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For Children's Day Exercises.

- Child's Strap Sandals, black or chocolate, sizes 3 to 6... 50c
Child's and Misses' Patent Leather, strap sandals... 75c to \$1.00
New styles in Children's Shoes just received, sizes 2 to 5... 50c to \$1.00

H. B. MERRITT, Pontiac.

Special Sale of Furniture...

- 5-piece Parlor Suit for \$20, upholstered in silk tapestry.
Combination Book Case for \$8.00.
Fine line of Dining Chairs for \$3.00 a set up.
Nice line of Parlor Table with prices and styles to suit you.

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If not, why not? Trading Stamps are as good as gold at our store. You might just as well derive the benefits obtained by collecting Trading Stamps as your neighbor.

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- Bakery and Lunch—Mrs. C. E. Ewenwood.
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Pontiac.

- Books, Shoes and Rubbers—C. H. Goding.
Coal, Glass and Crockery—W. R. Owen.
Chin and Wood—J. W. Hart & Co., East Lawrence St. E.

W. R. OWEN

is always thrashing at something, and now it is HAMMOCKS, CROQUET, WINDOW POLES, BRASS RODS FOR CURTAINS, GRANITE WARE, and now and then a piece of Crockery. Come and look the stock over and see for yourselves.

Pontiac, Mich.

STOP AT COR. WOODWARD AND GRATIOT AVES. KERN'S

SILK SALE 15 pieces of Corded WASH SILKS 35c value at, per yard... 21c

WAIST SILKS Broken plaids, checks and stripes of all the stylish spring colorings, such as coral, brown, blue, the jacket is satin lined, fly, box or clip front; skirts half lined or braided trimmed. This suit has no equal at... \$10

SILK GRENADINE Elegant tailor finish, strap seamed or buttoned trimmings, jacket ever sold at... \$6

TAFFETA SILKS The best quality of plain and changeable Taffeta Silk, regularly 85c. Buy them here at... 70c

SWAMP- everything, but if you have trouble it will be found just the remedy you need. At drug stores in fifty-cent and dollar sizes. You may have exact copies of our wonderful new discovery by mail free, also pamphlet telling all about it. Address, Dr. Kline & Co., Birmingham, N. Y.

ROYAL OAK.

Berry picking is near at hand. Mr. Starr, don't forget your old pickers, as we are all anxious to go.

We were all glad to see the smiling faces of our schoolmates, the Janney girls, in town Decoration Day.

Mrs. L. H. McDowell is suffering from a severe cough, which she contracted last February by an attack of grip. She is now under the care of Dr. Anderson of Big Beaver.

The members of the Light's grade of Royal Oak High School request your presence at their Promotional exercises Friday (this eve) at 8 p. m. Class room, George Donahoe, Pres; Bert Watch, Sec. Pres; Blanche Reynolds, Treas; Porteous, Fred, Ebb, August Brown; Laura Storz, Clara Merrill White; John Mow, Ida McDowell, Ida Menke. Class colors, pink and green. Motto, "Forward and Upward."

WEST BLOOMFIELD.

Miss Margaret Coulter is failing fast these warm days.

The W. F. M. S. of Franklin met with Mrs. Geo. German June 8.

Mrs. R. D. Robertson will entertain the W. H. M. S. June 15. All invited.

Mrs. Nettie Higby, of Pontiac, is expected at Mrs. M. A. Higby's to spend a few days.

John Rainey and friend were fishing on Walnut lake the fore part of the week.

Messames Sawyer and Daily, of Detroit, were Mr. Coulter's last week making a short visit.

These are perfect June days—when Heaven tries the earth if he is in tune. And over his heart he warm ear lays.

Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Bigelow, of Howell made a short visit at Mrs. B.'s mother's, Mrs. T. A. Bigelow's last week.

Miss Edna Terhush, of Pontiac, spent a few days last week at Miss E. H. Haskins, the guest of Miss M. Fuller, teacher in Walnut school district.

The Pine Lake Cemetery is going through a long wet spell, viz, a good mowing. It is a pity with so many lot owners that we cannot get more money ahead to keep it in proper condition, but only a few lot owners feel interested enough to pay the little sum of 50c a year, which if every lot owner paid, would pay a goodly sum in the hands of the society every year. Selah.

Beauty as Well as Profit—I think many people fail to obtain pleasure in cultivating their gardens, because they regard their plants only from a business standpoint, and do not appreciate them as objects of beauty. As long as it costs but a little to us cultivate the love for the beautiful, or the aesthetic side of our nature. Why perhaps the most of us must work our garden and garden the necessary profit, yet we may often, when planning for profit, so plan that it will be ornamental in appearance. We shall get the most enjoyment from our garden and our life will be better for having cultivated a taste for the beautiful and attractive in nature.—Michigan Farmer.

The New Zealand Dairyman says: Students of agriculture and dairymen, in the present wave of that movement which is passing over Ireland, a most interesting study. The way in which co-operative butter factories have extended is in strong contrast to the complete apathy displayed by the English dairy farmer in the same direction. From a one-product agricultural country the "Unhappy Isle" had dwindled down in rural population to such an extent that it seemed as if they would ultimately be a mere handful of people, barely enough to tend cattle for John Bull to eat. With the departure of the butter factories, agriculturists to America and these colonies the quality of her produce became woefully poor; in fact, things were going into a bad way, and it was problematical what the end would be. Some thoughtful Irishmen came to the rescue, however, and binding themselves together, preached co-operation—co-operation in every branch of the farmer's business. Success did not attend their efforts at first, and it was not until fifty meetings had been held that an attempt was made by the farmers to test the new doctrine. Once co-operation had proved itself, however, it rapidly spread, and in fact, more so than whereas in 1890 there were only one co-operative factory, the number has increased to 136 at the beginning of last year.

The principal body at work is the Irish Agricultural Organization Society, which was formed in 1894, and being quite non-political in its objects, men of all shades of opinion are on its committee. They have sensibly laid aside their differences, and to aid their unfortunate countrymen, the society employs about a dozen organizers and experts, who are kept constantly at work lecturing, organizing and instructing. As the Irish Farmer, writing on the subject in the Mark Lane Express Almanac, says: "The doctrine of self-help and show the farmers how they can help themselves, and the mainly spirit of the people has welcomed it in a whole-some reaction from the other doctrine which lays all the blame of their poverty upon the government."

Numerically the most important of the societies are the co-operative creameries. The establishment of these has led to an enormous improvement in the quality of its butter, and the suppliers have, as a result, obtained fully 20 per cent more profit from their cows than formerly. In fact, in some of the creameries, the butter is so pure and of such a high quality, that it is used for the manufacture of the finest butter in the world. Then a number of the creameries formed a federation in 1892 to enable them to more effectively control the markets in their own hands, and to establish a national brand of Irish creamery butter.

Top Dressing Rye to Plow Under. The plan of top dressing rye with manure is a good one, providing the manure is well spread. The rye will be benefited by the manure, as well as by its fertilizing properties. There will still be considerable virtue left in the manure, and the corn crop that is to follow. The amount of manure same will be in proportion to the rainfall and to the condition of the manure. The manure should be applied to the field and the finer the manure when applied the more will its enriching properties be worked down into the soil. But spreading the manure on the eye, and when it grows up in the spring plowing under both manure and rye the influence on the corn would be very beneficial. The aim in applying the manure in our climate should be to make it act as much as well as a fertilizer.—Farm, Stock and Home.

Cal Moore's new house is completed. F. Bacon will be the principal at the house.

Miss Clara Wilson is the happy owner of a new piano.

Rep. Wells and Clark Halsey, of Lansing, declared at Warren.

Miss Jennie Herrington, of Troy, Sunday with her folks in Warren.

S. Jones and daughter Maud, of Royal Oak, visited relatives in Warren lately.

Geo. Gerlach and Miss Lizzie Snyder were married Sunday last. They expect to live in Warren.

School closed last Friday on the County Line after a most successful term by Miss Louisa Kanatt.

Mr. and Mrs. V. B. Miller and Henry Miller spent last Saturday at Pontiac.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Harmon are rejoicing over a son, which arrived May 22.

A strawberry social will be held at the home of James Miller, this (Friday) evening. Everybody invited.

The Gleason Society will meet with Mrs. J. M. Biddow next Wednesday, June 14. All invited.

The United Presbyterian parsonage has been improved by adding a new cistern and kitchen.

SHAFFER'S

Cool wearing apparel is the order of the day—your comfort demands it. For the sake of greatest satisfaction and economy let us supply yourself and family with the Summer wardrobe. Here are immense bright new stocks of everything in the way of Summer Clothing, Headwear, Footwear and Furnishings Goods for men, women and children; a variety that has no equal in this State. No other store can meet our prices. The largest buyers buy the lowest and thus can sell the lowest. We are the largest buyers and sellers in Michigan. As well as the profit of trading at Shaffer's, our store is large, roomy and cool even on the hottest days. If you're tired and dusty after your trip, make use of our lavatories and sitting rooms. We take care of your packages and wraps. Instead of walking in the sun from store to store, you ride in our elevators from floor to floor.

C. A. SHAFER, DETROIT.

Every department is a complete store in itself. Ice cream, cold drinks, coffee, tea, sandwiches and cakes served in the Table Supply, basement. You can get anything from a light lunch to a full course dinner in the Restaurant and Cafe, seventh floor, overlooking the river and city. Prices are less than you would expect to pay for the excellent service.

You are always welcome at Shaffer's. The freedom of the store and our best attention is extended to sight-seers as well as to buyers.

Harmon and became overpowered when Will denoted for himself master of the situation and brought both men to shore.

The news of the death of David Bingham Tuesday evening, May 30th, came to his many friends like a stroke of lightning from an unclouded sky. Mr. Bingham had been in usual health up to the moment of his death as he was returning for the night. He had an attempt to rise from the bed but fell to the floor and death was instantaneous. Mrs. Bingham hastily summoned the members of the family who were grief-stricken at the loss of a kind and father. Besides a loving wife, the deceased is survived by two sons and two daughters, George and Charles, of Franklin, Mrs. John Rainey, of Birmingham, and Mrs. Ezra Bingham, of Warren. Funeral services were held from the home Friday afternoon, Rev. Sattouff officiating, and the remains interred in Frank's cemetery.

An Entertaining Druggist. There are few men more widely awake and enterprising than Whitehead & Mitchell, who share with you and secure the best of everything in their line for the valuable customer. They now have Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Croup, and the wonderful remedy that is producing such a furor all over the country by its many startling cures. It is a cure for all affections of the throat, chest and lungs. Call at above address for a trial bottle free. Guaranteed to cure or price refunded.

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JUST FOR FUNNING. "I cured my wife of quarreling about wanting her own way in everything." "How?" "I let her have it."

You Can't Dodge Them

Have you ever tried to dodge the germ? Did you try to dodge very well, did you? It's just as useless to try to escape from the germ of consumption. You can't do it. They are about us constantly taking them into our lungs.

Then why don't we all have this disease? Simply because these germs cannot gain a foothold in a strong throat and lungs. It's these germs that are weak that the germs master. The body must be well supplied with fat. The danger comes when the blood is poor and the body is thin. If you cough does every day, and you fret and not yield, and your throat and lungs feel raw and sore, you should not delay another day.

Franklin. Strawberries are plentiful. This is pension week for our old soldiers. Monday night. Children's Day will be observed in our churches Sunday morning with appropriate recitations, music, etc.

A large party of scholars and friends of Judd Cummings invoked his home Tuesday night and gave him a pleasant surprise. John Todd has closed a successful year. Children's Day morning with appropriate recitations, music, etc.

Robert Reynolds and a crew of workmen are plastering the new house of Elmer Evans this week, and it is unnecessary to add that the work is being done in the most up-to-date manner.

John Clemons and Quincy Harmon had a narrow escape from drowning in Bigelow's pond, near the tie yard, recently. Clemons was trying to rescue

SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, New York.

Curtain Selling

This season has been beyond all expectation. The reason of this is easily explained if you will visit our light and commodious department, examine our magnificent assortment and note our exceptionally low prices. An assortment of Irish Point Curtains, special at, per pair... \$2.89

Nottingham Lace Curtains, 3 1/2 yards long, 50 inches wide, each pair... \$1.00

Saxony Lace Curtains, 60 inches wide, at per pair... \$2.00

Bissel's Carpet Sweepers... \$1.98

Killing Mealy Bugs—I have the theory and I put it on with a good bug. It was a very bad insect enemy ago until we discovered that we could use kerosene emulsion, and since then I have discovered that water, put with considerable force, will kill it.—W. F. Parkin.

Nitrogen-free extract includes sugar, starch, gums, and the like, and forms an important part of all feeding stuffs, but especially of most grains.

Neatfoot oil is said to be better than kerosene for many of the ills of fornicia because it is less irritating.

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