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TWENTIETH YEAR.

BIRMINGHAM, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN, FRIDAY MAY 28, 1897.

NO. 4 W.O.H.E. NO. 664

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM DETROIT & MILWAUKEE DIVISION TIME TABLE IN EFFECT May 2, 1897.

Hourly Express	7:40 A. M.	7:40 P. M.
Mail	8:10 A. M.	8:10 P. M.
Overnight Express	9:00 A. M.	9:00 P. M.
Dayton	9:50 A. M.	9:50 P. M.
Chicago Express	10:00 A. M.	10:00 P. M.
Night Express	11:00 P. M.	

DETROIT, OXFORD & NORTHERN R. R. TIME TABLE

DETROIT NORTH	DETROIT SOUTH
8:00 A. M.	8:00 A. M.
12:00 P. M.	12:00 P. M.
4:00 P. M.	4:00 P. M.
8:00 P. M.	8:00 P. M.

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New line of Ladies' Shirt waists at 25, 50, 75c and \$1.
We have the best values in Ladies' and Misses Hosiery at 10, 15, 19 and 25c.

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Large line of Gents', Ladies', and Children's Russel Shoes.
Full Stock of Wall Paper and Window Shades.
Prices as low as the lowest, at

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BIRMINGHAM, MICH.

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(IN BULK.)

A. Blakeslee,

Birmingham, Mich.

Whitehead & Mitchell's Drug and Grocery Store!

We offer you the following goods at the very low prices quoted and everything else in their stock in accord with the times—very low and excellent in quality. In the Drug Line we offer you the following cut rates:

IN GROCERIES:

- Best Lamp Glass, per pound.....50
 - Oranges, Arm and Hammer brand, per package.....50
 - Best Corn, 3 cans for.....50
 - Extra Fine Cut Chewing Tobacco, per pound.....25
 - Japan Tea, 50c for spec, Japan Tea 50c for spec.....25
 - Best Tea, 20c per pound.....50
- And Many more Bargains.
- Seasonable Goods:
Moth Balls 25c per pound or 3 pounds for a quarter.
- HOOD'S SARSAPARILLA** is good, but **THERE ARE OTHERS.**
- Don't think Hood's is the only wave on the Ocean!!! Mitchell manufactures and puts on the market a better SARSAPARILLA in every respect at just one-half the price. It can be done when you buy your drugs and material in great quantities and do the work yourself.
- Mitchell's SARSAPARILLA \$1 size, only 50c,** guaranteed to be as good as Hood's and better or cash refunded. If you want a Spring medicine try a bottle. Call and see us whether you buy or not.
- Yours most respectfully,
Whitehead & Mitchell.
Birmingham, Mich.

BROWN CANNON.

A Southfield boy honored by the State of Colorado.
My Dear Friends:—
May 15, 1897.

It was my pleasure to be in Denver at the close of the session of the State Legislature, when Governor Adams had his appointment of state officers and I saw my friend, H. B. Cannon, take his office in the State Capitol as State Dairy Commissioner. Those who have known him feel very proud of him, when the Governor's appointment was announced to the Senate and popular still, when the Senate ratified the appointment without a single dissenting vote. Colorado politics is fearfully and wonderfully made and we who are on the outside can not comprehend the workings of the mysterious machine, but we can all appreciate the fact, the appointment of State Dairy Commissioner in 1897 proves that merit and ability are sometimes recognized even in Colorado politics at the end of the nineteenth century. It was a reason for the best man for the place, not as a reward for some successful wire-pulling during the campaign, but because he had never meddled in the political arena at all, and was eminently qualified to fill the office. Gov. Adams saw in him one who would honor the office and be a credit to his state.

The friends of Denver in Michigan who saw him leave his home and family in the summer of '86 to come to the wild and snowy West to try a fortune here, will be glad to know of the great success he has made of his life, so far. An started at the very lowest round in the dairy business, overcoming obstinate enemies and daunted by that which would discourage the majority of men, making things pay where others repeatedly failed, with a stiff upper lip and heart which never "tolerated the blues," he has climbed steadily up, until he has become a "man of means" and extensive business interests. The one of the firm owning the next to the largest dairy in the state of Colorado, is greatly admired and by the most successful business and professional men of Denver, and holding the office of State Dairy Commissioner with headquarters in the State Capitol building.

We have every reason to be proud of him. We join with all lovers of good government in wishing that worth might all over the world, and there would soon be no business for the "party boys."

Very truly yours,
A. A. M.

OUR JUDGES.

A fellow townman in that sunny South, and happy.

The following extract from a letter received from our fellow townsmen, Mr. Julian Leck, tells just how it is in the sunny, orange, embracing South:

LETTERS, LOS ANGELES, CALIF., MAY 14, 1897.
GEORGE H. MITCHELL, Esq.,
Dear Sir:—This is a beautiful Southern far as climate and vegetation are concerned. Cotton and oranges, melons, peaches, peaches ready to fall and cover the ground with the tops. The try and Maroon all seem to grow well, especially to cover the porch and head their color and returns, with their white mandarin that grows so prolific here, and as the sun shines so hot, it is not so hot in the bay, air laden with rich perfume, eyes our weary head, we forget the hot, beating city with its busy people and its little help as well as its many other attractions, we walk for some of our friends to enjoy the quiet loveliness of this profession. It is so very quiet, all are waiting for U. S. advance agent of progress and good fortune. Judge Leck gets his work at rare intervals just to remind our brave friends of their preparation for a night's rest that carries me farther away from home to the cotton fields of the South. Truly yours,
JULIAN S. LECK.

OF INTEREST TO PIONEERS.

The 23rd annual meeting of the Michigan Pioneer and Historians Society, will be held in the Senate Chamber of the Capitol at Lansing, commencing Wednesday, June 2, 1897, at 2 o'clock P. M., standard time, and continuing through the afternoon of Thursday, June 3.

The program will consist of music, reports of the officers and committees, interesting historical papers, interspersed with spirited five minute speeches and reminiscences. The following and many other historical and genealogical papers are expected to be read: Judge Claudius B. Grant, Lansing—"A Paper on the Life of Gov. Felch." Edward W. Barber, Jackson—"History of Vermilion, with Sketches of its Early Settlers." Charles Moore, Washington, D. C.—"The Days of Erie and Drum, 1661-63." Harlan L. Smith, Saginaw, E. S.—"The Study of the Aborigines of Michigan." Geo. H. Cannon, Washington, Mich.—"The Great Portage Indian Reservation of Lake Superior."

Reduced rates have been secured at the hotels in Lansing as follows: Hotel Downey and Hudson House, \$1.50 per day; Channing House and Ingham, \$1.00 and \$1.25 per day.

Separate lists of books, pamphlets, maps, charts, manuscript letters, diaries, correspondence, paintings, portraits, photographs, statuary, lists of newspapers, historical documents, curiosities, relics, etc., are earnestly and respectfully solicited.

The "Pioneer and Historical Collections," having been since our organization, and can be obtained of the State Librarian at the per cent.

All are invited to be present.
Geo. H. Cannon, Secretary,
Lansing, Mich.

550 MEN'S SUITS

We have just received a large lot of men's fine suits, 550 in number, which have been placed on sale at \$10.00 and \$12.00 each. They are exceptionally good of material, correct as to style, skilfully tailored, and equal to or better than the \$15.00 suits sold by others. We bought them at a manufacturer's sale and hit it right.

R. H. Traver,

DETROIT, MICH.

RIEGLER ATTEMPTED TO STEAL BUT WERE FRIGHTENED AWAY.

Thursday night last week some burglars or burglars, evidently thought Nixon's store an easy mark and worked industriously at the front door with a jimmy or crow bar to make an entrance. They broke through the lock, but at the top of the door frustrated their nefarious plan. They chopped up the door but all and no doubt a load of passengers on the trolley car frightened them away. If they were not inside of Nixon's store and then or four other of our principal firms' places there will be a most wonderful first-class burglar.

EPWORTH LEAGUE RECEPTION.

The Epworth League of this place, on Thursday night last week, gave a reception to 200 Leaguers from Pontiac and Detroit. The program was a beautifully draped table with a table set for the occasion. The program consisted of a beautiful address by Rev. E. C. Allen, gave the address of welcome. Then the presidents of the Epworth Leagues were called on for short speeches. They responded to the call of welcome. After prayer by Rev. Allen the Leaguers were led to a part to have a cool, sociable time, and get acquainted with their neighbors.

Refreshments were served and they departed at 12 o'clock, after having had a very enjoyable time.

THE CONSUMMED.

(BY ANNETTE)
The man who was blind was him.
The man who was armless shot him.
The man without legs ran and picked him up.
The dumb man said it was a blue jay.
He was not right.
(Answer next week.)

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The finest plaids, overplaids and plain patterns, in the new greenish brown, tans, black, blue and light mixtures.

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