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TALK ON POLITICS A NEW THEATRE SHREDDED ARM RUMMAGE SALE HOLIDAY NOVELTIES HUPP FARM

The Following Contain Some Good Points on Politics and Its Evils.

Any township officer, nominated and running for office, if he be one of the township board, is barred by law of acting as a member of the inspectors of election. Why is he barred, forced to take a back seat and is in the position of any other ordinary elector? Why? I say he is shut out by law and simply because he is interested in his own election. Now why not get a little father and pass a law making it an office for any present incumbent in office, during their incumbency in office to openly advocate their own reelection. As the present incumbents, by forming a combine, have more power than the entire electors of the state, nominees for office, in the writers opinion, should undergo the scrutiny of a jury man chosen to sit on a jury. Do you suppose any judge would allow a person to sit on a jury, who had acted in any way as a candidate for re-election act to insure his nomination and reelection? Not much, I guess. It seems almost impossible to obtain justice in politics where self interest is involved. This political combine or machine has a tendency to thwart the will of the people, if exercised to the extent of its power. No doubt much could be advanced against this plan, the writer does not mean to deprive present incumbents in office from exercising their political rights just as far as any other elector but they have no right to use any of their power they possess by virtue of the office.

A New Enterprise That Detroit Really Needs. Good Seats For All, at First Class Play House.

Sunday December 30, the Lafayette Theater on Lafayette avenue will be opened as a high, first-class vaudeville house, with Mr. Harry H. Larkin as manager. The Lafayette is to be renovated, redecorated and repainted inside and out, and will be made one of the neatest and most comfortable play-houses in the city. It will be made a popular price theater and will cater especially to the women of Detroit, and the many suburban towns. Manager Larkin is a well known Detroit, and has been connected with various theaters of Detroit, for over twenty years. Besides the Lafayette he is interested in several other theatrical ventures, but he devotes his personal attention to the Lafayette, to make it the finest and best family theater in Detroit.

John Cilkey, Aged 18, Met With a Terrible Accident Last Tuesday Morning.

Last Tuesday, Dec. 18, on the Robert Grove farm, two miles east and one-half mile north of this village, John Cilkey and three other men were at work. John Cilkey changed places for a moment with his brother, Adam, who was feeding. In an instant, and how, no one can explain, his mitten was caught and his right arm drawn into the machinery clear to the elbow and literally cut in shreds, bones and all. Fortunately a telephone was within reach and Dr. N. T. Shaw was quickly summoned. Giving the sufferer prompt first-aid treatment, it was decided to take him to Harper Hospital, where Dr. Shaw, assisted by Dr. Clark Brooks, formerly of Southfield, amputated the mangled member just below the shoulder. He rallied nicely and is doing as well as possible.

Presbyterian Ladies Held Their Rummage Sale in Detroit, Which Proved a Great Success.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church recently spent two days in Detroit, on St. Anthony Street, holding a rummage sale. One day was spent in getting ready and the day following the sale was on. Dick Erwin took down two loads of cast-off clothing of every gender, of every style and of every cut, hats, caps, dresses, dresses, dresses, skirts, shirt-waists, suits, underwear, and all odd things that no one wanted went to the rummage sale. It was a success from start to finish. Delicate Birmingham ladies, with a tape-line would measure up a humpy negro man or a fat Polish man on a "coat, vest or pants selection and give him \$100. Mrs. T. S. McKnight, clothing merchant, Mrs. J. G. Miller, with a paper of pins, made picture hats for the "cullid" ladies of Clinton Street, and suited them all whether they desired a high hat or a flat one. She gave 'em all satisfaction. Wiley Bell and James A. Miller kept the order and were a great help. The sale netted the ladies nearly \$30 profit. We think an expedition of the saleswomen, telling the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, would bring to the society as much money as the sale did. Ladies, why not try it?

HOLIDAY NOVELTIES

In Japanese Lacqueredware, Collars and Cuffs, Jewelry, Gloves, Handkerchiefs and Fancy Boxes, Chinaware, Coffees, Teas, Soaps, Jewel Stands, Hair-Pin Boxes, etc., 5,000 yards New Ribbon from 5c to 50c yard. Men's and Ladies' Plain and Initial Handkerchiefs from 5c and 50c. Men's new line of Ties, in Teeks, Four-in-hands, Bows and Straps, Nobly for the Holiday Trade. Men's Suspenders in fancy boxes, from 25c to 50c per pair. Fancy Box Papers from 10c to 25c per box. New line of Pictures at 10c, 25c, 35c, 50c and 75c—just the thing for Holiday Presents. Christmas Bells at 5c and 10c. We have New Novelties all along the line, and can suit the purse of all. Come and see.

F. Blakeslee Birmingham

For Your Christmas Presents Select Useful Gifts Ladies' Fur-Trimmed Nullifiers, 75c to \$1.50 Flexible, hand-turned sole—Black, Grey, Brown and Green. Ladies' Warm-Lined Shoes, \$1.00 to \$2.50 All-Kid, lined or foxed—Button or Black. Men's Slippers, 50c to \$1.50 Chocolate, Wine or Black—Romeo, Everett or Opera Cut. Overgaiters, Leggings, Arctics and Rubbers Infants' Soft-Sole Shoes, 25c to 50c Indian Moccasins, Ladies' Party Slippers H. B. MERRILL, PONTIAC

DR. ARTHUR C. LEE

Nothing to Hold Him For, Says Judge Stein, Which Proves Our Prediction Made Months Ago.

After a good many delays and postponements in office from exercising their political rights just as far as any other elector but they have no right to use any of their power they possess by virtue of the office.

FAIRIES FAILED

But Without that Blessing Our President "Teddy" is a Sure Winner.

All the fairies were present at President Roosevelt's christening except the one who might have conferred upon him the gift of the reindeer. The result is that very often when he opens his mouth, he ejects truth and common sense. He knows nothing of Tallanris main but the object of speech should be to conceal thought. At present we are being treated to the spectacle of what he can do in the way of corollary, as well as in conversation.

THE BIG DRAMA

"Rebecca's Triumph" a Fine Play, Well Presented, and Wonderfully Successful.

The drama, in three acts, placed on the boards at Library Hall, last week, was a success in every way. In attendance, the hall was crowded; financially, nearly \$60 was taken in, and in talent, every part was taken and filled to the gratification of all. The young ladies have reason to be proud of the result of their efforts.

SMOKERS' XMAS

Charles J. Reynolds to the Front With a Fine Display of Smoke Goods.

Christmas buyers will appreciate the large and carefully-selected new stock of cigars, cigars, cigars, cigars, cigars, etc., just placed on exhibition for sale at Charles J. Reynolds' cigar store. His selection is good. Fine cigars, big cigars, freak cigars, are all here ready for you, at prices as low as anywhere. Call and see his line before you buy, and he will be pleased to see you, whether you buy or not.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

BIRMINGHAM, Dec. 10, '06. Regular meeting. President Johnson in the chair. Trustees present—Snow, Mills, Crawford and Schlaack; absent—O'Connell and Whitehead. Snow moved, supported by Schlaack, that the bills be allowed as read, except bill of B. F. Stuffer. Voted by roll call. Ayes—Snow, Mills, Crawford and Schlaack. Nays—None. The following are the bills: GENERAL EXPENSE. Birmingham Gas Co. \$14.20 A. Whitehead. 2.25 Johnson in the chair. Trustees present—Snow, Mills, Crawford and Schlaack; absent—O'Connell and Whitehead. Snow moved, supported by Schlaack, that the bills be allowed as read, except bill of B. F. Stuffer. Voted by roll call. Ayes—Snow, Mills, Crawford and Schlaack. Nays—None. Minutes read and approved. Moved to adjourn. Carried. G. H. SATTERLEE, Clerk. D. M. JOHNSON, President.

WATER WORKS

We dare not mention one of the principal ones another. They were all stars and we have heard more than one person say they have seen poorer plays and poorer actors in some of the large theaters in Detroit. We know this to be true.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.

I will be at Big Beaver every Wednesday until Jan. 10th; at Troy every Thursday until Jan. 10th; at Exchange Bank, Birmingham, every Saturday until Jan. 10th. ROSS A. LAMB, Troy Township Treasurer.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

List of letters remaining uncalled for in Birmingham postoffice on December 15, 1906: Erastus Allen, Clarence Allen, Frank Hill, R. F. ... JOHN HANNA, P. M.

Long Tennessee Fight.

For 30 years W. L. Rawls, of Belts, Tennessee, fought nasal catarrh. He writes: "The swelling and soreness on my nose was fearful. I began applying Bucklen's Arnica Salve to the sore surface; this caused the swelling and swelling to disappear, never to return." Best salve in existence. See at Whitehead & Mitchell's and Cobb & Cobb's druggists.

New Cure for Epilepsy.

J. B. Waterman, of Watertown, Ohio, R. F. D., writes: "My daughter, afflicted for years with epilepsy, was cured by Dr. King's New Life Pills. She has not had an attack for over two years." Best blood cleanser and life-giving tonic. 25c and 50c. Whitehead & Mitchell's and Cobb & Cobb's drug stores.

A Miraculous Cure.

The following statements by H. M. Adams and wife, Henrietta, Pennsylvania, will interest parents and others: "A miraculous cure has taken place in our home. Our child had eczema five years ago and was pronounced incurable, when we read about Electric Bitters, and concluded to try it. Before the second bottle was all the way noticed a change for the better, and after taking seven bottles he was completely cured. The medicine is a blood medicine and body-building tonic. Guaranteed. 50c and \$1 at Whitehead & Mitchell's and Cobb & Cobb's drug stores.

Notice to Our Customers.

We are pleased to announce that Foley's Honey and Tar for coughs, colds and lung troubles is not affected by the National Food and Drug Law as it contains no opiates or other harmful drugs, and we recommend it as a safe remedy for children and adults. All druggists.

HOLIDAY SUGGESTIONS

Argentine Fancy Tableware IS A NEW TABLEWARE WHICH IS BEING USED MORE AND MORE IN PLACE OF SILVER. IT WILL NOT TARNISH AND IS AS BEAUTIFUL IN APPEARANCE.

- SERVING DISHES BUTTER DISHES CRUMB TRAYS CREAM PITCHERS CRUMB BRUSHES TEA AND COFFEE POTS CRUMB SCRAPPERS CHOCOLATE POTS SERVING TRAYS CUPS CAKE, BREAD AND FRUIT TRAYS SYRUP PITCHERS BAKING DISHES TEA KETTLES CARVING SETS

J. R. BLAKESLEE

For the Holiday Trade. A beautiful display of Holiday Aprons, made of finest materials and trimmings in dainty styles, large and small, at 25c, 35c, 50c, 75c, and up to \$2.00. This department was never in better shape to take care of the Holiday trade. Our stock of Neckwear is large and complete. Prices from the lowest to the highest quality and style at each price always the best. Lace and Lace Articles in large array.

- Handkerchief Department. A beautiful display of Handkerchiefs and highest quality for the prices, you can save them at once by an inspection of our stock. We are Headquarters for Neckwear. Don't forget our Men's Department. We have choice lines of Neckwear, Mullers, Suspenders—boxed for the Holidays—and everything in Staple Men's Furnishings. Trimming Department. Our assortment of Coques and Ostrich Boss is complete in the latest styles and shades. Price \$2.00 to \$5.00 each. Toilet Goods—Special. Silver-plated Brush and Comb Sets. \$2.00 a set. Dresden Toilet Sets—Brush, Comb and Mirror. \$1.50 a set. A large assortment of Manicure Sets, Shaving Sets, Hand Mirrors, Sterling Silver Pieces, and a great many other novelties for the Holiday Trade at regular prices. Hosiery Department. A good chance for a serviceable gift. A large line of Black All- Silk with colored embroidery; also plain black drop stitch at one-quarter of regular prices. A choice line of Umbrellas for Christmas trade.

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HUPP FARM BIRMINGHAM, MICH. BREEDERS OF Guernsey Cattle English Berkshire Hogs Pekin Ducks If you want an extra quality of stock at reasonable prices, address GEO. C. HUPP, Manager. Telephone 18.

A Timely Hint

It is not too early to buy Christmas Presents

Hundreds are making their selections here every day, many having their purchases laid aside, to be called for later. A small deposit will secure any article in our great holiday display of Diamonds, Watches, Jewelry, Silverware and Cut Glass

And goods selected now may be charged on December account. We will arrange for balance of payments after Christmas, if you wish. Give us a call. The Adolph Engass Jewelry Co., Diamond Importers, Watchmakers 22 Gratiot Avenue, Opp. Hudson's, DETROIT. Established 1865

Corner Market

A. R. PARKS, Prop. I have just added to my business the best BONE GRINDER Manufactured. Will do custom grinding for everybody. Bring on your green bones and do your chickens good. I always have for sale OYSTERS, Fish, Game, Steaks, Cutlets, Chops and Ham, the best the market affords. Vegetables in season.

John D. Riker, M. D.

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