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YOU'RE MONEY OUT OF POCKET IF YOU BUY RUBBERS ELSEWHERE, that's an assured fact.

GOING'S CORNER SHOE STORE
PONTIAC, - MICHIGAN.

Banton's Breezes

By Bert Blakeslee.

BANTON, Sept. 27, 1901.

Dear Folks at Home

The last few days have drawn very heavily upon me and last night I was nearly used up. For the past week our food has consisted of jam bread, water and strong coffee. At times we have not got in bed before midnight and then crawl out at 4:30. Couldn't always have our cots. Would roll up in our blankets and fall down anywhere, to roost during the first part of the night, freeze the last half and be chewed by cockroaches and ants all the time. Wouldn't mind it if they were only little, like you have at home, but when you get up in the morning and find one cockroach pulling on your trousers, another lacing up your shoes and a third trying on your hat, I envy you would kick too. But seriously, I have not had a decent meal or a good night's sleep since leaving Manila, and it is telling on me. We are ordered to have everything packed so as to leave at a moment's notice, and that's how it came we were routed out at 5 a. m. before daylight, to go.

We went yesterday morning, were introduced to the leading men of the town and given three good rooms in a large convent. Our classes will be held in the same building. The boys and girls will be taught separately. There are no Pardoes priests in the province. They were all driven out by the people because of their oppression and criminal conduct. All of our goods were handed and taken to our rooms by the Visayan guys, not by natives, call the natives. Was unpacking when I was told to lock up everything and go back to the boat. The island had been invaded by 1500 insurgents with 100 others who had been over 10 days before to get recruits. Neither the president of the town or Gov. Sands would be responsible for our safety, so here we are in Ruhlon again. All of our goods are in Banton and the vice-president is responsible with his life for their condition. The president and his wife are arrested and are held here. We go back to-at Sunday and are to have a detachment of soldiers with us. It is hardly probable that the insurrectos would bother us much unless to steal our goods and abduct us. It is only the Ladrones—mountain robbers who kill or murder. Beyond the fact that we may lose all our goods, nothing has resulted from it.

We have the two cleanest and nicest rooms in the whole town to live in and don't have to clean out rent free. They are large, three cane bottomed beds, small stand and three old chairs. Chairs are almost priceless treasures here.

We will have two Spanish teachers under us, both natives. One of them is a Spaniard, unmarried lady, but has three children and is now looking for another husband. We took dinner with her yesterday, about 10 of us, and mine. Bread was the first course, then chicken. The chicken was about as large as a dove with the feathers on—just divide into 10 parts and save your piece up. Canned salmon, heated right in the can, and it would sicken a dog. Then canned peaches, which were really very nice. Three kinds of wine were served and cigarettes. Well, it was the oddest experience I ever had or want. I ate half a peach, but did not feel the least bit hungry when I got through.

The natives are friendly and are anxious for the American teachers, but are placed in a hard position. They are allowed no guns or ammunition and when the insurrectos come down on them they are helpless, and because they don't put the insurgents out they are guilty of treason to our Government. The people here seem to have better stuff in them than the majority of the Pinoy, and if I find things all right when I go back next Sunday I shall teach my best.

Last night we got back to Romblon about 6:30. The night before I slept on some leather covered seats for four hours. All day I only had half a peach. My goods were in Banton with a fair chance of being stolen. I was never more tired and ugly in my life. Well, a steamer had come in during the day and brought me mail from home and it cheered me up and did me lots of good.

Went in swimming last night after our usual supper of bread and coffee for supper. As our hands went through the water and the water bubbled through our fingers, the phosphorescence made the bubbles look just like gold. You have seen the glitter when lots of gold has been flashed before your eyes, as it stood out so clear and bright against the blackness of the water it was beautiful beyond description. This morning a couple of us fellows took our lunch and came way down the coast line. Part of the time we had a path on the mountains and part of the time we had to wade. Got a great many pretty shells and shall mail you some later on.

Saturday evening.

Well, here I am really in Banton again. Last night a couple of my friends came in and we had supper together. They stayed until 10 o'clock. About 1 a. m. I was awakened by my partner who had been out on a trip all day with the Government launch. He said, "You have just two minutes to dress and get your stuff on board the launch. The insular constabulary and a detachment of soldiers are already there with rations and ammunition." Well, we got back to Banton just before daybreak and left not meet any insurgents, although we expected to. All of the officials here and native police are under arrest and not allowed to speak to each other. Investigations are now pending. The natives are very angry with the soldiers, but seem glad to see us teachers. We can't really tell, though, for they lie so when the soldiers go away. Behner and I will be armed with carbines and have got to learn to handle them. For a while at least one other white man will be left here.

We began today to fix up our rooms. Found our stuff all O. K. Have it unpacked and some in its place. Had quite a number of callers, both natives and soldiers, last evening, so did not get a chance to finish. This morning my legs and arms are badly swollen and have big mosquito blisters—effect of swimming. So I am going to keep quiet today and rest. One of the natives offered last night to do all our work if we would give him chow chow and teach him English. He is a man 28 years old and is the president's secretary. He worked all day and felt well paid when we gave him a can of sardines. Most of the soldiers have come in and the launch goes out, so I will close.

BERT.

Rev. Id R. Hicks Not Dead.

Notwithstanding a widely current rumor that the Rev. Id R. Hicks was dead, he never was in better health, and never did a harder and more successful year's work than that just closing. He has just completed his large and splendid Almanac for 1902 and, with his staff of able helpers, has brought his Journal, Word and Works justly forward into international reputation. For a quarter of a century has grown in reputation and usefulness as the people's astronomer, and forecaster of storms and the character of coming seasons. Never were his weather forecasts so sought after as now, his timely warning of a serious drouth this year having saved the people from loss and suffering. Millions of bushels of wheat were harvested through his advice to plant crops that would mature early. The American people will certainly stand by Prof. Hicks, when it costs them so little and the benefits are so great. His fine Almanac of 200 pages is only 25c, and his splendid family journal is only one dollar a year including the Almanac. Send to Word and Works Pub. Co. 2201 Locust St., St. Louis, Mo.

"Last winter an infant child of mine had croup in a violent form," says Elder John W. Rogers, a Christian Evangelist of Filley, Mo. "I gave her a few doses of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and in a short time all danger was past and the child recovered." This remedy not only cures croup, but when given as soon as the first symptoms appear, will prevent the attack. It contains no opium or other harmful substance and may be given as confidently to a baby as to an adult. For sale by Whitehead & Mitchell, druggists.

Notice to Taxpayers of the Township of Troy.

You are hereby notified, that I will be at the following places through the month of December, to receive taxes in my office for the purpose of receiving taxes for said township of Troy. At Frank D. Cutting's in Troy on Tuesdays, Dec. 3 and 17th. At S. L. Robbins' store in Big Beaver on Thursdays, Dec. 5 and 19th. At Exchange Bank in Birmingham on Saturdays, Dec. 7 and 21st. At George Harris' store in Southfield on Mondays, Dec. 9 and 23d. At home on Wednesdays and Fridays.

Dated November 22, 1901.

JAY CHAFFEE,
Township Treasurer of Troy.

Notice to Bloomfield Taxpayers.

I will be at the Exchange Bank in Birmingham every Thursday, at home every Friday, and at the County Treasurer's office in Pontiac every Saturday, from Dec 5, 1901, to Jan. 10, 1902, for the purpose of receiving taxes. No money taken in after banking hours.

C. H. CARTER,
35 Township Treasurer.

Spreads Like Wildfire.

When things are "the best" they become "the best selling." Abraham Hare, a leading druggist of Belleville O., writes "Electric Bitters are the best selling bitters I have handled in 20 years." You know why. Most diseases begin in disorders of stomach, liver and kidneys, bowels, blood and nerves. Electric Bitters tones up the stomach, regulates liver, kidneys and bowels, purifies the blood, strengthens the nerves hence cures multitudes of maladies. It builds up the entire system. Puts new life and vigor into any weak, sickly, run-down man or woman. Price 50c. Sold by Whitehead & Mitchell, druggists.

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to visit us whether you wish to buy or not—just come in any time and get posted as to the latest fashions and at the same time see how carefully we have prepared to supply your every clothing want.

We've twice the assortment in Suits that you'll find elsewhere. Suits ranging in price from $8 to $24, but the two lines to which your special mention is asked are those

$8 and $10 BLUE SUITS

They are built from those fashionable rough faced blue Cheviot—pure all-wool fabrics of fast color.

Coats either single or double breasted—the former are fashioned with broad shoulders and close fitting back and the latter have the new roll lapels, something entirely different from last year's styles. Trousers are perfectly shaped made large above the knee to give the new effect.

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R. H. Traver,
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AUCTION SALES.

Minnie Remole is the proprietress of this sale which takes place on the Fred Remole farm, 1½ miles west of Royal Oak on Hmile road, on Monday, Dec. 2d, at 10 o'clock a. m., horses, cows, sheep, harness, farm implements, oats, corn, hay, cornstalks, etc. M. H. Blunt, auctioneer.

M. H. Blunt will sell for Martin Lafka on the premises, 2 miles east and 1½ miles north of Royal Oak, on Tuesday, Dec. 10, at 10 a. m., geldings, cows, pigs, wagons, harnesses, hay, forks, plows, drags, cultivators, etc., hay, cornstalks, corn, oats, etc., etc.

My lease having expired, I will sell at auction on what is known as the Minda farm, on 9 mile road, 2 miles west of Centre Line road and 1 mile east of Cuttis Line road, on Saturday, Dec. 14, at 9 o'clock a. m., two horses, 6 cows, 5 heifers, 2 bulls, brood sow and pigs, set double and single harness, 5 wagons, bobsleighs, mower, binder, hay rake, cutting box, fanning mill, corn sheller, etc., etc. Rudolph Minda, proprietor. M. H. Blunt, auctioneer.

I will sell at auction on the premises 2½ miles east of Royal Oak and 4 miles west of Center Line, on H-mile road, on Tuesday, Dec. 24, at 9 o'clock a. m., one horse, 3 mares, 3 colts, 11 cows, 7 heifers, 2 steers, 5 bulls, 7 pigs, 10 geese, 70 hens, harnesses, wagons, hay rack, potato digger, binder, roller, scraper, plow, cultivators, drags, corn planter, saws, oats, buckwheat, feed corn, cornstalks, straw stack, forks, hoes, shovels and many other articles. Terms easy. John Cashawsky, proprietor. Martin H. Blunt, auctioneer.

Postponed auction sale! Andrew McClelland will sell at public auction on the premises 2 miles west of Royal Oak, tomorrow Saturday, Nov. 30th, at 10 o'clock a. m., one span geldings, 1 span mares, 7 cows, 2 heifers, 2 calves, 1 sow, wagon, buggies, harnesses, fanning mill, binder, mower, plows, threshing rig, hay, oats, wheat, potatoes, etc., organ, chairs, sofa, stoves, etc. M. H. Blunt, auctioneer.

Astounding Discovery.

From Coopersville, Mich., comes word of a wonderful discovery of a pleasant tasting liquid that when used before retiring by anyone troubled with a bad cough always insures a good night's rest. "It will cure the cough too," writes Mrs. S. H. mellburger. "For three generations of our family have used Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption and never found its equal for Coughs and Colds. It is an unrivaled life saver when used for desperate lung diseases." Guaranteed bottles 50c. and $1.00 at Whitehead & Mitchell's.

SCHOOL NOTES.

ROLL OF HONOR
OCTOBER.

The following is based on attendance, punctuality, deportment and studies.

FIRST GRADE.

Minnie Dietz, 97.	Lloyd Cleary, 95.
Percy Hamilton, 98.	Frank Gaffney, 95.
Willie Lafka, 95.	Elsie Greene, 97.
Merle Haines, 95.	Max Peck, 95.
Percy Lamkin, 96.	Edward Stone, 96.

SECOND GRADE.

May Allen, 99.	Earle Rinfull, 97.
Pearl Bowers, 96.	Carrie Rinfull, 97.
Vera Haines, 96.	Ray Smith, 97.
Anna Hall, 96.	Percy Strong, 97.
Ross Morse, 97.	Birdie Williams, 97.
Harry Nichols, 97.	

THIRD GRADE.

Emma Pulford, 96.	Estella Carter, 97.
Cecil Hibbert, 97.	Sadie Dunn, 97.
William Lewis, 96.	Stella Dunn, 97.
Lizzie Wells, 96.	Clara Gilling, 96.
Irma Stull, 96.	Irene Jones, 97.
Nora Donovan, 96.	Ray Mann, 96.
Edna Mallender, 96.	

SIXTH GRADE.

May Brown, 96.	Aline Hibbert, 97.
Blanche Hall, 97.	Edna Mann, 96.
Lena Lamkin, 96.	Bert Peck, 96.
Carrie Savage, 96.	Pamelia Pulford, 96.
Lillian Shields, 96.	Fred Stone, 96.

SEVENTH GRADE.

Ella Gaffney Dietz, 96.	Ethel Ross, 97.
Estella Hall, 96.	Charles Strong, 97.
Ruth Kerr, 97.	Ralph Strong, 97.
Frank Robinson, 97.	Roberta Rogers, 97.
Nettie Scadden, 97.	Ina Cassady, 97.
Enid Johnston, 97.	

EIGHTH GRADE.

Florence Allen, 97.	Myrtle Dewey, 97.
Lena Watts, 97.	Howard Hall, 97.
Mary Bennett, 97.	Mary Kelly, 97.
Merle Berry, 96.	Earle Wood, 96.
Mabel Cassady, 96.	Earle Barr, 95.

HONORABLE MENTIONS.

Gertie Bailey, 99.	Vina Purdy, 99.
Pearle Barrows, 99.	Ruth Hill, 99.
George Bailey, 98.	Irving Hall, 98.
Frank LaFaye, 98.	Dell Dubois, 97.
Harry Kelly, 98.	Ila Hibbert, 97.
Kate Bissell, 96.	Ida Dubois, 96.
Rosella Starr, 95.	Ruth Dubois, 96.
Florence Hamilton, 98.	Lulu Clark, 96.
Minnie Hall, 96.	Gertie Hyde, 96.
Ira Pelder, 97.	Gertie Dietz, 97.
	Minnie Pool, 96.

SUPERIORITIES.

Mabel Cummington, 99.	Lulu Johnston, 99.
Clara Bailey, 99.	Grace Purdy, 99.
Ella Cheesman, 99.	Myrtle Zimmerman, 99.
Anna Mowry, 99.	Ina Dewey, 99.
Ed Hanna, 99.	Helen Walker, 98.
Jessie Dean, 99.	Rita Mitchell, 98.
Grace Mellrid, 98.	Lewis Hunt, 98.
Ward Allen, 98.	Hazel Carter, 98.
Winifred Hutton, 98.	Will Bissell, 98.
Emily Wasser, 98.	Regina McClelland, 98.
	Clara Purdy, 97.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

The following is a list of letters remaining unclaimed in the postoffice in Birmingham, Mich., for the week ending November 23, 1901:

Florence Creighton, William B. Brown, Chas. Scott, H. W. Perkins.

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

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Choice collection of Plain and Fancies all Stylish colors and low designs.
Black Silks
in the most desirable weaves known to the Silk Mark't's art at
LOWEST PRICES.

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Complete assortment of genuine Imported French Flannels in Persian Stripes, Plaids and Plain effects.
Beautiful Waist Cloths
in new Oyster Tucked and Exquisite Persian Designs and Colorings at
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All the Newest Weaves and Stylish Color effects in **Fine Dress Goods, Heavy Skirtings, Tailor Suitings.** One of the largest showings in Michigan at
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This Department excels for variety of Choice Styles in Mourning Velvets, Self Colored Fancy Effects, Velvet Cords and Corduroys for Skirt Waists, Suits and Trimmings at
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