

A very interesting Easter service was rendered Easter evening in the Lutheran church of Uniontown. The program used was prepared by the Church Extension Board, and was well rendered by the choir and members of the primary classes. Collection amounted to \$8.35.

**Middleburg.**

The beautiful home of Mr. R. V. Walden was the scene of a most enjoyable event, long to be remembered by the thirty-five of Mr. Walden's friends—whom he most royally entertained—from New York, Baltimore and Westminster, on last Friday. The day was perfect, and every effort was put forth by the kind host and hostess for the pleasure of the visitors.

After having viewed the lovely home, the horses and racing, they returned to the house and indulged in all the good things, so bountifully spread before them, which the city markets could afford, and then wended their way to Middleburg station, where they took the fast mail for their homes.

Bunyan's Pilgrim Band gave an illustrated lecture in the M. E. church here last Saturday evening, which was highly appreciated by the crowd of people, who gathered to hear them. Some fine singing, consisting of solo's etc., were rendered by the band, who also took charge of the singing at the services in the church on Sunday.

Rev. Reading, of Virginia, delivered two fine sermons to large and appreciative audiences last Sunday, and expects to remain in our midst for awhile. Next week he will hold a series of meetings, from which he is expecting successful results.

The beautiful weather of this week has been stirring the people in their gardens; it makes a great improvement in homes to have gardens and yards in neat order.

J. A. ANGELL.

Harney, Md., April 11, '98.

## Correspondence.

All communications for the RECORD must be signed by the writer's own name; no necessity for publication, but as an evidence that the matter and facts transmitted are legitimate and correct. Items of a mischievous character are not wanted.

**Woodboro.**

Quite a number of people from this vicinity received invitations to the marriage of Rev. Atville Conner and Miss Ada Stauffer, both of Walkersville, which took place in the Glade Reformed church at Walkersville, last Wednesday afternoon at quarter of three o'clock.

Mr. John Miller and family, of near Woodboro, moved to Frederick several weeks ago, where he expects to engage in merchandizing. His many friends here wish him success.

Miss Margie Steine, only child of Mr. and Mrs. Pierce Steine, died at her home near this place on Sunday morning, April 10th., of typhoid and brain fever, aged 6 years. Her funeral took place in the Reformed church, on Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock. Rev. Atville Conner officiating. Interment was made at Mount Hope cemetery.

The Easter service held at the Reformed church last Sunday afternoon was of a very interesting character, and was very largely attended.

Mr. Milton Gilbert is very ill at this writing.

Mr. Charlie Waltz, a prominent farmer of Walkersville, formerly of this place, and Miss Ella Hardy, daughter of Mr. Lewis Hardy, of this place, were quietly married at the Glade Reformed parsonage at Walkersville last Wednesday, April 6th.

Their many friends wish them a long, happy and prosperous life.

The recent cold weather has stopped the growth of vegetation in this vicinity, and we fear the entire fruit crop is destroyed.

Mrs. Myrtle Cutshall, beloved wife of Willie B. Cutshall, died at her home in Woodboro on Monday morning, April 11th., of a complication of diseases, aged 81 years. Mrs. Cutshall was a daughter of Mr. John L. Lough of this place, and was most highly esteemed by all who knew her. The sorrowing family have the sympathy of the entire community.

The deceased leaves a husband and three small children to mourn her loss; her funeral took place on Wednesday morning in the Reformed church, Rev. Hoffmann, of Mt. Pleasant, officiating. Interment was made at Mt. Hope cemetery; Adams & Powell were the funeral directors.

Mr. John Trout is reported very ill at this writing. Dr. Charlie Goldsborough, of Walkersville, is the attending physician.

Mr. Raymond Shank, who has been attending college at Mercersburg, is spending a few days at his home here.

Mr. Pinkey Richardson, school teacher at Oak Hill, is making extensive preparations for an entertainment to be given on April 15th., the closing day of school.

**Linwood.**

We ask the readers of the RECORD to accept an apology for non-appearance of items from this place last week. We were not asleep, as reported—only delighted entranced with the beautiful music of the graphophone that came to our house on the evening we collect our news for this paper. We were very sorry, as we wanted to notice several occurrences, particularly the Pilgrim Band that entertained us so delightfully two successive evenings at our Sunday school chapel.

Our Sunday school had special music for Easter Sunday, with addresses from our superintendents, Mr. Jesse Garner and Dr. Lee Royer. There was no program for the children as has been customary at Easter-tide on account of Mrs. Lewis Messler, (who has always had charge of training the children) not being able for the duties—that part was deferred until some time in the near future.

Miss Emma Snellman, of Baltimore, is home with her father, who is ill.

Miss Neely Fowble, of Baltimore, is spending some time with her sister, Mrs. Albaugh.

Our school at Priestland Academy closed on Friday 15th. Miss Helen Hibbard, a pupil of Miss Jane Ecker, will take up the summer school.

Mr. A. H. Schultz of Baltimore, spent the Easter holidays at Mr. E. L. Shriners.

Quite an exciting and amusing egg rolling contest took place at Linwood Shade, on Easter Monday; there were eggs of many colors. "Casey-at-the-bat," won the contest, by breaking the greatest number of eggs. Misses Ida and Alice Englar of Medford were in the party.

Miss Carrie Hoffman, who has been at school in Frederick, the past winter, accompanied by her friend Miss Kindley, spent the Easter holidays with her parents. On Monday evening, Mrs. Hoffman gave a tea in honor of her daughter, to a few of her friends; among the number were Misses Mary Messler, Rachel Repp, Lotta Englar, Bessie Rinehart and Susie Shriners.

Mr. Linwood correspondent of the Union Bridge *Carroll News*, allow me through the columns of the RECORD, to thank you for the poem in last week's issue of that paper dedicated to the Linwood correspondent of the RECORD. It was fully appreciated from the fact, that although a hill and stream (without a crossing) separate us, I still claim a place in your memory.

A meteoric shower is promised for the 20th. Watch for it.

## Harney.

Brother, since last we heard from you, we are informed that you had quite a conflagration, which resulted in the destruction of much of your valuable property. You will therefore be interested to hear that this is a double-edged sword, the great necessity of having a good supply of water, and the proper facilities for using it to a good advantage, but we are sorry to say that in this we are both deficient.

Harney has both long and roof ladders, and plenty of buckets which are kept stored away for use in such occasions, and on several occasions they did good work, but this would not be sufficient for a big fire. It seems that you are very unfortunate in the way of having property destroyed by the angry flames.

We are also informed that you are troubled quite frequently by a superfluous amount of water. Both fire and water are indispensable, but too much of either is injurious, as it has been clearly demonstrated in your instance. A former resident of yours informs me that upon one occasion his home was flooded, and that the entire lower part of his house was nothing but a mass of mud. This made it very unpleasant, and he did not look forward to the improvement of his house. A certain pedagogue also says that while he was employed in your midst, he was compelled to dismiss his school while he held the property out, to keep from being surrounded by water and thus having himself and school hemmed in for the night. This being the case, we believe it to be a good thing to have a good house, and we would suggest that you move it to a higher ground.

So, brother, you passed through our place, did you? Well, we are truly glad that you have been here; of course we are ashamed of our side of the road, and we are sure that the public of that fact upon any a bygone occasion, and when any one chooses to throw such things in our face, after the bold stand we have taken for improvement, we will quietly step back with a smile and say "chestnuts." But you will admit that it is far better, even if an occasional tear is forgotten by passing over uneven sidewalks, than to have our citizens walk upon the best brick pavements in the world, without even having a chance to hear a fustian in their midst. One thing we are proud of, and that is that it is not necessary for people to watch their wagons while they dine in our little town, and if the central traveler drove upon the embankment so that he could watch his wagon instead of trying to get out of the mud, he must have been very ably assisted by the surrounding water, and that his "popular weed" would be unlawfully tampered with during his absence. We are certain that the wagons would not have been damaged, even if it could not have been seen.

Yes, brother, we would certainly be sorry to think that such impressions were formed in the mind of any traveling man, in our town; then, to have a good citizen publicly make the impression that it is not safe to take your eyes off of a wagon, even while the driver is being lawfully supplied with the necessities of life, in broad daylight, does not improve the matter, but rather confirms the idea of the traveling man.

But, brother, perhaps you spoke thoughtlessly and without the intention of making any bad impression upon the public mind.

Yes, brother, our pond is of ancient date; its name was given away back in *Carrollian* days, and it was made during the reign of one who was then known as King David, chief ruler



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SATURDAY, APRIL 16th., 1898.

ONE of the impressive object lessons of the present trouble with Spain is the fact that the Americans have been compelled to seek safety in flight from Cuba, while the thousands of Spanish in this country have no fear, or cause for fear, of either their lives or property. No better illustration of the difference between the two nations could be given, and none more complimentary to our people could be conceived, as distinguished from the Spanish.

OUR PATRONS may not know it, but it is a fact, nevertheless, that we are continually refusing "fake" advertisements, and all sorts of deals with a trade as part pay, besides refusing all kinds of advertising business which does not pay us in cash as much as, or more than, home advertisers. We also refuse all contracts which tend to increase on the features which subscribers pay for—for instance, no one ever saw a paid advertisement on our first or news page. Local patrons should appreciate our efforts to preserve the standard of the Record from falling into the "get all you can" plan of many country papers. We must have advertising, of course, but so far, we have—thanks to a liberal home patronage—been able to date our own terms and present a decent looking sheet.

## A Question of Protection.

Two weeks ago we spoke of Electric Railroads, making the claim that the transportation facilities furnished by such roads is inimical to the business interests of the country merchant; that cheap and rapid transportation has the effect of carrying business to the larger towns, without leaving any compensation to country dealers. This position we have never yet seen successfully refuted, though we would gladly be convinced.

The same argument is seen exemplified in the present action of the Westminster merchants in effecting a combination with the object in view of preventing the numerous cheap excursions to Baltimore, instituted by, and for the benefit of, the business interests of the city—a means of draining the country to feed the city—and no one is bold enough to set up the counter claim that the Westminster, or other stores along the line of the road, are benefitted indirectly because of this cheap transportation.

We are willing to be convinced—that fact, no testimony is necessary—that this action is justifiable and logical on their part, from the merchant's view, yet have some doubts as to whether they would admit the same argument from the country merchant when a cross country Electric road would make Westminster a terminal, or station. Identical features exist in the two situations, the only difference being a shifting of interests.

While it is one of the most natural of laws in anything possessing life to try to preserve itself from injury and annihilation, it is equally natural, possibly, for one interest to prey on, and lack sympathy for, a weaker one—self preservation, and "big fish eat the little ones," are very near neighbors, and, necessarily, not peaceable ones. Whether, therefore, it be a question of injury from frequent railroad excursions, or daily electric road excursions, the same effort at self preservation is present.

The real point at issue is one which involves the whole world—the question of protection. Protective tariff laws, and protective general laws, are of the same piece as individual protection to body or interests, and the very nature of it precludes absolute settlement. The action of the Westminster merchants, therefore, is most natural, yet opens up a question for debate as interminable as that of a national protective tariff.

## Responsibility with Congress.

President McKinley, on Monday, transmitted his special message to Congress, placing on that body the responsibility of action on matters pertaining to the trouble with Spain. His course in so doing was no doubt wise—at least, it was politic. So far, the masses of the people have been with him, which means that he has truly represented the people—the highest ideal that any ruler can hope to reach—and no apparent disadvantage has materialized as the result of his delay.

The message is universally regarded as a concise and just presentation of the Cuban question from its inception; it contains a recitation of events, with the efforts adopted to meet them, which effectually relieves him and his advisers from the charges of weakness and vacillation which have been frequently and unfairly published; he opposes the recognition of belligerency and annexation, and suggests that some form of free government for Cuba be demanded.

In addition, he appreciates to the fullest extent the horrors of war, which has naturally caused a serious, rather than hot-headed, consideration of even the most aggravating series of events which could well confront a government so peaceably inclined, yet so well able to defend itself, as ours. As a whole, the message is in itself an important page of truthful and well written history, which does not contain a word or line to the discredit of the author, notwithstanding the force of the temptation to act less calmly. He has undoubtedly proven himself the able ruler of a great nation.

Should actual hostilities result, as seems now the probability beyond doubt, it would be a war without precedent, because a war founded on principle, for the benefit of an oppressed foreign neighbor. Wars are so generally for the acquisition of territory, or on account of rebellion, that one for humanity's sake stands unique. When we consider that there is no "string" to our high-toned position—no territory, or expect to gain any political advantage—the full realization of our standard of duty and compels a feeling of pride which even the most phlegmatic can scarcely deny.

**Rheumatism Cured.**  
My wife has used Chamberlain's Pain Balm for rheumatism with great relief, and I can recommend it as a splendid liniment for rheumatism and other household use for which we have found it valuable.—W. J. Cuyler, Red Creek, N. Y.

Mr. Cuyler is one of the leading merchants of this village and one of the most prominent men in this vicinity.—W. G. Phippin, Editor Red Creek Herald. For sale by R. S. McKinney, Druggist, Taneytown, Md.

**A Fire Lesson.**  
The burning of the Double Pipe Creek elevator is another object lesson, from which we will gather profit. The building of hay and straw sheds in connection with, or in close proximity to, other buildings, is practice which invites destruction to more valuable property, not only for the owner of the dangerous property, but others. The recent Taneytown fire, was a case in point, and the one of Monday is simply another among many which might be named.

Taneytown, and all other incorporated towns which possess the power, should pass building regulations which will prohibit the erection of hay and straw packing establishments within at least 100 feet of any other building, except one of a like character. Such laws are demanded by citizens and tax-payers not interested in a business operated through the means of highly combustible property, but decidedly interested in enforced protection to a reasonable extent to their own private and less dangerous property.

Buildings used for hay packing are always of frame—cheap, and in ill repair at that, as a rule—and besides are more or less open so that the contents are exposed to sparks and carelessly thrown matches. They are all so convenient to railroads, on account of shipping, consequently they stand as a constant menace to surrounding property, if not whole towns—a veritable powder magazine, waiting a spark to set it off. Warnings have been plenty enough; now we will see what good results will follow.

## Confidence in This Country.

This nation can assume a war expenditure of \$500,000,000, or even double that sum, if necessary, without being racked by financial troubles. The perfect understanding of this fact keeps business men and financiers reasonably cool. As a matter of fact, it may cost us only a part of the smaller sum to drive the Spanish back to their peninsula. In the first shock of announced hostilities the tendency is to magnify the actual danger.

Spain is really only formidable when battling at home. When compelled to send ships, men and supplies 4,000 miles, she is short of so much fighting power as to be a comparatively insignificant antagonist. Moreover, though the Spanish are brave, they are no longer a maritime people, such as Anglo-Saxons are. Their navies have produced only one great admiral during the past century, and with the corruption and incapacity to command that has characterized all their operations on land, there is no reason to expect a better record on water. And if they do not make a better showing on the sea than they have done in Cuba, then we'll blow up their navy from battleship to torpedo boat, even as the assassins blew up the Maine.

The confidence which has kept down a panic in the stock market would still assert itself should we have war. It would keep business moving and enable the noncombustant part of the population to continue in comparative comfort, if not in the abundant prosperity that we should certainly have with an honorable peace.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

**Beats the Klondike.**  
Mr. A. C. Thomas, of Marysville, Tex., has found a more valuable discovery than has yet been made in the Klondike. For years he suffered untold agony from consumption, accompanied by hemorrhages; and was absolutely cured by Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. He declares that gold is of little value in comparison with this marvelous cure; would have it, even if it cost a hundred dollars a bottle. Asthma, Bronchitis and all throat and lung affections are positively cured by Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. Trial bottles free at R. S. McKinney's Drug Store. Regular size 50c. and \$1.00. Guaranteed to cure or price refunded.

**Bright Hopes for Our Youth.**  
It is often pessimistically remarked, that there remain no more chances for the young men to make their way in the world, owing perhaps, to the recent rapid concentration of wealth. Never was a more false doctrine promulgated. With the vast increase of population, and the vaster increase of human desires, has come vaster opportunities for the success of youth. The fields of activity have enormously widened. Great men and women who die almost daily, remind us that from the very bottom, have risen the most eminent personages. Could we minutely scan our great populations and east the future of their dregs, we would see there the multiplicity of human hopes and aspirations, urging

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forward through adversity and bitter struggles, young men and women who are destined to rise and become our greatest and best citizens, the hope of our republic, the future of our progressiveness as a nation, as an age. The concentration of wealth in the hands of the few, is meaningless, after all. The vaster wealth is and ever must be, scattered among the working classes, affording new chances for gathering new fortunes. But wealth is not everything to all. Fortunately, the masses are still content to achieve fame and a reasonable competence for life. No, there is hope for the fruition of all reasonable ambitions, today and forever.—N. Y. Dispatch.

**Duty of the Press.**  
Governor Pingree, of Michigan, who has pronounced opinions on everything, and does not hesitate to make them public on occasion, has this to say on the duty of the press to the people:—

"The first duty of the press is to work for the rights of the whole people and tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth. Competition is surely driving the press that way, and the editor who first impresses the plain people that his newspaper is honest, is the one who will succeed and get the largest circulation. The press must be honest—honest in the news columns as well as in its editorial expressions. The editor of a newspaper talks to more people every day than an orator could address in a week, and consequently has great power in moulding public opinion, provided he tells the truth. He occupies the position of one in authority and the people will stop to listen to him. Therefore he should thoroughly publish all the facts God Almighty allows to occur, without coloring them to suit an end, and honestly comment upon them editorially. If he does not do that, his paper is not fit to enter an honest man's house."

**Beauty is Blood Deep.**  
Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascara, Candy Cathartic, clean your blood and keep it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all poisons from the body. Begin to-day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascara—beauty for ten cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c.

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with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. CATARRH is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies, and act directly on the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quick cure, but a permanent cure for years, and a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing Catarrh. Send for testimonials, free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props, Toledo, O. Sold everywhere, price 25c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

**The Black Pill.**  
These pills are used with advantage in indigestion, Sluggish Liver, after imprudent and full meals, rich indigestible food and the *disipation of high life*. They are without taste, mild in operation, effective and are not followed by an after Sick Stomach. Coated Pills are easily swallowed if placed under the tongue, behind the front teeth of the lower jaw, and drinking a full draught of cool water, or lemonade. Try it.

**DIRECTIONS.**  
FOR INDIGESTION—Two pills at bedtime, when indigestion threatens, and after full meals.  
FOR CONSTIPATION—Two pills after meals, at bedtime, when the bowels have not been moved during the day. If the bowels have been moved during the day the pills should be gradually lessened as the constiveness is relieved. The dose may be increased if the bowels do not respond as expected.  
FOR PALLIDITY—One or two pills after full meals, and at bedtime when the bowels have not been moved during the day.  
FOR HEADACHE—One or two pills after full meals, and at bedtime when the bowels have not been moved during the day.  
FOR MALARIA—One or two pills at bedtime when the bowels have not been moved during the day.  
FOR A PURGATIVE—The dose is from two to four to be repeated once in four hours, until the desired effect is produced.  
USE THESE DIRECTIONS AND PRESERVE THEM.

These Pills are manufactured by the Black Pill Co., Gettysburg, Pa., and are sold at 25c per box, 5 boxes \$1.00, 12 boxes \$2.00 and by the 100 to physicians. For sale by R. S. McKinney, Druggist, Taneytown, Md.

**Notice to Creditors.**  
This is to give notice that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphan's Court of Carroll county, in Md., letters of administration on the estate of

EMANUEL LAMBERT, late of Carroll county, deceased. All persons having claims against the deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers therefor legally authenticated, by the subscriber, on or before the 28th. day of November, 1898; they may otherwise be excluded from all benefit of said estate.

Given under my hand this 29th. day of March, 1898.

J. HENRY LAMBERT, Administrator.

**HOW TO MAKE MONEY!**  
If you are out of employment, and want a clear, paying you from \$50 to \$100 monthly, clear above expenses, by working regularly, or you wish to increase your income, come from \$30 to \$50 weekly, by working at a time, write the GLOBE CO., 73 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa., and we will send you a full and complete description of our new and improved system, by which you can make more money in less time than you ever made before in your life.

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## Men's Dressy Shoes.

Men's Tan Patent Leather Shoes, silk vesting top, \$3.00 instead of \$4.00.  
Men's Boarded Calfskin Russet Shoes, \$2.00, instead of \$2.50.  
Men's Vici Kid Lace Shoes, vesting top, \$1.25.  
All the Latest fashionable styles for men are here—prices from \$1.25 to \$3.50.

## Ladies' Colored Shoes.

Ladies' Vici Kid Chocolate Lace Shoes, fancy Silk Vesting top.  
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"The size you want, and 'pretty as peaches'—these new ones just in—and never were any made nor finished as well as these, and priced so low.

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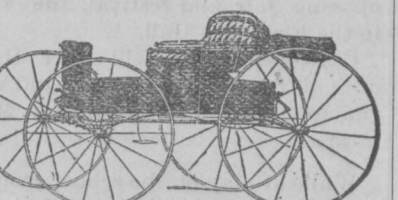
The price is not the only thing that has made Crescent Bicycles popular. No finer wheels in looks or quality. Crescent bicycle speaks for itself.

Prices, \$25. \$30. \$35. \$50.

## Kitchen Bargains.

2-quart covered Tin Pail, 5c each.  
Paring Knife, good quality, 2c each.  
10c Anti-rust Tin Cups, 6c each.  
15c Brooms, 9c each.  
Proctor & Gamble's Olive Soap, 4c a cake.  
25c Glass hand Lamps, complete, 15c.  
Good quality plain Tumbler, 2c each.  
White-wash Brushes, from 4c up.

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English Branches, Mathematics, Single and Double Entry Book-keeping, Civil Government, Commercial Law, etc.

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We all have our needs of various kinds. Our most important need, however, is *Friends*, but we have other needs as well as friends. We need

## Dry Goods, Notions,

Boots and Shoes, Queensware, Carpets, Window Shades,

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which are good and pure, Good Suits, Ready-made for our Boys.

## Sun Bonnets,

as Spring is coming—and a variety of such things as will add to the comfort and happiness of the community.

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In short, our aim is to give you as much for One Dollar, as can be had anywhere in the country. We are constantly diving for bottom prices. All we ask is a chance to show our goods and name our prices, and you will be convinced of the truth.

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High-grade S. C. Rock, 14 to 16 per cent.; German Kainit, Nova Scotia Plaster, Corn Phosphate, and Crop Grower.

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is an excellent article for all Spring crops, and we handle this article in large quantities, at a price within the reach of all farmers.

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is an old stand-by that we have handled for years. It is high in ammonia, and we know of no lower priced Fertilizer on the market that compares favorably with it

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The Best on the market.

We desire all who intend using a Fertilizer this Spring, to come and see us, as we feel sure that we can interest them, in the quality and price of our goods.

Yours Respectfully,

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At the New Hardware Store, recently opened by me at the old Elliot store stand in Taneytown, near the railroad, you will find a complete stock of

## Hardware of all Kinds,

Bar Iron, Blacksmiths' and Builders' Supplies, Cutlery, Tools, Wire, Paints, Oils, Glass, Varnish, Woodware, Rope, Chains, Shovels, Forks, and Everything usually found in a First-class Hardware Store.

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at which the goods can be sold either here or elsewhere.

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To December 31, 1897.  
Total Admitted Assets.....\$1,702,710.00  
Total Liabilities.....1,673,741.00  
Net Surplus.....28,969.00

# Statement of the NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE CO., of Liverpool, (England).

To December 31, 1897.  
Total Admitted Assets.....\$4,030,885.00  
Total Liabilities.....2,162,866.00  
Net Surplus.....1,868,019.00

# Statement of the AMERICAN FIRE INS. CO., of Philadelphia, Pa.

To December 31, 1897.  
Capital.....\$ 500,000.00  
Total Admitted Assets.....2,657,377.00  
Total Liabilities.....2,114,586.00  
Net Surplus.....542,791.00

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Capital.....\$ 500,000.00  
Total Admitted Assets.....2,255,420.00  
Total Liabilities.....1,628,426.00  
Net Surplus.....626,994.00

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To December 31, 1897.  
Capital.....\$ 400,000.00  
Total Admitted Assets.....4,962,436.00  
Total Liabilities.....2,868,600.00  
Net Surplus.....2,093,836.00

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To December 31, 1897.  
Total Admitted Assets.....\$7,210,035.00  
Total Liabilities.....4,801,020.00  
Net Surplus.....2,409,015.00

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To December 31, 1897.  
Total Admitted Assets.....\$2,149,361.00  
Total Liabilities.....1,285,000.00  
Net Surplus.....864,36







