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EASTERN MICH. PRESS CLUB

Semi-annual Business Meeting of the Club

Followed by a Side Trip to Ypsilanti and Visit to the Paper Mill and Normal School—"Do It Now."

MONDAY of this week was a gala day for the members of the Eastern Michigan Press Club and their wives. The notification of Secretary H. A. Hopkins of the event hustled the wives of ye country editors out in great numbers, every Jack but one being accompanied by his own Jill. The one was unmarried, we are pleased to state. (Take it as you will.) Hopkins' invitation read as follows: "Be there with your wife—or the wife of the other fellow. Be there any way," and it started the wives out in generous numbers.

The association met as planned by the secretary and at 12:30, by invitation of the manager of the Detroit, Ypsilanti, Ann Arbor & Jackson Ry., they were all seated in a special car and ready for the start to Ypsilanti. The car was a fine large roomy one, with all the modern improvements, and was No. 23, with Motorman Merriman and Conductor Charles P. Riley, both of Ypsilanti, in charge, who made the round trip safely and pleasantly. About forty editors and their wives were present and a jollier, happier crowd never started away on an excursion. All officers of the club were present: President F. S. Neal of Northville, Vice-president G. W. Kent of Port Huron, Secretary H. A. Hopkins of Port Huron and Treasurer W. H. Marvin of Utica. All the officers were careful to see that all were comfortable and happy—and they were.

En route to Ypsilanti Mr. W. C. Jupp, of the Jupp Paper Co. of Detroit, treated the entire crowd to a bountiful and dainty lunch, Andrew Haire, caterer. Attorney A. P. Jacobs of this place and G. W. Kent of Port Huron ably assisted Mr. Jupp in the entertainment of his guests. After lunch ginger ale, cake and candy followed, so that after clearing Dearborn, Wayne and a few more cities we reached Ypsilanti all ready for a visit to the largest paper mill in the west.

This plant manufactures nothing but book and cover paper and is the Peninsular Paper Co. It employs 75 expert men and turns out for us fellows and a few others 750,000 pounds of their product annually. The company is manned as follows: D. K. Quirk, president; J. E. Beals, vice-president; B. S. Boyd, secretary; D. L. Quirk, Jr., treasurer.

The club were heartily welcomed and guides furnished who had the entire business at their tongues' end and who told us chaps how our paper is made, showing it to us from the fibre grinding to pulp in big vats to beautiful sheets and rolls all ready for the market and at the lowest market price.

Our next call was at the State Normal school and here we were taken in hand by Prof. E. A. Lyman who gave us the glad hand, and through this educational plant we went a flying until we struck the gymnasium and basket ball department and here we came to a full stop, for on a big board appeared the awe-inspiring words: "No gentlemen allowed inside but Geo. H. Mitchell and H. A. Hopkins." Well, now, we got in, Hop and I, quicker'n scat and found about 200 pretty to-be-schoolma'ams in navy blue bloomer suits, sitting cross-legged on the floor awaiting to be assigned to place position and number. A teacher was busy with them and we sent out for Neal, Kent, Jupp and Houseman, not wishing to be selfish, had them "passed" and saw the gym at work. Now if we had been presented here first—wouldn't have been home yet. Time was soon called and after calling at the library department and kindergarten rooms we were hastened on to the carriages, much pleased at Mr. Lyman's kind and courteous reception.

An invitation to visit the Cleary Business college was sorrowfully declined on account of lack of time.

Then the homeward trip was begun. Motorman Merriman clanged his bell, Conductor Riley pulled the string, the juice ran into the wheels and away we sped for Detroit. Before leaving the city, Press Agent Sid. Collins of the Temple theater, ever on the watch for the good and welfare of the craft, gave the entire party a cordial invitation, seconded by Manager Williams, to visit his playhouse, which we did, front row, parquet, and every one of the seven numbers were heartily applauded. Keith's $10,000 art pictures are a revelation. The Temple management have the big crowds—four performances daily and two separate gangs of performers make this a delightful resort, and everybody from this neck of the woods enjoy the Temple or Wonderland.

On the the homeward trip a business session was held. Treasurer Marvin and Secretary Hopkins' report show the Eastern Michigan Press Club to be a beautiful, healthful and growing society—thanks to its efficient officers.

We most forgot to tell how the new motto "Do it Now" came to be adopted by a full vote of all the lady consorts, but if anybody is inquisitive and cares to know, write to D. E. Hubbell, editor of the Marlette Leader, inclosing stamp for reply, and he will tell you all about it.

St. Johns-Fuller.

A very pretty home wedding was solemnized at high noon on Tuesday last at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Walker, Long Meadow Farm, when Miss Emma E. Fuller, daughter of Lyman Fuller and sister of Mrs. Walker, was united in marriage to Mr. J. H. St. Johns of Utica, Mich. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Katz of Utica. The bride was attired in a camel's hair traveling costume, blouse jacket, with waist of blue silk made up with combination of white lace, white chiffon and velvet. The groom wore a dark business suit and looked his best. There were present Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Westbrook of Marine City, Mrs. Emma St. Johns, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Leech and Edwin Fuller of Utica, and C. H. Fuller of Oxford. After the ceremony and congratulations were over, the company were shown the way to the dining room where for an hour they did ample justice to one of the sumptuous dinners for which Long Meadow Farm is noted.

The carriage in which the happy couple left for West Side Farm, Utica, where they will be "at home" after Feb. 1, was tastefully decorated with old shoes, white ribbons and a shower of rice.

REMARKABLE CURE OF CROUP.

A Little Boy's Life Saved.

I have a few words to say regarding Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It saved my little boy's life and I feel that I cannot praise it enough. I bought a bottle of it from A. E. Steere of Goodwin, S. D., and when I got home with it the poor baby could hardly breathe. I gave the medicine as directed every ten minutes until he "threw up" and then I thought sure he was going to choke to death. We had to pull the phlegm out of his mouth in great long strings. I am sure that if I had not got that bottle of cough medicine, my boy would not be on earth today.—JOEL DEMONT, Inwood, Iowa. For sale by Whitehead & Mitchell.

TABOR WILL CASE.

Mother and Daughter Charged With Destroying Deed.

Son Claims the Deed Conveyed Lands to M. K. Tabor Which Were Covered by the Will.

One of the most important will contests that has appeared in the local courts for some time was on trial last week before Judge Smith in chancery. It was the hearing of the bill filed by Wm. J. Tabor of Kalamazoo against Mary C. Tabor and Mayme A. Tabor for establishing the complainant's title to lands worth in the neighborhood of $8,000 situated in Birmingham, which he claims formed part of the estate of his father, the late Moses K. Tabor.

These lands according to the complainant's claim are disposed by the father's will, which gave them to himself and Mayme, subject to a life estate in the widow. In 1896 he claims that Mrs. Tabor deeded the lands to her husband and were always treated as his thereafter, but after his death the deed disappeared and Mrs. Tabor and her daughter Mayme are charged with having wrongfully obtained possession of it, causing it to be destroyed. Mrs. Tabor now claims to own the lands absolutely and since her husband's death has sold a number of parcels to different purchasers among whom are Henry Spicer, Geo. H. Mitchell and Cornelia M. Lee who are also parties in the suit.

Though the issues involved are important, the hearing of the case occupied but two days and was brought to a close Thursday evening, Judge Smith withholding his decision indefinitely. The facts of the case as brought out by the testimony seem to be as follows: Some years prior to the death of Moses K. Tabor a deed was executed to him by his wife, Mary C. Tabor, for a valuable consideration. This deed was placed in his safe and with his papers. In going over his business matters one day he showed this deed to W. J. Tabor telling him that he now owned all the real estate in Birmingham formerly belonging to his wife. During his last sickness he again showed the deed to Will and told him that he would have a half interest in this property as well as all the rest of his estate subject to a life interest in the widow and asked Will if that was satisfactory, to which he replied that it was.

After his death Mrs. Tabor requested Will to sign off, stating that she desired to sell a portion of the property and that her title was not good unless he would do so as she had caused the deed to be destroyed. This Will refused to do and instituted the above suit to establish the destroyed deed and his interest therein.

Outside of this Birmingham realty the estate of Moses K. Tabor as inventoried by the widow amounted to $7,510.00, she bringing in personal claims to the amount of $6,000, this with funeral expenses and other bills cleaned up the estate leaving nothing whatever for W. J. Tabor. The judge's decision is awaited with interest.

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Conducted by Prof. Potter of Grinnell Bros., Detroit, and the Pianola.

About sixty people of the F. F. B.'s gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Mitchell last Friday evening to listen to the wonderful pianola playing of Mr. Potter, representing Grinnell Bros. of Detroit, whose music house is the greatest of its kind between New York City on the east and Chicago on the west. Mr. Potter is a gentleman of pleasing manners and demonstrates the pianola in a masterful way that is interesting to all his hearers. Quite a number of the people who comprised his audience were experienced musicians and to them as well as to the inexperienced the pianola proved a most wonderful entertainer and expert player of the piano.

Beethoven's Sonata, "Moonlight," as played by the Professor was just as artistically interpreted and phrased as if he had been a world-renowned piano player and did his work with his hands instead of his feet. Rossini's Overture, "William Tell," was a whirl wind and won great applause, and just think of it, Mitchell woke up the next morning and executed it finely before breakfast in such artistic style that Mons. Rossini's spirit must have listened to it with rapture. Waltzes, marches, caprices all followed in quick succession and at 11 o'clock the concert broke up and every spectator spoke very highly of their evening's entertainment.

The Pianola is manufactured by the Aeolian Company of New York City and Grinnell Bros., Detroit, are the only ones to sell you a Pianola and certainly it is a most wonderful instrument and will play your piano for you immediately and at once without the slightest knowledge of music. This great music house sells the Steinway pianos, Estey organs, the Aeolian and Pianola, talking machines and records, musical instruments and sheet music and books. If in need of any of the above or desire any information connected therewith, call on or address Grinnell Bros., 219 Woodward Ave., Detroit, Mich., and you will be treated fairly.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

The following is a list of letters remaining unclaimed in the postoffice in Birmingham, Mich., for the week ending January 11, 1902:

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If troubled with a weak digestion, belching, sour stomach, or if you feel dull after eating, try Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. Price, 25 cents. Samples free at Whitehead & Mitchell's drug store.

They Say They Do and Now They Do

We are most politely informed by Andrew Anderson, superintendent of the Detroit & Pontiac Railway, that full and complete arrangements and an understanding with all the theatres in Detroit that henceforth now and forever Mr. Bullen, of the Detroit end of the electric railways, will see that if any extra length of program keeps any of the theaters later than eleven o'clock, the cars will wait for the play to be over just as well as the Detroit Opera House.

Now, everybody, three cheers and a tiger for the Detroit United Railway, Messrs. Bullen and Anderson!

LYCEUM BUILDING.

DETROIT, MICH., Jan. 14, 1902.

Whitehead & Mitchell,

Gentlemen—I have arranged with the Car people so there will be no trouble in regard to holding cars for out-of-town people in the future. Yours,

A. R. WARNER.

AT THE THEATERS.

WHITNEY.

"Man's Enemy," which is to be presented at the Whitney Opera House next week is not a play with a purpose, nor is it a deep analysis of character likely to make its audience reflect at length on some particular side of human nature which had but lightly impressed anyone before. It simply but thoroughly justifies the description "a romance of modern society." It is a page torn from every-day life—one of its dark days with clouds and thunder foreshadowing the impending storm. An excellent company supports the talented actress, Agnes Herndon.

LYCEUM.

"The Dairy Farm" the most successful of all domestic plays will be the attraction at the Lyceum Theater all of next week, opening on Sunday evening. This charming play is from the pen of Miss Eleano Merron, a very capable actress, who has been seen in the leading support of many of our best stars. The play was first produced in New York three years ago and has never closed, winter or summer, since then. It will be given here by the original company. The usual popular priced matinees will be given Wednesday and Saturday afternoons.

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$10 Silk, black and colors for $5.00
$6 Flannel and Albatross—nicely made $3.98
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$2 fine Tricot Flannel Waists $1.19

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Worth $15 and $17.50 for $10.00
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