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TOWSON, MD.

Saturday, April 6, 1889.

LOCAL NEWS.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

St. Francis' Church, Towson.—Rev. M. O'Keefe, pastor; High mass on Sundays at 10.30 A. M.

The services during Lent will be—

Wednesdays—At 7.30 o'clock P. M., the Rosary, Sermon and Benediction.

Fridays—At 3.30 o'clock P. M., Rosary and Benediction.

Sundays—At 7.30 o'clock P. M., Stations of the Cross and Benediction.

Towson M. E. Church.—Preaching at 11 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. by the Pastor, Rev. Page Milburn. Sunday School at 9.30 A. M. & 2.30 P. M. Prayer Meeting on Wednesday at 7.30 P. M. Class Meetings on Thursday afternoon and Friday evening.

St. John's M. E. Church, Lutherville.—Preaching Sunday, at 11 A. M. and 7.30 P. M., by the Pastor, Rev. W. L. McDowell; also prayer meeting Wednesday night, at 7½ o'clock.

St. John's Mission, York Turnpike.—Every other Sunday afternoon, (commencing to-morrow, Sunday, 5th,) Rev. A. T. Pindell, Rector of Sherwood P. E. Church, Cockeysville, will officiate at St. John's Mission, York Turnpike, at 3½ o'clock. All are earnestly invited.

Trinity P. E. Church, Towson.—Services as follows until further notice: Sunday at 11 A. M. and 7.30 P. M.; Church of the Holy Comforter, Lutherville, 4.30 P. M.

Trinity Church Lenten Services.—The Lenten services in Trinity P. E. Church, Towson, will be held as follows: Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at 8 o'clock P. M., and Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 5 o'clock P. M.

Church of the Holy Comforter, Lutherville, Tuesdays and Fridays at 8 o'clock P. M. A collection will be made at all week-day services for missions in Maryland.

St. John's Church.—Services at St. John's Church, Long Green, Baldwin Station, first, third and fifth Sundays, and holidays; Masses at 8 and 11 o'clock.

St. Philip's Church.—Services at St. Philip's Church, Sunnybrook, fourth Sunday of the month; Mass at 11 o'clock.

Epsom M. P. Church.—Preaching at Epsom M. P. Church by the pastor, Rev. J. L. Elderdice, at 10.30 A. M.; prayer-meeting Sabbath and Wednesday nights.

Franklinville Presbyterian Church.—Services every Sabbath at 3 P. M. by the pastor, Rev. W. W. Reese.

Enlaw M. P. Church.—Preaching every Sunday by the pastor, Rev. J. M. Gill, at 11 A. M. and 7½ P. M. All invited.

Chestnut Grove Presbyterian Church, Sweet Air.—Services every Sabbath at 11 A. M. by the pastor, Rev W. W. Reese.

Sater's Church.—Preaching every Sunday morning at 11 o'clock A. M., and evening at 7.30 P. M., by the pastor, Rev. W. J. Nicoll. The public are cordially invited to attend.

Dulany's Valley M. E. Church.—Rev. Page Milburn, pastor of Towson M. E. Church, will preach at the Dulany's Valley School House every other Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, commencing April 15th; Sunday School every Sunday at 2 P. M. Public cordially invited.

Immanuel Church, Glencoe.—Rev. Duncan McCulloch, Rector. Sunday services—11 o'clock A. M.; first Sunday in the month, morning prayer at 9 A. M.; first Sunday in the month, holy Communion and sermon at 11 o'clock; Sunday School at 9.45 A. M. Seats free.

The rector also has divine service at Phœnix every alternate Sunday evening at 7.30 P. M. Sunday School every Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, Wm. A. Schumacher, Superintendent.

SALES TO TAKE PLACE.

Monday, April 8th.—Geo. E. Coxon, Thos. C. Biddison, auctioneer, on the premises, on the Furley Mill Road, 12th District, the Furley Mill property with water rights, 2 acres of land, &c.; horses, colts, cows, heifers, boar, mill wagons, farming implements, &c.

Monday, April 8th.—Taylor & Creamer, auctioneers, Carrington & Schmitz, attorneys, on the premises, lot of ground on the Philadelphia Road, near Orange Avenue; improved by a dwelling, carpenter shop, &c.

Monday, April 8th.—J. Alex. Preston and Chas. E. Garitee, attorneys, Taylor & Creamer, auctioneers, on the premises, 76 acres of land in the 12th District, improved by frame dwelling, &c.

Tuesday, April 9th.—Hermon L. Emmons, Jr., attorney, Taylor & Creamer, auctioneers, on the premises, 2 lots of ground on North street; improved by brick dwellings.

Tuesday, April 9th.—W. Burns Trundle, solicitor, Matthews & Kirkland, auctioneers, on the premises, Madison avenue, near Druid Hill Park, lot of ground, improved by a fine brick dwelling.

Tuesday, April 9th.—George W. Stocksdale, auctioneer for Elisha H. Bennett, on the premises, on the Patapsco Falls; horses, colts, mules, cows, steers, brood sow, wagons, farming implements, &c., household and kitchen furniture.

Tuesday, April 9th.—John V. Slade, auctioneer for B. F. Jordan, on the premises, on the old York Road, near Maryland Line, 55 Western Colts, Burlington Stallion, &c., skeleton wagon, &c.

Wednesday, April 10th.—Geo. W. Hook, auctioneer for Geo. G. Hooper, at "Harwood," Govanstown, horses, colt, cow, wagons, &c.

Saturday, April 13th.—J. Fred. C. Talbott, attorney, Geo. L. Stocksdale, auctioneer, on the premises, 80 acres of land on the Dover Road, on Chestnut Ridge; improved by a log dwelling.

AMUSEMENTS NEXT WEEK.

Ford's Grand Opera House—April 8th, One Week—James O'Neill in "Monte Cristo."—Dumas' great work "Monte Cristo," as interpreted by James O'Neill, is a masterpiece. The plot of "Monte Cristo" is one of those prolific conspiracies of modern French history where human lives are destroyed by false imprisonment, conspiracies and murder for the purpose of securing title and money. The Chateau D'If was a prison in which many unfortunates sank into premature graves at the suit of the rascality of their immediate relations. Edmond Dantes spent eighteen years in this human slaughter-house, and then managed to escape by substituting his own body in the place of that of a dead fellow-prisoner, which, being cast into the sea in a sack, he cuts the sack open, reaches a rock, and with all the fervor of his innocence, and the knowledge of the injustice of the conspiracy by which had him arrested and imprisoned, and of the punishment that will be meted out to the villain, he stretches both hands towards heaven, and exclaims with a power of fearful appeal and eloquence, "The world is mine.' James O'Neill, in the title role, gives a strong and polished impersonation of the part. His musical voice and symmetrical form lends a charm to his portrayal, and he is exceedingly pleasing. Were it not that this production is familiar to the public, it would be an exceedingly pleasant task to review its many striking features at this time. As it is, it is safe to say that the play has lost none of its thrilling interest or melodramatic effectiveness. Its many strong situations and situations are all there, and novel, inspiring and fascinating. Mr. O'Neill's work is imbued with great dash, grace, fire and chivalric spirit, and its artistic and salient points are made to tell with rapid effect. The company which will support Mr. O'Neill is even better than any of previous seasons. The mounting will be complete in every detail, the stage setting being perfect. Matinees Wednesday and Saturday.

April 15th—Local attractions.

The Banks and the County Funds.—The statement made last week that the Manufacturers' National Bank refused to honor the check of the Towson National Bank for one-half the money paid by the city to the County Treasurer was now putting that matter in the proper light. The Manufacturers' Bank did not refuse to let go the money, but Mr. Geo. W. Morgan, County Treasurer, according to his agreement with the County Commissioners that the money should be considered as a special deposit and not be checked out unless the order of the Board should accompany the check, refused to give the check until the County Commissioners passed the order for the same, and that was the reason why the one-half of the money was not turned over at once to the Towson National Bank.

The following is a copy of the orders of the County Commissioners on the matter:

Ordered by the County Commissioners of Baltimore County this 27th day of March, 1889, that the Treasurer deposit the money due from the city for Belt property received, in the Manufacturers' National Bank of Baltimore and the Towson National Bank of Towson in equal amounts, and the said funds to be so deposited shall be designated in said banks as "City Extension Fund Account," and subject only to special orders drawn upon said fund, and it is ordered further that a copy of this order be delivered to the Cashiers of said banks.

THOMAS TODD,
JOHN SMITH,
County Commissioners of Baltimore County.

Ordered by the County Commissioners of Baltimore County this 27th day of March, 1889, that Geo. W. Morgan, Treasurer, draw a check on the Manufacturers' National Bank of Baltimore for the sum of $53,043.42, and deposit the same in the Towson National Bank, the said check to be paid from the "City Extension Fund Account."

THOMAS TODD,
L. A. MONNONIER,
JOHN SMITH,
County Commissioners of Baltimore County.

A Short Turn.—On the 2d inst. James Myers and Samuel Brown, colored, were tried before Judge Watters on the charge of assaulting Mr. Joseph Nickle and his son James, in the 11th District. It appears that the colored men started a quarrel in the bar-room of Mr. Nickle with another colored man, and Mr. Nickle put them out. They then attempted to go into his store where his wife and daughter were, and he tried to stop them. They assaulted him and knocked him senseless. His son and daughter came to his rescue with an axe-handle and beat the two men off. One of the colored men cut at the son with a knife or razor, he could not tell which, and cut a rent in his coat, but fortunately it did not reach his body. The negroes had been drinking. The case was submitted without argument, Judge Watters ruling "Guilty of common assault in both cases, and 1 year in the House of Correction in each case, the sentences to run concurrently."

Barn Burned.—On Monday afternoon, 1st inst., the large frame barn of Mr. William Parks, who was formerly the Treasurer and Collector of Taxes for Baltimore county, and who resides at Texas, in the 6th District, was destroyed by fire. The fire was caused, it is supposed, by a colored boy in the employ of Mr. Parks, who entered the barn smoking a cigarette. Mr. Parks tried to extinguish the fire, but the flames had gained too much headway. In the meantime Mrs. Parks ran into the barn, at the risk of her life, and rescued several horses. Three valuable Horses and two cows perished. A lot of agricultural implements, hay, straw, &c. were also consumed. Mr. Parks estimates his loss at $5,000. The barn and contents were insured for $2,000 in the Insurance Agency of Henry L. Bowen, of Towson.

Property Sold for Taxes.—Mr. Geo. W. Morgan, Treasurer and Collector of Taxes for Baltimore County, sold at the Court House on the 2d inst. the following property for taxes due and not paid:

1st District—Lot of 7¼ acres on Franklin Turnpike, assessed to Levy Z. Condon, to County Commissioners for $255.

Lot, 25x200 feet, on Frederick Turnpike, assessed to Nicholas Gleim, to County Commissioners for $89.

Four acres on Old Frederick Road, assessed to Alice Grownman, to County Commissioners for $120.

Two acres on Rolling Road, assessed to Harman F. Kampling, to County Commissioners for $102.

Lot on the corner of Stafford and McTavish streets, 87x100 feet, assessed to Nicholas Popplein, to County Commissioners for $68.

Lot on Ingleside avenue, 40x150 feet, assessed to Geo. Wolfe, to County Commissioners for $71.

2d District—Eight acres, assessed to Maggie Love, to Thos. C. Worthington for $86.

Eight acres, assessed to Anna Love, to Thomas C. Worthington for $85.

6d District—Lot on Maple avenue, improved by frame dwelling, assessed to Rebecca Dixton, to County Commissioners for $70.

Lot on Mt. Royal avenue, improved by two frame dwellings, assessed to John Gallagher, to County Commissioners for $47.

Two acres on west side of W. M. R. R., assessed to Howard Land Company, to County Commissioners for $116.

Lot on Druid Hill avenue, 20x245 feet, assessed to Louisa Horn, to County Commissioners for $53.

Lot on Girard avenue, improved by brick building, assessed to Wilfred H. Nettleton, to County Commissioners for $63.

Lot on Rayner avenue, improved by double house, assessed to Jas. O'Connell, to County Commissioners for $67.

Lot on north side of Lanvale street, improved by brick dwelling No. 758, assessed to Wm. T. Phillips, to County Commissioners for $48.

Lot on Tenth street, 75x150 feet, assessed to L. M. Reynolds, to County Commissioners for $75.

Lot on Fifth avenue, improved by dwelling No. 621, assessed to C. F. Richter, to County Commissioners for $94.

Lot on west side of W. M. R. R., assessed to Chas. C. Rhoden, to County Commissioners for $54.

Lot on corner of Florence street and Rayner avenue, 49x125 feet, assessed to H. W. B. Reid, to County Commissioners for $43.

Lot on Albert, north of Lafayette avenue, assessed to Josephine Smith, to County Commissioners for $42.

Lot on Mount Royal Terrace, improved by dwelling No. 17, assessed to Rebecca J. Schaffer, to County Commissioners for $76.

4th District—Eight acres on Nichodemas road, assessed to Deborah Berryman, to George Hempling for $72.

One and one-quarter acres (Emory Grove Association) land, assessed to Jno. S. Berry, President of said Association, to County Commissioners for $40.

5th District—Four acres on Falls road, assessed to J. P. Coyle, to County Commissioners for $52.

Three acres on Falls road, assessed to John Cole, to County Commissioners for $52.

Two acres on Black Rock Road, assessed to A. J. Wisner, to County Commissioners for $46.

6th District—Five acres, assessed to Andrew B. Cross, to County Commissioners for $65.

Twenty-five acres, assessed to Charles F. Winter, to Samuel Sweeny for $251.

7th District—Eight acres, assessed to Bowen & Emery, to Thos. J. Hunter for $49.

Eight acres, assessed to Andrew B. Cross, to County Commissioners for $59.

8th District—Four acres near Baltimore County Fair Grounds, assessed to Chas. E. R. Goodwin, to County Commissioners for $86.

Five acres, assessed to Thomas T. G. Pearce, to County Commissioners for $94.

Lot on Beaver Dam Creek, improved by frame dwelling house, assessed to Heinrick C. Tieck, to County Commissioners for $39.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Mary Ann Ward (nee Towson.)

Mrs. Mary A. Ward, whose death occurred in this her native city, on Monday afternoon, March 11th, at the age of 62 years, was the daughter of the late James W. and Sarah Towson, a cousin of General Nathan Towson, a direct descendent of Wm. Towson, the settler, from whom the present city of Towson, Md., was named, and who was the original owner of the land upon which that city now stands.

On January 15, 1850, she was married to James R. Ward by the Rev. Franklin Wilson, who also assisted as one of the officiating clergymen—Rev. Dr. Gregory, of whose church she was a consistent member, Rev. Dr. Dixon and Rev. Dr. Williams—at the solemn ceremonies of her funeral, 39 years later. She was one of six children, three of whom have passed on before her, and two only, a brother, Obadiah G. Towson, and one sister, Mrs. Margaret Deaver, surviving her. Mrs. Ward was the mother of five children—three sons and two daughters, the eldest daughter, at the age of six years, having died in 1857; the next and only surviving daughter having married, and of late a resident of Boston. Thus she leaves a husband, four children and four grandchildren to mourn her death. She was a consistent member of the Baptist church; above all, a living example of a true and noble Christian woman and mother. In her last hours, as during her entire life, that calm and undisturbed frame of mind prevailed, talking of the journey to eternity she was about to take in a matter-of-fact way, addressing words of comfort and advice to her husband and children as to their past and future, none, perhaps, more earnestly given or more heartily treasured by those to whom they were addressed, than these, among the rest: "Cling to each other; and, above all, cling to your church!"

The remains were taken to Greenmount, and by her eight nephews borne to the mausoleum.

"The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord."

Yours, very truly,

C. A. G.

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Elihu B. Smith.

MARCH TERM CIRCUIT COURT FOR BALTIMORE CO.,
TOWSON, April 4th, 1889.

WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God in His infinite wisdom to remove from our midst by death, ELIHU B. SMITH, our esteemed brother Juryman, with whom we have been so pleasantly associated during the term as Petit Jurors, therefore be it

Resolved, That while we recognize in our friend's sudden death a dispensation of Divine Providence to which we should bow with humble submission, yet we cannot refrain from expressing our deep sorrow at the loss of one of our number who was so intimately associated with us as a member of the Petit Jury and whom we respected and loved for his amiable and cheerful disposition and his strict integrity.

Resolved, That in his death this Jury has lost a faithful and intelligent member; the community an estimable and useful citizen, and his wife and children a loving husband and father.

Resolved, That the tender to his family our heartfelt sympathy and commend them to our Heavenly Father for comfort and consolation in this the hour of their sore affliction.

Resolved, That these resolutions be presented to the family of the deceased and be published in the Baltimore county papers.

ROBERT MOORE, Chairman.
GEORGE D. OWINGS, Secretary.

Meeting of the School Board.—The School Board met on Tuesday, 2d inst., present M. M. Ramkin, President; John P. Clark, Chas. J. R. Thorpe, Jacob Shamberger, Chas. B. Rogers, Secretary.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Albert A. Gibson, colored, came before the Board for a new school house at Ivy Mills, in the 12th District, near the new city limits. It was referred to Mr. John P. Clark for his action.

Abraham Jones also presented a petition for a new school house in the 6th District, between Beckleysville and Middletown. The petition was placed on file and the matter referred to the Building Committee.

All orders for furniture, &c., were laid over until after the beginning of the next scholastic quarter.

Mr. Rogers passed an order to close school No. 5, in the 12th District, provided it does not maintain an average attendance of 10 pupils.

The Secretary filed his report of schools visited as follows:

The fifty schools visited were in excellent condition and doing systematic and excellent work. The relations existing between teachers and pupils were friendly and cordial, the discipline exceedingly judicious and the general order in the schools excellent. In some localities I find teachers subjected to undue pressure by the endeavors of parents to have their children placed in high grades when they have not mastered preceding work. The teachers are thorough and conscientious workers, and the children as a rule are firmly held in the grades to which their progress entitles them. The condition of school property is generally speaking, good, but considerable repair in many cases is imperatively necessary. The amount estimated as necessary for repairs is placed at $1,850, and for new buildings the amount deemed absolutely necessary is $3,650.

It was ordered that in accordance with the proclamation of the Governor of the State that the teachers and pupils of the Public Schools of Baltimore county observe "Arbor Day" by the planting of trees, shrubs and also have suitable literary exercises. The day, however, not to be a regular holiday, but to be devoted to "Arbor Day" celebration.

The salaries of the teachers of Baltimore county coming due on the 15th inst. will be paid on the 24th of the month.

Numerous applications have been presented to the School Board asking for new school houses in the 3d, 6th, 7th, 9th, 11th and 12th Districts. The whole, if granted, would probably amount to $30,000, but it is beyond the province of the Board to make any promises for any new buildings except where the utmost necessity exists.

The Board then adjourned to meet again on April 23d.

Pink Tea at Harrisonville.—The few in Harrisonville who remained at their homes regretted it when they heard of the success of the Pink Tea given by the Mite Society of Mt. Paran on the 28th ult. The hall was crowded. The young ladies all looked their best in white adorned with pink aprons, caps and ribbons. The first part of the evening was devoted to a musical and literary program, which was very well rendered and also very enjoyable. We then repaired to the lunch room where the ladies waited on the tables to a sandwich and one cup of tea or cream and cake. The cup and saucer or plate which they had eaten off of was then presented to them as a token of their good will and as a memento of the pleasant evening they had all spent. The ladies who gave their time and talent all deserve great credit. We forgot to mention that the twelve grains of corn that was given to each of the young ladies last spring to be planted and cared for by them yielded a little over ten pecks, which was auctioned at a tolerably fair price.

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Disorderly.—On Saturday night, 30th ult., Officer John A. Bosley, of Towson, cautioned William Henry Bosley, colored, against making too much noise in the town, and the darky, who had imbibed too much sensine, became insolent, and when the officer attempted to arrest him he resisted and had to be handcuffed by force. He fought against arrest with all his might. Officer Bosley had one of his hands badly hurt in the struggle, and but for the assistance given him by a citizen of the town he would not have been able to handcuff the prisoner. The prisoner was finally secured and taken before Justice A. W. Perrie, who committed him to jail in default of security to answer the charge of being drunk and disorderly and also resisting the officer in the discharge of his duty. It is stated that the prisoner had but recently served a term in the Maryland Penitentiary.

Application for a Divorce.—Mr. James J. Lindsay, as attorney for Mrs. Elmira Shearman, filed a bill in equity in the Circuit Court for Baltimore County on the 29th ult. asking for an absolute divorce from her husband, Washington Shearman, on the ground of cruel treatment of herself and children, especially her daughters, and infidelity on his part with various women in Baltimore. The Shearmans have five children, and were married in April, 1860. Plaintiff asks for an injunction to restrain the defendant from encumbering, selling or otherwise disposing of his property, and for alimony *pendente lite* and afterwards and for counsel fees.

Mr. Eugene Burton has been retained as the counsel for the defendant, Mr. Shearman, and it is expected the case will excite considerable interest.

Contract Awarded.—Messrs. James E. Green, Wm. H. Ruby, Dr. R. C. Mansenburg, Dr. G. M. Bosley and Wm. Bowen, a committee of Towson Lodge, 79, I. O. O. F., Towson, have awarded the contract to improve the front of the Lodge building by putting in a front of iron, to Mr. Joseph J. Willis, of Waverly, for the sum of $750.

Fire at Texas.

We learn that a fire broke out in the house of Mr. William Parks, at Texas, on Monday morning last, and that it was discovered by his son, who was in the house at the time, and who succeeded in getting out his mother and sister, but was unable to get out his father, who was crippled with rheumatism, and was burned to death in the house. The house and contents were consumed. Mr. Parks was formerly Treasurer and Collector of Taxes for Baltimore county, and lost his office by the change in the law. He was also a member of the firm of Parks & Bro., carpenters, Towson, Md., and lost all his property by fire, which was located in Stanfield, Baltimore county, on March 12th, has bought the handsome residence adjoining Mr. Robert G. Merryman, together with about two acres of ground, situated at this place. The price paid is understood to be $1,800. Mr. C. will move this week, as also transfer his blacksmithing business he will carry on as formerly. Mr. Merryman and family in the meantime will move to the residence occupied by his mother, Mrs. Margaret Merryman, where they will remain until his new residence at Corbett Station is completed.

Mr. Joshua McCauley, the track foreman of this division, has also bought from Mr. Merryman about one acre of ground adjoining the former property. The same gentleman has also bought from the N. C. R. R. Co. the double brick dwelling which the Company recently purchased from Mr. Samuel Miller. Mr. McCauley will take down the building at once and remove the material to his new purchase, where he will erect a substantial dwelling.

The Rev. F. H. Havenner and family moved into the M. E. parsonage last week, where a pleasant reception was tendered them by the people of the neighborhood.

Our "Clar," of poetic fame, is placing himself in an unenviable position, which is working on his mind and putting him in a bad humor. There, for instance, is "Fannie" sitting down on him with all her might because of his manifest ignorance in preparing spring-chickens to suit "Fannie's" palate. There is another fellow, and not a poet either, who has promised to "sot" down on him for divers reasons; and then there are those ancient chicken eggs, the innocent cause of all the trouble, they have been "sat" upon according to the JOURNAL's instructions to our bard for ever so long without visible results. "Clar" has abandoned the hope of having Siamese spring-chickens, either "roast," stewed, broiled, fried or raw, at the entertainment he intends to tender to his sister-poet "Fannie."

A small fight, by way of variation of the usual dullness of the place, was indulged in last Tuesday night, 2d inst., by two ebony damsels, one a married woman and the other a widow. The cause was a very black fellow well known through this section. After a spontaneous outpouring of crosswords by both women the widow picked up a stone and hit the other a tremendous whack in the region of the bread-basket, then they were about to clinch and commence the pulling of wool in the latest-approved style, when the aforesaid buck interfered and thus suddenly stopped a most interesting entertainment.

J. F. H.

Black Horse Items.—March went out very quietly and calmly. We are still enjoying fine weather.

Mr. John Hunter, who lives with Mr. Thos. Ayres, had both of his hands badly bit and torn on last Saturday evening, 30th ult., by a dog owned by Mr. Henry Strawbridge. The dog had attacked a flock of sheep and killed two of them. Mr. Hunter tried to shoot the animal, but failed. He then grappled with the dog who got both Mr. Hunter's hands in his mouth and tore and lacerated them badly. Dr. J. T. Payne dressed the wounds. At last accounts the dog had not been killed.

One day last week Mr. Nicholas Gorsuch cut a tree for firewood on the farm of Mrs. Ellen Gorsuch. After the tree had fell Mr. G. noticed something like flies hovering around, and shortly afterwards he found that they were bees. They had but little honey and seemed to be very weak.

Mr. John Slade, formerly of the 7th District, has moved to Corbett's, where he will engage in storekeeping.

Mr. James Lytle is building an addition to his house, which will be 12x16 feet.

The Philomathian Society met on last Tuesday night. The house was crowded. This Society will close at the next meeting.

Mr. Smith Hollingshead has sold his farm. Mr. Yarnel Wilson gets 106 acres, and Mr. Armstrong Hollingshead gets the balance, 50 acres.

Rev. Mr. Havenner preached his first sermon at Wesley Chapel on last Sunday evening, 31st ult., to a well-filled house. He delivered a good sermon and made a good impression on his hearers.

On Thursday evening, 28th ult., a number of young ladies and gentlemen held a surprise party at the residence of Mr. J. March McComas. About 75 persons were present, and several hours were spent in innocent games and amusements.

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Hon. Barnes Compton's Case.—The matter of the recount of the votes in the 1st and 12th Election Districts of Baltimore County, which are included in the 5th Congressional District, was had at the Court House, Towson, on the 3d inst. Mr. James E. Carr, Jr., the Special Examiner, at 9 o'clock.

Prof. Jas. E. Green and Martin J. O'Hara, Clerks in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, testified that the ballot-box of the 1st Precinct of the 12th District was delivered to the Clerk of this office. It had not been disturbed since by any one.

Jacob Freund, Return Judge of the 1st Precinct, 1st District, testified to having delivered the ballot-box at the Clerk's office and that the box was in the same condition as when it was delivered.

The returns from the Precinct, as returned by the Judges at the time, were: Compton, 380; Mudd, 230; Hellen, 2; Republican, 1; Democratic, 13. A recount of the votes was made by Mr. Carr and resulted in Mr. Mudd being reduced three votes and giving Mr. Compton three more majority. Mr. Rose did not even attend the recount, and he had not been formally, or informally, and Mr. Stanley insisted on another count being made. This was done, with the result the same as on the first recount. The investigation then went over to Mr. Compton over the returns first made of 21 votes.

As to the three votes in excess credited to Mr. Mudd in the 1st Precinct of the 1st District, it may be explained that two of the Republicans who had had the name of Mr. Mudd stricken off and that of Mr. Hellen substituted, and the third ticket was a ticket of the 11th Ward of Baltimore, upon which the name of Mr. Stockbridge was stricken out, he being headed as Republican tickets, it is supposed they were credited to Mr. Mudd without being particularly examined. Mr. Carr gave Mr. Hellen credit for the two ballots upon which his name appeared in the place of Mr. Mudd, and threw out the 11th-Ward ballot, upon which the name of Mr. Stockbridge appeared.

Personal.—Mr. J. N. Daily, of the 6th District member of the last House of Delegates, was in Towson on Tuesday 2d inst. on business relating to the incorporation of Trustees of the Baptist Church at Ekio.

Miss N. A. Wolby, of Baltimore, was the guest of Mrs. Charles A. Anderson, in Towson, this week.

Mrs. Charles A. Roe, of Towson, has been ill the past two weeks. It is to be hoped she will soon recover.

Mr. Harry Bosley, who served his time in the blacksmithing business with his uncle, Mr. James A. Bosley, at Meredith's Ford Bridge, has started out on his own hook and has rented a shop on My Lady's Manor, where he will carry on business on his own account. Mr. Bosley is an estimable young man, and it is to be hoped he will succeed in his enterprise.

Mr. Henry Kaline, one of the Bailiffs of the Circuit Court, has been confined to his house the past two weeks with pneumonia.

Rev. W. F. Speake, Presiding Elder of East Baltimore District, Baltimore Conference, preached a very interesting sermon at Towson M. E. Church on Sunday morning last.

Mr. George Cole, who is residing in North Carolina, is on a visit to his brother, Mr. Wm. P. Cole, of Towson.

Mr. George Thatcher, of the well-known minstrel troupe of Thatcher, Primrose and West, accompanied by his wife, visited Towson on last Sunday. Mrs. Knom, paid a visit to his brother-in-law, Mr. Geo. F. Wheeler, Sr., at Towson, on the 4th inst.

Mr. Frank Potee, bailiff of the Circuit Court, who had been confined to his home several days by sickness, has recovered sufficiently to be at his post again.

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All orders for furniture, &c., were laid over until after the beginning of the next scholastic quarter.

Mr. Rogers passed an order to close school No. 5, in the 12th District, provided it does not maintain an average attendance of 10 pupils.

The Secretary filed his report of schools visited as follows:

The fifty schools visited were in excellent condition and doing systematic and excellent work. The relations existing between teachers and pupils were friendly and cordial, the discipline exceedingly judicious and the general order in the schools excellent. In some localities I find teachers subjected to undue pressure by the endeavors of parents to have their children placed in high grades when they have not mastered preceding work. The teachers are thorough and conscientious workers, and the children as a rule are firmly held in the grades to which their progress entitles them. The condition of school property is, generally speaking, good, but considerable repair in many cases is imperatively necessary. The amount estimated as necessary for repairs is placed at $1,850, and for new buildings the amount deemed absolutely necessary is $3,650.

It was ordered that in accordance with the proclamation of the Governor of the State that the teachers and pupils of the Public Schools of Baltimore county observe "Arbor Day" by the planting of trees, shrubs and also have suitable literary exercises. The day, however, not to be a regular holiday, but to be devoted to "Arbor Day" celebration.

The salaries of the teachers of Baltimore county coming due on the 15th inst. will be paid on the 24th of the month.

Numerous applications have been presented to the School Board asking for new school houses in the 3d, 6th, 7th, 9th, 11th and 12th Districts. The whole, if granted, would probably amount to $30,000, but it is beyond the province of the Board to make any promises for any new buildings except where the utmost necessity exists.

The Board then adjourned to meet again on April 23d.

Pink Tea at Harrisonville.—The few in Harrisonville who remained at their homes regretted it when they heard of the success of the Pink Tea given by the Mite Society of Mt. Paran on the 28th ult. The hall was crowded. The young ladies all looked their best in white adorned with pink aprons, caps and ribbons. The first part of the evening was devoted to a musical and literary program, which was very well rendered and also very enjoyable. We then repaired to the lunch room where the ladies waited on the tables to a sandwich and one cup of tea or cream and cake. The cup and saucer or plate which they had eaten off of was then presented to them as a token of their good will and as a memento of the pleasant evening they had all spent. The ladies who gave their time and talent all deserve great credit. We forgot to mention that the twelve grains of corn that was given to each of the young ladies last spring to be planted and cared for by them yielded a little over ten pecks, which was auctioned at a tolerably fair price.

X.

Disorderly.—On Saturday night, 30th ult., Officer John A. Bosley, of Towson, cautioned William Henry Bosley, colored, against making too much noise in the town, and the darky, who had imbibed too much sensine, became insolent, and when the officer attempted to arrest him he resisted and had to be handcuffed by force. He fought against arrest with all his might. Officer Bosley had one of his hands badly hurt in the struggle, and but for the assistance given him by a citizen of the town he would not have been able to handcuff the prisoner. The prisoner was finally secured and taken before Justice A. W. Perrie, who committed him to jail in default of security to answer the charge of being drunk and disorderly and also resisting the officer in the discharge of his duty. It is stated that the prisoner had but recently served a term in the Maryland Penitentiary.

Application for a Divorce.—Mr. James J. Lindsay, as attorney for Mrs. Elmira Shearman, filed a bill in equity in the Circuit Court for Baltimore County on the 29th ult. asking for an absolute divorce from her husband, Washington Shearman, on the ground of cruel treatment of herself and children, especially her daughters, and infidelity on his part with various women in Baltimore. The Shearmans have five children, and were married in April, 1860. Plaintiff asks for an injunction to restrain the defendant from encumbering, selling or otherwise disposing of his property, and for alimony *pendente lite* and afterwards and for counsel fees.

Mr. Eugene Burton has been retained as the counsel for the defendant, Mr. Shearman, and it is expected the case will excite considerable interest.

Contract Awarded.—Messrs. James E. Green, Wm. H. Ruby, Dr. R. C. Mansenburg, Dr. G. M. Bosley and Wm. Bowen, a committee of Towson Lodge, 79, I. O. O. F., Towson, have awarded the contract to improve the front of the Lodge building by putting in a front of iron, to Mr. Joseph J. Willis, of Waverly, for the sum of $750.

Fire at Texas.—We learn that a fire broke out in the house of Mr. William Parks, at Texas, on Monday morning last, and that it was discovered by his son, who was in the house at the time, and who succeeded in getting out his mother and sister, but was unable to get out his father, who was crippled with rheumatism, and was burned to death in the house. The house and contents were consumed. Mr. Parks was formerly Treasurer and Collector of Taxes for Baltimore county, and lost his office by the change in the law. He was also a member of the firm of Parks & Bro., carpenters, Towson, Md., and lost all his property by fire, which was located in Stanfield, Baltimore county, on March 12th, has bought the handsome residence adjoining Mr. Robert G. Merryman, together with about two acres of ground, situated at this place. The price paid is understood to be $1,800. Mr. C. will move this week, as also transfer his blacksmithing business he will carry on as formerly. Mr. Merryman and family in the meantime will move to the residence occupied by his mother, Mrs. Margaret Merryman, where they will remain until his new residence at Corbett Station is completed.

Mr. Joshua McCauley, the track foreman of this division, has also bought from Mr. Merryman about one acre of ground adjoining the former property. The same gentleman has also bought from the N. C. R. R. Co. the double brick dwelling which the Company recently purchased from Mr. Samuel Miller. Mr. McCauley will take down the building at once and remove the material to his new purchase, where he will erect a substantial dwelling.

The Rev. F. H. Havenner and family moved into the M. E. parsonage last week, where a pleasant reception was tendered them by the people of the neighborhood.

Our "Clar," of poetic fame, is placing himself in an unenviable position, which is working on his mind and putting him in a bad humor. There, for instance, is "Fannie" sitting down on him with all her might because of his manifest ignorance in preparing spring-chickens to suit "Fannie's" palate. There is another fellow, and not a poet either, who has promised to "sot" down on him for divers reasons; and then there are those ancient chicken eggs, the innocent cause of all the trouble, they have been "sat" upon according to the JOURNAL's instructions to our bard for ever so long without visible results. "Clar" has abandoned the hope of having Siamese spring-chickens, either "roast," stewed, broiled, fried or raw, at the entertainment he intends to tender to his sister-poet "Fannie."

A small fight, by way of variation of the usual dullness of the place, was indulged in last Tuesday night, 2d inst., by two ebony damsels, one a married woman and the other a widow. The cause was a very black fellow well known through this section. After a spontaneous outpouring of crosswords by both women the widow picked up a stone and hit the other a tremendous whack in the region of the bread-basket, then they were about to clinch and commence the pulling of wool in the latest-approved style, when the aforesaid buck interfered and thus suddenly stopped a most interesting entertainment.

J. F. H.

Black Horse Items.—March went out very quietly and calmly. We are still enjoying fine weather.

Mr. John Hunter, who lives with Mr. Thos. Ayres, had both of his hands badly bit and torn on last Saturday evening, 30th ult., by a dog owned by Mr. Henry Strawbridge. The dog had attacked a flock of sheep and killed two of them. Mr. Hunter tried to shoot the animal, but failed. He then grappled with the dog who got both Mr. Hunter's hands in his mouth and tore and lacerated them badly. Dr. J. T. Payne dressed the wounds. At last accounts the dog had not been killed.

One day last week Mr. Nicholas Gorsuch cut a tree for firewood on the farm of Mrs. Ellen Gorsuch. After the tree had fell Mr. G. noticed something like flies hovering around, and shortly afterwards he found that they were bees. They had but little honey and seemed to be very weak.

Mr. John Slade, formerly of the 7th District, has moved to Corbett's, where he will engage in storekeeping.

Mr. James Lytle is building an addition to his house, which will be 12x16 feet.

The Philomathian Society met on last Tuesday night. The house was crowded. This Society will close at the next meeting.

Mr. Smith Hollingshead has sold his farm. Mr. Yarnel Wilson gets 106 acres, and Mr. Armstrong Hollingshead gets the balance, 50 acres.

Rev. Mr. Havenner preached his first sermon at Wesley Chapel on last Sunday evening, 31st ult., to a well-filled house. He delivered a good sermon and made a good impression on his hearers.

On Thursday evening, 28th ult., a number of young ladies and gentlemen held a surprise party at the residence of Mr. J. March McComas. About 75 persons were present, and several hours were spent in innocent games and amusements.

H.

Hon. Barnes Compton's Case.—The matter of the recount of the votes in the 1st and 12th Election Districts of Baltimore County, which are included in the 5th Congressional District, was had at the Court House, Towson, on the 3d inst. Mr. James E. Carr, Jr., the Special Examiner, at 9 o'clock.

Prof. Jas. E. Green and Martin J. O'Hara, Clerks in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, testified that the ballot-box of the 1st Precinct of the 12th District was delivered to the Clerk of this office. It had not been disturbed since by any one.

Jacob Freund, Return Judge of the 1st Precinct, 1st District, testified to having delivered the ballot-box at the Clerk's office and that the box was in the same condition as when it was delivered.

The returns from the Precinct, as returned by the Judges at the time, were: Compton, 380; Mudd, 230; Hellen, 2; Republican, 1; Democrat