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COUNTRY LIFE

Advantages Worth Considering

CITY BREEDS VANITY

Nature Has Attractions Now as Well as In Summer

PLACE OF THE DOMESTIC HEARTH

Life in The Country Will Restore to Citizen His Chief Function of Citizenship.—Place For Calm Consideration of Grave Questions.

To few men who live in the city do the advantages, of a life in the country compare favorably with the life they lead in their busy homes. Many, even of those who can afford to lead the life of a country gentleman never stop to think that there are some benefits to be derived from such life amid rural surroundings that are of priceless value to the nation, the family; and in short to all phases of life there is something added by a life in the country that can be gained nowhere else.

The following is taken from a letter sent to one of the New York papers: Life in the country is not only prolonged from a physical standpoint but also makes possible the enjoyment of details outdoors and at the domestic hearth heretofore undreamed of, thereby adding so much to its attractiveness as to lengthen each day and night—if not actually, at least literally.

The benefits of life in the country are no less for the business man's family, for although in the case of the younger members the attractions of a great city may have a fascination, still it is at best a frivolous life, breeding rather vanity and a low standard of morals, as against evidences of gentility acquired through close contact with nature which is possible only in the country, not to mention the opportunity for intellectual advancement in the city destroyed by social obligations.

Many will smile and say the country is all very well in the summer but has few attractions in the winter. Without going into the details of the beneficial results derived from walking or driving in the bracing country air, and such winter sports as sleighing or skating, which are almost unknown in the city, I will go to the other extreme and inquire if there is any household in the city that can boast of such cheerful coziness as is imparted by the open log-fire in the humblest country home on the bleakest and most disagreeable day in winter?

I should hesitate to deliver myself of the foregoing where the advantages pointed out, to benefit simply the business man or his family, but the country at large would profit as well, for the absence of grave business cares is very likely to give way to a serious interest in politics and restore to him his chief function of citizenship, a function heretofore permitted to go by default to another type of business man, one who does not allow business to interfere with his politics but who makes politics his business, makes it his business to see that the business man is not burdened with such details as selecting candidates or shaping policies and has to do nothing more than cast the ballot which elects the politician's candidate. No necessity for calm consideration of grave political question; the politician attends to that for all those who are hampered from doing so by business.

THE NATION'S LIQUOR TRADE.

Tables Showing Enormous Amounts of Money Engaged in Manufacture and Sale of Liquor.

Amount invested in brewing and distilling business in the United States, \$612,571,558.

Internal revenue receipts from taxes paid on liquor business last fiscal year, \$207,124,099.

Increase in revenue receipts over previous year, \$16,444,651.

Other revenue from liquor business paid to United States, city and State governments, yearly, \$60,875,465.

Last yearly production of malt liquors in barrels in the United States, 54,651,637.

A man's soul is not in his clothes.

A LITTLE GUN PLAY

Exhibition of Rare Skill With The Revolver

AN EXCURSION ON THE W. M. R. R.

A Few Incidents That Added Zest To the Enjoyment of Patrons of Western Maryland Railroad.—Broke His Watch Crystal.

The Western Maryland Railroad carried an excursion to and from Baltimore last Saturday. The ride from this end of the state to Baltimore on that line is generally considered a sufficient tax on the nerves of those constrained to make the journey, but last Saturday a few incidents were added by way of a reminder to the passengers that they were actually taking a trip on the celebrated Western Maryland.

One named Smith—"Fleet" Smith—a resident of Hagerstown, was very much in evidence on the return trip. Smith and his companion, from his appearance some years under twenty-one, hit it up considerably en route. Both of them, it is said, were pretty well heeled by the time the train reached Westminster and in need of fresh air. Smith left the train. The passengers felt relieved. It was not very long until Mr. Smith made himself known and one of the constables, so it is said, decided to call him down. Smith resented; hot words and careless language followed. The attentive citizen of Westminster got his several times, until patience ceased to be a virtue. Drawing his trusty weapon the Westminsterian showed his skill by deftly shooting the setting out of "Fleet" Smith's ring. This did not feaze the traveller in the least although it did disconcert the spectators. "If you don't let me arrest you I will shoot you" or words to that effect shouted the man from Westminster. He shot and the ball broke the main-spring of Smith's watch. Unfortunately the train started off and the debate was not finished.

It is alleged that some one suggested to the conductor to confiscate the bottle or eject the human target, but no one was surprised when he did not do it for 'most anything goes on the Western Maryland. It is also said that Smith is employed by this road, although not in the capacity of chief agitator, and this might explain his unseemly conduct.

Smith is a brother of the Smith killed by Debold sometime ago near Sabillasville, and was a resident in this vicinity for sometime.

It was the consensus of opinion among those who witnessed the affair that the gentleman who did the shooting should be awarded a medal as champion time-killer. Smith's watch was ruined.

CONCERNING SCHOOLS

Interesting Meeting Of School Commissioners

\$3,000 FOR EACH HIGH SCHOOL

Suggests Some Additions To The Curriculum to Meet Needs of People.—Election of School Trustees by People Objected To.

At a meeting of the school commissioners at the Maryland State Normal School many questions of public interest were discussed. Among other things suggested, State Superintendent Stephens approved of the idea of discontinuing the appropriation of funds to the academies which have outlived their usefulness and to have such monies put in a general fund. In addition to this he would like to have the state appropriate \$3,000 for each high school.

It was the opinion of the meeting that courses in agriculture, business and pedagogy be included in the curriculum of high schools. This subject of widening the course of the public schools to meet the wants of the agriculturally inclined is one that has been widely discussed in this country in the last few years, and its utility is so apparent that little objection can be had to its adoption other than the expense connected with its general introduction into the schools.

Much discussion was provoked by the suggestion that school trustees be elected by the people instead of being appointed by the school commissioners, as at present. The idea was unanimously disapproved on the grounds that since the schools of Maryland are conducted on the county unit plan, better and more efficient men can be selected by the board than would probably be elected by the people.

SOME OLD CHRISTMAS CUSTOMS

History Traces Them Back to a Time Before the Birth of Christ

MANY ARE SURVIVALS OF HEATHEN FEASTS

Christmas Celebrates the Significance and not the Date Of Christ's Birth

REVELS OF THE SAINT NICHOLAS FEAST IN THE GOOD OLD STYLE

Santa Claus Comes to Us From the Dutch.—Mince-Pie and Plum-Pudding Have a Long and Interesting History.—Some Festivities as Old As the Race Others of Later Date.—The Origin of Christmas Decorations and the Beginning of the Use of the Christmas Tree.—Our Debt to the Hardy Men of the North for Some of Our Most Beautiful Customs.

Christmas, while not the greatest festival in the church year, is certainly the most joyous. To an extent greater than any of the other festivals, it has been made the children's day of days.

Exactly when the observance of the day was first established cannot be told. Christians of the early ages held their celebration of the Nativity at a season of the year that is much more likely to include the actual anniversary than is the month of December. Some of them chose April, others May, and still others June. Even in Judea, where December is cold and apt to be rainy, it is scarcely likely that shepherds would have been watching their flocks by night in the first Christmas tide, if it was in December. However, it is the event and not the day that is honored—by the church in glorious ceremonies voicing the faith and hope of Christ's followers—by the world at large in its many ways of making real the sweet chorus of the angels: "Peace on earth and good will to men."

The custom of giving Christmas gifts is derived from the Romans, says the *Serap Book*, who on the first day of the Saturnalia gave to their servants and children, dolls, candles and little doll-like pasties, the exact significance of which, it is believed, had to do with those days when human sacrifices constituted a feature of the Saturnalian ritual.

The dolls were given principally to children, although their significance, it is believed, was relative to that sacrifice of human lives to the infernal god which was practised at Carthage.

Hardly was the Saturnalia over when the Paganalia began. At this festival an altar was erected in each village throughout Italy. For this all persons contributed money. Hence arose the custom, so an old medieval chronicler writes, for "the parents to give cakes, toys, boxes, garments, little wagons, apples, nuts, etc., to their children on Christmas Eve, and sometimes rods were added to the presents in order that the children might be the more easily ruled by fear of punishment."

Frequently the cakes were made in the image of the Christ-child, or other sacred personages, until church authorities stepped in and forbade such gifts. Latter, when St. Nicholas became the schoolboys' patron, the custom of exchanging gifts became, in the North, at least, firmly established.

Nowadays when the postman and newsboy and other public servants go round from door to door at Christmas time with their cards of greeting and general holiday appearance, they are only perpetuating the old Paganalian custom of gift-boxes.

To many people there is nothing more simply national than the Christmas mince-pie, unless it is the Thanksgiving punkin-pie. This gastronomic dainty has a history as old as Christmas in the North, if not older.

Its earliest known appearance was at the Winter feasts of the half-Christianized Britons. It was then, and is still in some parts of Great Britain, made in the form of a manger, and is supposed to represent that in which the infant Christ was laid.

An old writer describes one of these mince-pies as "a learned medley of meats' tongue, the brawn of chicken, eggs, sugar, currants, citron, orange-peel, various sorts of spices, etc."

Plum-pudding has a long record, but its original significance is lost in the antiquity of Norse orgies. In its present form it is a development of plum-porridge, which was evidently something between a custard and a sweet soup. This plum-porridge has quite gone out of vogue, though a hundred or so years ago it had a place of honor beside the mince-pie.

There is a theory that during the festivals the early Christians, who lived

in continual danger of death, used to decorate their houses according to the pagan customs, in order that their beliefs might not be known, and that they might escape persecution. This custom, distasteful as it must have been to the old fervent martyrs, gained a lasting popularity, so much so that not many years later the church felt called upon to prohibit all use of hangings, flowers, boughs, and garlands like those employed by the heathen in decking their altars and idols.

This half-pagan, half-Christian, decoration has developed through the centuries into our modern holly-wreaths and ground-cedar festoons.

The Germans attribute the actual institution of the fir-tree as part of the Christmas celebration to Martin Luther, but there is no reliable information on this subject. The Dutch, especially in New Amsterdam, were responsible for the vogue which the tree gained in America. It is now one of our oldest holiday customs. In England it was entirely unknown until the marriage of Queen Victoria to Prince Albert, who introduced into his adopted country the custom known in every German household.

About 300 A. D., a boy was born in Lycia. He was called Nicholas, but—so chronicles tell us—though that was a man's name, he preserved the nature of a child, for he chose "to kepe vertues, meknes, and simpleness, and therefore children doe him worship before all other saipits."

There grew up a custom in Christian countries, says the *Pall Mall Magazine*, of giving presents in secret on the Vigil of St. Nicholas.

In Italy it was called the Zopasta, which means in Spanish a shoe, because the gifts were put into shoes to surprise people when they should put them on in the morning.

In many French convents the boarders used to place each her silk stocking at the door of the room of the Mother Abbess, recommending themselves at the same time to St. Nicholas. And in Germany a boy dressed as a bishop would go round in vestments and mitre and fill the stockings hung up.

This solemnity of the boy bishop came to be kept here with much care and ceremony on the feast of St. Nicholas to commemorate his youth and his patronage of children. In Salisbury Cathedral there is, or was, a monument to one of these boy bishops who died during his term of office. The same custom was observed in Spain, and in Switzerland until the end of the eighteenth century. At one place in England, the convent of Godstowe, in Oxfordshire, public prayers were said by a little girl dressed as an abbess.

The custom, stopped here first by Henry VIII. and afterward by Queen Elizabeth, was in a different form carried on by the Dutch in America and became in the end the secularized ceremony we still use here of Santa Claus, a person dressed in Dutch or German winter clothes of the sixteenth century.

The mistletoe was held in great reverence by the Druids. It was believed to be particularly and divinely healing, in fact it was given this attribute for centuries. It had special significance as the cause of the death of Balder, the Norse Apollo, who was killed by an arrow made from its branches and given to the blind Hoder by Loki, the god of mischief.

The present custom of kissing under the mistletoe is the outcome of an old practise of the Druids. Persons of opposite sexes passed under the suspended vine and gave each other the kiss of love and peace in full assurance that though it had caused Balder's death it had lost all its power of doing harm since his restoration.

"Enjoy the little you have, while the fool is hunting for more."

BATTLE FLEET SAILS

What It Means From Historical Standpoint

AMERICA A FACTOR IN PACIFIC

There is no Design of Conquest Nor Desire for Acquisition.—We Protect the Weak, If Others Object a Collision May Occur.

The "Battle Fleet" which left Hampton Roads for the Golden Gate, large as it is, has again and again been doubled in size by fleets gathered under the British flag. Its voyage is no longer than the ill-fated cruise on which Rojstvensky led Russian battleships to certain defeat. Large as it is and long its voyage, the fleet attracts the world's attention neither for its size nor for its itinerary, but because it transfers the struggle over the sea power to the last great sheet of water in human history.

To the future historian, writing centuries hence, the step may seem as momentous in the annals of civilization and in the determination of the future channels of history as when Greek galleys passed from the Aegean and entered on the wider waters of the East Mediterranean, held before by Phoenician vessels. It may rank with the day when a Roman Consul led a Roman fleet into the West Mediterranean, held before by Carthage alone. It may prove as far-reaching as the first appearance of the Norseman's curved bows in the straits of Gibraltar or as potent on the future distribution of naval power as Blake's appearance in the Mediterranean two and a half centuries ago, and the assertion of England's naval supremacy in the waters before divided between the Turk, the Italian, the French and the Spanish. No one of these steps immediately brought war, and when war came it was on other causes, but each introduced a new factor in the world's affair.

Each great intrusion by a new naval strength on new waters has finally brought shock and collision in the past. If to-day the Battle Fleet sails in peace and seeks peace, it is because on the Pacific the United States has no design of conquest and no desire for acquisition.

If collision comes in the future on the Pacific it will be because other Powers are unwilling to accept our policy of protection to the weak, self-development and self-government to every race, complete internal independence to every land and the decision of all international issues by arbitration.—*Philadelphia Press*.

In the matter of conversation Cortelyou is to Taft as Taft is to—? Find the third term.—*New York Evening Post*.

DON'TS FOR CHRISTMAS

Things That Should Not Enter Into Giving

DO NOT FEEL OBLIGED TO GIVE

Practical Suggestions for Those Planning Appropriate Gifts.—Money Value of Presents and Show Not to be Considered.

The following are some suggestions taken from the *Success Magazine* that may be of value to the readers of THE CHRONICLE:

Don't let money dominate your Christmas giving.

Don't let Christmas giving deteriorate into a trade.

Don't embarrass yourself by giving more than you can afford.

Don't try to pay debts or return obligations in your Christmas giving.

Don't give trashy things. Many an attic could tell strange stories about Christmas presents.

Don't give presents because others expect you to. Give because you love to. If you cannot send your heart with the gift keep the gift.

Don't decide to abstain from giving just because you cannot afford expensive presents. The thoughtfulness of your gift, the interest you take in those to whom you give, are the principal things. The intrinsic value of your gift counts very little.

Don't give things because they are cheap and make a big show for the money. As a rule it is a dangerous thing to pick up a lot of all sorts of things at bargain sales for Christmas presents. If you do, there is always the temptation to make inappropriate gifts.

A FREE FIELD

No Overshadowing Favorites

PRESIDENTIAL CONTEST

Republican Candidates are All Strong Men

MAY BE MEMORABLE STRUGGLE

The Outlook in the Race for Republican Nomination.—Selection Will be Based on Issues Rather than Personality.—Some other Contests.

The self-effacement of President Roosevelt leaves a broad field of choice for the Republican Presidential nomination. Only twice since the first nomination of Abraham Lincoln, nearly fifty years ago, has there been such a range of candidates as there is likely to be in the contest now at hand.

Even in 1860 the breadth of choice was nominal rather than real. Seward, Chase, Cameron, Bates and Lincoln were ostensibly candidates; but practically the issue from the first was between Seward, the recognized premier of the party, and the field which easily and providentially concentrated on Lincoln. In 1864 Lincoln's renomination was uncontested. In 1868 Grant was the foreordained candidate, and he held the stage till 1876. Then for the first time there was a free and uncertain contest. Blaine was the popular favorite, but the opposition, divided between Morton, Conkling, Bristow, Hartranft and Hayes, was powerful, and with the aid of Blaine's untimely sunstroke, succeeded in barely defeating the Maine leader and in nominating Hayes.

The year 1880 witnessed the memorable struggle between Grant and Blaine, with the final nomination of Garfield. In 1884, while Edmunds and Sherman were presented, the fight was really between Arthur and Blaine, with Blaine's success morally certain from the start. In 1888 for the second time there was a broad, free field, with many candidates and no clear predetermination of the result. Sherman, Allison, Harrison, Gresham, Alger, Rusk, Hawley and one or two others all had support, and no man surely led the race. The nomination was a matter of combination, and the Harrison managers had the advantage both of skill and locality. Harrison was of course entitled to a renomination in 1892, and in 1896, though Reed, Allison and others were named, it was plain from the start to practised observers that McKinley was a sure winner. Since then incumbency has determined the action.

Thus now, for only the third time in the history of the party—1876 and 1888, being the other years—it looks as though we are entering on a contest with a large number of candidates, with an entirely free field, with no overshadowing favorites, and with no distinct indication of the result in advance. If a public sentiment now nebulous and divided, shall crystallize at an early day, it will be the effect of issues rather than the force of any dominating personality. It out of this promiscuous field any candidate shall appear who shall seem above others to be in line of logical succession it will be because above others he represents and vitalizes the reform policies and purposes which the country has at heart.—*Philadelphia Press*.

You can't buy friends with gifts.

FOUR MILLION CHRISTMAS TREES

No Appreciable Drain on Supply and Their Use Does Not Interfere With Forests of the Future.

Chief Forester Pinchot says that he has come to the conclusion that trees are for use and that there is no better use for Christmas trees than the purpose they are now put to, namely: to contribute to the happiness and goodness of mankind and for the use of children and families on Christmas.

It is estimated that 4,000,000 trees of this kind are used in this country each year. If planted four feet apart these would be grown on less than 1,400 acres, a good sized farm. Therefore the drain on our forests is so insignificant as not to be mentioned with the enjoyment derived from the use of these trees.

STATE JOURNAL

Paragraphs of Maryland News for Hasty Reading

For the purpose of fighting the paper trust and trying to have the duty removed from wood pulp, by petitioning Congress through their Representative, newspaper publishers of the Cumberland and Shenandoah Valleys met in Hagerstown and formed a permanent organization by electing H. F. Byrd, of Winchester, Va., president, and Robert C. Gordon, of Waynesboro, Pa., secretary.

General Allen Thomas, who died recently in Mississippi, was born in Maryland, in Howard county. General Thomas was a distinguished soldier in the Confederate army, coiner of the mint at New Orleans, and United States minister to Venezuela under President Cleveland.

A meeting of prominent Democratic and Independent lawyers met at the Eutaw House in Baltimore on Monday to consider the suffrage amendment. The conference was arranged by Mr. Straus.

The attorney general-elect who presided, submitted a draft which incorporated four qualifications. They were:

1. The grandfather's clause, which would admit all native born white men.

2. A naturalization provision which permitted every foreign born citizen to enjoy the right of franchise.

3. A property qualification which permitted any citizen possessing property to the value of \$500 to vote.

4. An educational qualification which gave the right to anyone who could write from dictation a section of the constitution and then explain it, and if denied the right to register, he might appeal to the courts.

All present, it was said, agreed that the grandfather clause and the naturalization clause should be incorporated in the amendment. The grandfather clause is the same as was in the Poe amendment, which was defeated two years ago, while the naturalization clause was a part of the Worthington amendment, which was considered by the Legislature at the time of the passage of the Poe amendment.

By the provisions of the naturalization clause, all naturalized registered voters will be allowed to vote, as will their descendants. This clause will enable every white man foreign-born who is now registered to vote, as well as his descendants.

The indications are that the legislature will throw out the educational feature and adopt the property qualifications.

The new freight yards at Brunswick, this county, were put into operation on Sunday. The latest improvements to facilitate the rapid handling of cars have been installed.

A large meeting in the interest of the proposed changes in the country road system was held at Rockville on Tuesday. Among others, Mr. Blair Lee expressed his sympathy with the Shoemaker law but intimated that it ought to be amended.

Mrs. Elizabeth Rowe, who sued the Western Maryland Railroad for \$30,000, was awarded by the court in Chambersburg, Pa., the sum of \$8,838.75. Mr. Rowe, her husband, was killed near Edgemont by a freight car.

Elaborate arrangements are being made by Chairman Murray Vandiver, of the Democratic State Central Committee, for the inauguration of Governor-elect Austin L. Crothers on January 8. The inauguration falls on Jackson Day, the anniversary of the battle of New Orleans, which for a number of years has been marked by celebrations by Democrats throughout the country. It is believed that this coincidence, which is said to be particularly gratifying to the Governor-elect will add considerable enthusiasm and interest to the event.

Twelve carloads of turkeys passed through Hagerstown on Wednesday from points along the Norfolk and Western Railroad consigned to dealers in the North.

A meeting of the Maryland State Bankers' Association was held at the Hotel Belvedere, Baltimore on Wednesday. Mr. Henry B. Wilcox presided with Mr. William C. Page secretary. The meeting considered some subjects of legislation, which will be presented at Annapolis this Winter, bearing on the conduct and supervision of State banks, trust companies and savings banks chartered by the legislature.

Plans are being made by the Gould interests to transfer the coal properties now owned by their railroad line to separate companies. The Western Maryland Railroad is one of the most heavily interested of any of the Gould lines in coal lands, its holdings being more than 140,000 acres, and valued conservatively at \$15,000,000. The separation of the railroad from the coal property is necessitated by the Hepburn law, passed last year by Congress, which gives the railroads until May 1 next to comply with its provisions.

The very thing for Christmas—a volume of Mr. Craig's Poems, \$1.00, at C. J. SHUFF & Co.

IN THE COURTS.

This term of court, as forecasted in THE CHRONICLE, has been an exceedingly short one, commencing on December 9th and ending on December 17th. The following cases have been disposed of since the last report in these columns: The appeal case of Mrs. Mary C. Johnson, appellant, vs. Mrs. Daisy G. Wiles, appellee, a suit for damages, was tried before a jury. The verdict was for Mrs. Johnson for \$12.67 damages and costs. Stoner and Wineberg for appellant; Coblenz and Waters for appellee. A motion was made for a new trial but an agreement was reached by all concerned to avoid future law suits and to allow the judgment to stand.

Edward C. Rohrbach vs. Martin L. Flook—suit for \$25, balance on purchase money due Flook. Judgment non prosed. Heagy for Rohrbach, Coblenz and Waters for Flook.

Charles W. Corum vs. Charles Quynn—suit for purchase price of shot gun. Trial was before a jury and a verdict was brought in for Quynn. Stoner and Wineberg for Corum and Smith and Smith for Quynn.

On Thursday the case of the State vs. Henry Cooper, colored, charged with receiving stolen goods. The case was tried before the court and Cooper was sentenced to the House of Correction for three years. Willard for the State and Harp for the defense.

State vs. Henry Snider—Prisoner pleaded guilty to the charge of larceny. Snider was paroled on good behavior by court. Willard for the State and Harp for the defense.

State vs. William E. Glaze—Defendant pleaded guilty to the charge of larceny and was paroled by the court. Willard for the State and Hammond Urner for the defense.

State vs. John R. Horn—Tried before the court on the charge of having deserted his wife. He was adjudged guilty and required to pay his wife one dollar a week for one year. Horn gave bond. Willard for State and Lewis for defendant.

State vs. Raymond King—King was charged with carrying concealed deadly weapons. The trial was before the court and the defendant was pronounced not guilty. Buckley represented the defendant.

State vs. Clarence W. Troxell—The charge was desertion and non-support of wife and child. The trial was held before the court but both parties agreeing to live together the case was discontinued. Coblenz and Waters represented the defense.

State vs. Peter Gray, colored—There were two indictments for selling liquor on Sunday. The case was tried before the court and Gray was found guilty in both cases. He was sentenced to pay a fine of \$25 and costs in one case and sentence was suspended in the other. Gaver represented the defense.

State vs. Emanuel F. Wine—Wine was tried before the court for carrying concealed weapons and was found guilty and fined two dollars and costs. Gaver for defense.

State vs. Edward Lewis—defendant was charged with desertion of his wife. He was tried before the court and found not guilty. S. A. Lewis for defense.

State vs. Frank Hargett—this trial was for larceny before a jury. Hargett was charged with taking small articles from Mr. and Mrs. Robert Downing. Owing to the prominence of the people connected with this case much interest was manifested. The jury after hours of deliberation returned a verdict of guilty. On Tuesday last the court paroled Hargett upon his good behavior. Much sympathy has been expressed for Hargett and the verdict was a surprise to many. The Court's action meets with general favor. Stoner and Wineberg for defense.

State vs. Abe Fisher—the court found him guilty of carrying concealed weapons and sentenced him to sixty days in jail. This closed the criminal docket. The court adjourned until Monday.

On Monday last the trial docket was taken up and completed. One case only was tried, that of Clyde S. Bell vs. Henry C. Dronenberg, a suit over a horse. The case went before the jury and a verdict was brought in for Bell for \$130, the amount claimed. The court, Judge Worthington presiding, then discharged the jury for the term, thanking them for their attendance and the faithful way in which they discharged their duties. This closed probably the shortest December term on record in this county.

The case of Fred. Debold, charged with the murder of Edward O. Smith, which has been on the docket of the Circuit Court here for more than a year, has been settled.

More Honors for Mr. Kieffer.

Mr. Paul Kieffer, formerly of Hagerstown but now living in New York, has been given by Oxford University the degree of Bachelor of Common Law. Mr. Kieffer won this distinction in competitive examination; he was the only one out of five to receive the degree.

This young gentleman is a son of Rev. Dr. Spangler Kieffer, pastor of Zion Reformed Church, Hagerstown.

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TRUE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS

College Students Prompted by Father Flynn Contribute Liberally to Afflicted Miners.

At Mount St. Mary's College on Sunday, Very Rev. D. J. Flynn, the president of the College, referred in his sermon to the recent disaster in the coal mines at Monongah, W. Va., calling the attention of the students to the suffering and want which existed among the families of those who had lost their lives or had been injured in the terrible calamity. On Wednesday morning Father Flynn was happily surprised when the boys handed him the sum of \$205 which they had contributed from their Christmas spending money for the relief of the afflicted. Father Flynn was touched at this generous evidence of the spirit of Christmas among his students and gratified that his sermon was the means of prompting the gift.

FIRE ON GETTYSBURG STREET.

Wood Put to Dry Sets Fire to the Walls of Dwelling House Belonging to Miss Eckenrode.

On Tuesday morning the house occupied and belonging to Miss Mary Eckenrode caught on fire and was slightly damaged. The prompt and efficient work of the Vigilant Hose Company prevented the destruction of the house and probable loss of adjacent property.

Some wood had been put into the oven of the kitchen stove to dry and it caught on fire setting the wood box ablaze. The rear wall of the house and the roof of an adjoining building were slightly damaged.

REFORMED CHURCH SERVICES

The Sunday School Christmas service will be held in the Reformed Church on Christmas Eve at 7 o'clock.

A Christmas praise-service will be held at midnight. At this time the service arranged by Dr. Henry Harbaugh will be used.

Services will be held on Christmas morning at 10.30 o'clock.

The Holy Communion will be celebrated in the Reformed Church on the first Sunday after Christmas. The preparatory service will be held on the previous Saturday at 2.30 P.M.

THERMOMETRIC READINGS.

Taken every week day from THE CHRONICLE Standard Thermometer.

	8 A. M.	12 M.	4 P. M.
Friday	36	36	
Saturday	32	34	35
Monday	38	41	40
Tuesday	39	43	42
Wednesday	35	39	40
Thursday	32	36	34
Friday	21		

For box candies see GEORGE E. CLUTZ.

Adams County Enterprises.

In the December 14th, issue of the Adams County Independent appears a number of interesting articles describing the industrial resources of Adams county and the activities of many of her leading business concerns.

Have you thought of a Sewing Machine for Christmas present? M. F. SHUFF has them. dec. 13-2t.

Taneytown's Business Men Written Up.

The Carroll Record for December 14th, contains a write-up of the leading business firms of Taneytown. The issue reflects credit upon the enterprise both of the Record and the merchants who appear to appreciate the value of advertising.

As you pass the Square look for Harry Harner's. Household and Bottled Goods. He's always there and you are welcome. 1t.

Miss Elizabeth Katherine McComas, daughter of Mrs. Julia McComas, and the late Frederick Fehlig McComas, was married to Mr. Charles Alvey at noon Wednesday in St. John's Protestant Episcopal Church, Hagerstown, in the presence of a large and fashionable audience.

PURE whisky is absolutely essential in cases of sickness. I have several brands that I can recommend for medicinal use. Harry C. Harner. No BAR. dec. 20-1t

What's wrong with a phonograph for Gift? M. F. SHUFF has the Victor and the Edison. dec. 13-2t

Mr. Lewis Motter was taken ill on Sunday but is greatly improved at this writing.

The masses at St. Anthony's Church on Christmas Day will be held at 5, and 9.30 a.m. The Vesper service will be held at 9.30 p.m.

The best and most suitable Christmas Presents will be found at M. F. HUFF'S. dec. 13-2t.

IN NEW DRESS.

Hampstead Enterprise has Greatly Improved Its Appearance.

In new type and with an improved presentation of its reading matter the Hampstead Enterprise is and will be an example to all Carroll county papers. Beginning last week this journal took a step in the right direction and THE CHRONICLE feels assured that the readers of the Enterprise will not be disappointed nor will they fall off and further, compliments the paper on its appearance and "get up."

Accident On Main Street.

Yesterday Mrs. David Brown made a narrow escape while driving up West Main street near Mr. Eyster's store. She got caught in the step of the buggy and the horse starting off threw her to the ground. Mr. Adolphus Harner seeing her predicament stopped the horse but not before the lady had been dragged some distance.

Run Over by Bus.

This morning, Henry Bowman, driver of the Enmit House bus, leaning over the dash board in an attempt to get the lines, lost his balance and fell under the wheels. He was taken to Dr. Stone's. The accident happened in front of Frizell & Boyle's warehouse.

Governor-elect Crothers has returned from Atlantic City, and is again at his home, in Elkton. He is much improved from his stay at the seashore, but is not completely strong again, and some of his friends are urging him to return. He was called home because of the critical illness of his brother, who lives at Havre de Grace.

The driving accident of last week could have been averted had a Hartman Safety Hitch been on the buggy. Price \$2.50. Let John F. Adelsberger show you one. He is the sole agent. Dec 20-1t

Mr. Theodore Bollinger has purchased through Mr. Henry Stokes, the property on West Main street belonging to Mrs. Frank Maxell for \$1475.

There will be the annual Christmas service in the Methodist Episcopal Church, this place, on Sunday next, December 22nd, at 2.30 o'clock.

The Democrat and News, published in Cambridge, Md., has been purchased by Mr. Earl W. Orem, formerly half owner of the journal.

Don't make presents which your friends will not know what to do with and which would merely encumber the home.

Russian officers who did not fight the Japanese are now trying those who did. —Newport News.

Buy your oranges and lemons at CLUTZ'S Store ** 1t.

"He is poor whose expenses exceed his income."

He Wouldn't Die.

"Pop" Ashby kept a hotel, and a fairly good one too. When he was growing old Pop married a handsome young Norwegian girl who had been working for him as a chambermaid, and she made a very useful and devoted wife for him. Her efforts to learn vernacular English were faithful and almost frantic, but she couldn't learn it. Her most strenuous efforts at pronunciation were pathetic and yet laughable.

At last Pop became ill, and the physician said that he could not recover—in fact, that he might die within an hour or two. The old man commissioned his wife to find his brother by telephone and tell him that he must see him about a business matter before death claimed him. The faithful wife sought diligently for an hour, running back to the bedside to report to the old man, whom she loved, and then going again to the phone. At last she found him and gave her message thus: "Pop is dying. He won't die till you comes, so please hurry."—Los Angeles Times.

He Could Not Cry.

When a certain eastern state county court was about to open its session recently the discovery was made that the court crier was absent. A substitute was provided, and the court had barely taken up a case when a breathless messenger boy dashed in with a telegram signed by the absent crier. The missive was handed to the judge, who read:

"Wife's mother died last night. Will not be able to cry today."—Brooklyn Life.

A new range should be very gradually heated to prevent the possibility of cracking.

A good way to cultivate patience is to watch the growth of a bank account.—Dallas News

A CHRISTMAS GLEE.

Across the vale of Ages
Our eyes behold them still,
The Shepherds and the Sages,
The Star above the hill;
The Manger and the Magis,
And Mary as she lay,
And sweetly smiled
On Christ the child,
On that first Christmas Day!

Still live the shining embers
Of that thrice-blessed star,
Whose constancy remembers
That Bethlehem afar:
Out of the world's Decembers
They bring the hopes of May!
Then let us sing,
To Christ our King,
On this glad Christmas Day!

—Frank Dempster Sherman.

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About 40 Ladies' and Misses' Tailored Suits.

No two alike (except possibly in blacks.) ALL NEW THIS SEASON—our regular stock—were priced from \$10.75 to \$32.00—will be sold at \$8.50 to \$25.00. This is a rare chance to save money on up-to-date styles right in season.

About-30—"Wooltex", College and Over Coats.

Fancy Cloths—Stylish in cut as well as in cloths. Just the kind of coat to fit in every young woman's wardrobe to wear over a Tailored Suit in cold or rough weather. A popular wrap for riding or the street. Variety of styles but only one or two of any one—

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A couple of Fine Velvet Suits—

One brown, size 36, "Wooltex" catalogue price \$50.00—Our price now \$25.00. One Navy, size 38, was \$35.00, now \$22.50—a rare chance for a very rich suit at a great saving.

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TANEYTOWN ITEMS.

Mr. Luther Hawk and child have been visiting Mr. Nelson Hawk.

Mrs. Mervin Barr spent Thursday night at Mr. Woods Crapster's.

Mrs. Louis Elliot was in Littlestown on Friday.

Dr. and Mrs. F. H. Seiss were in Baltimore on Friday.

Mrs. Margaret Huber is staying at Mr. F. E. Reindollar's.

Mr. Milton Zollickoff was in town on Friday.

Miss Ellen Long has gone to Baltimore for the holidays.

Mrs. C. O. Fuss, and Messrs. Mervin and Ira Fuss are visiting in Baltimore.

Misses Alice Reindollar, Bruce Bower and Mr. Charles Classon went to Baltimore on the excursion last Saturday.

Messrs. Harry Reindollar and H. Clay Englar are home on the sick list.

Mrs. Wisotskey, of Baltimore, is visiting her sister, Mrs. William Stouffer.

The Presbyterian Sunday School is preparing for a Christmas service, which is scheduled for Monday, December 23.

Misses Edna Goff and Mary Fringer are home for the holidays.

Miss Roberta Roelkey spent from Friday till Monday in Frederick.

Miss Ellen Crapster has returned from here visit to Gettysburg.

Dr. Artie B. Angell, through Civil Service examination, has been made government inspector of cattle at the Chicago union stock yards.

The Presbyterian Y. P. S. C. E. sent a contribution toward making Christmas happy for the inmates of our county poor house.

"Bolivar" has gone into Winter quarters at Westminster.

Mr. John Fringer, of Baltimore, spent several days at Mr. Michael Fringer's last week.

Mr. George H. Birnie spent Monday night in Baltimore.

FAIRFIELD ITEMS.

Mr. Joseph Kittenger while attending the furnace in the cellar of the school house last Saturday was seized with an attack of illness which resulted in his death at 2 o'clock Sunday morning. The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon at 1 o'clock. The interment was made in the Fairfield cemetery.

Mr. Kittenger, who was 69 years of age, is survived by his widow and the following children: Mr. William Kittenger, of Baltimore, Mr. John Kittenger, of Fairfield, Mrs. Sowers, of McKnightstown, Mrs. Grant Musselman, of Illinois and Mrs. Samuel Barton, of Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ecker, of Gettysburg, spent a couple of days visiting Mr. and Mrs. Low.

Miss Rosie Sipe, who has a position near Philadelphia, is at home for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. Frank Moore attended preaching last Sunday in company with his bride.

IRON SPRINGS NEWS.

Mr. Mervin Shindlecker and family, who lived at Fairfield Station during last Summer, moved to Smithsburg, Md., on last Thursday.

Mr. Ambrose Sanders made a business trip to Gettysburg last Friday.

Mr. Wm. Cashman spent several days of last week with his aunt, Miss Lizzie Cashman, who resides near New Chester.

Mr. and Mrs. William Rensel and daughter, Sylva, were visiting relatives in Maryland last week.

Mr. John Bigham killed a large porcupine, recently weighing 360 pounds.

Master Clarence Bigham shot a weasel one day last week.

Fined \$50 And Costs.

Daniel Martin, of Fountain Dale, was found guilty in the United States Court at Harrisburg of opening letters not addressed to him. It is alleged that Mr. Martin's curiosity got the better of him and it cost him several hundred dollars for the little satisfaction he derived from reading the opened letters.

At one time he was postmaster at Fountain Dale and later was clerk and it was while serving in this capacity that he opened the letters. He was fined fifty dollars and costs, upon the payment of which he was released. The costs amounted to several hundred dollars. Martin is fifty-eight years old.

Insurance Company Incorporated.

The People's Insurance Company of Frederick County has been incorporated and approved by the circuit court and the attorney-general of the state.

Among the incorporators are J. Stewart Annan and Rev. Mr. I. M. Motter. The company will have a paid up capital of \$100,000. The business of the company will be confined to the issuing of insurance on private residences, churches, houses, live stock and farm property under defined restrictions.

If you are in good spirits you are always welcome, Harry C. Harner sells Good Spirits, in pints, quarts or gallons. Lay in your Holiday supply Now Wholesale only. dec 20 1t.

FRIEND'S CREEK ITEMS

Mr. James B. Kipe butchered five fine hogs on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Turner, of this place, began housekeeping on Thursday.

Mr. W. H. Kipe and daughter, Rhoda made a business trip to Emmitsburg on Friday.

Mrs. Nora Shriner was a recent visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Duffey.

Miss Rhoda Kipe was the guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Turner.

Mrs. Jane McClain is slowly improving from an attack of sciatica. Her friends and neighbors have been very kind during her illness.

Mr. Sheridan McKissick and family spent Sunday with Mrs. Howard Linebaugh of this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Linebaugh, of near Sabillasville, visited Mrs. M. J. McClain.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Kipe and two daughters, Rhoda and Rhine, and Miss Nora Shriner, were recent visitors at the home of Rev. Mr. S. C. Kipe.

Mrs. C. Shriner spent Sunday at the home of Mr. Martin Eyer and his sister Annie.

Mr. Charles Manahan, of Sabillasville, is teaching school at this place as the substitute of Mr. Roy Eby, who started for Florida on Saturday morning where he will be married. Mr. Eby will return North on his Wedding tour.

We have had very cold weather and snow has fallen several inches deep, enabling Mr. C. H. Eyer, of Franklinville, to remove his sleigh that he purchased at Mr. Harbaugh's sale in the Spring.

GRACEHAM.

Mr. John Pittinger made a three-days trip to Philadelphia last week. Miss Ida Mae Colliflower will return to Baltimore to-day after a two weeks' visit at home here with her parents and friends. Mr. Elmer Buhrman and Mr. and Mrs. John Six faced the bad weather of the excursion trip to Baltimore on Saturday.

Mr. William J. Martin reports that he took 43,000 gold and spotted fish from his ponds which were accepted by Mr. Ramsburg, of Lewistown, and shipped to Western cities. Mr. Martin said his first venture paid better than raising grain; he has several acres in ponds.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Schaefer and two sisters, formerly of Baltimore, removed here a week ago from Loy's, Md., where they were boarding for the Summer. They like our quiet little town and may make an indefinite stay among us.

Rev. Mr. Charles Shaffer, of Thurmont, has favored us by conducting the services in the Moravian Church the past two Sundays and has given us excellent sermons. It is probable he may be with us on Christmas night. Rev. Mr. A. L. Oerter will conduct the Christmas Eve service.

The Sunday School will hold their Christmas entertainment on Christmas night. A five-cent collection will be taken at the door. The exercise will be up to the usual standard and is entitled "Praise and Adoration". A drill will also form a part of the exercises. The Church will be decorated as usual. A merry Christmas to all.

Letter to Charles Smith.
Emmitsburg, Md.

Dear Sir: Josh Billings never said anything truer than this: "Suckess duz not konsist ov never makin blunders, but in not makin the same wun twist."

N R Watkins, of Lott, Texas, had his house painted some years ago, and it took 13 gallons of what he believed to be paint; he bought it for paint and it looked like paint, the painter said it was paint.

He has had it painted again; it took 7 gallons Devoe.

It cost \$65 before; now \$35.

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The finest oysters are sold by measure at CLUTZ'S Store. ** 1t.



The total of the present movement of gold into this country amounts to \$106,050,000.

The Roosevelt Committee has begun its investigation of the labor troubles at Goldfield, Nev.

Mrs. Nicholas Longworth, who was operated on last week for appendicitis, is rapidly improving.

Packages numbering 22,669 were put up at auction in the dead letter office at Washington on Monday.

Government experts report that 22,940 men have been killed in mines in the United States in the past 17 years.

Immediately after the holiday recess of Congress the Joseph G. Cannon presidential boom will be launched in earnest.

Governor Hughes will not interfere if his name is put up as a candidate for the Republican nomination for President, but he will do no nothing to favor his success.

Special departments for tuberculosis were opened at the free dispensaries conducted by the large hospitals in Chicago this week.

A terrific explosion in a coal mine at Yolanda, near Birmingham, Ala., on Monday entombed some eighty miners. The mines are 1,500 feet deep.

Chief Justice Fuller is defendant in a suit by the building department of Chicago, where he owns a hotel, which it is alleged does not conform to law.

The Thomas W. Lawson, the largest schooner ever floated, was lost off the Scilly Islands in the high gale of Friday night. All of the crew except three men were lost.

An official announcement was made from the Vatican that the Pope has appointed Monsignor Dennis O'Connell, rector of the Catholic University at Washington to be titular bishop of Sebastia.

Mrs. Cobden-Sanderson, the English suffragist, who has been in America since the latter part of October, describes the women of New York as parasites who measure everything by clothes and money.

Governor Hughes has received a report from Dr. Ranson on the condition of Abraham H. Hummel, and it is said that he will not pardon the lawyer, who is now very ill in the penitentiary on Blackwell's Island.

J. Edward Addicks, the originator of and the principal figure in the embarrassed Bay State Gas Company, will attempt to wrest from office Thomas W. Lawson, who on Monday had himself elected president of that corporation.

It is denied by prominent Japanese officials that the government of Japan is trying to float a loan in France. The rumor was circulated with the distinct purpose of destroying confidence and creating a false impression in the United States.

The President, amid the booming of cannons and the shouts of thousands of spectators, sent forth the largest fleet of war ships that ever assembled in American waters, on their cruise to the Pacific. The fleet left on Monday. It consisted of sixteen battleships.

Rev. F. E. Clark, head of the World's Christian Endeavor Unions, will leave Boston next month for Europe and will visit all the large cities of Great Britain, Ireland, Holland, Finland and Russia, and will attend the Spanish Christian Endeavor convention at Barcelona.

Mrs. Eunice E. Baker, of Denver, Col., a granddaughter of Betsy Ross, who made the first American flag, is ill and destitute. She has appealed, through a Denver newspaper, for financial assistance. She has been an invalid for years.

Bishop Coleman, of the diocese of Delaware, died at his home in Wilmington on Saturday morning after an illness of many weeks. Rev. Leighton Coleman was known all over this country as the "Tramping Bishop" from the custom he followed of taking long journeys on foot throughout the United States. He was seventy years old.

Reports are being widely circulated that President Roosevelt is very angry at Secretary of the Treasury Cortelyou and First Assistant Postmaster General Hitchcock for an alleged attempt to turn the third term boom to the advantage of Mr. Cortelyou as a candidate for the Presidency. The latest phase of the situation, according to the gossips, is that Mr. Hitchcock has been severely disciplined, and shorn of all the authority that has heretofore attached to his office in the way of appointment of postmasters.

The thousands of letters annually sent to "Santa Claus" which have heretofore been sent to the dead letter office and destroyed, will, in the future, be given to associations who will endeavor to answer some of them. This action of the post office was an answer to the petition of Miss Elizabeth Phillips, of Philadelphia.

Secretary Cortelyou has been cited by Justice Gould of the district supreme court, Washington, D. C., to appear in court Friday, January 3, 1908, to show cause why he should not be enjoined from turning over or delivering the balance of the \$21,450,000 of the Panama Canal bonds to certain banks and persons to whom he has announced allotments.

According to intimations given out at the close of a conference between President George Westinghouse and the receivers of the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company, February; will probably see the discharge of the receivership, under the plan outlined by Mr. Westinghouse and agreed to, with some modifications, by the receivers and the legal representatives of the creditors.

During Mr. Tillman's speech in the Senate on Monday he said he believed that President Roosevelt was a patriot and that while he had been guilty of many indiscretions and said many things which in cooler moments he would have been willing to take out of print, he did not believe the President felt any satisfaction whatever in having been instrumental in the present financial paralysis, as had been charged.

One of the most significant political events since the issuance of the President's statement on a third term was the visit at the White House of State Senator Alfred R. Page, of New York. Mr. Page is one of the most active Hughes boomers in New York, and the fact that the New York situation was canvassed leads to the belief that measures will soon be taken to remove the misunderstanding between the President and the Governor.

A meeting of the policyholders of the Mutual Reserve Life Insurance Company, held for the purpose of making certain changes in the bylaws of the company, was adjourned by an order of the court. It is said that a plan was on foot to mislead the policyholders and force a certain class of them to make up a deficiency which the insurance examiners had discovered. This amounted to at least \$1,760,000.

Pope Pius X. on Monday held a secret consistory in the Vatican, in which he created four new cardinals and preconized several bishops. The new cardinals are Monsignor Pietro Gasparri, secretary of the congregation of extraordinary ecclesiastical affairs; Monsignor DeLai, secretary of the congregation of the council; Monsignor Ludovic Henry Lucon, archbishop of Rheims, and Monsignor Paul Pierre Andrieu, archbishop of Marseilles.

Secretary Cortelyou, in a signed statement pronounces unqualifiedly false the current rumors of undue political activity of his friends in forwarding a movement in his interest. The Secretary declares that neither he nor his friends have used their influence in behalf of any candidate for the presidency, and that he has not been a candidate for anything but the confidence of the people. He adds that if he should hereafter decide to be a candidate for any office he will say so frankly.

Representative Burgess, of Texas introduced a resolution providing for the appointment by the President of a banking and currency commission of nine members, to hold public hearings touching the banking and currency laws of the country in New York, Chicago, St. Louis, Denver, Dallas, New Orleans and Atlanta, and such other hearings as they may deem desirable, and to make to the House of Representatives at a date not later than December 1, 1908, a report covering the recommendations as to the best possible banking system.

By next week when the Rhode Island Legislature chooses a senator there will be ninety-two members of the upper house. There was an interesting ceremony in connection with the swearing in of the two Senators from Oklahoma, Messrs. Owen and Gore. Three slips of paper numbered one, two and three were placed in a box. Mr. Gore, who is blind, was given the first chance. He drew No. 3, and accordingly his term of service will expire March 3, 1909. Senator Owen, who is proud of the fact that he is of Cherokee Indian descent, drew No. 1, which entitles him to the long term, namely, until March 3, 1913.

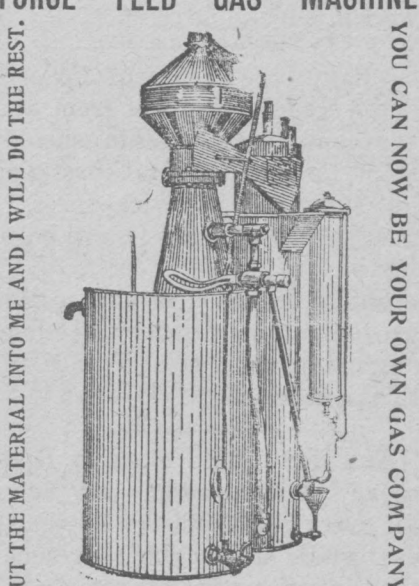
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FRIDAY, DEC. 20, 1907.

ONCE more we are about to enter upon the holy and ever joyous season of Christmas, when old and young give up to merriment and mirth, when hearts are touched and willingly respond, when loved ones gather round a bounteous board and all the world is glad. We will not keep the season afloat, however, we will not have caught the true meaning of the day, if, amid these scenes, we fail to dwell in reverent thought upon the Holy Child whose birth we celebrate, and realize that unto mankind on that far away Christmas morning was born "a Savior, which is Christ the Lord." Nor will we enter into the real spirit of the occasion if we do not become imbued with the predominating thought of this hallowed festival which is "good will toward men"—that feeling of genuine kindness which comes spontaneously only from a full heart and which manifests itself towards one and all.

Custom, taking its rise that day on which the gift-bearing worshippers expressed their adoration at the manger, has made this glad time the one in all the year wherein to give expression to that good will by means of gifts and thoughtful remembrances. But in this connection let be remembered that the poorest gift of all is that which comes from the purse rather than from the heart. It is not so much the gift itself that counts; it is the spirit behind it and the love that accompanies it.

It is good to maintain the old customs: to give gifts; to decorate the churches, the homes, the store windows with holly and mistletoe; to renew our youth; to spread good cheer and merriment; to sing the old carols and hymns. It is the day of days for the children, the parents, the old, the young, the poor and the rich, the happy and the afflicted. If the spirit of Christmas is in our hearts we will mark the day by kindly thoughts for our friends and our enemies, for all who need sympathy, love and encouragement; by words of good cheer and by the gifts which bless the giver equally with the receiver of them. A merry Christmas to all our friends and neighbors and our best wishes for their enjoyment of the day.

It has been suggested, and we commend the suggestion to all, that on Christmas Eve green wreaths be hung in the windows of every house in Emmitsburg, and that the shades be raised, so that our streets may be ablaze from the reflection of the Christ-

mas cheer from each and every fireside.

THE publicity part of Secretary Taft's boom is certainly being conducted on a very economical basis. We have been favored with one column of "boom" copy for which we are informed there is "no charge except five copies to Walter J. Ballard, 309 Delta Building, Los Angeles, California."

It was very thoughtful of Mr. Ballard to acquaint us with Mr. Taft's claims to the presidency, but as we are just now booming the business end of our enterprise we will have to pass.

"FANCY the despair of France if the scales should fall from its eyes and Great Britain should stand forth as its rival, possibly its superior, in wickedness," quoth the New York Sun in holy horror.

Fancy the shock to the world in general on discovering that any nation could rival France in this particular.

THE New York Evening Post says: "It is a custom just now for every public officer of whatever grade or function to resent the interference of somebody else."

And usually to resent the efforts of that somebody else who would put a check on their interference with everybody else.

"MANY persons believe that a horn player, to produce a clear tone, must drink at least 40 steins of beer a day," explains the Baltimore Sun.

Prompting the observation that a great many men seem to be endeavoring to become clear-tone horn players.

THERE is no doubt great regret in the ranks of the UNITED ORDER OF ABOUT-TO-BE HUSBANDS over the fact that a course in scientific baking, similar to that just inaugurated at Purdue University, is not included in the curriculum of every Woman's College in the land.

"THIS is an age when money is placed above man," said "Jeff" Davis, in his maiden speech the other day. And that is just what men are complaining of. It is so high above most of them that they can't reach it.

MARKET REPORTS.

The following market quotations, which are corrected every Friday morning, are subject to daily changes.

EMMITSBURG.	
Corrected by L. M. Zimmerman	
Wheat, (dry).....	92
Rye.....	50
Oats.....	60
New Corn.....	\$5.00@12.00
Hay.....	

LIVE STOCK.	
Corrected by Patterson Brothers	
Steers, per 100 lb.....	3.50@4.00
Butcher Hefers.....	3 1/2 @4
Fresh Cows.....	30.00@50.00
Fat Cows and Bulls, per lb.....	2 @3
Hogs, Fat per lb.....	5@5 1/2
Sheep, Fat.....	3 @4
Lambs, per lb.....	4 1/2 @ 5 1/2
Calves, per lb.....	6@6 1/2
Stock Cattle.....	3.50@4.00

Country Produce Etc.	
Corrected by Jos. E. Hoke.	
Butter.....	20
Eggs.....	30
Chickens, per lb.....	7
Turkeys, per lb.....	14
Spring Chickens per lb.....	09
Ducks, per lb.....	08
Potatoes, per bushel.....	\$ 50
Dried Cherries, (seeded).....	12
Raspberries.....	15
Blackberries.....	4
Apples, (dried).....	5
Lard, per lb.....	9
Beef Hides.....	04

Taneytown Grain And Hay Market.	
Prices paid by Reindollar Co.	
TANEYTOWN, Dec. 19.	
Wheat.....	\$ 56
Corn new and dry.....	57
Rye.....	75
Oats.....	45
Timothy Hay prime.....	12.00
Mixed Hay.....	8.00@10.00
Bundle Rye Straw.....	8.00@9.00

BALTIMORE, Dec. 18.	
WHEAT:—spot, 1.02 1/4	
CORN:—Spot, 62 1/2	
OATS:—White 54@55 1/2	
RYE:—Nearby, 86@87; bag lots, 75@85.	
HAY:—Timothy, \$18.00@18.50; No. 1 Clover \$17.00@17.50; No. 2 Clover, \$16.50@17.00	
STRAW:—Rye straw—fair to choice, \$14.50@15.00; No. 2, \$12.50@13.00; tangle rye, blocks \$9.50@10.50; wheat, blocks, \$8.50@9.00; oats \$10.00@10.50	
MILL FEED:—Spring bran, per ton, \$25.50@26.00; 100 lb. sacks, per ton, \$26.00@26.50; middlings, 100 lb. sacks, per ton, \$25.00@25.50	
POULTRY:—Old hens, @9; young chick	

ens, large, 10@; small, @; Spring chickens, large, 7; small @; Turkeys, 14@15
PRODUCE:—Eggs, 31; butter, nearby, rolls 20@; Maryland, Virginia and Pennsylvania prints, 19 @.
POTATOES:—Per bu. 60@65 No. 2, per bu. @ New potatoes, per bbl. \$. @ \$.
CATTLE:—Steers, best, \$1.25@1.50; others \$3.50@4.00; Hefers, \$ @ \$; Cows, \$2. @ \$3.00; Bulls, \$2.00 @ \$3.00; Calves, 7 1/2 @8
Spring Lambs, 6@6 1/2; Pigs \$1.00@1.50, Shoats, \$2. @ \$3.; Fresh Cows, \$30.00@40.00 per head.

PHILADELPHIA Dec. 18.
WHEAT, 1.02@1.02 1/4; CORN, 61@61 1/4; OATS 57@57 1/4; BUTTER 31 @; EGGS, 33; POTATOES per bu. \$. 70@ \$. 75; LIVE POULTRY —Fowls, 8@10 1/2; Spring chickens, Turkeys, 15@ 16

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NILES M. WILHIDE, late of said county, deceased. All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, legally authenticated, to the subscriber, on or before the 22nd day of June, 1908; they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefits of said estate. Those indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment.

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PUBLIC SALE DATES.

The regular Sale Register will be resumed, as is customary, in January. The following is a list of sales for which dates have been reserved at this office.

Tuesday, March 10th, 1908, Jas. P. Martin.

Wednesday, March 11th, 1908, Norman P. Welty.

Tuesday, March 17th, 1908, Irvin Val-

entine.

Wednesday, March 19th, 1908, Thomas Wastler.

Wednesday, March 25th, J. Stewart Annan.

It would be well too for those who intend to have sale in the Spring to book their dates at this office WITHOUT DELAY.

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What The Sphinx Thinks

—That the blindness of Justice is accountable for the many unjust verdicts that are rendered in her name.

—That among the few things the world will pardon a person for putting off—even indefinitely—is doing a mean act.

—That a tender heart, a clear conscience and a helping hand will do more towards creating Christian fellowship than all the cold reason and hard logic in the world.

—That a great deal of apparent honesty is only veneer. It warps and chips off when exposed to the heat of a favorable opportunity and discloses the counterfeit beneath.

—That it is not an easy matter to account for inconsistencies. Take the man who votes the prohibition ticket, for instance, and then buys his grog, under another name, from the grocer or the druggist.

—That some who lament that they are not occupying positions to which they are entitled, ought not to press the matter too far for fear of being taken at their word and landed in jail or the insane asylum.

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ABSENTMINDED.

A Story of Bunsen, the Great German Scientist.

In the autobiography of Sir Henry Roscoe there is a capital example of the absentmindedness of Bunsen, the great German scientist.

He had had his evening clothes put out that he might attend a card party to which he had been invited, but forgot all about it until the next morning, when his man pointed out that the evening clothes had not been worn.

And then he remarked to himself, "I know what I'll do." That evening he put on his dress clothes, went to the lady's house at the appointed time and walked in as if it were the day upon which he had been invited. The hostess, much too polite to tell him that he had mistaken the evening and that the party had taken place on the previous night, sent to her friends asking them to come in to play a rubber again. They did so. In the course of the evening the conversation turned on absentmindedness, and Bunsen began to tell them what had happened to him a long time ago—how that he had forgotten an invitation and how he had made up his mind to go the next night—and thus he told the party the whole story, forgetting altogether that he was giving them an account of what was happening at the very moment.

"I suppose you noted the disposition to make class distinctions in Europe?" "No," answered Mrs. Cumrox in a tone of disappointment; "Europeans seem to go on the principle that all Americans are rich without realizing that some of us may be vastly richer than others."—Washington Star.

Out of Town Friend—Say, old man, where is the best place to get umbrellas? New Yorker—Oh, a large reception or a club meeting.—Lippincott's.

ICEBERGS.

They Are Useful as Well as Grand and Menacing.

When an iceberg is launched upon its long journey its bottom parts are barnacled with sand, bowlders and other detritus gathered from the land surface over which it has made its tedious march to the sea. This burden is gradually cast off as it melts while drifting down along our continental seaboard.

As a result of the deposits thus made through countless centuries, combined with the products of erosion carried seaward by the rivers, the sea bed for many miles off shore has been gradually filled up, creating those vast submerged plateaus, known as "banks," which extend from Labrador to the bay of Fundy and form the breeding grounds of innumerable shoals of cod, herring and other valuable food fishes. In this way the bergs have performed an economic service of incalculable value, laying the foundation for one of the world's most important productive industries and affording a means of livelihood to those hardy bands of "captains courageous" who each year reap the harvests of the sea.

The bergs serve a further economic purpose in that to their tempering influences are largely due the climatic conditions prevailing over a great part of the interior of North America.—Alfred Sidney Johnson in the World Today.

First Boatman to Second Ditto—"E's got more brains in 'is 'ead than you and me 'as got in the rest of our bodies.—London Tatler.

Tom—Can I kiss you?
Tess—Mamma is in the next room.
Tom—Oh, well, I guess your father can kiss her.—Utica Observer.

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A Bit Of Wit And Humor To Season The Serious Side Of Life.

Should Leave It to the Lord.

A gentleman residing in a small town recently lost his wife and, in deference to the last wishes of the deceased, the remains were cremated. Bridget Flannigan, a former servant in the family, heard of her old master's trouble and called to console him. "Oh, wirra, wirra!" she cried, rocking herself to and fro. "An' yer poor lady is dead! Sure an' it's miserable we all are, for a more blissed sowl niver lived."

"You are very kind to say so, Bridget."

"An' ye had 'em burn her up?"

"Yes; she was cremated."

"Och, the saints preserve us! Why didn't ye let the Lord tend to that?"—Lippincott's.

The Middle Ages.

Ella—I have been reading an article on the chivalry of the middle ages.

Stella—I think there is something in the idea. I have always found that the middle aged men were more apt to offer me a seat in a street car than the young fellows were.

Had the Real Thing at Home.

Simcon Ford, the New York humorist, tells of a little girl who constantly carried with her a big wax doll he had given her. Recently there arrived in the household to which the little girl belongs another youngster. During the afternoon following this interesting event Mr. Ford chanced to encounter his little friend on the street. "Why, Marie," said he, "where's your nice doll?" Whereupon the little one elevated her nose to an unwonted angle and said: "I don't have any use for wax dolls now. We've got a real meat baby at our house, and that takes up all my time."

Perkin Warbeck's Parents.

King Edward asked Prince Edward of Wales what he was studying, and the little prince said, "All about Perkin Warbeck." Asked who Warbeck was, he replied: "He pretended he was the son of a king, but he wasn't. He was the son of respectable parents."

His Fighting List.

Mike sat busily engaged in copying the names of the male population of the immediate vicinity. His good wife, noting the apparent industry of her lord, asked what he was doing.

"Begorra, an' it's wrothin' the names o' the min phwat Oi kin lick, so Oi am!" he exclaimed.

A few minutes later the woman put on her shawl and went to Pat O'Leary's humble home, where she informed Pat that she saw his name was on the list.

Without waiting to don his coat, O'Leary sallied forth in search of Mike, who was found still engaged at the list.

"Moike," said Pat in a tone that sounded like the thunders of heaven, "they say as how yez air makin' a list o' the feileys yez kin lick an' thot me name's on it."

"An' so 'tis," retorted Mike.

"But, rist yer sowl," exclaimed Pat, shaking his fist close to Mike's proboscis, "yez can't do it!"

"Thin Oi'll scratch yer name off," said Mike feebly, and he continued adding to the list.

Not Frightened by the Warning.

"If such a thing occurs again, Marie, I shall have to get another servant," said the lady.

"I wish you would, madam; there's quite enough work for two of us," was the reply.

How to Teach Sister to Swim.

F. Hopkinson Smith, painter, author, engineer and professional optimist, says he overheard a conversation between two Boston youngsters selling newspapers.

"Say, Harry, w'at's de best way to teach a girl how to swim?" asked the younger one.

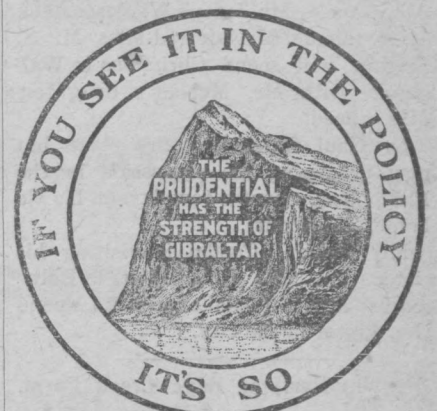
"Dat's a cinch. First off you puts your left arm under her waist and you gently takes her left hand."

"Come off; she's me sister."

"Aw, push her off de dock."

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THE CHRONICLE invites its readers to send in communications containing personals and items of news from their respective localities. Articles intended for insertion in the CHRONICLE should reach this office on Wednesday morning and they should, in every instance, be signed by the correspondents as an evidence of good faith. The name of the writer, however, will not be published unless there is a request to that effect.

Miss Eva Shulenberg spent Sunday in Hagerstown.

Rev. Mr. Gluck spent a few days out of town this week.

Mr. T. K. Worthington, of Lancaster, Pa., is visiting in Emmitsburg.

Mrs. Daniel Snovel, of Baltimore, spent a few days in this place.

Mrs. John Sebald, of Baltimore, was in Emmitsburg for a few days.

Miss Bruce Morrison, who visited Miss Ruth Motter in Frederick, has returned.

Mrs. Charles Smith and Mrs. P. F. Pampel spent a few days in Frederick.

Mr. and Mrs. William Rosensteel, of Baltimore, attended the funeral of Mr. Joseph W. Rosensteel.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Hoke have returned from a visit to their daughter, Mrs. Minnich, in Carlisle.

Miss Edith Adams has been spending several weeks with her aunt, Mrs. Walter Hoffman, of Harrisburg, Pa.

Mr. Lawrence Gillelan, of Baltimore, is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George L. Gillelan.

Rev. Father C. O. Rosensteel, of Forest Glen, Md., attended the funeral of his uncle, Mr. Joseph W. Rosensteel.

Mr. Samuel McNair and Miss M. S. McNair will spend Christmas in Walbrook, with Mr. McNair's daughter, Mrs. Speed.

Dr. Gaul, formerly of this place but now practicing his profession in the Philippines, spent a few days in his old home, Thurmont.

Mr. Felix Diffendal is visiting his sister, Mrs. M. J. McDevit, in Baltimore. Mr. Diffendal expects to spend the Winter in the city.

Birthday Party at Edge Creek Farm.

(Special to the Chronicle.)

On Friday evening Dec. 13th, in honor of his birthday, a very delightful surprise party was given at the home of Mr. Krise Byers. The following guests were present: Mr. and Mrs. Krise Byers, Mrs. John Bollinger, Misses Ethel Byers, Gertrude Bowling, Norva Eyer, Lillie Brown, Georgina Kreitz, Annie Mort, Mary Eyer, Mary Fite, Lulu Cushman, Jane Baker, Grace Bollinger, Vallie Fite, Effie Eyer, Carrie Bollinger and Annie Eyer; Messrs. A. M. Menchey, E. H. Hylton, H. W. Gtawall, Clarence Baker, Charles Hoffman, Lemmel Ergood, Clarence McClain, Samuel Neely, Plank, Newell Fite, Guy Plank, Feslan Vaughn, Roy Shorb, Joseph Baker, Bernard Peters, Howard Bowling, Harrie McDonnell, Nervie Eyer, John Eyer, Jacob Boen, Roy Bollinger, Luther Byers, H. E. McCleab and Charley Shorb.

In Honor of Their Wedding Anniversary

In honor of the twenty-seventh anniversary of their wedding, a very pleasant surprise party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James O. Harbaugh, on Monday evening last.

The guests were: Messrs. and Mesdames Bernard Welty, Lewis T. Mentzer, Charles E. Gillelan, Ernest Shriver, Norman Welty, C. F. Ohler, Robert E. Hockensmith; Mrs. Samuel Fite and Mrs. Wm. Warner; Misses Edna and Bertha Stansbury, Rosa and Zeppa Troxell, Vallie, Mary and Edna Fite, Edith Grushon, Madeline Gelwicks, Alice and Clara Hockensmith, Annie and Bertha Moser, and Ada Warner; Messrs. James G. Bishop, Frank Troxell, John and Frank Grushon, Newell Fite, John Moser, Marlin Stonesifer, Edgar Stansbury, Nervin Eyer, Emory Valentine, Charles Gillelan, Norman Shriver, and Russel Ohler.

How about a nice rocking chair for a Christmas gift? You can buy them at E. E. Zimmerman's. He keeps furniture of all descriptions.

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Send all the home news to your friend by subscribing for THE EMMITSBURG CHRONICLE. A CHRISTMAS GIFT, lasting fifty-two weeks, for \$1.00.

There are no better whiskies on the market than Pimlico Club and Cumberland Pure Old Rye. I am the sole agent, HARRY C. HARNER. dec. 13-2t.

"If a man would know what he is let him anger his neighbors."

POSTPONED PUBLIC SALE.

On Saturday, Dec. 21, at 1 o'clock, P. M. 1907.

One Carload of Portland and Swell-Body Sleighs,

Horse-Blankets, Stable Blankets and Plush Robes. 1 Good one-horse wagon and Single and Double sets of Harness.

D. W. GARNER, Taneytown Md.

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END OF A USEFUL LIFE

Emmitsburg Mourns The Loss Of Michael Lingg

DEATH DUE TO APPENDICITIS

Never Rallied From Operation Of Last Week.—Monuments to His Skill At Mount St. Mary's.—A Man Universally Respected.

Mr. Michael Lingg, after a brief illness, died on Friday evening, December 13, at his home near Mount St. Mary's College.

In the prime of life and usefulness, his sudden death comes to his family and friends and the community at large as a great misfortune. Universally respected and esteemed for his sterling manhood and integrity, he felt and took a keen and active interest in whatever would substantially benefit the people, and generously aided any cause or enterprise that would further their welfare.

His life though short was filled with usefulness to his family and his friends, who esteemed him for his genuine worth and most deeply regret his untimely end.

Mr. Lingg was twice married, his second wife being Miss Margaret Henly, who, with eight children, five by his first wife and three by his second, still survive him and were all members of his family at the time of his death, except one, his oldest son, Felix. He is also mourned by his father, Mr. Henry Lingg, and three brothers, George, Joseph and Henry; and three sisters, Miss Blanch, Mrs. Wivel and Mrs. Zurgable.

Mr. Lingg was buried from St. Anthony's Church on Monday, all the members of the College Faculty who could do so, attended the funeral Mass. The Vice President, Rev. Bernard J. Bradley, was celebrant, while Rev. Professors McGovern, Coad, McSweeney and Gallagher assisted in the Sanctuary. Prof. Crumlish was also present. The pastor of the parish, Rev. George W. Traggesser expressed his appreciation of the deceased and recommended his soul to the prayers of the large congregation assembled. The honorary pallbearers were: John Hoke, Thomas Hayes, Doctors Jamison and Stone and Vincent Sebald. The active ones were John Kelley, Edward Motter, James Harbaugh, William Welty, Daniel Roddy, and George Warthen.

The esteem in which the deceased was held is evident from the words used by the President, Rev. Dr. Flynn, in the College Chapel on Sunday. He had "Known Michael Lingg for nine years, and found him always the same, even-mannered, trust-worthy man, worthy of the highest praise that one could give another."

Father Bradley spoke of him as always ready, willing and able to take hold, to put his hand to anything in his line, and to act in any emergency, a leader amongst men.

Indeed all appeared to agree in these estimates. A model child of the church, an intelligent mechanic, an industrious workman, busy to the last day of the season, had "died in harness." On his feet in and around the foundations of the new College Church till his strength was almost gone, one may say that the cement of its corner stone is mixed with his blood; and no nobler name will future generations find in the records of the New Seminary which he finished, or of the New Church which he began, than that of this clever, modest, gentle mason, recognized by these qualities as the proper one to gather men about him and to guide them to success in their honorable calling. Michael Lingg maintained the excellent reputation of his fathers. May his children and his fellow citizens who assembled to honor his memory, deserve like recognition from those they shall leave behind them.

His grave is situated on the mountain side, overlooking the splendid College building and St. Anthony's Church, monuments to his skill as a builder.

WANTED.

A middle aged woman who knows how to do domestic work about a house, and will do it. Small family of grown people. Good position with good wages to the woman who gives satisfaction. Address. P. O. Box 6. Waynesboro, Pa. nov. 8-tf.

I do not have a bar. Mine is a store for the people. I keep lots of things you need for the household. HARRY C. HARNER. dec. 13-2t.

Port, Sherry, Riesling and all domestic wines at HARRY C. HARNER'S. Don't you need some for Christmas? dec. 13-2t.

WANTED.

The names and addresses of people living in this District who make hickory or oak baskets. Apply at this office. tf

Your Christmas preparations will not be complete until you have procured some of Harry C. Harner's "Good Cheer." Let me show you the stock I keep. Everything at moderate price. In quantity only. 1t.

Full line of holiday presents. Everything guaranteed as represented. nov. 22-5ts. GEO. T. EYSTER.

In lieu of a Christmas card send your friend a copy of "My Dark Marie," 25c. dec 20-1t.

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KOONTZ-EYLER.—At the Lutheran parsonage on Wednesday, December 18th, 1907, by the Rev. Mr. Charles Reinwald, Mr. James Herbert Koontz and Miss Nellie Eyer, both of near this place.

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Regular death notices published one time free of charge. Obituary poetry and resolutions charged for at the rate of five cents a line.

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WINTER.—On Dec. 15, 1907, at her home in this place, Mary Anne Winter aged 92 years 6 months and 25 days. The funeral service was held at her home on Tuesday afternoon, Rev. Mr. Reinwald assisted by Rev. Mr. Kenneth M. Craig officiating. The interment was made in the Lutheran cemetery.

FITZGERALD.—On Dec. 19, 1907, at St. Joseph's Academy, James Fitzgerald, aged 68 years. The funeral service will be held in St. Joseph's Church, Emmitsburg, on Saturday morning.

GRAND ARMY BANQUET

Veterans Gather Around Festal Board And Listen to Interesting Talks From Visiting Comrades.

Last Tuesday evening Arthur Post, No. 41, of the Grand Army of the Republic, and visiting comrades held a meeting and banquet at Comrade Hoke's. During the supper the visiting gentlemen entertained the veterans with interesting talks which were very much appreciated by all. The menu prepared by Mr. Hoke was elaborate and was served as only he knows how. The post felt very much honored to have as their guests on this occasion Department Commander Tarr and Past Department Commander Campbell. Beside these guests there were present: Commander James B. Black, Senior Vice-Commander John H. Mentzer, Junior Vice-Commander John Shank, Quartermaster George T. Gelwicks, Adjutant Samuel Gamble, Chaplain Samuel N. McNair, Officer of the Day George T. Eyster, Officer of the Guard John Reifsnider and Comrades Sanders, Gershon, Jacob Turner, James Hospelhorn, Michael Hoke, John Baird, William H. Baker, Albert Dutterer and David Bentzel.

Regular Inspector Ward was not able to be present, being ill at his home in Hagerstown, and Past Department Commander Campbell inspected the Post.

JOSEPH W. ROSENSTEEL.

On Friday at almost midnight Mr. Joseph W. Rosensteel, a well-known citizen of this community, died at the home of his son, James, near Mt. St. Mary's College. The deceased was employed at the College until by reason of his illness he was forced to quit work. Mr. Rosensteel's father came to this country from Germany and settled in this state where Mr. Joseph Rosensteel was born.

The funeral service was held on Tuesday Morning at nine o'clock in the St. Anthony's Church. Father Traggesser assisted by Father Rosensteel, a nephew of the deceased, conducted the service. Rev. Father Rosensteel sang the Mass and Fathers Hayden, Bradley, and McNelis were in the sanctuary. Two grandsons of Mr. Rosensteel, Robert Kerrigan and John Rosensteel served the funeral Mass and assisted the priests in the graveyard. The pallbearers were Charles Rosensteel, Charles Myers, Edward Rosensteel and Theodore Rosensteel.

Mr. Rosensteel is survived by five sons, Messrs. Joseph, John, James, George of this place, and Mr. William Rosensteel, of Baltimore; and six daughters, Mrs. Daniel Snovell and Mrs. John Sebald, of Baltimore, and Mrs. J. M. Kerrigan, Mrs. James Mullen, Mrs. Wm. Myers and Mrs. Edward Motter, of this place.

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GONE TO HIS REWARD

James Fitzgerald Died of Pneumonia Yesterday

TWENTY-EIGHT YEARS OF SERVICE

Was a Native of Ireland and Consistent Catholic.—He Had Been a Well-Known Local Figure for Over a Quarter of a Century.

(Special to The Chronicle.)

"We spend our years as a tale that is told."

As we prepare to kneel with fervent faith and love at the manger crib of our Infant Saviour, from whose lowly birth we learn how far poverty transcends the wealth, honors, and pleasures of this world, a luminous page of life's history seems to open before us, as we record the close of a humble, laborious, but faithful career. James Fitzgerald, a native of Ireland, aged 68 years, died of pneumonia, at St. Joseph's, at 2 o'clock on Thursday morning. Truly may it be said that this good man fell at his post, a model to his fellow workmen to the last. He went through the usual routine of the day on Friday last, when he took his accustomed early drive to town. On that evening he was seized with the fatal illness which so speedily brought the end.

From the outset, the case appeared serious, and, although a slight improvement at first gave hope, it soon became evident that medical skill, care and the most efficacious remedies were powerless to conquer the disease. With the strong Irish faith which had always characterized him, with almost cheerful resignation, the son of honest toil awaited the summons to meet the Almighty Judge, in whose merciful promises the Christian places all his trust. On Monday last, Rev. Father Hayden, his pastor and confessor, administered the last consolations of religion, which seemed to impart new strength and courage to make the great journey from time to eternity. Again on Wednesday, the dying man received the Holy Viaticum, that he might have with him the Master, the friend, and lover of the poor, as the companion of his journey.

He was conscious to the last. Two of the Sisters, with two of the men watched with him all night, the Sisters retired only at five o'clock. The remains will be laid out in the "White House," until Saturday at nine o'clock, when the funeral will take place from St. Joseph's Church, in town.

During his brief illness of five days, every attention was bestowed by the Sisters and the help of the house. All was most gratefully appreciated by the meek sufferer, especially the repeated visits, bringing encouragement and comfort from the three Reverend Fathers. The prayers of the Community, no doubt, brought many graces for the supreme moment, and these prayers will now be offered for the soul's speedy admission to everlasting rest and joy.

Twenty-eight unbroken years of service at St. Joseph's, found James ever faithful and trustworthy, a model in the practice of his religion. He had identified himself with the interests of the Institution which employed him, for he knew no other home. His wish was to end his days there, and he buried from the Parish Church, which he loved with an almost boyish pride. His chief duty was that of carriage driver, to take the Fathers to and from town; hence his figure was a familiar one to all the people of Emmitsburg.

An edifying member of the "Holy Name Society," he will be missed by his congregation, as well as at St. Joseph's, but he will not soon be forgotten.

"God grant he may own in the heavenly clime, With a finished life in view, That our darkest nights in the path of time Were the brightest days we knew."

TAX NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that interest will be charged on all unpaid corporation taxes after Jan. 1st, 1908. P. F. BURKET, Tax Collector. dec. 13-2t.

Raw Furs Wanted.

Highest Cash Prices Paid for Same. GEO. W. ROOP, York Roads, Md. dec. 6-6t.

Don't forget E. E. Zimmerman when you are making your Christmas purchases. A large shipment of phonographs and records just received. * * * dec. 20-1t.

A Christmas gift that will afford a great deal of pleasure—Poems by The Rev. Mr. Craig. For sale by C. J. SHUFF & Co. \$1.00.

Signet rings \$1.50 to \$10. No charge for engraving. GEO. T. EYSTER. nov. 22-5ts.

Oysters on half shell at Emmitt House during Christmas holidays. dec. 20-1t.

Any wines not carried in stock will be gotten for you at short notice by HARRY C. HARNER. dec. 13-2t.

MAN KILLED AND SEVERAL HURT

Wreck on the Northern Central Near Ladiesburg.—Fire Box Blew Out Derailing Engine.

Last evening at about 5.15 the north bound train on the Northern Central Railroad was wrecked between New Midway and Ladiesburg and fireman J. W. Renner was killed, and several passengers and the engineer seriously injured. The firebox on the locomotive blew out throwing the engine off the track killing the fireman, who was buried under the wreck.

DEATH OF MRS. MARY A. WINTER

On Sunday morning Mrs. Mary A. Winter, one of Emmitsburg's oldest citizens, died at her home in this place, at the very advanced age of ninety-two years. Mrs. Winter's health had been poor for over a year and her death was not unexpected. She is survived by one daughter, Miss Columbia Winter, who lived with her mother.

The death of Mrs. Winter removes from Emmitsburg the last of a most honorable family. She was the only living descendant of Mr. Jacob Rowe, whose family numbered among its members the late George W. Rowe, a name inseparably connected with the history of Emmitsburg.

For seventy years Mrs. Winter had been a member of the Lutheran Church, having joined that denomination during the pastorate of the Rev. Mr. Keller, in 1837. Her age kept her from active participation in church work the last years of her life.

The funeral services was held at her late home on Tuesday afternoon at one o'clock, Rev. Mr. Reinwald, assisted by Rev. Mr. Craig, officiating. The interment was made in the Lutheran Church yard. The pallbearers were: Messrs. Oscar Frailey, Quincy Rowe, William Morrison, W. D. Colliflower, William Hoke and Samuel Rowe.

To Those Mailing Gifts.

The Post Office Department calls attention to the following:

"Such inscriptions as 'Merry Christmas,' 'Happy New Year,' 'with best wishes,' etc., together with the name and address of the addressee and of the sender may be written upon mail matter of the third and fourth classes, or upon a card inclosed therewith, without affecting its classification."

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FOR THE BOY: Drums, Horns, Violins, Horses, Automobiles, Friction Toys, Iron Toys, Magic Lanterns from 75 cents to \$1.50, Mechanical Trains, Air Ships, Merry-go-rounds, Horse Race Games, Horses on Wheels, Wheelbarrows, Balls, Tops, in fact everything that a boy could wish.

We also have a fine assortment of Rugs, Art Squares, Music Rolls, Comb, Brush and Mirror Sets, Handkerchief and Glove Boxes, Post Card Albums, Collar and Cuff Boxes, Shaving Sets, Fine Stationery, Waste Baskets, Sewing Baskets, Umbrellas suitable for Holiday Gifts, Women's Umbrellas, handles of natural wood, prices \$1.00 to \$3.50.

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SEASON  OF 1907.

LIVE CAPITAL TOPICS.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

If the expressions of the Democrats who gathered here to arrange for their national convention are to be taken at their face value, there will hardly be a contest in the Democratic convention. That William J. Bryan will be the party nominee is the prediction of every Democrat who attended the national committee meeting this week. Of course there were some efforts to promote the interests of other candidates, such as Governor Johnson, Judge Gray, and Lt. Governor Chanler but they were small affairs and were pressed in a halfhearted way while even the men who sought to promote the interests of these several candidates admitted that they expected Mr. Bryan would be the standard-bearer.

Washington has been teeming with politics. President Roosevelt has reiterated his statement made on Election Night, three years ago, that he will not under any circumstances accept another nomination for the Presidency. The Democratic National Committee has held its regular meeting and selected Denver for the place and July 7, for the date of the next Democratic national convention. Political gossip regarding the result of the President's announcement and the nomination of the Democratic's presidential candidate have been rife.

As soon as it became known that Mr. Roosevelt had officially reiterated his determination not again to run for the presidency, every would-be Republican presidential candidate's heart beat faster, everyone but Cortelyou's. Secretary Cortelyou had been conducting a gumshoe boom under the cloak of enthusiasm for a third term for Mr. Roosevelt and the President's declaration proved a severe blow to Mr. Cortelyou's aspirations. His feelings are best described in his own words. He said to a friend who told him the news, "I have received a d—n raw deal at the White House." Had the President's action ended with the elimination of himself from the presidential equation all would have been well for the other candidates and they would have had reason to take heart—but it did not.

No sooner was the President's statement made public than he began work in earnest to separate "the goats from the sheep," as he described them, within his own party. My friends and the friends of my policies, he said in substance, will stand squarely behind Secretary Taft. He is the only man who has been named by the Republicans in connection with the Presidency who is at heart in sympathy with my policies, and those who wish the work I have been doing carried on can win only by squarely supporting Mr. Taft. Of course there are many other men who say they are in sympathy with these policies for which Taft and I stand, but they say so for political advantage and not through sincerity. I recognize clearly the right of the Republican party to choose or to reject the policies of this administration, but I am determined that the rank and file of the party shall not be deceived and I shall take pains to let them know that Taft is the one man who will carry out these policies. Of course if the rank and file of the party want a reactionary candidate, a man who will, as soon as he is in power, repudiate these policies, that is their right but I purpose to do everything in my power to make the situation perfectly clear and then I am entirely prepared to abide by the decision of the majority of the party.

Of course Mr. Roosevelt has not said these things officially. That he would regard as an impropriety. But he is saying them every day, unofficially, to the men on whom he can rely to spread the facts among the people. Since this fact became known it has spread consternation among most of the would-be Republican candidates. Senator Foraker, it is true, stands squarely before the people for a repudiation of all that Roosevelt stands for. He would seem to be the logical candidate of those opposed to the Roosevelt type of republicanism, but his vote-getting capacity is generally regarded by the politicians as too small to enable him to capture the nomination. Gov. Hughes' stock in political trade has been the belief that he stood for the same things as Roosevelt. Mr. Roosevelt makes it clear that he does not think so. The Governor has not said so. On the contrary, he has in all his speeches, reflected on the methods of the President, but his friends have represented him as a Roosevelt Republican nevertheless. Secretary Cortelyou has been placed by his friends in the attitude of the administration's second choice. But the President's statements make it quite clear that Mr. Roosevelt has no second choice, so that places the Secretary of the Treasury in an unfortunate position. Whether President Roosevelt can carry his aim to a successful conclusion is the question which all politicians are asking but none seems prepared to answer.

Elmer Harbaugh, a young farmer of Harbaugh's Valley, had his right hand badly mangled while operating a circular saw. Four fingers were sawed off.

TAFT'S POOR CHANCES

The Presidential Situation In The State Of Ohio

MISMANAGEMENT OF CAMPAIGN

Foraker and Fate Give Big Man a Hard Fight.—Gov. Hughes Wise in Instituting no Campaign.—People Must Wait Till June Next.

The choice of Chicago as the meeting place of the Republican National Convention is taken rather generally as a slap at Secretary Taft's Presidential aspirations. The announcement of Foraker a little while ago is another dig at the Secretary. Altogether from the news reports the big man has a hard fight ahead. The bereavement he has suffered in the loss of his mother, and that, too, at a time when he was far from her may also mar his chances; but aside from all these difficulties Mr. Taft has to combat the bad influence of mismanagement of his campaign. What may be the outcome next June in Chicago cannot be stated. The New York Post says concerning the outlook for Mr. Taft:

For steady misconception and mismanagement from the start, the Taft campaign can have had few rivals. The Secretary himself cannot be held blameless, but his editor-brother in Ohio, and particularly his "campaign manager," Mr. Vorys, have done things calculated to "queer" a more robust boom than Mr. Taft's has ever been. Mr. Vorys was in Washington yesterday, (December 4) where he smilingly announced that "in Ohio we are having an open fight"! This he added, "is a desirable condition"! It is desirable, that is, that a candidate who is making no perceptible progress elsewhere, should have to make a hard fight for even a part of the delegates from his own State. Gov. Hughes' friends have fresh reason to be thankful that he has no campaign manager.

To the Philadelphia Record it appears, to quote that paper that "Senator Foraker has pulled the fire alarm, and the question now is how generally the department will turn out.

BRUCEVILLE.

Mr. William Otto went to Baltimore Sunday evening.

Mr. Willie Cover and Mr. Earl Walden returned last Sunday from a visit to Washington, D. C.

Miss Anna Barr went to Westminster on Monday.

Mr. Engle, of Baile & Engle, Medford, spent Monday here with Mr. J. Price Robinson.

Mr. Oliver Stonesifer's house is nearly finished. He expects to occupy it about April 1st. Mr. William Cover is the builder.

Mr. Charles Ilgenfritz has sold his place to Mr. George Fox, of Keyville, who will move on April 1st. Mr. Ilgenfritz, who is now on the Pennsylvania Railroad retired list, after many years of faithful service, will live in York, Pa.

Mr. Harry Crouse, of Pennsylvania, has been visiting friends here for several days.

Mr. Vernon Otto has gone on a pleasure trip through the South. He will be absent several weeks.

Mr. T. A. Martin, of Taneytown, the champion barn builder of this section, passed through here Monday evening on his way to Westminster where he will erect a new barn for Mr. S. K. Herr. Accompanying Mr. Martin were Messrs. William H. Angell, Uriah Royce, Calvin Horner, Charles Sell and Charles Martin, all of Taneytown. While waiting for the train, Messrs. Martin and Angell got out their violins and gave the company in the station an impromptu concert. They played the "Horse Guards," "The Girl I Left Behind Me" and other good old tunes which set everybody's feet a-patting. So seductive was the music that several enthusiastic couples got out on the floor and danced the Virginia Reel. Then Mr. Martin held a mock auction which was very entertaining. Mr. William H. Angell's musical abilities are well known in Emmitsburg where he has often played at country dances. Nearly all of Mr. Martin's company had their violins along. With so much musical talent Taneytown ought to organize an orchestra.

Do the very best I know how—the very best I can; and I mean to keep doing so until the end. If the end brings me out all right, what is said against me won't amount to anything. If the end brings me out wrong, ten angels swearing I was right would make no difference.—Abraham Lincoln.

Don't have the cost mark on presents.

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Puzzles

A Little Bit of Mental Play.

ANSWERS TO LAST ONES.

No. 343.—Diamond: 1. N. 2. Fit. 3. Night. 4. The. 5. T.

No. 344.—Charade: Part-ridge.

No. 345.—Enigmatical Cities: 1. Canton. 2. Liverpool. 3. Madrid. 4. Lucknow. 5. Paris. 6. Hamburg. 7. Cape Town.

No. 346.—Omitted Vowels: Icy, breaths, autumn, appear, arid, begin, high, and, Thanksgiving, day, draw-eth, high, relish, pumpkin pie, pie, eat, it, give, satisfied, sigh.

No. 347.—Cube Puzzle:

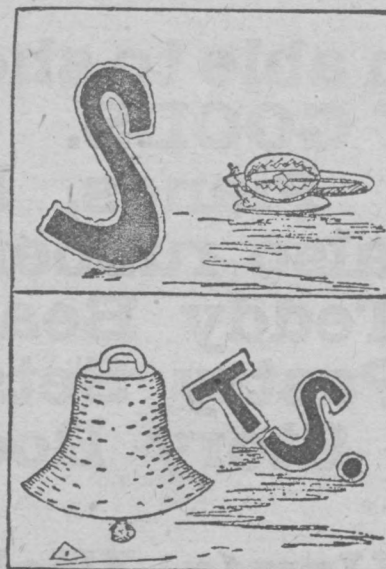
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No. 348.—Jumbled Proverb: The early bird catches the worm.

No. 349.—Suggested States: Ohio, Maine, Rhode Island, Connecticut, Georgia, Tennessee.

No. 351.—If I Were You.
1. A large cask would be a metal.
2. Fine, soft hair would be a tree.
3. A boat would be a measure.
4. Something good to eat would be a storage place.

No. 352.—Leather Findings.



Two kinds of articles made of leather are here suggested.—New York Tribune.

No. 353.—Metamorphoses.
Change feel to hear in three moves; change one letter at a time, making a new word at every change. Answer: Feel, heel, heal, hear.

1. Change HAND to FOOT in five moves.
2. Change SOCK to BOOT in four moves.
3. Change FIND to LOSE in four moves.
4. Change GIVE to TAKE in four moves.
5. Change CORN to OATS in five moves.

No. 354.—Anagram.
NOR BET BURRS—a famous poet.

No. 355.—Charade.
My first is attached to my arm,
Its mission's of value rare.
If you wish to keep it from harm,
Of its helpers you must beware.

My second's a part of my garment,
Of varied colors and white.
If its surface you happen to dent,
An iron will make it right.

My whole is of structure quite light,
Its use on offenders unruly.
Will hold them most surely and tight,
And assist in their capture truly.

No. 356.—Subtractions.
1. "Blow, blow thou winter"—Guess the word omitted. Take 500 from it and leave to gain in a contest.
2. Take fifty from to walk lamely and leave a malicious demon.
3. Take 500 from discourteous and leave to regret.
4. Take 1,000 from in the midst and leave help.
5. Take fifty from low in temperature and leave a kind of fish.
6. Take fifty from the part of a vessel in which the cargo is stored and leave the trough in which a bricklayer carries his mortar.

No. 357.—Word Puzzle.
Polly exclaimed third when she found her dress was first and asked for Sister May's second to get ready for school in time. She said there would be a "perfect whole of trouble" if she were late. But Sister May told her it was slang to use the word that way.

No. 358.—Diamond.
1. A letter in joyous. 2. A kind of swamp. 3. A young man. 4. A building found on most farms. 5. A letter in home.

FOR THE BENEFIT OF FARMERS

The Care To Be Given Sheep From The Late Autumn To The Springtime

CULLING AND HOUSING THE FLOCK IN FALL

How To Look after the Ewes When the Grass is Frozen Hard.—Keep the Shed Well Bedded and Dry and Give Plenty of Exercise.—Attention Must Not Be Given Grudgingly.—A Variety of Food Stuffs is Beneficial at All Times.

November is the time to put the ram with the ewes. It is presumed that the ram is either at hand or has been selected before this time, and that he is in a strong, healthy condition. We admire the fine, well fattened show rams that we see at the fairs, but unless they have been given an abundance of exercise since being shown it is risky to use them. A ram should be both nimble vigorous to be sure to beget life and impart the necessary strength and activity to the lambs. The man who is willing to do his best for the flock will not consider it too much trouble to feed the ram a little grain for some time before using, and also feed some grain each day during the breeding season. Instead of turning him loose with the flock he will be willing to take him to the flock each day, and then take him out and put him by himself, were he can be quiet, well watered and fed. It is a good plan to put some dry paint on the breast and thighs of the ram so he will mark the ewes, and then they should be taken away. A ram handled in this manner will get as strong and vigorous lambs at the end of the season as at the first, and is more likely to get all the ewes in lamb than if he is turned in and left with the flock.

When fodder is high there is a disposition to withhold the feed until the snow covers the ground; but if the ewes are not fed some as soon as the grass is frozen hard they will fall off in condition. They may look plump,

but it is not because they are getting fat, but because the feed is not sustaining them, and they are eating a good deal of the frost bitten grass.

As soon as they are in winter quarters they should be provided with the feeds necessary to keep up their condition. They have been getting a variety of succulent feed in the pasture, and it is an abrupt change to confine them to one kind of forage. A variety of feeds is beneficial at all times. A feeding of good, bright cornstalks in the morning will be relished in cold weather. At noon feed such forage as is at hand, like pea vines, bean pods or some kind of hay. At night give the grain and a good feeding of clover hay.

Keep the shed well bedded with clean, dry straw. Give them plenty of exercise in the yards during the day in pleasant weather, and, to encourage exercise, feed some of the coarse forage out of doors. Give them access to pure water that is not too cold during the day. Either give salt and sulphur frequently or keep it where they can have free access to it at all times. Always treat them kindly, and do not allow any one to frighten them. Keep the wants of the sheep constantly in mind, and always be on hand to attend to them promptly.—New York Tribune Farmer.

[Farming articles from local agriculturists have been received at this office within the past few days and they will shortly be published.]

We all know that Mr. Roosevelt is out of it; but say, who's in it?—Pittsburgh Gazette Times.

Planters of trees ought to encourage themselves by considering all future times as present.—Bishop Watson.

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Mr. Arthur Haugh is now helping as clerk in Mr. E. L. Warner's store.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Diller, of Chestnut Hill, near town, who have been on the sick list, are able to be about again.

Rev. Mr. T. J. Kolb was in Washington, D. C., a few days of last week.

Mrs. Chas. Fogle, and daughter, Grace, of Baltimore, are spending some time at Mr. M. S. Fogle's.

Miss Olive Shorb is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. H. Eyler, at Rocky Ridge.

Mrs. Hannah Heck, of Taneytown, has been spending a week at Mrs. W. C. Miller's.

Mrs. Harriet Barton is now with her daughter, Mrs. Maggie Fogle.

Mrs. M. A. Koons, of Taneytown, and Mrs. Luther Kemp, of Uniontown, visited at their mother's, Mrs. Hannah Weant, last week.

Mr. Guy Warren was in Baltimore on Saturday last.

Mr. Clyde Shadrach, of M. C. I., Union Bridge, spent a few days, with his friend, Mr. Harry Fogle.

Mr. D. P. Koons, Sr., who had the misfortune to scald his right leg a few weeks ago is much improved at this writing.

Miss Mary Eyler, of Waynesboro, Pa., is visiting Mrs. Ed. Essick.

Rev. Mr. Koons and wife, of Thurmont, spent Tuesday with Mr. M. S. Fogle.

Mr. Samuel Weybright was in Westminster on Monday on business.

Mrs. E. Essick made a short visit to Baltimore on Monday

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