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HOME NOTES

PERPETUAL NOTICE!

You will please notice date after your name on paper and wrapper; this tells you when your Subscription expires. If a year time is out please call and settle.

Tuesday evening, October 4, is the date of the oyster festival to be given by the Royal Oak cornet band, at the town hall in Royal Oak. Don't forget it.

October 14, at Library hall.

Caps for Mason's jars cheap at Corson's.

Full program of the V. I. S. festival next week.

N. Gas seems to have died a natural death all over old Oakland.

Hurry and secure your season tickets in the Birmingham lecture course.

Married, at Alpena, September 21, 1887, Fred A. Kimball and Miss Nellie Davis.

F. W. Sherman and Cy Jarvis were home from the Military Academy over Sunday.

The Improvement society will give a grand entertainment on Friday evening October 14.

One horse sleigh, a first class cutter and a good buggy for sale. Apply to J. R. Corson.

Rev. W. T. Woodhouse, who preached in the Baptist church for a few weeks, is now at Lyons, Mich.

A fine literary program, doughnuts grab-bag, harvest festival and social at Library hall.

A young lady desiring a place to work for her board and go to school can find one by calling on Mrs. R. J. Mitchell.

Saturday Oct 1st, 1887, one day only, we will sell a corset for 40c worth 65c. Remember the day. V. Nixon & Co.

Call and see the new fall and winter hats. I am selling them very cheap. New feathers, ribbons and ornaments. L. T. Furman.

C. H. Brayman of Lake Linden, Mich., dropped in upon his old friends and has been the guest of Frank Ford during his stay in onr midst.

Married, Monday evening, Sept. 26, at the residence of Rev. J. A. Sherrard, Mr. Fred G. Smith and Miss Rosa S. Cochell. Both of this place.

George Heth recently brought in a veritable curiosity in the shape of a limb of peaches, which we dare not tell about for fear we would not be believed.

The county clerk desires ministers and justices to make their marriage returns before the 27th inst. It is a good thing that he does not require it of the victims.

Mrs. John Lawrence has our hearty thanks for a generous supply of very fine tasting grapes, which were duly absorbed and appreciated by the entire gang.

Our thanks are due to Mrs. Nellie Camp for a plate of beautiful, large yellow peaches, which beat anything in the peach line which we have yet seen or tasted.

Wm. Amith of Southfield met with a very severe accident on Monday last. He fell and struck his face, cutting his lip so badly that Dr. Holcomb was called to sew up the wound.

Cal Ellenwood recently made his daughter, Miss Lillie, a present of a fine piano. She is a deserving and accomplished young lady and richly merits her good fortune.

Rev. G. W. Lowe will preach at East Tawas, Mich., the coming year; Rev. John Hamilton will continue his labors in our midst, and Rev. A. R. Bartlett has become a presiding elder.

The Royal Oak cornet band and the festive oyster will gladden the hearts of all who attend the oyster festival at Royal Oak next Tuesday evening. All are most cordially invited to attend.

Alvin Jenks of Lake Linden, Mich., is down from the Arctic regions for a short visit among his host of friends in this vicinity. He and C. H. Brayman will return via boat in about one week.

For a nice basket of grapes presented to us by Arthur Patch, which he said was sent to us by his better half, we can only say as did the dude at his girl's father's table, "for this decidedly sumptous repast, thanks, awfully!"

Call on Ed. R. Smith, secretary, at Slade's for your season tickets in the Birmingham lecture course. First lecture Wednesday, November 9, at the M. E. church. J. Allen Bigelow, corresponding secretary.

Mrs. J. B. Cartwright wishes to return her sincere thanks to the many friends who have been so good as to furnish her with the copies of the ECCENTRIC that she desired. She now has a sufficient quantity.

The first lecture of the Birmingham lecture course, will be held Wednesday, November 9, at the M. E. church. Rev. E. B. Fairfield in "Thirty Days in Rome." Call on Whitehead & Mitchell or Ed Smith for your season tickets. J. Allen Bigelow, corresponding secretary.

Hard work, plenty of talk, much cheek, plain facts, sound horse sense, a strong pull, a long pull and a pull all the time make a certainty and a success of the Birmingham lecture course. Come and help the managers.

Several Birminghammers took in the races and base ball games at Detroit. All lovers of base ball went to see Rainey play third base for the New Yorks, and John did it well, too, playing seemingly to us better than any other member of the nine and without an error.

There is a probability that Florence Gillette, of Rochester, Mich., may soon organize a dramatic club here and bring out a play. If she does our people may be sure that it will be a production of great merit for Miss Gillette is an emotional actress has very few peers.

On Monday evening last as Richard McRea of Blownfield was returning from Pontiac his horses ran away near Long Lake and McRea was thrown from the wagon and killed. He was about 70 years old and had lived in this township many years.

Married, at Northville, Wednesday, September 21, 1887, by Rev. G. W. Wesselius, at the residence of the bride, George Shain of Birmingham to Mrs. Winfield Scott of Northville. Mrs. Shain will rent her handsome home in Northville and reside in our midst.

The good people of Huron, Ohio, were surprised at the sudden departure for Cleveland, Ohio, of Dr. F. W. Morley who said he was going for a larger suit of clothes. His wonderful growth being caused by the birth of a lovely daughter whose weight was just eight pounds, and everybody happy over the event.

Stephen Gardner, having rented his farm, will sell at public auction on the premises known as the Hurlburt farm, 3 miles south and 1½ miles west of Birmingham, on Monday, October 3, at 1 o'clock p. m., 1 span of work horses, 1 6-months' old colt, 1 cow, 2 fat hogs, 7 shoats, chickens, turkeys, St. Paul twine binder, Empire mower, farming tools, etc. Henry Spicer, auctioneer.

John Pound changes his adv't this week. He returned from the east a few days ago and his new goods now cover the sidewalk at the Beehive. He advertises in to-day's paper, 5 cases of dress goods, just in, which take the cake and are intended and destined by him to create the greatest furore in the dress goods line that ever took place in Oakland county. Read his new adv't in to-day's paper.

Died, Thursday night, September 22, 1887, at his home, Mr. Asa Mudge, in the 68th year of his age, of typhoid-pneumonia. A Funeral was held Sunday, conducted by Rev. R. Bird and attended by a large number of relatives. Mr. Mudge was a man respected by all who knew him, as a good, honest and kind neighbor, ready at all times to accommodate a friend and prompt to respond to a call for help.

The other day a Detroit policeman took after a wild-looking young man who was tearing down Woodward avenue in a manner that was decidedly suspicious and when overhauled by the cop he explained it thusly: "Just got to be papa of the nicest and finest girl baby in the world—just rushing to the telegraph office to send the glad tidings to ma at Birmingham—don't stop me—hoo-a-la! I'm a dandy," and away he went.

J. O. Beattie will make his debut as an auctioneer on Saturday, October 8, at 1 o'clock p. m. and will sell for Melvin Rose, in this village, the following property: One span of matched mares, 1 lumber wagon, 1 platform spring wagon, 1 double buggy, 2 sets double harness, 1 single harness, 2 strings of bells and other articles. Terms, $5 and under cash; over this amount 10 months' time with approved notes at 7 per cent.

The Birmingham lecture course lacks only 27 of its quota of 200 season tickets. Do not hold off and say "bye and bye," but come now. The speakers are all engaged and dated as follows: November 9, December 7, January 11, February 15, February 29, and James Hadley and the musical quartette not appointed. Call on Ed. R. Smith or Whitehead & Mitchell for your season tickets. J. Allen Bigelow, corresponding secretary.

The Evening News says: A telephonic message just received at East Saginaw announces the sudden death last night of heart disease at the Rev. Wm. J. Stoutenburgh, aged 53, editor of the Marlette Leader. He was once a pastor of the presbyterian churches at Monroe and Tecumseh and had preached considerably since. He was popular and well known throughout the state and leaves a wife and three children. He had just made a commonplace remark to his wife when he fell back dead.

While at the depot the other day I overheard the following conversation: Mr A: "I have got to buy an overcoat this fall, and have been thinking of going to Detroit." Mr. B: "Why, I am surprised! Havn't you been up at Turk's?" Mr. A: "No!" Mr. B: "I was up there the other day and they showed me the finest and most complete line of overcoats I ever saw. Their stock is all new and right from the manufacturers. Not an old garment in the whole stock." Mr. A: "Is that so?" Mr. B: "Yes! Just step up there and look them over, even if you are not ready to buy. They take great pleasure in showing their new goods." The last I saw of Mr. A. he was making a "bee" line for Turk's mammoth clothing house.

The Michigan town which is not enjoying a boom is a rarity. While natural advantages have been the main cause of the boom, nature's work has been ably supplemented by the local papers, in the columns of which have appeared from week to week glowing descriptions of the advantages and beauties of the town. And now the universal law of reciprocity comes in. Let the business men and the capitalists who have been incalculably benefited by the papers give them a loyal support. Advertise liberally and constantly, and instead of sending to the cities for letter heads, bill heads, cards, etc., patronize the home office and thus show the editor that his efforts are appreciated.—[Detroit Dash. The above is to the point and literally true.

The frontispiece of the October Century is a striking portrait of Harriet Beecher Stowe, engraved by T. Johnson from a photograph by Sarony. This portrait is apropos of a paper by James Lane Allen, entitled "Mrs. Stowe's Uncle Tom at Home in Kentucky," which recounts the life of a Kentucky slave of the old time, in a series of typical scenes, pointing out some considerations which, it is thought, should qualify Mrs. Stowe's point of view. The illustrations by Kemble, drawn from life, reproduce characteristically the epoch which Mr. Allen describes. "The American Game of Foot-Ball," is the subject of a paper by Prof. Alexander Johnfon of Princetown college, in which the development of the Rugby game on this side of the Atlantic is described, and interesting aspects of the game are considered. "The Hundredth Man" reaches its conclusion in the present number with a denoument which will be somewhat of a surprise to many readers.

J. L. Hudson, Detroit's popular clothier and out-fitter, has received his fall stock of goods and will tell our readers about it next week.

MORE IMPROVEMENTS?

Onward the Star of Empire Takes Its Way.

The following petition which has been freely circulated and numerously signed only goes to show how great a thing it is to start the ball of improvement rolling in an inflamable and excitable community like Piety Hill:

WHEREAS, The recent improvement(?) in our village, whereby the hitching posts, which are considered a necessity in every well-regulated village, have been moved into the street, distant eight (8) feet from the sidewalk, and,

WHEREAS, A good thing is always recognized and encouraged by our citizens, and,

WHEREAS, We cannot have too much of a good thing. Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the village council be petitioned, and is hereby petitioned by the undersigned residents of the said village of Birmingham, to cause the said hitching posts to be moved into the middle of Saginaw street, so that teams may drive on either side thereof and not be inconvenienced by the rear end of various wagons and hayrack, which now protrude their length into the middle of said street to the effect of greatly inconvenencing the traveling public, and be it also further

RESOLVED, That we recommend the said council to confiscate and seize upon a suitable tract of land outside of the consecrated limits of our devoted village, wherein the Birmingham Improvident Society may expend their surplus energy and overflow of fevered imaginations upon high flavored parks and posy beds; monuments to forgotten gods and fifteen borders of pinks and pansies, to the end that they may have their attention drawn therefrom and thus leave our main avenues and streets to the legitimate traffic and the practical business of a thrifty town:

Signed and sealed in this, our village of Birmingham, this twenty-sixth day of the ninth month of the third year of the reign of Grover, he of the inocuous desuetude.

G. F. Randall,	A. Whitehead,
E. Lamb,	C. M. Rayale,
Geo. E. Daines,	J. H. Snow,
Darius Howey,	C. F. Crouch,
C. Ellenwood,	A. Partridge,
Melvin Rose,	Eugene Brooks,
George Blakeslee,	Mort Smith,
J. Allen Bigelow,	Varney Nixon,

and many others.

OBITUARY.

DIED—On Thursday, Sept. 15 at her residence in Troy, Mrs. Jane Wilson in the eightieth year of her age.

Funeral was held at Warren Saturday afternoon, the Rev. Mr. Dean preaching the sermon. Mrs. Wilson was born in Madrid, St. Lawrence Co., New York, in 1807 and was, with her husband, one of the pioneers of Michigan, having lived on this farm on the county line over fifty years. The subject of this sketch was the wife of John Wilson, who was born in Yorkshire, England, and came to this country in 1818 and settled in the state of New York, where he married Miss Jane Fullington, and lived in that state several years. He came to Michigan in 1835 and found a home in the woods where by dint of hard labor his farm was made to "blossom like the rose" figuratively speaking. They joined the M. E. Church in 1834 and were in good standing at the time of their death. He died in May 1867, Mrs. Wilson having outlived her husband over twenty years. Four sons and three daughters survive them, all living in Michigan. The kind old man could tell many interesting anecdotes of pioneer life, how he occasionally killed the fine fat deer while choping down the trees and they were not small ones either. One day he dragged home a deer and called to his wife to come and look at it and fetch a knife to cut its throat, when up jumped the animal it being only stunned, not realy dead, but he caught it just in time. Turkey hunting was almost the only sport this father allowed his boys, and they say that was harder work than any their father required of them. Well he lived a good honest life loved and respected by all who knew him, and there is no doubt his Lord and Judge could say to them, "Well done, come up higher."

TO THE LADIES OF BIRMINGHAM.

We wish to extend our thanks for their patronage during the year we have been doing business in their pleasant little village. We have great reason to be gratified by the amount of goods we have sold, but we are desirous of doubling our stock and our trade the coming year. We will be receiving new goods all this week, and on Saturday next invite you all to come and see our fall stock of millinery and fancy goods. We will have everything that is new and desirable in hats, bonnets and trimmings; also a complete line of ladies' and children's winter furnishings. Buy nothing until you inspect our stock. Allyn & Co.

I shall sell the remainder of my trimmed summer millinery at astonishingly low prices, to make room for a large and elegant stock of new fall goods. Don't fail to call and look over the bargains. School hats 35c. L. T. Furman

Good bright, brittle, green cucumber pickles are always desired by the thrifty housekeeper, and the only way to get them and keep them so is to buy Alden fruit vinegar (warranted) of Whitehead & Mitchell, who also keep pure cider vinegar

UP AT BAY VIEW.

Life at this Popular Resort—The Assembly of this year a Big Success.

Near the northern extremity of this peninsula and extending out from Lake Michigan twelve miles is Little Traverse Bay, on whose eastern shore is Bay View. It was here I came in the hot, test week of July with a throng of tourists in search of a cool place and to enjoy the assembly of which I had heard so much. Happily I found what I sought and have felt quite contented with my choice, since other tourists in such numbers as to gainsay all doubt have been coming here all summer from Mackinaw, declaring that nowhere else but here was a cooler climate to be found. It is said here that Bay View was never so thronged as this season, and I am not surprised. The experienced has learned to shun the summer resorts where the supreme purpose seems to be to eat and sleep and kill time. If it be a fashionable resort, the dressing and dancing become tiresome, and one sighs for a place where rest and recreation are mixed with opportunities for higher enjoyments. I think Bay View is answering this demand most successfully. It is a place I wish everyone could visit. I am aware it is too late to go this season, although the cottages are still open and the hotels filled, yet it may be kept in anticipation for next season and I promise that you will find such a vacation of delight and profit that the summer at BayView will never be forgotten. The place is a surprise to every tourist. Coming up over the Grand Rapids and Indiana railroad through an almost unbroken wilderness of fifty miles, and after bustling Petoskey, the train enters this charming city, lying a mile and a quarter along the beach, with its pretty cottages nestling among wooded terraces rising from the bay to an altitude of 200 feet Here one finds everything to minister to his delight—grand scenery and cool, invigorating breezes sweeping in from the bay, fragrant with the perfume of cedar and hemlock forests; unnumbered recreative pleasures and splendid society. A half a dozen pretty summer resorts dot the shore of the bay, and the finest fishing streams in the state are but ten miles distant. Open summer trains and swift steamers are going and coming at all hours, and the day furnishes a round of excursions, fishing, rowing and boating; or one may lazily swing in his hammock in the shade and realize the unalloyed and indescribable happiness of the days spent at Bay View. In the "season," which usually begins about July 20th with the Camp Meeting and ends a month later with the Assembly, the resort is thronged with the most delightful people in the land. Each season has added to the fame of Bay View and this has been the most prosperous in all its history. In almost every particular it has been 100 per cent. larger than last year. Nor is the advance to stop, for 125 lots have been bought, on which by terms of sale cottages must be built within one year. Over fifty were built this year and 150 families joined the association. No more convincing proof is needed of its recognized advantages and a faith in its future.

During the Assembly period, life and enthusiasm reach their highest mark. Old reporters, long in advance, plan to be here then if at no other time. Strangers will better understand the plan and rare delights of an assembly from a brief rehearsal of what I have seen and heard. Popular schools are in charge of eminent educators, and the platform is graced by the most brilliant talent money can secure. What delightful evenings were those when H. H. Ragan, the stereoptican lecturer took us about Paris; through Picturesque Ireland; and up the Rhine through Switzerland. We heard the Schubert Quartet's matchless singing; listened to the polished lectures of Wallace Bruce and Homer B. Sprague; attended grand concerts given by the Assembly Chorus, gifted soloists and violinists; often heard S. S. Hamill and other famous readers; sat under the preaching of Dr. W. W. Ramsay and Dr. A. A. Willetts; and never tired of hearing Jahn Dewitt Miller, the versatile Dean Wright, the cultivated Dr. Fairfield and the sunny Dr. Willetts. A three day's Missionary Congress brought the eminent Dr. Pierson, Robert P. Wilder and W. E. Blackstone. On W. C. T. U. Day we heard Miss Frances E. Williard, Miss Annie Shaw and Mrs. Matilda B. Carse. Two Denominational days gave us interesting Congregational, Methodists, Presbyterian and Baptist programs. Sweet vesper services, brilliant receptions, music and mirth have enriched these delightful assembly days, and every night when I retired it was with a happy sense that a day of rich privileges had been spent.

A separate letter could be given to the Assembly schools in recounting their excellence. Their timeliness and the fame of the instructors drew together throngs of students, teachers and Christian workers, who were disciplined and instructed for better work for home and church and state. For the teachers there was Teachers' Retreat in two sections. Institute conducted by Supt. David Howell, assisted by Prof. F. H. Pease and Supt. W. S. Perry; Primary Normal and Kindergarten Training class by Matilda H. Rose, each meeting with splendid success. Sunday school workers enjoyed unusual advantages from the Normal class taught by Miss Ross, and primary teachers meetings addressed by Mrs. C. L. Harris. The Ministers Institute and New Testament Greek classes, conducted by Dean Alfred A. Wright, were the events of each day. The children are not overlooked at Bay View, and a world of daily delight waited them in Children's meeting with Mrs. C. L. Harris (Hope Ledyard) and the Children's chorus by the enthusiastic Miss Bertha Ward. Singers from in the Assembly chorus conducted by Prof. F. H. Rease and Prof. Stephens, a delightful school of music; the school of Art by Prof. A. A. Mills, afforded rare privileges, and a Cooking school by Mrs. Sophie W. Knight, was a grand success.

The length of this letter admonishes me that I must not even attempt to describe the beautiful Chautauqua Cottage, Recognition Day and many other things dear and pleasant to me. I will however, make a prophecy—that in ten years Bay View will be a great summer university. It will be if John M. Hall, the Superintendent, lives. It is conceded that in quality it is now fully equal to Chautauqua, while nature has done for Bay View what she has not done for that far-famed resort. It is gratifying to know that this year it has been a financial success, paid every obligation and has a balance in the treasury.

C. L. S C.

ELIZABETH LAKE.

Mrs. Wm. Chapman, of Chesaning, is visiting here.

Eb. Voorheis and Mrs. Samuel Howlett are both dangerously ill.

Mrs. F. Kammon and daughter of Detroit were visiting here last week.

Bert Cole is slowly recovering from typhoid fever.

Mrs. Rob't Howlett of Detroit spent a part of last week here.

H. C. Judd is visiting at Rochester, N. Y.

ROYAL OAK RUMBLINGS.

Our school is in a very satisfactory condition under the careful guidance and management of Prof. Welte and Mamie Cannon. The foreign element at our school is largely discernible and our school board feel very jubilant over this fact.

The Philorthean society has been resurrected with good prospect for the coming winter of having a jolly good time.

The Royal Oak band boys give an oyster festival at the Town Hall Tuesday evening, Oct. 4th. Their entertainments are always lively and give great enjoyment to all who attend.

It is said that the Herring Hotel (Mother's) will soon be closed. The family will soon go to Detroit.

Anna Dennis will wield the birch in district No. 3 next term and she will do it well, too.

Corn husking is here with all its attendants of cold fingers, freezing fingers, etc.

Our potato crop is a fizzle.

Ira Slade, the live produce buyer of Birmingham, has bought all of Alfred Campbell's snow apples at $1 40 per barrel. He will have several hundred bushels. Grapes and apples are very plenty in this vicinity.

Royal Oak is not aware that she has a base ball club, only foreigners being aware of the fact that we have a gang of ball-tossers in our midst.

L. Storz, our vigilant P. M., is as full of business as a wasp in fly-time.

Owing to bad weather the Congregationalists held their picnic at the town hall and were ably assisted by the band boys, which made the affair very pleasing.

Wheat is nearly all sown and the average is about as usual.

Alice Campbell will teach in the Parker district, and she will do it successfully, too; don't forget that.

In spite of doctors and medicine Will Elwood is recovering. It is now said he has dropsy.

A magic lantern show and a lady elocutionist recently gave an entertainment in the M. E. church which was very nice and well attended.

Not long ago two threshers, Sullivan and Miller from Hamtramck township, were filling their water tank at J. B. Grow's well, and when Mr. Grow kindly objected, telling them that water was scarce and he needed it for his stock, they kept on, saying they would have the water if they had to kill him (Grow.) Words ensued and Sullivan knocked Mr. Grow in the ditch and Miller threw a club at him. They were promptly arrested and we hope they will be severely dealt with.

Our band is progressing finely and we predict that ere long we will have a band of musicians second only to the jolly Franklinites.

BIG BEAVER BLIZZARDS.

The once Jennie Terry, now Mrs. Swain, now has a daughter weighing 9 pounds; both doing well.

Henry Brunell has quit work at Utica and will attend school here this winter.

Joseph Dickinson's daughter Edith is living with her grandmother, Mrs. Pallister, this winter.

John Ames has made his fortune at Warren, buying real estate. How about Phelp's hogs, eh, John?

Ben Sturgis has lost more wheat.

The contents of a grip sack were scattered over the street on Monday last as the owner alighted from Pearsall's barouche. The articles were numerous and varied, but want of space will not admit of our giving details. Let it suffice for us to say that the boxing gloves, ruffled garments, etc., were recovered intact, but the item "got into the paper" just the same as "if it had been in Birmingham."