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TWENTIETH YEAR. BIRMINGHAM, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN, FRIDAY, MARCH 4 1898. NO. 44. WHOLE NO. 1034

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM.
DETROIT & MILWAUKEE DIVISION.

TIME TABLE.

IN EFFECT
January 19, 1898.

WESTWARD

†Morning Express	7:42 a. m.
†Suburban	9:59 a. m.
†Mail	12:14 p. m.
†Mid Rapids Express	4:50 p. m.
†Suburban	6:39 p. m.
†Chicago Express	9:12 p. m.
Pacific Express	11:05 p. m.

EASTWARD.

Chicago Express	6:20 a. m.
†Suburban	7:18 a. m.
†Detroit Express	11:05 a. m.
†Suburban	1:18 p. m.
†Mail	3:10 p. m.
†Evening Express	8:38 p. m.

E. H. HUGHES, A. G. P. & T. A. Chicago, Ill.
HEN FLETCHER, Trav. Pass. Agent, Detroit, Mich.

GEO. F. ALDRICH, Local Agent.
†Daily.
‡Daily except Sunday.

PONTIAC, OXFORD & NORTHERN R. R

TIME TABLE.

Trains Run on Central Standard Time.

GOING NORTH. Fr'gt Pass. Mx'd No. 5 No. 3 No. 1	STATIONS.	GOING SOUTH Mx'd Pass Fr'gt No. 2 No. 4 No. 6
A.M. P. M. A.M. 4 05 6 55	D. G. H. & M. Mich Cent.	P. M. A. M. A.M. 9 25 11 50
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p. m. p. m. p. m.		A. m. p. m. a. m. p. m.

CONNECTIONS: Pontiac with Detroit, Grand Haven & Milwaukee Ry., and Michigan Air Line Division of Grand Trunk Ry. Oxford with Bay City Division Michigan Central Ry. Imlay City with Chicago & Grand Trunk Ry. Clifford with Flint & Pere Marquette Ry. Pigeon with Saginaw, Tuscola & Huron Ry.

W. C. SANFORD, Gen. Sup't.

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Oyster Stews, Sandwiches, Coffee, etc. Best home made Bread in town is made here; and 6 loaves for 25c; 3 dozen Cookies for 25c. Give us your orders for plain and fancy cakes all the way from 10c up. Nothing but the best Baking Powder used.

Candies, Nuts, Dates, Figs,

Oranges, Lemons and the celebrated U. S. Baking Co.'s Fancy Crackers sold here. Trading Stamps given for all cash purchases. All that haven't a stamp book, please ask for one.

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Corner

Meat Market

Is the place you get the best cuts of all kinds of

Fresh and Salt Meats.

Fruits and Vegetables in season.

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Advice in Allopathy Doses

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When you go to law, employ an attorney.
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Before taking our Annual Inventory in the following lines:

Men's Outing Flannel Gowns from.....$1.00 to 79c
" " " " " ..... 75c to 59c
Ladies' " " " " ..... $1.00 to 79c
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" Fascinators..... 75c, 50c, 35c to 59c, 39c 25c
One lot Ladies' Bustles at.....25, 40 and 50c
Ladies' Silk and Wool Mitts to.....50, 39, 25 and 19c
One lot Men's Shirts and Drawers to close at.....19c
One lot mounted Shades reduced to.....10c
Remnants and odds and ends of our stock at cost.

Yours for Low Prices,

F. BLAKESLEE,
Birmingham, - - Michigan.

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For Cash Only { Sugar, School Books, Flour, Cut-Rate Patent Medicines.

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We give 10 to 20 dollars worth of Trading Stamps away weekly. Are you getting your share? Cost nothing. Worth money. Two 5c packages of Smoking Cut Plug Tobacco for 5c. Kneipp Malt Coffee—Detroit price 15c—our price only 12c a lb. We give Trading Stamps. Why not call for a book and begin a collection. You can get them for everything you buy by dealing with those who have them. Ask for them.

Our Groceries are fresh. Patent Medicines at cut rates. We want your patronage. Goods delivered promptly.

Yours truly

Whitehead & Mitchell.

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THE

People's Comprehensive Diary

And Account Book Combined.

May be commenced any month of the year without loss of space and will last any person five years and a month or ten years and a month—By William Goodfellow—Copyrighted, 1870—Hamilton Child, publisher and proprietor. For sale by

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(Less than one cent a week.)

Reader! If you think your own interests will be advanced, commence the use of the People's Comprehensive Diary at once. If you cannot a local agent order of HAMILTON CHILD, Publisher, Syracuse, N. Y.

In January, 1887, we sold three of these ten year (general edition) Diaries: One to John H. Snow and one to Wm. Satterlee. That they again at the end of ten years recorder shows that it pays to have a record of all transactions. Mr. Snow knows of one instance where his book in court was worth hundreds of dollars. Shall we order one for you? J. H. Snow, W. S. Walker of the Joy farm, and Ed Miller use. Why not you? Ask John H. Snow all about it. Call and see one at

WHITEHEAD & MITCHELL'S
Birmingham, - Mich.

Babies' Shoes===

Small things to talk about—but the truth is that this is a very important part of our business at

GOING'S CORNER SHOE HOUSE.

We have the best assortment of these goods to be found. We look after the wants of

FAT BABIES, LEAN BABIES, KICKING BABIES, SQUALLING BABIES,

and guarantee to make them all happy if they wear Budd's Baby Shoes. These celebrated Shoes have the qualification of fitting the foot to perfection, are fine and flexible, good looking and best of all—CHEAP. Sizes 2 to 5½, no heel, 50c; sizes 4 to 8, spring heel, 75c. Look at them at

GOING'S, Pontiac, Mich.

A Good Place to stop Birmingham car.

A HIGH TRIBUTE TO HIS FRIEND.

Such Was the Address of Chief Justice Grant

Over the Remains of A. H. Whitehead - It was a Truthful and Beautifully Painted Word Picture of the Dead Man's Life.

The following is the address in full delivered by Chief Justice Grant of the supreme court, in memoriam of A. H. Whitehead:

When a citizen who served his country well both in war and in peace leaves us for the eternal camping grounds, it is fitting that one who served in the same glorious cause, and who knew him, should pay some tribute to his memory. It is due to the dead, it is wise for the living, in that it places before them a life worthy of their emulation.

Alvin H. Whitehead was my friend. I was proud to reckon him as such. I did not know him as long or as well as many of you with whom he has been associated for years in business and social relations. Though I spent many an hour with him during the last three years of his life, he was not given to much talk about his military career and never introduced the subject himself. This is characteristic of the brave soldier who did his duty, and flinched not in the hour of danger.

When 18 years of age, on December 28, 1861, he enlisted as sergeant of Company F, 9th Michigan Cavalry. He afterwards became orderly sergeant and on November 28, 1863, was commissioned as 2d lieutenant, and 1st lieutenant, October 17, 1864. He served during the entire war, came out as captain of his company and was in command of it when it came home at the close of the war.

I do not believe in bestowing fulsome praise upon the dead. It is well to cast the mantle of charity over their faults and to extol their virtues. My friend had faults common to us all, but I believe in a less degree than is common to most of us.

Some months ago I urged him to join the military order of the Loyal Legion of the United States. He promised to do so and I gave him the blanks to fill out, but ill health prevented.

I took occasion then to enquire from those who were in the same regiment with him as to his military history. I might sum the result of my enquiries up in one single sentence, namely: It was without a stain. He possessed an excellent physique and, though not large in stature, he was agile and fond of athletic sports. Mr. Tobin of his regiment informs me that while in the army he was always ready to take part in them. In one respect his military record is unique. He did not apply for or receive a furlough during his entire term of service. He was with his regiment from beginning to end in all its marches and battles.

Today every one is justly proud who can trace his ancestry back to the war of the revolution, and the men and women of America are hunting the records today to enable them to join the Sons and Daughters of the American Revolution. No descendant of Alvin H. Whitehead will be compelled to search the records to find his honorable career. It is written in the war records of his state, and will be preserved as a part of his family history for generations to come.

At the close of the war he gladly returned to civil life and there has made a record noted for the same manliness, honesty, firmness of purpose and that spirit of independence which marked his military life. For years he walked in and out before you, his neighbors and friends, and his honest eye and manly face said to all: "I so live that I am at no time ashamed to shake hands with myself." Would to God that we had a country full of such men.

He was a director of the City National Bank and for many years a vestryman of the Episcopal church, of which he was a member, and in these positions he rendered valuable service to those whose interests he had in charge. Truthful to a fault, he hated hypocrisy with a cordial hatred. He was bold, instant and outspoken in condemning dishonest transactions. If he thought he was wronged, he did not hesitate to denounce the wrongdoer in the severest language. While a believer in the Christian religion and a member of a Christian church, he did not parade his belief before his friends or the public. He believed that religion meant honesty and that honesty meant religion. His religion was not of that selfish kind, whose sole purpose is the saving of one's own soul, but was broad as humanity.

He was a most charming social companion and always true to his friends. He was a great lover of nature, of the woods and of the birds. He liked his rod and his gun and delighted to hunt and fish in company with his friends. One of those who has frequently been with him on such occasions in the far west, has told me what a generous and charming companion he was. He was a good citizen, which means much and so long as the majority of the citizens of this republic are like him in honor, virtue, courage and integrity, the republic is safe.

"An honest man is the noblest work of God." Such a man was my friend. As such he lived, as such he fought for his country, as such he did business, as such he died. He has left a noble example for his son to follow and a priceless heritage to his widow, children, relatives and friends.

The body returns to dust in its final resting place; the mind rests upon the eternal camping grounds of that country which we know only by faith and hope. He is safe in the hands of God. He has crossed the dark river only a little while before us, his friends, whom he has left behind. Fortunate will it be for us when our time comes if the liking can say of us, as we now truthfully say of him, "He was an honest man." I cannot express my estimate of him better than to quote in conclusion that beautiful poem of Leigh Hunt's "Abou Ben Adhem:"

Abou Ben Adhem (may his tribe increase)!
Awoke one night from a deep dream of peace,
And saw, within the moonlight in his room,
Making it rich, and like a lily in bloom,
An angel writing in a book of gold;
Exceeding peace had made Ben Adhem bold,
And to the presence in the room he said,
"What writest thou?"—The vision raised its head,
And with a look made of all sweet accord,
Answered, "The names of those who love the Lord."
And is mine one?" said Abou. "Nay, not so,"
Replied the angel. Abou spoke more low,
But cheerily still; and said, "I pray thee then,
Write me as one that loves his fellow men."
The angel wrote and vanished. The next night
It came with great a wakening light,
And showed the names whom love of God had blessed,
And lo! Ben Adhem's name led all the rest.

WEEK OF RECREATION

For the Bay View Tuesday Club —They Enjoy the Rest.

The members of the Bay View Tuesday Club have been diligently studying German history for the past three months, and having completed that study they decided to have a recreation week, therefore they met with Mrs. Geo. McHenry, by special request, on Wednesday evening of last week.

Each member had been granted the privilege of bringing a friend and at the appointed hour a very gay company had assembled.

The meeting was called to order by the vice president, Mrs. M. Estelle Hemenway, and a fine program, consisting of music, dialogues and readings was given.

The readings, given by Misses Gertrude McHenry and Mame Daniels were especially fine and heartily enjoyed by all.

After the program a delightful repast was served by the hostess. Conundrums had previously been prepared and the slips containing them were passed around. The answers given were unique, tho' not always correct, much to the amusement of the entire company.

About 11 o'clock the company disbanded, agreeing to meet with Mrs. Cassius Crawford the following Friday evening. Accordingly, on the appointed evening the ladies met at Mrs. Hemenway's, and from there were taken in a sleighload to Mrs. Crawford's by Geo. McHenry.

Here, also a delightfully social evening was enjoyed. Refreshments were served, and after an informal program the ladies returned home, all voting that their recreation week had been a decided success.

THE DEESTRICK SKOOL

Will be Held at Library Hall This (Friday) Evening, March 4th.

The following are the officers and scholars and the program they will carry out:

TRUSTEES

Deacon Cyrenus Scroggs, Solomon R. Kicker, Esq

TEACHER.

Obadiah Snitchem.

PUPILS

Sally Ann Snowdrop, Julia Ann Honeysuckle, Julius Hardscrabble, Larry Ann Lurvey, Peggy Primrose, Polly Primrose, Sammy Sassafras, Polly Ann Rinktum, Katrina Fitzdoodle, Hans Friedensacker, Mary Jane Smith, Grover Cleveland, Angelica Westover, Ephraim Brown, Nancy Cows 99, Elizabeth Doolittle, Joshua Hopkins, Ebenezer Slabsides, Willie Wannamaker, Becky Short, Topsy Snowball, Mary Jane Wheelbarrow, Mary Lucinda Hardscrabble.

MORNING SESSION.

Roll Call.
Song by the school—"O Come, Come Away."
Teacher addresses the school.
Infant Class.
First class in Reading.
Lot in and Greek Class.
Taird class in Reading.
Class in Geography.
Class in Arithmetic—Work on blackboard.
English Composition Class.

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AFTERNOON SESSION.

Class in Arithmetic—Studying Fractions.
Trustees come to visit school.
First class in Grammar.
Multiplication Table sung by the school.
First class in Spelling.
Remarks by Trustees.

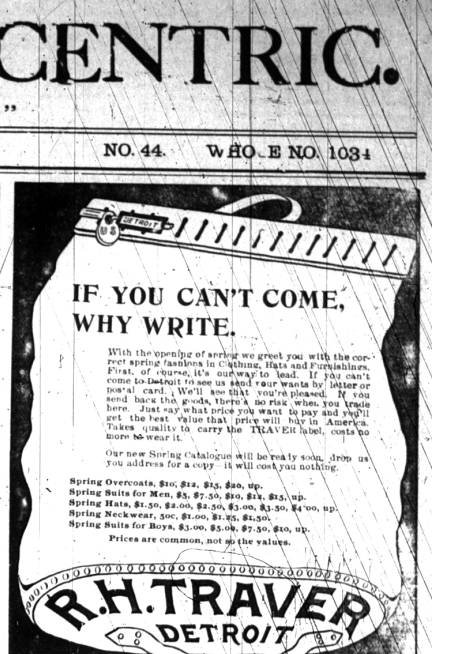
EXHIBITION.

Song by the School—Try, Try Again.
Pieces—Ebenezer Slabsides, Mary Lucinda Hardscrabble, Sammy Sassafras.
Composition on spring—Larry Ann Lurvey.
Recitation—Sally Ann Snowdrop, Katrina Fitzdoodle, Mary Jane Wheelbarrow.
Dialogue—"An Irish Love Letter"—Sally Ann Snowdrop, Nancy Cowslop, Mary Jane Wheelbarrow.
Song—Mary Jane Smith, Hans Friedsbbacher, Sally Ann Snowdrop.
"Mary Had a Little Hen"—Grover Cleveland.
Composition on Labor—Jerusha Hopkins.
Song—Katrina Fitzdoodle.
Piece—Partnership—Peggy and Polly Primrose.
Song—"Chick-a-dee-dee" Elizabeth Doolittle, Julia Ann Honeysuckle, Polly Ann Rinktum, Julius Hardscrabble.
Piece—"Poor Johnny Bell"—Willie Wannamaker.
Extract from "Bro' Jones' Sermon"—Sally Ann Snowdrop.
Rounds—Scotland's Burning."
Presentation of Paper Wreath to Teacher by Willie Wannamaker.
Other Exercises not on the Program.
Rewards of Merit.
School is dismissed.

THE GOLD FEVER.

Nothing But Klondike Nuggets Will Effect a Cure.

Two more of our best men have been exposed—it caught and they have the Klondike fever to beat all. David J. Rainey will soon make his start and Cal Ellenwood, with his son-in-law, J. W. Ross, of Calumet, will start and go together. The whole three will time their start in just the season to make the Chilkoot Pass safely and easily. We hope every one who leaves this vicinity will return laden down with nuggets bigger than walnuts and all they can bring home.



DYNAMITE DID IT!

James Moore Loses Two Fingers and a Thumb by Fooling With a Dynamite Cap.

Last Tuesday morning James Moore, son of Chas. Moore, 1½ miles east of this village, met with a severe accident by having his thumb and two fingers of his right hand blown off by a dynamite cap. It happened that he and another boy were over to Frank Pearsall's farm Sunday, and while wandering around the barn found a box containing dynamite and percussion caps, picking up one of the caps and putting it in his pocket. He carried it around till Tuesday morning and with a foolish thought stuck it on the stove, with the above result. He is under the care of Dr. C. M. Raynale, who thinks he can save part of his thumb. He is doing as well as possible at this writing.

Advertised Letters.

The following is a list of letters remaining unclaimed in the post-office at Birmingham, Mich., for the week ending February 26, 1897:

Mrs. Jas. Hopkins, Mrs. Charles Parcels, Miss Ada Waltham, Miss Esther Swiler, Birt Schults, Alick Grow, R. B. Sturbridge.

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

GEORGE H. MITCHELL, P. M.

Announcement.

What is the use of going to the Klondike when you've got a good field right here? A hair cut for 15c, shave for 10c, clip for 10c and if you take all a cigar thrown in, and no more credit.

Ladies' hair dressing free.

CHAS. R. HOFFMAN,
4218 Tonsorial Artist.

Death of John W. Hall.

John W. Hall is dead. After almost ten years an invalid, requiring the excessive care of a special nurse, death came to his relief Wednesday morning. For six years he has been entirely helpless, and although his death was not unexpected, yet is a shock to the family. Mrs. Hall is very ill with a severe attack of pneumonia and their daughter, Miss Anna is very ill with an attack of tonsilitis. Verily, the appointed sorrow to this family is full and overflowing, and many kind hearts and hands are doing all in their power to help and comfort the afflicted family.

Celebrated Her Ninetieth Birthday Last Monday.

Monday was a memorable day to Grandma Perkins, who lives two miles south of here, it being her birthday anniversary. She was 90 years of age, born Feb 29, 1808. It has been the custom for the past few years for her neighbors and friends to gather at her home with basketa filled with good things, to have a sumptuous dinner with her and enliven up old memories.

The old lady does all of her work with the assistance of her granddaughter. She was made the recipient of some very useful presents, and her heart rejoiced in being remembered by such thoughtfulness on the part of her friends.

FROM ONE OF THE PARTICIPANTS.

The People's Ticket.

Notice is hereby given that the People's Ticket will hold a caucus at the town Hall, on Saturday, March 5th, 1898, at 7 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of placing in nomination candidates for village officers of the village of Birmingham, Oakland County, Michigan, One President, One Clerk, One Treasurer, One Assessor for one year and Three Trustee s for two years, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before it.

By order of Committee.

HUDSON'S—TERRIBLE CUT IN SILKS—HUDSON'S.

GREAT WHITE SALE NOW ON.

Extraordinary Bargains! It pays to buy a six months' supply of these. Thousands of men are doing so. Values better than ever.

Men's Collars, 7c.

Five entirely new styles; the best standard shapes; 4-ply quality; guaranteed stretch; first class and to wear equal to any 25c collar made.

Fowne's celebrated $2.00 Kid Gloves.....$1.25

Men's fine Mocha glove $1 00 quality.....75c

Men's Cuffs, 12½c pair.

Two correct styles, Link and Straight Cuffs; 4-ply extra heavy quality, guaranteed strictly first-class, and to wear equal to any 40c cuffs made

Men's Shirts.

Made specially for this "White Sale" by the best factory in the United States. The materials are splendid, the workmanship honest and unexcelled.

Men's unlaundered White Shirts; strong fine cotton, genuine linen bosoms and cuffs, reinforced shoulders and back, patent inserted sleeves, sold regularly for 75c.....37c

Regular $1.00 laundered White Shirts; unexcelled, perfect fitting, double stitched, patent facings, splendidly made.....50c

Regular $1.00 "Monarch" Fancy Bosom Shirts, with detached link cuffs—early buyers' bargains.....50c

Choice of any Ladies' Cloth Jacket in the house.....$3.50

Regular $1 "Bennant" Negligee Shirts, collars and cuffs attached.....50c

New Neckwear.

50c Neckwear, club tie, teeks, 4-in-hands, imperials, choice at 25c

Elegant puffs, tecks, 4-in-hands worth 75c, $1 and $1.50, for...50c

Good seamless 15c socks at.....8c

Heavy black or tan cotton socks 10c

Night Shirts.

Langdon Muslin Night Shirts fancy embroidered wash silk fronts, regular 75c quality.....50c

Extra fine Sateen Nightgowns, handsomely trimmed in white, pale blue and pink; exceptional value at.....$1.00

Handkerchiefs.

Big lot of 25c fancy borders at....5c

26c Japonette Handkerchiefs at 12½c

50c White Silk Handkerchiefs.....25c

Jewelry.

Triple plate collar buttons, worth 15c, now.....5c

Newest Stick Pins, worth 25c, at 10c

Rolled plate Link Cuff Buttons...25c

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