

BOYS WERENT IN

TEAMS WERE NOT VEY EVENLY MATCHED.

Holly High School Elected Best Bad Defeat at the Hands of Birmingham Last Saturday.

The following from the Holly Herald tells about the big football game which Holly recently saw from the losers' side. It is worth reading: Birmingham, 68; Holly, 0. That tells the tale of the first game of football to be played by the Holly high school eleven.

While it is a fact that the local boys didn't stand a show of even scoring at any stage of the game, it must be admitted that they did very well. If we take their first game and their opponents were an old, well coached and well practiced eleven, who have been beaten not once this season and then by a strongest independent team in the city of Detroit.

The halves were each 25 minutes in length. Captain Harold Wright of the home team did very creditable work. Irwin McKinley proved "Johnny-on-the-spot" at a number of critical stages.

W. J. Morrison, superintendent of the Holly schools, refereed the game and gave excellent satisfaction. The game was a gang of "rooks" came along with the Birmingham team. Their assistance was not needed, however.

Among the spectators were the superintendent of the Birmingham schools and two of the teachers, Misses Traphagen and Pepper.

The score at the end of the first half was, Birmingham, 4; Holly, 0. The home boys held their opponents down much better in the last half of the game. The Birmingham coach is a minister in that town, and he formerly played on the Yale College eleven.

Birmingham looks rather small over the map and the fact trains never even hesitate at the burg. But they raise football players there just the same.

Fifteen never could play baseball; or football either. Fifteen football players were killed during the season just closed. The Holly high school team got off pretty luckily then, after all.

THEY FOOLED 'EM

Mr. and Mrs. George Greer happily surprised on their Twenty-fifth Wedding Anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. George Greer were invited over to Mr. Elwood's Friday evening of last week to have a game of pool, and during their absence about one of their friends took possession of their house and sent for Mrs. Greer to come home as she had company from out of town.

George and Polly were kept busy guessing who it could be until the house was reached and on their entrance the card dived upon them that it was their 25th wedding anniversary.

The card tables were brought out and the evening was passed in progressive pool and social converse. The ladies of the party had seen to it that no one should be hungry and at ten o'clock a feast took place. Sam Mill can tell you all about this part of the furnished.

A big photograph arranged music and the entire evening was enjoyed by all. On behalf of the guests William Bann made a neat little speech and presented Mrs. Greer with a silver cake dish and gold lined berry spoon while George came in for a leg of pincushion.

At midnight the guests departed, wishing Mr. and Mrs. Greer many happy returns of the happy day.

School Notes

Editor-in-Chief—CLARENCE WYER. We are glad to see Mr. Lamb back in town.

HOW HE ARRIVED

P. D. Warner, Gov. Warner's Foster Father, Tells of the latter's Advent into His Farmington Home When a Baby.

A tall, straight, active old gentleman is P. D. Warner, foster father of Fred M. Warner, and wonderfully good of the latter. "I came here in '85," he replied in answer to questionings from the leader of the neighbors called and told me of a baby born to parents had but lately come from England, a bright little fellow, left so unfortunately and who needed a home like mine. As I had no children, they asked if I would take him. I said they might bring the chap over and leave him a week or so. It was a good baby I would see about it, but he was a crying youngster, they could come and get him. So they brought him and we adopted his face and he smiled. He was then about two months old. At the end of a week they couldn't find him back if they'd wanted him. People began to say, "there's a baby at Warner's," and he has been mine ever since. He was born in Nottingham, England, and was only six weeks old when he arrived in this country. Fred was always a good boy."—Oxford Leader.

AT THE THEATERS.

Waldron & Woodhull's High Rollers will be at the Avenue today and tomorrow and will present those funny farces, "The Successors," and "The Man from Montana," beside five big vaudeville acts. Drop what you will, you will get the worth of your money any time. Try it once.

LUCIENNE.

Petite Florence Bradley, the comedienne, who will appear at the Lyceum all next week in her musical drama entitled "The Street Singer," has a remarkable career to recommend her. Her work in the heart of the city, a bright light on the happy combination of a pretty face, a fascinating manner, a pleasing voice, her graceful dancing and acting, and musical ability bids fair to remain. Many Birmingham citizens will avail themselves of this opportunity to see the petite Florence in "The Street Singer."

WHITNEY.

Announced at the Whitney theater next week is Theodore Kramer's latest and most successful melodrama, "No Wedding Bells for Her," produced, and under the sole direction of Horner at the Mitchell. This successful play is one of the greatest novelties of the season. It's scenes are laid in and near Wilkes-Barre, Pa., in the heart of the great coal mining district and to a limited extent the plot deals with incidents of a coal strike. The atmosphere of the coal region has been preserved to a remarkable degree, and the characters are all drawn or indirectly interested in the mining of coal. There is a real coal loader in active operation, mining derricks, railway with moving cars, and other kinds of machinery. It makes an active and real life scene.

St. James to the Front.

The ladies' bazaar and chicken pie supper at the St. James church for the last week was a most successful and enjoyable affair, the ladies clearing up \$100 for their work. The chicken pie was never better, and the supper in general was the best ever. Proceeds of the sale of fancy and useful articles presented over by members of the church were numerous and profitable. A Japanese tea room set up in a real coal loader in active operation, mining derricks, railway with moving cars, and other kinds of machinery. It makes an active and real life scene.

The ladies wish to thank the people of Birmingham for their interest and patronage. They also extend a very large "Thank You" to all firms who donated their goods to their bazaar. Hints for their assortment of pickles and preserves. Colgate & Co. for samples of their soap. William H. Elliott Co. for a dozen fine handkerchiefs. Macleary for a pretty assortment of calendars. The Goodyear Rubber Co. for the dolls donated.

The Natural Food Co. of Niagara, for a case of Frisco carpet. The Biscuit carpet sweeper donated by that firm, caused a great deal of fun, as well as a very material addition to the proceeds of the sale itself, votes being sold at five cents each, the best housekeeper. The one elected to fill this position was Mrs. William Cobb, chosen by a majority of 43 votes.

The coffee donated by the Telfer Coffee Co. and made by Mrs. Telfer, was pronounced by all, delicious and very desirable qualities, being good coffee to start with; then well made, and last but not least, fine and hot. As well as individuals from their aid and interest in making the supper so great a success, financially and socially.

A Frightened Horse.

Running like mad down the street stamping the occupants, or a hundred feet as he ran, was a horse named "Save-his-skin" and there's none so good as "Save-his-skin" from the street. Save-his-skin was a horse owned by Mrs. Soren, Esomus and Pillsbury, who were out under its scolding effect. Save-his-skin and Mitchell's and Cobb's Cobb's drug store.

Wanted Kindness.

Some individuals make it a habit to bestow kindness only on those who do not require them.

THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC

TO OUR FRIENDS.

When trading with any of our advertisers in Birmingham, Pontiac or Detroit, it will be a great favor to us if you will mention the fact that you noticed that advertisement in our paper. A word for us at the time of trading, costs you nothing and benefits us greatly. Will you please do so?

HOME NOTES

Christmas is coming. Put away your bicycle. Sunday was a beautiful day. Gas will soon be turned on.

Miss Frona Flynn, of Orion, is visiting Mrs. E. R. Smith. The children are rapidly acquiring the Christmas fever.

If you want more light speak quickly—the ground is frozen. We really believe our people are going to like the new lighting plant.

F. Blakeslee has a new advt this week telling about Christmas goods. Read it.

Miss Hazel Kirkland, of Detroit, spent Sunday with Miss Maude Robinson.

Joe Parks is the father of a bouncing baby boy who arrived last Tuesday. All going nicely.

Miss host Anderson of the National gave a dinner in honor of our old soldier boys on Monday last.

Ladies' Aid of Baptist church, Wednesday, Dec. 14, at Mrs. C. W. Crawford's. All are welcome.

Mrs. Chas. Churchill and daughter Dorothy are spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. Frank Ash.

Wood for Sale—Good hard wood at \$3 per cord. Address Chas. Rudiger, Birmingham, R. F. D. No. 5.

Mrs. Miles Dewey, who has been seriously ill for the past two weeks, is improving under the care of Dr. J. L. Campbell.

Henry Spicer is the latest subscriber to the Birmingham Exchange Telephone Station. When you want Henry, call No. 11.

Lost—On or about the school grounds a Holland fountain pen. Finder please leave at Cobb & Cobb's and receive reward.

The Lewis Vicary Concert Co. promises a fine treat in a literary and musical line this Friday evening at the M. E. church.

For Sale—One small size base-burner, one season and in good condition. Address W. H., Box 55, Birmingham, Mich.

Willie Roche delivers the lactifluid for the Hupp Farm in place of Tom Sior, and the way "Billy" shakes up the cream is a caution to all.

Robert G. Reynolds and wife were in town last week and a short call. Both looked real well and their many friends re glad to see them.

Two little boys playing with matches have a mania for starting fires that some day will give our fire laddies a good healthy run for their money.

Nothing so good as a good book for a Christmas present. One of the Cameo series at Whitehead & Mitchell's for 50c is a bouncer. Call and see them.

Anyone having furs of any description for sale, call on J. F. Kundel. He will pay the highest market price. At home Saturday afternoons.

The Birmingham Lady Maccabees had a most enjoyable visit and treat with their sister Maccabees of Pontiac last week. All were most happily entertained.

Why pay 12c to 15c per gallon for kerosene oil when you can get it for only 10c, best water white, as F. Hagerman's, Cobb & Cobb's, or Whitehead & Mitchell's?

We have codfish today and are thankful for it.—Birmingham Eccentric. That Eccentric paragraph is as good as a philosopher or else he's a codfish.—Northville Record.

Taxes, Christmas presents and here in a bunch, to say nothing of the subscription due The Eccentric. You may bring it in now, please.

Don't you dare to fall to be present at Cassius W. Crawford's home, given by the ladies of St. James

The Taking Cold Habit

The old cold goes; a new one quickly comes. It's the story of a weak throat, weak lungs, a tendency to consumption. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral breaks up the taking-cold habit. It strengthens, soothes, heals. Ask your doctor about it.

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral

Keep the bowels regular with Ayer's Pills. Just one pill each night.

Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 14, and help the Baptist Ladies' Aid Society. You are specially invited.

Pupils Wanted—I am prepared to take a few pupils in piano music. Terms made known at my home on Annet Street. Lessons given at home of pupils if desired. Mrs. J. B. Parker.

If you think it doesn't pay to advertise in the Eccentric just ask E. Clark of the firm of E. & F. E. Clark, photographers. Their big advt. last week certainly brought results.

A gift is a pleasing thing, rightly given; most pleasant and dear and sacred, whether its value be much or little, if only it is offered with the heart and chosen from the heart.

Rev. M. B. Maxwell return home today from a trip to Pittsburg, Pa., where he attended a semi-annual meeting of the U. P. church in the foreign field of missionary work.

Charles Reynolds is a little on the gain and we are glad to say that his chances for recovery are good. He has been a very sick man but his many friends wish him a complete and speedy recovery.

The fourth number of the Citizens' Entertainment Course is to be given this week Friday evening. The remaining three excellent numbers are offered for excelsior. Season tickets at the door.

Birmingham Sage in Detroit Journal: "When I talk with a man who has been eating garlic and drinking three cent beer, I come to the conclusion that he would be good to spread on a cabbage patch."

Mrs. Theron Smith entertained a number of ladies at a party on Friday afternoon. Mrs. Geo. H. Ferguson won the first prize which was a beautiful growing carnation. Mrs. David McClelland had the consolation prize.

Last Saturday evening on north side of Maple avenue, between Bates street and Woodward avenue, a lady's small black handbag containing a pair of eye glasses. Please return to this office and receive reward.

Dr. Fred Crawford believes in the deluge, Noah's ark and all that, since a water pipe bursted in his new home and everything floated away for one forenoon. Fred and the good wife's first day of house-keeping.

Mrs. Elizabeth Randall just received word that her aunt, Mrs. Angeline Babcock, of North Bradley, Mich., fell and dislocated her hip. As the good lady is 84 years of age it is feared that the worst will follow. We trust not.

Different members of the Banghart family near Oxford have adopted four babies within the last six months. There is evidently a slight mistake in nomenclature there. It should be changed to Bigheart—Northville Record.

Mason N. Leonard, wife and family will winter with his mother, Mrs. Esther M. Leonard, making it very pleasant for all hands around. Mr. Leonard's health is a little ailment but we think a little of mother's care will start him out all right in the spring.

Our library contains all the works of Irving Cooper, Dickens, Thackeray, Scott, Hawthorne, McDonald, Chas. Reed, Howells, and scores of others. Why not give the boy or girl the use of these by giving a six months' subscription to the library?

Yourselves and ladies are invited to attend a ball at Public Hall, Franklin, Friday evening, Dec. 14. The dance will be 50c and if you want a chicken pie supper you can get it for yourself and partner for 50c more. Music by Finney's orchestra of Detroit.

There will be a missionary tea, given by the ladies of St. James

SCREENS and CARPET SWEEPERS. THE GAMES OF "PIT" and "SHERLOCK HOLMES"

William H. Elliott Co.

FOR GIFTS Our Prices Are Very Low. Glove Boxes—Calendars—Clocks—Mirrors—Frames—Pictures—Umbrellas—Table Cloths—Napkins—Caps—Shirts, etc.—Aprons for maid and mistress—House Coats—Boys' Suits and Overcoats—Ladies' Shoes and Slippers—Infants' Shoes, Moccasins and Boots—Children's Shoes—Infants' combs—Colored Wall Materials (boxed)—Chairs and Fine Flannels for Waists and Gowns (in boxes)—White Robe Blankets. NOTE—We engage initial on Umbrellas (bought here) Free of Charge.

...COATS...

Grand assortment of new Coats in 3/4 length; Fine Kersey or Cheviots with loose or fitted backs; Covers and Scotch Tweeds with loose belted backs; some 1/2 lined, others lined throughout with best lining; include new Fauguon models; \$20 and \$25; Monday \$15 10

The quarter 3/4 inch and shoulder fitted styles; Kersey, Montague, Cheviots or Fancy Mixtures, black or colors; former prices, \$12.50 and \$16.00. Reduced to 10

3/4 length Coats in Mannish Mixtures or Oxford Prices—Ladies' or misses—choice while they last, \$7.75.

church, Wednesday, Dec. 14, at the home of Mrs. William Smith. Miss Warner will address the ladies. The offering will go toward the missionary pledge of the Woman's Auxiliary.

Two pair in anybody's hand is a good winner so says Mr. Alfred Kosse, the competent train dispatcher of the U. P. R., at whose home in this village recently arrived a family of four, two boys and two girls.

There have been times not long since past when we agreed with the Lexington News when it says: "The man who says 'oh, fudge,' when he feels profane, may be a better example to the children, but somehow it doesn't seem that he would be much of a protection against burglars in the night."

Ed Lamb, Foxy Grandpa, the most popular school janitor in the world, is back to work after a bad attack of a stitch in the back. The stitch was a monster in action as its first move threw E. flat on his back in front of his boiler. Robt. Toms did the firing while Edward was in bed.

A school teacher in Brandon township took an unruly pupil across her knee and paddled him until his pants fairly smoked. This is no joke. The boy had a hip pocket well filled with matches which ignited under the impact of the paddle and a small conflagration was averted by pouring a dipper of water in his pocket.

Seeley Peck will be manager of the John De Conick saloon in place of F. G. Pearsall who has sold out to Mr. Peck. Our people can breathe freer now as only one saloon will be in town. The building that Mr. Peck bought, will be completed and owned by him and rented. It certainly is the prettiest building now in town.

The Owosso and Pontiac trolley road is slowly but surely coming southward from Owosso to Pontiac. Holly council and town board have granted a franchise southward as far as Davinburg. Private right of way is secured and the promoters say that the money is all in sight and that in the early spring, work will be pushed to a speedy finish.

P. G. Jennings, of Troy, one day recently while on his way to Pontiac, had his buggy wrecked and was himself considerably shaken up. The horse became frightened at a passing electric car and in attempting to pass a milk wagon in the street, Jennings' buggy came in contact with a telephone pole and was wrecked. The horse broke loose from the buggy and ran away.

Miss Hughes, a missionary to the Mormons will speak to the ladies of Birmingham and vicinity, at the First Presbyterian church, on Thursday, Dec. 15, at 3 p. m. A silver collection will be taken up. Miss Hughes has held many enthusiastic meetings in different parts of the state. It is hoped that the women of Birmingham will attend this meeting and show their interest in the sanctity of the home.

A letter was advertised last week in the Hudson postoffice for "Horse Love." He should gallop in and tell Postmaster Lawrence to trot it out.—Adrian Press. Maybe he canter it.—Northville Record. It would make anyone sully to keep track of such a string of horse puns; let alone looking the winner of such

Hurrah for Frank S. Neal of the Northville Record! It is thought that Brother Neal stands in line for the appointment to the office of Railroad Commissioner in place of "Tip" Alpin, who it is understood will be deposed. Governor-elect Warner and Editor Neal are great friends and Mr. Warner has had most earnest work done for him by Neal before and after his election. We hope the good news will prove true and endorse the appointment already.

Birmingham girls will be interested in what Thos. McLaughlin of the Holly can factory says. This is it: "Five of the girls who worked in our bean picking room have been married within the last few weeks and now we are flooded with applications for work. You see with every job we give a guarantee that they will be married before spring. If we fail to deliver the goods any other way, the girls will please remember I am a young, handsome and single myself."

It is reported that a Wolverine newly married lady kneads bread with her gloves on. The incident may be peculiar, but there are others. The editor of this paper needs bread with his shoes on; he needs bread with his shirt on; he needs bread with his pants on; and unless some of the delinquent subscribers of this newspaper pay up before long he will need bread without much of anything on, and Oakland county is no Garden of Eden, either, in the winter time.

At the meeting of the Ladies' Aid of the M. E. church last Friday evening, at the residence of Mrs. T. Bookham, there was a shortage of cabbage salad when the fourth table was laid out for the guests. Mrs. J. B. Field hastily prepared another dish and when she reached for the dressing she got hold of the family pancake batter and in it went, but it wouldn't mix well and the cabbage salad was set aside. The ladies had a big crowd and a goodly sum was added to the treasury.

D. H. Morrow and C. A. Hooper will sell at auction on the old J. R. Morrow farm, two miles north and one mile east of Sand Hill, on the Base Line, on Tuesday, Dec. 20, at 10 o'clock a. m., the following property: Three mares, one horse,

16 cows three heifers, yearling bull, six wagons, two buggies, cutler, sprayer, harness, compressed air sprayer, incubator, and brooder, 18 tons hay, 7 acres corn in stooks, 500 white oak fence post, mowing machine, plows, household furniture, etc. M. H. Biant auctioneer.

The farmers who grow sugar beets this year are reaping a rich harvest. The beets that are going to the factories are running from 15 to 19 per cent sugar and the tare amounts to 2 to 10 per cent. When you remember that a 12 per cent beet is the standard, you will see that this is a wonderful increase for the farmer, and the high prices they are getting for the beets is apt to put a stop to the talk of demanding a flat rate from the factories. While the acreage which the factories secrete this year was small, the quantity of the beets grown per acre is much larger than it has been in former years.

Fight Will Be Bitter. Those who will persist in closing their ears against the continual recommendations of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, will have a long and bitter fight with their troubles. If not ended earlier by its use, it will end in a fatal termination. Read what T. H. Beall of Beall, Miss., has to say: "Last fall I was laid up with a cough and spitting of blood. I had had every kind of doctoring after Dr. King's New Discovery after three weeks. Improvement came all at once and four bottles entirely cured me." Guaranteed by Whitehead & Mitchell and Cobb & Cobb, druggists. Price 50c, and \$1.00. Trial bottles free.

Taxpayers of Bloomfield. I will be at the feed store of McClellan & Satterlee, Birmingham, every Thursday, and at the county treasurer's office, Pontiac, every Saturday, until the 15th of January, for the purpose of receiving taxes. G. H. BATTERLEE, 41 Treasurer.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS RECEPTIONS via Grand Trunk Railway System. One and one-third fares for the Grand Trip, all trains Dec. 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th and 31st, 1905, with additional seating date of Dec. 29th to Michigan Jan. 1st, 1906. Returns limit my date to next including Jan. 4th, 1906. For fares and particulars consult Local Agent or write to GEO. W. VAUX, A. G. P. & T. A. Chicago, Ill.

Kills His Uncle. Hickman, Ky., special: MITT SHAW, proprietor of the Hickman Courthouse, in his own house killed Bob Buck, his uncle. Buck had threatened to kill Shaw. No arrest was made.

SHORT HORNS COWS AND HEIFERS

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE 8 O. I. C. Pigs. 4 O. I. C. Boar Pigs. 1 Brood Sow and 8 Pigs.

Fred E. Brooks, Spring Brook Stock Farm, 1/2 Miles West of Birmingham.