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Democratic Nominations.

State Ticket.

For Governor.

ELIHU E. JACKSON,
of Wicomico County.

For Comptroller of the Treasury.

COL. L. VICTOR BAUGHMAN,
of Frederick County.

For Attorney General,

WM. PINKNEY WHYTE,
of Baltimore City.

County Ticket.

For Associate Judge of Circuit Court.

JAMES D. WATTERS.

For Judges of the Orphans' Court.

DR. JOHN W. BARTON,
HUGH T. BAY,
JAMES M. CAIN.

For State's Attorney.

WM. L. COOLEY.

For the House of Delegates.

WALTER W. PRESTON,
WM. S. BOWMAN,
HENRY W. ARCHER,
NOBLE L. MITCHELL,

For Sheriff.

W. OLIVER HUGHES.

For County Commissioner.

EDWARD G. HOOKER—1st District.
GEORGE B. SILVER—2d & 6th Districts.
JOSEPH E. BATEMAN—3d District.
WILLIAM A. HOPE—4th District.
DR. W. D. SCARBOROUGH—5th District.

For County Surveyor.

THOMAS E. CATHCART.

Stirring Up Strife.

A disgraceful affair occurred at Wheeling, West Virginia, last Friday, the closing day of the annual reunion of the Society of the Army of West Virginia. A banner was suspended across the street, bearing a portrait of President Cleveland, with the inscription, "God bless President Cleveland, Commander-in-Chief of our Army and Navy." Nearly 5,000 Grand Army of the Republic men refused to march under the banner, but instead, with trailed flags, made a detour in the gutter. The same scene was enacted every time bodies of these men marching up or down the street to the various depots came to the spot.

At night Governor Foraker, of Ohio, Governor Beaver, of Pennsylvania, Governor Wilson, of West Virginia, and other prominent persons, were serenaded at a hotel, and in response to a call Foraker made a bitter speech, denouncing the South and the Democratic party as rebels and traitors. Governor Wilson replied, saying that the country is now grandly united, and the man who would keep sectionalism alive is himself a traitor.

Foraker again came forth and renewed his vituperation of Democrats, to which Gov. Wilson made a reply, in the course of which he said:

"You had better bear in mind, that the soldiers who went into the war were not all Republicans. Hancock and scores of other officers and thousands and tens of thousands of the rank and file were good Democrats and as good patriots as any here this evening. I did not come here to talk politics, but I am not going to see the record of the Democratic soldier swallowed up in the vortex of partisan hatred, without lifting my voice in protest. Whatever may have been a man's actions 20 years ago, can it be for any good to be continually telling him he was wrong and that he must get down in the dust and beg pardon on his knees?"

The insult offered by these Grand Army of the Republic men and condoned by Governor Foraker was not to Mr. Cleveland personally, but to the President and through him to the people of the United States, whom he represents. It was a cowardly exhibition of partisan malice which we do not believe meets with the approval of patriotic members of the Grand Army of the Republic anywhere in the country.

The banner incident and Foraker's effort to arouse the angry passions which stirred the hearts of the people of the United States a quarter of a century ago are of little account, save as showing one of the issues upon which the Republican party proposes to fight the Presidential battle of 1888. The war, happily, is over, and the States are now indissolubly united under the same flag and the same laws, and the man who would again stir up sectional strife is indeed a traitor to the country.

A Reform Democrat Who Refuses to Desert His Party.

Mr. James U. Dennis, who presided at the Reform Democratic Convention in Baltimore, last winter, and has always been earnest and sincere in his efforts to secure purity in party politics, declines to follow Mr. John K. Cowen into the Republican party. In an interview with a representative of the Baltimore *Sun* Mr. Dennis said he had no regrets to express or apologies to make for his connection with the reform movement. That movement, he said, had not been without good results, as is shown by the indictment, trial and conviction of violators of the election laws.

In regard to the support of the Republican ticket by reform Democrats, promised by Mr. Cowen, and Mr. Cowen's remark that the independents mean to give the Republicans vigor and enthusiasm with which to wipe out the Cleveland majority of 6,000, Mr. Dennis says:

"This would be a most remarkable reform. It would be a reform backwards, or from good to evil. I have nothing in common with such a sentiment. As a Democrat and a Reformer I repudiate such a doctrine, thought or feeling. If I could I would make Maryland Democratic not by six thousand, but by ten times six thousand, and keep her so, to vote for Grover Cleveland in 1888, and for Democratic Presidents in all time thereafter. I know not and am at a loss to imagine by what authority Mr. Cowen undertakes to speak for 'a large number of Reform Democrats,' and pledges their support to a Republican ticket. Nor do I comprehend by what authority he assumes to say that 'Reform Democrats' will infuse into the Republican canvas 'vigor and enthusiasm.' I take leave to say that in my opinion, unless Mr. Cowen be the exception, every member of the Reform Oratorio convention will be found in opposition to the Republican State ticket. I think he has entirely mistaken the temper and the feeling of the members of the Reform party. We may, we possibly always will have our personal feelings, prejudices, which are stronger, if you wish, than all else. We may dislike, if you wish to call it so, some of our party nominees, but when it comes to a great State or national contest, in which the destiny of the State or nation is to be decided, personal and private feelings must be put aside, and great public interests alone considered.

"I am not bold enough to repeat the experiment of putting the government of this State and of this country into hands that from 1861 to 1865 looked to force and the power of the sword as the means and instruments of government and the supreme tribunal to pass upon and decide all the rights of the citizen. I shall accept, sustain and vote for the Democratic ticket with pleasure, and give it my earnest and cordial support."

—The Maryland State Farmers' Association will hold a special meeting in Baltimore, on Wednesday, September 14th, at 11 A. M., to consider the report of the Committee on Taxation, appointed at the annual meeting last January.

Our Public Schools.

The report of the Public School Commissioners of Harford county, which is now nearly ready for publication, shows that our schools are in excellent condition, as compared with former years. There are 103 school houses, and 133 teachers. Of the latter, 29 are white male teachers and 83 white female teachers. The colored teachers are 6 males and 15 females—the colored schools of the county, without exception, being in charge of colored teachers.

The schools were open four full terms, the total number of pupils enrolled being 5,900, of whom 2,774 were white males; 2,137 white females; 562 colored males and 427 colored females. The average number of pupils in attendance was 3,285, a larger per centage than last year, the enrollment being about the same.

The schools are now all supplied with teachers, and both teachers and scholars, it is to be hoped, are ready to begin work next Monday.

The importance of entering children the first days of the term and sending them to school regularly thereafter can not be too strongly urged upon parents. The classes are arranged at the beginning of the fall term and children who enter then can more easily keep up with their school-mates and be the sooner prepared to enter a higher grade.

The public schools of Harford, we believe, compare favorably with those of any county in the State, and although the enrollment and average attendance are both good, there are, doubtless, many children whose parents do not avail themselves of the opportunity of having them educated, or who, if they send them to school, permit them to attend irregularly and thereby they lose much of the advantages which our public schools afford. The cost to the tax-payers of Harford of maintaining the schools is the same whether few or many children attend, and therefore all who are interested in public education should make an effort to secure the attendance of all children of the requisite school age.

Baltimore County Independent Nominations.

The Baltimore county Independent Democrats met in Baltimore city, last Saturday, and made the following nominations for county offices:

For Register of Wills, Peter Zouck, fourth district; Treasurer, Edward Rider, ninth district; Sheriff, John Peirsol, tenth district; State's Attorney, Wm. Grason; Commissioners, Thomas Nevin, eighth, Peter Erdman, twelfth, Geo. S. Keifer, thirteenth; Judges of the Orphans' Court, Eli Matthews, seventh, Dr. R. N. Brown, eleventh, Jacob Hoshall, sixth district.

Other nominations were left to a committee, who are expected to report next Saturday.

—Dr. Robert Ward, the State Veterinary Inspector, recently made a visit of inspection in Cecil county. He found the epizooty prevailing to an alarming extent and of a malignant type. Many farmers have lost horses and mules by it. Dr. Ward advises those farmers who have not yet been visited by the disease to make their horses as warm and comfortable as possible during these sudden changes, and to give each animal a tablespoonful of the hyposulphite of soda in a bucket of drinking water daily, or, if fear exists, morning and evening; feed on oats, bran and sweet meadow hay. Be careful, says Dr. Ward, that the drinking water is not contaminated.

—John Thomas Ross, the colored man, who was sentenced to be hanged in Baltimore, last Friday, for the murder, in December last, of an aged street beggar, Emma Brown, whose body he sold for dissecting purposes, was reprieved by Governor Lloyd until Friday, September 9th. The reprieve was granted upon the recommendation of Judge Duffy, before whom Ross was tried. Dr. John Morris, upon whose advice Judge Duffy recommended the reprieve, is of the opinion that Ross's mental condition is such that he ought not to be hanged.

—The political indications now are that President Cleveland will have no serious opposition in the next Democratic National Convention. He will be renominated and re-elected by a larger majority of the electoral votes than he received in 1884.

—A battle is reported with the Ute Indians, in Colorado, in which eight Indians and a white deputy sheriff were killed.

Local Affairs.

LITTLE LOCALS.

—Thieves visited Mr. Wm. Woolsey's smoke house, Sunday night, and carried off all of his hams.

—Mr. John Moores has been appointed a visitor from Harford county to the Maryland Agricultural College.

—Mr. Benjamin Silver, of Glenville, has a poplar tree on his farm, which measures 21 feet in circumference.

—The legal weight of a bushel of tomatoes in Maryland is 62 lbs. This fact will be of interest to canners and to growers of tomatoes.

—The September term of the Circuit Court for Harford county will begin at Bel Air, next Monday week, September 12th. It will be an equity term, merely, and consequently no jury has been summoned.

—Last Saturday Mr. Washington Abernathy gave his horse Clyde a brush around the Bel Air track and reports that Clyde made the first mile in 3.19 and the second in 3.17½, to a buggy weighing 295 lbs. Clyde weighs 1,400 lbs.

—The Ladies' Sewing Society of Christ Church, Rock Spring, lately provided for the church two handsome walnut chancel chairs.—They were made to order by Mr. Wm. H. Schuck, of Churchville, and are much admired.

A well attended and pleasant pic nic was held at Pine Grove, on the Churchville road, between Bel Air and Schuck's Corner, on Thursday night of last week. Wright's string band of three pieces supplied the music. The floor managers were Jas. H. Tobin and Harry Haviland.

—Henry Miller, of Baltimore, about 17 years of age, while washing the top of an express wagon at the residence of his brother-in-law, Mr. Jos. Everett, near Emmorton, on Wednesday afternoon, fell and dislocated his shoulder. Dr. Munnikhuysen adjusted the dislocation.

THEY GAVE HER A RING.—Some of the ladies of the congregation of Rock Spring Church recently presented to Miss Annie Wysong, the organist of the church, a handsome gold ring, as a testimonial of their appreciation of her valuable services in behalf of the church.

A DARING ACT.—On Wednesday of last week Mr. Wm. Rigdon's horse ran away with him in a buggy, as he was driving down the hill south of Mrs. Laura Ady's residence, near Chestnut Hill. Mr. Wm. Streett was driving up the hill in a buggy, and seeing the runaway horse approaching, he deliberately wheeled his horse and buggy around, directly across the road, in order to stop the runaway. The latter, unable to stop or to pass the obstruction, ran into Mr. Streett's buggy and was checked. Neither Mr. Rigdon nor Mr. Streett were hurt, but their buggies were somewhat injured. Mr. Streett's act was a brave one.

CATTLE SALES AT CHURCHVILLE.—This week John Kidd bought for Lehman & Bro., of Baltimore, 18 head of fine cattle from Wm. Woolsey, at 4¾ cents per lb. They will average over 1,500 lbs. each and will be shipped to Europe.

Mr. Kidd also bought for Lehman & Bro. 70 head of cattle from Messrs. Bell & Bro., of Emmorton.

Mr. Jacob Shertzer, of Churchville, is extensively engaged in the cattle business. Recently he shipped to Penn Hill, Lancaster county, Pa., 28 milk cows and 2 bulls. Mr. Shertzer reports a demand for cows and hopes for an advance in prices if the demand continues.

BLUE WINGS ON THE FLATS.—The flats in the Susquehanna river, below Havre de Grace, are said to abound with blue-winged teal, which have been driven southward by frost from their breeding-place in the North. Teal live chiefly on vegetable food and are especially fond of the seed of the wild-oats, with which our tide water marshes abound. They are the first ducks to make their appearance and are highly esteemed by epicures.

NEW LIGHTS.—The Town Commissioners of Bel Air are removing the old lamp-posts and lamps, which have lighted up the dark places for several years past, and are replacing them with new posts and lamps provided by a Washington firm, with which a contract has been made for three years, to erect, keep in order and provide oil for 36 lamps, at a cost to the town of 4 cents per lamp per night, the town to furnish a lamp-lighter. The lamps are to be lighted 29 nights in each month. The total cost to the town will be $347.60 a year. The lamps will be filled and lighted as at present, by the Town Bailiff. The expense will be about the same as heretofore but the town, it is believed, will be better lighted than it has ever been.

OBITUARY.—Miss Lucretia Moore, a venerable and well-known lady, died at the residence of her nephew, Mr. Isaac Mechem, near Bel Air, on Wednesday, aged about 80 years. She was buried on Thursday afternoon at the Old Friends' burying ground, near Gross's Mill. Miss Moore was a member of an old and much respected family of that name, her ancestral home being on what is known as the Pennypacker farm near Gross's Mill. Her nearest surviving relative is Mr. Gibbons Moore, of Baltimore county.

—Mr. Casper Cassen, an old and respected citizen, of Cumberland, Md., and father of Rev. S. F. Cassen, pastor of Deer Creek and Mt. Tabor M. P. Churches, died Tuesday, Aug. 30th.

CANNERS BUSY.—The canners around Darlington and Dublin are very busy. Mr. Edward S Edge has been running his force part of several nights as well as all day, canning corn, and will soon begin upon tomatoes. Mr. Samuel S. James is hard at work canning tomatoes. He has 35 peelers constantly employed.

Mr. Thos. Cain, of Boothby Hill, has as fine tomatoes as are to be seen anywhere. A bushel turns out about twenty cans.

Dr. Earl, of Webster, has eight acres of tomatoes from which he expects to get 3,000 bushels at least.

The tomato canners are in much better spirits, the outlook being now favorable for a fair crop, provided an early frost does not nip the vines.

A PLEASANT SAILING PARTY.—On Friday the 26th, a party from My Lady's Manor, Baltimore county, together with several from Harford, spent a delightful day sailing on Bush River.—The party consisted of Mrs. John Bosley, Mrs. Chas. R. Lord, Misses Mary Emory, Bessie Gittings, Nellie Bosley, and Messrs. John Bosley, J. B. Preston, J. H. Preston, W. W. Preston and Elmer Miller. Otter Point was the starting-point, where a sail boat was secured and propelled by the summer breezes, the excursionists soon passed through the railroad bridge and were in the broader waters of the river's mouth. At "Old House Point" the boat put into shore, where dinner was served, and after that the start was made for home. The party arrived in Bel Air about 10 P. M., and attended the ball in progress in the new Masonic Temple. About eleven dozen crabs were caught on the excursion.

PAINFUL AND SERIOUS ACCIDENT.—On Monday morning John Hays, a carpenter, was engaged in repairing a fence on Mrs. Baltzell's farm, near Fallston, and was cutting off nails with a hatchel, which he was striking with a hammer, when a small piece of steel flew up and struck him in the left eye, inflicting an extremely painful wound. He was brought to the office of Dr. Wake Munnikhuysen, in Bel Air, who examined his eye and found that the fragment of steel had cut through the two coatings and lodged behind the retina. Upon the advice of Dr. Munnikhuysen Hays was taken to the Baltimore Eye and Ear Infirmary, on the noon train, where his eye was examined, but on account of the extravasation of blood the exact position of the piece of steel could not be located. Hays was requested to return on Friday. He is now at Major Burrill's Hotel, in Bel Air. The injury is exceedingly painful and it is feared that it will be neccessary to remove the eye entirely.

TOURNAMENT.—About 500 persons attended the tournament held on Thursday of last week in Grier B. Kent's field, near Harkins' store, 4th district. The charge to the knights was delivered by Mr. Walter W. Preston, and coronation addresses by Messrs. J. Edwin Harry and Wm. L. Cooley.

The successful knights were J. D. Almony, who won the professional prize, a set of harness, as the best tournament rider.

In the second class Charles Howard, of Baltimore county, crowned the Queen, Miss Mamie Hope, daughter of County Commisioner Wm. A. Hope. John Howard crowned the first Maid of Honor.

The Chief Marshal was Mr. Howard A. Bateman. The Judges were John O. Stearns, F. B. Macatee and Amos H. Day. The music was by the Gatchellville band. The tilting was unusually good and the tournament well conducted. Many strangers from a distance were present.

The festivities wound up with a grand ball.

REPUBLICAN JUDICIAL CONVENTION.—The Republican convention of the third judicial circuit, comprising Harford and Baltimore counties, met at Towsontown, on Tuesday, and nominated Mr. S. Webster Bradford, of Bel Air, for Associate Judge.

The delegates were as follows:

Baltimore County—R. L. Streett, Isaac Crowther, Jr., David A. Kenny, Wm. H. Stifler, Owen C. Morris, Frank Schmit and Robert Pruett; Harford county—Millard F. Minnick, W. B. Baker, J. T. Wright, Wilson D. West and N. N. Nock.

Owen C. Morris was elected chairman and N. N. Nock Secretary. Wm. B. Baker and David A. Kenny were appointed a committee on credentials.

Mr. Bradford was nominated by acclamation, upon motion of Millard F. Minnick, and Messrs. Baker and Kenny were appointed a committee to notify the candidate of his nomination.

Mr. Bradford is a son of the late Gov. A. W. Bradford. He is a devoted Republican, an honorable gentleman, an able lawyer and a good speaker, having inherited some of his father's fine powers of oratory. His nomination for Associate Judge is a compliment to him, but that is all.

STOLEN WATCH RECOVERED.—George H. Boyd was arrested in Washington, on Monday, charged with stealing a valuable gold watch from Mr. Harry C. Lawder, which the latter had left in the pocket of a vest that hung in his office in Havre de Grace. Mr. Lawder suspected Boyd, who had embarked for Washington on a lumber schooner, and notified the authorities there, who had Boyd watched by detectives from the moment of his arrival. The arrest was made while Boyd was endeavoring to raise $20 upon the watch in pawn a shop.

Sheriff Jarrett on Tuesday went to Washington and took charge of the accused, whom he took to Havre de Grace, where he was arraigned before Justice Chaisbee. Boyd waived on examination and in default of $800 bail was committed to Bel Air jail for the action of the grand jury, and was brought here Monday night by Sheriff Jarrett.

Mr. Lawder went to Washington Tuesday morning and identified his watch, which is badly mutilated. Boyd's wife met him at the depot in Washington, and the meeting is said to have been an affecting one. She begged that the handcuffs be taken off but the Sheriff thought it safer to keep them on and declined.

The affair has caused the greatest surprise and regret, Boyd's family being one of the oldest and most respectable in the county, and Boyd himself being popular and well thought of. He was formerly a register of voters for Havre de Grace and for some years past has been a deputy sheriff.

On Wednesday Mr. Wm. L. Cooley applied to Judge Yellott, at Towsontown, for a writ of habeas corpus, the petition alleging that Boyd is illegally detained, the commitment being defective. Judge Yellott refused to grant the order upon the petition. Application was then made to Judge Watters, who will hear the petition to-day.

PERSONAL.—Messrs. John W. and Harry Hood, of Baltimore, spent several days this week in the neighborhood of their old home, near Thomas' Run.

Mr. D. O. Parlett, the well-known lumber merchant of Annapolis, and Mr. Geo. W. Parlett, Jr., of Media, Pa., paid a visit this week to their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Parlett, near Taylor.

Mr. G. Smith Norris, who has been confined to his home for several weeks past, by severe sickness, is recovering, and was able to drive out as far as Bel Air on Monday.

Rev. C. K. Cummings, formerly teacher of Calvary Public School, has been a visitor at Mr. Wm. Webster's, near Churchville. He preached last Sunday in the Presbyterian Church, Churchville, for the pastor, Rev. C. D. Wilson. Rev. Mr. Cummings is a theological student in Hampden-Sydney College, Va.

Dr. David Riley, of Dublin, has been ill with dysentery, but is now recovering.

Miss Elizabeth Botts, daughter of Isaac Botts, who lives near Darlington, is very ill with typho-malarial fever.

Miss Gertie Veasey, of Pocomoke city, Md., is visiting the family of Rev. S. A. Hoblitzell, Bel Air.

Miss Lizzie Macklem, of Lapidum, has returned home after a visit of several weeks to friends in Deleware.

Mr. R. S. McKnedless, of Webster, whose critical illness has been reported, is now in a fair way to recover.

Col. John Carroll Walsh returned on Wednesday from a pleasant visit to Iowa and Illinois. Col. Walsh presented to the city of Fort Madison, Iowa, where he resided for a time, a portrait of Black Hawk, taken from a pen-and-ink sketch of that famous Indian warrior, by whom it was presented to Col. Walsh many years ago. The site of fort Madison was a favorite camping ground of the old chief

REOPENING OF THE SCHOOLS.—The summer holidays are drawing to a close and soon every school-house in the county

"Humming with its wonted noise
Of three-score mingled girls and boys,"

will be once more a scene of busy activity. On a similar occasion, some years since, we remember being quite severely taken to task by a youngster for introducing into a paragraph on the subject of school the oft-quoted lines,

"The whining school boy, with his satchel
And shining morning face, creeping like a snail,
Unwillingly to school."

The little fellow indignantly said, while admitting that he did wash his face, far from "creeping unwillingly," he was delighted that play was over and work began again. Remembering this we hope that both teachers and scholars, rested and refreshed by vacation, will resume their duties with renewed zeal and cheerfulness.

The public schools will be reopened on Monday, September 5th; the Bel Air Academy, Mr. W. T. L. Tallaferro, Principal, on Monday, September 5th; Oakland Boarding School, Fallston, Prof. G. G. Curtiss, A. M., Principal, on Tuesday, September 20th; Mrs. R. E. Bouldin's Boarding and Day School, in Bel Air, on Tuesday, September 13th; Friends' Elementary and High School, Darlington, W. H. Futrell, Principal, on Monday, September 12th.

The following changes in teachers in the public schools are noted:

Abingdon, J. Ellsworth Strawbridge, vice Miss Hattie Foreman; Harford Furnace, Miss Mary E. Rigdon, vice H. M. Keating; Emmorton, Miss Marion Curtiss, vice Miss A. Anthony; Magnolia, Miss Ewing, vice Miss M. Gussie Galloway; Billingslea's, 1st district, Miss Ida Curtiss, vice Miss J. Belle Lytle; Paradise, Miss Mattie S. Richardson, vice Miss Mary Gleason; Jefferson, Carsin's Run, S. M. Webb, vice F. Penrose Smith; Michaelsville, Miss M. Gussie Galloway, vice Miss Rosa Swartz; Boden, Miss Lilian A. Woodall, vice Miss H. E. Smith; Bush River Neck, Miss Bettie Hurley, vice Miss Maggie B. Dowling; Avondale, Frank A. Brown, vice Miss Clara K. Hutton; Prospect, Miss Tacey B. Matthews, vice Miss Sallie S. Watters; Glenville, Chas. G. Cook, vice Miss Phœbe King; Robin Hood, 2d district, Miss Rosa C. Brown, vice R. Howard Barnes; Oakington, Miss Clara Stonebraker, vice Miss Evaline Pennington; Angleside, Miss H. Jennie Grafton, vice Miss Helena Link; Thomas' Run, N. H. Stritehoff, vice Miss Corinne C. Smith; Churchville, Miss Clara K Hutton, vice John H. Nagle; Calvary, Miss Maggie J. Andrew, vice Miss Mattie S. Richardson; Fountain Green, Chas. H. Glacken, vice Miss Mary E Rigdon; Bel Air, Graded School, Milton E. Smith and Miss Theresa O. Glenn, vice John D. Worthington and Miss Lizzie Quinby; Norrisville, Jas. H. Hendrix, vice W. C. McClung; Dry Branch, Miss Mary E. Wiley, vice Miss Maggie C. McClung; Jarrettsville, Jas. E. Glenn, vice Milton E. Smith; Madonna, W. F. B. McClung, vice Miss Annie B. Wiley; Summit Hall, W. C. McClung, vice Miss Lilian Bulett; Clermont, L. Holland Kilgore; vice Mrs. Mary E. Chase; Kirkwood, Chas. M. Norris, vice Mary E. Wiley; Wheeler, Miss Annie E. Clement, vice L. Holland Kilgore Whiteford's, T. C. Day, vice Chas. H. Glacken; Broad Creek, Harold Scarboro, vice Miss Eva Sidwell; Dublin, John B. Scarborough, vice Miss Annie E. Clement; Stafford, Miss S. Kahoe; vice Chas. G. Cook; Shure's Landing, Miss Ella Stritehoff, vice Miss Lily W. Thompson; No. 7, fourth district, Miss Annie M. Metzgl, vice Miss Sallie E. St. Clair.

BEL AIR NOTES.—About thirty ladies and gentlemen passed last Friday evening very pleasantly at the residence of Rev. E. D. Finney, Bel Air. Part of the entertainment was quite novel. After refreshments most of the party took possession of Mr. Finney's study, turned the lights low, and commenced a seance or mind-reading performance, which was rather trying to delicate nerves. Other games succeeded, some of a very illusory character, and the evening went by rapidly. Among the visitors present were Misses Parker and Brown, of Illinois, Miss Goldie, of New York, Miss McCormick, of Baltimore, and Miss Buckley, of Port Deposit.

Mr. F. J. Reshneck, of Baltimore, opened on September 1st a branch dyeing and scouring establishment, in the building, on Office street, lately occupied by George Lyle as a restaurant. Mr. Howard Price will have charge of it.

Postmaster Richardson reports uncalled for letters in Bel Air post-office for Rev. Alford Alexander, Lily V. Bradford, Mrs. H. Buckholy, Miss Boyd, Geo. Banister, Miss Amelia Brown, Frank Bennett, Mrs. A. E. Morgan and Mrs. Edwin Schenck.

Mr. Geo. W. McMorris has removed with his family to Hampden, Baltimore county.

The published statement of the death of Dave Dorsey, the blind colored bone player, was incorrect. Dave is an inmate of the Almshouse and is alive and as merry as a cricket. A week or more ago some thoughtless boys locked him up in a stable in Bel Air, "to prevent him from going to camp-meeting," as they said, and Dave, making his way to a window, jumped to the ground and injured himself. He was taken to the Almshouse, where Dr. J. C. Butler, physician to the institution, performed an operation upon him and he is now as well and as happy as ever.

Hon. Henry D. Farnandis returned on Tuesday evening, from Ocean City, greatly improved in health.

Mr. Edward French, while seated on a box painting a fence at Mr. J. H. C. Watts' residence, on Monday, had one foot thrust under the fence. In rising suddenly the box upset and he fell, injuring some of the bones or ligaments in his left instep. He was made very lame by the accident and had to stop work.

Mr. James M. Anderson, formerly a compositor in the *Times* office has accepted the position of foreman of the Delta *Times* printing office. Mr. Anderson is a good printer, and an industrious, worthy young man.

Rev. Jas. B. Craighill received a dispatch, on Monday, stating that his father was dying. He started immediately for Charlestown, West Va., where his father resides. Mr. Craighill asks us to announce that there will be no service, next Sunday, at Emmanuel Church, Bel Air, or at Grace Chapel, Hickory.

Mr. Frank Bateman has opened a livery and hiring stable in the rear of Harry Bateman & Co's store, Main street.

A pic nic was given on Monday afternoon, in Mr. John S. Dallam's grove, to the colored Sunday School connected with Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Bel Air. The children enjoyed themselves in the usual pic nic fashion for several hours, the most agreeable diversion, probably, being the serving of ice cream by their teachers. Among the white folks present, including the teachers, were Misses Annie L. Moores, Daisy Dallam, Lizzie and Juliet Streett, Susie Craighill, Blanche Lee and Mr. Hobart Keech.

Mrs. John Bryarly, of Winchester, Va., has been staying at Mrs. Elizabeth G. Lee's.

On Wednesday morning, Melvin, the infant son of Mr. John P. Flowers, was severely scalded on the arms and breast by upsetting a cup of hot coffee upon himself at the breakfast table.

A festival was held in the rear of the M E Church, on Tuesday and Wednesday nights, for the benefit of the church.

Third Meeting of the Harford Cotillion Club.

On Friday evening last the ball of the Masonic Temple was brilliantly illuminated for the third meeting of the Harford Cotillion Club. Everything tended to make it what the previous ones had been, a great social success. The club was obliged to use the lodge room, the Town Hall still being in the hands of the carpenters. The air was delightfully cool, and the floor and music all that could be desired. A noticeable feature of this ball was the unusually handsome costumes worn by the ladies. The dancing did not commence as promptly as it should have done, although by nine o'clock the dressing-room was crowded with ladies, and quite a number of gentlemen were waiting anxiously at the doors for the fair ones to enter the ball room. By half-past nine the ball had fairly commenced. A great many strangers were present, some coming from a distance. One young lady was heard to remark, as she entered the room, "Am I in Bel Air?" Without being accused of too much vanity we would hope that the observation was caused by the remarkable brilliancy of the scene. Among those present were Mrs. Jas. B. Preston, Mrs. Lord, Mrs. John Bosley, Miss Emory, Miss Gittings, Miss Trimble, Miss Seitz, Miss Maulsby, Miss Walsh, Mrs. Wm. Young, Misses Annie and Millie Young, Miss Cassard, Miss Gilbert, Miss Etta Richardson, Miss Lizzie Street, Miss Agnes Gover, Miss Edith Trapier, Miss Moores, Miss Mitchell, Mrs. Otho S. Lee, Miss Helen Lee, Miss Hannah Lee, Miss Davis, Mrs. G. Smith Norris, Miss Mamie Norris, Mrs. J. H. C. Watts, Mrs. Wm. G. Hall, Miss Sappington, Miss Wallis, Mrs. Springer, Miss Sue Webster, Miss Minnie Webster, Mrs. Russell Murray, Miss Murray, Miss Patterson, Miss Bessie Norris, the Misses Ramsey, Mrs. Edelin, Mrs. Blackshear, Miss Deford, Miss Mercert, the Misses Ritchie and many others. Mr. Harry Preston, Mr. A. B. Johnston, Mr. Jas. B. Preston, Mr. Fred. D. Stone, Mr. Thos. M. Hulings, Mr. John G. Brogden, Mr. Horace McElderry, Mr. Bertram N. Stump, Mr. Thos. M. Johnson, Jr., Mr. Edwin Schenck, Mr. Charles Schenck, Mr. Thos. Blackshea, Mr. R. P. Sappington, Mr. J. H. Rumsey, Mr. Percy H. Brown, Mr. Hugh Rumsey, Mr. Eugene Vanness, Mr. Charles Larned, Mr. John Foley, Mr. Walter W. Preston, Mr. Harold Walsh, Mr. W. T. L. Tallaferro, Dr. C. A. Hollingsworth, Mr. Frank H. Jacobs, Mr. Jas. C. Young, Mr. Willard G. Rouse, Mr. Jas. F. Mitchell.

The ball was chaperoned by Mrs. R. H. Mitchell and Mrs. A. Preston Gilbert. The ball passed off smoothly and pleasantly and all seemed to have enjoyed themselves, and when the strains of "Home, Sweet Home" were heard there was a sigh of regret that the handsomest ball ever seen in Bel Air was over.

BASE BALL.

An interesting game of base ball was played at Churchville, on Thursday, September 29th, between the Bel Air nine and the Mugwumps, of Churchville. The game was very exciting at intervals, particularly when Hinchcliffe made a ball for three bases, bringing in three from bases and scoring himself. Bel Air was thereby put in the lead and by hard hitting and sharp fielding managed to hold it to the end of the game. The features of the game were the fine work done by the 1st baseman, the batting of the Mugwumps and the general good work of the Bel Air nine. The score is as follows:

MUGWUMPS.	R	O	BEL AIR.	R	O
Anthony, c.	3	2	Hines, 2b.	4	2
C. C. Richardson, p.	2	2	Herman, 1. f.	5	1
Wilson, 1b.	1	4	Heuer, 3b.	0	4
W. Hays, 2b.	1	3	D. K. Prigg, 1b.	0	5
Colburn, l. f.	1	4	French, p.	2	3
J. Hays, s. s.	1	2	D. S. Prigg, s. s.	1	4
R. Richardson, 3b.	1	4	Forwood, r. f.	2	2
A. Hays, r. f.	3	2	Heuer, Wm., c.	2	3
Trago c. f.	1	4	Richardson, c. f.	2	3
Total.	14	27	Total.	17	27

ABERDEEN AFFAIRS.

Death and Sickness—Church Matters. Sundry Other Items.

Miss Estelle Barnes, daughter of Richard Barnes, died on Monday of last week, of typhoid fever, and was buried on Wednesday afternoon, Aug. 24th. Service and interment at Wesleyan Chapel. Miss Barnes was 24 years of age and was an estimable young lady.

Rev. Thos. E. Casson, of Baltimore, will preach at the Aberdeen Southern Methodist Church, next Sunday morning, at 10½ o'clock, and at Cranberry Southern Methodist Church at 7½ P. M. Rev. Mr. Casson is popular in this vicinity and doubtless he will be welcomed by a large congregation.

The Missionary service announced to take place at the Aberdeen Southern Church next Sunday afternoon, has been postponed on account of sickness.

Mr. Harry O. Penning, who has been suffering for some weeks with a severe cold, left on Tuesday last for the mountains of Virginia, where he will spend several weeks. His wife accompanied him as far as Baltimore.

Mr. W. A. Harkins had his fine English bull dog killed by the cars last Tuesday. He had refused $70 for the dog.

Public Schools open next Monday, Sept. 5th.—The scholars and patrons are much pleased to again have Miss Maggie Offley as teacher of Aberdeen school, and Miss Mattie S. Richardson as teacher of Paradise. A new school house is greatly needed at Paradise. We hope the school commissioners will look into the matter. Parents refuse to send their children to school, owing to the dilapidated condition of the house.

Canners are running on full time. The pack will be larger than was anticipated.

Miss Poll H. Everist, of Port Deposit, is visiting Miss Mattie S. Richardson.

Rev. Mr. Reed, pastor of Bush M. E. Church, and family, are at Ocean Grove.

Mrs. M. Effie Fulton, who has been spending several weeks in Harford, left on Tuesday for her home in Philadelphia. Her daughter, E. May Fulton, is visiting Mrs. Susan Hays.

STRANGER.

LETTER FROM SHANE.

More About the Freshet—Other News.

The rain on the 22d of August was the heaviest we have known for a number of years. The oldest inhabitants say that Deer Creek has not been as high at Big Marsh Bridge for 35 years. The water was about nine feet above the usual point, and reached from one hill to the other, a distance of 75 yards. It swept away all the fences on the small branches and washed the roads fearfully. About one and a-half acres of corn belonging to Mr Nelson McDonald were destroyed by the flood and about one hundred panels of fence. Mr. Ephraim McClung lost about 500 rails. Mr. George Wiley's mill-race was filled with sand and his mill dam was washed away. The water was two feet one inch deep on the mill floor. Four of Mr. Wiley's hogs were drowned. Mr. George Norris and Mr. John Anderson also lost a great many rails, and several cords of wood were washed away from Mr. Anderson's farm. Mr. Joseph Howe also lost a number of rails and a part of his garden fence.

We have a great deal of sickness in this section. Among the rest of the sick is Mr. Emerson Meredith, who is quite ill with bilious dysentery. They are all attended by Dr. Payne and Dr. Caines.

The protracted meeting at Gorsuch Chapel will commence on Sunday, the 4th of September.

Dr. James H. Preston's wife and her mother, from Manchester, Carroll county, are visiting friends in this vicinity. They are made welcome wherever they go. E. S. M.

Two Successful Church Fairs.

The proceeds of St. Stephen's Fair, Baltimore county, were as follows: Fancy Table, $126 85; Wheel of Fortune, $66 20; Ice Cream, $65.54; Confectionery, $54 42; Supper Table, $35.00; Temperance Saloon, $30.78; Music Stand, $37.28; Lemonade Stand, $15.27; Fish Pond, $14.38. Total $435.67. General expenses, $37.04. Net proceeds, $398.63. Net proceeds of St. Francis fair, Abingdon, $456.23, making the total proceeds of both fairs $854.86. This amount will leave both these churches clear of debt.

At St. Stephen's Fair, the magnificent gentleman's saddle was won by Mr. L. Quinlan; a large photograph of the pastor, Rev. Don A. Sargent, by Mr. A. Dunnigan; the canary bird by Miss K. Snare; the Fancy Table china set, by Miss M. Cook; the chamber set at the Wheel of Fortune Table, by Miss K. Scott; the work box by Mr. Corns; the barrel of flour by Mr. A. Weiss; the ice cake by Mr. Robert Davis; Romeo and Juliet, by Mr. J. Burns; the red covered album by J. A. Norris; the black covered album by Wm. Drayer; the clock by Mr. R. Blair; the box of choice cigars by Mr. A. Miller; the gun by Mr. Wm. Drayer; the pin cushion by Mr. J. Burns; the large accordeon by Mr. T. Buckingham.

The pastor desires us to thank, in his name, the ladies and gentlemen who worked so faithfully for the fair and also the members of the congregation and others who patronized it so liberally.

Church Dedication.

The new Salem Church, near Jarrettsville, of the Evangelical Association, will be dedicated on Sunday, October 2d, by Rev. J. M. Ettinger, the Presiding Elder. There will be preaching on Saturday evening at 7 P. M., on Sunday morning at 10 A. M., and on Sunday evening at 7 P. M., and there will be a sermon in German, by