FRANKLIN.

Indications point to a new era in the church history of the Methodist Protestant church, of Franklin. The new pastor, Rev. George Dover, is comfortably settled with his family in the parsonage. Brother Dover and his devoted wife come to us highly recommended by the vice President and Secretary of the Conference and received the unanimous call of this people. Previous to coming here he served the people of the North Branch and Ruisfield circuits very acceptably, adding to the membership of both; also making many improvements in parsonage and church property. We have talked for a long time of repairing the church here, but as "hope long deferred maketh the heart sick," we had despaired of ever doing anything; but the energy of the present pastor causes us to feel assured of success in this direction. We propose to thoroughly repair and add to, erecting a tower and belfry on the northwest corner, and a small addition in the rear for the choir, organ and pulpit, tearing out the old windows and putting in those of a more modern style, carpeting, re-seating; also a furnace. Nearly $600 have already been subscribed to this end. There has been bought a new church organ, nearly paid for. Friends have responded willingly; also the Foreign Missionary and Ladies' Aid Societies. And a series of socials are being held to meet the balance of the obligation. The attendance at the Sabbath services is much larger and the offering more than doubled. This is very pleasing. We have a good working Foreign Missionary Society that ranks as second in the Conference. I trust we will take the lead some day. The Ladies' Aid, since its organization, has been what its name implies—an aid to the church work of this place. The Sunday school, while not large, is doing a good work. The pastor's wife is a very valuable and efficient help in the work of the church, assisting in the Sabbath school and the pastor in the Sunday evening service. Mrs. Dover will take charge of the young people's class in the Sabbath school, beginning with the new year. All young people are cordially invited. The pastor and wife contemplate holding in the near future, a series of special services. Both have had considerable experience in this kind of work.

The school has been closed for two weeks. Miss Ely, the teacher, spent her vacation at Farmington with her parents.

Miss Elsie Pickering is visiting friends in Birmingham.

Mr. and Mrs. Midgley and Mr. and Mrs. Mitts were guests of Dr. and Mrs. Buel during the past week.

The many friends of Dr. Buel welcome the glad tidings that he is convalescing after several weeks' serious illness.

Fred VanEpery and wife gave a house party to friends from Northern Michigan during the holidays. They were Mr. Stein, Mrs. Rowe, mother and two brothers.

Mrs. Rust's sister, from Durand, has been visiting her.

Mr. and Mrs. Sievers, from Clifford, spent Christmas with Rev. and Mrs. Dover.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bingham took Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Jenks, near Pontiac.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Allen had a happy gathering at their home on Christmas. All their daughters were with them, which included Mrs. Wood, of Detroit; Mrs. Burgess, of Pontiac, and Mrs. Connie, of West Bloomfield, together with their husbands, and many friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen spent New Years with Mr. and Mrs. Wood, in Detroit.

Miss Myrtle Colby and Sidney Colby spent a day in Detroit selecting Christmas gifts for the pupils of Wing Lake school. The closing exercises were very delightful and showed that Miss Colby had taken great pains in drilling her pupils. The Christmas tree was beautiful. Miss Colby has most successfully taught this school for the past six years.

Sidney Colby has been visiting friends in Kalamazoo and Detroit for the past few days.

Mrs. Frank Evans and Mrs. George German spent Friday of last week with Mrs. R. C. Cummings.

Franklin has two boys to be proud of. They are Judson Cummings, now having full charge of the bank at Holly, and Clare Cummings, occupying the same position at North Adams. They both ate Christmas dinner with their mother, Mrs. R. C. Cummings.

Frank German is home on his vacation from the Detroit Medical College, and Leon from the Pontiac schools.

Talk about Barnum's trick ponies! Miss Amy German has one that can beat them all. Just call, and Amy will show you what it can do.

Dr. and Mrs. Bryant have had as guests Mrs. Bryant's sister and uncle.

George Bingham has had an unexpected and delightful visit from his uncle in Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Currier, on the Collier farm, entertained friends from Fenton over Christmas.

Mrs. Helen Opdyke spent Friday with her sister, Mrs. J. C. Buel.

Doc. Leet and daughter are comfortably located in Franklin.

Mr. and Mrs. Dunbar gave a Christmas dinner to a number of their friends.

Dr. H. Cox is in very poor health. He so afflicted with rheumatism he can scarcely leave the house.

George German attended the Elk banquet at the Elk Temple, Pontiac, and got home the same night. George, which do you like the better—candy at the Christmas tree, or the supper at the banquet?

Miss Della Kleine has been visiting friends in Detroit and Birmingham.

The Misses Ruth F. Rose and Mary Thurber have been the guests of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Hagerman, during the holidays.

The first of the month Mr. and Mrs. George Pickering celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary. The house was crowded with friends. They received many pieces of silver, which showed that it was a silver wedding anniversary.

An event of great importance this week was the New England dinner served by the ladies of the Missionary Society at the hall Thursday, January 4, at 1 o'clock. The event occured too late to give amount netted, which will be applied to putting in a window when the church is repaired. In the near future there will be a bazaar, the proceeds of which will be used for the same purpose.

The Sunday school is growing, as well as the other work and branches of the church under Rev. and Mrs. Dover.

The Christmas entertainment for the Sunday school, and the gifts made many little hearts happy. The folloiwng was the program: Selection by the orchestra—Dr. and Mrs. Bryant and Frank Adams. Recitation, "The Mission Stocking," Miss Angeline Irish. Singing by school, "Welcome, Christians." Song, "Make a Joyful Noise." Franklin Quartet—Misses Ethel and Nellie Dunbar and Messrs. Dover and Adams. Invocation, Mrs. Dover. Solo and duet, Misses Dunbar. Recitation, "A Talk With Aunt Debbie," Miss Amy German. Singing by school. "The Star Led Magi," Peter Stirling.

BIG BEAVER.

D. Harris and wife of Royal Oak spent Sunday with heir parents there.

Wm. Ebling and family visited at Ross Smith's in Detroit Sunday.

Bert Schultz is home from Detroit for a vacation.

New Years eve coming on Sunday evening made it convenient for the young people to watch the old year out and the new year in.

Miss Pearle Lamb called at Clawson Sunday to see Miss Bessie Robbins.

The Lamb family descendants met at the old home with Miss Sally Lamb New Years Day as is their custom.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Richards had a gathering of relatives at their home New Years.

Will Lamb and wife spent Sunday with relatives at Royal Oak.

Ross Smith and family of Detroit and H. A. George and family took supper New Years with Will Ebling and family.

A party of young people from Royal Oak spent Saturday evening at Payson Halsey's.

Jesse Caswell and wife entertained some relatives and Miss Hazel Gibbs New Years.

Miss Grace Baldwin spent New Year's at her father's.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar George and grandson of Rochester visited at his brother's, H. A. George's New Years.

R. F. D. NO. 1.

Brown Cannon of Denver, Colorado is visiting his parents, J. S. Cannon and will stay for a week or two.

Miss Evelyn Sparling of Detroit is visiting the John Bell family for a few days.

Clarence McQuarter had the misfortune of tipping over his buggy and receiving a few bad cuts on the side of his head one day last week.

Wm. McClelland of Southfield gave a New Years dinner and had a big family reunion where everybody eat enough to last them a whole week.

Jerome Johnson sold his wood lot to Ypsilanti parties at a good figure and they will commence in the near future to clear standing timber.

E. G. Tucker is putting up a cold storage for his own use.

If you want to know how to care for the chicken family, just call on F. W. Young and he will surprise you.

A. Porteous met with a painful accident last week. His horse started up and shrew him to the ground. Will Elwood happened along, helped him home and got a doctor but no bones were broken.

CLAWSON.

Miss Jessie Bowers attended a wedding at Adrian last week.

Mrs. Rice of Toledo and Mrs. Rogers and daughter of New Lathrop visited Mrs. E. E. Every during the holidays.

Johnnie Lawson of Clawson and Miss Kate Hall of Royal Oak were quietly married one day last week. Congratulations.

Harry Kyser is home from the west.

Mrs. W. Bailey of Lapeer visited at H. J. Bowers over Sunday.

H. J. Bowers took in the masskrat supper at Monroe last week.

John Robinson is building an addition to his barn.

Three children of Owen Hunt have been quite sick with hard colds and pneumonia.

Mark Hulsey and Miss Adeline Wheeler of Royal Oak were married Dec. 6.

SOUTHFIELD.

On Friday evening, Jan. 12, the L. M. S. of the United Presbyterian church will hold an oyster supper at the home of Miss Mary Stoll. A cordial invitation to all.

Mrs. Vergie Beattie is spending a few days at her home in Flushing.

Frank Harmon and family entertained on New Years.

Misses Sarah Brooks and Mary Harmon were home for vacation.

The Covenenters entertained at the church last Friday evening.

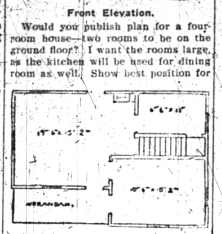
The Ladies' Missionary Society has been postponed one week and will meet on Thursday, Jan. 19, at the home of Mrs. Volney Miller. Every one invited to attend.

Mrs. V. B. Miller spent a part of Monday and Tuesday at Jas. Miller's, in Birmingham.

Four-Roomed House.

Front Elevation.

Would you publish plan for a four room house—two rooms to be on the ground floor? I want the rooms large, as the kitchen will be used for dining room as well. Show best position for



First Floor.

clothes closet, pantry, chimney and windows.

The accompanying plan is for a one and a half story house, 16 feet by 22 feet, and a kitchen 16 by 16 feet. It is intended to meet the requirements

Second Floor.

asked for, but can be adapted to suit localities or fancy of individuals. The cost of such a building would be about $1,022.

Moving a House.

I would like to move my house, and it will have to be done by local carpenters. Would you give information how best to proceed and how much it would cost. The main building is 24x22 and a half story, all sealed with plaster. A wing 16x16 is to be detached and the two moved separately. The distance for moving is about three-quarters of a mile.

The services of an expert should be obtained; 40 rollers will require to be used. A house could not be moved three-quarters of a mile without them. The charge is about $5 per day for one man and the rollers. Besides this it would require eight men for four days. With proper handling there would be little injury to the building.

Hog Killing Not Appreciated.

In Alfred Russel Wallace, in his recently published memoirs, tells how, while in the United States he was taken to see an unnamed "pork curing establishment, where, during the season, they kill 1,000 hogs a day." "The animals," he writes, "walk up an inclined pathway of their own accord, in a continuous procession and at the top are caught up one after another by a chain round their hind legs and swung up to the men who kill, scald, scrape and cut them up; all the spare parts going through the several stages of cleaning and curing till the result is, bacon, ham barrels of pork, black puddings, sausages, brisket. The ingenuity of the whole process is undeniable; but to go through it all along narrow planks and ladders slippery with blood and water, and in the warm, close, reeking atmosphere was utterly disgusting. My friend was, however, quite amazed at my feeling anything but admiration for the whole establishment, which was considered one of the sights and glories of the place."

Stoves for China.

The British consul at Nuchwang writes that the Chinese are beginning to take to foreign stoves for heating their houses and that their use is likely to extend, in which case there might be a big market for these goods, as the winter in Manchuria is long and very cold. For the past year or two a native has been making small stoves of a foreign pattern, weighing about fifty and seventy pounds and costing $5 and $7, respectively. It is reported that the annual sales of this local manufacturer amounted to about $1,000. This year the demand has greatly increased, owing partly to the needs of the large number of Japanese who have come in, and the native manufacturer recently had in hand orders amounting to $5,000 and was obliged to refuse many orders which he could not execute. The material used is old iron from abroad.

Durability of Posts.

Posts decay where there is a combination of air and water. In taking up fence posts, it may be noted that they have decayed most at the surface of the ground. The alternate soaking and drying has been the cause. Posts set in water will last indefinitely; so will posts kept dry, but when set in a loose, open soil freely moistened, they will decay rapidly. Hence, speaking theoretically, it is not to be expected that posts will last as long in loose, open soil in the humid regions as if set in a heavy clay soil under the same amount of rainfall. It is usually a mistake to put a green post in the soil.

Finds $2,000 Pearl.

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LYCEUM.

"The Sultan of Sulu", which comes to the Lyceum next Sunday evening for a week's engagement deals in a whimsical and satirical vein with certain imaginary events supposed to have happened in the Philipines during the American invasion. Mirth and melody is the keynote to this comic opera success and from all accounts the entertainment is witty, dainty, provocation of laughter and especially diverting to all classes.

George Ade, the famous author of "Fables in Slang" is said to have surprised his admirers by the Gilbertian flavor of the lines in the "Sultan of Sulu" and the humor redolent of the soil with which this book abounds. Albert Mahar as the Sultan is credited with signal ability. He is assisted by a strong cast and a carefully selected and large chorus of singers. The two acts are picturesquely staged and handsomely costumed. The engagement is for one week with matinees on Wednesdays and Saturday.

WHITNEY.

One of the best attractions of the present day is undoubtedly B. E. Forrester's fine production of Hal Reid's musical drama, "The Street Singer" with the dainty little star, Jessie Mae Hall, which will be the bill at the Whitney next week. This musical drama is from the clever pen of Hal Reid and is in four acts. It is a drama of intense heart interest, and from beginning to end is filled with finely portrayed pathos and comedy, so nicely blended as to make it a production of intrinsic merit, aside from its many novel musical features. One of the most interesting duet scenes ever attempted on the stage will be seen in "The Street Singer" The quarrel, is an important factor in the development of Mr. Reid's clever plot, and is not made ludicrous by any sensational horse play. The villains are thwarted so cleverly, by a woman that the result of the scene astounds and delights the audience.

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The story of the torture of Rev. O. D. Moore, pastor of the Baptist church, of Harpersville, N. Y., will interest you. He says, "I suffered agonies, because of a persistent cough, resulting from the grip. I had to sleep sitting up in bed. I tried many remedies, without relief until I took Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, which entirely cured my cough and saved me from consumption." A grand cure for diseased conditions of throat and lungs. At Whitehead & Mitchell's and Cobb & Cobb's, druggists; price 50c and $1.00, guaranteed. Trial bottles free.

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JOSEPH S. STORKWELL, Judge of Probate.
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A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	Detroit,	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.
4 15	4 30	6 30	G. H. & M.	9 00	12 30	
1 12	7 45	Mich. Cen.		10 10		
8 50	5 00	8 15	PONTIAC	7 35	10 45	4 00
9 17	5 12	8 29	*Eames	7 25	10 22	3 32
9 30	5 26	8 37	*Cole	7 20	10 15	3 22
10 10		8 55	Oxford	6 55	10 10	3 00
10 30					10 06	2 50
11 05	5 43	9 05	*Shoup	6 32	9 53	2 32
11 22	5 51	9 14	Leonard	6 22	9 46	1 20
11 36	6 00	9 22	Dryden	6 05	9 32	12 50
12 30	6 35	9 44	Imlay City	5 35	9 10	12 30
12 58	6 45	9 56	Lum	5 17	9 01	12 20
1 13	6 46	10 03	Kings Mills	5 06	8 50	11 40
1 36	6 55	10 16	No. Branch	4 50	8 45	11 20
2 50	7 10	10 38	Clifford	4 25	8 26	10 32
3 25	7 20	10 50	Kinnston	4 15	8 14	8 55
3 40	7 25	10 59	*Wilmot	4 07	8 02	9 30
3 55	7 43	11 07	Deford	3 55	7 55	9 15
5 00	7 50	11 25	Cass City	3 30	7 45	8 50
5 30	8 12	11 49	Gagetown	3 00	7 18	7 55
5 50	8 25	11 56	Owendale	3 00	7 17	7 30
6 00	8 30	12 00	*Linkville	3 00	7 12	7 25
6 20	8 45	12 15	Pigeon	3 00	7 00	7 00
6 40	8 45	12 18	*Bergs	2 45	6 58	6 40
7 00	9 00	12 35	Caseville	2 25	6 45	6 15
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Eames	5 34	Eames	6 34
Cole	5 44	Cole	6 25
Oxford	6 00	Oxford	6 10

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