RAPID TRANSIT COMING.

THE PROJECTED ELECTRIC RAILWAY WILL PASS THROUGH HOWARD.

Plans Now Under Way to Push the Project to a Successful Completion—Local Organizations Take Hold—The Proposed Route of the New Railway—Our Municipal Election—Oella News—Deaths, Weddings and Other Local Affairs.

Recent developments seem to indicate that the much-talked-of electric railway project between Baltimore and Ellicott City has at last taken definite shape, and that the road will actually be built, and at once, too. It would seem, also, that the railway will not only come to Ellicott City, but will reach out in the direction of Washington, connecting at a point near Ashton with another railway now in course of construction from the National Capital to Burnt Mills, near the Howard county line. If this plan is carried out, it will give immediate development and improvement to property along the route, and will place a large section of Howard county in direct communication with Baltimore and Washington. The Baltimore Sun of Monday, April 10th, says:

All franchises and rights of way have been secured or are guaranteed, it is said, for an electric railway between Baltimore and Washington, and construction work will begin at an early date. The road is to be thirty-eight miles long. Capital to the amount of $1,500,000 has been subscribed, it is said, to carry out the project. It is understood that Alexander Brown & Sons, bankers, of Baltimore, are in the enterprise, along with other Baltimoreans, and the Elliotts, prominent bankers of Boston, and two New York capitalists. The Boston and New York people and the Browns furnish the bulk of the capital and their representatives will have charge of the construction. The enterprise is not connected, it is said, with the Traction Company's projected road between Baltimore and Washington.

The new road will be under two different managements, which will consolidate in operating it. The section from Washington to Ashton, which is half way to Baltimore, will be under the supervision of one management, and the Baltimore end will be controlled by the other.

The Baltimore route will begin on Edmondson avenue at Fulton avenue, and will extend out Edmondson avenue to Nunnery lane, to Edmondson avenue again, passing through "Eden Terrace," the new suburban town, to Rolling road, about a mile beyond Catonsville. Then the railway will go in as straight a line as possible to Ellicott City, crossing the Patapsco river at a high elevation. Two routes over the river are projected and surveys are now being made. The route thence will be by way of Highland and Clarksville to Ashton, where it will connect with the railway into Washington.

The electric railway is the outcome of the project of Messrs. George Yakel, Carl Schon, Victor G. Bloede and other gentlemen who owned property in the vicinity of Catonsville and rely on rapid transit as a means for developing it. It was the original intention to build an electric railway to Ellicott City. Then it was discovered that certain charters had been obtained by citizens of the District of Columbia who were interested in the development of suburban property near Washington, and the two interests coming together, the project to build an electric road between the two cities matured and is now about to take definite shape.

A charter for the original road from Baltimore to Ellicott City was obtained from the last Legislature under the name of the Baltimore, Catonsville and Ellicott City Electric Railway. Incorporation papers were secured April 7, 1892, at a nominal capital, with the priviledge of extending. About three weeks ago this privilege was availed of when the new capital was brought into the project and the capital stock was increased to $1,500,000, including both managements. It is said the originators had the choice of two or three syndicates which wanted to build the road and the deal was consummated with the one that was thought would push the work with the greatest vigor. It is stated that the various rights of way are all paid for or guaranteed.

The work of laying rails will commence in certain sections before next Monday, April 17, in order to comply with the conditions of the charter. The present officers of the corporation are George Yakel, president, Carl Schon, vice-president; Victor G. Bloede, treasurer; Dr. Henry J. Berkley, secretary.

A CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION.

Judge Jones, of the Howard County Circuit Court, has signed the certificate of incorporation of the Ellicott City and Clarksville branch of the proposed new railway. The incorporators are Messrs. Harper Carroll, John G. Rogers, John F. McMullen, John L. Clark and John H. Owings. The capital stock is $200,000, divided into four thousand shares. The certificate states that the object of the incorporation is to operate a passenger and freight railway from Ellicott City to Clarksville by "horses, electricity or other mechanical device." The corporation is formed for forty years. The directors will be the first four of the incorporators and Messrs. Fredk. Bausman, of Glenelg; George Yakel, Van Courtlandt Homans, N. Winslow Williams and Henry W. Williams, of Baltimore City.

It is stated that Boston capital will contribute largely to the putting through of the project.

The Mechanics Make Money.

A fair and festival, under the auspices of Howard Council No. 46, Junior Order United American Mechanics, of Ellicott City, was held in the truck house on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights of last week. It was a delightful success socially, and in a financial way more than realized the most sanguine expectations of those in charge. The inclement weather on the two first nights kept many from attending, but on Saturday night the truck house would not begin to hold all those who came out. The Thistle and Elk Ridge Cornet Bands were on hand to enliven the occasion with sweet music. A large delegation, including many pretty girls, came down from Alberton. A big contingent of Oella and Ilchester folks were in attendance, and all Ellicott City and environs was present.

Five large tables, supplied with refreshments and bric-a-brac, and decorated with blooming flowers, were placed in the truck house, and pretty girls readily dispensed the various articles thereon. A number of fancy articles on the tables were donated by friends of the order.

A barrel of flour, sold by tickets at 10 cents each, realized over $25. Mr. Frank Frost, of Oella, was the lucky winner. A quilt contest realized over $10. Miss Lizzie Wheatley, of Oella, won this article. The contest for a gold ring between Misses Mary Sweets and Sallie Barker, of Oella, was full of pleasant excitement. Miss Sweets secured the ring, turning over to the committee $25.44.

The entire proceeds from the fair amounted to something over $100.

The Mechanics, who have been organized in this city about 14 months, are rapidly increasing in numbers and influence, and the membership is now over fifty. The lodge meets in Odd Fellows' Hall, every Tuesday night. An earnest invitation is extended to all good American citizens to unite with them. Any information relating to the order will be cheerfully given by Messrs. Robert J. King, J. C. Mooney, Rev. D. M. Browning, Wm. H. France and C. F. Beckett.

OUR MUNICIPAL ELECTION.

Two Tickets—Both Pledged to Law and Order and General Good Behavior.

Our municipal election, which was held on Tuesday last, developed into quite a spirited contest. The lines between the two contending tickets were sharply drawn. The one headed by Dr. M. Gist Sykes, candidate for Mayor, styled simply the "Law and Order" ticket, seemed to represent the conservative element of our city; while the other, headed by Mr. Benjamin Mellor of Mark, went one better and was styled the "Law, Order and Improvement" ticket. The latter ticket was supposed to signify energetic improvement, now that the city's treasury is bursting with a surplus well on to one thousand dollars. The friends of the Sykes ticket stoutly maintained that they, too, were in favor of improvement, and at one time the tickets seemed to be running neck-and-neck, but a canvass of the returns showed that the "improvement" ticket was short of winning the race by several lengths. A good feeling prevailed throughout the day, and the defeated gracefully yielded the palm to the victors. Following is the vote:

FOR MAYOR.

Dr. M. G. Sykes	115	Benj. Mellor	89

CITY COUNCIL.

Wm. T. McCauley	116	Dan'l A. Scallen	89
Howard D. Dunkel	119	Jacob Werner	88
Owen H. Mercier	115	Henry Lauman	75
Marion P. Macgill	118	James F. Meads	86
John W. Brian	121	Robert Yates	81
Martin F. Burke	122	Levi Wiles	78

Serious Accident to Mr. Henry Love.

Mr. Henry Love, of Ellicott City, had his left leg broken in four places and his right foot crushed Tuesday in Baltimore by a car of the City Passenger Railway. Mr. Love was standing on the Baltimore street bridge, looking over the railing at the men at work placing the material for the new bridge into position when the car came along. Charles Hayes, driver of the car said he called several times to Mr. Love to get out of the way; that Mr. Love climbed up on the railing, and that by some means fell off and was injured between the railing and the car. The injured man was taken to the City Hospital and attended by Dr. Hayden. Charles Hayes, driver, and Charles Lowery, conductor of the car, were arrested and taken to the central police station. Justice Hobbs released them on their personal bonds for their appearance if wanted.

Mr. Love, who is about 62 years old, is a respected citizen of this city, and has been in the service of Mr. John U. O'Brien for a number of years past. He has many warm friends who are pained to know of his misfortune.

Wesley Grove Camp.

A meeting of the stock-holders of the Wesley Grove Camp-Meeting Association was held in Baltimore last Monday night. The purpose of the meeting was to elect officers, but after a discussion lasting until midnight, the meeting, having failed to accomplish anything then adjourned. All this discussion was caused by a motion to depose Mr. Paul M. Burnett, the president of the association. The only apparent cause against his re-election was his age, many of the stock-holders claiming that an older man should hold the position. It was impossible to get an acceptance of either the minority or majority reports, and the meeting came to an end after a discussion of four hours.

Last year's report showed that the association, during President Burnett's terms, had been more successful financially than ever before in its history.

Useful Catalogue.

Messrs. Griffith, Turner & Co., 205 and 207 N. Paca street, Baltimore, Md., growers and importers of seeds and manufacturers of and dealers in agricultural implements, fertilizers, etc., have issued their annual catalogue. The work, besides having a beautifully illuminated cover, is illustrated in detail, giving an excellent cut of every implement sold, with a full description of the same. The list embraces vegetable and flower seeds, dairy goods, agricultural implements, machinery, wagons, etc., in fact, every new idea that can be successfully utilized on a farm. Every farmer should have one of these catalogues to keep himself posted as to what is new and excellent in his own vocation. Furnished free on application.

A Postponed Entertainment.

On account of the weather the entertainment that was to be given by the St Louis' Lyceum on Friday, April 7th, did not take place, but was postponed until Friday, the 21st, when, besides the drama, "A Pretty Piece of Business," the members will reproduce the play, "Cut Off With a Shilling," which was recently acted at Highland Hall with great success. This entertainment will take place in Griffin Hall, (old St. Louis' Church, near Clarksville), on the above date, Friday, April 21st, at 7.30 P. M. As the program has been lengthened, the admission will be 25 cents. No one will regret having attended.

The Howard County Teachers

The third quarterly meeting of the Howard County Teachers' Association will be held at the Court House, Ellicott City, on Friday, April 28th, commencing at 10.30 A. M. The discussion on "A Proper Basis for the Promotion of Pupils in Country Schools," which afforded general interest at the last meeting, will be continued. The teachers will also be called upon to give their views on the question, "What Are the Proper Qualifications of a Teacher, and Upon What Basis Should Teachers' Certificates be Issued?" Papers will be read by a number of teachers.

Arbor Day at Elk Ridge.

ELK RIDGE, April 14.—Very interesting exercises marked the observance of Arbor Day by the pupils of the Elk Ridge public school. This school, which is one of the largest and most flourishing in the county, has made rapid strides under the efficient management of the popular teachers, Misses Ella M. Merritt and Blanche Vansant; and the mere announcement that Arbor Day was to be observed with public exercises was sufficient to attract quite a number of the patrons and friends of the school. Several trees and shrub bushes were planted, and, as a graceful compliment to School Examiner Hill, his name was given to one of the trees. The program of the occasion was as follows: Song, by the school; recitation, Miss Rosa Bruen; reading, Miss Bertie Bush; class reading, by the first grade; song, by the school; reading, Miss Edna Burns; recitation, Charles Vermillion; reading, Miss Eva Shannamon; recitation, Peyton Earp; class recitation, by the second grade; recitation, Miss Annie Kibbett; song, by the school; recitation, Willie Owings; recitation, Miss Janie Humphries.

On White Wash Brushes this week. Stock large and new.

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Opposite the Bank, Ellicott City.

See our Fish Scalers at 7 cents.

Crescent White Oil, fire test 175°. A pure light guaranteed, at H. D. Dunkel's.

HYMENEAL.

MYERS—KILLGORE.

A special correspondent from Westminster sends the following interesting account of a marriage at that place: At 5 o'clock Tuesday afternoon a brilliant wedding took place in the Methodist Protestant Church of this city. Miss Maggie M. Killgore, daughter of Rev. J. L. Killgore, D. D., was the bride, and Mr. Philip H. Myers, editor of the Westminster Carrolltonian, was the groom. The church was crowded with the many friends of the contracting parties. The bride was attired in a becoming costume of white silk, cut en train, with low neck and short sleeves, trimmed in real point lace and white ribbons. She wore white slippers and white kid gloves. She carried a bouquet of white roses, and wore the same flowers in her hair. Her only jewelry was a beautiful diamond pin. The bridesmaids were Miss Georgia Sanner, of Lisbon, Howard county; Miss Elenora Chalfant, of Philadelphia; Miss Lillie Killgore, the bride's sister, and Miss May Elgen, of this city. Miss Belle Killgore was flower girl. The ushers were Messrs. J. Reese Killgore, brother of the bride; A. C. Thompson, of Philadelphia; Robert Gies, Frank S. Myers and John D. Bowers.

HOBSON—DAVIS.

Mr. John Hobson, of Oella, and Miss Kate Davis, of Alberton, were married at Emory M. E. Parsonage, Ellicott City, at 7.30 last Sunday evening, by Rev. D. M. Browning. The bride was attired in steel gray silk, with hat and gloves to match. After the wedding an informal reception was held at the home of the groom, at Oella, and an elegant supper was served. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Zachariah Davis, Miss Amanda Davis, Mr. Hamilton Davis and Mr. William Myers, of Alberton; Mr. Charles Thompson, of Granite; Mr. and Mrs. John W. Hogan, Misses Dora and Annie Hobson, Mamie Lingenfelter, the Misses Richardson, Irene Clements, Maggie Lauman, Messrs. Mark Hobson, Wesley Tice, Oliver Murphy, William Hobson and Albert Clements, of Oella.

KELBAUGH—WARFIELD.

JESSUP'S, April 7.—A very pretty wedding took place at Sulphur Spring M. E. Church on Wednesday. The contacting parties were Miss Fannie Sewell Warfield, daughter of Mr. George T. Warfield, of this place, and Mr. Harry Kelbaugh. Rev. Mr. Bender performed the ceremony. Miss Gertie Burford, of Baltimore, was bridesmaid. The ushers were Messrs. J. W. Shipley and John Kelbaugh. Among those present were: Mrs Miranda Warfield and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar T. Warfield, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Warfield, Mr and Mrs. John T. Jeffrey, Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Disney, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. John Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Fulton Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Phelps, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. M. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Shipley, Mr. and Mrs. Jefferson Phelps, Mr. and Mrs. George Disney, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Harman, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Shipley, Mrs. Summerfield Baldwin, Mr. and Mrs. Coe, Mr. and Mrs Bender, Mr. and Mrs. John Kelbaugh, Mr. and Mrs. George T. Warfield, Mr. A. E. Bannon, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas S. Clark, Mr. Elliott and sister, the Misses Jeffrey, Scoggins, McNemar, Baldwin, Carrie Williams, Lou Burford, the Misses Higgins, the Misses Boyer, the Misses Zepp, the Misses Gardner, the Misses Clark, Miss Stella Sheller, Messrs. B. Warfield, Robert S. Russell, Charles Clarke, J. P. Bannon, Harry J. Dudley, Ninrod Elliott, Amos N. Clark, Joseph G. Bannon, John C. Bannon, Misses Bond, Misses Gardner, Mr. Bradley Zepp, and sister and others.

DORSEY—M'DONALD.

A very pretty wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. T. McDonald, in Baltimore, on Tuesday evening, April 4th, the contracting parties being their daughter, Miss Rosa May McDonald, and Mr. Frank G. Dorsey, of Mt. Airy. The ceremony was performed by Rev. George Price, assisted by Rev. John W. Jones, of Bethany M. E. Church. The bride, a handsome brunette, attired in white cotelle silk and carrying la France roses, entered the parlor with her maid-of-honor, Miss Anna L. McDonald, her sister, who wore a becoming gown of cream India silk. The best man was Mr. George W. Ward, of Daisy, Howard county. After the ceremony the guests were invited to the dining hall, where a sumptuous repast awaited them. The couple left for the North, and upon their return will be at home to their friends at Mt. Airy. A number of relatives and friends from Mt. Airy were present to witness the wedding.

FERGUSON—MYERLY.

HIGHLAND, April 13.—St. Mark's P. E. Church, this place, was the scene at ten o'clock this morning of a very interesting nuptial celebration. Miss Emma Basshor Myerly, eldest daughter of Ex-Judge and Mrs. John J. Myerly, of near Simpsonville, was the bride, and Mr. Robert T. Ferguson, a prominent young farmer of Cecil county, was the groom. Rev. W. R. B. Turner, rector of the church, performed the ceremony. The ushers were Messrs, William F. Myerly, the bride's brother, and Upton H. Dorsey. The church trimmings and decorations for the occasion were profuse and elaborate. Following the wedding was an elegant luncheon at the home of the bride's parents. Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson left early in the afternoon for Ellicott City, and proceeded thence to their future home in Cecil county.

Medical Honor

Dr. Reuben M. Dorsey, son of Judge Dorsey, has just received his diploma from the Medical and Chirurgical Faculty, of Maryland. This is quite a mark of distinction as only the most distinguished physicians belong. Numbered among the faculty are Professors Tiffany, Chew Miles and Dr. Lane Taneyhill, who is secretary. Dr. Dorsey is the youngest member.

"The Times" Preferred.

One of our valued subscribers in Baltimore last week failed to receive his paper for some cause unknown to us. He wrote to us at once about the omission, and in his letter incidentally said: "We look for THE TIMES as regularly as we do for our meals, and prefer it in the house to any of our Baltimore papers." This is good, but it is only one of the many testimonials we are constantly receiving.

Precarious Condition of Capt. Watkins.

Capt. L. A. Watkins, train despatcher at Mount Airy, who had his leg broken while assisting in removing a wreck several weeks ago, has been in a serious condition this week. The fractured limb is healing nicely, but Captain Watkins has contracted pneumonia, and his friends are considerably alarmed. Drs. McLane Tiffany, I. R. Trimble and R. B Warfield went to Mt. Airy on a special train from Camden Station last Sunday night, to have a consultation in reference to the case. It is feared that blood-poisoning is about to set in.

Many rise in the morning with a headache and no inclination for breakfast This is due to torpidity of the liver and a deranged condition of the stomach. To restore healthy action to these organs, nothing is so efficacious as an occasional dose of Ayers Pills.

Chamber Suits and Parlor Suits, at Hartman & Dunbracco's, 222 W. Balto. St. Convenient to Gaither's Express.

Long Havana Filler, "Cubanola," hand made 5-cent cigar, at H. D. Dunkel's.

TOWN AND COUNTY.

A wedding reception was tendered Mr. and Mrs. William F. Montgomery at the Relay Hotel, Relay, on Thursday night last, by Mr. and Mrs. August Wahaus. Music was furnished by the Beethoven Orchestra, of St. Denis, from 8.30 to 10 P. M., after which the guests indulged in dancing. The dancing was in charge of Mr. Julius E. Gottschalk, who, with Miss Agnes Schutler, of Avalon, led the promenade. There was a large attendance, and the affair was delightful in every respect.

A delightful Easter dance took place last week at Mountain View Hotel, Mt. Airy. Among the many present were Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Horn, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Becraft, Misses Selby, Lorena Hill, Mamie Kuhn, Mary Ellicott, Mary Betts, Pearl Mercier, Belle Runkles, Messrs. R. L. Runkles, Basil H. Betts, T. M. and Beverly Anderson, Edward Ellicott and Howard Kuhn.

A correspondent, writing from Rockville, says: All arrangements have been completed for the execution of William Bond, the colored murderer, in the jail yard here on Friday, April 14th. The scaffold has been erected and tested. It is of Virginia pine, and is well put together. Bond still remains stolid and unaffected by the approach of death. It is not probable that he will confess.

The case of John A. Denton, charged with mis-appropriating Howard county funds, was argued in the Court of Appeals on Wednesday. The appellant was represented by Edgar H. Gans and the State by Attorney General John P. Poe. The Court of Appeals as a rule hand down their decisions in June in cases argued during the April term.

The marriage of Miss Celeste Pendergast to Mr. William H. Gibbons, of Ellicott City, will take place at the home of the bride in Baltimore, on Monday, April 17th, at seven o'clock in the evening. Only relatives and a few intimate friends will be present.

Senator A. P. Gorman was out at "Fairview," his summer residence in Howard county, near Laurel, last week, looking after the spring farm work and making preparations for the early removal of his family from Washington.

Miss Bartlett Dixon last week entertained at her Baltimore home the Yale Glee Club and a number of her friends, including Misses Nina Poe, Ethel Woods, Ida Gary, Amelia Keys, Nannie Poultney, Florence Basshor and Camelia Herbert.

A horse belonging to Mr. J. W. Streaker, of Alberton, was severely hurt by coming in contact with a wire fence on the Jonestown road on Saturday. He was driving a pair hitched to a market wagon when they became frightened at a small dog which ran out.

At the last meeting of the Enterprise Farmers' Club, of Montgomery county, held at Mr. Asa M. Stabler's, Mr. Tarlton B. Stabler was elected to the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Samuel Hopkins, of Howard county.

Mrs. James E. Vansant, of this city, was over to Ashland, Baltimore county, on Wednesday, to visit her brother, Mr. James Helm, who is ill with the grip.

Postmaster Hamilton Oldfield, who had been suffering from a severe attack of the grip, was able early in the week to resume his official duties.

Miss Ida Tyson, who has been suffering from a severe attack of influenza, is better. Also Miss Rose Morrow similarly attacked, is better.

Register of Wills Isaac Scaggs is lying seriously ill at his home in Ellicott City. His illness dates from early in the week, and is of internal origin.

Mr. Frank Manakee, of Clarksville, and Miss Sarah Blaney, of Doughoregan, spent Easter with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Richter, Catonsville.

Mr. Wallace Sellman, who spent last week with his parents at Mount Airy, has returned to the Western Maryland College.

Mr. John T. Thompson has been confined to his home in the country several days this week by an attack of the grip.

Marriage licenses have been issued in Frederick county to Charles E. Haines and Fannie Dell Becraft, of Ridgeville.

Miss Marie Farran and Miss Bessie Agnew, of Baltimore, were guests of Miss Mary Bunsworth on Sunday last.

Miss Cora Tabler, of Baltimore, has been a guest this week of her sister, Mrs. Carlton Sykes, near this city.

Mr. J. F. McMullen, cashier of the Patapsco National Bank, is among those confined to the house by sickness.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph McCauley, of Baltimore, were guests on Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. T. McCauley.

There is a prevalence of severe colds, something similar to grip, and other sickness, in the neighborhood.

Miss Mary Green, of Oella, has been on a visit to her sister, Mrs. James Helm, at Ashland, Baltimore county.

Mr. and Mrs. Rhode Blaney, of Doughoregan, spent Easter with Mr. and Mrs. George Shatz, of Catonsville.

Mr. William M. Fowler, of Rockville, Montgomery county, was in Ellicott City on Monday last.

Miss Blanche Vansant, of this city, was the guest this week of Miss Lillie Hood, in Baltimore.

Mrs. Samuel J. Radcliffe has been confined to the house this week, being quite ill.

Mr. Charles H. Shaffer is on the road selling medicines of which he is the proprietor.

Mr. Frank S. Vernay, of Baltimore, was out to visit relatives on Sunday.

Mr. Arthur Isaac, of Elkridge, visited friends here this week.

Gen. C. P. Montague was on the sick list this week.

State Temperance Alliance.

The 20th annual convention of the Maryland State Temperance Alliance will be held at the Reformed Church, Fayette street, near Charles, Baltimore, on Tuesday evening, May 2, and all day Wednesday, May 3, and Thursday, May 4. The program of each day's exercises promises to be especially interesting. The gathering will include some of the best known temperance workers in the State. Dr. Henry Branch, of Ellicott City, is down for an address on the afternoon of May 3d. At the 8 o'clock mass meeting, on Thursday night, May 4th, the choir of the Ellicott City Methodist Episcopal Church will render special music. The officers of the Maryland State Temperance Alliance are: President, Robert T. Smith; Vice Presidents, Rev. Henry Branch, Henry O. Devries and Robert Ireland; Secretary, Rev. W. G. Herbert; Treasurer, Edwin Higgins; Financial Agent, Rev. S. H. Cummings. The committee of arrangements are: Robert T. Smith, chairman; Rev. W. G. Herbert, secretary; Edwin Higgins, Jonathan K. Taylor, Henry Janney, Royal H. Pullman, William Silverwood, David Horn, Kirk Brown, F. L. Morling, W. M. Alexander, Henry Branch and Henry Hooper.

Decorations for the Maryland Building.

The Maryland building decorations —cushions and portieres—at the coming World's Fair, are being embroidered by Baltimore ladies, under the direction of Miss MacDowell, of the Decorative Art Society. At Mrs. William Reed's suggestion flowers were chosen as appropriate patterns. The portieres are by Miss Ida M. Lewis, whose work is a dogwood pattern on yellow satin. The cushions are dogwood, embroidered by Mrs. Mordecai Tyson; morning-glories, Miss Alice George; Black-eyed-Susan, Mrs. Charles Lanahan; horse-chestnut, Miss Lillian Gary; May-apple, Miss E. McLane; chrysanthemums, Miss Rena Trust.

Beardsley's Shreded Codfish, ready for the table in 15 minutes; nothing like it, at H. D. Dunkel's.

SYKESVILLE NEWS.

SYKESVILLE, April 12.—The ladies of the Parish Guild held at the Masonic Hall, near Freedom, an Oyster Supper on Wednesday and Thursday evenings of last week. The social feature was exceedingly pleasant as many of the young people enjoyed the occasion very much, especially little bright faced Bertha George, who with her grab-bag gave out for nickels, bric-a-brac rare and fine. Mrs. George, Mrs. Steele and Mrs. Purcell, assisted zealously by Miss Eugenia Berrett and Miss Maggie Voorhees, presided at the tables and fancy table. The proceeds were quite flattering. The object is to color the walls of the old Parish Church, Holy Trinity.

St. Barnabas, Sykesville, last Sunday afternoon was filled with the children of the parish to make their offerings for mission work. A large congregation was present from far and near. The music and singing, led by Miss Cora Heffenger, was very good. The church was tastefully decorated with spring flowers.

SYKESVILLE, April 13.—Mr. Bidner's house near Harmony Church has received a new coat of paint giving it a handsome appearance. The work was done by Messrs. James Powell and Thomas P. Hatfield.

Miss Mary Dorsey has returned home from a visit to her sisters at Reisterstown.

Mr. S. Brown has moved to his new house in Sykesville.

The Sykesville Cornet Band is improving.

Mr. N. W. Steele is preparing to build twenty houses here. Mr. W. Selby has the contract for doing the carpenter work.

The Sykesville Baseball Club will organize on Saturday, the 15th inst.

HIGHLAND.

HIGHLAND, April 12.—The Lyceum here was crowded on Saturday evening last by our most representative people, who assembled to enjoy a musical and literary entertainment given by a number of young ladies and gentlemen from Baltimore. It was an ideal Spring evening, and the neighborhood turned out en masse for the occasion. The entertainment was a brilliant success in every particular, it being under the direction of Mrs. John Simon and great credit is reflected on her executive ability, untiring efforts and determination to make it a thoroughly enjoyable affair. The beautiful tableaux illustrated an old German poem which was recited behind the curtain by Mr. W. H. Marlow. They were all well arranged and very pretty. The ball-room scene was perhaps the best, for the girls all looked lovely of course. In the wedding scene the bride was indeed the perfection of a "Dream Picture." The vocal duet, "A Matrimonial Difficulty," by Miss Lottie Frederick and Miss Cummings brought down the house. Miss Frederick is a student at the Peabody Conservatory of Music and possesses a voice of great power and sweetness. Mrs. Claridge has a rich contralto voice. The cornet selections by Miss Emily Jean were much appreciated. At ten o'clock it was found necessary to abbreviate the musical and literary part of the program as the tableaux had occupied so much time and the young people were anxious to dance.

There will be a fancy dress or a masquerade ball in the Lyceum the last of May.

Mr. Thomas McNulty has promised to bring some young gentlemen from Baltimore and give an entertainment for the benefit of the Lyceum in the near future.

The prospect of closing the public schools early in May is very much deplored by the patrons, and it is hoped that the School Commissioners will make strenuous efforts to keep them open at least until the first of June.

Gathered at Gaither.

GAITHER'S, April 12.—Gaither's is still on the increase, and since our last report several additions have been made to the growing population of the place.

Mrs. Charles Brown and Mrs. Edward Connor, of near Mt Airy, have been on a visit to relatives here.

Miss Birdie Connor, of Mt. Airy, is on a visit to Mrs. Wesley Day, and will remain about two weeks.

Mrs. Vanclief, who has been making an extended visit in Baltimore, has returned home here.

Master Harry Alexander has been visiting relatives in Baltimore.

Mr. McCardell has nearly completed the foundation for his new store. Mr. Frederick Lehman is doing the mason work. The building will be ready for the carpenters in a few day.

St. Paul's M. E. Sunday school, at Sykesville, is growing all the time, and it is thought the present quarters will soon be too small to accommodate the increasing number of scholars.

OELLA ITEMS.

OELLA, April 13.—The Oella Aid Society held a largely attended public meeting on Monday night last. The sum of $15 was devoted to needy cases. The exercises, for the most part, were rendered by the pupils of Public School No. 9, taught by Miss Mary K. Holden and Miss Mary R. V. Reynolds. The program was as follows: Violin solo, William Frey; reading, Miss Zenobia Pattie; song, eight girls; recitation, Lawrence Hobson, duet, Misses Cora and Bessie Brunsman; dialogue, Miss Annie Imhoff and Frank Green; song, Miss Florence King; song and flag drill, eight girls; recitation, Miss Hester McCall; reading, Miss Annie Imhoff; charade in four acts, eleven girls and two boys; cat drill, six girls; raccoon song, two boys and two girls; song, ten girls; recitation, Miss Carrie Bargar; accordeon solo, Howard Webb.

The children of Mrs. Jane E. Mellor, wife of Judge Mark Mellor, have just erected in Oella Cemetery a handsome tomb in memory of their mother. The tomb, which is elegantly designed, is of fine grained Italian marble.

Some improvements have been completed at Oella Cemetery. This burying-ground is one of the oldest in this section of the State. An inscription on one tombstone records the death of "Mrs. Minerve Shipley, September 28, 1826."

Mrs. Charles Schetta, of this place, has for several days been on a visit to relatives in Baltimore.

M. and Mrs. William Keigler, of Baltimore, were guests here on Sunday last of Mr. and Mrs. John Keigler.

Entertainment at Poplar Springs.

POPLAR SPRINGS, April 12.—Poplar Springs Lodge will be visited on Saturday night next, April 15th, yDr. and Mrs. C. N. Whitney, of Washington, who will render their popular entertainment, with illuminations and illustrations. The entertainment will commence promptly at 7.30 o'clock. It will be a big time, and a large attendance is expected. The proceeds of the affair will be devoted to three purposes—to help spread the temperance cause, to aid the State Grand Lodge, and to help clear the indebtedness upon the home of the local lodge of Good Templars. It is hoped that the friends of Good Templary will be conspicuous by their presence. An admission fee of 25 cents for adults and 15 cents for children will be charged Come, and enjoy a grand and entertaining sight. LODGE REPORTER.

It would be worth while for the ladies to bear in mind that if they take a gentle course of Ayer's Sarsaparilla in the spring, they will have no trouble with "prickly heat," "hives," "stics," "bolts," or "black heads," when summer comes. Prevention is better than cure.

APRIL AFFAIRS AT ALPHA.

ALPHA, April 12.—Mr. John Oliver, of Baltimore, who has been visiting his sister, Mrs. George W. Ridgely, has returned home.

Mrs. J. R. Musser, accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Luella Templeton, who has been staying with her since the death of her son, Mr. Benny D. Musser, left for Baltimore last week.

Mr. Mahlon Saffell, who was confined to his home for so long, is out again enjoying the delightful spring season which we have been having.

Mr. J. S. Ridgely is also out again after having an attack of pneumonia which kept him in doors for several weeks.

Mrs. Chapman Ridgely has been confined to her bed by severe sickness, but is at this writing in an improved condition, with every prospect of recovering at an early date.

Mrs. Louisa Emory, wife of the late Charles Emory, and daughter of Mr. J. S. Ridgely is lying in a serious condition at her home. Mrs. Emory is suffering from nervous prostration, brought on by the indefatigable care and attention, and loss of much rest during the very recent sickness and death of her husband.

Mrs. John Johns and family have left for Baltimore, where they will join Mr. Johns, thence they will proceed to Brooklyn, N. Y., their future home.

Miss Lizzie Maxwell, of Baltimore, is at the home of her brother, Mr. T. C. Maxwell. Miss Maxwell is having considerable wood-land cleared on her place, near Henryton.

Mrs. Clinton Barlow is very sick at her home. Mrs. Barlow only a short time since recovered from a very severe cold, and this relapse will be surprising to her many friends.

Mr. Clinton Musser, nephew of Mr. J. R. Musser, has returned to his home in Pennsylvania. Mr. Musser remained in Howard longer than he anticipated on account of the great affliction in his uncle's family.

Mr. Charles T. Grant and wife will shortly be domiciled in their home. It is the same one occupied by Mr. Grant previous to his removing to Oklahoma. He has been for several days putting the house in shape, and the furniture in position. The residents will heartily welcome Mr. and Mrs. Grant to Alpha.

Sixteen ladies and gentlemen of this vicinity attended the oyster supper and dance at the Armory, Carroll's Manor, last week, and all were loud in their expressions of the delightful evening spent, and especially were they pleased with the fine music of the Messrs. Flannagan's Orchestra.

Messrs. Cross & Snyder are busy this week putting in and arranging their goods, preparatory to the opening of their new store at Montevue, which will take place on Saturday, the 15th.

Messrs. Hipsley & Holtzner, carpenters, are rapidly pushing to completion the new residence of Mr. C. F. Cross, adjoining the store.

One of the greatest drawbacks to Montevue is the lack of pure water, there being but one pump in the place, and this is out of order most of the time. This is rather discouraging to those contemplating soon to move there, as at present seven families use this abject pump.

This community, within a radius of two miles, is more partial to the Christian name, Thomas, than any other of the many different names given to males. Your correspondent ventures to say that no section of Howard can compete with this in the use of that name. The definition of Thomas is "a twin," and the people approve of the name, but not the definition. And, too, of the many claiming that name, none could be positively taken, in a Biblical sense, and called "Doubting." Those having the name are, respectively: Thomas Cross, Thomas Ridgely, of L., Thomas Stanfield, Sr., Thomas Streaker, Thomas Hipsley, Thomas Stanfield, Jr., Thomas Arrington, Thomas Wheeler, Thomas Maxwell, Thomas Ridgely, Thomas Hood, Sr., Thomas Sipe, Thomas Hood, Jr., and Thomas Shipley, making fourteen of that name. It is not likely any community can beat this, with that name, or come up to the number with any other.

Prof T. M. A. Sipe will meet all those interested in the movement to establish a musical organization at Cross & Snyder's Montevue Hall, on Monday evening, April 17th. It is to be hoped that a large number will turn out, and every one far and near are earnestly invited to join this association, which is intended as a musical advantage, as high chorus work will be undertaken as the organization progresses. It is desired that those uniting in this effort should know some little about vocal music as no introductory course will be given, and the work will begin from the start. The Professor will also open some time during the coming week a class for beginners, where all who desire can commence the study of vocal music. The lovers of music, in harmony with the first, second or both movements, are requested to turn out in force Monday night at 7.30, as this is something needed in the community, and will prove both healthful and beneficial.

A Royal Time at Roxbury.

ROXBURY MILLS, Apr. 8.—The Grange Hall was the scene of a brilliant soiree last evening, given under the auspices of several young men of Howard. Many were present from the adjoining counties as well as from the Monumental City. The music was furnished by Prof. Frank Vater, and all the disciples of Terpsichore had ample opportunity to enjoy themselves to full satiety. The fair ladies of Howard and Montgomery appeared adorned in rich decolette gowns of white, green, pink and yellow silk and mull. The gentlemen nearly all attired themselves in dress suits. The party was ultra fashionable, and nothing was wanting to add a lustre to the brilliancy and gayety that sat enthroned on every countenance. An artistic collation was served at 12.30 A. M. After this merry feet again glided gracefully on till "the streakings of the morning light" aroused them from the dreams of pleasure and guided them to their homes. The whole affair was perfect throughout. Not one defect was there to detract from the enjoyment of the evening. All agree in saying it was one of the most pleasant dancing parties ever witnessed in Howard. The chaperons were Mrs. Geo. D. Clark, Chas. Hammond, John Wolfe and Joshua Dorsey.

Among the many present were Mrs. Chas. Griffith, Misses Florence and Belle Clark, Rose, Frances and Margaret Linthicum, Ellie Hammond, Margaretta Clark, Kate Mathews, Sadie and Evvie Dorsey, Mrs. James Wolfe, Miss Poole, of Poolesville; Misses Urner, of Frederick City; Misses Alice Warfield, Gaither and Lizzie Irwin, Messrs. Humphrey Dorsey, Thos. Stewart, Wolfe, Mathews, Linthicum, Owings, Alex. Warfield, Clark, Clarence Dorsey, Dan'l Gaither, Joshua Dorsey, Stephen Dorsey, Boone Dorsey, Walter Dorsey, Willard, Cashell, Strain, Snouffer, Blunt, Dohl Frank, Dr. Spurrier, Cranmer, Green, Lyde, Artemus Griffith, Wm. Banks, Sutton and Carter, of Baltimore; Schriver, of Westminster; and Wm. G. Owings.

Light from Long Corner.

LONG CORNER, April 12.—The Long Corner Women's Christian Temperance Union met at Mr. James Penn's home on Thursday night, April 6th. The meeting was unusually well attended, and was very interesting. There were some very animated discussions over knotty business points which came up. There was a very interesting musical and literary program after the business meeting.

Miss Maude MacFaden, who had been visiting friends here, returned Saturday to her home in Baltimore.

LAUREL AFFAIRS.

LAUREL, April 11.—The public schools of Prince George's county closed on Friday. The short school year is made necessary by reason of the expenditure of the entire school fund at the disposal of the school commissioners. But the pupils of Laurel will be able to continue longer at their studies, as a private school will be opened on Monday, April 17th, by Misses Bessie Catrup and Eliza Cronmiller, two excellent teachers who have demonstrated by years of faithful service in Laurel public schools that they have no superiors as instructors in the county.

Mr. Walter Milstead, of Laurel, was at the Treasury Department last Saturday, and filed additional papers in support of his application for the position of special inspector of customs in the Treasury Department. Mr. Milstead has the endorsement of Senator Gorman, Mr. Compton, and a number of the members of the Maryland delegation.

As previously stated, application has been made to the Mayor and City Council to lay and maintain an electric railway along the principal streets of the town, the cars on the same to be propelled by electricity generated at the power house of the Laurel Electric Light Company. There will be no objection to the granting of all reasonable requests by the railway company, which is composed largely of local business men. It is expected to have the railway in operation by the 1st of July.

A District Sunday School Convention, under the auspices of the Prince George's County Sunday School Union, will be held in Laurel on Saturday and Sunday, April 15th and 16th.

The entertainment given by the Epworth League of this place at the Centenary M. E. Church was well attended.

Mr. Barnes Compton, Jr., of Washington, was in Laurel on Tuesday last, visiting friends.

Messrs. Nathan Baldwin and Louis Bryant, of this place, have gone to Chicago.

Mr. Walter Bently, of Baltimore, has been in Laurel visiting friends.

Mrs. Carroll D. Frost, of Rockville, was here last week, visiting Mrs. H. C. Frost and her relatives.

Mr. John Snowden, of Baltimore, is the guest of his father, Dr. De W. Snowden, of this place.

Mr. Owen Disney, of Baltimore county, is spending a few weeks with his sister, Mrs. G. B. Timanus.

Dr. W. O. Baldwin, of Washington, visited his son, E. P. Baldwin, last week.

Miss Mary Compton, of Washington, is visiting friends in this place.

Mr. Stewart Bryant, of Baltimore county, has been in Laurel visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. Frank Fenwick, of Washington, is here visiting his mother, Mrs. R. L. Wallach.

Senator A. P. Gorman was in Laurel last week. He also visited his country residence, which he will shortly occupy for the summer.

Mr J. C. Ziggler, of Frederick, is the guest of Miss Lloyd.

Judge I. Thomas Jones, of Howard county, was in Laurel on Thursday of last week, attending the bal poudre.

Mr. Southron Compton was in Laurel last week visiting friends.

Misses Grace and Annie Bond, of Jessups, have recently been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Penn.

Mrs. Albin Long visited friends and relatives in Washington last week.

Miss Mollie Peterson, of Washington, is the guest of Miss Lee Keller.

Mr. S. L. Lewis, of Patuxent, visited his brother, Mr. L. E. Lewis, in this place.

Mr. Harry Curley, of Baltimore, was in Laurel this week visiting friends.

Miss Maude Harrison, of Washington, is visiting here.

Mr. F. M. Baker, of this place, recently visited friends in Washington.

Mr. John W. Haslup, of Baltimore, spent his Easter holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Haslup.

Mr. J. B. Simmons last week visited friends and relatives in Baltimore.

LAUREL, April 12.—The young people of Laurel and vicinity have organized a Christian Endeavor Society, which will meet every Tuesday evening in the Baptist Church. At the first meeting, held a few evenings ago, Rev. O. F. Gregory, of the Fourth Baptist Church, of Baltimore, and Mr. J. W. Williams, of the same city, were present, and explained to those assembled the purpose of the society and the duties of the members. The following officers were elected for a period of six months: President, John D. Kersey; vice-president, Miss Eva Collins; secretary, Miss Nellie Collins; treasurer, Miss Katie N. Ashby; organist, Miss Nellie Collins.

The residence of Mr. P. P. Castle took fire the other day in the second story. Some little damage was done before the flames were extinguished.

The funeral of Mrs. Annie Burgee, one of the oldest inhabitants of this place, who died last week, was held Sunday morning at Centenary M. E. Church. Rev. Dr. Thirlkeld officiated.

The Suburban Railway Company, of this place, report that the electric cars will be ready for operation on the principal streets by July 15th next.

Losses by Fire.

The Baltimore and Ohio Station and the store of Messrs. Stackhouse Bros., at Woodbine, were entirely destroyed by fire at an early hour Sunday morning. The alarm was given by Ansen Foute, a clerk in the employ of the Stackhouse Brothers, who slept over the store. He was awakened by the smoke, and narrowly escaped with his life. Watersville and Gaither's were telegraphed for assistance, but the fire had gotten too much headway when aid arrived, and everything in the station and store was destroyed by the flames. The postoffice was also kept in the store. All the mail and government supplies were lost. The loss of Stackhouse Bros. is about $4,000, on which there is an insurance of about $3,000. The property was owned by Mr. Alvin Owings, whose loss is $3,000, with an insurance of $450. The origin of the fire is unknown, but is supposed to have been incendiary.

A Brookeville correspondent writes: The barn of Mrs Mollie Dorsey, near Laytonsville, was burned down Saturday morning, destroying her team of horses and several other horses belonging to neighbors, a cow and calf, wagon, road cart, buggy, carriage, harness, with the contents of the barn, which included a lot of corn and provender. The fire is supposed to have been the work of an incendiary. There was a small insurance on the building, but the loss at a season of activity in farming operations is a heavy one. One calf escaped alive from the building, but it is so badly burned that it will probably die.

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Catonsville Matters.

CATONSVILLE, April 12.—At the annual election last week the following officers of St. Timothy's P. E. Church were chosen: Vestrymen—John Glenn, Henry James, G. W. Lurman, Dr. C. G. W. Macgill, F. M. Colston, Blanchard Randall, Wilmot Johnson and E. Stanley Gary; wardens—N. W. James and Robt. Taylor; registrar—Blanchard Randall; treasurer—G. W. Lurman; delegate—John Glenn.

Extensive preparations have been made by the Catonsville public school for the observance of Arbor Day. The program of exercises will include readings, recitations, compositions, vocal and instrumental music. A large number of shade and ornamental trees will be planted. Those down to take part are Rev. D. G. Miller, Misses Cora Schotta, Jennie Steikel, Bessie Knight, Alice Heird, Sadie Reed, Ida Stembler and Helen Knight, Masters Paul Jones, Charles Wilson, Herbert Hampton, Wilbur Miller, E. C. Chenoweth and Herbert Hann.

The marriage of Miss Ella Lynch to Mr. Humphrey Scanlan, both of this place, has been announced.

Mr. and Mrs. N. D. Pendleton, of Berkely Springs, W. Va., who have been the guests of Mrs. Frank Albert, have returned home.

Dr. Frank Pearson and Mrs. Pearson have returned to the city, after spending a week at their home here.

Mr. Berry Bull and family are again at their home, near Kenwood, after spending the winter in the city.

Mr. Frank Baker has rented Falling Water, the property of Dr. Stinson, on the Frederick road.

Mr. Robert Taylor, of New York, who has been spending several days with his mother, Mrs. William Sinclair, has returned home.

Miss France entertained a number of her Baltimore friends at her home, on Melvin avenue, on Monday evening.

Mr. Edward Franke has closed his residence in the city, and has reoccupied his country home on Ingleside avenue.

Miss Bertie Herring, of Baltimore, who was the guest of Mrs. Charles Caines, has returned to her home in Baltimore.

Miss Katie Hensler, of Baltimore, has been the guest of the Misses Fisher.

Mrs. John Langhamer and Miss Tillie King, of Baltimore, were the guests of the Misses Gerwig last week.

Miss Jennie Lewis, of Baltimore, is the guest of the Misses Platt.

Mrs. Wilson, of Paradise, will shortly return from New York, where she has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Henry Wood.

Hon. James A. Gary and family have moved into their summer residence.

Mrs. Crosby and daughter, of Philadelphia, are the guests of Mrs. Wilmot Johnson.

Miss Agnes Upman was married to Mr. J. H. Thomey at St. Mark's Catholic Church on Easter Monday. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. J. E. Dunn.

Miss Laura Ginnevan, of this place, is visiting friends in Baltimore.

Miss Naomi Gross, of Baltimore, has been the guest of Miss Sarah Feelemyer

Adam Forepaugh's Shows

Will exhibit in Baltimore on April 26 and 27. The principal feature of the exhibit this year will be a superb representation of the scenes and battles of 1776—the American revolution.

This is beyond all question the most ambitious exhibition ever attempted. It is intended to exactly reproduce the most important events in the ever memorable struggle for American freedom. To make it as realistic as possible enormous stretches of scenery are used; the nearly 1,000 characters are all costumed accurately, and some of the costumes are really the originals worn by the characters represented. The battles of Bunker Hill, Concord, Monmouth, Yorktown, the Inauguration of Washington, Paul Revere's Ride, the Tearing Down of the Statue of George III., are almost faithfully reproduced, giving to the spectator thrilling entertainment and at the same time accurate instruction in his country's history.

This great feature of the shows is the one great novelty, but such rare things as the boxing kangaroo; Earl, the trotting dog; Basil and Baby Ruth, the largest and smallest female elephants in the world; the world-famous Seven Gerome Brothers, the world's greatest acrobats, the sensation of all Europe and seen for the first time in America, should not be forgotten. Great, indeed, may the Adam Forepaugh Shows be deservedly called.

FORD'S GRAND OPERA HOUSE.

Week of April 17—Fanny Davenport in a Superb Production of "Cleopatra."

Miss Fanny Davenport will appear at Ford's during the week of April 17th, in a magnificent and unrivaled production of "Cleopatra." Miss Davenport, who has established herself in a position which few American artists have ever reached, will be gladly welcomed by the theatre-going public in general. Not alone satisfied with making her own character in keeping with the highest art standard possible, she directs every performer in her company, and by her encouragement, hints and persistence manages to infuse into every one the same spirit which actuates her. The consequence is that Miss Davenport's performance, down to the very smallest detail, is perfect in itself. Miss Davenport is supported by Mr. Melbourne McDowell and a strong company of actors, and it goes without saying that the production will be as superb as scenic embellishments can make it. Only matinee on Saturday. April 24th—Joseph Jefferson in "Rip Van Winkle."

Harris' Academy of Music.

The week beginning Monday, April 17th, will be an eventful one at Harris' Academy of Music, Baltimore, for the beautiful opera, "Robin Hood," will come back for a return engagement. Robin Hood, the rightful Earl of Huntington, is defrauded of his rights by the wicked Sheriff of Nottingham. Marian, his paramour in the ballads, becomes Lady Marian Fitzwatter, a ward of the crown. She, too, is wronged by the Sheriff, who seeks to marry her off to Guy of Gisborne. The defeat of the Sheriff's plan, the marriage of the lovers and the incidents of the forest life of the outlaws—all are beautifully portrayed. By far the best music in the opera takes place at the beginning of the third act. The "Armourer's Song," sung by Will Scarlet; the "Legend of the Chimes," sung by Allan-a-Dale and chorus; and, above all, the duet of Robin Hood and Maid Marian, which follows the other two numbers,—all are fresh, taking and original. Seats are now on sale.

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