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All who are not identified with other churches are invited to come with us.

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HOME NOTES.

Grand raffle Christmas eve.

Tri-Co.-Picket:—We come off.

Dressing canes, perfumery and albums at L. B. Peabody & Son's.

Pay up and get a guess on the prize pumpkin.

Mrs. Musgrave is visiting friends in Pontiac this week.

Looks as if the walks would be cleaned the rest of the winter.

Ass Riffenberg now delivers the newsy Evening News in place of Allie Staley, who resigned.

Blakeslee & Bitters give a grand raffle for turkies Christmas eve.

Diaries for 1891 at L. B. Peabody & Son's.

Prof. Hawkes is the proud father of another nice little girl baby that came to his home last week.

Will J. Taber, with all his pressing business on hand, got out the local column of the Pontiac Post last week.

Money to loan on farm mortgage in sums to suit. Several farms for sale cheap. E. C. Poppleton, Agent. 4

Skating last week was first class at the mill pond and was heartily enjoyed by many of our skating friends.

The handsomest line of new styles of table lamps has been received by Whitehead & Mitchell.

Very nice fresh candies and nuts at L. B. Peabody & Son's.

Great discount sale at J. S. Stockwell & Co's, Pontiac. Read their adv't this week and learn all about it.

Don't forget the grand raffle for turkies Christmas eve, at the store next to A. Blakeslee's hardware establishment.

The spectacle of a young man going skating on his bicycle was seen on our streets one day last week.

The first day of January at two o'clock in the afternoon we will cut the prize pumpkin and the seeds will be counted.

A wedding in high life will soon occur.

A good gold ring makes a nice Christmas present. L. B. Peabody & Son.

Christmas is rapidly approaching and everyone seems bound to keep the holiday with more than their usual hilarity and mirth.

"It goes right to the spot," said an old man, who was rubbing in Dr. J. H. McLean's Volcanic Oil Liniment to relieve rheumatism.

John Pound & Bro., of Pontiac, have something to say to our readers this week that cannot help but interest. Read their new adv't.

To-morrow night is the regular hop night and if signs prove anything there will be a larger crowd than ever at these popular hops.

Gold pens and pencils of fine quality also fountain pens at L. B. Peabody & Son's.

We received a short call from Elverton F. Jenks and his cousin Edgar last week. E. F. lives in Detroit and is prospering nicely and growing rich.

Why don't our water works and saw mill engines give us morning, noon and night whistles? We feel lost without something of the sort to liven up things.

The blood must be pure for the body to be in perfect condition. Dr J. H. McLean's Sarsaparilla makes pure blood and imparts the rich bloom of health and vigor to the whole body.

SPORTSMEN, ATTENTION.—Blakeslee & Bitters give a grand raffle for turkies on Christmas eve. A good time is guaranteed to all. All lovers of sport turn out. It takes place next door to A. Blakeslee's hardware store.

John Hanna is the last benedict to discover that you cannot keep house without this great paper, THE ECCENTRIC.

Died, at the residence of George O. Clark, in Troy, on the evening of December 14, 1890, Darius Clark, uncle of Geo. Clark, at the age of 87 years and 3 days.

Demorest contest at Southfield United Presbyterian church, on Tuesday evening, December 22, commencing at 7.30 p. m. Come and be entertained by good speaking and music.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Chamberlin are visiting their old home near Lawton, Mich., and will be guests at the Taber-Chamberlin wedding, which takes place to day.

For sale cheap, a good small box cutter, a pair of bobs and a light double harness. Any of them can be had at a bargain by calling on Cal Ellenwood in Troy. 3

A full and complete account of the grand wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. William Todd is unavoidably crowded out this issue. We are sorry, but it will keep.

A two-year-old Percheron colt at the Watkins farm last week, in spite of the best of care and Dr. Brodie, had to succumb to the inevitable. Loss about $75.

We cannot help but notice the great number of foreign pupils who attend our school, a fact that goes to prove its popularity and the great natural aptness of its Principal, Prof. W. G. Cook.

G. A. Watkins has sold to Miller & Sibley, of Franklin, Pa., his fine Exmore pony stallion "Prince" for $500. He is the finest pony of his kind in America.

Regular annual convocation of Birmingham Chapter No. 93, R. A. M., for the election of officers and the payment of dues, Monday evening, December 22. All companions are requested to be present. A. Partridge, Sec'y.

Our many readers will enjoy "Dick" Leet's letter from Indian Springs. It is a very interesting article and for which we are greatly indebted to Julian.

Large stock of jewelry at rock bottom prices at L. B. Peabody & Son's.

Mattie Baldwin was home for a few hours last Saturday locking over the house and straightening everything up for the winter. She says her mother is enjoying city life and is quite contented.

Furniture dealer Daines is selling immense quantities of plain and rich furniture and as he delivers his goods of course many purchasers take advantage of this fact.

Regular annual communication of Birmingham Lodge No. 44, F. & A. M., for the election of officers and payment of dues, Thursday evening, December 25. All brothers are requested to be present. A. Partridge, Sec'y.

Taxes are a little lighter this year than for many years before and you have only to wait a short time now and see how economical a Democratic legislature can do biz.

Mrs. John Hagerman and daughter, Anna D., returned from an eight weeks' visit among friends and relatives at their old home in Pennsylvania, and while absent visited with friends in New York and New Jersey.

Erity's buckwheat flour is taking the cake or rather their cakes are taking the griddle, for everyone that uses it pronounce it the lightest and best that they ever used.

It is with extreme regret that we announce the death of Mr. Wm. Fhelps, of Troy, which occurred Friday, December 12, 1890. He was in his 71st year. A more extended notice next week.

On a bet of $300 a young man passed through our town from Detroit to Pontiac and return in seven hours. On his return he had a sandwich and a cup of hot water and seemed likely to win the race, which he did and with 20 minutes to spare.

Those Demorest contests down in Southfield are quite popular and entertaining. We see no reason why Birmingham with all her talent living around loose should not have the same kind of entertainment and help pass away a long winter.

An exchange says that a man by the name of Corn was married to a lady named Wheat, in church at Iosco and the choir stunned the audience present upon the occasion by singing "What Shall the Harvest Be."

Maurice Blair has bought out the business of Bert Buell at Clawson and is now proprietor of a neat little store and is doing a nice business and with all his name he is the city postmaster and carries his honors gracefully, easily and agreeably to his many patrons.

Ed. R. Smith, Ira Slade's best man, is enjoying his first vacation after a long and steady run of active work. In the meantime his shoes are filled by Mr. T. P. Smith, a cousin of Ed's, who does first-rate and proves quite equal to the work.

Thirty-five taps have been made for water in the mains and not one taker sorry. We have reason to be proud when everything is taken into consideration over our success and next spring a great many more will make connection with this great blessing.

Mr. Freegard, who works for Ed O'Neal, delivers every day or so the nicest celery that it has been our lot to stick a knife into. If you need any of this toothsome vegetable leave your order with him at O'Neal's shop and he will promptly supply you with all you want.

Married, Monday evening at Troy Corners, Mr. George White and Mrs. Edy. Everybody wishes Uncle George and his good wife all the happiness that can be enjoyed. Mr. and Mrs. Lenton stood up with the happy couple. It was kept very quiet, still we heard a whisper of it afterward.

Miner Spencer, of Troy, and a 250 pound feed cutter fell from a hay loft last Monday. Miner was ahead and those present expected he was killed. Fortunately no bones were broken and Dr. C. M. Raynale after an examination pronounced his injuries not serious. Good.

Handsome invitations are out announcing the wedding of our young friend Will J. Taber and Miss May Chamberlin, which takes place at the house of the bride near Lawton, Kalamazoo county, to-day. Our sincere wishes go with this couple for a happy journey through this vale of tears.

James A Clark has been sick for some time and under Dr. C. M. Raynale's care and at the present time is dangerously ill. Last Monday an operation to relieve his lungs from a gathering of pus was performed. A silver tube was inserted for drainage and the old gentleman is as comfortable as a man can be so situated.

Oliver A. Smith, of Clarkston, was arraigned before the United States Court in Detroit on Thursday of last week on two indictments, charging him with fraudulent use of the U. S. mails. He ordered goods of merchants and did not pay for them. He came out on the first trial even, as the jury disagreed.

A. Partridge and Sam Harbison have taken up the study of that great Scottish poet, Burns, and when closing up time in the store and "Slippery Sam" lays down the book and says "now Bobbie I will have to bid you good night," the parting would draw tears from a grindstone.

Prindle & Russell are turning out immense piles of timber for Mr. Stringer, who sells it to the car shops in Detroit. Eight men will be given steady employment and the work will last for nearly two years before being finished. They get water for their engine from the water works and find that for engine use a finer fluid could not be had.

It was not a bank-book, that large one on the stand at the bank, but appears to be even better, as we would say it was worth more than its face value. We found in it Cantata, "a poem set to music,"—Italian, from "cantare, to sing; canto—song intermixed with recitatives. We hear there is one of that same kind on its way. We are waiting to see if the book says truth.

We can and do sell sewing machines from $5 to $20 cheaper than any traveling sewing machine dealer will, and when the machine gets out of order you bring it to us for repairing, but hold, the Domestic or White seldom troubles any one that way. Call on either Whitehead or Mitchell and be convinced that they have the best sewing machines sold, and will give you time if you wish.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.—All those who are indebted to me in book accounts or otherwise will please settle either by cash or note before the 1st day of January, 1891, as by that time I must raise a large sum of money and need all. Please oblige me and aid me at the same time. E. L. Buell, Clawson, Mich. 2

Harry Russell and family are comfortably settled in the Goodman house.

The Exchange Bank is continually adding to its office many new and necessary articles for rapid, sure, safe work. All these appliances are required by the steady growth of a healthy business and the proprietors are excusably proud of the growth of this branch of their work.

Alvin Jenks, an old residenter and well known by our readers, dropped dead at his home in Lake Linden, Mich., last week Thursday. His remains were brought here for burial last Saturday and after funeral services at the M. E. church his remains were taken to the Gilbert Lake cemetery for their last resting place. A large number of relatives and friends were present from afar.

The very latest news regarding the electric railroad is that this mythical and long looked for "rapid transit" is now going to Orchard Lake via South field and that route will be the winner because the wily and enterprising Southfielder being more generous than those along any other routes will get the cake while others who want it equally as bad, lose it by being too saving of their "yellow boys."

Walter Colpus is a king on his throne when in his office at work keeping the pumps going for the water works; his rooms are neat, cosy and warm and he takes pride in sticking up. No loafing allowed there and anyone can find it quite interesting to call and see the pumps at work and have the genial and affable Walt show them around and explain the working of the handsome, powerful and easy running machinery.

Vanda Wooster and a sewing machine man of Pontiac are having a slight ruction over a sewing machine sale. Mr. Wooster claims to have traded a horse for a machine all right and the next day the machine man walks in the house and trades back again and took away his machine. Vanda says there will be blood on the moon before the question is settled and we opine there will.

Watch the date after your name on this paper and if the date has passed then you surely are a candidate for the "blue cross" and are liable to see the azure tint the first issue we have in January, 1891. We have to raise the cold cash in order to pay our worthy printer, who worketh night and day in order that you may enjoy all the news of Birmingham and surrounding vicinity. Don't let the poor printer go hungry.

Recent sales from the Watkins stock farm: The Percheron stallion Altimo 2nd, also one Bay grey mare and two two-year-old mares to H. C. Farnum of the Island Home stock farm, on private terms; the fine Exmoor stallion, Prince Peerless, to Miller & Sibley, of Franklin, Pa., for $500; the Jersey bull, Duke of Ravenna, to James Rockwell, of Pontiac, private terms; three pony mares and one pony colt, to Dr. H. Williams, of East Saginaw, long price.

Everybody is supposed to know how to boil an egg. But everybody doesn't; only a few do. The common way is to drop the egg into boiling water. The white hardens and toughens instantly and the egg is not fit to eat and hard to digest if eaten. But an egg dropped into cold water and the vessel covered, will be beautifully cooked the instant the water boils. The white will be as delicate as a jelly, digestible and nutritious.—EX.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Todd, of Royal Oak, met with a pleasant surprise on Friday of last week, when about forty of their friends and neighbors gathered in to remind them of their fortieth anniversary. The kindness of their friends was greatly appreciated and the day will long be remembered by all present. Their children and grand-children each and every one were present. Oysters and turkey took part in the dinner. The surprise was given by the children, who also presented them with a decorated dinner and tea set combined.

Life would not be worth living if those horses of Truckman Beattie did not give their driver their usual slip and have a good old fashioned runaway, in fact a paper in Piety Hill would not be a success if Bro. Beattie should sell this active pair of equines. Last week Friday they took a trip in the country and brought up somewhere in the vicinity of Erity & Nixon's mill all safe and without damage excepting two broken spokes in a wheel, done in turning the corner at Whitehead & Mitchell's store, when they lit out south on Pierce street. This foxy team gave Will O'Neal the slip while he was in the baggage room after a trunk.

The petition presented by many suffering mortals at the last meeting of the village fathers has been acted promptly upon and the village marshal has received instructions to clean all walks after twenty-four hours have given the householders after a storm to do it themselves. After the time has elapsed and the walks have not been shoveled off then Mr. Beattie will shoulder his little snow shovel and proceed at once to his work and the bill will be settled in the offender's taxes. Surely we are enjoying all the advantages, comforts and penalties of city life.

Adolph Enggass, the leading jeweler of Detroit, is fast getting to the front in the sale of fine jewelry, watches, silverware, opera glasses, clocks, etc. His head clerk, Mr. Marsh Barnard, has many warm personal friends in our village and if you are bound to make your purchases in the city, do not waste your money or time by running to the many high priced establishments there, but go directly to Adolph Enggass', Woodward avenue, near Jefferson avenue, ask for Marsh, tell him you are from Birmingham and that THE ECCENTRIC sent you and our word for it you will not be sorry for it. Watches and diamonds sold on monthly payments.

The estate of George Hoagland, now being settled in the Probate Court, has been on the court record for 54 years, in the form of a trust estate for the benefit of a daughter of the deceased. Mrs. Pittenger, who recently died in Kansas, ending the trust. Stephen Reeves was Judge of Probate when the matter first became of record in the court. Two children of Mrs. W. H. Morgans inherit one third of the estate.—Pontiac Gazette. A Partridge of this village is the administrator who is settling up the above estate. Abe Wager would have been some richer in this estate if years ago he hadn't sold his interest for just thirty dollars and now at this late day reports bitterly, but finds that the quitclaim deed goes.

Christmas trees will soon be ripe and the anxious youngster is right on the qui vive for the event. All the churches will observe in a suitable manner the holiday season and are making ample preparations for the celebration of the one great day in all the year, when all the christian world "from Greenland's icy mountains to India's coral strands" unite in singing that gladdest of all earthly anthems "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men." While the glad tidings are ringing from every steeple and your own heartsisters is gleaming with the Christmas cheer, do not forget that there are those in our midst who cannot be "merry" unless there is a little outside help to make it so. In the thankfulness of you heart for a bountiful year, put your hand in your pocket and see if you cannot help some of God's poor ones to be merry with the rest of us. "He who giveth to the poor, lendeth to the Lord."

Two boys, both under sixteen years, who gave their names as Ephriam Besaw and Jerry Taylor, began a life of tramping, starting out from Pontiac and their first night out was passed in Melvin Rose's barn and in the morning after begging their breakfast from Mrs. Rose they departed when Melvin discovered that a good pair of gloves belonging to him was "non-abomestibus." Constable Beattie was at once notified and a warrant issued by Esquire Partridge completely filled with one of Beattie's "helicareer attachments," which takes a man or boy where he ain't just as well as where he is, and of course it wasn't but a few moments before the boys were overhauled and arrested. On account of the absence of Mr. Jacokes, the bad boy's faithful defender, although they plead guilty, they were confined in the witness quarter of the Oakland county jail until Mr. Jacokes returns and makes a full and complete inquiry into the matter. Later—Owing to the absence of the county agent, Mr. Jacokes, the boys were released from custody until his return when their case will be acted upon.

THE PULPIT AND THE STAGE.

Rev. F. M. Shrout, pastor United Brethren church, Blue Mound, Kansas, says: "I feel it my duty to tell what wonders Dr. King's New Discovery has done for me. My lungs were badly diseased and my parishioners thought I would live only a few weeks. I took five bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery and am sound and well, gaining 26 pounds in weight."

Arthur Love, manager Love's Funny Folks Combination, writes "After a thorough trial and convincing evidence, I am confident Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption beats 'em all, and cures when everything else fails. The greatest kindness I can do my many thousand friends is to urge them to try it." Free trial bottles at Whitehead & Mitchell's. Regular sizes 50c and $1.

SCHOOL NOTES.

Items for this department are earnestly requested by the editors and all such items will be thankfully received and published. All facts concerning the school, items about scholars, teachers and everything in most earnestly solicited. Hand them in.

Examinations this week.

School closes Friday for the holiday vacation of two weeks.

The grammar, intermediate and primary grades will give an entertainment consisting of recitations, declamations, dialogues, music, etc., in National hall, next Friday afternoon. Parents and all others interested in school matters are invited to attend.

On Thursday evening, (to-night), the Freshman and Sophomore classes give their annual entertainment at Library Hall. The following is the program: Essay, Mary Thompson; declamations, Geo. Aldrich, Grant McDonald, Will Butler; recitations, Emma Allen, Alena McBride, Mary Brooks; shadows, tableaux, charades, etc. Madam Jarley and her wax works will close the entertainment. Music by members of the school and orchestra. Admission 10 cents. Proceeds for benefit of high school library.

THE SUNNY SOUTH.

INDIAN SPRINGS, Ga., Nov. 28, 1890.

Editors of the Eccentric.

Indian Springs is situated about three miles from the railroad, sixty miles south of Atlanta, on the line of Sherman's march to the sea as some of the inhabitants still able to testify much to their sorrow, as nearly everything except the buildings was destroyed or confiscated, many tons of cotton being burned. The spring is a tiny stream of crystal water flowing from a crevice in the rock into a bowl scooped by nature in the solid rock and is about as large as a common wash basin. The spring flows about one gallon per minute and it is claimed the water has great medical properties. One of its peculiarities is that it cannot be confined in bottles for shipment until it has been exposed to the air and the gases allowed to escape, otherwise it will burst the bottles. For this reason people have to go to the spring to drink if they get the benefit of it as a medicine. About two hundred feet from the spring, up the hillside, is being built a fine hotel or resort and will be named Indian Spring Wigwam. When it is finished it will cost $40,000.

The landlady where I stopped at the station said the W. C. T. U., consisting of 900 flat footed Yankee women, had just been out there looking for a site for an inebriate asylum and thought favorably of this place for no one can drink alcohol and this water at the same time. Many of Atlanta's swells go there to sober up after a spree. After my business was finished, viz, to arrange for lighting the Wigwam with a combination gas machine, I went to the place called a hotel to get my dinner.

This so called hotel is a very old building and was erected by McIntosh, who made the treaties with the Indians to go beyond the Mississippi in 1825, just at the end of the porch lies a large boulder that he stood on while he talked to them about the advantages to be derived by going west where game was more abundant and lands of greater extent. The treaty was made but the hostile Indians were not satisfied and when he went to his home, at that time in "Covington," afterwards named Carroll county, on the Chattahoochee River, he was followed by the Indians, his house burned over his head and he had to come out was shot dead.

The spring village is also noted for its old maids, as in this place of only one hundred inhabitants there are thirty-six old maids. One of whom was at least 50 years old insisted on my taking some shells from her collection and said I was to tell my wife they were given me by a handsome young lady at Indian Springs and was quite indignant when I asked her if she had not better send along her photo to avoid any explanations I might be called on to make. She said I was heaping insult upon insult, much to the amusement of her companions.

There is a street car line from the spring to the station, but as the cars were not running I decided to walk back after being injured I was only a little distance. I arrived several hours later a very tired if not a wiser man. Having secured a handsome bouquet on the way I will enclose part of it to you. I have good bed and sleep a good night's rest I go on my way to Rome, passing thousands of acres of cotton now being gathered and drawn to the cotton gins where the seeds are taken from it and it is then baled for market. A good yield of cotton is one bale to the acre and it is calculated that one negro and mule will produce ten bales of cotton worth $40 per bale, and negro getting $100 per year and board.

I have visited a good many battle grounds such as Kennesaw, Stone Mountain, Chickamauga, Murfreesboro, Lookout Mountain, Atlanta and others, but nature and relic hunters have nearly obliterated all traces of war except now and then some old star or embankment. Many are covered with a scrubby growth of timber and where the battles of Atlanta and Mission Ridge were fought now stand fine dwellings and factories.

Respectfully yours,

JULIAN LEET.

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