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BIRMINGHAM, FRIDAY, FEB. 3, '99

HOME NOTES.

Did your water pipes freeze?

Mrs. T. E. Crary is on the sick list.

How do you like Klondike weather?

Lecture at M. E. church next Friday night.

Rob. Fisher, wife and baby Sundayed in Birmingham.

Henry Johnston, of Franklin, is visiting his aunt at Alma.

Cake Walk at Library Hall Tuesday evening, February 14.

Watch out for the Old Folks' Concert in the near future.

Ask Glen Watkins or Walter McBride to tell you their cat story!

Mrs. Austin Park is slowly convalescing, after an illness of several weeks.

Clearing sale in full bloom at Waite Bros., Robertson & Co.'s' Pontiac.

Several of our high school scholars visited Pontiac high school Monday afternoon.

Geo. Kendall, of the D. & P. Ry., has a room in the cozy home of Mrs. E. F. Peabody.

Miss Jennie Peck has returned from a few days' visit with Mrs. Jas. Pierce in Detroit.

Mrs. Wm. E. Worth, of Big Rapids, is visiting her many friends and relatives in this vicinity.

Don't fail to attend the Lady Maccabee social Feb. 7. A fine program is being prepared.

Miss Mildred Cronk, of Flushing, is making an extended visit with her cousin, Miss Alice Packard.

The L. L. C. meets with Miss Mattie Baldwin next Tuesday evening. Studies in Book No. 10.

The Rev. H. J. Justema will fill the pulpit in the Presbyterian church next Sabbath, morning and evening.

The fore part of this week, morning after morning, old thermometer registered from 4 to 13° below zero.

A chorus choir, composed of about twenty voices has recently been organized in the M. E. church.

If you failed to read Zimmerman Bros. & Al ger's (Pontiac) ad last week do so immediately, if not sooner.

Mrs. Bellarby, wife of Joseph Bellarby, who lives on the Ed Millard farm in Troy, died Monday of this week.

Many of Mrs. Foster's former pupils are glad to put themselves under her instruction to learn the cake walk.

Come to the old time chicken pie social Tuesday night, Feb. 7, and have a good time and help the ladies out.

Only nine supervisors voted for the bonding of the county for $75,000 to be used in building a new court house.

FOR SALE CHEAP—A fine Rumsy road cart with box attachment. David G. Fisher, two miles west of Birmingham.

Miss Hattie Kittle, of Kingston, Ont., is here, being called to Birmingham by the illness of her father, J. G. Wilson.

Some of our juveniles are rushing the valentine season—Certain young misses having already received the little billet doux.

The Freshman class of our high school will give a class party at the home of Harry Tibbils on Friday, Feb. 3d (this eve).

Calvin Lapham, of Farmington, hanged himself in his barn last Thursday. Family trouble is supposed to be the cause.

Miss Bertha A. Bigelow will leave tomorrow for New York City, where she will act as bridesmaid on the event of her brother's wedding.

Prof. Fuller, principal of the Salem public schools, will occupy the pulpit of the Baptist church both morning and evening next Sabbath.

Our doctors, all of them, are unusually busy at this time of the year, colds, la grippe and other diseases pestering humanity quite freely just now.

Last week Thursday Bre'r Theo. Bookham started his furnace fire with the usual result when kerosene oil is used. He was badly burned about the face and had his eyebrows and lashes all singed off and also his whiskers. Dr. Shaw is now rapidly curing the roasted man.

J. W. Patterson, the hustling representative of Donaldson Bros. Implement Co., of Mt. Clemens, called on W. I. McClelland Tuesday.

Jas. B. Halstead, of Walled Lake, a good and capable man, offers himself as a candidate for county school commissioner on the republican ticket.

Visitors at the Owen cottage during the past week: M. B. Stoughton and wife, of Bath, Mich.; Miss Emily Butterfield, Masters Thomas and Max O'Leary, of Detroit.

We are glad to announce that Miss Maude Gates is again in charge of the Eccentric. She is back with us once more and her many friends will be pleased to know it.

Our fellow citizen, M. K. Taber, is a little better at this writing, and his friends do sincerely hope he has struck the right road to a speedy recovery of his usual good health.

Now is the time to take music lessons, with the nice long winter evenings for practice. Take a trip up to Pontiac and select a nice Kimball piano of E. Farmer.

Hiram Murphy and wife, of Southfield, had been married 60 years one day last week. Mrs. Murphy's poor health would not admit of a celebration of the unusual event.

The annual meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held Tuesday, Feb. 7, at two o'clock p. m., at the home of Mrs. Waldo. All members are especially requested to be present.

Pontiac's postoffice is to be moved to the new Jackson block, opposite the Gazette office and the change pleases many patrons of the office especially in that end of the city.

Friday night, Feb. 10, is the date of the next lecture of the Epworth League course. Charles H. Fraser will endeavor to tell you of "The World's Tomorrow or a Dream of Destiny."

The Ladies' Missionary Society of the Presbyterian church will meet with Mrs. M. E. Hemenway next Wednesday, February 8, from 3 to 5 p. m. A cordial invitation extended to all.

The "sweetest" ad in this issue is the one representing the "Triangle" grocery, owned and operated by Tom Cobb. His confections are unrivaled. "Taste and try," etc.—you know the rest.

Claud H. Pearsall, brother of F. G., of our city, is here on a visit. Claud says Ypsilanti, his home town, is growing and predicts that this year will be the most prosperous one old Ypsi ever had.

Owen Bigelow, of Williamston, Mich., brother of J. Allen of this place, visited old friends in this vicinity last week and also in Franklin, where his early life was spent. Everybody glad to "shake" Owen.

A year old baby boy of Conrad Shipka, who lives on McKinney's farm near Harmon P. O., fell into a boiler of boiling water Sunday forenoon. The child was badly scalded about the body and lower extremities.

A. D. Oplyke, formerly of this place, but now a fireman in Detroit, was quite badly injured one day last week by his engine colliding with a street car while on his way to a fire. The vestibule of the car was wrecked.

Old Mrs. Clark, residing west of the village died Friday night and was buried from the M. E. church the following Monday, Rev. Allen, officiating. Deceased leaves a daughter Jane, and one son residing in Pontiac.

Mrs. F. L. Church has been spending the past two weeks with friends in Canton and Ann Arbor. Her visit was prolonged by the serious illness of her little daughter Helen, who was unable to return home sooner.

Monday morning Janitor Hutton found another flue in boiler that heats the school house busted. This caused the closing of the school until Thursday and the pupils and teachers made the most of their unexpected vacation.

Cards are out announcing the approaching marriage of Lieut. Mort. Bigelow, our former Birmingham boy, and Miss Martha A. Hennessy, of New York City, at the home of the bride next Wednesday, February 8, at high noon.

Next Thursday evening, Feb 9, Prof. W. F. Zimmerman, of Pontiac, will give an organ recital in Zion Episcopal church, that city, assisted by his choir. This will be a musical treat. Admission 25cts. Proceeds for benefit of choir.

Mrs. Julia E. Benedict attended the graduation exercises of a class of 65 pupils at the Central High School, of Detroit, last Thursday.

Miss Mabel Dawson graduated with high honors, receiving a recommend to the training school for teachers.

Evangelist A. Nash, of the Nash Mission Home of Detroit, will preach in the Advent church in this village, Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 4th and 5th. Subject for Saturday night: "Faith vs. Feeling;" and Sunday night he will talk on mission work. Everyone is cordially invited.

Our best local talent will give a cake walk at Library Hall Feb. 14. The entertainment is in charge of Mrs. A. W. Foster, of Detroit, who has no need of an introduction to a Birmingham audience, as her many successes in the entertainment line are well known to our people.

Ethel, the 14-months-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Burns, residing in the southern part of the village, died last Friday. The little one had been a great sufferer for some time past, and spasms from brain fever hastened its death. The funeral was held from the house Sunday, Rev. Allen officiating.

Chairman Coleman, of the Democratic County Committe, has bagged the biggest fruit on the job, by securing W. J. Bryan, the late free silver presidential nominee and prospective candidate for a second run, to speak at the Jefferson banquet in Pontiac, February 20. The Jeffersonians are happy.

February 10th is the date of the Lincoln Club banquet to be held by the representative republicans of Oakland county. Gen. Henry M. Duffield will be the principal speaker and others of excellent fame as politicians and speakers will be present. Of course a goodly delegation will attend from this locality.

Owing to the severe illness of Miss Mollie Smith's mother she is not at her accustomed place at the P. O. window and will not be until the patient recovers so she can leave her. Mrs. Smith's sickness is caused by heart trouble and the general health and age of the patient makes it a dangerous case. Dr. C. M. Raynale is her physician.

Owners of lots in the new Randall subdivision are requested to call at the Exchange Bank in this village and pay 20 cents each for every lot which they may have purchased in said subdivision. The property was subdivided after it was assessed last spring and Mr. Stockwell, the agent, assures us that this is the only way the matter can be straightened.

Dr. Mallory, pastor of the Grand River Avenue Baptist church, Detroit, will be on hand with his lecture entitled "Adaptation the voice of God." He is a masterly speaker, and those who avail themselves of the opportunity will be well repaid. The date is this (Friday) evening, Feb. 3. This is the third number on the B. Y. P. U. lecture course.

Miss Lottie Leonard, of our village, one day last week carelessly swallowed a teaspoonful of laudanum. She attended school as usual and did not feel as badly as that quantity of the drug is expected to make one feel. After her experience, however, she will handle this branch of the drug line a little more carefully in the future.

At a meeting of the Grand Lodge of Michigan Masons held at Port Huron last week, Frank T. Lodge, of Detroit, was elected Grand Master and upon his installation, among other appointments of standing committees, named our fellow townsman, Eugene Brooks, a member of the committee on appeals. The next meeting of the Grand Lodge will be held at Detroit in 1900.

Talk about Job having troubles of his own, it is thought that Fred Parks, of Troy, our once efficient milk man, could give Job himself instruction on boil cultivation, having just passed through with an enormous one that took root and grew right between his eyes. The worst is over now and there is just about enough left of Fred to build over and make a good man.

Last Saturday the Whist Club was entertained by Mrs. B. Cooper. When refreshments were served each guest found at her place two cards, on one was represented the title of some book and on the other the name of the book, thus represented, was to be written. Miss Susie Trowbridge carried off the honors by guessing nine of the books represented. Next Saturday the Club meets with Mrs. Whitehead.

A woman who supports a family and takes care of an invalid husband has recently put down a cement walk, a block at a time, as she could spare the money to pay for it. Isn't this a hint to some of our wealthy people with poor walks? If one poor woman can do that can't our wealthy village afford to try for good walks by paying the difference between plank and cement—only a certain number of feet allowed for each year?

In recent letters received by Mrs. Benedict Will writes stirring accounts of trips taken from their claims to the cabin for food and mail. Racing with dog teams, narrow escapes from falling into air holes, frozen faces, etc. But they have "little time to give heed to a frozen nose." He writes of their "Thanksgiving feast in their cabin and rejoicing over the finding of gold to the tune of 10 cents per pan with good prospects for more."

If you are thinking of acquiring a nice little home in this village, just keep it under your hat that the pleasant little home, formerly owned by A. D. Shadbolt, will be sold at administrator's sale on March 6th next. The premises are just across the street south of the town hall and are commodious and convenient and will be sold to the highest bidder. Ask Mr. Whitehead about the matter some day when you are in the bank.

Last Saturday a team belonging to M. Addison, a farmer, which was hitched to another wagon in front of it (both teams standing near Smith's elevator), became restless and mutually agreed to shake off their bridles and make their exit, which they did in a very unceremonious manner, and succeeded in demolishing the wagon. One member of the team was very easily captured, while the other took a tie-path trip up the D. & M. track. No bones broken.

The Ladies' Library Society of Pontiac, was pleasantly represented in our city last Monday by Mrs. Chas. Going and Mrs. Joshua Hill, who were promoting the interest of their society by advertising their coming lecture, or rather recital, which is next Monday evening at Pontiac Library Hall, beginning at 8 p. m. Tickets on sale at the post office in this city. General admission only 35c to hear Pack Miller's dialect recital. Any one number is worth the price and just think, you can have a whole evening's entertainment from this popular dialect man.

A music teacher with an excellent reputation for musical knowledge and that rare art of teaching, has decided to take a few pupils in our city, and has headquarters at Mrs. J. Allen Bigelow's. The lady is Mrs. Blanche Webster Dewey and she is a proficient teacher upon the following instruments: piano, guitar and mandolin. This lady can be interviewed at the home of Mrs. Bigelow next Wednesday afternoon, February 8, where she will be pleased to discuss the music question, arrange for lessons and chat with anyone who is interested in lessons on any of the above instruments.

The Pontiac Beet Sugar enterprise is still progressing. The promoters, Messrs. Vaughn & Steen, have an office in the Crofoot block, opposite Hotel Hodges, Pontiac, where they are continually making contracts with the farmers for acreage. They have already secured 3,000 acres, and every day farmers voluntarily make additional contracts. This should not be confounded with the factory said to have located at Rochester. The Pontiac Beet Sugar factory is sure to be located there, it is so stipulated in the contract. The promoters are backed by men of unlimited capital, who propose to have the building ready for business next fall, when the beets shall have been grown.

Last week Monday night the council, of Pontiac, passed an ordinance granting the D. & P. electric road company the right to lay a third track on Saginaw street, from Jackson street to Oakland avenue thence up Saginaw to Clark street and down Clark street to the intersection of Oakland avenue at the P. O. & N. depot, for the consideration of $35,000. The track to be girder-grooved rails. The company is also to be released from that portion of their franchise requiring them to run cars around the loop and also from paving on Saginaw St. The city to have the right to let any other company operate cars over the third track, and the compensation therefor will go to the city. The offer was accepted next day by the company, and this probably ends a long wrangle that has been irritating and not at all satisfactory.

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DEATH LOVES A SHINING MARK.

Mrs. Don O. Shelton has Entered Into Eternal Rest—The End Came at Canon City, Colorado.

The Evening Argus, of Owosso, Mich., has the following eulogy on the death of one of their most popular young ladies. Deceased was a niece of Mr. and Mrs. John Baldwin, of this place, and had many acquaintances in Birmingham, who greatly loved and respected her:

"The funeral of Mrs. Don O. Shelton, nee Miss Gertrude Wells, was held this afternoon (Jan. 22) at 3 o'clock, from the residence of her aunt, Mrs. Joseph Greer, East Mason street, Rev. R. O. Cooper, of Christ church, officiating. The remarks by the clergyman were brief but full of tender sympathy for the young husband and family of the departed lady. The funeral was attended by a large number of friends and former companions of Mrs. Shelton. Several elegant floral tributes rested upon and around the beautiful casket.

"Misses Francis Jones, Nettie Matlock and Ivah Peterson and Van R. Pond sang three selections. The procession to the Oak Hill was a particularly sad one. Wade Cadman, Charles VanDusen, Charles D. Stewart, E. C. VanNess, Fred Lawrence, G. T. Campbell acted as pall bearers. A short service was held at the grave and the remains were interred beside those of Mrs. Shelton's parents.

"The news of the death of Mrs. Shelton came as a sad surprise to her many friends in this city, where she was so well known. She was the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Wells, and was born in Owosso twenty-eight years ago, and has resided here the most of her life. Graduating from the Owosso High School, she afterward spent two years in study at the University of Michigan. Her parents died several years ago, since which time she made her home with her aunt, Mrs. Joseph Greer, her cousin and bosom companion, Miss Mamie Cummin, residing in the same home.

"October 18, 1893, she was married to Don O. Shelton, general secretary of the East 86th street branch of the Young Men's Christian Association of New York. Going to that city she threw the energy and enthusiasm of her warm, sympathetic nature into the work in which her husband has been so eminently successful, and was ever an inspiration to him and a help to those about her. Not being strong, she undertook too much work, and two years ago her health began gradually to fail. Her hopeful disposition would not permit her to give up until a year later, when she spent the winter at a health resort, going last summer to the Adirondack mountains and coming to her old home in this city in the fall. Here she seemed for a time to gain in strength, and the plan for the family to go to Colorado was postponed a few weeks.

"On the fifth of January, accompanied by Mrs. Greer and Miss Cummin, she left for Canon City, Col., arriving there after a tedious journey, being delayed by missing connections. She was obliged to take to her bed, and though she was exceedingly hopeful for the future and wrote her husband bright, encouraging letters, she was unable to rally, and on Wednesday, the 18th inst, without scarcely a warning, she fell into that last deep sleep that knows no waking in this life.

"Mr. Shelton, who had spent the holidays here, and had planned to join her a little later in Colorado, had gone to Elmira to prepare for the new work he is undertaking. He received on Wednesday a telegram notifying him of the change for the worse in her condition, but a second dispatch received soon after announced her death. Mr. Shelton met the remains at Chicago and the party arrived in this city Saturday night.

"At Canon City, much kindness was shown the bereaved ones, three pastors, the officers of the Y. M. C. A., and young people's societies extending sympathy and aid and sending flowers.

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