THE LOCAL NEWS FIELD.

Ordination of Rev. C. H. Hardin Branch.

The ordination of Mr. C. H. Hardin Branch to the ministry Monday evening last in the Presbyterian Church, was an occasion of marked interest to a large congregation made up from persons of all denominations. The ordination required a special meeting of the Presbytery of Baltimore. Rev. Willam Cumming, Moderator, being absent, on account of the illness of his wife, his duties were assumed by Rev. O. Hemstreet, Permanent Clerk. Rev. Maltbie D. Babcock, D. D., pastor of Brown Memorial Church, Baltimore, preached the ordination sermon and Rev. John P. Campbell, of Faith Church, Baltimore, proposed the constitutional questions. Rev. Henry Branch, D. D., father of the candidate for ordination, offered the prayer of ordination, closing with "the laying on of the hands of the Presbytery, according to the apostolic example." Rev. Geo. L. Curtis, of Park Church, Baltimore, gave "a solemn charge, in the name of God, to the newly ordained Bishop."

The sermon by Dr. Babcock was from the text, "Wherefore henceforth know we no man after the flesh: yes, though we have known Christ after the flesh, yet now henceforth know we him no more," I Cor. 5:16. Dr. Babcock is a most attractive sermonizer and the meaning of of his text was brought out in his usual clear and forceful manner, engaging the close attention of every one in the large audience.

The occasion was one of solemn interest as all the utterences were most direct and applied with equal distinctness to the newly ordained minister and the people who had assembled to see and to hear.

The choir, which had been largely augmented for the service, rendered specially prepared music. The altar was richly decorated with flowers, and an air of impressiveness reigned throughout the service.

Rev. C. H. Hardin Branch is a graduate of the class of '95 of the Johns Hopkins University, of Princeton Seminary of the class of '98, and an A. M. of Princeton University. He goes to accept a call from the First Church at Collinsville, Ill., where he preached during the month of April. He will leave for his future field of labor about the 1st of June.

HYMENEAL.

SHIPLEY-SHIPLEY.

The M. E. Church, South, at Oakland, Carroll county, was the scene of a pretty wedding at 8 o'clock on the evening of May 3d.

The bride was Miss S. Ella Shipley, daughter of Mr. Edwin M. Shipley, of near Oakland, and the groom was Mr. William R. Shipley, of Marriottsville. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. A. McDonald, pastor of the Gaithersburg Church. The church was tastefully adorned with festoons of evergreens and potted plants. The bride was engowned in white organdie over white silk, en train, with trimmings of chiffon and white satin, and carried a shower bouquet of carnations. A spray of lillies of the valley ornamented her hair. Miss Jennie Shipley, sister of the bride was maid of honor, and wore white organdie over blue silk, with trimmings of chiffon and ribbon and carried carnations. The ushers were Messrs. Ollie Devries, Norman Anderson, James Koller and Levi Shipley. The white satin ribbons stretched across the aisles were held by little cousins of the bride—Emily Shipley, of Washington, D. C., and Bennett Maynard, of New Market. As the bridal party entered the church Miss Kimmel, of Linganore, played the wedding march from Mendelssohn, while they slowly proceeded to the chancel, and continued to play the soft and harmonious strains during the ceremony. The presents were numerous and handsome. The bride is one of the most popular young ladies of her neighborhood and her many friends extend their warm congratulations.

Special Schools for Special Children.

At the third annual meeting of the Maryland Public Health Association at the Medical and Chirurgical Faculty Hall, Baltimore, last Friday, Dr. S. J. Port, of Font Hill Private Institution for the Feeble-Minded, read an interesting paper on the subject of "Special Schools for Special Children." His paper covered every class and condition of the present situation, and showed a vast experience in such matters. He said that there was, unfortunately, no definition for the word "feeble-minded," and therefore an effective remedy could not be applied. He continued with the statement that many children were hopelessly beyond disciplinary training, and that there were fully 100,000 feeble-minded children in this country. He also suggested that teachers be specially qualified, of neat personal appearance, well grounded in manual training, to have some knowledge of nursing, and be able to walk run and jump, so they could set the example for the pupils.

BASE BALL.

The Cloverdale Athletic Club's first base ball nine defeated the Rock Hill College "reserves" in a well played game at Ellicott City Saturday by a score of 15 to 6. A home run in the seventh by Hess bringing in three runs. The heavy, good pitching of Yardley, and the excellent fielding and batting of the Cloverdales, especially that of W. Daniels, were the features.

An interesting game of baseball was played at Warfield school, near Sykesville, Tuesday afternoon, between Warfield School and "Sykesville Scrubs," which resulted in the score of 28 to 14, in favor of the scrubs. A feature of the game was the batting of H. Mellor and J. Barnes. Battery, Devries and Bauger for Warfield; H. Mellor and J. Gimpel for the Scrubs.

A Musical Pigeon's Accomplishments.

Mrs. Haslup, wife of Mr. Louis P. Haslup, well known as a former member of the House of Delegates, is the owner of a pet pigeon which has developed remarkable appreciation of music, if not real musical talent. In the neighborhood of the Haslup home, in the lower section of Howard county, the bird is a local celebrity. He is specially fond of the piano and organ, and never falls when a lively tune is played to perch himself on the instrument to hear it. More than that, he invariably bows and sways his head like a baton to keep time to the tune and utters a regular and well-modulated coo as his audible contribution to the entertainment. The pigeon is an ordinary bird of its kind. It is pure white. At no time does the bird ever fail to follow its mistress like her shadow in her rounds over the house and grounds.

Suicide of an Insane Man.

Ludwig Kahn, a manufacturing chemist of Baltimore, committed suicide last Friday evening by hanging himself at the Richard Gundry Home, near Catonsville, where he had been taken on May 4th for treatment. He was suffering from acute mania. Friday evening, while an attendent was absent for only 10 minutes, he hanged himself to a bed-post in his room. His remains were removed to his late home in Baltimore. Mr. Kahn was 33 years old and leaves a widow.

Pimples, boils and humors show that the blood is impure. Hood's Sarsaparilla is the best blood purifier that money can buy.

Volcanic Eruptions

Are grand, but Skin Eruptions rob life of joy. Bucklen's Arnica Salve, cures them, also Old, Running and Fever Sores, Ulcers, Boils, Felons, Corns, Warts, Cuts, Bruises, Burns, Scalds, Chapped Hands, Chilblains. Best Pile cure on earth. Drives out Pains and Aches. Only 25cts. a box. Cure guaranteed. Sold by Dr. Isaac J. Martin's Sons, Druggists.

Local and Miscellaneous.

As will be seen by the levy which we publish this week the county tax-rate will be 75 cents on the $100, the same as last year. Throughout the year the County Commissioners have been wrestling with the good roads problem, having gone to the extreme limit in this direction without raising the rate. The commissioners are to be congratulated for careful management and the making of a good deal of road. The levy shows a slight increase in the county basis over last year. County Treasurer Parlett returned an increase of assessments amounting to $75,000, much of which, however, was abated by the granting of insolvencies.

"The Mystic Midgets" is to be rendered at the Assembly Rooms on Friday and Saturday evenings of this week. This is one of the finest juvenile plays of the season. The costumes sent on from New York are extremely rich and beautiful, and the calcium light will be used throughout. Washee, Washee's Toast, Amazon March, and the song and drill of the Queen's Archer Guards are specially fine features. The proceeds, as already announced, are to establish a public school library, and it is the hope of management that the public will respond to their efforts to obtain this great benefit for the children of this town.

Don't forget the entertainment by the choir of the Lutheran Church, Tuesday evening, June 6, in the New Assembly Room. There will be three comedies—"Down East," "Mrs. Smith's Boarder," and "Bill Bradley's Joke." There will also be a pathetic operetta entitled, "Jemmy, the Newsboy," the whole to conclude with the mirth-provoking musical sketch entitled "The Hucklberry Hobos." Interspersed with the above will be musical selections to suit the popular taste. Tickets, 25 cents; reserved seats, 35, to be had at U. Jeanneret's store. Doors open at 7:30 o'clock.

The steel bridge over the Patapsco river here, for the electric railway was completed on Monday and the work of digging up Main street, preparatory to laying the tracks began at once. Two tracks, it is stated, will be laid as far as St. John's, and the contract time for the completion of the work is two months. The work on Main street thus far has been going on with vigor, there being 50 or more laborers engaged. The tracks will occupy the middle of the street.

Mr. Thos. O'Donnell, purchased the Mrs. Taylor farm, near Doughoregan, in May a year ago, on the day that Dewey won his great victory over the Spanish fleet in Manila bay. Inspired by patriotism he named the place "Dewey," In commemoration of the event. Mr. O'Donnell proposes hereafter to have a "Dewey Day," and on Sunday last, with quite a company of his friends, duly celebrated the anniversary of the fight.

A dance was given by Miss Blanche Trueheart at her residence last week in honor of Miss Kennedy. Among those present were Misses Bessie and Nellie Trueheart, of Baltimore, Madge and Blanche Vansant, Ida France, of Catonsville; Messrs. Philip Trueheart, Harry Morrison, Harry Glover, Joseph Atkinson, all of Baltimore; S. J. VanLill, Jr., of Catonsville; Howard Iglehart and Richard Talbott, of this place.

We give editorial prominence this week to an article by "Tim Trickett," discussing Hon. E. Warfield as the probable nominee of the Democratic party for Governor. As an argument the article ranks par excellence among the many eulogistic articles that have been written since Mr. Warfield announced his candidacy.

Among the appointments made by the Baltimore Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, which met at Annapolis, were the following in this vicinity: Ellicott City, J. A. Porter; Mount Gilboa, J. R. Johnson; Elkridge, P. Green; Catonsville, John F. Wagoner, and Jessups, John Hammond.

A young couple from Washington, D. C., Miss Alice Scaggs and Mr. Harry F. Scott, came here Tuesday, and after securing a license from the clerk's office, were married at the parsonage of the Ellicott City M. E. Church by the pastor, Rev. William Rogers. They afterward left for a bridal tour.

Taking effect June 1st, a rural free delivery route will be established by the Postoffice Department from St. Denis postoffice, with Julius Gottschalk as mail carrier. The route will cover a considerable portion of the First and Thirteenth districts of Baltimore county.

The fine new dwelling of Mr. William O. Banks, near Roxbury Mills, Fourth district of this county, was destroyed by fire Sunday afternoon. The fire is supposed to have originated from a defective flue in the kitchen. The loss is partly covered by insurance.

Captain Exton Swafield, commanding the Neptune Line Steamer Venango, between Baltimore and Rotterdam, was a visitor to Ellicott City last Saturday. He was chaperoned by Mr. E. P. Duffy, an old Ellicott City boy, now marine reporter of the Baltimore Sun.

A lawn fete will be given on the grounds of the Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Jonestown, Md., on Friday and Saturday, May 26 and 27, in the afternoon and evening. The object is to raise sufficient funds to complete the Guild Hall.

The Ladies' Aid Society of Mt. Calvary P. E. Church will hold an ice cream and strawberry festival in the old Glenwood Grange Hall—now the property of Hon. H. D. Wolfe—on Saturday, June 3, beginning at 3 P. M. All cordially invited.

Thomas Shipley, a leading farmer of the Third district of this county, was taken to a Baltimore hospital Monday to undergo treatment for a serious internal trouble. He was accompanied by his physician, Dr. Simm, of Cooksville.

Prof. J. Ellis and Miss Georgia E. Gosnell were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John McKitrick, of Gray's, Sunday last. Miss Gosnell was formerly a resident of Gray's but is now residing at 664 W. Franklin St., Baltimore.

Rev. H. Branch, D. D., is attending the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, as one of the Commissioners representing the Presbytry of Baltimore. The Assembly met at Minneapolis on Thursday.

Miss Hallie D. Jones, daughter, of Mr. Albert Jones, banker of Mt. Airy, who mysteriously disappeared on November 2, last year, while on a visit to Baltimore, has been found in New York and returned home.

The ballots voted at the last election were burned here Tuesday by the county election supervisors. The supervisors will meet on June 13 to appoint the judges of election for the county.

Mr. Aubrey Hopkins, of the First district, was here this week with several gentlemen in the interest of the Postal Telegraph Company, a line now competing with the Western Union.

A grand strawberry festival will be held in the basement of St. Paul's Church Friday and Saturday evenings, June 2 and 3. Everybody invited. Proceeds for the benefit of the church.

We learn from reliable authority that the proposed telephone system for Howard county is an assured fact. Arrangements are being made to begin at once on the through lines.

The Lisbon M. E. Sunday school will hold a strawberry and ice cream festival in Odd Fellows' Hall, on the evenings of Thursday and Friday, May 25th and 26th.

A strawberry festival and dance will be held at Highland Hall, for the benefit of St. Mark's Rectory, Thursday, May 25, at 6 o'clock P. M. The public cordially invited.

A part of the article entitled the "Negro Problem," by Mr. Livesey, was rendered unintelligible last week by the misplacing of a line in making up the form.

The electric cars between Irvington and Baltimore were detained over an hour and a half Tuesday noon by the upsetting of a load of hay on the track. Found, this week, near the Presbyterian Church, a pocket book. The owner by calling at THE TIMES office and describing property can have the same.

The Baltimore and Ohio is running double-headers from Brunswick to Baltimore over the first division. The trains average from fifty-five to sixty cars.

Messrs. Louis Leutner, William Gadd, Charles Beacham, Charles Gadd, of Baltimore, were the guests of Mr. J. Milton Denton on last Sunday.

Among those from Howard county who have recently enlisted in the regular army are Henry C. Gaither and Herbert L. Maclin.

Mr. Wm. H. Gorman, of Baltimore, brother, of Hon. A. P., was in Ellicott City Tuesday, attending to some business.

The engagement of Mr. Chas. R. White, of Howard county, and Miss Margaret Cary, of Baltimore, has been announced.

Miss Jessie E Jones, of Chicago, Ill., is the guest of her grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Jones, at Rockland.

Mrs. Agnes Nickerson, of Baltimore, was at the home of her father this week, Mr. Chas. Shipley, of Oella avenue.

Rev. John Duncan, of Lisbon, this county, was the guest Wednesday evening of Mr. J. B. Morrow.

A fair is being held in Easton Hall, this city, under the auspices of the Ellicott City Base Ball Club.

Mr. William T. Berrett, of Ivy City, D C., was visiting friends in Ellicott City on Sunday last.

Mr. Horace Isaac and family, of Irvington, Md., visited relatives here on Sunday last.

Mrs. Joshua Spurrier was the guest of friends this week in Carroll and Frederick counties.

Miss Etta Harbaugh, of Waynesboro, Pa., was the guest of Miss Alice Miller last week.

Mr. W. H. Linton, of Sykesville, has killed this spring 11 hawks and 17 minks.

Miss Kennedy, of Washington, D. C., is visiting Miss Blanche Trueheart, here.

Miss Christine Howe, of Princeton, N. J., is the guest of Mrs. Henry Branch.

Mr. John C. Dempsey, of Baltimore, visited friends and relatives here Sunday.

Mrs. Henry Winter, of this county, is at the Stallord, Baltimore.

Funeral of Col. Geo. R. Gaither.

The remains of Colonel George R. Gaither, Sr., commander of the Fifth Regiment Veteran Corps, were laid to rest in the family vault in Greenmount Cemetery Sunday afternoon with full military honors, conducted by the corps, in command of Captain F. X. Ward. Funeral services were held at three o'clock in Grace Protestant Episcopal Church, Park avenue and Monument street, of which the deceased was a member. Rev. A. Chilton Powell, rector of the church, officiated. He was assisted by Rev. Wm. M. Dame, rector of Memorial Protestant Episcopal Church, and chaplain of the Fifth Regiment, Maryland National Guard. The church was crowded to the door by the friends of the deceased and the family. Great crowds of people were on the outside.

The beautiful and impressive burial service of the Episcopal Church was made still more impressive by the solemn presence of the members of the Veteran Corps, in uniform and armed, and the officers of the Fourth and Fifth Regiments in full-dress uniform. Scores of beautiful floral emblems, sent by friends of the family, almost completely covered the chancel of the church. As the cortege entered the church the choir softly sang "Asleep in Jesus." The second hymn was "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me," and as the procession solemnly moved down the aisle and out of the church, at the conclusion of the service, the choir sang that beautiful hymn, "Hark, Hark, My Soul!" An anthem was sung before the close of the service.

A Horse Attacked With Rabies.

From the Baltimore Sun we learn that one of two horses owned by Schlosser & Steinacker, lumber and coal dealers, 915 Frederick avenue extended, which were bitten April 29 by a mad dog which ran from above Ellicott City to Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Frederick road, had an attack of rabies early Monday morning and had to be killed. The animal showed the first symptoms of the disease on Sunday night. Early Monday morning, when the stableman went to feed the horse, he found it shivering violently. As the day wore on the animal became restless, threw itself on the ground and seemed to be suffering the most intense agony. Dr. J. M. Hegerty, a veterinary surgeon, said the horse was undoubtedly suffering from hydrophobia and that it was impossible to do anything to save its life. The animal, which was valued at $150, was then knocked on the head. The other horse has shown no signs of the disease thus far.

Cows Thought to Have Had Hydrophobia.

Arthur Williams, a prominent farmer in Poolesville district, Montgomery county, has within the past 10 days lost six fine steers and valuable cow of a peculiar ailment. The animals were attacked with spasms and foaming at the mouth, the attack seizing them suddenly. One or two of them died within a few hours after being taken sick, while the others lived several days. Some of the farmers in that neighborhood attribute the cause to hydrophobia, but it is not thought that any mad dog has recently been in that neighborhood. Veterinarian Owen, of Gaithersburg, took the brain and spinal column of one of the animals to Washington for examination, but as yet nothing has been heard as to the result of the analysis.

List of Unclaimed Letters Remaining in Ellicott City Postoffice, May 19, 1899.

Mr. Jas. Anderson, Miss Julia Johnson, J. H. Miller, Corp. Ernest Priggs (Foreign,) Mrs. Annie Stallus, Mr. Eddie Wright, Mr. Joshua Walker.

Persons calling for the above letters will please say they are advertised.

HAMILTON OLDFIELD, P. M.

An Epidemic of Whooping Cough.

Last winter during an epidemic of whooping cough my children contracted the disease, having severe coughing spells. We had used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy very successfully for croup and naturally turned to it at that time and found it relieved the cough and effected a complete cure.—JOHN E. CLIFFORD, Proprietor Norwood House, Norwood, N. Y. This remedy is for sale by druggists.

New Advertisements.

Ruchter's Fire Proof Paint, Werner Bros., sole agents for Howard county.

Gentleman's Driving Park, Baltimore, Joseph A. Ells, secretary.

Sale to the lowest bidder, the opening of road through the lands of John G. Rogers, by County Commissioners.

The county levy list.

Public sale of 500 acres of land in Howard county, by J. Thomas Clark and Wm. H. Gorman, trustees.

His Life Was Saved

Mr. J. E. Lilly, a prominent citizen of Hannibal, Mo., lately had a wonderful deliverance from a frightful death. In telling of it he says: "I was taken with typhoid Fever, that ran into Pneumonia. My lungs became hardened. I was so weak I couldn't even sit up in bed. Nothing helped me. I expected to soon die of Consumption, when I heard of Dr. King's New Discovery. One bottle gave great relief. I continued to use it, and now am well and strong. I can't say too much in its praise." This marvellous medicine is the surest and quickest cure in the world for all Throat and Lung Trouble. Regular sizes 50 cents and $1.00. Trial bottles free at Dr. Isaac J. Martin's Sons' Drug Store; every bottle guaranteed.

Baker's Sarsaparilla cures dyspepsia, indigestion, pains in the back, tired feeling in morning, gives appetite, 75 cts. at Taylors' Drug Store, Ellicott City.

OELLA NOTES.

Mrs. Martha Cardwell and two daughters, Misses Sadie and Ella Cardwell, of Baltimore, were the guests Sunday of the family of Mr. Joseph Conrad.

The marriage of Miss Margaret M. Ells, a popular lady of Oella, to Mr. Alexander A. Jones, of Alberton, is announced to take place on June 15th. Several other marriages here, it is stated, will take place in the near future.

Mrs. Martha Matthews, of Mt. Washington, accompanied by her daughter, spent Sunday here with her brother, Mr. Nicholas Jones, Sr.

Mrs. Albert Clements went to Alberton on Sunday where she spent the day with relatives.

Mr. Ellsworth Schotta and son, of Baltimore, were visitors at the home of Mr. Charles Schotta on Sunday.

Mr. William Lowe and son, of Delta, Pa., who have been spending the winter in Southern Pines, N. C., were the guests of Mr. John Lowe here from Friday to Sunday.

Mr. M. W. Brown and daughter, of Baltimore, came out Sunday and spent the day with Clinton Brown.

Mr. Laurence Hobson is suffering from a badly sprained wrist, the result of a bicycle collision on Sunday last.

Considerable excitement was created here last Friday by the appearance of a dog supposed to be mad. The animal bit a number of dogs here and on Westchester avenue, some of which have since been killed, while others have been tied up by their owners awaiting results from the attacks made by the rabid dog. After being hunted nearly all day by a number of persons with shot guns, the dog was finally killed late in the afternoon near the residence of Mr. Augustus Brunsman on Westchester avenue.

Mrs. Annie Arnold and Mrs. Kate Conner, of Baltimore, visited Mr. and Mrs. John L. Carmody on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. David G. VanOrder had as their guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Davis, of Baltimore.

Miss Frances Hurdle returned to her home in Baltimore this week after several weeks spent here with her sister, Mrs. D. G. VanOrder.

Considerable complaint is heard of persons taking flowers from the graves in Oella Cemetery. Last Sunday flowers placed on graves in the morning had disappeared before night. This is a serious offence and the matter should be looked into by our law officers.

Mr. William Moody, of Woodstock, spent Sunday here with Mr. John L. Carmody.

Mrs Lucy Klausman was with friends in Baltimore on Sunday.

An all-day service was held in Patapsco M. P. Chapel last Sunday by a number of members of the Salvation Army from Woodberry.

Visiting Mrs. Leonard here Sunday were Mr. William Baker and family, of Thistle. Mr. Richard Baker, of the same place, spent the day here with Mr. A. Baker.

GLENWOOD.

GLENWOOD, May 18.—Mr. Thos. Ridgley, of Glenwood, has a large number of cabbage, tomato, pepper, and egg plants which he offers at very reasonable figures. Those who have not purchased all they need will do well to call upon him.

A strawberry and ice cream festival will be held at McKendree M. E. Church, on May 27. The public are cordially invited.

The dwelling of Mr. Wm. Banks was destroyed by fire on last Sunday evening. It is thought that the fire originated from a defective flue.

"R. I. P." thinks it strange that we have not finished plowing. He entreats us to give a promise that some day we will cease to plow, though what difference it can make to him if we continue for the rest of the century we *do* not know. We believe he discredits our story of the clod breaking hammer. It is *quite true*, however.

My dear Rip, your last letter was very good. Your advise to young men especially praiseworthy. The part referring to the use of a club for a curry comb recalls to my mind the method we were compelled to resort to on one occasion. We once owned a horse that could be curried only with a white wash brush and a bucket of soap suds. Your straw cutter is out of date. We tried the nutmeg grater, but finding it too slow, have adopted our grandma's coffee mill. You refer to us as being a small canine delighting in the sound of its own voice, and ask us to bite. Now, if you mean in a literal sense, we *may* accept your invitation; but if you wish us to try our molars on your tough old anatomy, we positively decline.

Where is Jane Foster? We have missed her very much and hope her pleasing letters will soon appear in THE TIMES again.

Mr. E. L. Bracco and son spent last Sunday with Mr. Thaddeus Crapster and family.

Mr. Charles Hammond lost a horse last week from lockjaw, caused by a rusty nail running through its foot.

COUNT O. N. DEPIKE,
of Glenwood.

ROVER.

ROVER, May 17.—Although our town is quite small we feel that the outside world should know what transpires amongst us. So I beg a very small space in your paper for my weekly contributions.

The bridge over Middle river is about completed, but there is a considerable amount of grading to be done on either side.

Mr. Albert Dorsey has nearly finished his new barn.

Mrs. Carrie Vernay and her little niece Geraldine Hobbs, had a very narrow escape from what might have been a serious accident last week. They were returning from Sykesville, when they were met by a runaway team. The frightened animal knocked Mrs. Vernay's horse down, and made kindling wood of the front part of the dayton. The occupants were only slightly injured.

Rev. E. E. Shipley and family spent last Sunday at their beautiful country residence here.

ROVER, the Bull Pup.

ROXBURY MILLS.

ROXBURY MILLS, May 17.—Rev. J. M. Sheridan of Baltimore and Mr. R. H. Lansdale, of Montgomery county, were the guests of Mr. Nelson I. Sullivan this week, the occasion being to renew the lease of the farm of the late George K. Ridgley for five years to Nelson I. Sullivan.

Ex-Sheriff "Billy" Owings has bought himself a new buggy. I think he is fixing up to get a partner fairer than himself.

Mrs. Emily M. Junkins and her daughter, Grace, are getting ready for a trip North.

Miss Estella Zeltler, of Montgomery county, has returned home from a two weeks visit to Washington. DICK.

No Right to Ugliness.

The woman who is lovely in face, form and temper will always have friends, but one who would be attractive must keep her health. If she is weak, sickly and all run down, she will be nervous and irritable. If she has constipation or kidney trouble, her impure blood will cause pimples, blotches, skin eruptions and a wretched complexion. Electric Bitters is the best medicine in the world to regulate stomach, liver and kidneys and to purify the blood. It gives strong nerves, bright eyes, smooth, velvety skin, rich complexion. It will make a good-looking, charming woman of a run-down invalid. Only 50 cents at Dr. Isaac J. Martin's Sons' Drug Store.

Persons desiring copies of THE TIMES can procure the same from Mrs. Kroh, News Agent, East Main Street. tf

If you have but one item of news send it.

ALBERTON.

ALBERTON, May 27.—Mrs. J. G. Lilly, who has been quite ill for about a week, is improving.

Mr. M. E. Hartzler, of York, Pa., while on a business trip through Alberton on Saturday last, stopped at his brother's, Rev. J. Hartzler.

Mrs. J. Hartzler, who has been visiting at York, Pa., for the past two weeks, returned home on Tuesday.

Mrs. C. A. Sayers, of York, Pa., is visiting Rev. and Mrs. J. Hartzler.

Mrs. A. Josephine Wyant will give a recital in the United Evangelical Church on Monday evening, May 22d. Tickets 10 and 20 cents.

Services at St. Alban's P. E. Church, May 21st, (Whit Sunday,) are: Holy Communion, 7 A. M.; morning prayer, Holy Communion and sermon, 10.45 A. M.; service and sermon, 8 P. M.

There will be a congregational meeting in St. Alban's Hall, on Wednesday evening, May 24. The box to be sent to the Indians by the Sewing Guild and Daughters of the King, will be on exhibition.

An ice cream and strawberry festival will be held on the church lawn, of the Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Jonestown, on Friday and Saturday, May 26 and 27, afternoons and evenings. If raining, will be held in the Sunday school room.

Rev. Wm. L. Devries, of St. Mark's Pro. Cathedral, Washington, D. C., and his friend, Capt. Wm. H. Hodges, returned home on Wednesday after a very pleasant visit among the Captain's many friends.

An ice cream and strawberry social, for the benefit of the Alberton Evangelical Church, will be held on the Church lawn, Saturday evening, May 20th. If raining, will be held in Eureka Hall.

ELKRIDGE AND VICINITY.

ELKRIDGE, May 17.—Mr. Christian Brandan's barn, at Landsdowne, was totally destroyed by fire between six and and seven o'clock this morning. It contained about twenty thousand pounds of willows, two horses, amule, and other property, all of which was consumed. His residence, which was close by, was saved through the exertions of his neighbors. At the present writing we have not ascertained the cause of the fire.

It is rumored that Rev. A. F. Campbell, of Mellville M. E. Church, is to be transferred to Columbia Avenue Church, Baltimore.

Mr. John Bathgate, of Orange Grove, has had his house repainted, and if the Gambrill Mfg. Co. would follow suit and paint the adjoining houses it would be a decided improvement.

Our farmers are hauling out loads of Bohemians daily, and the strains of the accordeon will soon be heard in the land.

Some strawberries have already been shipped from here.

Mr. Wm. Laynor became the proud father of a bouncing baby boy last Saturday.

The Henrietta Glass Works, at Halethorpe, which were expected to be of some benefit to this vicinity, have gone into the hands of receivers, but may resume again after the affairs have been settled up.

Mr. C. P. Carroll, formerly foreman of Lowekamp's packing house, at Jessup's, is now in Boston working for the Pennsylvania Steel Company and may go to India in the fall, the company having a contract to build a viaduct there, to cost $700,000.

WOODSTOCK.

WOODSTOCK, May 18.—The road leading from the county bridge to the depot is in a very bad condition and it is hoped that the County Commissioners will see that it receives immediate attention. The railroad company, which is charged with the care of this piece of road, seems to be indifferent as to our wants in this respect, and we think that a request of the proper nature from the county officials would cause the company to comply at once. The residents of our village have repeatedly petitioned the company to place a bell at or near the crossing so as to warn persons of the near approach of trains, and although this is considered the most dangerous crossing on the main line they have on every occasion turned a deaf ear to the need of such a precaution for the safety of the general public. Perhaps if our county authorities were a little more positive in their demands the company would give the matter some consideration.

From the unusual number of new buggies seen this summer one would judge that the young men took for a rushing business this season, and they will no doubt add to the claim they hold of being the most gallant that Howard can boast of.

Mr. Edgar G. Jones and family will soon move to their house at Alpha, where they will spend the summer.

Miss Florence A. Brown, of Baltimore, was a guest of relatives here on Sunday last.

Mr. Chas. E. Key has moved out from the city to spend the heated term in our midst. LARRY.

HOOD'S MILL.

HOOD'S MILL, May 18.—A Sunday School festival will be held Monday, May 21st, near Mt. Airy, Md.

Mrs. H. S. McDonald and daughter, Miss Eva, returned to Alberton Wednesday, after visiting relatives in this vicinity.

Children's services will be observed in Brandenburg Church near Berrett, Sunday, May 28th, at 10 A. M.

Messrs. Ira Wachter and Percy Stewart, of Unity, Montgomery county, visited friends in this vicinity on Sunday last.

The dance given at Springfield Asylum Thursday, May 4th, was largely attended.

Miss Cora Hymiller, of Berrett, is spending a short time with friends near Cooksville.

Miss Katie Calvert, of Baltimore, was the guest of Miss Flora Gosnell, of near here, a sort time ago.

Mr. Walter A. Hopkins, of Springfield, spent a few days last week at his home near Cooksville. SUNBEAM.

CATONSVILLE.

A fine fox terrier has been presented to the First National Bank of Catonsville by Edwin J. Farber, one of the directors, to assist Night Watchman Seicke in the discharge of his duties.

Five male candidates for admission to the colored Baptist church at Catonsville were immersed Sunday afternoon in a pond of water on the property belonging to Theodore G. Lurman, on the Rolling road, near his country home. Rev. Geo. H. Harris, of Washington, assisted by several other ministers of the church, performed the public ceremony.

OBITUARY.

Please note, while no charge is made for obituary notices proper, poetry attached thereto is charged at the rate of 12 cents each, for two verses. Three or more verses 10 cents for each verse. One stanza of four lines, 15 cents.

YOUNG.

The funeral of Miss Mary A. Young took place Thursday morning from Emmanuel Protestant Episcopal Church, Baltimore. Services were conducted by Rev. Dr. J. Houston Eccleston, assisted by the assistant priests of the church.

Interment was made in Greenmount Cemetery. Miss Young was a daughter of the late John Young, of Baltimore. She was born in Vera Cruz, Mexico, sixty-five years ago. Her mother was Miss Augustine Gouley, of that place. She came to Baltimore with her aunt, the late Miss Eliza Young, and her two sisters, the late Miss Augustine Young and the late Mrs. J. O. Richardson. Up to the day of her death she enjoyed good health. Of late years she made her home with her cousin, Mrs. J. B. Purcell, wife of Rev. Dr. J. B. Purcell, rector of Trinity Protestant Episcopal parish, near Sykesville.

DASH APRONS for sale at Frank Mayfield's, opposite the Engine House, Ellicott City.

COOKSVILLE.

COOKSVILLE, May 15.—The young lady of Florence, the one I mentioned as caring for 97 young chickens, has now 230 under her wing, as it were, and has learned to "gape" them, but no one will ever learn or desire to learn to gape when she is near. She grows prettier as her cares increase.

Another pretty young lady of Florence said to me as if from her heart of hearts, "Whilst to err is human, to Erie is divine." I embrace every opportunity to visit Florence for it is good to be among her citizens.

Preachers are constantly telling us to cast off and out the "old Adam" but never are we advised to cast out "old Eve" and her daughters, but are directed to cling unto them until death do us part. That suits us.

It is noticeable, and my attention has been called frequently to the fact, that so soon as an opportunity comes when I can reply to the repartee (heaven save the mark) or petty innuendoes of certain correspondents, the Editor of THE TIMES at once issues a solemn and fatherly edict to the effect that no repartee, no allusions, likely to chafe the tenderest babe, will be allowed. He, as Sterne said, "Tempers the winds to the (about to be) shorn lambs." I can only account for this upon the supposition that, as he intimated awhile ago, Mss. frequently come to him, as the world was in the beginning, "without form and void," and require so much editing that they are really his own bantlings when the public sees them, and he has a tender regard for them. So be it; hereafter when corespondents attack me in an unwarranted manner I shall regard their ravings as his, and handle him without gloves, if necessary. I think that if the elder Disraeli were alive he would include some of their articles in his "Curiosities of Literature."

It is all right for certain persons to "try to travel on the square" but it is popularly supposed that the principal part of their journeys has been made on the wheels in their heads. "Let the galled jade wince our withers are unwrung."

The continuation of the discussion touching the hoe and the pen shows conclusively that he, that began it, should stick to the former as a money or fame winner.

A band of troubadours recently passed through Cooksville, and although there were several of her citizens at the postoffice, all anxious to hear sweet strains from the bag pipe and hand organ the minstrels kept on without stopping, but muttered in Italy's melodious tongue, "Blame a fool a, think a we play a before we git a de mon. Ah! banana, pea nut a, chestnuts. Take a tumble hay seed a, *Basta, basta, maledetta.*

A gentleman has been for months contemplating a visit to Roxbury. He is now ready to start for he has made his will, been re-vaccinated and has bidden his friends a tearful farewell.

I broke up a prize fight the other day, and, as is usually the fate of meddlers, got into trouble for I slipped, fell, rolled down a bank and got muddy, whilst the scrappers, two huge turkey gobblers, got away.

I tell this personal story merely to give certain correspondents something to think (laugh here) talk and write (here comes in another laugh) about.

Corn planting has, in some instances, been delayed because it has been difficult to get the ground in proper order. There are many anxious fears of ravages by cut worms that thrive in damp, cool weather. Wheat looks only fairly promising and some fields show that much was winter killed. Vegetables are growing finely. We now and then luxuriate in a "mess of poke," and I indulged a few days ago in real "Johnny cake." Baked jowl has a tendency to make the hair curl. The hay crop is likely to be a poor one because of the weeds that sprang up during the dry spell.

The scarcest thing about some farms, whose owners have "separators," is real milk, for there is, after the cream has been ground out, turned out, rather, nothing left but a thin whitesh fluid.

COOK'S WILL.

MAYFIELD.

MAYFIELD, May 18.—Mr. Joseph A. Renehan, of Washington, and Miss Letitia Zeigler, of Howard county, were the guests Sunday, of Mr. Hugh McAvoy and Mr. Wm. A. Renehan.

Miss Mary Renehan and brother, Michael Renehan, of Baltimore, were the guests Sunday of their cousin, Mr. Wm. A. Renehan.

Miss Mary Hennessy, of Carroll county, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Jno. A. Renehan.

Mr. George Wolfe, builder and contractor, is employed by Mrs. Matthias Hammond, improving her property.

They have built in all seven buildings for the saw mill outfit on the Manor, near here. Mr. White, the manager, informs us that they have a contract for sawing up 360 acres of the finest timber found in this section of Howard.

ILCHESTER.

ILCHESTER, May 18.—That Ichester is an ideal spot in which to while away the golden days of summer is attested by the large number of city people who yearly return to our midst.

Mr. Alvin Jones, of Baltimore, will summer at "Olney Hall," the home of Mrs. E. Sidney Norris.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Morton are spending the month of May with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Maclin.

The Morison cottage has been handsomely remodeled and leased to Mr. Geo. Carey, of Baltimore, for the summer.

Mrs. Ernest Morison sailed last week for Europe. While abroad she will be the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Charles Rogers, of London.

Williard G. Rouse, Esq., a prominent member of the Bel Air bar, was entertained by W. A. Stewart, Jr., several days last week.

WESTERN MARYLAND RAILROAD.

Through Excursion Rates to the Annual Meeting of German Baptist Brethren at Roanoke, Va.

Excursion Tickets will be sold at all Western Maryland Railroad Ticket offices from May 17th to 22d, for the Annual Meeting of German Baptist Brethren to be held at Roanoke from May 19th to 22d. From Western Maryland Railroad points the route will be via Hagerstown and Norfolk and Western Railroad. On Friday, May 19th, a special train will leave Hagerstown for Roanoke via N. & W. R. R. at 10.30 P. M., arriving at Roanoke 6.45 A. M.

Regular train for Roanoke leaves Hagerstown daily except Sunday 7 45 A. M. Excursion Tickets will be valid for the return trip within ten days following date of purchase. 20

The ancients believed that rheumatism was the work of a demon within a man. Any one who has had an attack of sciatic or inflammatory rheumatism will agree that the infliction is demoniac enough to warrant the belief. It has never been claimed that Chamberlain's Pain Balm would cast out demons, but it will cure rheumatism, and hundreds bear testimony to the truth of this statement. One application relieves the pain