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TWENTY-FOURTH YEAR. BIRMINGHAM, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN, FRIDAY, JULY 19, 1901. NO. 12. WHOLE NO. 1209.

HURRAH FOR THE McCORMICK!!

And we sell the famous line and nice stack of repairs for them. S. C. Hickey, who has charge of the store, invites you to call and examine the line and will endeavor to please you either at the store or your homes.

Respectfully,
Carran & Hickey
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Schlaack Bros.
DEALERS IN
Fresh and Salt Meats of all kinds.
Fruit and Vegetables.

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Bakery..
Salt Rising, Home Made Yeast and Graham Bread.
We are also agents for Wagner Baking Co.'s celebrated Quaker and Mamma Brand.

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It Takes Skill...
To do Good Laundry Work.
We secure desired result of superior laundry work with just possible amount of wear on goods.
Birmingham City Laundry.
E. MONTGOMERY, Prop., First door west of
Agents: Geo. Birmingham, Franklin R. P. Newton, Royal Oak.

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Insurance Agent and Notary Public.
BIRMINGHAM, MICH.
If you want fire insurance at the lowest rates call on or write or farm property equate at my home.
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GEORGE M. CASWELL,
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Special attention given to Contingencies, Receiverships and Estates (Michigan), etc., etc.
Office at D. M. Day's Marble Works.

Women's House Slippers
If a woman's feet are comfortable she can do as much work again.
Our line of Women's House Slippers are designed for true foot comfort. You can't afford to be without a pair.

50c TO \$1.50

50c--One lot of Women's Oxfords in sizes, 2 1/2, 3, 3 1/2 and 4, that formerly sold at from \$1.50 to \$2.00

GOING, Pontiac, Mich.

Wall Paper! Wall Paper!

12,000 of this season's goods just received. All new patterns and styles. Note the prices—
2 1/2c, 4c, 5c, 6c, 7 1/2c, 10c and 12 1/2c per roll.
Borders from 1c per yard up.
We can outfit them all. All goods bought direct from manufacturers.

We Are Closing Out the Following Goods:

100 pairs Ladies' Shoes, sizes 7, 7 1/2, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12, \$1.50 pair.
One lot of Children's Underwear at 75c, was 25c.
One lot of Men's Underwear at 25c, was 50c.

New line Ladies and Misses Corsets and Waists at 25c, 35c, 50c.
Look around and see where you can buy the best goods for the least cash.

F. BLAKESLEE, BIRMINGHAM, MICH.

BIRMINGHAM BOY HONORED.

Fred Chatfield Receives Words of Commendation from his Former Captain.

Fred J. Chatfield has received some very pretty pictures sent him by his son Fred from the Philippine Islands. There are river scenes and scenes depicting native life in that far away land. Besides the pictures there is a copy of a letter received by Sergt. Chatfield from Capt. Harrison J. Kerens, Commander, C. P., with which company Fred served for some time. The pictures are prized very highly but the letter could not be purchased at any price. Having obtained permission to print it, Mr. Chatfield and we give honor to one who deserves it, we publish the letter with pleasure.

LOS ANGELES, P. O. Box 1260, A. J. Kerens, C. O. 58th Inf. U. S. V., Manila, P. I.

DEAR SIR: Your telegram stating that you were discharged from service of United States Army at appointment as Sergeant at Metropolitan Police Force of Manila was received a few days ago. As a young commander of this force I am glad to have rendered such loyal and faithful and capable service as you. I am glad to hear that you are now in the States and I hope to see you here in the near future. I am glad to hear that you are now in the States and I hope to see you here in the near future.

During the weeks and months the company was performing various field service separate from the battalion and treatment of a serious injury to my leg. I was in duty with you, cheerfully and bravely and those duties not only caring for my sick and wounded comrades but also the regimental native Filipinos with whom you came in contact in the police and in the military schools.

One of the long, fatiguing marches by day and night as part of your company's expeditionary brigade, with the regiment, battalion or company were cause for your thanks.

I think you have special reason to be proud of your record, and I am glad to begin with the battle at Binang, June 15, 1900, followed by the engagements, successes and captures of the adjacent mountains and the valley in the mountains which the company spent at Saraga in the pacification of that town and surrounding country, which was considered the hottest of the insurrection in the Philippines, and in the establishment of the government and a native police force for that town.

You have shown yourself to be a gentleman at all times in the sense of that word and to be possessed of a true generosity of spirit and sympathy and respect with the insubordinate Filipino people, whom we have learned to respect and admire for their high qualities of gentility and refinement and love of duty and honorable treatment at our hands.

I am pleased to know of your success in being appointed Sergeant on the Metropolitan Police Force and I trust you will meet rapid promotion. Again thanking you and hoping to hear of your success in the future.

Very truly,
HARRISON J. KERENS,
Capt. 50th Inf. U. S. V.
Com'd Co. F

Michigan Bi-Centenary at Detroit, July 25-29, 1901.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.
The following is a list of letters remaining unclaimed in the postoffice at Birmingham, Mich., for the week ending July 13, 1901:

Alex. M. Killip, to J. H. W. May, 10-2471, Annex, Annex, Mich.
Persons claiming same, will please call at this office.

Prosecuting Attorney's Report.
Prosecuting Attorney Pickard makes the following report for the first half of the present year:

Whole number of cases 143, whole number prosecuted 131, whole number convicted 129, whole number acquitted 2, whole number discharged on examination and payment of costs, whole number none prosecuted 4.

Total amount of fines and costs collected from January 1st to July 1st, '01, \$1008, being \$389 in excess of the Prosecuting Attorney's salary.

Off for the Philippines

Bert Blakeslee, after a two years' spell of teaching public school in Bay City, has accepted a contract with Uncle Sam to teach Filipino kids in the distant, Isle of Luzon. He contracts with the United States for three years and started Tuesday evening of this week to do his share of the work. He will sail from San Francisco, Cal., the 23d inst., along with 350 gentleman teachers and 180 lady teachers, all contracted for three years. They will be about 30 days on the water, stopping at Honolulu for a moment's rest.

Bert, who is the eldest son of our fellow townsmen, Frank Blakeslee, starts in at \$100 per month from now and will be one of the highest and professors. He graduated as civil engineer from Ann Arbor and will use this knowledge for his advancement. His wife with young Master Blakeslee will remain at her home until Bert gets acclimated and settled when they expect to join him in the land of Brown People, Uncle Sam's latest addition to his republic. It is a big bite but we know Bert, the Birmingham Boy, will make his mark and will be one of the most ambitious of his kind.

CADET TO CAPTAIN

Mortimer O. Bigelow Attained That Honor in Ten Years.

Capt. Mortimer O. Bigelow, who was promoted to that rank in the regular army by the son of our village, John M. Bigelow, of our village. He was born here in 1870, attended the public schools here and entered West Point as an alternate June 15, 1891, from the 6th district of Michigan, graduating June 12, 1895. He was assigned to the 10th Cavalry as second lieutenant, and stationed at Fort Meade, S. D. In 1898 he



CAPT. MORTIMER O. BIGELOW.

received his promotion to first lieutenant and was sent to Co. F, 10th Mich. Cavalry, at West Point, N. Y. In 1899, when his regiment was ordered to Cuba he returned to Michigan as a private. From there he was sent to an engineering school at West Point, where he remained until June 10, 1901, when he received orders to report at West Point as an instructor for nine months.

Capt. Bigelow, who is a fine looking man, was born in the village of Saraga. His many friends are much pleased with his well-merited promotion. A captain in the United States army in ten years is a record to be proud of.

The Detroit Bicentenary.

Interest on the two hundred anniversary of the landing of Cadillac at Detroit has grown to enormous proportions and the three days of the celebration are receiving wide and interesting attention. Each day seems better than the other to use a familiar "bull." There will be a lot of historic interest in following the battle of Cadiz and its anniversary and the night of the river to the landing at Grosse Pointe. There will be as much in the parade of nations the next day when each of the twenty-one nationalities or races is to show its progress from two centuries ago until today.

It is generally conceded, however, that the parade on the 26th and the night of the river on the 27th of July will be the grandest feature of all and those who have been permitted to see the "boats," which will then traverse the streets of the city, on railway trucks, say they will appreciate the admiration of everyone.

The railroads for the three days have made a fare of one cent per mile a rate seldom granted for anything except the Grand Army. The three days' celebration will be the greatest this country has ever seen. See the trip to the Grand American exposition are advertised at a very low rate.

Excursion to Milwaukee via the Popular Grand Haven Route.

Here's What's Going on at Traver's This Week:

THREE BIG SPECIALS FOR BOYS

BOYS' CLOTHING REDUCED--
Double-Breasted Suits for Boys, 7 to 16 years—all from our regular stock—splendid, stylish, new light-weight suits, in fine Fancy Mixed and plain Blue Cheviots—300 of them and not a boy living but what can be fitted from your choice of fabric, and you save the difference between \$4.50 or \$4.00 and the special price..... \$2.75

STAR WAISTS and BLOUSES REDUCED--
50 dozen White and Fancy Waists and Blouses, sizes from 7 to 14 years, all from the famous Star makers, the best in the land—reduced from \$1.10 and \$1.00 to... 50c

All Straw Hats for Boys and Children and Men, too, are HALF-PRICE now.

R. H. Traver, 171-173-175 Woodward Ave., Detroit.

Of Interest to Old Soldiers.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the 7th Mich. Cavalry Association held this day, it was decided to hold the reunion of the 7th Mich. Cavalry at Detroit (Pleasant Hill), Mich. Sept. 12th, 1901, at 2 P. M.

We would be pleased to have you invite members of the 1st, 6th and 7th Mich. Cavalry Regiments in your vicinity to attend with a view to organizing a Michigan Cavalry Brigade Association. The date of the reunion being just at the close of the A. R. Encampment at Cleveland, we hope and expect comrades from far and near to be with us to receive the glorious mementoes of the grand old Regiment.

And foremost in the light will be Where'er the bravest dares be (The subject of our song)
Michigan vs. Michigan.

Railroad rates in Michigan (where fare is 75 cents or more, full fare to Detroit and one-third return. Get certificate from agent when purchasing ticket. This must be endorsed by Secretary, Walter Crawford, on your arrival here. Same rate to your family and comrades of the 1st, 6th and 7th Mich. Cavalry wishing to attend.

To Reclaim Barren Land.

A Washington dispatch says: "The mission of an army of the United States department of agriculture has declined to send an expert instructor to Michigan for the purpose of determining whether the soil of the late Governor Duggan for the reclaiming of Michigan's barrens would be suitable. The expert will be F. H. Sherman, who is recognized as the most efficient man in this line in the government service. He will go to Michigan about Sept. 1st and remain one or two months, or longer if necessary."

White Man Turned Yellow.

Great consternation was felt by the friends of M. A. Hugarty, of Lexington, Ky., when they saw he was turning yellow. His skin slowly changed color, he has his eyes and he suffered terribly. His malady was Yellow Jaundice. He was treated by the best doctors, but without benefit. Then he was advised to try Electric Bitters, the wonderful Stomach and Liver remedy, and he writes: "After taking two bottles I was wholly cured." A trial proves its matchless merit for all Stomach, Liver and Kidney troubles. Only 50c. Sold by Whitehead & Mitchell, druggists.

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Laxative Brooms Quinine Tablets
The most effective remedy for the genuine
"Laxative Brooms Quinine Tablets"
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Artificial eyes perfectly matched and fitted.
Testimonial No. 200.
Prof. L. Goldsmith, C. A. Shafer's
In our bit—having been a sufferer from violent headache and being in need of the most eminent physician in Ohio, and finding no relief, I was advised to have my eyes treated by you, and since wearing the glasses prescribed by you, I have no headache and can cheerfully recommend your treatment to anyone suffering with a like complaint.
Yours truly,
J. O. ROSS,
214 Kirby.

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Money Saving Opportunities by visiting our GREAT CLEARING SALE now going on. Summer Goods marked down about Half the Original Cost.

Colored Dress Goods
Cut Prices that will close this Lot out quickly.

30c
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SUMMER SILKS
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