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Hawaii is again rapping for admission. Why not let her in?

Avarice, which too often attends wealth, is a greater evil than any that is found in poverty.

It may be true that the gods are in favor of the Greeks, but unfortunately the odds are in favor of the Turks.

We cannot conquer fate and necessity, yet we can yield to them in such a manner as to be greater than if we could.

Cremation is cheaper, and by many thought to be better than burial. With the advances in the prices of burial ground the crematory should receive consideration.

Thirteen well-known physicians of the south are to be tried on the charge of advertising. When the medical profession shall be so far advanced that all doctors will advertise we shall hear no more of these contentions, and physicians generally will be more prosperous.

An important and a just ruling has been made recently by the postoffice department. The chief of a labor union in St. Louis mailed a letter having on its envelope a colored poster requesting the receiver to boycott a well known firm. The postoffice authorities decided that the letter was a violation of the federal law prohibiting the sending through the mails of matter designed to reflect injuriously upon the character or conduct of another.

There is much flippant talk in England about conquering the Boers; but the Boer is not a man to be despised, as English readers are told in a recent article. The Boer is "a man with whom the predikant (parson) is always an honored guest; who loves, and thinks much of the opinion of his wife; who is boundlessly hospitable, and who can shoot straight." The Boers, in their faith and in their shooting, bring to mind Cromwell's men, as good soldiers as the world ever saw. Fighting the Boers in London club talk, and fighting them within rifle range, are vastly different affairs, as Raider Jameson can testify.

The literary societies of Central college, of Fayette, Mo., are in a quandary as to whom they will secure to deliver the annual address during commencement in June. Several months ago the Aristotelian society, whose time it is to select the June speaker, invited ex-Senator John J. Ingalls of Kansas to deliver the address, and the distinguished gentleman accepted, but right he took so prominent a part in the Corbett-Fitzsimmons prize fight the board of curators and faculty of Central college have entered a protest against the Kansas statesman, and the young men are at sea, and commencement day draws nigh.

The National Provisioner publishes details of the visit of some Danish gentlemen to this country "for the purpose of buying meat wherewith to fill contracts for supplying the Danish army." Denmark, in common with other European powers, has been feeding her soldiers and sailors for some time on Australian beef, but has lately notified the contractors, whose agents are now in this country, that a change for the better in the character of the meat furnished was desired. The orders, therefore, will hereafter be placed in Kansas City and Chicago, and possibly at other centers. What is our gain is Australia's loss. We also have this new evidence of the fact that when it comes to a question of quantity and quality in regard to beef, the United States stands without a rival."

When the great preacher, Spurgeon, was at the height of his fame a well-known lecture agent wrote him, making him the tremendous offer of a hundred thousand dollars for a preaching tour, asking at the same time for a reply by cable. What was the agent's surprise to receive a cable message consisting of only the words: "Acts viii: 20." When the agent had finally procured a Bible he opened it and read these lines: "But Peter said unto him, Thy money perish with thee, because thou hast thought that the gift of God may be purchased with money." This was the last effort made to induce Spurgeon to do what so many eminent clergymen, too, of unquestioned piety—have done, namely, make a show of himself for American gold. The great nonconformist's scorn for money was always high, and not too common in these days when even the noblest gifts of God are not infrequently bought for so many dollars a sentence. In this respect Spurgeon was a good model to follow.

After what he rightly calls "half a century of honest hard work against the terrible drink curse," the Rev. Dr. Theodore L. Cuyler sums up his judgment in these words: "Legislation to prohibit liquor-selling without moral efforts to diminish liquor-drinking, fails and will fail to the end of time."

Two factions in Kansas City are trying to settle the question as to whether the production of brass band music is labor or art. In some cases it is neither, but is a fashion of punishment.

The Duke of Marlborough, the other day, proposed a resolution congratulating the Queen upon the growth of her empire during her long reign. This doubtless includes the acquisition of British wealth through Americans who are so little Americans as to pay handsomely to get any sort of titles into their families.

Barnard, the man who rode the airship bicycle into the sky at Nashville, called back to the disappearing people: "Well, I'm off," but fortunately for himself he really wasn't.

# HOME NOTES.

Next Sabbath is Communion day at the Presbyterian church.

John E. Simonson, of Bay City, was in town one day last week.

Miss Beula Horton of DesMoines, Ia., is a guest of Mrs. M. Linabury.

S. C. Hunt and family of Akron, Ohio, spent Monday at J. B. Hunt's.

Mervin Wattles and wife of Detroit, visited lately with Mrs. S. W. Fuller.

J. J. Nichols and wife, of Ft. Gratiot, visited at Mrs. David Roy's part of last week.

A vote "Yes" for the new school house means an advancement for our little city.

Miss Jennie Buttolph, of Detroit, was a guest of Birmingham friends over Sunday.

Holly and Milford will celebrate the 4th in great style. What's the matter with Birmingham?

Rev. Eugene Allen delivered the address before the graduating class of the Watrousville High School this week.

Mrs. Harriet Mitchell is visiting her son Charles Hoffman at Deford this month and will make an extended stay.

Dr. W. J. Wilson, Jr., of the Harper Hospital, Detroit, is spending a week's vacation in Birmingham and Southfield.

Visitors in town this week—Mrs. A. J. Crosby, of Clarkston, Clarence Cowles and Charles Cowles, of Saginaw, E. S., Mich.

Miss Emeline Mitchell is visiting Willie Garnette at Fowlerville. She is accompanied and chaperoned by Tillie E. Walker.

Everybody vote on the new school house Yes or No, so that after the decision is made you can feel that you had your say.

Loon Lake, near Drayton Plains, recently received 75,000 wall eyed pike placed there by the Michigan Fish Commission.

J. W. McKinney and daughter Nellie, of Holly, were in Birmingham Friday, called here by the serious illness of their relative, Matthew Erwin.

A fine bicycle for sale, good as new, in fact nearly new. Worth $50. Will sell for $25 or negotiable note. Come and see it at Whitehead & Mithell's.

"The popular Wayne Hotel, Detroit, will be headquarters for a large number of Michigan Shrines during the meeting of the Imperial Council, June 7th to 10th.

Mrs. Bert Baldwin and sister Miss Fanny McGibben and father McGibben, all of Grand Ledge, Mich., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Baldwin last week.

Matt. Erwin, Harbor Springs' (Mich.) popular druggist and good all-around man, is with his father, Matthew Erwin, in Southfield, who is very low at this writing.

Regular communication of Birmingham Lodge, No. 44, F. & A. M., next Thursday evening, June 10. Work. A full attendance is desired. James M. Hunt, Sec'y.

The Ladies' Working Society of the M. E. church will meet at the home of Mrs. J. E. Kerr, Friday afternoon, June 4. Everybody welcome. Mrs. Nellie Camp, Secretary.

Mrs. John G. Wilson wants to sell her home in this village. The location is fine for a boarding house or restaurant and some one is going to get a bargain sure.

Mrs. H. C. Wilson made a flying visit to her friend, Mrs. J. C. Paton, Port Huron, Mich., and brought her namesake, little Georgia Wilson, home with her for a short stay.

Special meeting of the B. H. S. Alumni on Saturday evening, June 5, at 7 o'clock, sharp. Meeting to be held at the home of J. B. Hunt. A full attendance is desired. M. Hunt, Sec'y.

That school vote ought to carry. Had we $30,000 more invested in schools it would pay and our close proximity to Detroit would make us a second Ypsilanti. We believe it.

The centre of our lovely village is all torn up because the Oakland Railway Co. are putting in a switch or rather an extended double track. Surely if our sister city Pontiac can have a double track on Saginaw street we can.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Hamlin were at Petersburg, Monroe county, over Sunday, called there by the death of a niece of Mrs. Hamlin. They also made a short stay at Hudson before returning home.

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian church adjourned last Friday evening, after the shortest meeting that it has held for eighteen years. Rev. A. Marsh and wife returned home on Saturday.

The thanks of the G. A. R. and the Cemetery Association are given to Mrs. Frank Kimball, of Grand Rapids, for a donation Decoration Day of a beautiful and generous supply of choice flowers for decorating the graves of the fallen heroes.

Jean McLaughlin, only daughter of Robt. McLaughlin, of Detroit, visited Carrie Mitchell over Sunday last. Starting home for Detroit with a bountiful supply of gum and all day suckers she confidentially told Carrie, "I'll chew to Royal Oak and suck the rest of the way."

The Improved Domestic is the most perfect sewing machine ever produced. It embodies more points of excellence than any other and will outwear and outlast any sewing machine in the market. Domestic Bicycles possess the same good qualities. June 25

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Baptist church will hold their next regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, June 9th, at 2:30 p. m., at the residence of Mrs. Jay Hunt, one mile south of the village on the line of the electric railway. A cordial invitation is extended to everyone.

While at work at Mrs. E. M. Leonard's new addition to her home last week Friday Jay Reynolds stepped on a board, it broke and down went Jay cutting his forehead and ear and receiving a jar that echoed throughout his frame for a day or two later. Jay is grit and was right at it the next day.

James W. Carson has moved the house from the U. P. church folks' lot that they bought from Mrs. Harris. Jack Purdy purchased it and had it moved to a lot on the Purdy Bros. subdivision where it will be done off, added to and made a delightful little home for some one.

A young lad of Ortonville, aged 17, captured the West Point Cadetship at the recent Pontiac examination. Our friend Will Starr, of Royal Oak, could not fill the physical test, so he did not take the examination further. We're sorry. Our hopes were for Will's complete success.

Remember the contest at the M. E. church, Tuesday evening, June 8. The recitations are of a high class, full of humor, pathos and truth. Miss Mayme Taber has kindly consented to drill those who take part. If you wish to enjoy an evening's entertainment of speaking and music all for five cents, don't fail to attend the contest.

John Wilkinson, of Southfield Ave., has a beautiful home and it is nearly finished. He is now busy decorating the same by painting and has succeeded in making it a very attractive establishment and the pride of the avenue. It is a large, commodious home, good enough for anybody and none too good for the genial John.

Warren Brown, the popular young conductor of the Oakland County Railway, it is announced was married Wednesday evening to Miss Carrie Lee, one of Birmingham's fairest daughters, and who has many friends who will wish the new married couple a long and happy life.

The Y. P. C. U. social at Rev. Mr. Orr's last week was a success socially and financially, if it was not in the fishing line. The young people added nine dollars more to their window fund. Some members from the Y. P. C. U. of Troy were present and brought with them a gift of ten dollars from their society for which we again express our thankfulness.

Men who use the newspapers more or less will be interested in knowing about the rates charged by some of the publications in this country. The last page of Munsey's Magazine has been sold for one year to four advertisers, each of whom occupies a quarter of a page, and pays $6,000, making a total of $24 000 for the page. One line in the Youth's Companion costs $5 00, while a page in the Ladies' Home Journal costs $4,000.

A neighboring editor, on reading that a young lady in New York kneeds bread with her gloves on, at once gave vent to his feelings in the following: "It is said a New York girl kneeds bread with her gloves on, but we do more than that. We need bread with our boots on; and we need bread with our pants on; and if a lot of our subscribers don't soon pay up we'll need bread without anything on."

"The Gods of the Nineteenth Century," will be Mr. Church's subject at the Baptist church, Sunday evening, June 6th. Services both morning and evening, Sunday school immediately after morning service. Everybody welcome. Regular covenant meeting Saturday, June 5th, at 2:30 p. m., at which every member is requested to be present. Business of importance demands immediate attention. Don't forget.

Honest poverty is no disgrace but unpaid debts stamp any man as a bad citizen. Nobody ever casts reflections on poverty, but our people do right to mistrust the individual who goes from place to place leaving his honest debts unpaid and eking out a precarious existence on borrowing funds. There is about as much consistency in such a person talking about honesty in others as there is in a hog posing as the apostle of grace and culture.

An exchange says, and truthfully so, too, that a clean town adds to the comfort and convenience of its citizens. It is an advertisement for the place worth much more than the cost of cleaning. It creates a favorable impression upon strangers; it attracts population and adds to the taxable wealth of the place. A clean town pays the biggest kind of dividends because it prevents disease and promotes business.

It is claimed for Birmingham, Mich., that the first ball club organized in Michigan, was started there just 43 years ago. One member of that team still survives. The famous Cass Club of Detroit was the outcome of an effort to emulate the Birmingham Club.—Clipped from a New York paper. Hon. Alanson Partridge is the only living member of the first base ball club (National game) organized in Michigan.

Do you realize that you can take an electric car here in Birmingham and after enjoying a pleasant hour's ride, stop right out in front of the Taylor Wolfenden Co.'s store, Detroit, where you will find a splendid assortment of dry goods and furnishings. See their bran new ad. in this week's "ECCENTRIC" and when in Detroit visit them and you may rest assured that this firm can be relied upon every day in the week. Their location is on the corner of Woodward Avenue and State street.

A strange fact. The German lady whose name we did not ask but whom we cared for over night about three weeks ago, past 84 yehrs of age, and who started for Utica, Mich., on Wednesday morning over three weeks ago, never reached that place and has never been heard of by her relatives who watched for her coming every day for three or four days and then made up their mids she had gone to other relatives. Whatever in the world did become of the old lady?

Have you accepted the invitation of Josiah W. Bird, of Pontiac, to visit his finely equipped clothing house and verify the statements which he publicly proclaims in the "Eccentric?" Mr. Bird is well known as an honorable, reliable business man, and it will pay anyone to invest their money with him. His goods are first class, prices reasonable and the genial proprietor is always ready to make it pleasant for all who enter his store. When in Pontiac don't forget to call upon him at the old stand opposite First Commercial Bank.

Our electric railway is proving fatal to cats, and dogs or at least Friday of last week was an unlucky day for the feline and canine race, for Alex. Parks' favorite house cat Diana was made into fiddle strings in a jiffy and Art Blakeslee's dog Jack was run over, and under the car he must have imbibed a fatal dose of the juice for he ran out unmarked to the side of the road and dropped dead without a struggle. The family and entire neighborhood took the death to heart sadly and Art would rather have lost a fifty dollar bill that Jack, he being a great favorite.

You are always welcome, whether you purchase or not, at the McConnell store, Pontiac. The reputation of Hutton, Church & Linabury is established and it is acknowledged by all to be a good place to buy dry goods. Their large assortment, low prices and courteous manners draw large crowds to their counters daily, each visitor usually carrying a generous supply of merchandise away with him. Give them a chance to convince you that what they say is to be depended upon. Of course you all know their "number."

Mr. Jerome Robbins, of Pontiac, and a finer gentleman never existed, has been appointed by Gov. Pingree as Judge of Arbitration with a $1,200 per year salary. His associate judges are Chas. K. Schmitz, of Detroit, and Thos. Roberts, of Nicaragua. Their duties are to act as arbitrators in all cases where disputes arise between employers and employees. Mr. Robbins is eminently fitted for just such a situation as it requires keen perception and excellent judgment and calm reasoning that our county fellow citizen possesses to a remarkable degree.

An artistic booklet is before us telling of the opening of the Interlaken Hotel at Pine Lake which favorite resort opened for public patronage June 1st under the care and management of Mrs. L. Irving, of Detroit. The cost of living at Interlaken is less than the charges made by other hotels and boarding houses that are not so well located nor equipped, and do not afford one-half the conveniences and opportunities for enjoyment. Ladies and children are specially well cared for, and their patronage is solicited. No liquor is sold on the premises, nor can it be purchased within three miles of the hotel. Mrs. L. Irving managed Interlaken last season so successfully that she just had to take charge of the charming establishment for the season of 1897.

The awarding of the prizes at the Matron's contest at the time of the W. C. T. U. convension was not quite satisfactory to some of our people, who thought our Birmingham contestants were as worthy as any. A movement originating outside of the Union here, made a purchase of a similar prize, and not desiring to discriminate where all had done so well, they concluded to bestow the gift on Mrs. E. F. Waldo, as her oration "Why I am a White Ribboner" was so directly in line with the badge of the order. Miss Blunt, in behalf of the contributors, made the presentation at the meeting of the Union on Tuesday, in a few well chosen words and the surprised recipient replied in a most happy manner. It was a very pleasant event and a deserved compliment to a lady who is an active worker in all good enterprises.

The only attempt made at an observance of Decoration Day in this town was that made by the Library Society and the Birmingham Band. A very pleasing program was given. The recitations were by Miss Ward, Mrs. Eldred, Miss Lottie Hall. Songs appropriate to the occasion were rendered by Mr. S. Marsh, Mr. Soults, Misses Soults and Wilson. Mr. Parker, in a short speech, brought back to his comrades some of the old war scenes through which they had passed. In addition to the above the audience were favored with a recitation by Miss Maude Lavery and a vocal selection by Miss Lavery accompanied by Miss Erb. These young ladies after assisting at their own Decoration Day services at Royal Oak, kindly consented to assist here and both Library and Band appreciate their kindness. The exercises of the evening were interspersed by music from the band of whose proficiency we need not speak as every one in our village knows how faithfully they have practiced and how well they have succeeded.

# ROYAL OAK RUMBLINGS.

## Relating to Reliable Relatives Returning from Roundabout Regions--Reports and Religious Reflections.

Meeting of I. O. O. F. this evening.

The K. O. T. M. met Monday evening.

Richard Rose spent Monday in Detroit.

E. Carter has lately closed his meat market.

Frank McDowell was in Detroit Monday last.

The residence of R. Rofe is receiving a fresh coat of paint.

Mrs. A. Harris made a business trip to Detroit the first of the week.

Mrs. Robt. McClure, of Warren, called on Royal Oak friends Monday.

J. G. Hutchins, of Detroit, was a guest of his brother, A. Hutchins, last Sunday.

Edward Marter and Walter Pumford, of Detroit, Sundayed at Mrs. M. Robinson's.

The Epworth League of this place hold their monthly business meeting this evening.

There are prospects of a G. A. R. Post being organized in our village in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Herrier of Pontiac, were guests of Mrs. Maria McDowell last Sunday.

Mrs. T. H. Lavery, of Howard City, is visiting at the home of her brother, H. N. Lavery.

The little folks are busy rehearsing for Children's Day exercises, the second Sunday of this month.

Miss Jennie Hutchins is spending a week with her sister Myrtie, who is teaching school at Jackson.

Mrs. August Angler, of New Boston, spent a portion of last week in this place, a guest of Mrs. Wm. Fortis.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Windland, are the happy parents of two little twin sons. They arrived on the 27th inst.

James Robb and two children, of Detroit came to this village to observe Decoration, and remained for several days as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Connor.

Little Jennie Peasley, who has been confined to the house with measles for some time past, is able to be out again.

Our esteemed citizen, Mr. Wilcox, has recently accepted a nice position with a lumber firm in Detroit. May success attend him.

Mrs. Geo. Rash, of Thirteen Mile Road, who has been ill, is convalescing. She visited her mother, Mrs. E. Lewless, last Sunday.

Detroit seems to be in great demand of hay lately and Cy. Brace and Alex. Peasley are kept busy now a days supplying this demand.

Mrs. Geo. Ross and Mrs. Will Southworth, of Bay City, were entertained at the residence of Mrs. E. Lattenbacher one day last week.

Dr. N. L. Smith, accompanied by her friend Miss Swain, of Detroit, were entertained by Mrs. E. A. Kidder on Sunday last.

Mrs. Fred Grub, a former resident of Royal Oak, died recently at Monroe and her remains were brought here for interment. She leaves a husband and five children.

Will Hellegatter has at last found out an easy way of making butter, having purchased a cream and butter worker which churns 50 gallons of cream in 30 minutes, and runs by electricity.

The Riverside Club, of Christ church, Detroit, came to Royal Oak last Monday in two trolley cars and held a picnic in the Hendrie grove. The young people seemed to be having a very jolly time.

If those who called Royal Oak "Sleepy Hollow" a year or so ago had feasted their eyes on it Memorial Day, or Saturday, May 29, trimmed with the Stars and Stripes they would, undoubtedly have changed their minds.

Harrison Kimmel, aged eight years, one day this week hearing a person talking to his mamma regarding a newspaper called the "Globe" turned to her, with a puzzled look on his bright little face, and said "is the Globe the earth, Mamma?"

Decoration Day was observed here in a truly patriotic manner. G. A. R.'s in uniform to the number of about 75, many of whom were from Detroit and Pontiac, marched to the cemetery, where a salute was fired at the soldiers' graves. About 500 people were in attendance and everything passed off in remarkably good order.

We greatly appreciate the interesting church services which we have enjoyed in our Baptist church the past two Sundays, conducted by Mr. Church, pastor of the Baptist church of Birmingham. The sermon of last Sunday, addressed particularly to the ladies, was of exceptional interest and drew out a large congregation. This young man is making many warm friends here and we welcome him in our midst. The Sunday school is also increasing in numbers under the faithful supervision of Superintendent Wilcox and his capable teachers. Sunday school at 2 o'clock and preaching at 3 p. m.

### SOME WONDERS.

Wonder why the person who only reads The Eccentric when they can borrow it, thinks that now it is so much improved it is worth $1.50 per year.

Wonder who is going to furnish the boys and money to make the contemplated saloon a success!! It now requires 100,000 boys each year to keep up the supply. Will you furnish your boy, Mr. Voter? How about yours, Mr. Bondsman?

Wonder if Pontiac deserves much credit for giving the franchise to the Electric road.

Wonder when the Electric Road will be built to Farmington.

Wonder where there is a town that needs a road more or would give better patronage.

Wonder if the editor will ever ask the wonderer for more copy!

### WHO WANTS A BARGAIN?

We have had placed in our hands for sale the home of Mrs. Jno. G. Wilson on Saginaw street in this village. This place is a most desirable one for anyone who wishes to keep a restaurant or a hotel in a small way. The location is advantageous—none better in the village—three-fourths of an acre of land and a house in pretty good shape. The house has a large dining-room, kitchen, wodshed and bedroom down stairs, two bedrooms up stairs with a large clothes press. A small barn and plenty of small fruits. Price $800 and time given on part if required. Apply to Whitehead & Mitchell. tf

### SOUTHFIELD AVENUE.

Mr. Matthew Erwin, of Southfield, has been very sick for the past week with little hopes of his recovery.

Mrs. Lizzie Cannon Woodruff, of Waterviliet, visited at Robt. Hanna's the fore part of the week. She and her little boy are spending two weeks at her father's, James Cannon's.

Mrs. Robt. Hanna stayed with her father, Alonzo Skinner, part of this week. He has been in poor health all winter and his recovery is doubtful.

### COUNTY LINE CLIPPINGS.

Sam Groves comes into possession of the J. Parker land by foreclosure proceedings.

Frank Dunn and one of the Schoonover boys are in trouble over a ditch.

John Mueler and Dr. Ladacour have a lawsuit about some words after a council meeting.

Mrs. Wm. Cole has been seriously sick again. Dr. Flynn is attending her.

John Parker, of the Town Line, has moved to New York State. The church and society have received a severe loss, also his many creditors. Good bye, Johnny.

F. W. Cartwright and wife attended the funeral of Mrs. Cartwright's father who died at Wayne last week.

Dr. Flynn and M. Stanley attended the Knight Templar doings at Romeo last week and report a grand time.

Miss Ella Wilson spent a good portion of last week in Detroit with friends.

John Hogo has moved near the Gratiot road. A meeting of condolence will not be called by his neighbors on his departure.

Henry Lockwood and Joseph Emerson had a lawsuit in regard to a lease on land at Mt. Clemens.

Miss Templeton closed a successful term of school last Friday.

All the quarantined people at Warren are at liberty, no new cases of diphtheria appearing.

Emory Wilson bid in the 10 acres of land sold Saturday, belonging to the C. Davy estate.

G. W. Hoard has been appointed P. M. at Warren.

O. Stephens moved into the F. Halsey store last Saturday.

### SOUTHFIELD

Malon Micle's child is still very sick, this being the sixth week of its sufferings and no hope of recovery at present.

The Southfield Band under the leadership of Joe Brooks is prospering and numbers nearly 20. The new obliging postmaster is a success also.

After successfully running the cheese factory for eight years, to the grief of all good people it opened up to receive milk last Sabbath for the first time. There are few things more demoralizing than the running of milk wagons on the Sabbath. What is the matter, John, do you want the earth "They that honor Me, I will honor."

Marshey Megawix is to take part in the Demorest silver medal contest June 8th at Birmingham. We hope she may win.

School in the stone school house closes with a picnic to-day.

Children's Day will be observed the second Sabbath in June. It will no doubt be a success as usual, when the size of the Sabbath School is considered and the few but earnest workers.

Rev. J. G. Morgan preached to a full house Sabbath evening, which was his fourth sermon that day, this usual number being three. He had preached three sermons through the previous week. Monday of this week he attended the funeral of Mrs. Belknap, at Bell Branch, who had lived to the great age of 93 years. She retained her faculties in a remarkable degree. The beautiful work done by her in the Aid Society of that place was proof that her hand "had not forgot its cunning." The church and community have lost one of its best friends.

### WEST BLOOMFIELD WARBLINGS.

(DELAYED.)

The Eccentric looks nice and reads much better than it has.

Miss Sadie Beaslee, of Clarkston, is visiting her sister, Mrs. R. J. Beattie.

Mrs. D. Kyle received a bad hurt from her carriage these kicking her, but is better now.

H. C. Haskins and A. Blakeslee, of Birmingham, were fishing at Walnut Lake lately and carried home a long string of fish.

Messrs. Chapel and Holly, of Milford, and Chapel, of Birmingham, are camping at Walnut and are enjoying the nice northwest breezes immensely, but they congratulate themselves that there are no mosquitos as these frosty nights are too much for the skeeters.

Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Chapin, of Salem, have been visiting their sister, Mrs. W. T. Coulter.


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