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BIRMINGHAM, FRIDAY, JAN. 20, '99

HOME NOTES.

A right smart rain Monday.

Now we are going to have a cake walk.

Some little building in sight for next season. Glad of it.

Clare Aldrich has been confined to the house with the grippe the past week.

House to rent on Townsend street. Inquire of Thomas Cook, Birmingham, Mich. Box 391.

TO RENT — Thoroughly modern house, on High street. Apply A. W. CAMPBELL, Birmingham, Mich. 21-1d

Regular meeting of Birmingham Lodge, No. 44, F. & A. M., next Thursday evening, January 26, '99. J. B. Hunt, Sec.

Regular convocation of Birmingham Chapter, No. 93, R. A. M., next Monday evening, January 23. A. Partridge, Sec.

Lost, between the M. E. church and the Watkins farm, a heavy tie strap—a neck strap. Finder please leave at the Postoffice.

Wm Satterlee and daughter, Miss Mary, are visiting W. A. Satterlee at Kansas City, Mo., where they will sojourn for some time.

John Pound, of the Pontiac Beehive, is up to his eyes in his 1-4 off sale and doing a grand rushing trade thereby. Read his new adv't.

At the Dutch lunch many of our ladies looked very pretty as "Deutsche Madchens," and won much praise from competent judges.

The All Around Whist Club was entertained by Mrs. Wilcox, of Oakland place, last week. Next Saturday Mrs. H. Satterlee is to be the hostess.

Miss Jennie Peck furnished interesting and artistic music from the Library Hall piano at the Dutch lunch. She won much praise for her piano playing.

Lieut. M. O. Bigelow started last Monday to return to his command in Cuba. Although not real strong still he would insist on going. We hope he has made no mistake.

Pontiac can have $25,000 in cash, and it would prove mighty handy to have just now, from D. & P. railway for a third track down Saginaw street. So says one of its city fathers.

Miss Mollie Smith received fifty majority over all others at the voting contest for the postoffice at Library Hall. Four years of faithful work have won for her many friends among our people.

NOTICE. — Members of Birmingham Lodge, No. 149, K. of P., are respectfully requested to be present at next regular meeting, Tuesday Evening, January 24, 1899. W. A. O'Neal, K. of R. and S.

Will Walker, brother of Miss Tillie Walker of our village, has written that his regiment, the 31st Michigan Volunteers, are at Savannah, ready to board a transport for Cuba as soon as it comes in sight.

Last Friday's enteatainment of the Village Improvement had something of the old-time flavor in it. How much better for us to spend our money at home, in our own town, than to boom surrounding towns.

W. A. O'Neill is doing a land office business in his lines of furniture, etc. Say, he is framing pictures to beat all, and if you are anywhere near ready to have that picture framed, bring it along. He will do you good, fine work at low prices.

The Monthly Press is a newspaper devoted to the interests of the churches and Sunday schools of Oakland county. Hereafter it will be issued in neat and attractive form from the offices of the Oakland County Post at Pontiac. The subscription price is 25 cents a year.

If John Willucome, of Pontiac, who sent one of our good and respected citizens a box full of woolen materials, old nails, rubbish and "sich," will come to Piety Hill and make himself known to the aforesaid g. and r. c. he will learn something to his advantage besides hearing something drop.

The Dutch lunch was a great success. Everybody went and everybody was glad that they went. There was entertainment for young and old. Every one, with hardly two or three exceptions, responded to the call for supplies, and seemed glad to do it. The receipts were twenty-five dollars.

Beddon, County Line and Clawson correspondence unavoidably held over.

Mrs. Peter Reid and daughter Jessie spent part of last week visiting friends in Detroit.

Born to Mrs. Lucy Whitford, Jan. 13, a daughter, at the home of her mother, Mrs. Z. Simonson, on Fremont street.

Miss Bertha Park graduated with high honors from the Grace Hospital Training School for Nurses Tuesday evening of this week.

The L. L. C. will meet at the home of Mrs. Raynale next Tuesday evening. A review of book No 9 will be the lesson for the evening.

A special meeting of Birmingham Chapter, No. 220, O. E. S., will be held Wednesday evening, January 25th. Full attendance is requested. W. A. Burtraw, W. P.

All young people desiring to enter a medal contest please call upon Mrs. Waldo any time during the coming week. Anyone between the ages of 12 and 25 years is eligible as far as age is concerned.

The W. F. M. Society of the M. E. church will meet at the home of Mrs. E. F. Peabody at 2:30 p. m. Wednesday, January 25. All interested in the society are cordially invited to be present.

On Friday evening, January 27, the young people of the U. P. church will give a Conundrum social at the home of Mr. Charles Parks. Everybody come and have a good time. A menu card will be presented to each guest.

R. C. Haskins had a birthday on the 16th inst. Those from out of town who congratulated and wished him many more were Miss E. H. Harkins, of Walnut, Burdette Stoughton, of Bath, and Thomas O'Leary, jr., of Detroit.

NOTICE.—Mrs. Emma Burtraw-Raviler now teaches elocution and physical culture at the schaol house in Birmingham Thursday evenings of every week, from 7 to 9. Mrs. Raviler and pupils are beginning preparations for a recital, to be held here this spring.

"There were," said Gen. Shafter in a speech at Macon, "16,000 men in front of Santiago, every one of whom was as much a hero as his general." The general is entirely too modest. There was not a man among all those 16,000 who was as much a hero as Gen. Shafter by at least a hundred pounds.

Civil Service examinations, open to all, will be held in most large towns in March to get clerks for Uncle Sam. Persons wishing to know the dates and places, and how the positions can be obtained can write Columbian Correspondence College, Washington, D. C., the same will be furnished without cost.

Everybody is invited to attend a Foresters' supper at the home of Nathan Fall, to be given by the ladies of this order Friday evening, January 27, '99. Supper only 10c. Cards and other games will be the order of the hour and everyone attending will, we guarantee, get their money's worth.

Will J. Taber, of Kalamazoo, is with his father for a few days, called hither through his father's illness. We would smile if Mose in a mood of contrariness got well in spite of all the different doctors' diagnosis. When doctors disagree the patient usually gets well, and we hope our Moses will be no exception to this rule.

The prohibition party of Michigan holds its next convention at Jackson on February 28 to nominate candidates for justice of the supreme court and for members of the board regents. State Chairman Bitten claims that the prohibition party's vote in the recent election showed a gain of 71 per cent, compared with the other parties over the vote of two years ago.

For more than four years Miss Mollie G. Smith has proven herself a worthy little lady in the trying position of postal clerk—always obliging, accommodating, quick, prompt and correct. Mr. Hanna could do no wiser act than to continue Miss Mollie in her present position, and we predict a request to Postmaster Hanna elect, signed by every P. O. patron in this precinct could be secured if necessary.

Hall Tent 227, K.O.T.M., installed their officers Monday night. During the ceremonies the picket, hearing an alarm at the outer door, went to ascertain the cause, when he was overpowered by the ladies of Mary D. Hive. They were armed with baskets filled with refreshments. After disposing of the contents of the baskets an enjoyable time was had in singing and recitations. Come again, ladies.

The Cripple Creek (Colo.) Review is before us through the kindness of Ira Chatfield, and it is a blazer, one of the illuminated variety, and has 20 pages full of interesting mining news. We clip the following from the Bull Hill Single Jack, a warm periodical printed at Independence, Colo., concerning a son of Ira J. Chatfield of this place:—"Chatfield and Kinsella, leasing on the Hawkeye, resumed work on Monday and have already encountered a rich lead. They have a ten inch vein of rock running high in three figures and expect soon to make a shipment.

Beware how you speak of a woman's character. Think how many years she has been building it. Of the toils and privations endured, of the wounds received, and let no suspicion follow her actions. The purity of women is the salvation of our race, the hope of future greatness and the redemption of man. Without her purity man would sink beneath the weight of despair with not a star to guide his life into a channel of safety. Think then before you speak, and remember that any hog can root up the fairest flower that ever grew, so can the vile man ruin the purest character.

"God is good to the Irish," was the motto inscribed over a pipe crossed on a whisky bottle, which the witty Dion Boucicault invented for the coat of arms of the "Shaughrain Club." This interpretation of the purposes of Divine Providence would seem to be borne out by an article in the January Cosmopolitan treating of the Irish leaders of the nations, and showing that not only has England a Lord Wolseley, a Lord Roberts, and a Kitchener, but that Spain has a Duke of Tetuan, Russia a General Obrutscheff, and Hungary a Viscount Taafe, not to mention an endless array of other Irishmen who have reflected honor upon their native land.

HITTING OVERCOATS. — Without any lame excuse for a special sale R. H. Traver announces in these columns to-day a reduction in prices on his entire stock of overcoats. He terms it "hitting overcoats," and the figures indicate that he is hitting them hard. With his reputation for selling only the very best and most reliable goods, all that need be said for the quality of these overcoats is that they are his regular stock. At $8.75 you have your choice of the $14, $12 and $10 overcoats. The $20, $18, $15 and $14 garments are now $11.75, and all the highest priced coats in the house, those formerly sold at $35, $32, $30, $28 and 25, are going at $20. Here is a chance to save as much as $15 on an overcoat. Wouldn't it be worth while buying one now, even if you laid it away for next Winter.

The Birmingham Improvement Society find themselves a little over $20 better off financially owing to the great success of the Dutch lunch given by the ladies at Library Hall last week. An elegant supper was served for only 10 cents, and it is said some of the guests ate 50 cents worth easily. A large crowd of the quality were present and it certainly was a most successful affair from a point of attendance and a financial view. The vote on postmaster at a penny a vote gave Mollie G. Smith a big majority, Mc A. Randall a close second, while two of the candidates received one vote each. The candy counter was profitable, but the ice cream to come from P. H. Child of Detroit failed to materialize, and the entertainment thereby lost easily a ten dollar bill, because everybody waited until nearly ten o'clock for it to come and had to go away ice cream hungry. Music and dancing, closing with a cake walk by Mr. Grover Miller and Miss Reid, which was a very artistic production, gaily closed the evening's fun.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

The following is a list of letters remaining unclaimed in the postoffice at Birmingham, Mich., for the week ending January 14, 1899:

Samuel Grice.

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

GEORGE H. MITCHELL, P. M.

The grammar of many people is so bad that it would kill them to have to eat their words.

Spain has not gone so far as to designate the president of the American peace commission as a "sad but glorious" Day.

An Omaha judge has decided that poker is not a gambling game. He has evidently been participating in a sure-thing sitting.

Like a great many men who have preceded him, Mr. Brice looked carefully after everything with the exception of his health.

Spain is huffy because we pray for her. Yet there is not a nation on the face of the earth that needs prayer as much as Spain does.

Aguinaldo becomes unruly at a most inopportune time. Mr. Sherman had just given him a fine notice next to pure reading matter.

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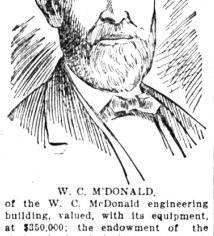
IMMENSE GIFTS OF CANADIAN MILLIONAIRE.

W. C. McDonald Who Has Given More Than Two Million Dollars to an Educational Institution, About to Be Knighted by the British Queen.

Rumor has it that Mr. William C. McDonald, the millionaire tobacco manufacturer, of Montreal, and the giver of huge sums to McGill University, is to be Knighted in recognition of his munificent contributions to the cause of education. Mr. McDonald is the youngest son of the late Hon. Donald McDonald, sometime president of the Legislative Council of Prince Edward Island, and grandson of Captain John McDonald, eighth chief of the Clan Macdonald of Glenaladale, who founded the Scottish settlements at Tracadie, Scotchfort, Glenfinnan and Fort Augustus in Prince Edward Island, and served during the American revolutionary war as a captain in the Eighty-fourth, or Royal Highland Emigrant regiment. Mr. McDonald was born at Glenaladale, Tracadie P. E. I., and was educated at the Central Academy, Charlottetown. In 1854 he went to Montreal and became an importer and general commission merchant. Subsequently he embarked in business as a tobacco merchant and manufacturer, and now owns extensive works in Montreal. He is a vice-president of the Montreal branch of the St. John Ambulance Association, and honorary member of the Architects' Association, Quebec. Mr. McDonald is widely known for his gifts to McGill. These consist of $20,000 to the Thomas Workman endowment for mechanical engineering; the erection



W. C. M'DONALD.

of the W. C. McDonald engineering building, valued, with its equipment, at $350,000; the endowment of the chair of electrical engineering with the sum of $40,000; the erection and equipment of the physics building, valued at $300,000, and two chairs of physics, with endowments amounting to $90,000; the endowment of the Faculty of Law with $150,000; a further sum of $150,000 for the maintenace of the engineering building; $50,000 for the endowment of the pension fund; the erection of a new building for the department of chemistry, mining and architecture, at a cost of $500,000; an observatory site, $70,000; and other endowments bringing his total contributions up to the magnificent amount of $2,300,000.

WINNER OWNS PHOTOGRAPH.

One of the queerest lawsuits ever placed on record is now being tried in New Haven, Conn. To recover a photograph of herself Miss Gertrude Mills is suing her aunt for its possession, the aunt claiming in her turn that it was freely given her and therefore remains her property. To this statement Miss Mills has another word to say. "I want it distinctly stated that I never gave her this picture and

MISS GERTRUDE MILLS.

she had no business with it. The suit I have begun is a replevin suit and damages are placed at $5. The picture is worth possibly 50 cents. I have several times asked my aunt to give me the picture and she has as often refused. Now I propose to see if the law will not protect my interests and give me this photograph." Miss Mills is a bright, prepossessing young woman of 19 or 20 years of age. Her father, James Mills, is proprietor of a restaurant at 112 State street and her aunt runs a rival restaurant across the street. This is one of the oddest suits ever brought before a Connecticut short. Both sides have hired counsel and propose to fight the case to the bitter end. The trial will come up some time this week before Justice A. C. McMathewson. Back of the suit is a long story of family disagreements. Several times there have been suits for slander entered by the parties to this case, none of which has ever come to trial.

Submarine Search Lights.

One of the disadvantages of a search light on war vessels is the revealing of the position of the ship. In the United States navy experiments have been made with submarine lights, which were placed well below the surface of the water, and their rays were directed slightly upward. As the light emerged from the water the observers on deck could detect any vessel at the point of emergence and the searchlight would not betray its own source.

Why isn't a wrinkle a nick of time?

ASTONISHINGLY LOW PRICES.

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Napkins, [illegible] edges, 20-inch size	*$1.00 doz.*
9-4 Bleached Shirting, shiny cotton	*12½c yd.*
54x36 size, extra strong Cotton	*8c each.*
Same size Hemstitched Sheets, well made	*10c "*
81x90 Plain Sheets, good cotton	*32c "*
Same size Hemstitched Sheets, 3-inch hems	*39c "*
Newest Brooches, splendid line	*6c yard.*
Lot of new Flowered Cloth for Wrappers	*5c "*
Printed Warp Ginghams, just unboxed, worth 18c a yard	*7½c "*
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A book on Stomach and Nerve troubles, their symptoms and cure, will be given free for the asking at above mentioned drug store. Read following statement:

"To Whom It May Concern: To those suffering from stomach and nerve troubles I wish to recommend Drake's Dyspepsia Cure and Nerve Restorer. About 20 years ago I began to be troubled with my stomach. It gradually grew worse, even under treatment, until it became difficult for me to eat any kind of food with comfort. For the past five years I have been able to retain very little food of the simplest nature long enough to digest it. Seldom during this time have I enjoyed sleep throughout the entire night, and usually have been obliged to leave my bed in consequence of my stomach and nerve troubles. My bowels were very much relaxed, said to be due to inflammation of the membrane of the intestines. I was treated by physicians, and tried nearly every known remedy for my troubles, with no lasting benefit, and usually not even temporary relief. On the 5th day of January, '98, I purchased a package of Drake's Dyspepsia Cure and Nerve Restorer, and I wish every dyspeptic knew how much I have improved from its use. My food does not distress me as it did, and I have no trouble in retaining it. I sleep well and feel refreshed therefrom, and, although I have used only one package of the medicine, I can safely say that I am 75 per cent. better than I have been during the past 20 years

"Yours respectfully, MRS. GIDEON STODDARD.

Litchfield, Mich., Jan. 24, 1898."

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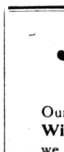

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