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WE CARRY A FULL LINE OF SHELF GOODS, STOVES OF ALL KINDS, RANGES, ETC.

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PLUMBING AND TINNING ARE OUR SPECIALTIES.

Our Line of TINWARE is complete in every detail, and contains everything essential to the thrifty housewife who delights in the Culinary Art.

Your Trade Solicited. J. R. BLAKESLEE, Hardware Merchant, Birmingham Mich.

Advertisement for Sherwin-Williams Paint featuring an illustration of a paint can and a brush. Text: 'Will it Spread? What? Fame or Paint? Both. Its fame has gone broadcast and all users know that it spreads well under the brush. THE SHERWIN-WILLIAMS PAINT. Covers Best, Looks Best, Wears Longest, Most Economical, Full Measure. SOLD BY I. LEETRAX, Birmingham, Mich. Who will have a Complete Stock of Paints and Oils and White Lead. Let's talk over the Paint Deal.'

THE NIMBLE SIXPENCE

It's better than the slow shilling because it keeps the goods moving, and gives the ladies a chance to renew their hats more often. The ladies of Birmingham can find just what they want in trimmed and untrimmed hats at our Military Emporium, and the prices will please you. The nimble sixpence is in evidence here.

MRS. G. W. TERRY, Lawrence Street East, PONTIAC, MICH.

POLICE HAD HIS CASH

T. W. DAVIS VISITS DETROIT POLICE HEADQUARTERS.

On Reaching There, He Was Placed Under Arrest--Alleged to be One of the Baxter Burglars.

Thomas W. Davis, aged 30, a bill poster, living at 27 Twenty-fourth street, Detroit, was locked up at the Central police station on suspicion of being one of the men who broke into the jewelry store of H. W. Baxter of this place, a short time ago, blowing open the safe and getting away with a number of valuable watches and watch cases.

Detectives Kane and Clark arrested Davis Thursday last week, after he had disposed of a watch case for \$5.50, selling it for old gold. The authorities made an attempt to find out to whom the property belonged, but no one claimed it and Davis was released on Saturday morning. During the afternoon the officers say they traced two cases and a portion of a watch case that had been melted to the collection of jewelry stolen from Mr. Baxter and orders were issued for Davis' rearrest.

Detectives Kane and Clark played a ruse to secure their man. When they called at his home, they were told that he was not in. "Well, we're from police headquarters," said Detective Kane. "When Davis was released, through mistake, \$5.50 was held from him. Tell him to call at headquarters to get his money." It was intended to give the money that had been held from Davis to the jeweler who had purchased the alleged stolen property. Sunday afternoon, at the hour appointed, Davis walked into the station to get the money, but, instead, he was assigned to a cell in the Central station. The officers believe that they can recover most of the stolen jewelry in Detroit.

Davis was turned over to the Oakland county officials Monday, and Tuesday he was arraigned before Judge Doty and bail was fixed at \$5,000 with two sureties, in default of which he was returned to jail. He will have a hearing Monday, February 22, at 9 o'clock.

Davis has always maintained that he found the old gold on the railroad track. He says he never pawned a watch, but the pawnbroker to whom one of Baxter's watches was pawned identifies Davis as the man who pawned it.

Marshal Hedding saw Davis in the National hotel Saturday night in company with two other strangers, and could recognize the two other if he saw them. From appearances Davis is up against a hard proposition.

Advertised Letters. The following is a list of letters received in the Birmingham postoffice February 6, 1904: Elizabeth Caswell, Miss Nellie Grove, Mrs. S. Stone, Harry Nully.

AT THE THEATERS. AVENUE. The patrons of the Avenue theater have no cause for complaint, as crowded houses have been in evidence for some time past. The management will have no stone unturned to keep up the reputation which the producing of first-class talent has brought this house. The cream of the vaudeville profession has been secured for next.

WHITNEY. "Rachel Goldstein or the Struggles of a Poor Girl in New York," in the title of Theodore Kren's latest play which Sullivan, Harris & Woods will produce at the Whitney Theater all next week. It was certainly a happy thought which first associated Miss Louise Beaton with the part of Rachel, and this clever artist's previous work foretells a big success in the leading role. Miss Beaton is supported by a first-class company of metropolitan favorites, and the production from a scenic standpoint is as big as any put on by Sullivan, Harris & Woods, a guarantee of an elaborate performance.

LYCEUM. In these days when caricature is uppermost in the mind of the public, it is a relief to find a comedian who can portray the peculiarities of a race without giving offense by too broad a burlesquing of the character. George Sidney comes to the Lyceum next Sunday evening for one week, in the musical farce comedy, "Bobby Day," the roll of Day is that of a Hebrew merchant, and so cleverly does Mr. Sidney enact this part that the characterization is not the least bit offensive to the representatives of the Hebrew race. Day is a jolly little fellow who furnishes plenty of fun and amusement, and sometimes often "busts up" the crowd and comes out on top. The first act opens in Day's department store where fun flows with a rapid gait, and Day is kept busy waiting on customers who seldom pay for anything they get. The second act is a summer holiday for which Day has traded his store. Matinee Wednesday and Saturday.

FRRIENDS OF THE FOREIGNER are requested when they have probable business to do in the publication of the legal notice in this paper.

TROY FARMERS' CLUB.

Big Dinner, Fine Music, Good Recitations, Everybody Happy.

On Saturday, February 6, the Troy Farmers' Club met at the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Denison with 65 members and invited friends in attendance.

The exercises were opened by prayer. The president called for the first number of the program, the topic for discussion, "How can Farmers Protect Themselves Against Trusts?" The discussion was led by C. E. Hasdell, who thought it was but a question of being thoroughly organized on the part of the farmers, as they hold the key to the situation, as all the people and all business depends on the products of the soil. Many others took part in the discussion. Mr. Hasdell's position in the main part being supported. Mrs. Fred Schoch contributed a paper, "How much is a Man's Wife Worth?" It's treatment of the quantity and quality of a woman's work seemed to be heartily endorsed by the lady members of the club.

Recitation by Miss Isabel Bailey. Musical selection, instrumental, by Mrs. Lulu Harper. Recitation, "Rejected, so Was I," by Miss Rena Denison. Recitation, "It works the best to just let down the bars," by Miss Grace Harper.

The viewing committee reported also too deep to allow examination of the farm, but found barns, stables, etc., in good order, and the live stock looking well.

The ever overlooking question box was then opened with Miss Grace Elliott in charge.

The question "Where should the State Fair be located to do the farmers the most good?" was where it could be given the most patronage and thereby be most self-sustaining and Pontiac had seemed to be the right place.

On March 5th the club will meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Elliott.

GO NE TO MAKE UP HIS JEWELS.

Death has again entered the family of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Maltender, this time claiming for its own their little daughter, Minnie Ethel. The little one was born in Birmingham, January 9, 1896, and was called to her heavenly home, Thursday, February 4, 1904, slightly past the age of five years. She was a very bright child and the sunshine of the home, but the Master knows best and she was taken from earth to help make up His jewels, bright jewels for His crown.

Her last sickness extended over a period of six weeks, pneumonia being the cause of her death. The funeral was held Monday afternoon at the M. E. church, Rev. M. H. Bartram officiating, about 250 people being present. The interment was made in Greenwood cemetery.

The family has the sympathy of the entire community in their hour of sorrow. May their hearts be comforted by the thought that even today as in olden times the words of the Saviour are still the same, "Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of heaven."

WILKINSON PHEASANTRY

Won First Prizes Galore and Offers a Smoke to All Callers.

Mr. John Wilkinson is the happiest exhibitor of the whole bunch of exhibitors at the Poultry show held at Pontiac last week, and on account of his winnings by reason of his pure bred Pheasant stock. He has a fine flock and is just proud of them.

He exhibited two pair of pheasants, a pair of Golden Pheasants and a pair of Chinese Ring Necked. He captured the first prize offered for pair of Golden Pheasants, and his Chinese Ring Neck male bird won the first and its mate, the hen, won second prize. He also won a special prize of a box of cigars for the best display of any class. Now Bro. Wilkinson is a jolly social sort of a fellow and invites all to come and see his pheasants and help him "smoke up" his cigar prize. But you can't have the blue ribbons.

Card of Thanks. TO ALL MY FRIENDS-- We wish to take this way and opportunity to thank all our friends for their liberal contribution received this day from Mr. Mitchell who has handed to us \$105.75 for which we are very grateful indeed. It certainly comes in to us at the right time and the generous sum shows the spirit of Birminghamians towards a fellow exhibitor.

H. W. BATH AND FAMILY. Republican Caucus.

The Republican caucus of Troy county, Michigan, will be held at 10 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of electing delegates to the County Convention to be held at Pontiac on February 15, 1904.

You Need a Rest. If you are not feeling well, don't call a doctor but take a lake trip! You return home feeling new life and your brain blown free from cobwebs. Send for folder and map to J. A. Schaefer, G. F. T. Mgr., Detroit, Mich.

GRIM VISAGED WAR

The Active Japs Are First to Gain Victories

They Destroy Russian Ships, Capture Towns and Russian Troops, and Possess Vantage Points in Korea

The Russian fleet in Port Arthur seems to have received a serious blow Monday night when it was attacked by a Japanese squadron of 15 battleships and cruisers, resulting in the disabling of three Russian vessels, the battleships Revizim, Zvezichet and Poltava; cruisers, Pallada, Boyarin and Novik; the attacking ships received no injury.

A second and more engagement took place between the Japanese and Russians at Cheulipo, Korea, Tuesday night, in which two Russian cruisers, the Koriet and Vazrag, were destroyed. Japanese troops to the number of 8,000 immediately began the march to Seoul.

The easy capture of Cheulipo is regarded as the most important event of the war, so far. Cheulipo is the port of Seoul, the Korean capital, and the Japanese in control of Cheulipo will necessarily have command of Korea and its capital and resources.

Japanese troops landed at all the chief points of southern and western Korea. One division of the Japanese, held at Pusan and Cheulipo and altogether three divisions of the Japanese guards, each of 12,000 men, have been mobilized.

DIED AT NINETY-ONE

John G. Wilson, Birmingham's Oldest Resident, Passed Away Friday Last.

John G. Wilson, Birmingham's oldest resident died at his Woodway avenue home Friday, February 5, 1904, at 4:20 o'clock P. M., after a lingering illness, aged 91 years.

John George Wilson was born in Dumfries, Scotland, May 22, 1813 and came to America from county of Londonderry, Ireland, in 1835, landing in Quebec, where he resided until 1833 when he left Quebec for New York City. In 1836 he left the metropolis and took up his abode in Golden, Erie county, N. Y., where he lived until 1859, coming at that time to Michigan, settling in Birmingham, where, with the exception of three years' residence in the township of Troy, he lived until death claimed him.

Everyone for miles around Birmingham knew "Paddy" Wilson as he was familiarly known, and everyone knew him to be just what he was, a fine old Scotch gentleman who had not an enemy on earth. He always had a cheery word of greeting for all and his memory will live in the hearts of our citizens long after his mortal remains have returned to their original resting place.

For more than 30 years Mr. Wilson was sexton of Greenwood cemetery and took great pride in keeping the last resting place of departed friends in a presentable condition, much of the beauty of the cemetery at the present time being a monument to his thoughtfulness in the setting out of trees and shrubs. As old age crept on him he was obliged to turn this work over to younger people and spent the closing days of his life at home, cared for by those to whom he was near and dear.

He leaves a widow, two sons and four daughters besides a large circle of other relatives to mourn his loss. In his death Birmingham loses one of her best citizens, but our loss is his gain.

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Better Than Gold. "I was troubled for several years with chronic indigestion and nervous debility," writes F. J. Green, of Leontator, N. H. "The first relief I received was from Electric Bitters, which did me more good than all the medicines I ever used. They have also kept my wife in excellent health for years. She says Electric Bitters are just splendid for female troubles; that they are a grand tonic and invigorator for weak, run down women. No other medicine has done me so much good. I have tried only one. Satisfaction guaranteed by Whitehead & Mitchell and Cobb & Cobb, druggists.

Republican Caucus. The Republican caucus of the Township of Birchfield, Michigan, will be held at 7 1/2 o'clock P. M., on Saturday, February 13, 1904, for the purpose of electing delegates to the County Convention to be held at Pontiac on February 15, 1904. It will be held at the residence of George W. Grace, Birchfield, Michigan.

School Notes

EDITH-IN-CHIEF--CLARENCE WEST. SENIOR--HESSIE BIRKLOW, '04. JUNIOR--MAMIE WILSON, '04. SOPHOMORE--CLARENCE J. WEST, '06. FRESHMAN--ETHEL JOHNSTON, '07.

The freshmen are looking forward to a class party. Miss Grace Carpenter, '07, is very ill with pneumonia.

Miss Ella Chapman and Retta Perkins are among the missing '04s. The pleasant face of Tom Biddow was seen in the high school one day last week.

The general history classes in preparation a beautiful set of note books in color, illustrating Ancient and Modern History.

Miss Koontz and Miss Pepper's room joined in a song service one morning last week.

In order to raise money for their commencement the seniors will give a drama at the near future.

Just listen to the junior girls' talk about the junior EX. Will you? What about the boys? Don't you want some? The report cards for the first semester are out. Parents, if your child does not bring home one for your approval and signature, please notify his teacher.

As a result of the cold weather the attendance in the district school has been reduced from 40 to 15 or 20. Miss Craft wishes she could see her room full once more.

The hearts of many a lad and lassie have been made thankful during the winter by the presentation of some article of clothing, kindly donated by the good ladies of Birmingham. While they have requested that their names should be withheld, still their good work should receive commendation, for many would have been unable to attend school but for this timely aid.

The rhetorical exercises were not as successful as it would have been had the attendance been complete. As it was a very pleasant afternoon was spent, music being furnished by Miss Roy and Mr. Kinnisten. A debate on the subject, "Resolved, That the Army did more than the Navy in putting down the Rebellion" was decided in the affirmative, which was supported by Deer and Erwin. The program was closed by singing "Columbia, the Gem of the Ocean."

As has been previously announced, medals presented by the State of Chicago, were given to the persons in each grade who had the highest average in spelling, except in the highest room where a general average was required. The following pupils received the medals: First grade, Mrs. Field, 99 per cent; 2d grade, Lloyd Campbell, 100; 3d grade, Lloyd Campbell, 100; 4th grade, Viola Hanna, 99.3; 5th grade, Don Ferguson, 99.2; 6th grade, Ed. Zimmerman, 100; 7th grade, Florance Hutton, 100; 8th grade, Ellis Green, 95; 9th grade, Alta Nixon, 97; 10th grade, Grace Wilson, 97; 11th grade, Grace Purdy, 97; 12th grade, Abigail Mitchell, 96. The medals were bronze representations of the famous Liberty Bell.

A man loves a woman for what she is; woman loves a man for what she imagines him to be.