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Democratic Ticket.

For President,

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of New York.

For Vice President,

ALLEN G. THURMAN,

of Ohio.

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HON. JAMES HODGES, of Baltimore City.
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4th District.—I. GORHAM MOALE.
5th District.—R. C. COMBS.
6th District.—HATTERSLEY W. TALBOTT.

For Congress Second Congressional District,

HERMAN STUMP,

of Harford Co.

Maryland Agricultural College.

We have received the catalogue of the Maryland Agricultural College, for the year 1888, giving an account of its history, its location, description of its buildings, list of the members of its Board of Trustees and the faculty and the course of studies.

Now that the college has connected with it the Experiment station, established by a late act of Congress, and the office of President of the College and Director of the Experiment station having been united by the appointment of Maj. Henry E. Alvord to both positions, there is every reason to believe that this Institution is about to commence an era of prosperity and great usefulness. Major Alvord brings to the administration of the College and the Experiment Station the experience of many years and the highest reputation for efficiency in discharging such duties as he will be called upon to perform, in the management of both the institutions over which he will preside.

He was for three years the successful manager of the "Houghton Farm," in the State of New York, which was a private enterprise devoted to experimental farming. He was professor of Agriculture in the Massachusetts Agricultural College, at the time he was elected President of the Maryland Agricultural College, and had the offer from four other States, of the directorship of their experiment stations. The faculty, in addition to Major Alvord, who will lecture on Agriculture and History, consists of Thos. N. Conrad, A. M., Professor of the Principles and Practice of Agriculture; J. D. Hird, A. B., Professor of Chemistry; J. A. Chambliss, A. M., Professor of Language and Literature; W. H. Zimmerman, A. M., Professor of Physics and German; J. B. Starr, (U. S. N. A.,) Professor of Mathematics and Commandant; Paul Combs, A. B., Assistant Professor of English and Latin. The vacancy in Professorship of Natural History is to be filled soon.

While special attention will be given to the teaching of the theory of Agriculture, accompanied by practical work in the field, the study of classics and sciences will not be neglected, so that any young man who will go through the regular course and receive his diploma from the college, will have acquired such an education as will fit him to become farmer, mechanic, merchant or professional man, as he may select.

The college is located on a farm of 280 acres, on the Washington branch of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, and is only eight miles from Washington, where the unsurpassed collections in the Smithsonian Institution, the National Museum, and the Department of Agriculture, with the Congressional Library, will prove of the highest value to instructors and students. Because of its proximity to the National Capital, it is intended to make this the model Agricultural Experiment Station in the country.

This college is the second oldest of its kind in the country. Its charter was granted in 1856, the farm was purchased and the substantial buildings were erected by the voluntary contributions of public-spirited citizens. The State has since become half owner, and as the institution is supported by State and Government aid, no charge is made for tuition of students whose parents reside in Maryland, or who are such residents if their parents are not living. To cover the necessary expenses of the year at college, a single charge is made of $180, payable quarterly in advance. This includes board, furnished room, heat, light, washing and text books.—There must be but few farmers who cannot afford to give their sons a college education at this small cost.

Reports of the experimental work will be sent to all desiring to have them.

Destructive Fire in Baltimore.

A terrible fire occurred in Baltimore city, Sunday morning, by which seven heroic firemen lost their lives. The fire broke out shortly before four o'clock in the large toy store of Edward A. Pryor & Co., on South Sharp street, below Lombard, from whence it spread through the entire block, destroying seven large warehouses, including the large paper warehouse of Dobler & Mudge, the hardware establishment of Henry S. King & Son the paint store of Hirshberg Hollander & Co., and a large number of stores and some dwellings. While the firemen were in the warehouse of J. H. Winkelman & Co., a tremendous explosion of cartridges occurred in the adjoining building, occupied by Tabb Brothers & Dimmock, which threw down the division walls, carrying down the upper stories with their contents, and burying nine brave men in the ruins. The firemen as soon as possible began to rescue their companions. The men entombed were Hiram A. McAfee, Harry D. Walker, George Kerns, George Bowers, Thomas Wagner, John Acomb, Patrick J. Ryan, John Kelly, August L. Eck and Capt. Brannan. Kelly, Eck and Brannan escaped. Eck was buried alive but was rescued, bruised and mangled, after two hours and a half of hard work. Strange to say no bones were broken.

The loss will amount to over a million dollars. Among the heaviest losers are Dobler & Mudge, wholesale paper dealers, whose establishment was burned to the ground and their stock of $70,000 is a total loss. This firm, one of the best in the city, has supplied *The Ægis* office with paper for the past twenty-five years. Their establishment was previously destroyed by fire about two years ago.

—The Teachers' Institute which is in session in Bel Air, this week, has been exceedingly interesting. Many practical suggestions were brought out in the discussion of the various subjects, and the familiar talks with teachers by Professor and Mrs. M. A. Newell, Dr. H. W. Beerce, Prof. Worthington and others were very instructive. The attendance has been unusually large. Of the 89 teachers in the county 84 were in attendance on Wednesday, several of the others having been kept away by sickness. Harford county has good reasons to take pride in her excellent public schools with their corps of efficient teachers.

Out of Tune.

The Republican platform and Republican speakers and newspapers are sadly out of tune. The Chicago platform declares that no part of the protective system must be surrendered and that the reduction needed in the revenue must be effected by abolishing the tax on whisky and tobacco.

The New York Republicans adopted a high license platform and nominated a high license candidate.

Mr. Blaine, who absorbs almost all the honors in the Republican campaign, wrote thus:

"I would not advise the repeal of the whisky tax. There is a moral side to it. To cheapen the price of whisky is to increase its consumption enormously. There would be no sense in urging the reform wrought by high license in many States if the national government neutralizes the good effect by making whisky within reach of every one at twenty cents a gallon. It would destroy high license at once in all the States."

Col. Bob. Ingersoll, the noted atheist, made a speech at a Republican meeting in Saratoga, in which he declared unequivocally for free whisky and tobacco.

Again, the platform declares that the Republican party is opposed to "all combinations of capital, organized in trusts or otherwise, to control arbitrarily the conditions of trade among our citizens."

Mr. Blaine again defends trusts, declaring that they are private matters with which President Cleveland nor any other citizen has anything to. He will not admit that they are disadvantageous to the people.

In a recent speech in Maine, Mr. Blaine endeavored to to explain away his unfortunate speech in which he half apologized for and defended trusts. He now says that the subject of trusts has no place in a national campaign since they are corporations created by State laws. Perhaps he will explain this more clearly, for trusts would have no existence were it not for the high tariff which keeps out competition and enables the members of a trust to charge what they please for their goods.

Chairman Quay, the head of the Republican campaign committee, should admonish his band to keep better time and tune, so that the people may know what they are trying to play.

Senator Blackburn on the Republican Platform.

Senator Blackburn, of Kentucky, has taken the Republican platform plank by plank and without making any argument at all has set professions of the party and its record side by side. If the parallel column be used the main point of this analysis may be thus shown:

Declarations of the Republican platform.—1. The Democrats hold power by the suppression of the ballot. 2. Opposition to foreign contract labor and Chinese immigration. 3. Opposition to "all combinations of capital, organized interests and otherwise." 4. The restoration of public lands, for the use of actual settlers. 5. The rehabilitation of our merchant marine. 6. Reform of the civil service. 7. The President's hostility to pension relief.

Record of the Republican party.—1. The party suppressed the ballots of whole States in 1876. 2. The party never prohibited foreign contract labor, and Harrison opposed Chinese restriction. 3. Monopolies and trusts are the chief legacies of the long Republican regime. 4. The party robbed the people of 180 million acres and $64,000,000 to boot. The navy declined under Republican laws, and $400,000,000 was squandered on an invisible navy. 6. Nothing was done of value, by the Republican party. 7. More pensions have been granted under Cleveland than under any other President.

Continuing this sort of analysis (the whole review of the platform Senator Blackburn publishes in the *Forum* for September) he shows in regard to the tariff the Republican party has thrown off its mask and shows that it never meant and never means to relieve the people of unnecessary and unjust burdens of taxation. This analysis covers the whole ground and contains all the material necessary for campaign oratory and discussion.

The Republican Situation in Pennsylvania.

Four years ago Blaine carried the city of Philadelphia by 20,114 majority and the State of Pennsylvania by 81,019. The Philadelphia *Times* declares that President Cleveland will receive the largest vote ever cast in Philadelphia for a national Democratic candidate, and that Harrison's vote will fall far short of that cast for Blaine. In view of the fact the *Times* says:

Instead of sending speakers, managers and money from Pennsylvania to New York, New Jersey, Connecticut and Indiana, speakers, managers and money will be needed in Pennsylvania to save high war tax Congressmen and to hold the State in the Republican column by a respectable majority. These are the sober truths as to the present situation in Pennsylvania, and those who swagger around boasting of 80,000 to 100,000 majority for Harrison will be glad to carry the State by any majority on election day.

—The Democrats have introduced in the House of Representatives a bill to give the President all the authority he may want in enforcing retaliatory measures against Canada for her illiberality to American fishermen. It is not at all likely that war will grow out of any action President Cleveland may take, since England can not with reason complain because the United States will no longer allow Canada to use our ports as if they were her own. Mr. Blaine's chief complaint, it seems, is that if retaliatory measures are enforced Portland, Maine, will no longer be a winter seaport for Canada. The interests of Portland are trifling compared with the dignity and honor of the country; but Mr. Blaine is selfish enough to sacrifice anything for his personal interests.

—A large and enthusiastic meeting of Irish American citizens was held at the Concordia Opera House, Baltimore, on Thursday night of last week, to endorse the action of President Cleveland in asking Congress to confer upon him the power to take retaliatory measures against Canada with regard to the fishery question. Ex-Governor Whyte made one of his best speeches. He was followed by Congressman Foran, of Ohio, Martin R. Joyce, Peter J. Campbell and Isidor Rayner. The Irish vote will be solid this time for Cleveland.

—That enterprising Baltimore journal, the *Morning Herald*, issued, on Monday morning, an eight page supplement giving the history and advantages of the city of Cumberland, Md. It is profusely illustrated and is a fine piece of newspaper work. The *Herald* is always bright, ably conducted and brim-full of news. Although it is a Republican paper, we have noticed, that in all its criticisms and opinions, it is fair, straight-forward and impartial, which is more than can be said of many of its cotemporaries in either the Democratic or Republican parties.

—Monday was the third anniversary of Labor Day, and it was celebrated in Baltimore city by a grand parade, in which 5,000 sons of toil participated. They marched to Darley Park, where a pic nic was held, and speeches were made. One of the speakers, Julius Schewitsch, editor of the New York *Volkszeitung*, in his speech declared that the tariff was but a side issue and that the purchasing power of wages was the same under a low tariff as under a high tariff.

—The Chinese government has refused to ratify the treaty proposed by the United States government to forbid immigration to this country. Perhaps they are waiting until Harrison is elected, hoping, then, to negotiate a more favorable treaty with his administration.

The First National History of the Oldest Political Party,

a work containing 600 pages, profusely and elegantly illustrated, has just been gotten out by H. L. Harvey, a Baltimore publisher. It is a complete history, and gives the principles of the Democratic party, and among its special features are able articles on The Tariff, by Hon. John G. Carlisle; The Constitution, by Hon. Jeff. Chandler, L. L. D.; The Finances, by Hon. Wm. L. Trenholm; Labor and Capital, by Hon. James L. Pugh; Public Lands, by Hon. Wm. S. Holman; Civil Service Reform, by Hon. Wm. R. Cox; The South, by Hon. Wade Hampton, and Aims of the Party, by Hon. Benton McMillin. Those desiring agencies for the sale of the book in Harford should address Charles D. Alderson, Darlington, Md.

"Almost."

We have received from Messrs. Lombard, Druid & Co., publishers, of Baltimore, a copy of Mr. John S. Shriver's novel "Almost." The plot is laid in Italy, and was written from notes and incidents gathered by Mr. Shriver during his tour of Europe last summer. He has drawn very vivid pictures of the scenes, customs and people of Europe, and his book will certainly interest. Mr. Shriver is a native of Harford county, and for many years has been connected with the Baltimore *American*, both as reporter and correspondent, and is considered one of our brightest young journalists. Mr. Shriver has written a great many short stories for newspapers and periodicals and "Almost" is his first attempt at a novel.

The Forum.

By an arrangement with the publishers of the *Forum*, we are enabled to offer it in combination with the *Ægis* at a greatly reduced price. We will send the *Forum* and the *Ægis* for one year to any address for $5, the usual price of the *Forum* alone being $5.

The Forum is the New York monthly review in which the most distinguished writers on both sides of every question discuss living issues. Its contributors lead and mould public opinion; and during a year, every subject, political, social, economic, literary and religious, that comes up is treated by the highest authorities. This offer is made only for a few months.

Local Affairs.

LITTLE LOCALS.

—Mr. Wm. Evans has our thanks for several bunches of delicious grapes.

—Mr. John Stine informs us that the black birds have all left the "Big Woods." He thinks we may look for cold weather shortly.

—Charles H. Gorrell, of Bel Air, has been awarded a patent for a corn-cutting machine, and Mr. Thos. A. Hays, of the same place, a patent for a shutter worker.

—The Baltimore *Argus* of Sept. 1st, contains an excellent likeness and good sketch of Col. Herman Stump, our Democratic candidate for Congress in this district.

—A cow belonging to Dr. R. S. Oppermann and one belonging to Parson Collins, colored, were killed by a freight train, near Otter Point bridge, on Thursday afternoon of last week.

—Since Monday last, 3d inst., residents along the line of the Maryland Central Railroad have been enjoying two local mails each way per day. This makes now a very full and satisfactory service.

—A full attendance of the Jarrettsville Democratic Club is requested, next Saturday evening, to perfect arrangements for raising a hickory pole and Democratic banner and for other business.

—Last Saturday evening, as Mr. Benjamin Wilson, who lives near Thomas' Run, was driving quietly home from the Democratic meeting at Emmorton, his horse, a valuable animal, dropped dead in the road, near Hon. Henry D. Farnandis's gate.

—Mr. Morris Dean, who lives near Bel Air, has our thanks for a basket full of remarkably fine Perfection tomatoes, of which he has eight acres. The yield promises to be several hundred bushels to the acre. Mr. Dean hauls them to Mr. H. Hoopman's canning house.

—We call attention to the new advertisement of Mr. John B. Hanna, Bel Air. Mr. Hanna is an enterprising young merchant and is determined to keep abreast of the tide of progress in the town He has largely increased his stock and is selling goods at favorable prices.

—The camp meeting being held at Delta for the past two weeks and advertised to close September 2d, will continue to Monday next, September 10th. Sale of excursion tickets at reduced rates has been extended to the above date. Special trains will run again next Sunday.

—The Democratic Club of Stearns' Precinct will meet at John O. Stearns' store, on Friday evening, September 14th, at 7 o'clock. Col. Herman Stump, the Democratic candidate for Congress, is expected to address the meeting, and the voters of the neighborhood are invited to attend.

—Mr. Joshua L. Burke has been appointed mail route agent on the Maryland Central Railroad between Baltimore and Delta. He is a brother of State's Attorney N. Charles Burke, of Towsontown, and has been a conductor on the road. Mr. Burke will have charge of the morning mail from Delta and the evening mail from Baltimore.

—The new M. E. Church at Magnolia will be dedicated next Sunday, September 9th, with interesting services, by Rev. W. R. Strickler, Rev. W. F. Speake, Rev. Thomas Wood, the pastor Rev. G. L. Cuddy, and others. Prof. Harry Sanders, of Baltimore, will have charge of the music, and James Mitchell, the celebrated boy cornetist, will assist.

—Our friend Joseph Edge, of Darlington, has a tomato vine which must be a curiosity. He sends us a small branch plucked therefrom which contains fifteen good-sized, perfect tomatoes. The tomatoes are so thick on the vine that they crowd each other off. Mr. Edge says if our Big Woods friends have anything like it he would like to hear from them.

—For several years past our readers have no doubt been interested in seeing the attractive advertisements of Messrs. A. C. Yates & Co., in each of which is a quaint cut which elicits instant attention. This firm, whose large establishment is in the *Ledger* building, corner of Sixth and Chestnut streets, is one of the most complete clothing houses in the country and their stock of clothing for men and children can not be surpassed anywhere.

FELL FROM AN APPLE TREE.—John George, a lad from Philadelphia, on Wednesday of last week fell from the top of an apple tree, on the farm of Mr. Ira George, near Emmorton, fracturing one of his ribs and receiving injuries on his head. Dr. R. D. Lee was called to attend him.

BASE BALL.—An interesting game of base ball was played at Churchville on Wednesday afternoon, between the first nine of that place and the first nine of Bel Air. The score was 20 to 16 in favor of Bel Air. The batteries were Price and James J. Archer for Bel Air, and Galloway and Andrew for Churchville. Mr. Wm. M. Hines was the umpire.

CECIL COUNTY FAIR.—The Cecil County fair will be held at Elkton, October 2d, 3d, 4th, and 5th and promises to be a great success. The directors will give cash premiums amounting to twelve thousand dollars. There will be running and trotting races and other special amusements each day. The fair promises to be one of the most successful the society has ever held.

DEATH OF CAPTAIN SCOTT HUGHES.—Captain Scott Hughes, one of the old school of Baltimore ship masters, died Sunday at the residence of his son-in-law, Mr. J. E. Bump, Baltimore, of paralysis. The deceased was seventy-nine years old, and was born at Lapidum, Harford county, but had been for sixty years a resident of Baltimore. Two daughters and three sons survive him. He was a brother of John Hughes, who died a short time ago. Sheriff Wm. O. Hughes, of Harford county, is also a relative of Captain Hughes.

WILLIAMS' GROVE PIC NIC.—Among the exhibitors at the great exhibition at Williams' Grove, Pa., last week, were Mr. Wm. S. Bulett, of Delta, who made a fine display of his celebrated road carts. Mr. D. S. Standiford, represented the H. S. Miller fertilizer company, of Baltimore, and had many visitors to see his display of fertilizers. Mr. Jacob Gross, of Jarrettsville, represented the Orchilla Guano Company, of which he is agent. Among the throng were Messrs. Wesley Knight, John F. Tipton and Charles F. Harwig, of Jarrettsville.

KILLED BY A LOCOMOTIVE.—Herman Krager, aged 17, employed in Mr. A. W. Brown's canning house, near Havre de Grace, was run over and killed by an engine of the P., W. and B. Railroad, near Singleton's Crossing, on Thursday of last week, while crossing the track in front of the train. The young man was an orphan. His remains were taken to his brother-in-law's, in Baltimore, for interment. Justice R. H. Smith, of Swan Creek, held an inquest over the remains, the jury rendering a verdict that he was accidentally killed.

STRIKE IN THE SLATE QUARRIES.—Last Saturday the workmen employed in Wm. E. Williams & Co's slate quarries, near South Delta, refused to go to work at the reduced wages offered by their employers. The laborers were getting $1.25 per day of ten hours and the quarrymen $1.75 per day. The wages offered by the company was 11 cents per hour to laborers and 15 cents per hour to the quarrymen. The men complained that the reduction would cut their wages down to a very small sum during the short winter days. The men remained out until Wednesday morning, when they returned to work at the old rate of wages.

PAINFUL ACCIDENT.—On Friday of last week Mr. Wm. Stansbury, near Clermont Mills, was painfully injured while engaged in beating bone at Eden Mills. In order to stop the machinery he ran a piece of scantling, as he had often done, into a part of the machinery. The scantling, on this occasion, was whirled around and striking him on the forehead laid the flesh bare to the bone, inflicting an ugly wound. Dr. F. T. Turner was called in to dress it. Mr. Stansbury intended to relinquish beating bone altogether, but concluded he would finish beating about thirty bushels of bones which he had on hand. He had nearly finished them when the accident occurred.

KILLED BY THE CARS.—On Thursday morning, about half-past eight o'clock, Henry Stork, aged 50 years, was run over and fatally injured by a freight train at Glenarm, on the Maryland Central Railroad. Stork was driving a two-horse wagon in which were his employer, Mr. Roche, and two children. Seeing the train approaching Stork stopped his horses. His employer being impatient, took the lines from him and endeavored to cross in front of the engine. The wagon was struck and demolished. Mr. Roche and the children escaped without injury but the engine ran over Stork, fracturing his skull, breaking his right leg and injuring him internally. Dr. Green attended to his injuries, but it is not likely he can recover.

A PIPE PRESENTED TO SHERIFF HUGHES.—In recognition of Sheriff Wm. O. Hughes' kindness and courtesy to them, the jury of condemnation in the Deer Creek and Susquehanna Railroad cases determined to present to him a handsome meerschaum pipe. Accordingly last Saturday Messrs. Thomas Butler, James S. Calder, Arch. Wilson, Wm. E. Whiteford, John N. Nelson, O. M. Whitaker and Amos J. Day, on behalf of their fellow jurymen and themselves, called upon Sheriff Hughes, at his home in Bel Air. The presentation speech was made by Mr. Wm. Young, and a suitable response thereto by the Sheriff, who said he would ever prize this testimonial of the friendship and esteem of the jury. The occasion was in every respect pleasant to all concerned.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS.—The board met on Tuesday, Mr. Vosbury in the chair.

Dr. Silas Scarboro asked for the reopening of No. 12, fifth district. The matter was left for decision at the meeting in October next.

The Secretary was instructed to look into the needs of the colored people in Carsins' Run neighborhood for school facilities.

The corps of teachers appointed by the local teachers was confirmed.

The colored schools were ordered to be opened October 15th.

Mr. Rouse was authorized to appoint a trustee at No. 13, fifth district, vice John Craig, resigned.

The contract for building outhouses at No. 20, fourth district, was awarded to Mr. Turner, for $54.

B. F. W. McClung and Charles W. Norris were appointed to chairs at the Normal School.

The schools were ordered to be closed during the last two days of the county fair.

PERSONAL MENTION.—Mrs. Catherine Kimberley and daughter, of Baltimore, are at Mr. McAbee's, near Abingdon.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Dorsey and granddaughter, of Baltimore, are at Mr. Wm. J. Dorsey's, near Emmorton.

Mr. Wm. D. Wilson, near Fountain Green, who has been very ill for some weeks past with typhoid fever, is convalescent and able to sit up.

Miss Sallie Mechem is very ill at the residence of her brother, Mr. Isaac Mechem, near Bel Air.

Miss Maggie Bateman, daughter of Mr. Howard Bateman, is spending the summer with relatives in Ocean Grove, New Jersey.

Messrs. John W. and Thomas Hood, of Baltimore, spent Tuesday and Wednesday at their old home, near Thomas' Run. Mr. John W. Hood is engaged at the "Bell" clothing house, Oehm's old stand, corner of Pratt and Hanover streets, where he would be pleased to see his Harford friends.

Mr. J. Harry Preston, who for the past two months has been traveling in Europe, returned to Baltimore on Wednesday. He is a son of Mr. James B. Preston, of Harford county.

OBITUARY.—Stephen T. Moore, aged 21 years, son of Mr. E. J. B. Moore, of Bel Air, died last Sunday evening, of typhoid fever, in Philadelphia, where he was employed as a bricklayer.—His remains were brought to Bel Air by way of Edgewood, on Wednesday, and taken to Union Chapel for interment. Rev. Mr. Hoblitzell officiated. The pall-bearers were Harry F. Lee, Chapman Rouse, Wm. B. Richardson, Chapman Richardson, Crawford Norris and Wm. Stump.

Mr. St. Paul Seely, who was well known and had many friends in the second district of Harford county, died on August 29th, at the residence of his brother, Silas Seely, in Atlantic City. Mr. Seely was born in New York, in 1857, and removed with his family to Hammonton, N. J., in 1866. In 1874 he was apprenticed to business and proved so capable that he was made a foreman when only 20 years old. He rose to a position of prominence and usefulness and last March was elected a member of the town council. A local paper says of him: "In whatever he became interested he was active and earnest—a man of many good qualities, popular everywhere and held in high esteem by those who knew him best." He was buried at Hammonton Sept. 1st. The funeral was in charge of the Red Men, of which society he was a prominent member.

JURIES OF CONDEMNATION.—On Friday of last week a jury of condemnation for the right of way of the Deer Creek and Susquehanna Railroad met on the farm of Mr. R. John Rogers, near Bel Air. They examined the location of the road through Mr. Rogers' land, and adjourning to the Court House the case was argued for Mr. Rogers by Mr. Wm. H. Harlan and for the railroad company by Mr. Wm. Young. The jury awarded Mr. Rogers $1,300, the railroad company to erect and maintain fences on both sides of the railroad. The jury consisted of Messrs. O. M. Whitaker, Garrett Amoss, Wm. E. Whiteford, W. Scott Barnes, Thomas Butler, J. Henry Cain, Abel D. Wilson, James K. Keech, James S. Calder, Henry C. Johnson, Amos J. Day and Andrew Dunigan.

In the case of Mr. J. S. Dallam's land a compromise was effected, Mr. Dallam agreeing to take $1,000, the railroad company to fence on both sides of their road through his property, to make a grade crossing on the public road and grade crossings, also, if Mr. Dallam should lay off streets through his land. The only case yet remaining is that of Mr. David E. Wilson, at Wilson's Mill, Deer Creek. Application has been made for condemnation of right of way through his property and the jury was summoned to meet on the ground September 13th. When this is adjusted, the right of way through from Bel Air to Stafford will have been secured.

DEMOCRATIC POLE RAISING AT EMMORTON.—Last Saturday afternoon a well-attended Democratic meeting was held at Demoss's Shops, Emmorton. A hickory pole, 80 feet tall, from Rev. Dr. Brand's woods, was raised and an American flag and a streamer bearing the motto, "Cleveland, Thurman and Stump," were run up to the top, while the Franklinville band played the Star Spangled Banner. The meeting was organized by calling Mr. Henry C. Wilson to the chair and electing as Vice Presidents Messrs. Wm. T. Demoss, Jas. B. Preston, Jos. Everett, Wm. M. Ady, John Sawyer, John H. Vanhise, John Haviland, Thomas Sullivan and Geo. W. Brown. Messrs. H. A. Bateman and Samuel Bevard were chosen as Secretaries.

Speeches were then made by Messrs. A. A. Piper, of Towsontown; G. W. Richardson, Wm. L. Cooley and Wm. Young.

Mr. John Wright had charge of the pole-raising, being assisted by a number of enthusiastic Cleveland men, among whom were H. A. Bateman, John Evans, John H. Vanhise, Jas. B. Preston, Charles Roberts and others. After the pole was raised Mr. Elmer Magness climbed up to the guy ropes, at least fifty feet from the ground, and unfastened them. It was a brave act and he was applauded for it. Bel Air sent a good representation and among those present from a distance were Dr. Pearson Chapman, R. Emory Taylor, Jas. S. Calder, Benj. Silver, Jr., Geo. G. Jeffery, Wm. A. Hanway, Dr. F. P. Smithson, Chas. L. Heck, Edward H. Prigg, S. H. Gibson, of Harford county; Dr. John Norris and O. J. Norris, of New York.

FIFTEENTH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY.—Mr. and Mrs. James, A. Waters, of Fallston, celebrated the fifteenth anniversary of their marriage, last Saturday evening by a crystal, wooden and tin wedding combined. They received a large number of presents from a host of friends who were there and also from friends who could not attend. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. David J. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Spencer, Mr. and Mrs. John E. Allender, Mr. and Mrs. Pearson Amos, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Amos, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Whitson, Mr. and Mrs. Noble L. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Everhart Hildt, Mr. and Mrs. John Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mitchell, Mr and Mrs. Corbin Amos, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gray, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Keith, Mr. and Mrs. Archer Henderson, Mrs. Henry Amos, Misses Sadie and Maggie Amos, Mr. Corbin Amos, son and daughter, Mrs. Wm. Kean, Misses Bertha Keen, Agnes Mitchell, Lily Hardesty, Mrs. Malen and son, of Baltimore; David Lewis, Howard Mitchell, Emmett Duvall, Misses Ida. P. Whitson, Mollie Duvall, Mrs. Lizzie Spicer, Mrs. E. T. Anderson, Mrs. Ellen Hanson and daughter, Mr. Edward Sweeney, of California; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. A. Watters, Mr. and Mrs Wm. Riley and others.

At 9 o'clock an elegant entertainment was served.

SHOOTING AFFAIR AT EMMORTON.—Last Saturday morning, about four o'clock, Levi Cox, colored, tenant on Mr. Isaac Amos's farm, at Emmorton, was shot and severely wounded by a colored man named Henry Boyd, who had been employed by Mr. John Porter, in the neighborhood, by whom he was discharged for insolence. He then engaged board with Cox, and, it is said, paid improper attentions to Cox's wife. About ten days before the shooting occurred Cox ordered Boyd to leave. He went away but returned at intervals, greatly to the annoyance of Cox. On Friday night he came again and refusing to go away when ordered to do so by Cox, the latter put him out and closing the door held it to prevent Boyd's return. Boyd then went to an open window, near the door, and reaching inside, fired at Cox. The ball took effect in Cox's right side, shattering one of his ribs and penetrated into the cavity of the chest, carrying with it some pieces of the broken rib. Dr. R. D. Lee dressed the wound, which is very serious and will probably prove fatal.

Cox is an elderly and respectable man. A warrant was issued for Boyd's arrest, but Sheriff Hughes was unable to find him. It is said that he returned to Cox's house on Saturday night to get his clothes, but was not allowed to take them away. Boyd is from Alabama. His reputation in the neighborhood of Emmorton is not good.

FESTIVAL AT THE ROCKS.—A festival was held in Wilson's pavilion, Rocks of Deer Creek, on Thursday of last week, for the benefit of the new Protestant Episcopal Church of the Holy Cross, which is in course of erection in the neighborhood. The receipts were upwards of $80. Among the ladies who had charge of the affair, representing the Ladies' Sewing Society, were Mrs. Charles A. Rutledge, Misses Mattie and Katie Streett, Mrs. John A. Streett, Mrs. Mollie Gladden, and Mrs. and Miss Purlee, of Washington. The ladies were especially indebted to Miss Belle Carter, of Delta, who brought to the festival about $25 worth of articles, which were offered for sale.

The church, it is expected, will be completed during October next. It is of stone, 28 by 69 feet in size, semi-gothic in style. Mr. Marion F. Anderson is the contractor, the stone work being done by Mr. Isaac Larue. Mr. T. B. Ghequier, of Baltimore, was the architect.

Among the gifts to the church are the following:

From Mrs. Ariel Williamson, of Washington, a solid silver communion service. From Mrs. Elizabeth Streett, a memorial window in memory of her husband, the late Dr. Abram Streett. From All Saints Sisterhood, through Rev. R. H. Paine, of Mt. Calvary Church, Baltimore, a complete set of altar linen. From a lady in Washington, the chancel window, of stained glass. From Mr. Wm. Stansbury, the font, as a baptismal offering for his infant son, who will be the first person to be baptized therein. From Miss Bessie D. Farnandis, in memory of her mother, the late Mrs. Hannah T. Farnandis, a Bible and books for the altar. Rev. Henry Tarrant is rector of the church.

TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.—Independent of the Institute the public school teachers have a voluntary Association, which meets every evening during the session of the Institute, when original essays are read and select recitations given, interspersed with music.

The association held its first meeting of the year in the Court House, Monday evening. Prof. R. W. Eubank, Principal of the Havre de Grace High School, presided. The exercises were opened with music upon the organ by Miss Mattie S. Richardson. Mr. M. E. Smith, Miss Tacy B. Matthews, Prof. Charles T. Wright and Miss Anna C. Keech gave recitations. Prof. Wright's selection, "Mrs. McWilliams and the Lightning," convulsed the audience with laughter. Prof. A. F. Galbreath, of Darlington Academy, sang a tenor solo, the choir joining in the chorus, and a solo was also sung Miss Laura B. Tammany, of Havre de Grace. This closed the entertainment, Prof. Eubank explaining that the members of the association found it difficult to get up a satisfactory programme the first night.

The court room was crowded by an appreciative audience, Tuesday evening. The exercises were opened with instrumental music by Miss Sallie Galloway. Mr. Jas. B. Hendrix read Sam's Letter; Miss Ella Stritehoff "The Switchman's Story" Prof. Chas. T. Wright "The Polish Boy"; Miss L. B. Tammany "Music in the Camp"; Miss M. Gussie Galloway, "Woman's Rights." Miss Ada Bond also performed upon the organ, Miss Mattie S. Richardson playing the accompaniments for the choir. Miss Tammany's recitation contained parts of Dixie, Yankee Doodle and Home, Sweet Home, which she sung with pleasing effect and was encored. All of the performers did well and were applauded.

The court room was crowded, Wednesday night, long before the hour appointed for beginning the exercises. The entertainment began with instrumental music, by Miss Mattie S. Richardson. Miss Lidie V. Coale recited "The Burning Ship." A duet followed by Misses Ewing and Brown, after which Miss Alice M. Youse read "The Beacon Light." Miss L. B. Tammany sang a solo, and being loudly encored, she sang another song. Miss A. L. Barron read "Jud Browning's Account of Rubenstein's Piano Playing." She was also encored and amused the audience by reciting "How Hockey Set a Hen." Instrumental music by Miss Ada Bond came next, and Mr. E. M. Brown read the pathetic piece "Roger and I." Then came a pretty calisthenic exercise by sixteen young ladies, led by Miss Hattie Worthington. It was well executed and the exercises brought roses to the cheeks of the fair performers.

Professor Eubank remarked that it was not the aim to introduce calisthenics in the schools, but nothing would be lost if these exercises were introduced. The entertainment closed with a chorus by the choir.

ITEMS FROM JARETTSVILLE.

An infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Eggleston died on Monday.

Mr. Thomas Cathcart has a can of peaches which were canned during the close of the late war. Being opened they were found to be as good as when first put up. M.

BEL AIR NOTES.—Miss Sadie Knight, of Havre de Grace, is visiting, Miss Virginia Lee, of Bel Air.

Miss Florence Hanway, of Philadelphia, is the guest of Mrs. John G. Rouse.

Miss Lizzie Mitchell is visiting in Virginia.

Mr. Wm. T. Munnikhuysen left at our office, last week, a fine specimen of snow-flake potatoes, grown by him near Bel Air. It weighed, he said 30 ounces.

We are obliged to Mr. John C. Norris for a large and fine watermelon grown by him on his farm near Bel Air.

Mr. Henry W. Archer, of the Bel Air bar, returned last Saturday from his summer trip of several weeks, part of which time was pleasantly spent at Narragansett Pier.

Mr. J. T. C. Hopkins has bought from Hon. Stevenson Archer the house and lot on the corner of Bond and Office streets, opposite Sweet's Hotel, occupied by B. F. Kieth. Also the store house and lot on Office street, belonging to Capt. Richard E. Bouldin. The latter is the property occupied by Wm. J. Black.

Mr. Walter H. Mitchell, of *The Ægis* office, and his brother, Mr. Jas. F. Mitchell, returned from Atlantic City, last Friday.

Col. Herman Stump arrived at his home from Narragansett Pier, Monday evening. He is improved in health but suffering again from hay fever.

School Commissioner Arthur Vosbury, of Havre de Grace, spent Monday and Tuesday at the Teachers' Institute. Mr. Vosbury's health is better than it has been for some time past.

Mr. J. M. Streett, editor of the *Democrat*, returned on Monday, much improved in health, from a sojourn at Jordan's Springs, Va.

Mr. Wm. H. Doxen, of Bel Air, who has been quite ill, is out again.

The ladies of the M. P. Church, Bel Air, will hold a fruit and ice cream festival, on the parsonage lawn, Wednesday and Thursday evenings, September 12th and 13th.

Miss Emma Norris and Misses Minnie and Fannie Robinson, of Stockton, are guests of Rev. S. A. Hoblitzell, this week, while attending the Teachers' Institute.

Miss Ella Hoblitzell, daughter of Rev. S. A. Hoblitzell, of Bel Air, returned home last Tuesday, after a very delightful visit of a month and a half to friends at Pocomoke City and Fairmount, Somerset County, Md. She was accompanied on her return home by Miss Mary Landing, of Pocomoke City, who will be her guest for several weeks.

Miss Nannie Floyd, of Baltimore, is visiting Rev. and Mrs. Jas. B. Craighill, Bel Air.

Miss Mollie Brady, of Baltimore, is spending some time with her mother, Mrs Coleman Carroll, in Bel Air.

Miss Lucy Sanner, of Baltimore, who has been visiting Mrs. John H. Heuer, of Bel Air, for some time, returned home on Wednesday last.

Mrs. Mary Berry, of St. Louis, who has been visiting friends in Bel Air returned home yesterday.

Mrs. Maslin and family who have been spending some time in Bel Air, left for their home in Baltimore, yesterday.

Mr. Stevenson Archer and his daughter, Miss Alice Archer, of Mississippi, who have been visiting at Hazel Dell, left on Thursday.

Meteorological Record for August, 1888.

Highest temperature on the 16th.. .93 degrees.
Lowest temperature on the 23d.....49 "
Mean temperature of the month.... 72.26 "
Rain fall..... 3.15 inches.

The mercury stood at 90 degrees, and above, three times during the month—on the 7th, 8th and 16th. The mean temperature for August for the past 16 years at this place is 71.54 degrees, or about a degree below that of the past month.—Highest in 1872, 75.88 degrees; lowest in 1883, 68.36. We have had some chilly mornings during the month, and in the northwestern States there has been a hard frost that injured