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## BABY NOT HIS OWN.

Jerry O'Donnell Deceived by his Loving Wife who Adopts Child to Reform h.m.

Made a Difference of \$20,000 to Stephen Baldwin the Well Known Capitalist of Detroit.

Everybody in Birmingham will remember Jerry O'Donnell who lived at 175 National street a few years ago and who used to sit in the shade in front of that hostelry and read a book from morning till night. At that time no one thought that trouble in great big chunks accompanied by his twin brother, disappointment, was waiting to swoop down on the genial, whole-souled Jerry, and fill his days and nights with weeping and wailing (but not with gnashing of teeth, as there were no teeth to gnash) but such was the case. The story reads like a high class tale of fiction.

It seems that a few years ago Stephen Baldwin, the well known Detroit capitalist, became Jerry O'Donnell's guardian, Jerry's mother having died some 25 years ago, leaving a valuable estate. This property was left to four children, but owing to Jerry's easy going ways, he received his quarter interest free during his lifetime only, the property to revert to the other heirs providing Jerry had no issue. Some time after the death of Mrs. O'Donnell Mr. Baldwin purchased the three-quarter interest in the estate held by the other heirs, and so purchased the conditional interest of her brother.

As Jerry was not married this appeared to be a safe investment for Mr. Baldwin, but a few years ago O'Donnell married Mrs. Mary Richardson at Windsor. Mrs. O'Donnell is about 60 years of age and Jerry is a few years her senior, so when Mr. Baldwin became aware that a baby was \$20,000 baby, so to speak--had put in its appearance at the O'Donnell home he was greatly surprised to say the least. Jerry in the meantime was in the seventh heaven and passing pedestrians could hear him laughing and playing with his new found little daughter, often singing lullabies to her in most endearing tones.

But this fond dream was soon to be shattered. Mr. Baldwin's surprise soon changed to suspicion and then there was things. Detectives were put on the case to prove that the baby was a fraud and that Jerry was entertaining a child not his own flesh and blood. For a time all efforts in this direction were fruitless. Mrs. O'Donnell stoutly maintained that the baby was really and truly her own child, and she refused to sign a birth certificate signed by Dr. Walter F. Tiffin. His shows showed that he had made several calls upon Mrs. O'Donnell previous to the birth, and the church records showed that the child had been baptized.

Mr. Baldwin was not satisfied, however, and called in Dr. J. B. Kennedy, who, together with Dr. Guy L. Kiefer, took the matter up to Dr. Tiffin. From that time Jerry had not been present at the birth of the child, but supposing everything was all right, he issued the certificate. A number of lying in hospitals were visited, and it was finally learned that on the day in question, a child had been adopted out of the House of Providence. Drs. Kennedy and Kiefer then visited the home and after a lengthy interview with Mrs. O'Donnell succeeded in making her own up to the fraud she had perpetrated. Her excuse for doing so was that she had hoped in this way to reform dear old Jerry and was well pleased with the way here plan was working until discovered by the doctors.

Criminal proceedings could be instituted against Mrs. O'Donnell, but at present writing it is not known whether this will be done or not, but at any rate a very clever scheme to defraud Mr. Baldwin out of \$20,000, has been foiled. Jerry, it is said, now talks divorce and is mourning the loss of his supposed little daughter, taking the usual way of drowning his sorrows.

### EASY AS A FIT.

This little "effusion" came over us as easily as one of J. W. Arnett's "fits." We turned our poetical machinery loose with the following result, having "caught the idea by noticing in a trade paper that a certain merchant had for his motto, "Working like h-l and advertising it as we log put down:

A woman, a working maiden, Although she's somewhat old, She proves to her employers She is worth her weight in gold; She works both late and early, To please she always tries, The name of this fair maiden Is Helen Advertiser.

What is Life? In the last analysis nobody knows, but we do know that it is under strict law. Abuse that law even slightly, pay the penalty, and your life will be a regular living means derangement of the organs, resulting in Constipation, Headache or Liver trouble. Dr. King's New Life Pills give relief. This is a gentle yet thorough. Only 25c at Walcott & Mitchell's, d. Cobb & Cobb's drug stores.

## CUT DOWN IN HIS YOUTH.

Frank Shearer, a Former Birmingham Boy, Killed by an Automobile at Grosse Pointe.

Birmingham people were greatly shocked last week on learning that Frank Shearer, who formerly lived with his parents in Mrs. Beattie's house, corner of Daines and Saginaw street, in this village, had met his death in an automobile accident at Grosse Pointe during the races which were held there, particulars of the sad event are as follows: Frank Shearer was home from the east, where he had been employed for some time, on a short visit, arriving in Detroit on Tuesday of last week. The following day Frank and his brother, W. G. Shearer, rode a tandem wheel out on Grosse Pointe track to witness the automobile races. They secured seats in the grandstand but after a while, thinking they could get a better view of the races, they left the stand and took up positions side by side near the fence just at the head of the stretch. Here with others they watched the machines rush by and cheered the drivers as they passed.

On the ninth lap of his 10-mile race with Harry Cunningham, the huge machine driven by Barney Oldfield, the Cleveland expert, swerved suddenly, caused by the bursting of a tire, and without warning crashed into the fence where the Shearer brothers were standing. W. G. Shearer was thrown, but escaped with slight bruises. The driver Harry Oldfield sustained a broken rib and other bruises. The machine was wrecked and lay a mass of tangled iron and splintered wood many feet from where it took its wild plunge. But up the track 100 feet away, by the body of Frank Shearer who had received the full impact of the automobile in the mad rush. Kind hands picked up the limp body and placed it in an ambulance and the driver started for the hospital with his unconscious burden. The young man died before the goal was reached. Nearly every bone in his body was broken and death came without the unfortunate man regaining consciousness.

Frank Shearer was well known here as well as in Detroit, and his untimely death will be greatly mourned by many friends. The family have the sincere sympathy of all who know them in this the greatest trial of their lives. Cut down in his youth, his loss seems to them irreparable but still there is consolation in the thought that the Ruler of the universe who doeth all things well, gave the summer that called the son and brought him to his long home. While we poor mortals mourn a departure, we trust he is free from all trials and cares and at rest behind the pearly gates.

His funeral was held Saturday from the home in his parents, 145 Seymour avenue, Detroit, the services being conducted by Rev. H. W. Kehrer of Bethany Presbyterian church. The pall bearers were six old-time friends, among whom was Joe Adcock, another young man whose home was formerly in this place. The burial was in Woodlawn cemetery, 147 1/2 short years Mr. Shearer had lived, and the writer who knew him well, can say they were not wasted, he lived for a purpose, and the world is better for his having been a sojourner here.

### In Memoriam.

Died, September 6, 1903, Albert A. Rost, of Franklin. Prompted by the esteem and regard in which we held our deceased friend, we deem it our pleasing duty to give expression to our feelings, and in the loss of one, who was endeared to us by many long years of friendship and intimate association, we are constrained to add the following as a testimonial to his earthly career:

A firm and social as a friend, of a kind and generous disposition, exhibiting in a marked degree those sterling qualities which makes the man a tried friend, and a golden treasure, which was a bulwark to his christian spirit, as a neighbor ever ready to soothe troubles and sorrows wherever found, as a citizen his integrity was unimpaired. The angel of death had visited his lovely home. Tho' gone from us, in memory he is still with us. In thought to love and bless and to recall in our memories pleasant associations of our times, and in our hearts preserve and keep from our hearts, sprinkled with wisdom, the many happy years enjoyed with deceased as a neighbor.

We would not for a moment invade the sanctuary of domestic grief, nor attempt to dry up the bitter tears made sweeter by the goodness of heart of the departed. They will be done, oh Heavenly Father, we bow the head in meek submission to Thy just decree and we the Almighty watch over, protect, and soothe the grief and sorrow of the dear companion and wife of the departed, is the earnest prayer of the friends of the lamented, who now lies cold and silent in the grasp of death.

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## BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Seventy-seventh Annual Meeting of the Detroit Baptist Association Held in Birmingham.

Tuesday and Wednesday of this week were great days for the Baptist congregation of this place. With much hurry and a lavish expenditure of money the society got its church and basement in shape to entertain the Detroit Baptist Association, the first session being held on Tuesday morning.

The Rev. W. L. Rogers made the address of welcome. He welcomed them one and all in a manner most pleasing to everybody.

Rev. Herman Burns, of Detroit, preached the annual sermon and showed himself to be a man capable of handling a subject of this kind.

Committees were appointed and the usual routine of business on such occasions was transacted.

The election of officers resulted as follows: Moderator, Rev. Herman Burns, of Detroit; reading clerk, Rev. J. E. Sterling, of Detroit; treasurer, Rev. J. M. Crissman, of Romeo.

At the afternoon session Warren L. Rogers, of this place, was elected clerk of the Association by a unanimous vote. The lady delegates held a session in the afternoon and reports of committees were read and adopted, after which Miss Hattie Hoyle, Miss Clara Vinton, Miss Julia Austin and Miss Church made appropriate remarks on various subjects. Everybody then got ready to attend the evening session which was held in the M. E. church, the Baptist house of worship being too small to accommodate the large crowd expected to be present.

At the evening session the usual committee reports were read and a devotional service was held. Rev. G. S. Bennett, of Detroit, gave a good talk on the Sunday school and its teaching, which was well received. Miscellaneous business and routine work up to the balance of the session.

Wednesday's program was taken up in much the same manner as that on Tuesday; many prominent speakers being present to entertain the audience. All who attended the meetings are proud in their praise for the service rendered by the Baptist and other folks in entertaining the large crowd which thronged the streets in the vicinity of the church.

Wednesday's evening session closed an event which will go down in history for the Baptist people of this place. Come again.

## AT THE THEATERS.

WHITNEY.

Dealing with a band of outlaws known as "The Owls," who for years infested the Yellowstone district, committing robbery and murder on every hand, leaving a trail of blood behind wherever they went, until Capt. Ward Devereaux and a company of U. S. Cavalry met and after a fierce fight succeeded in capturing the band and its leader, a renegade known as Raul Mendos, which incident forms the stirring scene in the last act of "Nobody's Claim." This play has more sensational scenes and startling climaxes than any other melodrama on the American stage. Holden Bros. have spared no expense in mounting this play with beautiful scenery, and the various mechanical effects are pronounced the most realistic ever attempted in modern stage craft. The company is exceptionally strong and well balanced. They open at the Whitney Theater next Sunday afternoon for a week's engagement, with matinees daily except on Wednesday.

## LYCEUM.

"The Village Postmaster," the picture New England play, which has had a long run of 225 nights in New York at the 14th Street Theater, and 125 nights in Chicago at the Great Northern Theater, and which comes direct from its tremendous engagement at that theater, has an atmosphere of simplicity; wholesomeness and truth which adapts it to all classes of spectators. In this respect it particularly resembles "The Old Homestead" and has been classed with that play. A complete and effective production of this now famous play will be given at the Lyceum Theater for one week, beginning next Sunday evening. Car loads of scenery, properties, etc., will be carried for it, and the company to be seen here includes many of the original cast. Mr. Eugene Powers is still with the company and plays the title part. His work in this role places him among the leading character actors of this country. Many vaudeville novelties are introduced in the play this year and the entire company and production will be taken to England next fall for a long tour.

## CHICAGO CENTRAL RAILWAY EXCURSION

via GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM Single fare for the Round Trip on all trains Saturday, Sept. 26, and Monday, Sept. 28, valid returning to and including Oct. 2, 1903. A fare of 25c will be charged for the validation of return portion of tickets. For further information consult local agents or write to W. V. Yarr, A. G. T. & T. A. Dept., Chicago, Ill.

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