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DETROIT GRAND HAVEN & MILWAUKEE RAILWAY.

TIME CARD, OCTOBER 16th, 1882.

Until further notice trains will leave Birmingham as follows:

GOING EAST.

Night Accommodation	7.15 a. m.
Detroit Express	11.30 "
Mail	4.30 p. m.
Steamb at Express	9.30 "

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Morning Express	8.00 a. m.
Mail	11.50 "
Steamboat Express	6.45 p. m.
Night Express	11.25 "

THOMAS TANDY, Gen'l Pgr'r & Pass. Agt. | W. J. MORGAN, Gen'l Supt.
G. R. NASH, Manager.

LEGAL.

CAME INTO THE ENCLOSURE OF the undersigned subscriber on section 15, in the township of Southfield on Saturday, April 7, 1883, a horse described as follows: A bright bay horse about seven years old, a little white on each hind foot, small star in forehead, weight about eleven hundred pounds. The owner of said horse is hereby requested to prove property, pay charges and take him away.

J. A. MILLER.
SOUTHFIELD, April 10, 1883. 51-53

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CORNER CONGRESS AND BATES STS.,
DETROIT, MICH.

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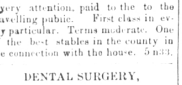

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Teacher of music. Lessons on the piano and organ given at pupil's home. Terms: $10.00 for 24 lessons. Apply at Corson & Son's store or residence on Mill St. 38

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NOTARIES PUBLIC and Conveyancers. Business transacted at the residences of our patrons if desired.

Wants, Lost, Found, etc.

FOR SALE. An open side-bar buggy in good order. Can be seen at my farm in Birmingham. C. M. Bagnall.

FOR SALE OR RENT. My house and lot pleasantly situated in the village of Royal Oak. A bargain for somebody. Inquire of G. P. Adrich D. G. H. & M. R. R. agent, Birmingham. 47

FOR SALE. Elite House in Birmingham; pleasantly located near depot; well arranged for Hotel, Boarding House or private families. A. C. Elite, Sr.&Jr.

FARM FOR SALE. I offer my farm of 95 acres for sale. Situated in the town of Royal Oak, 3 miles south of Birmingham on the gravel road, good buildings, well watered, 8 acres of timber land. Terms easy, for full particulars call on or address J. H. Bloodett, Royal Oak, Mich. 46

FOR SALE. Span of good young work horses, a new double harness and new broad tire wagon. Call at the William Toms farm, 2 miles east of Birmingham or address at J. Hutchins. 49-4

WANTED—The people to know that I am selling the best 4 drawer Common Sewing Machine. The beds that formerly sold for $10 I will sell from my wagon for $7 each. All orders by mail or otherwise promptly filled. R. H. Perkins, Birmingham, Mich. 50-tf

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The Best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by Whitehead & Mitchell, Birmingham, Mich. No 16 1yr

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Shelf Hardware and Iron at lowest Prices,

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Cups and Saucers 45 cts per set---best ware.

All Crockery at bottom Prices.

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Measures and baskets, Sugar Boxes and Flower Pails The largest variety of Goods and the lowest Prices under any one roof in Oakland County.

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Mich.

HOME NOTES.

PERPETUAL NOTICE!

You will please notice date after your name as paper and wrapper, this tells you when you are owing paper. If your time is out please call and settle.

"Counter-irritants—advertising cards.

It's, hats, hats! for everybody at Corson's.

Decoration day is coming. Get ready for it.

Full particulars of the Big Beaver Breeze next week.

John Croft of Southfield is visiting his brother at Chesaning.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Millis of Pontiac, were in town last week.

For sale cheap: A small parlor stove. Inquire at this office.

Bi-carbonate of soda isn't half so nice on oranges as powdered sugar.

The Hon. James Bayley has sold his fine black horse to Frank Crouch of Troy.

Madison Spears bought Lady deer at E. Bentley's sale last week, and gave $146 for her.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Wooster and son Eli, visited relatives and friends at Clyde over Sunday.

Mrs. James Esmond has a good new rag carpet for sale. Warranted first class in every respect.

The Rev. D. Morse of Wayne will preach at the Baptist church on Sunday next at 10:30 a. m.

Our old friend Mr. Evarts has been quite sick for some time, but is now able to be around again.

It's enough to give Dame Nature a night sweet to read the Pontiac Breeman's screed on "Spring."

Miss Emma Palmer and Miss Birdie Pithers of Pontiac visited at E. S. Wooster's the last of the week.

Miss Sarah Bailey of Pike City, Mich., visited at P. C. Simonson's last week, and returned on Saturday last.

Hanford Spears bought that stocky, handsome grey horse of Edson James' at his auction last Saturday. Price $119.

A full box of snowdrops and crocuses were left by M. K. Taber in our office lately and they were duly admired.

Married, by the Rev. J. P. Gibson on Thursday, April 12, Mr. Phineas W. Walker to Miss Eliza J. Cronnie, both of Warren.

D. Broughton of Franklin is getting up a nice lot of fine work in the carriage line. Those in want of anything in his line should give him a call.

The merry, smiling, balmy spring is here. We know it, for the worn folks have commenced to boil soap and "jaw" over the back fence.

Miss Hannah Sebastis of Royal Oak was recently presented with a very handsome gold ring and a beautiful Easter card, by Mrs. E. Barlow.

To-morrow night, Friday April 20, is the last hop of the series. Turn out and don't leave it said that the B. S. D. C. "had one plickle, any way."

Harrison Benedict has a new feed mill which grinds corn, oats, etc., to perfection. From the sample of feed shown us, we should pronounce it a success.

Ditching tools and all kinds of hardware at Corson's.

Charlie Miley of Detroit, in the employ of Hammond, Standish & Co. was in town and made us a brief call on Saturday last, returning home Sunday morning.

The Ladies Cemetery Association will give an entertainment the evening of Decoration Day for the purpose of raising funds to improve the cemetery grounds.

An infant child of Frank O. Stephens died on Monday night of inflammation of the lungs, aged 4 months and 12 days. The sorrowing parents have our sympathy.

The new street commissioner, John Donaldson, is making things lively on the highways and byways of the village. That's it, nothing like thorough work and lots of it.

Jenkins of the Holly Register tells us of a man who committed suicide by shooting himself with a .32 calibre revolver and then went home to his father's in Highland.

Found: A ditching spade in the road about one-half mile south of Edward Chatfield's corners in Troy. Call at this office, prove properly, pay charges and take it away.

W. H. Camp officiated as auctioneer at Charles Fay's sale near Gaines last week. The sale was a big success, plenty of edibles, a good time and everybody satisfied of course.

The boats from Grand Haven to Milwaukee and from Detroit to Cleveland have resumed their regular trips. Steamers leave Grand Haven upon arrival of trains at 8 o'clock p. m.

Married by the Rev. H. N. Brown in Royal Oak, at the residence of the bride's parents, April 11, 1883, Miss Eva N. Starr to Mr. George H. Watters of Springfield, Mich. No cards.

Rochester lads amuse themselves by obstructing the sidewalks to the great danger of life and limb of ye Rochester citizen and the disgust of boiler Fox, who breathes a strong anathema upon such doing.

Anthony Westlake's new gray horse and mate came near running away with the roller one day last week. After going down the road about 80 rods "Barney Whimple" caught 'em on the fly.

A. W. Hovey the oldest druggest of Pontiac, having been in business for 39 years, has kicked of his yoke, and now throws up his heels and revels in clover—the reward of many years of hard work, constant cares and anxiety. Good!

Mr. Alvah Butler an old pioneer of Troy aged 83 years, died last week of paralysis. Funeral was held the following Wednesday and was largely attended. Deceased leaves three sons one daughter and a large number of friends to mourn his death.

We like to see enterprise and are ready to take our hat off to it every time. Last week Merritt & Harris the Pontiac boot and shoe men, opened up the spring campaign by thoroughly billing the town, and this issue shows a new advertisement for them. Read it.

New patterns in wall paper this week at Corson's.

One of Mr. N. S. Schuyler's hens surprised herself, her owner and every one else who saw on the result of her honest endeavors and praiseworthy cackle-ations, by producing a mammoth egg, which we have on exhibition. It measures 7¾x9 inches and is a monster. Exsecutly.

When people advertise they usually begin with something startling, such as: "we are selling goods cheaper than any one in town" or sich like, but Axford, Stockwell & Co., the Pontiac dry goods men, are out with a new advertisement advising people not to "buy a dollar's worth of goods?" Read it.

"Gene Brooks fished three days last week—waded in water waist deep with an entire disregard to his future good health, and when questioned as to his success in capturing the silvery at eel pickerel, was singularly reticent. It is a significant fact, however, that he bought a big string of mullet on Saturday. Comment is unnecessary.

Bert Blumberg, eldest son of Theodore Blumberg, who has been seriously sick with inflammation of the lungs and rheumatism nearly all the past winter, was much relieved by the balmy spring air on Saturday last that he came up town. Glad to see him out again and hope warm weather will bring back the bloom to his cheeks as of yore.

Erastus Wooster has purchased of Mart Masters, 2½ acres off the south side of the old Beardslee farm, and is already making his ownership show itself in new fences and other needed repairs. But what can "Rastus want of a farm? Looks to us if he wanted a wife. Later. Looks to us as if he was going to get one pretty soon, too.

Our charming new correspondent "Mayflower" has opened up a field for news in the "Wildwood Valley," a neighborhood in the southwestern part of Troy and northern Royal Oak. Numerous little happenstances are continually occurring in this neighborhood, and we hope Mayflower's contributions will prove as interesting to our readers as our "Buckwheat Prelim" letters used to be.

Going to buy a new sewing machine this spring? Well then, ask Whitehead & Mitchell to show you a new improved White. They are double discounting all the machines in the machines in the country, and among countless thousands sold, we never hear of a case where the purchaser is dissatisfied. Every machine is absolutely guaranteed for five years.

We were recently shown a letter from Miss Rosa Powell of Santa Anna, Cal., to her relative, Wells Keeney of Franklin. Miss Rosa gives a charming and graphic description of her trip from Michigan to the Pacific coast, telling of the abundance of oranges, figs and cake in the land that floweth out the mouth to water and our heart to yearn for the balmy breezes of the Pacific solpe.

Last week George B. Martin of Lansing made his relatives and friends in this vicinity a call, including us in the last named. Not having been here for a visit for nearly two years, he took his host of friends by surprise. Like numerous others of our friends, he is grievously afflicted with the "Dakota fever," and will soon start for the vicinity of the Jim River valley on a prospecting tour.

Alex Neill and his new son-in-law John D. Allin, will commence running their new saw-mill in Southfield, under the firm name of Neill & Allin, in about a week, and will also put in a turning lathe. Next fall they will add a cider-mill and feed-mill. Saw, cider, feed and lathe—if that isn't business enough under one roof, just telephone us, and if John isn't kept busy from early dawn till dewy eve, then we'll hang up our music as a prophet.

A week from next Saturday, April 28, is "Arbor Day," and is set apart by the state as a day on which to beautify our premises by the judicious planting of trees. Quite a number of our prominent citizens are preparing to observe the day by setting out shade and ornamental trees, and even our two editors will do something in that line. Whitehead will set out a gooseberry bush on his Pierce street property, and Mitchell will enhance the value of his home on Council Bluffs by planting a cucumber vine.

The Brearly White Mountains excursions, which have been deservedly growing in popularity each year for the past seven years, by reason of their unexcelled attractions and experienced management, offer a "side trip" to Europe this year as the latest new departure. Two years ago Mr. Brearly offered free transportation to 100 Michigan editors, and last year the same offer was made and carried out with Ohio editors. As a matter of fact, a free ticket was presented to every Ohio editor entitled who requested one, or 15c in all, although less than 100 finally went. This year the same offer is to be made to the Indiana press, with the implied understanding that Illinois editors will be remembered next year.

The south side of the township of Redford is said to be 20 feet under water, while the north part of that unfortunate township stands up in air like the broad side of a barn. The cause of this terrible disaster was the arrival of a daughter at the home of Will Muldraugh on Tuesday evening last. Will says he baby weighs a ton, but we are inclined to think he rather over-estimates the young lady's proportions, but we know that the price of parregoric and soffron have advanced 20 per cent. Still under all these frowns of fortune the little one is doing well, the young mother is happy and Will—well if he escapes the lunatic asylum, he will always be knock-kneed, hump-backed and bow-legged in the elbows.

Last week, through the agency of Whitehead & Mitchell, Wells Keeny, Esq., one mile north of Franklin, purchased one of the most elegant pianos we ever saw. It is the style known as the grand upright, full rosewood case, with patent swinging music desk and comes directly from the world-famous manufactory of Boardman & Gray, Albany, N. Y. This instrument is the crowning effort of more than 50 years constant experience in the manufacture of pianos, and while it occupies but little more room than an ordinary parlor organ, it has advantages over the old fashioned square piano which the most casual observer cannot fail to appreciate. The tone and execution are faultless, while the construction and solid finish render it unequalled in the county. It is a well-known proverb in Franklin and vicinity that "Mr. Keeney will have nothing but the best," and his recent purchase will certainly substantiate it. With his customary hospitality Mr. Keeney cordially invites his friends and neighbors to call and examine his piano and judge of his wisdom in the selection of this superb instrument. Whitehead & Mitchell are the sole agents for Boardman & Gray in this vicinity, and parties wanting the best piano in existence should call on them.

Large line of new crockery and glassware at Corson's.

Suicide by W. O. Axford.

The subject of the following article, W. O. Axford, was the son of late Wm. M. Axford of Oakland township, this county.

From the Los Angeles Times, a copy of which was sent to the Pontiac Gazette, we learn that Mr. Axford came to his death by his own hand, by opening an artery in his left arm with a piece of broken bottle. His health was miserable, and broken in spirit by taking his life. His wife and two little children were several hundred miles away at an earlier, when the deed was committed. Upon the back of a photograph containing his family group, was this to his wife:

MY DEAR HATTIE: When this meets your eyes I will be in my grave. You will not be forgotten. Kiss the little ones for me.

Your affectionate husband
WILL."

After penning the above he deliberately went to his death.

More than Half a Century.

Last Sabbath, April 15, was a red-letter day in the lives of our old friends Mr. and Mrs. Ammon Davis, for it marked the sixtieth anniversary of their wedding day.

Sixty years ago he led her to the altar a blushing, merry girl of 16, himself a bashful swain of 23, but they were imbued with that sterling spirit of industry and economy which is bound to push aside the slower plodding teams in the race of life, and which is so rarely met with in these days of luxuries and extravagance.

They came to Michigan in 1828 from Cortland county, N. Y., and Mr. Davis was a member of the state legislature, and during his sojourn in the township of Southfield was supervisor of that town and subsequently occupied various positions of trust and confidence in the gift of the people. For two years he was engaged in business in the city now occupied by Blakeslee & Hanna, and afterwards built the store and residence which he now occupies.

The record of this aged couple is full of interesting episodes in the early history of this county, and a true relating of their historie would make a most interesting article, and at some future day we will be pleased to collect the required data and trust it will be of great interest to our readers.

Sixty years of unalloyed happiness, sixty years of honest toil, sixty years of patient plodding under the pressure of the world's cares and trials. It is something we rarely meet with and we shake our old friends' hands with a reverential grasp, feeling that their experience is what we may never know, and wishing them many years more of their "borrowed time."

A Blessing to Mankind.

In these times when our newspapers are flooded with patent medicine advertisements, it is gratifying to know what to get cure that will certainly cure you. If you are Billious, blood out of order, Liver inactive, or generally debilitated, there is nothing in the world that will cure you so quickly as Electric Bitters. They are a blessing to all mankind, and can be had for only 50 cents a bottle at Whitehead & Mitchell's.

"SOLID FACTS."

To the Editors of The Eccentric:

In your valuable paper of February 15 I notice an article from the pen of our esteemed friend D. A. Denison, in which he undertakes to set forth under the above caption, the real facts in the case with regard to the second coming of Christ and the impending judgment. In regard to the second advent of Christ he says: "Some of the very best members of our churches verily believe that these things (the havoc, devastation and desolation of the burning of Chicago and the great fire in Wisconsin) indicate the second coming of Christ and the final day of judgment to be very near at hand. I thought that perhaps it might be interesting to the readers of your paper and quite a relief to the minds of some to know that such things have been common all through the history of our world."

Now Mr. Editor, while these things have been common through all ages of the world, it is nevertheless true that they have increased in magnitude for the last century. Hear the Lord as He speaks through His servant Joel: "And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth, blood and fire, and pillars of smoke." Joel ii, 30. Our Lord also adds while instructing His disciples in regard to the second advent: "And great earthquakes shall be in divers places, and famines, and pestilences, and fearful sights and great signs shall there be from heaven." Luke xxi, 11. These are all great way marks that lead us on to the judgment. We have only to look into the history of our own century and that just past for the fulfillment of the most "fearful sights and great signs" known to our world's history. The greatest earthquake ever known was that of November 1, 1755, which extended over at least 4,000,000 square miles. Every church and convent in Lisbon, Portugal, crumbled from its foundation, and over 50,000 people were killed on that eventful day. I would also refer you to the great fire of 1871, when the air seemed to be alive with the fiery element. Balls of fire were seen floating and bursting in midair carrying devastation and ruin with them to mark their meteoric paths. Also the great "aurora" of April 16, 1882; such an aurora was never known prior to that time. The whole canopy of heaven seemed to be set on fire by its electric flame.

Mr. Denison speaks of the darkening of the sun and moon and the falling of the stars. Matt. xxiv, 29; Mark xiii, 24; Luke xxi, 24; Joel ii, 31. Have these thing been fulfilled? Yes, verily! A very terrific and unaccountable darkness of the sun and moon on the day and night of May 19, 1780; the stars (meteors) fell on the evening of November 13, 1882. Those were all remarkably clear nights and can be proven by history. "And when these things begin to come to pass" says Jesus, "then look up and hold up your heads, for your redemption draweth nigh." Luke xxi, 28.

Mr. Denison also affirms that the judgment will come to each of us when death overtakes us. When we close our eyes upon this theatre of action and depart this life. The bible nowhere tells us that the judgment takes place at death, and Mr. Denison is unwarranted in his assertion. The bible tells us plainly that the dead are reduced to a state of unconsciousness; that their thoughts perish, etc. Psa. cxxvi, 4; cxv, 17; xxxi, 17; Eccl. ix, 5, 6; Isa. xxxviii, 18.

"But," says one, "when does the judgment take place?" I answer not till after the resurrection, when the judgment sentence shall be executed on the wicked. Rev. xx, 9. We learn from Rev. xx, 4-5, and I. Thess. iv, 15–17, that there will be two resurrections; one of the righteous and the other of the wicked. That these resurrections shall be 1,000 years apart. That the righteous are resurrected first I. Thess. iv, 16. That they sit with Christ 1,000 years in judgment. Rev. xx, 4, 6. That at the end of the thousand years Satan goes out to deceive the nations of the resurrected wicked with the vain hope that they can surround the camp of saints defeat and destroy them. But fire comes down from heaven and devours them. Verse 9. There are to be degrees of punishment, but when every sin has been duly punished the sinner becomes as thou he "had not been." Very truly yours,

GEORGE W. BRACE,
Waconsta, Mich.

Wildwood Valley

Have you got your potatoes planted yet?

Cleaning house is the business of the day.

Mr. L. Welton of Holton, Mich., visited at Alex. Parks' last week.

James E. Parks of Detroit will help his brother Will work Alex. Parks' farm this year.

Mark Hall moved on his new farm, the one lately owned by Sam. Soults.

Alex. Parks and family will remove to their new home in Birmingham this week. We are sorry to lose such kind friends and obliging neighbors.

MAYFLOWER.

A Startling Discovery.

Physicians are often startled by remarkable discoveries. The fact that Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption and all Throat and Lung diseases is daily curing patients that have given up to die, is startling them to realize their sense of duty, and examine into the merits of this wonderful discovery, resulting in hundreds of our best Physicians using it in their practice. Trial Bottles free at Whitehead & Mitchell's drug store. Regular size $1.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Royal Oak.

"That makes nothings,"

Clark Rice is building a barn.

Officer Goodwin is on duty night and day.

Mrs. Hiram Ellwood is ill.

Frank Holiday's wife has jumped his bed and board.

Miss Mary Allen visited at Oakwood recently.

Tim Dailey of Grayling is visiting friends in town.

David Evans has been appointed cemetery sexton.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubbard Hall have move to Petoskey.

Charles Stiff has bought the Edwin Dawson house.

Mrs. N. B. Reynolds of Portland was in this city one day last week.

Sarah M. Reley has been granted a divorce from James W. Reley.

Mrs. A. W. Decker was called to Corunna Friday to attend the funeral of a brother.

Mrs. E. P. Blackmar, who was seriously injured recently is slowly improving.

William Hislington is measuring calico for Jacob Erb.

Our German brothers tripped the light fantastic at J. Sicori's Saturday night.

We are informed that Mrs. J. M. Finn of Grayling, formerly of this village, is seriously ill.

The watch wedding next month promises to take the cake, bread, bakery and all.

James Jarvie, formerly and for many years a resident of this place died recently at Cadillac.

Miss Julia Erb leaves for Oakwood Saturday to take charge of a school at that place. Bye bye, Julia.

Julius Brown has purchased of M. Robinson the two lots adjoining his premises.

You would hardly believe that Abram Harris has a black eye—fact, though; a horse did it with his little hoof.

We know of a red headed fellow who lives in the northern part of the town, that, unless he keeps his hands off from his aged father, will hear something drop.

Parties have been in this vicinity selling organs very cheap. They leave them on 60 days trial (in their mind.) The victim signs a contract to this effect: "If not satisfactory after 60 days' trial—no sale." This paper turns out to be a promisory note. The parties are frauds. If you want to buy an organ go to Whitehead & Mitchell, Birmingham, they are reliable parties.

The young man who travels around the country with a one-horse rig, selling yankee notions, will get into trouble if he is not careful. For two years the public have patronized him because he is in lonely circumstances. We are told that within the past three months he has attempted to outrage a certain woman and young girls in this township. If these reports be true he surely has no longer a claim to public sympathy, deserves to be treated to a good horse whipping, which would serve to cool his ardor a little—fact; we're not codding.

COUNTY LINE.

Miss Nellie Tharratt is not much better, she is in danger of losing her eyesight.

John Blakeley started for Idaho last Monday.

Charles Parks and Tom Brace have gone to Big Rapids to work this summer.

Virtue has its own reward. Billy Brown has been elected justice in Emmet county.

BLOOMFIELD CENTER.

Since "Hezekiah's Sister" got married and settled down, we have had no news from this vicinity.

Eli Baker had one of his ribs fractured recently while unloading wood.

Thomas Knight and wife left for their new home near St. Johns last week.

The blacksmith shop is in full blast again. Bob Terriberry doing the engineering.

A son of James Howlett lost his eye sight a short time since, and is now in Detroit having them operated on.

Our new neighbor, Till Trowbridge, is looking hale and hearty, and is bound to make things shine on the old farm.

Mrs. J. G. Hunter is on the sick list.

Jose.h Newton has moved back on the farm. He is still in poor health.

West Bloomfield.

Miss Cummings of Corunna is visiting at Hartwell Green's.

J. N. Covert has sold his farm to parties from Saginaw. He has also fallen heir to a small fortune in the shape of a daughter.

Mrs. Jacob Keyser has been called to to Toledo by the severe illness of her son's wife.

School commenced in the Greenbush district last Monday, Miss Watters officiating.

The iron on the Air Line extension is laid as far as Orchard Lake.

Old Mr. Newman has moved to Pontiac and left the farm to the tender mercies of his son.

There is serious talk of building a new school house in the eastern part of the township, but the greatest difficulty is a site. Some want it in one place and some in another, and we can't tell just how it will come out.

Wheat is looking fine and growing rapidly, but needs rain.