

# BIRMINGHAM, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28, 1898.

Devoted to Our Own Locality--We Labor for Its Interests.

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## H. W. Baxter.

I have American, Waltham, Elgin, Illinois, St. Thomas and Trenton Movements.

Jointed or Screw Head Cases and each one will prove a good timepiece and the prices are very low. Best \$1.00 Nickel Arm Clocks made and I can warrant them O. K. Gold Wedding Rings, Pins, Chains, Cuffs and Collar Buttons, fine quadruple silver plated ware at cost. Best made.

Repairing done reasonable and I guarantee satisfaction. Eyes carefully fitted and any kind of frames, and no rollers prices.

H. W. BAXTER, Jeweler and Optician, Birmingham.

## Geo. E. Duff

—DEALER IN—

Fresh, Salt and

Smoked Meats

Of all kinds. Our prices are below all competition on the best of meats.

Middle St. Birmingham, Mich.

## BIRMINGHAM CITY LAUNDRY

FIRST DOOR WEST OF BANK.

Work clean, white and satisfactory. Careful attention paid to every article.

Shirt waists, dress skirts, curtains, table linens, everything—first class and fair price.

Shirts, collars and cuffs white, stiff and clean.

Ed Montgomery, Proprietor.



We would like to

C-U-B-A customer of ours. Invest your money where it will do the most good. Cash Sales and Small Profits.

## Parks & Son.

Clarence L. Cowles, Architect, 21 and 23 Chase Block, Saginaw, E. S., Mich.

Phone 547-3. Residence 408.

## SAY

Have you ever eaten fresh cream butters,

U. S. Wafer Crackers?

at

Whitehead & Mitchell's

JAY MOORE, Head pusher for Birmingham and vicinity.

## It Pays to Buy

## GOOD RUBBERS.

Going's Stock always good, always well assorted, always right in price. We guarantee from cracking until worn out.

Men's Rubber Boots, Boys' Rubber Boots, Women's Rubber Boots, Children's Rubber Boots.

Men's Arctic Snow Excluders, etc. Boys' Arctic Snow Excluders, etc. Women's Arctic Snow Excluders, etc. Children's Arctic Snow Excluders, etc.

Men's Rubbers, all styles. Boys' Rubbers, all styles. Women's Rubbers, all styles. Children's Rubbers, all styles.

Fleeced or cotton lined storm or low fronts.

Large assortment of "Snag-proof" Rubbers.

C. H. GOING, Pontiac, Mich.



TRIPLE KNEE STOCKINGS.

Kenosha Make Black-Good Brand.

We are Agents for the

Peninsular Overalls and Shirts

They are first-class and warranted. Try them and be convinced.

FRESH CANDIES EVERY WEEK.

Try our 35c Tea—you cannot match it in Detroit for less than 40c.

Call on us for anything in the Notion Line.

L. B. PEABODY, BIRMINGHAM, MICH.

At a

Sacrifice

Heaters and

Oil Cloth Rugs!

They must be closed out in order to make room for new goods.

COME IN AND EXAMINE THEM.

C. H. SCHLAACK & CO.

Birmingham, Mich.

IT WILL BE COLDER--BUY YOUR

Blankets, Robes,

Fur Coats, Gloves

and Mittens, etc.,

NOW and be prepared. My stock is complete and prices as low as the lowest. No

trouble to show goods.

E. A. O'NEAL,

Birmingham, Mich.

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## A TERRIBLE DEATH!

Moses Shug Cut to Pieces by an Express Train!

The Detroit Free Press of Tuesday contains the following account of the tragic death of Moses Shug:

"The remains of Moses Shug, an old settler of Oakland county, were taken to Pontiac for burial Monday. A short time ago Mr. Shug went to Portland, Pa., his birthplace and old home for a visit. Saturday he and a cousin, Edward Kurtz, started out for a walk through the old farm and, striking the railroad tracks of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railway, were journeying leisurely along when they noticed a coal train coming toward them. They left these tracks to get out of the way of the approaching train, and stepping onto the opposite track got directly in front of the fast express coming. Mr. Kurtz saw the approaching train just in time to jump and save himself, but not with out injury, he being struck by the engine. He attempted to pull Mr. Shug with him, but before he could do so the engine struck him and he met an instant death, his body being cut into unrecognizable mass. Mr. Kurtz, after regaining consciousness went for assistance, and the mangled remains of Mr. Shug were gathered together and sent to Pontiac, where he was buried Tuesday at 2 p.m. from the M. E. church. Deceased was 72 years of age. He leaves a widow and four children: John Shug, of Detroit; Bert Shug, of Kalkaska, Mich.; Mrs. Lee Stanley and Howard Shug, who lived on the farm with their father. Mr. Shug was killed on the same farm on which he was born and spent his early days.

Mr. Shug was a member of the Masonic Lodge of Birmingham, also a Maeciae. He has lived on the town line between Troy and Bloomfield for many years and is well known by everybody in Oakland county. His tragic death was a shock to this community.

SOMETHING TO BE PROUD OF

Is the Royal Oak Township Library

Library Comprising Over 1,000 Volumes

The Royal Oak Township Library, which is located in the town hall of the village of the same name, now comprises over 1,000 volumes. These are worth about \$500 at a rough estimate, yet they are not properly cared for and the librarians, the library is not to blame. There is insufficient room for the books and the quarters provided for the books are inadequate. At the last town meeting an effort was made to secure a separate library building, but to be located in the vacant lot in the rear of the town hall and to front on Fourth St., but this was voted down. The misguided citizens failed to see that anything that would benefit the village would also benefit the township, although it is plain that anything that will tend to increase the population of Royal Oak will also have a tendency to increase the number of taxpayers in the township and thus lessen the burden of the individual taxpayer.

Despite the fact that the books of the library are of considerable value they are not insured. Of course many of the books are constantly in circulation, but several hundred remain in the library from week to week and should be properly protected. Moreover, all of the books are called in once a year and a fee is just as liable to occur then as at any other time. It would be too bad if the entire library were wiped out by such a misfortune and no funds would be available to replace it or at least the greater part of the books. It is probable that the township board will take action on this matter at its next meeting. Although the board of the village who petitioned the town meeting for a separate library building will probably not do so again, it may yet become an established fact. It is never too late to mend! During the past week new books were added to the library, including "A Man of France," by Stanley G. Weymann; "The Isaacsons," by F. Marion Crawford; "High Wycombe," by Dr. Weir Mitchell; "The Adventures of Captain Horn," by Frank H. Stockton; "The Prisoner of Zenda," by Anthony Hope; "Lincoln," by Owen Wister; "Wood Eater," by Marjory; "A Cardinal Sin," by the author "Gladys"; "A Terrible Temptation," by Charles Rade; "Peg Woffington," by the same; "On the Face of the Waters," by F. Marion Crawford; "What's in the Bag," by Grant Allen; "The Road of the Midst," by F. Marion Crawford; "The Marston and Peter Ibbotson," by George Du Maurier; "Kilnsey," by the author "Gladys"; "The Master of Ballantrae," by Robert Louis Stevenson; "Little Lord Fauntleroy," by Frances Hodgson Burnett; "Zane," by Marie Corelli; "From Whose House," by Robert Barr; "Captains Courageous," by Rudyard Kipling and others.

PAUL CLARKE.

Advertised Letters.

The following is a list of letters remaining unclaimed in the postoffice at Birmingham, Mich., for the week ending October 22, 1898.

Orson Perkins and H. W. Randall.

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

GEORGE H. MITCHELL, P. M.

Pay Your Water Rates.

BIRMINGHAM, Mich., 26, '98.

Notice is hereby given that Albert W. Campbell, Village Clerk, will be at the Exchange Bank on November 1, 2, 3, 4, and 7, from 1 to 4 o'clock p. m. of each day, for the purpose of collecting the water rates of this village.

## A Golden Wedding.

The many friends and neighbors of the Hon. Chas. V. Hubcock and his wife met at their home on Monday of this week, the occasion being the 50th anniversary of their marriage. After renewing old acquaintances and enjoying social time generally, the guests were treated to a bountiful repast provided by the Ladies' Gleaner Society of Southfield, which attended to the wants of all in a manner so efficient when they are evinced.

Although it was understood that no presents were to be made, the host and hostess were the recipients of some very rich and useful ones, among which were two elegant easy chairs. The presentation was made by L. M. Dunbar in a few well chosen words which were well received.

Mr. Hubcock very feelingly responded, thanking the donors and the friends for their presence and the expression of their affection. He said that many other things, 50 years, one-half century, ago Mrs. Hubcock and himself had decided to fight the great battles of life. The past fifty years have been the brightest in the history of the world. He also said that of the neighbors residing within a radius of many miles those now living could be counted on one's fingers. At that time so much comprised the Union. It now embraces 48. Then there were only four states west of the Mississippi, the vast tract of country beyond being the abode of wild beasts and savages. Now the hum of industry is heard throughout the great valleys of the Mississippi and the Sacramento, teeming with an industrious and enterprising people. Great states have sprung up that stand shoulder to shoulder to guard the sacred precincts of our constitution. He referred to the great advancement in the arts and sciences and the improved condition of the human race in the last 50 years. "Wind and wave have been subdued and the lightning has been harnessed and made to do duty to man."

Everything has been a good time and departed to their respective homes, and if all agree with us we will not wait for another fifty anniversary before we will be in our friends Mr. and Mrs. Hubcock again.

ATTENDEE.

## Modern Novel Club

The following is the plan of the work of the Modern Novel Club for the winter.

The club meets at Library room the first and third Saturday evenings of each month. All are welcome.

NOVEMBER.

1st Saturday—"Red Badge of Courage," Mrs. Hildred and Mrs. Harold Wilson.

3rd Saturday—"Nicholas Nickleby," Mrs. Hildred.

DECEMBER.

1st Saturday—"Cypriote," Mrs. Wilson.

3rd Saturday—"Anne," Mrs. Wilson.

JANUARY.

1st Saturday—"The Story of the Conquest of Spain," Mrs. Post.

3rd Saturday—"A Brave Lady," Mrs. C. M. Raynolds and Mrs. R. R. Eldred.

FEBRUARY.

1st Saturday—"The Story of an African Farm," Mrs. Kate Alger.

3rd Saturday—"The Story of an African Farm," Mrs. Kate Alger.

MARCH.

1st Saturday—"The Story of an African Farm," Mrs. Kate Alger.

3rd Saturday—"The Story of an African Farm," Mrs. Kate Alger.

GONE TO HER REWARD.

After an illness of but a few Brief Hours.

"Her soul, her body's guest."

Has been ascended, whither only Love can climb."

When the sad news of the sudden death of Mrs. Henry Stiff was first circulated in this community last Sunday it seemed almost incredible, as the one so suddenly summoned home had been on our streets only the night before in comparatively comfortable health.

Mrs. Stiff was about 40 years of age. She had resided in this vicinity for many years and had always been known as Sarah Toms until about a year and a half ago, when she married Mr. Stiff. Although not feeling well for some time past, Mrs. Stiff was around and doing her work, having done more than a usual amount of housework. At about 5 o'clock on that day she started for Dr. Shaw's to procure a prescription and while there she had a distressed spell but was able to get her prescription filled and return home. About 7:30, however, she was obliged, though much against her will, to give