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A PLEASURE TRIP

Mrs. Joseph McCracken Writes a Very Interesting Letter to Friends.

BATTLE CREEK, Mich., Oct. 2, '06.
DEAR FRIEND:

I must write you an account of my pleasant trip East and apologize for not keeping my promise to you of another visit. We had fine, hot weather during all our stay, not a bit of rain until the 21st of September, and this was in form of a thunder storm, laying the dust a little, and augmenting the heat.

The climate of Rayrnhow was just moist and sweaty all of our stay, but we passed ahead and made the most of our time. The first trip was to Newport, where we met our cousin, Mrs. Lawson, from Allegheny. We enjoyed going through Old Trinity Church and sitting in the pew that George Washington occupied and in theseats of the modern celebrities, Vanderbilts, Goulds etc. The church is open for sight seers all the tim... ...an is there to explain everything. The altars and stained glass windows are beautiful, every other window is the small pane window of 1798, I think about 48 panes to a window. The pulpit is the old fashioned canopy top and is reached by a flight of 24 steps. The altar cloths are of elaborate embroidery and there are many beautful tablets to the memory of distinguished persons, one especially given by the sons of Belmont, it is carved marble; pure white, from Italy, with lovely inlaid work of precious stones and metals. I was greatly taken with the old moss covered graves in the church yard, many of the inscriptions are unreadable and of very old date.

After luncheon we went out for a drive, an eight-mile drive on the ocean beach, passing the palaces of wealthy men and women of New York, all of whom have homes in most romantic places. The Casino was filled with gay carriages, automobiles and tally-ho's all filled with well dressed people, all out sight-seeing and wearing their best smiles as well as clothes. It made me dizzy, for I felt as if in fairy land, but when we reached home and after night fall, I could echo Solomn's refrain, "All is vanity and vexation of spirit." I have a book of views which I shall keep to show to my friends and I hope you will see them some time. Newport is only 40 miles from Lamton, we went by trolly and returned by train. The same week we went to Plymouth and this was a great treat for me to be on historic ground and sit on Plymouth Rock, it isn't a very comfortable seat but it is good preservation, what is left of it. It is enclosed in a marble canopy and the monument to the Pilgrims is grand and imposing as it crowns the summit of a high hill. You reach it by a double flight of steps, it nearly took my breath away getting up but I was aided by my umbrella, which is now historic. We also climbed up the hill to the old Pilgrim burying ground, some time I will copy for you some of the quaint inscriptions. I purchased books of all the places I visited thinking that on my return, my friends in Michigan could enjoy the trip looking at pictures. There is a Pilgrim Hall with trophies and relics of things brought over in the Mayflower, which I enjoyed seeing. Then we had a long ride by trolly to a new fashionable hotel where we had a fine view of the ocean and of the home of Myles Standish over in Duebury. I spent two days in Boston but it was so warm that we seldom went sight seeing except on one day which we spent in Cambridge, which I enjoyed very much. The many university buildings make a small compact city but Auburn cemetery is the loveliest spot I ever saw. We took a carriage and drove all through it; passed the homes of Longfellow and Lowell, also their graves. I really can't tell you what a lovely place it is. In Boston, right near Park Street church, is a very ancient burying ground, where some of the early governors are laid away. Paul Revere's grave is there and Old Mother Goose's. She was a veritable human and her name was Mrs. Goose. Her head stone is not more than two feet high. Franklin has a monument there to his father and mother. Park Street church is where David Gregg was once settled.

The state house is grand and imposing, fully as fine as the Capitol building at Washington, well it gives one enlarged views of the great East to travel and visit historic plains, but you have seen the Rockies and know how historic views have been improved by man's wonderful skill and creations.

We came via Montreal and when we reached Birmingham I was too tired and weary to think of stopping over and going back to the country so I left my trunk at the depot, rested one night and came on here and will stay until Thursday. Every thing is lovely here as well as palatial.

MRS. J. MCCRACKEN.

Hints on Health and Beauty.

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WANTS TO KNOW

You-Know, Which Is the South End of the Stray Canine With the Spots on His Back.

NORTHVILLE, Mich., Nov. 5, 1906.
MR. GEORGE MITCHELL,
Birmingham, Mich.

MR. EDITOR—Enclosed please find a clipping from the BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC:

Any one mourning the loss of a large white dog with two brown spots on his back near the south end, can recover his canine by calling on Rev. Jamieson, of Southfield Avenue.

I wish to ask which way the dog was going, in order to find out where the spots were. As I am a compositor and niece of Mrs. Emma Tibbils, she calls upon me to explain, thinking it might be her dog, and as I can not explain; I write to you for information.

Respectfully,
Box 109. MISS R.

THE ANSWER.

DEAR LADY COMPOSITOR:

It's easy. It may be your canine. He was going towards "Lone Pine" when found. "L. P." is north of here. The top of the map is always north.

YE EDITOR.

P. M.'S BLOW OUT

Postmaster John Hanna's Office Safe Charged With Dynamite or Nitro-Glycerine and Touched Off.

Last Wednesday night, or rather early Thursday morning, "yeggs" men, at least two, and maybe more, broke into the postoffice and blew up the safe securing about $238 worth of stamps and money. The noise of the explosion awakened Henry Spicer who lives within 200 feet of the scene of action. As he landed on his feet, hardly yet awake, he exclaimed, "Great Scott, mother, that's dynamite!" He called up central at the telephone office, but the operator was asleep at the time and had heard nothing. Henry then went out on a tour of inspection. As he came toward Maple Avenue, a man standing on the postoffice corner moved away toward Woodward Avenue and could be heard talking with another man near Hagerman's corner. Henry took the middle of the road, walked around in front of M. Levinson's store under the electric light, but saw nor heard nothing further. He then went back to the bank, looked in the window and seeing all was quiet and right there went home to bed chilled through.

The next morning Motorman Clark, coming up Pierce Street, saw the window was smashed out, just as John Hanna came to open the office and made the discovery. The safe is a Diebold, with a burglar proof chest on the inside at the top. Outside of this was the money order business, cash and orders and a new supply of stamps just placed there, as the bulk of stamps is kept at the Exchange Bank. The inside of the office was badly wrecked, the heavy iron door having been thrown by the explosion clear across the floor, damaging furniture and partitions and the office had a tired expression all over as if it had been roughly handled.

W. G. Tracy, an expert safeman from Detroit, worked all day and long after dark opened up the strong box and found its contents secure, safe and sound, the box having baffled the burglars. It contained $130. The loss is as follows: Postoffice money, $32.73: Stamps, $181.90: Insurance money, $23.35. The safe is completely ruined. We haven't the slightest doubt but that Henry Spicer's appearance on the scene broke up the burglar's plans and caused them to disappear. At this writing no clue has been discovered leading to the identity of the "yeggs" men. Postoffice Inspector Eugene Parcell came last Saturday and took an inventory of the loss and we sincerely hope that Postmaster Hanna will be reimbursed very soon.

TAKE NOTHING FOR GRANTED

Make Whitehead & Mitchell and Cobb & Cobb Prove What Pepsikola Tablets do for Indigestion.

It stands to reason that Whitehead & Mitchell and Cobb & Cobb would not come right out in these columns year after year and ask you to try Pepsikola Tablets for indigestion if they were not pretty sure you would receive decided benefit. You can see that for yourself. The remedy fails to cure every case, of course, but they always pay your quarter back should the tablets fail to do good. Life is too short for misrepresentation in matters of this kind, and for the small profit Whitehead & Mitchell and Cobb & Cobb mak on a 25c package it would be mighty poor judgment to induce you to make a trip to their stores and then sell you something that would disappoint you. If troubled with sour stomach, heart-burn, wind belching, coated tongue, loss of appetite, weakened energy, nervousness, fulness after eating, or other stomach trouble, just try Pepsikola Tablets on our say so. Our word for it, they will build up your energy, steady your nerves, improve your appetite, enrich your blood and put new life in your stomach as sure as this world.

NEW FISH STORY

Here Is One that Is Entitled to First Prize Over Previous Products of the Cheerful Liar.

That truth is stranger than fiction, and a great deal stronger, is evidenced by the experience that befell a merchant of Goderich, says a correspondent. Last spring the merchant spent a few days at a small lake south of there and while fishing he lost his gold watch. The water was of great depth and he gave it up for lost. Last Sunday, with a party of friends, all men of excellent reputation, he made another fishing excursion to the lake and pulled in a fine eight-pound pike. The astonishment of the party can be imagined when they found a gold watch lodged in the gullet of the fish, and upon being extracted it was found that the watch was the one the merchant had lost, and it was running and had lost but three minutes in that time. The watch being a stem-winder and the stem projecting downward into the throat, the plausible supposition is that in masticating its food the fish wound up the watch daily.

A SUMMER HOME

Charles W. Fox, of Detroit, Purchases the Stickney Farm, at Island Lake.

A deal of considerable importance was made last week when Dr. Shattuck, of Detroit, and Nelson Shattuck, of this place, sold to Charles W. Fox, their farm of 135 acres, situated at Island Lake, and formerly known as the Stickney Farm. Mr. Fox is of the firm of Fox Brothers' Mantel Manufactory, of Detroit. He intends to take this naturally beautiful farm, which adjoins the one recently purchased by Edwin George, on the new automobile road to Pine Lake, and make it one of the finest country estates in Michigan. The full price is not mentioned in the transfer papers but we understand it is in the five figure column.

It has been the tendency of wealthy Detroit buyers, for the past 10 years, to select places directly on the car lines but since the day of automobiles and the desire for genuine country life, the tendency is to get further away from the electrics.

Mr. Fox has selected a good, rich farm with a valuable timber lot and fine lake front. Mr. Shattuck handles considerable real estate and has located a good many Detroit people in our vicity. He is among those who hope to see dear old Birmingham stretch up to 5,000 population by 1910. Let us all hope and work together.

FROM THE MAIL BAG.

EDITOR ECCENTRIC:

Allow me to take exceptions to a local item in last week's issue of your very welcome and valued paper. You say in the said local that "There is no difference between the man that goes out on the highway and points a gun at you and says, 'hands up! give me your money!' and the one that walks into your grocery store or other place of business with a sorrowful mouth and relieves you of your goods which he never intends to pay for."

Now, I contend there is a vast difference; and it is all in favor of the hold-up man. He doesn't know whether his victim has another gun or not. He doesn't know whether his victim has any "sand" or not. He takes chances. If the intended victim is the fortunate possessor of both the aforesaid commodities are very largely in favor of the latter.

But what chance does your customer take when he or she comes in and takes advantage of your consideration for their hard-luck story? You can feed them and clothe them and furnish them coal all winter long, and in the spring they will pay the man who makes it hard for them. The "easy mark," the dealer who has had charity for their hard luck is the one who loses every time. For me, give me the hold-up man every time. I can at least give him credit for the moiety of bravery which makes him take chances, but for the person who runs in debt with the absolute certainty that he will not be able or willing to pay for it when the time comes I have nothing praiseworthy to say.

Hoping that I may be pardoned for taking up so much of your valuable space, and for the free acknowledgement of disagreement with your paper, I am,

Yours very truly,
A MAN IN BUSINESS.

Had a Close Call.

"A dangerous surgical operation, involving the removal of a malignant ulcer, as large as my hand, from my daughter's hip, was prevented by the application of Bucklen's Arnica Salve," says A. C. Stickel, of Miletus, W. Va. "Persistent use of the salve completely cured it." Cures cuts, burns and injuries. 25c at Whitehead & Mitchell's and Cobb & Cobb's, druggists.

WILCOX AUTO NOT

Detroit Inventor and Manufacturer of the Reliance Mobile Soaked by Judge Campbell for Speeding.

One night last week Justice A. W. Campbell held an evening session of court to accommodate Howard A. Wilcox, of Detroit, who is the inventor, manufacturer and driver of his own machine, the Reliance whiz-wagon, who went through our self-lidded town the Sunday before at a gait something over a mile a minute, but charged in the complaint with a speed of a 20-mile-an-hour clip. Some witnesses go so far as to say he just touched the high spots. The fine was $25 and costs $7.75. Marshal Bray saw the gasoline wagon fly by, rushed into the telephone office and called a Pontiac Deputy Sheriff, and by the time the officer could get out on the street he spotted the auto in front of the Hotel Hodges, got the State number, name and address of the owner, and the rest was very easy for the officer. When the Judge gave his decision Mr. Wilcox balked and asked if it was customary to soak a man the limit for the first offense. "Yes," said the Judge, "we have the law right here, and the second offense costs $50."

After Mr. Wilcox had settled, Bert Shulz, of Holly, demanded redress for the damage done by his horse being frightened by the auto. Shulz offered to settle for $100 but Mr. Wilcox could not see it in that light and told Shulz he could make out a statement of his damages and send them to his office or start any proceedings he saw fit. However, Deputy Sheriff Ballard, of Holly, butted in on behalf of Shulz, and it was soon fixed up, Wilcox agreeing to pay for the repairs to the broken buggy, and the injured leg and lacerated feelings of young Shulz.

DEER CHASERS

Our Town Is Very Quiet Because All the Hustlers Are After "Dear" Meat.

Have you noticed the rare stillness of our town? It's because everybody who could get away are hunting venison in the Northern Peninsula. Read the list of hunters who are on the chase. We hope all will have good luck, none hurt, and all return home safe and sound. Never before did so many hunters go from this section:

Frank Toms, B. F. Stiffler, Lou K. Denison, Will Pearsall, James W. Cobb, Roy Lockwood, L. B. Peabody, J. Burt Peabody, E. E. Daniels, W. N. Castle, Philip Schlaack, Perley F. Johnson, Oscar L. Green, P. A. Kerr, J. M. Beddow, H. Bray, John Dodge, J. M. Rainey, Lewis M. Randall, C. B. Lowes, D. W. Bray, George Purdy and John Purdy, all of Birmingham; W. D. Lakie, Troy; Robert McClure, Royal Oak.

FOR FALL SHOOTING.

There are no changes in the game laws for this fall's shooting. The season for duck, snipe and plover, wood cock or any kind of will water fowl is from Sept 1 to Jan. 1; in the spring you can shoot ducks, geese, etc., from Mar. 15 to April 10. The season for partridge and fox, black and gray squirrel is from Oct. 15 to Nov. 30 in the lower peninsula and in the upper peninsula from Oct. 1 to Nov. 30. Unlawful to kill squirrels in any village or city or in any public park. It is unlawful to shoot quail until Oct. 15, 1907, and only to Nov. 30, also unlawful to shoot song birds. The deer season opens Nov. 10 and ends Nov. 30. Unlawful to kill otter, fisher or martin from May 1 to Nov. 15, and mink, raccoon, skunk and muskrat during September and October. Bounty on wolves $25, lynx $5, wildcat $3.

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ADVERTISED LETTERS.

List of letters remaining uncalled for in Birmingham postoffice on November 10, 1906:

Frank Allen, Rev. S. Matthias, Chriss Trosh, William R. VanHorn, Mrs. R. Craig, Mrs. G. Corson R. F. D. 1.

JOHN HANNA, P. M.

Dairy and Food Commission's Report.

The Minnesota Dairy and Food Commission's analysis shows that Kennedy's Laxative Honey and Tar and Bee's Laxative Honey and Tar contained opiates and croton oil. Opiates are poisons and croton oil is a very violent poisonous purgative. Refuse to accept any but Foley's Honey and Tar in a yellow package. Foley's Honey and Tar contains no opiates or dangerous drugs, and is the best cough and cold cure. All druggists.

Toilet Articles

Worth the Buying

Perfume, all of the leading odors—Carnation Jockey Club, White Rose, Crab Apple, Heliotrope and Violet, at, per ounce,	10c
Quinine Shampoo (extra fine),	10c
Qui Vive Cold Cream,	10c
Borated Talcum Powder,	10c
Petroleum Jelly (pound jar),	10c
Wild Rose Toilet Soap (three cakes),	10c
Pine Tree Tar Soap (three cakes),	10c
Oat Meal Soap (three ctkes),	10c
We have just opened a cask of Decorated China Dishes, consisting of Plates, Bowls, Platters, Bakers, Vegetable Dishes, etc., that go while they last at, each,	10c
Outing Flannels at, per yard,	5c, 7c, 8c, 10c
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54-inch Plain Black Cloth—*$2.50, $3.00* and *$4.00.*
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