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FRANKLIN.

Miss Myrtle Colby and father are visiting friends in New York.

Miss Bertha Case is visiting relatives here, after an absence of several years.

Samuel Green is recovering from an injury received from a kicking horse.

A previous Fourth of July casualty is causing Clare Cummings much pain and suffering.

The remains of Mrs. Jennie Whitmer were brought from Ohio for burial on Saturday last. Mrs. Whitmer, formerly Miss Jennie Graves, was born and brought up at Walnut. She had a host of warm personal friends here to mourn her loss, together with a brother and sister.

One of the saddest and most sudden deaths that has occurred here for years is that of Mrs. Charles Sly. A few weeks since Mrs. Sly suffered a slight stroke of apoplexy, which terminated fatally Saturday afternoon at 6 o'clock, shortly after the birth of a son.. The deceased is survived by a husband and five children and a host of relatives and friends. The funeral was largely attended from the house on Tuesday afternoon and the ceremonies were conducted by Rev. Long, of Richmond, who united Mr. and Mrs. Sly in marriage ten years ago.

COUNTY LINE.

Ed. Tharrett visited relatives in Warren lately.

G. Anderson has bought an $100 cream separator.

County Line school closed one week ago last Friday.

C. Osborne opened his new store in Warren last Saturday.

G. Chipchase visited his son at Ann Arbor not long since.

A. White is doing Emery Wilson's brick work on his house.

Mrs. Geo. Leet has been on the sick list for some time past.

Geo. Ellis picked 116 quarts of strawberries in one day, this season.

Mrs. Sarah McRoberts has gone on a visit to relatives in Gratiot Co.

The little mill at the Warren depot is more than making music every day.

Dr. Smith has located in the L. Ruckerbuss house and is resuming his practice.

Misses Fanny and May Nixon have been visiting relatives in Toronto, Ont., recently.

Late letters state that Mrs. Chas. Hames has been seriously sick at her new home.

The West school closed lately. Miss Templeton has been hired again. A good selection.

Q. Pearsall marketed 70 bushels of strawberries one day. He has had some 30 pickers at one time.

Alpha Parks visited old friends at Warren lately. Mrs. Parks and child intend remaining awhile.

H. Bigfield was struck by lightning Saturday afternoon while sitting in his house. Deceased was buried from the Centre Line church Tuesday.

W. Murthon, E. Peck and G. Extine have gone up to Wolverine on a vacation with A. Parks. The same crowd will enjoy themselves.

SOUTHFIELD.

Joe Croft is on the gain at this writing.

Southfield was favored with a refreshing rain Saturday morning.

Mrs. S. W. Fuller, of Birmingham, is visiting friends in Southfield.

Mrs. A. J. Tibbits spent Thursday with Mrs. Volney Babcock.

Mrs. Wm. Hutton, of Birmingham, spent Monday with Mrs. Stewart.

Miss Mable Johnson has gone to Detroit to spend a few days.

Miss Gracie Johnson is visiting her aunt Mrs. Mudge of Birmingham.

Burt Chapman of Detroit, spent Sunday with relatives in Southfield.

The Southfield band is going to play at the races the 4th of July at Sand Lake.

BEDDOW.

Will Miller is home from school for the summer.

Joseph Brooks and wife Sundayed at Belle Isle.

Mrs. D. C. Brooks spent last Wednesday at Detroit.

Grant McDonald made a flying trip home last Monday.

Ira Irwin from South Dakota, is visiting his sister, Mrs. Henry Miller.

Jack Croft, a former resident of this place visited friends and relatives here last week.

Harry Russell, while working on his new barn last week, received a blow on the head which might have proven to be a serious affair.

The Missionary Society held a social at Will Harmon's last Tuesday eve. Ice cream and strawberries. Proceeds, $11. The same society will hold their next meeting at the home of Miss Emma Morrow, Saturday July 2.

SIMOMSON--BUSSEY.

About one hundred and thirty guests responded to invitations issued by Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Simonson to the marriage of their daughter Maude to C. A. Bussey, of South Bend, Ind., on Wednesday evening, June 23d, in the village of Bancroft.

Promptly at nine o'clock Miss Grace Clark, of Vernon, began the wedding march. The bridal party was led by Rev. W. W. Benson, Owosso, who officiated, followed by the flower and ring girls, Mildred Holmes, Vernon, and Eulalia Dutcher, St. Johns; the groom and O. L. Bristol, Corunna, best man; and the bride and Miss Grace Graham, Vernon, maid of honor.

The bride was attired in French organdie over white silk and carried white roses. The bride's home was very prettily decorated with smilax and white bunting and roses. The special feature of the decoration was the altar in the corner of the parlor made in the form of an arch, the ferns as a background with catalpa blossoms mixed in, the white lace curtains as drapery and the altar lighted with pretty candles made a very beautiful and pleasing effect.

After the ceremony which was solemnized and made especially effective by the ring service and piano offertory, all joined in congratulations.

Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Dutcher and daughter and Mrs. Clifford of St. Johns; Mrs. Holmes and daughter, Misses Lyon, Graham, Clark and Mrs. Clark, Dr. and Mrs. Holtzman, Vernon; Mrs. Zilphia Simonson and Mrs. C. James, Birmingham; Mrs. Obert, Durand, Miss Purdy, Mr. and Mrs. M. Stone and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. Stone and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. Howard, Miss Fairbanks, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Bristol, Morrice; O. L. Bristol, Corunna; J. Bristol, Perry.

The abundance of costly and beautiful gifts were expressions of the high esteem held for the bride and groom.

After a short visit among the relatives and friends Mr. and Mrs. Bussey will go to South Bend, Ind., where they intend making their future home.—Bancroft Commercial.

PREPARING FOR BLUE RIBBON WEEK.

As the racing season advances the trainers who have charge of the crack trotters and pacers are making ready for the Grand Circuit that opens in Detroit July 18th. The Blue Ribbon meeting at the famous Grosse Pointe track attracts the fastest horses in the land, so that this great racing carnival never fails to furnish sport. There are no other events among the regular contests along the line of the summer tour for the sulkies to be compared in value with the Merchants' and Manufacturers' stake for trotters and the Chamber of Commerce stake open to the pacers. These two annual fixtures are the coveted plums of each year being worth the goodly sum of $15,000 in all. Since their inauguration both have resulted in some of the most brilliant battles ever seen in harness racing, and the struggles of this coming tournament bid fair to outdo anything that has preceded.

Besides these ever popular attractions it is practically settled two giants of the sulky will measure swords at Detroit on the first day of the Blue Ribbon meeting. Joe Patchen and John R. Gentry have so wide a reputation that there is not a man, woman or child throughout this broad Republic but has heard of their fame. Both are remarkable horses, Gentry swift as an eagle and almost unbeatable when the day and track are suited to his lightning gait. He has a formidable foe in the black pacer whose turf career has been a veritable blaze of heroic deeds. This noted pair of equine gladiators were both bred in Kansas, and like the cyclone of their native state they have cut down records and swept all lesser rivals aside in their all conquering march to a front rank among the turf celebrities of the day.

With the numerous sensations presented at the Blue Ribbon meeting, Detroit will be the objective point for all lovers of the noble horse during the six days from July 18th to 23d. Those who take advantage of the one fare rate on all lines running to the state metropolis that has been secured for Monday, when Patchen and Gentry come together, can remain until Wednesday and see the contests for both big stakes as well.

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"Not for School, but for Life we Learn," was the class motto chosen by the graduates of '98, and if practically applied by each member it will be a stepping stone of priceless value. Fourteen of our brightest young people have fathomed the depths of our educational spring and are on the threshold of an unexplored future, well equipped, we trust, for the great battle of life.

To the strains of the entrance march, rendered by Mr. Cummings, the prime actors of the evening gracefully marched to their respective seats of honor, where they were literally surrounded by such a profusion of beautiful flowers as appear only on auspicious occasions. The class colors, red and white, furnished the requisite hues for the bunting draperies so gracefully festooned about the platform, producing a very pretty effect amid the floral decorations, while an immense "Old Glory" adorned the church gallery.

The class roll, which is larger by half than that of '97, comprises the following: Eleanor J. Adams, Clydia Mae Angstman, Mollie Bassett, Mary R. Bassett, Hattie Benedict, Blanche E. Hagerman, Gertrude Isabelle McHenry, Mayme Taber, Genevieve Emily Young, Jessie F. Newton, Samuel McLeod Hanna, Fred Harvey Staley, George Patterson Raynale and Carl J. Jansen, all of Birmingham except two, viz., Miss Newton and Mr. Jansen, whose place of residence is at Royal Oak. The following members officiated for the class as recorded below:

Salutatorian—Miss Benedict,
Valedictorian—Miss Taber,
Prophetess—Miss Angstman,
Class Poetess—Miss Mollie Bassett,
Historian—Fred Staley,

all of whom gave evidence of possessing great adaptation to the several roles individually assumed.

Excepting the remaining members on program all rendered their varied productions, each of which portrayed a remarkable degree of penetration and careful preparation, in a style comparing very favorably with their official predecessors. The program was greatly enhanced by the assistance of Mrs. Lawrence, Miss Minnette Hunt, and Miss Doty, vocalists; Messrs. Salzer and Cummings, piano soloists.

The weather, as usual on Commencement eve, was extremely torrid, however, it did not seem in the least to abate the interest of the large assemblage witnessing the entertaining panorama being enacted. Standing room was well patronized and many were thankful for even "small favors."

It would require too much time and space to write up and do justice to the fourteen talented young people comprising the graduating class, but suffice it to say that each and every one of the members, by close application and hard study, have finished their course and won the confidence and esteem of their teachers, who believed them to be worthy of the honor of a diploma. Prof. Waldo expressed himself in sentiments to that effect as a preface to his interesting presentation speech, and the coveted testimonials were duly distributed. Each graduate was a recipient of numerous floral tributes. The program was brought to a close by the class song and benediction.

It is not for us to say that the class of '98 is a brighter or more promising class than those who have passed before them, but certain it is that the exhibition of their ability on Commencement eve gave evidence of well spent years and constant study. May they each and every, now realize that the scholar, if he would become distinguished and useful in the profession of his choice or as a man of science, must cultivate the habit of laborious application; so lofty and varied are the powers of the human mind that no excellence is inaccessible to the *united efforts of talent and industry.*

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ALUMNI BANQUET

At the High School Building Last Friday Evening.

The annual reception and banquet of the Birmingham High School Alumni occurred last Friday evening, following the Commencement exercises of the night before.

Two rooms in the school building, designated as reception and dining rooms, were handsomely decorated in the '98 class colors, red and white; even the couch was uniquely encircled in draperies of the significant hues.

The Alumni was well represented, besides there were several invited guests present from this and surrounding places, and the evening passed off very pleasantly, not being permeated with the usual formality experienced at other receptions.

A short program was rendered, consisting of music, toasts, etc., including a brief address of welcome to the newly received members—class of '98—and a response to same, all of which were concise and interesting. Then occurred the election of officers, which resulted as follows:

Pres.—C. H. Carter, class of '86.
Vice Pres.—Frank Schanhite, class of '97.
Sec'y—Mayme Taber, class of '98.
Treas.—Fred Staley, class of '98.

Following the election of officers the guests were ushered into the spacious dining room, where a dainty repast awaited their appreciation, which was forthcoming, and after a time spent in social intercourse the company returned to their homes feeling proud of the worthy Alumni and its good results.

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Sixty feet front on Southfield Ave., Birmingham, at the end of Fremont Ave. About ten cords of stone on the premises go with the place. Must be sold. Make us an offer.

No. 2.

Farm of 50 acres, well fenced, well watered—never failing stream; 10 acres timber; 1½ miles from Bloomfield Center and electric railway to Detroit and Pontiac. Terms easy.

No. 3.

The east half of section 5, Royal Oak, 80 acres good land, well fenced, fair buildings, within 80 rods of the electric road to Detroit and Pontiac. Land in same section is held at $300 an acre no better than this. Must be sold to settle estate, and the price has been put down to $75 an acre to close it out at once. Terms are cash, but we will take a mortgage on this farm ourselves in order to settle the estate. This is, without doubt, one of the best bargains between Pontiac and Detroit.

No. 4.

Tenant house and two lots with 105 feet frontage on Saginaw St., and 7 feet deep. Cellar, well, cistern, etc. Price $350. Electric cars pass the door.

No. 5.

Elegant house and lot 66 feet front and 20 rods deep on Maple Ave. East, (half an acre). Fine barn and every modern convenience. Furnace, bath, closet, etc. Can be bought for what the buildings cost. Will exchange for improved city property for portion of the purchase price.

No. 6.

The VanLvery farm on the north shore of Wing Lake, 160 acres, two good houses, three barns, fine lake frontage, 10 acres fine orchard, 15 acres timber. Excellent fishing, boating and bathing. Terms easy.

No. 7.

The J. E. Quick homestead in Birmingham with 140 feet frontage on Saginaw St. and about 250 feet deep. New modern dwelling, good barn, fine lawn, shrubbery and small fruit. Electric cars pass the door every half hour for Detroit and Pontiac. Fare to Detroit 15c, Pontiac 10c. Owner has moved to Toronto and must sell. We will make it an object for any one to investigate this bargain. Make us an offer.

No. 8.

One of the best farms in Oakland county. It is almost enough to say when we tell you that it is the John Rutledge farm in the town of Troy, 220 acres, excellent buildings, two good flowing wells. Carp pond well stocked; 9 miles of tile; fine orchard, 5 miles from Birmingham, 2 miles straight south of Troy corners, where there is a church, store, postoffice, school, etc. Price low and terms easy.

No. 9.

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No. 10.

Large roomy two-story house on Townsend St. in Birmingham, good barn, city water and all ordinary conveniences; 120 feet front and 198 feet deep. Small fruit and good neighborhood

No. 11.

The old Shutes farm in the township of Troy, one mile east of Birmingham, 50 acres, all cleared, 7 acres of the finest orchard, good house and two barns. All the advantages of the village and none of the inconveniences. There are other things, too. Come and find out all about it.

No. 12.

The Bayley farm in the town of Troy, 127½ acres. Good farm house and farm buildings, flowing well at the barn which is the wonder and pride of Troy; 30 acres good beech and maple timber, 4 acres fine grafted orchard. Circumstances render it advisable to sell at once and the man who comes first will secure one of the best bargains in the county. Look it up.

No. 13.

Part of the estate of the late Mr. Moore, in Bloomfield and about 2½ miles from Birmingham and a mile from Circle, 60 acres, no buildings and fenced for pasture, rolling gravelly loam, 30 acres good plow land, balance excellent pasture. Look here! The price is only $60 per acre. If you want a cheap farm, here it is.

No. 14.

Two hundred and fourteen acres in sections 17 and 18, Southfield, with fine farm buildings in the township. Large and productive orchard of all kinds of best varieties of fruit, 10 acres of very heavy timber. Will sell or exchange for city property and will divide the two farms if required. Buildings on each track. Price as low as any on our list, all things considered. Ask us about it.

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The Butler farm in the township of Troy, 47 acres, ample buildings in good repair, 6½ acres plow land, all kinds of fruit, good water and everything convenient for a small and tidy farm and a cozy home. Come and let us show you over the premises.

No. 16.

The Whitehead farm on the south shore of Elizabeth Lake, 250 acres, heavy gravelly loam, house, barns and all outbuildings have been repaired this spring. Lies between Elizabeth and Cass Lakes and affords every opportunity for the boating, bathing and fishing. Is one of the most productive farms in the fertile farm country of Waterford; comprises a portion of an estate which the heirs are anxious to settle, and an offer which comes within a reasonable distance of the real worth will be accepted.

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It is hard for a man under a cloud to see the silver lining.

Necessity knows no law, and it's the same with extravagance.

When pride turns a man's head he is sure to look the wrong way.

After man came woman; and she's still very much in the race.

The first lesson in charity is to give away things you don't need.

A new spring dress causes a woman to walk with an elastic step.

Executive ability is the faculty of getting some one to do your work.

The string a woman ties around her husband's finger is a forget-me-not.

The man who persists in doing his fellowman usually ends in doing time.

After a man's friends really know him they very often cease to recognize him.

Dying in poverty is easy enough; it's living in poverty that comes hard on a fellow.

Every time a man invents a good thing some other man comes along and makes a fortune out of it.

THINGS WE OUGHT TO KNOW.

A single banyan tree has been known to shelter 7,000 men at one time.

The Arabs entertain a belief that Eve was the tallest woman that ever lived.

The American soft felt hat is all the rage in the leading Australian colonies.

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