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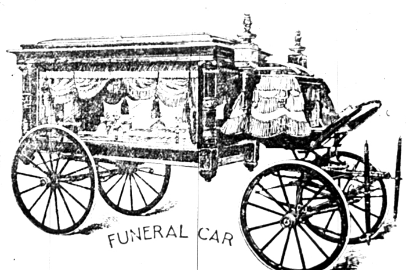

PONTIAC AND BIRMINGHAM.

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Telephone connections with both offices.

FIRST WEDDING IN ST. JAMES.

William Thomas Jackson and Elizabeth May Mills.

On Thursday, April 19, as the echoes of the noon whistle died away, Miss Alice Pickard began playing that grand wedding march "The Voice that Breathed o'er Eden," and a bridal party slowly marched down the center aisle of the St. James Protestant Episcopal church and ranged themselves before the waiting clergyman and groom. The party was led by Glen Robinson and Earl Jenks, ushers, followed by William Mills on whose arm leaned his daughter, the prospective bride, Miss Elizabeth May Mills. [illegible] Jackson and Miss [illegible] Mills, a brother of the groom and sister of the bride, who acted as best man and bridesmaid.

[illegible]

After the arrival of the wedding party at the altar the groom received his bride to be from her father and the beautiful marriage service of the Episcopal church began. The low, soft music of the church organ continued while Rev. [illegible], of Detroit, former pastor of this church, pronounced the words that made the young couple man and wife, the ring which is customary in this [illegible]

[illegible]

Stricken With Paralysis.

On Monday morning last while doing his chores Samuel Jarvis was suddenly stricken with paralysis. E. Beardslee happened to come along just as the old gentleman was falling and quickly gave him assistance. Other neighbors came and the sufferer was carried into his home. Dr. C. M. Raynale was immediately summoned and did all that human skill could do to aid the suffering man. An examination shows that his right side is paralyzed. His speech is badly affected, and when he attempts to talk it cannot be understood. It was at first thought he would not rally, but at present writing the doctor has slight hopes that he may at least partially recover from the effects of the shock. A trained nurse, Mr. Leonard Wendt, of Detroit, has been secured to care for him and we sincerely hope the old gentleman may become himself again. Mr. Jarvis has passed the 76th milestone.

BRIGHT HOPES

Are Entertained for Free Rural Delivery.

From Pontiac Post.

The matter of free rural mail delivery in Oakland county seems promising, indeed. Recently a petition was forwarded from Farmington which disappeared temporarily. In response to an inquiry concerning this petition, Congressman Smith writes the following letter:

House of Representatives,
Washington, April 9, 1900.

Pontiac Post,
Pontiac, Michigan.

[illegible]

Would Like to Know, You Know.

[illegible]

Read Your Cemetery Rules.

[illegible]

are publishing the paper, but because we would enjoy knowing what our city fathers do and how it was done, and also, because we are not an up-to-date village if we do not publish our proceedings. That's all we have in it. For the price we offer to do the work we are ahead in cash if we do not have it to do.

EDITOR.

month before placing a heavy stone on it, and there are times when other work interferes with its immediate construction.

[illegible], Sec.

A Successful Entertainment.

The entertainment at the Library Hall Friday evening, given by the Ideal Entertainment Co., of Saginaw, was indeed a surprise to our citizens—a surprise in being much better than was expected. The moving pictures were without doubt as good as any in the country, and gave the best of satisfaction. The impersonations rendered by Mr. Alber were of a high order and the young man received several encores. The bell ringing by Mr. Russell was a very pleasing feature, and when the company comes again, as they promise to do, they will be greeted by a large house. Every one express themselves as well pleased with the evening's entertainment and the Ladies' Library Society were indeed fortunate in securing a company of this kind.

Third Cavalry Reunion.

Bangor, Mich., April 25, 1900.

It has been decided to hold the annual reunion of the 3d Michigan Cavalry at Grand Rapids, June 7, 1900. This will be the first day of the State Encampment, G. A. R., and reduced fares will be made on all railroads. The headquarters will be at the Eagle Hotel, where the officers and committees will be found. Every member of the old regiment is strongly urged to attend and assist in making this the most enjoyable reunion we have ever held. Fraternally yours,

R. C. Nyman, President.
O. F. Webster, Secretary.

After the Pontiac Mill Pond.

There is a project on foot in Pontiac to get rid of the old mill pond. The idea is a good one and if carried out will add much to the beauty of Pontiac's appearance, and from a sanitary point of view the value of this move could not be estimated. The Pontiac Post has the following to say about the matter:

"The move to get possession of the mill dam by the city originated with Ald. Buckley and he has been quietly at work on the question for some time. Providing satisfactory terms can be arranged, the proposition to purchase the property will likely be submitted to the people at a special election. They will then have an opportunity to decide what they wish done with the mill pond. In case it should be decided to purchase the property the dam would be torn out, the pond filled up and eventually the river would be cleaned. The benefit which the business portion would derive from such a source can readily be seen. Instead of a filthy mill pond emitting disagreeable odors, there would be a swift running stream of clear water which would be a beauty instead of a disgrace to the fair city of Pontiac."

Municipal Ownership.

One of the most remarkable examples of municipal ownership in the country is shown by the town reports of Edinburg, Ind. Incandescent lights are furnished to residences for 15 cents a month and to business houses for 20 cents a month for 16 candle power lights. Water works are also operated at an annual cost of $1 to each consumer and a complete and perfect telephone exchange is maintained with a monthly rental of 50 cents. These are municipal enterprises, all self-supporting.—Seneca Falls Reveille.

Men's Spring Suits, $15.

Such a variety of patterns and fabrics, that no matter what you want it can be found in this superb line of Suits for Men. Light colored effects in cassimeres and cheviots; fancy worsteds, blue serges and black clay weaves. All kinds suitable for men of all ages. These suits fit to perfection, will hold their shape and will wear better than the ordinary ready made kind, they are all built to our order, that's why, and are equal in every way to the best merchant tailors' work, but they only cost half the tailor's price.

R. H. TRAVER,

171-173-175 Woodward Ave., Detroit.

WHO HAS 277?

The owner of ticket No. 277, which entitles the holder to a planished steel range at the hardware store of C. H. Schlaack & Co., has as yet failed to put in an appearance. Persons in this vicinity holding quite a number of tickets have been called on and as none of them have this number, it is thought that perhaps some one holding one or two tickets might be the lucky person. Now then if you had any tickets and have laid them away, thinking that you could not possibly be lucky, better get them out and look them over, you might find one of them to be 277 and if it should be—well, you know the rest. Mr. Schlaack wants to see ticket No. 277. Who has it?

Franklin Cemetery Lots

To Whom It May Concern:—

The "[illegible] addition," has been laid out and over [illegible] lots are now for sale. Terms cash. First come, first served. No advance in price has been made and there will be none until after the annual meeting.

Will those having friends buried in this cemetery, one of the most beautiful in Oakland county, please take the time to look over the graves and reset the monuments and stones where needed, or write to the secretary for estimates of costs, etc.

[illegible], President.
George Bingham, Sec'y-Treas.

[illegible]

Trustees.

A Timely Suggestion.

Teachers of the country schools would do a world of good to the children if they would teach them to cultivate flowers around the school house. Many of the school houses are rendered unsightly by the surroundings. A rose bush under the windows, a little flower bed or two in front or at the sides, a vine trained over the door, will add to the beauty of the house and its surroundings, and be a source of pleasure and instruction to the children. They will take the love of flower cultivation with them to their homes, and thus add to the beauty and enjoyment of the farm house.—American Farmer.

Biggle Berry Book.

"Are you planning a berry patch? Don't think of doing it until you have read Judge Biggle's admirable little Berry Book. It contains the experience of thirty of the leading berry growers of the country. Experience has a cash value. Send 50c to Wilmer Atkinson Co., Philadelphia, for a copy.

THE ARIZONA PLACERS.

Papago Indians Discover Valuable Nuggets on Their Reservation.

Tucson, Ariz., April 17. Several weeks ago a large gold nugget was discovered by Papago Indians in Horseshoe Basin, a canyon in the foothills of Quijotoa Mountains 50 miles south of Tucson. The nugget was purchased by W. A. Day, the storekeeper at the basin, and was found to contain over $900 in gold. Since that time a large number of Papago Indians have been dry washing in Horseshoe Basin and a number of sensational finds have been made. There are now over 200 Indians working in the diggings, and every day more are going there. Several large nuggets have been found and Mr. Day has become a large shipper of gold. Mining men from Tucson, who have just returned from the placers, predict a rush of white prospectors to the Quijotoas when the fact becomes known. Mr. Day has kept the matter quiet and is buying all the gold produced and making a handsome profit.

Several days ago a new discovery was made not 100 yards from the Day store which created some stir in camp. This ground is outside the Indian reservation, but the place where the big nuggets were found is on lands reserved for Indians, and white men are not allowed to prospect there. The mining men who came from the basin will return there and open [illegible] near the Day store.

A Boy's Essay on Hornets

[illegible]

When a hornet stings a fellow he knows it, and never stops talking about it as long as his friends will listen. One day a hornet stung my [illegible] a preacher on the nose, and he did not do any pastoral visiting for a month without talking about that hornet.

Card of Thanks.

I wish to most sincerely thank the people who have so kindly assisted me during my stay in Birmingham.

Mrs. Jane Wheeler.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

The following is a list of letters remaining unclaimed in the post office at Birmingham, Mich., for the week ending April 21, 1900.

Wm. M. Woods, E. A. Lodge, Esq., Miss Hassiss, Mrs. Clara Aldrich.

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

John Hanna, P. M.

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A cluster of gems from our collection

The [illegible]—A ruffled Bobbinet Curtain, with deep full ruffle, at **$2.50 pair.**

The [illegible]—Point Center Curtain with lace edge and insertion, at **$3.00 pair.**

The Cleopatra—An exquisite Curtain for the library, at **$4.00 pair.**

The [illegible] ruffled effect Curtain, narrow Battenberg edge, at **$6.00 pair.**

[illegible] A Sheer Muslin Curtain [illegible] **$2.50 pair.**

[illegible] curtains, plain [illegible] **$1.00 pair.**

FINE LACE CURTAINS.

[illegible] **$3.[illegible] pair.**

[illegible] **$5.00 pair.**

[illegible] **$3.50 to $12 pair.**

Fine Brussels Net, our special Bow Knot design, **$10 pair.**

50 pairs Nottingham Curtains, 3½ yards long, **$2.00 pair.**

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MATTINGS.

[illegible] Warp Mattings, all colors, 25c yard.

[illegible] Warp Mattings, for good wear, 20c yard.

[illegible] Mattings, assorted colors, 12[illegible]

[illegible] Mattings, equal to [illegible] 30c and 35c yard.

[illegible] 20c yd

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Best line of Plow and Work Shoes on the market. Prices from

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