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IF YOU WANT ANYTHING IN THE LINE OF BUILDERS' SUPPLIES SHELF HARDWARE REPAIR WORK TIN ROOFING PLUMBING LET US FIGURE WITH YOU ON YOUR JOB. If you are in want of a \$1000, \$2000 or Coal Stove come and look my stock over before buying elsewhere. Oil Heaters from \$2.75 up. J. R. Blakeslee Hardware Merchant, Birmingham, Mich.

Good Reasons Why you should take advantage of our Sale of Summer Footwear. During August we make a Special Effort to close out our lines of Men's, Ladies and Children's TAN SHOES AND OXFORDS, Children's Strap Sandals and Men's Canvas Shoes. The Prices Have Been Cut Lower Than Ever. We do this to make room for our new Fall Stock now Arriving. Prices have been cut so low you cannot afford to go Without Shoes. Our Stock is all new this summer and the styles are Good. We Buy nothing but Good Solid Footwear. No Cheap Shoddy Stuff. Our Prices are for Cash and we can afford to sell cheap. H. B. Merritt Pontiac.

KESSELL DICKINSON & DICKINSON HAVE PURCHASED THE WELL KNOWN G. H. TURK CLOTHING STOCK OF \$30,000. This Stock will be reduced ONE-HALF before September 15th to make room for the new FALL STOCK which will arrive about that time. EVERY GARMENT IN THE STORE REDUCED. It will pay the people of Birmingham and Vicinity to visit our Store during this Cut Price Sale. Come in early. KESSELL, DICKINSON & DICKINSON 41 North Saginaw Street, Pontiac, Mich.

BROKE HIS LEG HEAD CUT OPEN HE CAME TO GRIEF BASE BALL NEWS

John Merritt Victim of Second Serious Accident Since Spring--Broke Leg Friday. Last spring John Merritt started the erection of a stone house at the northern limits of the town and just as he got things nicely started he had the misfortune to fall and burst a blood vessel in his right leg. This put Mr. Merritt on the repair shelf for some time. However he recovered in due time and was pushing the work to completion when, on Friday last, a scaffold broke and he fell to the ground 30 feet below. His wife, his brother-in-law, was also on the scaffold when it broke. It swung to the edge of the roof for a moment, finally falling, striking squarely upon Mr. Merritt as lay in a mud puddle perfectly helpless. Mr. Wiley escaped with a skinned shin and a bump on the head, but Mr. Merritt's right leg was broken and it is feared his spine is injured. Dr. Geo. P. Raynale was called to attend the injured man, who is getting along as well as circumstances will permit.

Lloyd Jackson Falls From Scaffold In Barn, Striking on His Head--Bad Wound. Lloyd Jackson fell from a scaffold in his father's barn on Friday last striking on his head, cutting a large gash and shaking the boy up generally. Dr. Geo. P. Raynale was called and took several stitches in the boy's scalp. GUY, GAS AND THE GENTILES. The Gentiles were Marshal Bray and Editor Mitchell. Time, 9 o'clock. P. The gas was stored in the big glass globe that protects our acetylene gas lights. One evening last week while Mitchell was ambling along the street homeward and overtook the village marshal who was out with his eagle eye looking for the lighted street lamps. The one at Dr. Shaw's corner was not working and it was very dark around there. Marshal Bray shined up the post and struck a light, but failed to stand on. Just then Guy Taylor, that genial, accommodating tonorial artist, accompanied by Mrs. Taylor, came along. Now Guy knew all about acetylene lamps and while the marshal was looking for a box or something to stand on, Guy simply climbed to the top of the post, opened the bottom of the globe, drew a match along the rear of his trousers and then gently inserted it into the globe. The gas caught and it went 'BOOM!' BANG!! BOOM!! exploding on the night air with a noise like a 15-pounder. Mrs. Taylor shrieked 'Oh, Guy!' Mitchell yelled 'Look out! Gee whizz!' and the marshal, who was looking for the gas, fainted and Taylor went up in the air with the globe, and for all we know both are still going.

Charlie Plumstead, Would-be Magician, Eats Fire One Day and Dines on Soup the Next. Charlie Plumstead has no longer a desire to become a great magician and astorator of the world by his prowess. A few days ago he was entertaining a crowd of youngsters by eating fire and when his supply of cotton batting gave out his audience clamored for more fire-eating. Dean Johnson said he could get some and hiked for his father's drug store and secured a good supply of absorbent cotton. This new grade of material failed to go out when he put it in his mouth and in consequence Charlie had to eat brush for his father's delight. Once and for all the conclusion that he has rather be the president of one of the big insurance companies than to become the greatest magician that the world ever knew. A FINE BOOK. 'What his hand had worn, other arms had resped. His reward was in his weight, not in weight of praise.' Our literary agent whose perpetuity too of our citizens voted last spring, has placed this last book of the Rev. Willis which reached us. Probably this book would have never found its way into all these hands and homes through any other channel, and if 50 of our villagers read this book, it will do more good than 50 sermons, more good than one mill on a dollar or on millions of dollars. This simple record of the man who always carried seeds, is a plea to everyone to work for others, to trust without doubt. 'His mission it was to open the furrow and sow the seeds, God's angels would come to the furrow and number the multitudes who would stoop to spring he had opened up in the desert.'

Sympathetic Spectators Help Throw Chase the Ball--Other Features of the Diamond. Troy went to Pontiac Saturday to play ball and at the end of the fourth inning the score was 19 to 1. Sympathetic spectators took positions in the field and helped catch the long drives or Pontiac would be rousing yet. And Troy belongs to the Interleak league! The R. V. M. C. A. club defeated the M. C. A. at Belle Isle Monday by a score of 5 to 2 in a 16-inning game. Sibley, for Pontiac, struck out 23, merely Katharine, for the Cen. rats, struck out but 15. Summary of runs, hits and errors: Pontiac--3, 17, 4. Michigan Central--7, 5, 3. Don't forget the mask game Wednesday afternoon, August 16. Big street parade and prize contest. Follow the crowd to the park and see the prizes awarded. The price of admission to this great event has been put down to 50c for the gents and 10c for the ladies, and you are supposed to be on hand for the game. The Juniors are negotiating with the Wayne club for Saturday afternoon.

NEW SWINDLING SCHEME Here is a brazen new swindle which is being successfully worked on the farmers of southern Michigan. A well dressed stranger stays all night with the intended victim, and during the stay reports that he has lost a valuable diamond pin. After searching half a day he takes his leave, requesting the farmer to keep watchout for the pin, adding that he will pay \$1.00 for its recovery. A few days later a bum appears on the scene and claims to have found the pin outside the gate. After some dickering the farmer pays \$25 for the pin, and sometimes \$50 changes hands. The farmer then writes the address left by the stranger and asks him to bring his hundred and get his pin. He never comes for the bum was in the deal and the pin cost 20 cents--St. Louis Independent.

MAINE'S NATURAL ADVANTAGES. In natural advantages for agriculture, manufactures and commerce Maine surpasses all the states of the North Atlantic region, which include Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. Her area of 35,040 square miles just about equals the area of all the other New England states combined. Her area of fertile, cultivable land exceeds that of all of them, the county of Aroostook alone, in this respect, surpasses any one of them. The forests of Maine cover an area of 20,000 square miles clothed with pine, spruce, hemlock, oak, maple, poplar, cedar and other valuable woods. We have more than 1,500 lakes and ponds, covering 2,300 square miles and over 5,000 rivers and streams, affording more than 2,500,000 horse power, more available water power per square mile area of the service of the earth, not even excepting that of which Niagara is the center. The seacoast of Maine, extending for 275 miles in an air line from Kittery Point to York, is bounded by the great bays of Casco, Narragansett, Muscongus, Penobscot, Frenchmen's, Passamaquoddy, and numerous smaller ones, forming succession of long, rocky peninsulas separated by deep and narrow inlets with many safe and commodious land locked harbors. Maine has a longer line of navigable seaports with more accessible harbors than all the other North Atlantic division combined. New Hampshire has no seaports, Vermont has only one, modern ships, Massachusetts has but one considerable port of entry, Boston, the long, sandy peninsula of Cape Cod which constitutes the largest part of her coast line, having not a single suitable harbor for maritime commerce. Connecticut and Rhode Island have not a single first class ocean port. Aside from Long Island, which has not an available harbor, New York has not a mile of seacoast outside of New York harbor, while New Jersey with 130 miles of ocean front from Sandy Hook to Cape May is a waste of sandy beach without a single navigable harbor. In addition to her coast line Maine possesses an advantage not enjoyed by any other state upon the Atlantic coast, in two great rivers, the Penobscot, 275 miles long, navigable for 55 miles to Bangor, and the Kennebec, 155 miles long, navigable for 42 miles to Augusta, and many other rivers, which, at a comparatively small expense might be made available for maritime commerce. In Portland harbor Maine has the finest seaport on the Atlantic coast, with natural advantages of constantly increasing value, by reason of the steadily increasing draft and tonnage of her vessels, which are placing an embargo upon Boston, Montreal and other accessible harbors.

AT THE THEATERS. The Ideal Extravaganza Company is in swing at the Avenue this week. The interior of the building has been remodeled and everything done for the benefit of the patrons of this popular resort. The management will strive this season to make the Avenue the most popular theater in Detroit. Popular prices and the highest entertainment they are giving is sure to accomplish the desired result.

THE MAN ABOUT TOWN. 'Say,' said a man upon the street last week to one local banker, 'was that fellow paid that note yet?' The banker mildly inquired 'what note and what feller?' and the man abused the banker roundly for not knowing all about the note and the 'feller.' Whereupon the man about town, who was resting from his labors upon a pile of money in front of the new Johnston-Shaw-O'Neal block, fell to moralizing in this wise: 'Is it fair to suppose that the inquirer, having never had more than one note of his own to keep track of, should bother for a moment that the banker would have any more? Was the banker justified in being a bit rattled when he considered the 3,000 and odd notes which he had in his safe and the surplus of the inquirer when there was any hesitation about it?' After all it is an almost helpless task to endeavor to remodel the human kind after your own ideas. You can't make a bull out of a sheep nor a milk pure out of a cow's ear. The doctor never drive cattle successfully and the shepherd dog has never made a startling success pointing quail so far as the man about town is concerned. So we had better make the best of it and sing with the poet: 'So let the wide world wag as it will, I'll be gay and happy still.'

HERE'S A GEM. Here's one that but better sit round all day. Feet feel the sun and the sun smoking his pipe of clay. Mother takes in washing. No one else but me. Everybody works at an hour. But my old man, the damned old fauer,--

OF INTEREST TO EVERYBODY. We have a copy of a printed price list furnished by E. A. Richards, proprietor of a general store at Portland, Mich. It is a copy of a bill of goods purchased by one of Mr. Richards' customers through a salesman for the E. C. Farley Co. of Dayton, Ohio. The Farley bill is printed calls for \$8.31, while Mr. Richards duplicates the bill for \$6.22 at his regular, every day prices to everybody, showing a saving of \$1.10. It is a very interesting circular and the people of this district see it and profit by the experience of others. It shows conclusively that when you purchase goods of a trading concern you are bound to get left in the deal. When the goods arrived at Portland with the bill the customer got a little suspicious and went to Mr. Richards and found out what the same goods would cost at his home store. When he got the figures he promptly refused the Farley goods. You are especially invited to call at this office and read this circular.

FORCE 'EM TO IT Make Auto Drivers Obey the Law and Decrease the Daily Chapter of Accidents. A new law passed by the legislature compels persons operating motor vehicles on the highway to run to the right at all times, and upon request or signal of parties driving, or leading a horse or of horses, immediately to stop, and request to give such assistance as would insure the safety of all parties concerned. The law also requires that all motor vehicles shall be equipped with a number of lights, and that the name and address of the owner may be obtained.

GETTING READY A Word to Pupils and Patrons of the Birmingham Union Schools. EDITORS ECCE: I wish you would state in your paper that I shall have an office period at the school house each afternoon from 2 to 4 for the week preceding the opening of school. The purpose of this office period is to see non-resident pupils who wish to make arrangements for entering school. It will be of interest to non-residents to begin with in the eighth year or our eighth grade is now handled as a part of high school, and as such will be seated in the high school assembly room, going to the various class-rooms for recitation work. They will thereby be better fitted for high school work. An eighth grade county diploma admits one to our ninth grade. Sincerely yours, A. E. BELLIS, Martin, Mich. P. S. Send my paper out here, I get lonesome without it.

THE MICHIGAN FARM AND LIVE STOCK JOURNAL. Published by the Free Press Co., of Detroit. SOLD TO THE MICHIGAN FARMER. In January, 1904, the Free Press Publishing Co. merged its semi-weekly edition of the Free Press into the 'Free Press Farm and Live Stock Journal,' afterwards The Michigan Farm and Live Stock Journal. They soon learned that the Michigan Farmer, established in 1843, had a strong hold on the farmers of Michigan, secured through a thorough business knowledge as to the management of an Agricultural publication, added to their untiring efforts to serve their readers practical, up-to-date matter. A few weeks ago negotiations were begun by the Free Press Co., with the above result. The subscribers of the Michigan Farm and Live Stock Journal are to be congratulated, as they will receive the Michigan Farmer, a 50 per cent more costly paper, for their fall subscription time, in place of the Michigan Farm and Live Stock Journal. The Michigan Farmer is also to be congratulated on being able, through the transfer, to add to their list so valuable a clientele.

Excursion to Toronto via Grand Trunk Railway System. Single Fare, plus 50 cents, for the round trip, from Michigan points (except Detroit and Port Huron), going dates August 27th to September 6th, inclusive; return limit September 12th, 1905. For further particulars consult local agents or write to GEO. W. VAUX, A. G. P. & T., 125 Adams St., Chicago, Ill. aug 5.

Mask Base Ball Big Street Parade in Costume a la Ridiculous-Prizes for the Worst Costume. Don't miss it--if you do you will regret it--the game between the married men and the single men, which takes place Wednesday afternoon, August 16. The grand street parade will take place just before the game and the costume players will march to the grounds where the wearer of the most ridiculous costume will be presented with a grand prize. The prize in question will be a dandy one and you will have to be present at the presentation to appreciate it. Other prizes will be awarded for good and bad playing.

Babu Horse English. Here is a Bombay native student's essay on the horse: 'is a very noble quadruped, but when he is angry he will not stop. He is ridden on the spinal cord by the bridle, and sally the horse on his feet on the straps, and drives his lower limbs across the saddle, and drives his animal to the meadow. He has a long month, and is attached to the trunk by a long protuberance called the neck. He has four legs, two are in the front and two are in the rear. These are the horse's feet, and as well as the neck he also defends himself by extending those in the rear in a parallel direction toward his foe, but his horns are only when in a vexatious mood. His lodging is generally grasses and grains. He is also useful to take on his back man or woman as well as some cargo. He has power to run as fast as he could. He has got no sleep at night time, and always standing on his feet. Also there are horses of other sizes. They do the same as the others are generally doing. There is no animal like the horse; no sooner they see their guardian or master they always crying for feeding, but it is always at the morning time. They have got tall, but not so long as the oxen and other such like similar animals--Liverpool Post.

Public is Aroused. The public is aroused to a knowledge of the curative merits of that great medicinal fluid, Electric Bitters, for sick stomach, liver and kidneys. Mary E. Walters, of 545 1/2 St. Clair Ave., Columbus, O., writes: 'For several months I was given up to die. I tried every kind of medicine, but was wretched. I tried a medicine called Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, but it did me no good. I was so weak, from useless doctor's drugs, that I could not eat. Soon after beginning to take Electric Bitters, I obtained relief, and in a short time I was entirely cured. I purchased at Whitehead & Mitchell's and Cobb & Cobb's drug stores; price 50c.

Shoots at Rat: Killa Friend. Evansville, Ind., dispatch: Robert Piper, aged 14, accidentally shot and killed his boy companion, Earl Smith, while shooting at rats with a small rifle.

Mask Base Ball. The boys are a bit behind and everybody should turn out and help the boys along. They have given us some fine games this season and we should do handsome by them on Wednesday next. You are bound to get more than your money's worth, as both teams are capable of playing good ball as well as giving you a good laugh. In order to make the teams more evenly matched the married men have imported a first class catcher from Switzerland. Daniels will do the twirling. There are one ladies, and one boy, and two bunnies. Bring your sisters and your cousins and your aunts. You admirers of the Old Harry's can see some of them play in this game.

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