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DETROIT GRAND HAVEN AND MILWAUKEE RAILWAY

TIME TABLE IN EFFECT Dec. 6, '91.

WESTWARD.

Morning Express	7:45 a. m.
Mail	11:32 a. m.
Evening Express	4:00 p. m.
Suburban	6:30 p. m.
Chicago Express	8:40 p. m.
Night Express	11:45 p. m.

EASTWARD.

Chicago Express	6:55 a. m.
Suburban	7:45 a. m.
Detroit Express	10:00 a. m.
Mail	4:15 p. m.
Evening Express	9:40 p. m.

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Birmingham Baptist Church.
(The little church around the corner.)
Sabbath services: Preaching by the Rev. C. O. Miller, pastor of Pontiac church, who will preach here until further notice at 3 p. m. Sunday school at 4 p. m. Prayer conference and bible study each Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock, conducted by Mr. Miller. All are cordially invited. Seats free. tf

Methodist Episcopal Church.
REV. W. C. CLEMO, PASTOR.
Sabbath services at 10:30 a. m. and at 7:00 p. m. Sabbath school at 12 m. Epworth League at 6 p. m. Prayer meeting on Thursday evening at 7 p. m. All are invited.

Troy and Southfield U. P. Churches.
REV. A. H. ORR, PASTOR.
Sabbath services: Preaching at Troy at 10 a. m.; Sabbath school at 11:30 a. m. Southfield: Sabbath school at 1 p. m.; preaching at 2 p. m. Young people's meeting at 3:30 p. m. You are cordially invited.

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The Wise Man SAID:

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HOME NOTES.

High winds Tuesday last.

Gilbert A. Watkins, of Detroit, Sundayed at the farm.

Money to loan always on hand. E. C. Poppleton, Agt. 4

Spring is rapidly approaching, and she can not come too fast either.

Cassius Carter is doing valiant work at the Watkins Farm this spring.

Bert Peabody is still agent for the Grand Steam Laundry. 5

J. F. Rundel's new barn is rising up grandly and is as good as enclosed

New adv't for the Watkins Stock farm, next week.

Regular communication of Birmingham Lodge, No. 44, F. & A. M., this Thursday evening. A. Partridge, Sec'y.

Every tonsorial parlor in the village charge defeated candidates 25 cents for a shave, their faces are so very long.

Merritt & Harris, the reliable boot and shoe dealers of Pontiac have a new adv't this week. Read it.

"Golden Gossip" is the title of Mrs. Whitney's last book and it is the last number in the Library.

Grant Wolfe has been having our painters Parks & Monroe decorate his shop interior in true style and everything looks like a parlor.

The Bee Hive adv't will prove of interest to our readers this week. Don't fail to peruse it.

P. F. Hallock, of New York, will make an interesting speech at the town house in Southfield, Friday evening, April 8. All are invited.

Rev. A. J. Bigelow has been appointed presiding elder of Flint district, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Dr. Smart.

Any one having a thrifty spruce tree for sale, from five to ten feet high, please notify Mr. Wilson the sexton at the cemetery grounds.

Regular convocation of Birmingham Chap er, No. 93, R. A. M., Monday evening, April 11. Work, Mark and P. M. degree. A. Partridge, Sec't'y.

To rent, a farm of forty acres, in Troy, located 100 rods north of Big Beaver. Money rent. For particulars write Jerome Aldrich or call on I. S. Pearsall, Big Beaver, Mich. 3

Mr. Will Beardslee is clerking for Will Watkins in the hardware business in Detroit. Both Will's being willing workers make wonderful work in their lines.

Any lot owner in our cemetery can have shrubs, trees and plants watered and cared for by the sexton by the payment of the yearly dues, one dollar, to the association.

Wanted for a term of years, farm on shares, 80 to 100 acres, Oakland or Wayne county preferred. Addres John K. Squiers, 229, McDougall Ave., Detroit, Mich. tf

On Monday, April 11, the L. L. C. will review their studies in Rome. Each person to give the main facts of her study, as it was presented before the club, in a three minutes' review.

The Cemetery Association is after the careless individual who drove over and broke off one of their nice large evergreen trees at the entrance road to the cemetery.

On Monday last the family of the late Hon. O. Poppleton had the casket transferred to a steel burial vault, replacing the ordinary one they had to use until the steel one was built.

House for rent, a good house with eight rooms, two lots and a good barn to rent in this village. For further particulars call on or address D. Kyser, Big Beaver, Mich. 2

At the meeting of the Cemetery Society held last Saturday, the following was adopted: "That, the sexton be instructed to mow only the lots of those paying the annual assessment of one dollar."

We received one day last week a very pleasant call from our old time friend Mr. Fred Sigman of the Detroit Journal. Mr. S. looks well and shows that the world is doing well by him. During his stay in town he was the guest of Lawyer E. G. Stevenson.

For rent, the Mrs. Hemenway House on Pierce street. This house has been thoroughly overhauled, repainted and papered and can be rented reasonably by calling at this office.

The L. L. C. will meet Monday evening, April 11, with Mrs. Edwin Baldwin. Subject: Review of studies in Rome and review of studies in Florence. Also sketches of Dante and Giotto and the Capanile Quotations on Woman.

Lewis Simpson with Geo. W. Mitchell for first lieutenant are this week working at Peabody's. They will soon overhaul the store barn of Whitehead & Mitchell, who will have that building thoroughly repaired before moving their newly purchased horse into it.

Mrs. Laura Philbrick, widow of H. H. Philbrick who was once a Birmingham resident, passed one day last week with Mrs. S. J. Harris. Mrs. Philbrick's home is in California where she will return in a few weeks.

We print with pleasure a really very interesting letter from our old friend Julian Lest, who is at present in "the land of cotton" and also in good health and high spirits. Business with him is exceedingly good and the house that he represents is reaping a rich harvest of southern orders.

Blakeslee and Hanna's auction sale passed off last Monday very successfully. Mr. H. A. Jenks did himself proud as an auctioneer and won much praise for his natural ability as an auctioneer salesman. The sale will begin again Saturday next and continue until all the goods are entirely closed out.

Perhaps the largest purchase of sewing machines ever made in Birmingham was made last Tuesday by Whitehead & Mitchell who bought from the old reliable "Domestic" 25 Domestics, new style with all the latest improvements thereon. This firm will sell this shipment in four months or Mitchell will hang up his fiddle.

One of Parson Arney's fast horses was in front of this office Monday last. This fine equine was bought by G. A. Watkins of the horse loving parson of Saranac and with one other Gilbert A. had, he now owns as fine a matched rapid team as one would ever wish to draw a rein over. Verily, the Gilbert-A. Watkins farm has the best of everything.

Mr. J. Fen. Cooper, hustling manager of the Postal Telegraph Company of East Saginaw, was in our town last week making arrangements for opening a telegraph office for their company in our village. George E. Daines will be the local manager, the office will be located in Mr. Daines' furniture store and Master Charlie Toms will be first assistant operator besides attending to other duties pertaining to the furniture business. Verily, Birmingham do grow.

Here is what a good sensible farmer says; it is as true as can be: I know by experience that if we pay our merchants what we owe them, and then want to buy goods in quantities and pay cash we can buy as cheap at home, quality considered, as any where in the world; and again, who will buy one of our farms in the vicinity of a village all run down for lack of support? If we want a prosperous town we must keep all the money in it we can.

The remainder of the old Eccentric Club received a shock one day last week, that they are glad cannot be repeated only once more. The shock to them was the news of the wedding of their old chum and fellow sufferer Mr. Walter North, who was married in Detroit to Mrs. Elizabeth Cochlin. The club are robbing the children's banks for pennits to purchase this brother their usual wedding gift. Here's a whole houseful of hearty congratulations to the new couple for a long and happy life.

William C. Jenks' cellar for his new home is now rapidly under way. Erard Bros. of Pontiac have the stone work to do and are rapidly pushing the same to a finish. Theo. Bookham is the carpenter-in-chief and this elegant new home on Council Bluffs will be a bright and ornamental spot on Woodward Ave. North. There is promise of quite a deal of changing round in our village this spring.

You ought to see the yearling heifer and steer hanging in Rundel & Camp's meat market, that this enterprising firm bought of Mr. Samuel Bell of Southfield. Great layers and lumps of clear tallow show that excellent care and good feeding cannot fail to produce good beef for table use. Who did the feeding? Mr. Bell being sick the care and responsibility of feeding the stock and also the farm work fell upon his son Wiley a lad of about 13 years, who took to it like a duck to water, and with very satisfactory results.

Mr. Fred Joy, of Detroit, has purchased the old G. Max Trowbridge farm on the Town Line much to the joy of all the land owners on that interesting thoroughfare and will proceed at once to make Strawberry Hill shine in all its former glory. With Mr. Joy gets things well under way, he hearts satisfaction, we are promised a farm that will be the glory and pride of all Oakland county and an object perhaps that will partake of a state reputation. "Rah for Fred Joy."

The Foresters Court, Pride of Oakland fairly shines with the many improvements the boys have added thereto. New partitions have been erected, platforms have been built, desks for the different officers and one day last week the wives of the members met and sewed together a new wool carpet that the Court has just purchased from L. B. Peabody & Son. This is already laid and with the handsome pictures they have already up, the lodge room is now one any band of brothers could well be proud of. New members are constantly coming in and the Foresters may well be said to be "in it" to stay.

Died, at her home near Birmingham, Wednesday, March 30, 1892, Mrs. Henry Fall, who was the daughter of John Howland, aged 40 years. Deceased has for some time been a great sufferer though seemingly in good health to a casual observer. Her disease was chronic and incurable. She was a woman highly respected by a large circle of friends who mourn her untimely end. Her funeral services were conducted by Rev. W. C. Clemo, Friday last, after which her remains were interred in Greenwood cemetery.

A grand excursion to Tennessee and the New South will leave Toledo via the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton Railroad, Monday, April 11, at 11:40 p. m., the objective point being Harriman, Tenn. This city is one of the most flourishing in the New South and offers unlimited chances for investment and special inducements to the home-seeker. Only one fare for the round trip, Harriman and return. Tickets good going only on April 11 and to return until April 20. For rates, tickets, etc., call on or address Geo. J. Clark, Land and Excursion Agent, Room 7, Old Library Building, Toledo, O., or E. O. McCormick, General Pass. & Ticket Agent Cincinnati, O. Apr7

The April number of Romance contains seventeen complete stories of the highest character and liveliest interest. A remarkable proportion of famous writers figure among their authors. It is a theory of this periodical that the genius of every great writer should be made to contribute to the good of the race, and there is a striking exemplification of the theory in this issue. Here, too, are specimens of the best short-story work of Charles Dickens, Guy de Maupassant, Maurice Lefevre, Emilia Pardo Bazan, Grant Allen and others. A notable feature is a sketch entitled "Catching a Coolie," which describes a thrilling adventure in Oriental waters, from the pen of Lieut. J. H. Scott, U. S. R. M. This periodical is issued by Romance Publishing Company, Clinton Hall, Astor Place, New York. The price is 25 cents per copy; $2 50 per year. For sale at Mrs. Sawyer's.

ELECTION NEWS.

Election news comes in fast enough for the Democrats as they are literally snowed under with one or two bright spots notably in Troy where Mark Hall is again elected supervisor by the unprecedented majority of 36. In Royal Oak Adolphus Granger and N. E. Springsteen tied each other in the race and in the casting of lots Mr. Granger won. John Bodine was the only Democrat elected in Bloomfield, he receiving 7 majority for justice of the peace. The town officers for next year will be the following gentlemen and the figures after the name denotes the majority received:

BLOOMFIELD.

Supervisor, William Satterlee, 79.
Clerk, Austin R. Parks, 82.
Treasurer, Hiram F. Daniels, 63.
Justice of the Peace, John Bodine, Dem., 7.
Highway Commissioner, John H. Snow, 69.
Drain Commissioner, William H. Williamson, 69.
School Inspector, Victor N. Denison, 79
Board of Review (2 years) Augustus G. Dewey, 75.
Constables, George W. Fay, Hiram F. Daniels, Phillip H. Durkee, Luther Allen

TROY.

Supervisor, William M. Hall, Dem. 36.
Clerk, A. A. Gibbs, 61.
Treasurer, Will Harbison, 45.
Justice of Peace, Silas B. Wattles, 50.
Highway Commissioner, John Lawson, 54.
Drain Commissioner, August Schultz, 50.
School Inspector, Park Cutting, 50.
Board of Review (2 years), H. H. Bailey, 63.
Board of Review (1 year), David P. Beach, 43.
Constables, Rep., 50 to 60 majority.

ROYAL OAK.

Supervisor, Adolph Granger, won.
Clerk, Charles Allen, Dem., 4.
Treasurer, Jacob Erb, 16.
Justice of Peace, Sherman Williams, 17.
Highway Commissioner, Charles Stillman, 9.
Drain Commissioner, Frank L. Knowles, 38.
School Inspector, Andrew Campbell, 44.
Board of Review (2 years) John Benjamin, 39.
Board of Review (1 year) A. P. Campbell, 44.
Constables, Rep., 30 to 50 majority.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

The following is a list of letters remaining unclaimed in the post-office at Birmingham, Mich., for the month ending March 31, 1892:

Bell E. Wisler, Mrs. Sarah Griswold, Miss Hattie Soults, Richard Archer, David McHenry, Mr. Andrew Howrie, F. H. Brown & Co., Mr. Noah Fuller, C. C. Bango, Ira Smith.

Persons calling for any of the above will please say "advertised."

McALLISTER RANDALL, P. M.

Victory for an Insurance Company.

S. S. Conover, Agt. Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Co., of Manistee, Mich., says: "I had rheumatism twenty years; used crutches ten years. From the use of powerful liniments my hip and knee had lost nearly all strength. Hibbard's Rheumatic Syrup has cured me, and I wish to herald to all the merits of this wonderful medicine." For sale by F. Hagerman and Whitehead & Mitchell.

THE FLYING ROLL.

Who with an enlightened mind and the influence of christian land about them, can read the disgusting record of "Prince Michael" and followers without a feeling of shame and pity for poor deluded humanity? Any who wish to lead a life of licentiousness under the guise of religion, need not go to Salt Lake, but just journey to our beautiful City of the Straits.

Some may say, now such a belief can not stand long in this day of enlightenment; no doubt it was said when this humbug was first started, but look at its vast number, as they claim 240,000.

So it was when that monster evil began which has become a giant in our land, Mormonism, or "Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints," which originated with one Joseph Smith, who claimed that on September 22, 1823, the house was filled with consuming fire and a personage stood before him with a countenance like lightning, proclaiming himself to be an angel of God, etc. He must have used the same glasses as Prince Michael of the Flying Roll, who claims the fire passed through him and purified him so no evil can touch him. "By their fruits ye may know them."

The book of Mormons was really borrowed or stolen entirely verbatim from a MSS. romance printed by a quondam clergyman named Solomon Spaulding, who died in 1816. Smith claimed they were delivered to him by an angel September 22, 1827.

The late Prof. Anthon, one of the highest philological authorities, declares the characters on the plates to be a confused jumble of all kinds of crooked characters evidently prepared by some person who had before him at the time a book containing the various alphabets, Greek and Hebrew letters, crosses and flourishes, Roman and Mexican letters, etc. It was in the hands of one Patterson book seller at Pittsburg when Spaulding died.

Even this part of the country did not escape, Franklin was visited by their missionaries over forty years ago one Elder Shrine and Savage, being the foremost preachers. They drew off some weak heads after them, some following as far as the wilderness of Salt Lake, others making their escape when they found man and wife were to be separated, good looking wives taken and "sealed" to Mormon elders, without so much as "by your leave, sir."

About five years ago one McDonald, was looking about here for converts and another man's wife. Who knows how soon Prince Michael's missionaries will be among us.

If such a humbug will not admit of the scrutiny of purity and justice in this world, how can it stand in the eyes of Our Father?

THE SUNNY SOUTH.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., March 29, 1892.

EDITORS ECCENTRIC:—

Much has been said of Sunny South and points of interest and the writer has taken pleasure in reading descriptions of Lookout Mountain, over whose rocky sides he has climbed many times search ing for flowers, as described in THE ECCENTRIC. As yet I have seen no mention of this lovely and romantic spot Asheville, almost hidden among the mountains of North Carolina, and as I sit on the wide verandah of the Hotel Battery Park, this beautiful day I am delighted with the views. Look any way I will the mountain peaks confront me until at so great a distance that mountain and sky blend together in one unbroken line. I have looked on a good many of natures beautiful scenes in my wanderings, but never, unless it was when I stood on the shores of the old Atlantic and watched the great billows come rolling in and break on the rocks, have I viewed such grand and beautiful scenery as this. Hundreds of people are here on different missions. Some for pleasure, others for health and some like myself on business, and all seem to agree on the subject and say "how beautiful." Time or space will not allow me to dwell on the subject. I enclose descriptive pamphlet that is very interesting and aside from one enterprise not mentioned in it, gives a very fair idea of Asheville and its surroundings. That item omitted is I think worthy of mention, and it is this: G. W. Vanderbilt is erecting a country residence about four miles from here and it is said he contemplates expending about $5,000,000 on it. His grounds contains about 10,000 acres and cost $87,000 they are going to be very fine. I fancy some of your readers will say it is not right to expend so much money for a home, but when we take into consideration the facts that while he is scattering his millions, he is giving employment to a small army of needy men and improving a wilderness, it does seem as if there was good in it and that it is much better to redistribute the money than to hoard it in the vaults of the Vanderbuilts. (Republicanism) He h a now and has had all winter from 700 to 1,000 men employed here on the house and grounds and will in time transform the wilderness into a garden, where instead of the thorn the rose shall be planted etc., and all the choicest known shrubs and trees of the world will be seen here. Wishing all of my many friends and readers of THE ECCENTRIC might enjoy what is before me now, I very reluctantly close my letter; pay my bill and prepare to push on to Richmond as did the Johnnies in the sixties, only I will not like them ride a mule as the Wagner car is much more expedient and comfortable, although not available at that time.

Very respectfully yours,
JULIAN LEST.

SUNSET.

[The following lines were suggested by a brilliant sunset not long since and the lady writer claiming the inspiration has appropriately described the enchanting view.—EDS.]

The purple and pink of the sunset sky,
Rival the colors of the richest dye
As they mingle together in the fading ray
And whisper good night, at the close of day.
The shade and tint on the canvas Divine
Through a haze of gold in mellowness shine,
We gaze entranced with admiring eyes,
And worship the Hand that painted the skies.
We sit and think in dumb delight,
As the stars come out in the gray twilight,
Gathering above us one by one
Each gleaming and twinkling a far off sun.
The shimmering moonbeams bewitching the spell
With eerie shadows from each leafy dell;
While the twittering bird, just home to its nest,
Hushes her little ones for a good night's rest.
The soul enthroned at such an hour,
Is lifted up by an unseen power,
And basks in a realm of endless light,
Whose effulgent rays dispel the night.
The mists seem broken before the sight,
The darkened glass is cleared in the light,
While the heart is thrilled to its very core
By the melodious ripples from the farther shore.
The gates of pearl seem close at hand
The threshold near of the better land,
And time stands still as we breathe a prayer
Dear Lord prepare us to enter there.

BIRMINGHAM, March 25, 1892. —H. H. C.

Lines on the Death of Mrs. Addie Beattie.

"Death loves a shining mark." How truly said,
As swiftly came the news, dear Addie is dead.
Just one short year of wedded bliss she knew,
And then to brighter realms her spirit flew.

Just one short year and oh! we say how short,
But yet how much of happiness it brought.
With them life was one bright and sunny day,
Until this sad and stroke had taken her away.

Tis hard to say that last good bye,
To friends we love so dear,
But she was spared that trying hour,
She never knew that death was hovering near,
Or that she left on earth a little baby dear.

How sad the hour when he shall sit alone
Thinking of the bright and happy past,
But the time will come when you shall meet
Where joys will always last.

Though friends may sympathize
And their tears may freely flow,
Your loss they cannot feel
Your grief they cannot know.

BIRMINGHAM, Mich. —L. L.

A CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to express our sincere thanks to our many friends who so kindly, carefully and sympathetically helped and aided us all through the sickness of our wife and mother. Such acts can never be forgotten and our heartfelt thanks are due to our many friends.

HENRY FALL,
WILLIAM FALL.

WEST BLOOMFIELD BUZZINGS.

Mr. Will Brush closed a very successful term of school in the Eagle district a week ago.

Miss Myrtle Farmer has returned to her home after an extensive musical education in Detroit.

Mr. James Dodge is slowly regaining his health.

Mr. Thomas Pennel is on the sick list.

Mr. Jewel has bought the farm formerly owned by Mr. Wm. Tremper.

Mr. Hugh McCarrol and mother from Southfield visited friends and relatives here last week.

COUNTY LINE CLIPPINGS.

Giles Hoxy's house was burned last Sunday from a defective flue. About all the furniture was saved. No insurance. Mr. H. is building again.

Geo. Smoble is going to work for the Lowry Bros., of Detroit, the coming season.

Chas Metre is moving into auctioneer Blunt's tenant house.

Will Louis has moved in the Andrew Quick house and is going to work for Baldwin.

John Hawthorn, of Marine City, visited relatives in our neighborhood last week.

Charles Babcock, of Bay City, made a flying visit in our neighborhood last week.

Mrs Israel Moore is convalescent.

A very creditable exhibition was given Friday evening at the Geddes school house.

W. J. Dodds lost one of his horses last week.

Arthur Groves, Sr., has rented the Bigham place.

Wm. Murthum has moved back on his own place.

TOWN LINE TOOTSIES.

Mrs. T. C. Beach is home again.

Visitors at Hendrick's, Mr. and Mrs. Robinson; at Beach's, Elmer Waugh, Kittie Boylen, Jennie Dundas, Minnie Madden and Edna Beach of Detroit; at Patch's, Rev. Mr. Skinner and son of Columbiaville.

Harvey Skidmore and Mrs. Dawson had sales last week.

Jane and Chloe Dawson have been home from the factory with sore throats.

Charley Aspinwall bought the east part of the Dawson farm and his brother Porter will work it and the Dawson farm this season.

Billy Smith has moved to his place at Bloomfield Centre.

Will Miller has rented the Skidmore farm.

The young people enjoyed a dance at Aspinwall's one evening last week.

Our lyceum will have only one more meeting owing to the working season. We have had crowded houses. Last week we had recitations by Howard Shug, Etta Lord, Matie Nelson and Gertie Patch; singing by the audience and by Mrs. Aspinwall and Minnie Clark and by Matie Nelson; instrumental music by Walt Spencer and Bert Shug and by Mr. Miller and little son who played the drum. After recess the debate finished the program.

This last news we give for the benefit of our friends who are abroad.