A POSSIBLE NEW ERA.

LOCATING AN ELECTRIC RAILWAY'S ROUTE TO ELLICOTT CITY.

Only Two Miles of Filling and Grading Necessary to Connect This Point and the Edmondson Avenue Extension—Those Who Ought to Know Say the Road Will Be Built—Ellicott City May Get Water Works Too—The Electric Light About to Be Turned On.

The past week has been fraught with much of the intensest interest to those having at heart the material welfare of this section.

Surveyors have been here to locate a line from Ellicott City to the present terminus of the Edmonson avenue extension from Baltimore, with a view to building an electric railway to connect with the Frick line at the Edmondson avenue stables in Baltimore, where connection is now made with the Powhatan railway. Edmondson avenue is already open and graded to within two miles of Ellicott City. Its present terminus, coming this way, is near the intersection of Benzinger's lane and the Baltimore and Frederick turnpike. Engineers are agreed that the filling and grading necessary to prepare the two miles interval for the laying of tracks is easily practicable. This is especially apparent when it is considered that the speed of the electric cars is not necessarily affected by heavy grades.

From the present terminus of the Edmondson avenue extension to this point the route will follow the general course of a small stream which empties into the Patapsco river just east of the flour mills of the C. A. Gambrill Manufacturing Company, in Ellicott City, and will be nowhere more than perhaps half a mile from the Baltimore and Frederick turnpike.

The new line will place the present limits of Baltimore within less than six miles of Ellicott City, and the old limits within less than eight. The present distance by rail is fifteen miles. It is proposed to have large cars running at short intervals and making about fourteen miles an hour. It is stated the round-trip fare will be about thirty cents.

FIRST STEPS TO BE TAKEN.

The first step in the contemplated enterprise will be to petition the county commissioners of Baltimore county to authorize the opening of the two miles between here and the Edmondson avenue extension. The petition must be signed by twenty-five taxpayers. It will be circulated at once and there will be no difficulty in obtaining signatures, as property-holders along the proposed line are enthusiastic over the project and propose to assist materially in carrying it through to success. Beside these there are a number of moneyed men understood to be much interested. In this connection the names of Mr. John Glenn and of Messrs. Wm. J. Dickey & Sons, proprietors of the Oella cotton mills, are prominently mentioned. It is assumed also that the Baltimore Traction Company, into whose hands the extensive Frick line of street cars, of Baltimore City, has virtually passed, is likewise interested.

As in the incipiency of all similar enterprises, there is a general indisposition to talk on the part of those concerned. President T. Edward Hambleton, of the Baltimore Traction Company, when questioned in Baltimore on the subject Wednesday, would only say that the route of the new road was being surveyed by parties who wish to build a road to connect with the Traction Company's lines. When it came to the question of who the parties most deeply interested were, he would say nothing.

ELECTRICAL EXPERIMENTS AT OELLA.

The bearing that the electrical experiments recently made by Messrs. Wm. J. Dickey & Sons at the Oella mills has upon the new road, has given rise to a good deal of speculation and it is thought that the idea is to employ the abundant water power at Oella for running the dynamos of a power-house there, although it has been claimed that, because of the distance to be traversed, steam power-houses at intervals of something like two miles, as is proposed on the Baltimore, Hampden and Lake Roland railway, may be more desirable.

THE ROAD WILL BE BUILT.

A number of gentlemen, who are in possession of inside facts, have expressed themselves as positively of the belief that the road will be built with all possible dispatch. The prospect of this is calculated to awaken the greatest enthusiasm here. It will mean more for the material advancement of this section than anything that has been accomplished in the past twenty-five years or more. This is shown by the experience of other localities which have been tapped by suburban railways. The building of the road, with rapid transit and frequent cars, it is recognized, will make that part of Baltimore county between Ellicott City and Catonsville more favorably conditioned than the section environing the latter flourishing place. Nature has done more in its gifts of picturesqueness for Ellicott City than for Catonsville, and city people desiring country homes will quickly recognize this. It is only lack of the most direct and convenient access to Baltimore that has thus far deterred them from coming this way.

HOW ABOUT WATER WORKS?

There is more than the electric railway enterprise to give ground to the belief that Ellicott City is going to have a boom. People have been wondering ever since the prospect of the electric light dawned if there was a good time coming. The city council of Ellicott City has agreed to ask that the town's charter be so amended by the Legislature as to enable provision for suitable street lighting facilities and water works.

The provision for waterworks is most interesting and the query of not a few is, what does it mean?

These doubtless are not aware that the Catonsville Water Company, at the head of which is Mr. Joseph M. Cone, has bought a property of about ten acres on Cedar Creek, which falls into the Patapsco at Oella, for the purposes of water supply. The primary object has seemed all along to better the supply of Catonsville, and with that end in view the work of putting in eight-inch pipes will begin so soon as the weather will permit. Mr. Cone's enterprise is known of all men, and he has frequently indicated his purpose of some day giving the people of Ellicott City a pointer on the question of water works. The knowing ones say that it is now within the range of possibility that the Cedar Creek property will in the near future be not only one base of Catonsville's water supply, but, what is of much greater interest here, the base of supply at a reasonable rate for Ellicott City.

THE ELECTRIC LIGHT.

Ellicott City's electric light plant is about ready to begin operation. The fixtures for private dwellings and stores are all in. The city council has given Mr. Joseph Schreiber every assurance of its good faith and intention to contract for street lamps so soon as the presumed defects in the charter are so remedied by legislative aid as to clothe the council with requisite authority. In the meantime Mr. Schreiber will put up a few street lamps to afford an exhibition of the street illumination he can give at the same time the light is turned on in the houses. It is the intention to suspend these lamps, as well as all that the city may contract for, from guy ropes overhead. Each will be of thirty two candle-power. The arc light has been abandoned as too expensive and the incandescent type will be used.

Mr. Schreiber had hoped to give the light a trial today, but it is not positive that he can do so yet for a day or two.

WHERE THE CURRENT IS STARTED.

The old Hause mill property has been transformed into a well-equipped power house. It is supplied with a forty horse-power engine and two Edison dynamos, one capable of running 210 sixteen candle-power lights, the other 130. The old water wheel has been broken up and removed and in its stead is a pair of twelve inch, horizontal, turbine wheels of approved pattern and which can furnish the power for 400 lights. It is the intention at present to use water and steam alternately. The combination of both powers with present facilities would be equal to 800 lights of sixteen candle power, although with larger wheels the water power available is itself equal to that number. Extending from the power-house are three wire circuits. The first embraces Main and Ellicott streets, the second that part of the town about the Baltimore and Ohio depot and on the Baltimore county side of the Patapsco, and the third will take in the street lamps.

THAT MAD DOG SCARE.

It Has Broken Out Again—A Genuine Case of Hydrophobia.

The recent mad dog scare in Howard county, so far from subsiding, gives evidence of breaking out again. The dogs of Oakland Mills, such as have not been killed, are yet prisoners.

A large house-dog belonging to Mr. Henry Dorsch, near Ellicott City, and which was chained in his yard, began to show signs, early Friday morning of last week, of hydrophobia. The animal endeavored to tear everything that came within reach, and succeeded in killing a number of ducks. While arrangements were being made to dispatch the brute, it broke loose and ran off in the direction of Ilchester. In passing that place it attacked and bit several other dogs. At Thistle, Baltimore county, a general scare was occasioned by the appearance of the infuriated beast, which endeavored to seize every living thing it saw. Before it could be stopped it passed on toward Catonsville, near which place it was overtaken and finally shot. Mr. Dorsch was attacked by the dog before it escaped and the skin of his breast was abraded by the animal's teeth.

The following proclamation has been issued by the mayor of Ellicott City:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, ELLICOTT CITY, Feb. 15, 1892.—All persons living or coming within the corporate limits of Ellicott City are hereby notified to confine or otherwise secure against running at large, all dogs and bitches, of which they may claim ownership, unless properly muzzled, for the period of sixty days from the date of this proclamation, under penalty as prescribed in section 4, of ordinance 2, of said city.

The law will be strictly enforced and such enforcement the police are hereby ordered to make, this being necessary for the protection of the lives of our citizens, as several rabid dogs have passed through and near this city within the past few days. All good citizens are requested to aid in enforcing this proclamation. By order, EDWARD NORRIS, Mayor. JAMES E. VANSANT, Register.

The alarm occasioned by the presence of mad dogs in this section brings up the question whether there is not some specific remedy for hydrophobia. In a Ceylon journal some time since, a statement was published which described the recovery of a native Bheestee or water carrier, who had been bitten three weeks before by a rabid dog. When the unmistakable symptoms of hydrophobia appeared, the man was taken to the hospital. He was immediately bled to the extent of 46 ounces. The symptoms of the disease yielded in succession as the blood flowed, and before the vein was closed, he stretched out his hand for a cup of water, and calmly drank it off, though the mere approach of the water a few minutes before had thrown him into convulsions. After the bleeding he lay down on a cot, fell asleep, and continued so for nearly two hours. When he awoke the symptoms of the disease were threatening to return; another vein was then opened, and eight ounces more of blood were taken away, which so completely subdued the disease, that he has not had a symptom of it since.

According to this authority, it is advisable to bleed the patient immediately after the appearance of unequivocal symptoms of hydrophobia. The chance of success is then greater. In conclusion, the writer add, that the benefit of this discovery is probably not confined to cases of hydrophobia, for, as the cure of this disease has apparently been missed for over 2,000 years, by considering it as a disease of the nervous class, and as particularly analogous to tetanus, we are thence, perhaps, justified in the hope that the latter, which is scarcely less fatal than hydrophobia, may be cured by pursuing the analogy in an opposite direction, and applying to tetanus, and perhaps other affections, the treatment which the authority quoted claims has just proved to be so successful in hydrophobia.

HOWARD COUNTY TEACHERS.

In Session at the Court House—Resolutions Adopted.

The Howard county Teachers' Association was in session at the press hour of THE TIMES Friday.

Provision was made Tuesday for paying the salaries of teachers, the amount required being $4,937.08. In addition to this $948.36 was provided for colored teachers.

A feature of the meeting was a lecture by Prof. Alexander Chaplain, of Talbot county, on "Number Work for First and Second Grades." Other discussions were participated in by the teachers.

The following resolutions were offered by Mr. John L. Hill and adopted:

WHEREAS, Through the inscrutable wisdom of the Almighty, J. N. Gordon, Esq., late a member and ex-president of Howard County Teachers' Association, has been removed, almost with the suddenness of the lightning's flash, from this life, and

WHEREAS, We as a body of educators, familiar with the virtues and beauty of character of the deceased, while bowing submissively to the will of Him who can do no wrong, would give expression to our sincere regret and sorrow at the loss of a kind friend, good citizen and faithful teacher, therefore,

RESOLVED, That in the death of J. N. Gordon, Howard County Teachers' Association has lost one of its most faithful and efficient members, and the county one of its best teachers.

RESOLVED, That this Association tender its condolence to the family of the deceased in their hour of sore affliction.

RESOLVED, That these proceedings be spread upon the journal of this Association and be presented to the city press for publication.

Eulogies of the deceased were delivered by Examiner John T. Thompson and Mr. J. R. Musser.

"Whom the gods love die young," says Byron; but why die when you can cure the cold or cough, which neglected, means death, with Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, the old reliable!

A sensible woman will not fail to keep a bottle of Salvation Oil on hand for men's cuts and bruises. ‡

This is to certify that I have been using Chamberlain's Eye and Skin Ointment for salt rheum, and find it all you recommend it to be. In fact it is the best I ever used.—JAMES MCGARVIN, Albion, Idaho. For sale by A. G. Daley, Ellicott City, and Walter R. Rudy, Mt. Airy, Md. ‡

ABORIGINAL IMPLEMENTS.

Mr. McGuire's Second Paper of a Series Read in Washington.

A large number of scientists gathered in the assembly hall of the Cosmos Club, Washington, D. C., Tuesday evening to listen to lectures before the members and guests of the Anthropological Society. A paper which met with marked applause and approval was one by State's Attorney Joseph D. McGuire, of Howard county, upon the materials, tools and processes by which the aborigines of America manufactured their stone implements.

Mr. McGuire explained many of the points made with implements of his own manufacture and other implements fashioned with these, illustrating the methods of pecking, grooving, polishing, carving, boring and sawing stone.

In preparing the specimens exhibited, Mr. McGuire has been an indefatigable worker for the past two months at the United States National Museum.

The paper follows up a former upon the same subject, read before the Anthropological Society, and noticed previously by the daily papers and THE TIMES.

In his series of papers on aboriginal implements Mr. McGuire is exploring a fruitful field. His views are entirely original, and scientists have thus far been forced to admit that he is on the right track, his investigations attracting much attention.

Emory's 58th Anniversary.

The 58th missionary anniversary of Emory M. E. Sunday school took place Sunday evening and included anthems and choruses by the choir and school, responsive readings and the following: Introductory, by the pastor, Rev. J. H. Marsh; recitation, "The Missionary Echo," Miss Belle McKenzie; quartet, "The Beautiful Land," Misses Blanche Vansant and Cora Fisher, Messrs. V. Grant Mercier and Horace Isaac; dialogue, "Once There Was," Harry Ripley and Edna Bierly; solo, "Not a Sparrow Falleth," Miss Clara Marsh; exercise, "Sowing Light," Miss Mercier's class; reading, "The Heathen Woman's Prayer," Miss Clark; dialogue, "Stirring up Gifts," Misses Edna Wilson, Clemmie Makinson, Mina Oldfield and Addie Mellor; solo, "Hear My Prayer," Mr. Horace Isaac; recitation, "Thy Kingdom," Miss Addie Mellor; singing, "Gently Lord, O Gently Lead Us," Mrs. Makinson's class; recitation, "Patchwork," Miss Clemmie Makinson; dialogue, "Their Mission Band," Misses Cora Fisher, Maggie Ripley and Ida Oldfield. A handsome collection was lifted.

The Reporters Bag Dr. Fort.

Dr. Samuel J. Fort, director of Font Hill Institute for the Feeble Minded, pleasantly situated in Howard county, about three miles from Ellicott City, dropped in at the rooms of the Baltimore Gun Club the other day and fell into the hands of the Philistines of the daily press. The result is that Dr. Fort has been done up in a morning paper as the narrator of huntsman's yarns which are said to even eclipse the proverbial fish story.

The Doctor is very expert with the pistol, and a match is being arranged between him and Mr. Edward Hall, of Baltimore, another crack shot.

Dr. Fort has long desired some modification of existing game laws. He advocates a law which would prohibit woodcock shooting during the summer. The shooting of these birds, he contends should not begin before October.

In the Orphans' Court Tuesday.

In the Orphan's Court Tuesday the following business was transacted: Letters were granted to Samuel N. Earp on the estate of the late James Earp. Letters were granted on the estate of Dr. A. G. Daley to Frank Daley. Letters d. b. n. were granted to Alexander N. Benzinger on the estate of William Cleary. Letters were granted on the estate of William Ferguson to John R. Griffith. Inventory of personal property of Darius Burns, amounting to $545, filed by Eliza A. Burns, administratrix. Third and final account of Robert E. L. Hutchins, administrator of Edward Hutchins, showing payments amounting to $841.29, passed.

Death of Mrs. Sunderland

Mrs. Ann E. Sunderland, relict of the late James Sunderland died at her home near Ellicott City Sunday evening in her 82nd. year from general debility. She had been an invalid for a number of years past. She was a daughter of the late James and Hannah Hughes, of Harford county. Her surviving children are Mrs. Albert Smith, of Catonsville; Mrs. I. E. Reinhart, of Jessups; Mr. Gideon S. Sunderland, and Mrs. Hannah E. Gaither, of Ellicott City. Mrs. M. G. Sykes and Messrs. James H. and Wm. K. Gaither are grandchildren of the deceased.

The funeral took place from the late residence Tuesday afternoon. Interment was in St. John's Cemetery.

Mr. Manakee's House Burned.

The residence of Mr. J. Manakee, near Clarksville, was burned on Saturday evening. The greater portion of the household goods was destroyed. Mr. Manakee was away at the time. The fire is supposed to have caught from a flue. The building belonged to Mr. G. Richardson and was partly insured.

Ellicott City Grain Market.

Fultz wheat, 102 to 104; German, 103 to 105. White corn, 48 to 50. Receipts at the mills of the C. A. Gambrill Manufacturing Company have been liberal. The advance in wheat since Monday has been 3 cents.

Copies of "The Times" Wanted.

A liberal price will be paid for copies of THE TIMES dated as follows: March 2 and 23, of the year 1889. Apply at or address this office.

The best for the money. Salvation Oil. Only 25 cents a bottle. Sold every where.

It is a great pity to see how many people allow a cough or cold to go unnoticed, and thus pave the way to an untimely grave from the effects of consumption. A pleasant, safe, reliable and cheap remedy is Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup. 25 cents. ‡

"There is little in woman's advice, yet he that won't take it is not overwise," says Cervantes. This proverb is most aptly illustrated in the following item: During the fall of 1882, while my daughter was teaching in the country near here, she contracted a severe cold and cough. I sent her a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and the effect was so satisfactory that on her recommendation the entire neighborhood began its use, and with the most satisfactory results, which has continued with increasing confidence ever since.—J. H. REINHART, Druggist, Alton, Kansas. 50 cent bottles for sale by A. G. Daley, Ellicott City, and Walter R. Rudy, Mt. Airy, Md. ‡

J. Straub, Milton, Northumberland Co., Pa., says: Send me two barrels of Powell's Prepared Chemicals for potatoes and vegetables. I have been using them for five or six years with the greatest of success. ‡

J. W. Payne, Hopewell, York Co., Pa., says: I used the Powell's Potato Producer this year. I think it is the best potato fertilizer I have ever tried. I raised 271 bushels of marketable potatoes to the acre. ‡

COUNTY DATE LINES.

HAPPENINGS IN HOWARD AND ENVIRONS REPORTED FOR "THE TIMES."

Social Life at Sykesville—A Beautiful Memorial to the Late Miss Susanna Warfield—A Man Killed at Woodbine—Deaths at Woodstock—Society at Highland—Other News.

SYKESVILLE, Feb. 18.—On the 11th instant, the regular Episcopal Church reception was held at the residence of F. G. Merceron, Esq., one of the wardens of the parish. The exercises were opened by a brilliant piano solo by Miss Heffenger, followed by the feature of the evening, an address by the rector, Rev. Dr. J. B. Parcell, on "Old Maids and Bachelors and Flirting," which was witty, original and clever, and in some of its telling hits so true to life that there was a division of opinion amongst the audience, some holding that His Reverence's experience was not that of "a looker-on here in Vienna," merely, others maintaining that the intimate knowledge displayed was simply a strong illustration of the proverb that "lookers-on see the most of the game." A well received piano solo was then given by Mrs. F. G. Merceron, after which the baritone solos, Toreador's song from the Queen's Mate and "I'm Afloat," were rendered by Mr. Scott Lane Heffenger, the program closing with a pleasing piano solo from Mrs. Merceron, given by request.

Miss Agnes Hewitt and Messrs. James Jones and Adolphus Merceron were appointed a committee on program for the next reception which meets on February 25th at the residence of Mr. Thomas Jones in Howard county. The committee reported the following program: Duet, piano, Miss Heffenger and Mrs. Merceron; recitation, Miss Lily Hewitt; duet, vocal, Mrs. Jones and Mr. Heffenger; address, Mr. F. G. Merceron; guitar solo, Dr. Heffenger; reading, Mrs. J. H. Steele.

Sandwiches, chocolate, coffee and various kinds of cake were served during the evening. Among those present were Rev. Dr. J. B. Purcell, Mrs. T. W. Fisher, Mrs. Wright, of Baltimore county, Miss Mary Brown Jones, Mrs. Nicholas Jones, Miss Heffenger, Mr. Scott L. Heffenger, Mr. and Mrs. J. H Steele, Miss Lily Hewitt, Mr. Adolphus Merceron, Miss Agnes Hewitt, Mr. James Jones.

One of the most brilliant displays of the aurora borealis occurred here last Saturday night ever witnessed in this locality. So brightly were the heavens illumined that a vast conflagration was believed by some persons to be in progress and various surmises were made as to the place and extent of its ravages. Some colored citizens took it as an omen of the end of the world, and convened in impromptu prayer meetings and spent the night in praying, singing, shouting and supplications for deliverance from the wrath to come.

Miss Louise Davis has returned from a pleasant visit to Baltimore.

A most beautiful memorial stands over the altar of St. Barnabas Episcopal Church, a gilt medallion cross, sacred to the memory of the late Susanna Warfield, and erected by her sister, Mrs. Anna E. Wade, of Baltimore. This emblem of ormolu and brass is worthy of a passing notice, not merely for the eternal reconciliation to God the Father through the sacrifice which it represents, nor yet as typical of the sweetest burden that mortals can bear, but as expressive of a gentle Christian lady, whose one sigh, and one heart, and one thought, nay, whose one whole dream of life was to do good and to carry light and help to every creature in the neighborhood. The cross stands on a block of polished walnut and this rests on the super-altar. The medallions on both arms, head and foot, represents the four Gospels, like the four Angels overspread, the evangelists Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, all pointing to the central medallion, or heart, wherein is the Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world, and who feeds His flock through His Gospel with the bread of the world in mercy broken, and with the wine of the soul in mercy shed. It is about four feet high, including base and pedestal. The front facades, of brass, bear the inscription:

Sacred to the memory of
SUSANNA WARFIELD.
DIED, FEBRUARY 14th, 1890,
AGED 93 YEARS.

"I am the resurrection and the life, saith the Lord."

On the other facades, left, right and rear, appear the names of her brother, father and mother with suitable inscriptions.

As a whole the cross stands out grandly in front of the large stained glass window of the chancel, or sanctuary, portraying the Good Shepherd with a lamb in His arms, St. Paul with his instrument of martyrdom, the sword, and St. Barnabas with his staff. Truly that good lady, Mrs. Wade, who has been instrumental in making this church speak forth in more than mere realism, has, on this instance, crowned the external beauty of holiness, which, in the place where God is wont to be worshipped, can never do otherwise than lead the soul to deeper devotion with becoming reverence of mind and body.

The Late James Earp.

At a regular communication of Howard Lodge, No. 101, A. F. & A. M., held on the 24th of January, 1892, the following resolutions were passed:

WHEREAS, An All-wise Providence has seen fit to call from labor to reward our late brother James Earp, be it

RESOLVED, That in his death Howard Lodge has lost an earnest and devoted brother, who loved the order next to his religion, and while he is with us no more, we are consoled with the belief that our loss is his eternal gain. As a Christian the church loses an exemplary faithful and consistent member, who never allowed anything to interfere with his duties to his God, and he made this the highest aim of his life. And while we feel that his death has caused a vacancy not easily filled, we bow to the unalterable decree of Him who doeth all things well. And we are again reminded that here we have no abiding place and the time will soon come when we shall be called to that mysterious realm, and may we be as well fitted for the transition as he was. As a citizen the community has lost one who was worthy, useful, law-abiding and true to his government. As a husband and father his family has lost one whose character was in every way worthy of imitation, and while we feel unable to comfort and console in so sad a bereavement, we can commend them to Him Who pitieth as a father.

RESOLVED, That a copy of the above resolutions be presented to the family of our late brother, also to be placed on the records of the lodge and published in the county papers.

GEO. J. LAYNOR,
C. A. MCCAULEY,
THOS. S. NEWTON,
Committee.

Miles' Nerve & Liver Pills.

Act on a new principle—regulating the liver, stomach and bowels through the nerves. A new discovery. Dr. Miles' Pills speedily cure biliousness bad taste, torpid liver, piles, constipation. Unequaled for men, women, children. Smallest, mildest, surest! 50 doses 25 cents. Samples free at A. G. Daley's drug store.

Don't make up your mind to die because you have a cough. Invest 25 cents in a bottle of Stonebraker's Cough Syrup. You'll not miss the 25 cents, but you'll soon miss the cough. ‡

Building Material of every description at Warfield's, Sykesville. ‡

KILLED NEAR WOODBINE.

George H. Kemper Struck by the Mount Airy Train.

WOODBINE, Feb. 19.—George H. Kemper, a resident of Woodbine, and a carpenter by trade, was struck by the Mt. Airy train near here and killed this morning. He was on his way to work walking down the North track when the train that had changed from the South to the North track overtook and struck him. He was one of this section's best citizens and was formerly a resident of Harney, Carroll county, where his parents reside.

THEY SAW THE NORTHERN LIGHTS.

Sheriff Owings Gives a Scientific Explanation of the Phenomenon.

ROXBURY, Feb. 16.—The aurora borealis was viewed Saturday evening by a merry party of surprisers who were on their way to the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. S. Boone Dorsey. The young people gathered at the residence of Mr. D. P. Gaither and among them were Miss May Francis, of Raleigh, N. C., Miss Frances Linthicum, Miss Pattie Gaither, Mrs. Elisha R. Jones, Miss Lou Banks, Mr. Humphrey D. Wolfe, Mr. Thomas C. Stewart, Mr. Wm. G. Owings and Mr. Daniel H. Gaither.

The brilliancy in the northern sky filled all with admiration, and Mr. Owings was naturally called upon to give the scientific explanation of the phenomenon. As sheriff of the county, Mr. Owings assured the party that the appearance boded no evil. That while it had not appeared in accordance with any official order, yet his Democratic constituents might regard it as for their delectation and edification and as significant of a Democratic light, now dawning in the Presidential sky in the North, just over the State of New York, but which, by the time of the Democratic National Convention, might reach as far as Maryland. After this most satisfactory explanation by the Sheriff, the party continued on its way and spent a very delightful evening.

Miss Frances Linthicum, in company with her sister, Mrs. Samuel Banks, has been visiting the family of Mr. Upton D. Clark, of near Clarksville.

Miss May Francis, of Raleigh, N. C., who has been visiting Mrs. Banks, of Baltimore, is now the guest of Miss Pattie Gaither.

Mrs. Elisha R. Jones, of Florence, is also visiting friends in the neighborhood.

BALL AT HIGHLAND.

The "Bachelors' Cotillion" at the Lyceum—Brilliant Costumes.

HIGHLAND, Feb. 17.—The "Bachelor's Cotilion" in the Lyceum here last night was a delightful success. By nine o'clock the ball room with its well waxed floor, bright lights and pretty decorations was crowded with lovely women and their happy escorts, and as they whirled through the rhythmic measures of the fascinating waltz the scene presented a radiant mass of color.

Mrs. J. Thomas Clark and Mrs. William C. Cissell were the chaperones of the evening. Mrs. Cissel looked lovely in her wedding dress of white silk mull.

Mrs. Clark wore white dimity and blue ribbons, decollete.

The young bachelors spared neither pains nor expense in making the occasion a success.

In the ladies' dressing room a maid was in attendance to receive the wraps, and in the gentlemen's room a waiter stood ready to take charge of the gentlemen's hats and coats.

Luncheon was served at twelve o'clock in the large dining-hall.

Many beautiful toilets were worn by the ladies present.

Many of the gentlemen were in full dress.

Several young gentlemen from Rockville, one from Glenwood and one from Columbia contributed very much to the pleasure of the evening.

The next event of interest is the oyster supper to be held on Thursday evening, the 25th. Dancing will be the most attractive feature of the entertainment. The proceeds will be applied to payment of the interest due on the mortgage and the insurance premium. Should the weather prove unfavorable on the 25th, the entertainment will be continued the next fair evening.

Items from Spencerville.

SPENCERVILLE, Feb. 12.—Mr. William H. Phair, postmaster of this place, and Miss Elizabeth Soper were married yesterday afternoon by Rev. Edgar Robey.

John H. Hall, a blacksmith near Highland, Howard county, was seriously hurt a few days ago by being thrown out of a buggy by a runaway horse.

Charles E. Bond, a fertilizer manufacturer near this village, is erecting a large mill, three stories high.

Death of Mr. Charles Peach.

WOODSTOCK, Feb. 19.—Mr. Charles Peach, a well known quarryman, died suddenly last night at Granite. He was 35 years old and leaves a family. He was a brother of Mr. James Peach.

Death of a Quarryman.

James Gallagher, a well-known employe of the Woodstock Granite Works, died suddenly Friday of last week, at his home at Woodstock, Howard county, of heart failure, aged thirty-five years. He was a native of Ireland, but had resided at his late home for some time past. His funeral took place Sunday morning, and the interment was in Woodstock Catholic cemetery.

The oyster supper at Mr. J. Eugene Buck's, near Cooksville, Monday and Tuesday evenings for the benefit of McKendree church was quite successful. The nights were beautifully moonlit and the people came out. The amount cleared was $41.69.

The material for new semaphore arm signal has arrived to be erected at Hollofield's in the near future, similar to the one at Ellicott City.

Dr. James E. Shreeve, of Ellicott City, is visiting his mother in Westminster, who is quite sick.

Misses Susie and Ella Jones, were given a surprise party at their parents' residence on Friday evening last.

A leap year ball at the New Assembly Room, Ellicott City, Thursday night was well attended by society people from this neighborhood and Baltimore.

Detective Grannan, of the B. & O., was in Ellicott City Monday.

Miss Eleanor Harrison is the guest of Miss Louise Dugan in Baltimore.

A gentleman's kid glove awaits an owner at the TIMES office.

Rev. and Mrs. R. Andrewes Poole are visiting friends North.

Another case of scarlet fever is reported in Ellicott City.

Mr. John R. Young has removed from Alberton to Savage.

Persons troubled with rheumatism should read the following from Mrs. N. M. Peters, of East Des Moines, Iowa. She says: "I had suffered from rheumatism the greater part of the time for nearly seven years. At times I was almost helpless. I doctored a great deal for it with physicians and tried electric belts, patent medicines, and almost everything that is recommended for rheumatism. Finally a neighbor advised me to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm and was so sure that it would help me that I procured a bottle. It did help me, right from the start; but it took five 50-cent bottles to cure me, so you can guess how bad I was, as one or two bottles will cure any ordinary case." For sale by A. G. Daley, Ellicott City and Walter R. Rudy, Mt. Airy, Md. ‡

Go to Warfield's, Sykesville, for Hotbed Sash. ‡

TOWN AND COUNTY.

Happenings of the Week Briefly Told and Personal Mention.

Mr. Charles H. Heald, vice president and general manager of the Chicago and West Michigan and Lansing and West Michigan railroads, in company with his wife, has been visiting his brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Groverman, of Oakland Mills. Mr. Heald was recently so ill that his life was almost despaired of, and his relatives here were summoned to his bedside. Since his recovery he has been making a tour of the South in his private car. He is considered one of the brainiest railroad men of the country.

Miss Nellye Robinson, who is well known in Ellicott City from having appeared at the New Assembly Room, has been asked to take part in the summer operas to be given at Harris's Academy of Music during the coming warm months. She was seen in New York by a representative of Harris, Britton and Dean, who made her an offer. She said she did not want to appear as a professional, but if an amateur company played she would take part for one or several weeks.

Miss Mazie Ridgley, the charming daughter of Mr. John T. Ridgley, of the Third district, and Miss Willie Jeffries, of Virginia, were honored with a tea by Miss May Herberton Kerr, 922 St. Paul street, Baltimore, Thursday. Those assisting were Miss Martha Manning, Miss Sadie Ridgley, Mrs. Harry Kirk, Miss Edith Brandtly, Miss Gussie Cook and Miss Nellie Miller.

Mrs. Rebecca Hess, mother of Mr. Benjamin F. Hess, president of the board of county commissioners, is recovering from her recent severe illness, although she is yet compelled to remain in her room. She makes her home with her son, her other only son residing in California.

Senator Gorman has introduced in the United States Senate a bill to pay R. A. Hurley, administrator of A. F. Hurley, of Montgomery county, $1,150 for twenty-three head of cattle taken for the use of the Utah volunteers during the suppression of the Indian outbreak in Utah in 1860.

A petition has been circulated and numerously signed, asking for the establishment of a new postoffice in the Sixth district of Howard county; the office, if granted, will be called "Schmeltz," and will be located on the Old Annapolis road, five miles south of Ellicott City.

A delegation of twenty from Alberton Council, Junior O. U. A. M., visited the lodge of this city last Tuesday evening. Among the guests were Dr. Waltemyer, Rev. H. H. Douty, Messrs. Hayworth, Russell and others. A very pleasant evening was spent.

The Jonestown road brought a delegation before the county commissioners again Tuesday. The difficulty arises from a curve between the premises of Mr. Robey Easton and the Messrs. Hanson, which it is desired to straighten. No action was taken.

Messrs. George W. Hess and H. L. Shipley, of Freedom district, and John B. Runkles and Wesley L. Harrison, of Mount Airy district, have been elected Carroll county delegates to the State Prohibition Convention which meets in Baltimore March 8.

Miss Kitty Sheetz, sister of the late Caleb Sheetz, has been exceedingly ill of the grip, but is now recovering. She is at the home of her nephew, Mr. Caleb F. Cross, near West Friendship. She is a venerable lady of more than eighty years of age.

The many friends of Mr. Grosvenor Hanson, of the First district, will regret to learn of his severe illness. He was taken sick last week and his attending physician, Dr. A. Williams, of Elk Ridge, now fears typhoid fever.

Miss Nannie M. Dudley, teacher of the Oakland Mills school, is recuperating in Virginia. She left Howard county last week accompanied by her sister, Miss Lizzie Lee Dudley. She hopes to resume her duties in a few weeks.

Rev. J. H. Marsh has lifted the indebtedness from Emory M. E. Church which, when Mr. Marsh took charge, was over $300. Mr. Marsh has removed the debt by various enterprises and personal work.

The members of Fidelity Lodge, No. 61, Knights of Pythias, of Ellicott City, attended services at Emory M. E. Church Sunday morning. A special sermon was preached by the pastor, Rev. J. H. Marsh.

Cardinal Gibbons, Mr. D. J. Foley, and Rev. John Gloyd, of Washington, D. C., spent Tuesday and Wednesday at the residence of Mrs. Shriver, Union Mills, Carroll county.

The Washington Irving Literary Society of Rock Hill College will give an entertainment in the college hall on the afternoon of Washington's birthday beginning at 2 o'clock.

Mrs. Reuben D. Johnson, of Ellicott City, who has been the guest of Mrs. Robert Mitchell, of 1307 N. Charles St., Baltimore, for the past week, has returned home.

Miss Ella E. Duff, 1801 Maryland avenue, Baltimore, gave a tea last week in honor of the Misses Linthicum, of Howard county. Miss Eugenia Jones assisted.

Assistant Postmaster Clarence Oldfield, of Ellicott City, occupies his spare moments in operating a turning lathe, and has produced some very excellent work.

Cards have been issued for the marriage of Mr. Gustave T. Dalcour and Miss Guillermina De Ballet, both of Baltimore county, and well known in social circles here.

Mr. James E. Tyson is recovering from an attack of grip, which, though severe did not cause Mr. Tyson to break a record of fifty years and take to his bed

Mr. E. P. Banks, of the Baltimore Evening World, was in Ellicott City Monday to inspect the electric light plant being put in by Mr. Joseph Schreiber.

Mrs. Elizabeth J. Brown, of near Woodstock, aunt, by marriage, of Senator Gorman, who has been an invalid for some years, is reported worse.

A marriage license was granted Monday in Washington, D. C., to Charles Hoffman, of Washington, and Ella V. Keys, of Howard county.

Dr. William E. Hodges, who has been seriously indisposed, is able to again give personal attention to his large practice.

Mrs. Thomas Blaney, of Doughoregan, is visiting her daughters, Mrs. James Capprise and Mrs. Fred. Schotz, of Catonsville.

Mrs. George W. Becraft, of near Ridgeville, has been visiting relatives and friends in Baltimore and Ellicott City.

Dr. Reuben M. Dorsey, resident physician at Matley Hill Asylum, near St. Denis, was in Ellicott City Wednesday.

Miss Mary Heavey, of Ellicott City, has charge of the Oakland Mills school in the absence of the regular teacher.

Mr. Thomas Isaac, of Baltimore, was the guest of his father, Mr. A. J. Isaac, of Ellicott City, on Sunday last.

Mrs. E. P. Dennis is visiting friends and relatives in New York city. She will be away for some weeks.

The Baltimore American's Ellicott City correspondent has discovered a wolf in the Fourth district.

Mr. Joseph E. Gallaher, keeper of the court house, is out again after several days' illness.

Miss Chapman, of Baltimore, visited Miss Annie E. Johnston, of Ellicott City, on Sunday.

Rev. P. B. Tarro, pastor of St. Paul's Catholic Church, has taken a trip for his health.

There is a talk of a rifle and revolver club soon to be organized at Ellicott City.

Capt. Charles W. Harvey is expected again at his post next Monday.

A LONG CIVIL LIST.

GOVERNOR BROWN EXHIBITS THE CONTENTS OF HIS GREEN BAG.

His Excellency Works in His Own Way and Prophets Are Not in Much Honor Down by the Severn—Bill Relative to Howard County Commissioners.

ANNAPOLIS, Feb. 18.—Our working Governor has been devoting himself to the civil list and making appointments with all dispatch.

Howard county came in for its turn early in the week. Here is the list:

Justices of the Peace.—First district, Wm. Pfeiffer, Joseph N. Wyatt, J. H. Resau, Moses Bolton; Second district, James D. Cooke, Bernard H. Wallenhorst, Columbus Welch; Third district, H. C. Isaac, Scott L. Heffenger, Joseph McAvoy, Mahlon Saffel; Fourth district, W. Edward Fite, Joseph H. Peddicord, Charles T. Mullineaux; Fifth district, Thomas Maynard, John W. Linthicum, Wm Henry Hearn, Andrew A Linthicum; Sixth district, Samuel F. Earp, Harrison C. White, Augustus P. Webb.

Registers of Voters.—First district, Louis Silbereisen; Second district, Henry Temmink; Third district, Gilbert E. Flower; Fourth district, Joseph E. Shipley; Fifth district, Pulaski Dorsey; Sixth district, John W. McDade.

Supervisors of Election.—Joshua N. Warfield, Franklin Shipley, Thomas W. Wyman.

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