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POULTRY SHOW A GOOD THING THE E. M. P. CLUB A STRONG GALE

Pontiac's Bird and Canine Exhibit a Taxpayer Sees Things in Their Enjoy the Hospitality of Monroe: Last Saturday Night and All Day Thing of the Past—A Very Night Light—Let Us Hear and Are Entertained in a Most Sunday the Wind Blew Great Successful Affair. From Others. Royal Manner. Guns, Doing Much Damage.

New officers for the coming year have been elected after a most successful exhibition of poultry and dogs. Our local poultry men made good exhibits and won prizes. Officers for next year are: President, John E. Brondige; 1st Vice-President, C. E. Armstrong; 2d Vice-President, George German; Secretary and Treasurer, E. E. Hymers; Directors—Dan Thomas, Frank L. Covert, W. F. Matice, George C. Hupp and J. W. Cobb. General Superintendent, Dan Thomas; Superintendent of Dogs, Ward Leisler. The date for the next show has been set for December 18 to 22 of this year. Local prize winners are as follows:

BARRED ROCKS.
F. King—Third cock; second and third hen; third and fourth pullet.
W. Leisler—Fourth cock.
SINGLE-COMB BROWN LECHORNS.
Evangeline Poultry Farm—First cock, first second; first, second and third hen; first, second and fourth pullet; first pen.
Mr. Taro—Second cock; second cockerel; fourth hen.
ROSE-COMB RHODE ISLAND REDS.
Evangeline Poultry Farm—First cockerel; first hen; first pullet.
ROSE-COMB BLACK MINORCAS.
James W. Cobb—First, second and third cock; first, second and third cockerel; first and second hen; first, second and third pullet; first pen.
SINGLE-COMB BROWN LECHORNS.
George German—Fourth cock; second and fourth pen; third cockerel.
HOUDANS.
Evangeline Poultry Farm—First, second cock; first hen; first, second and third pullet; first pen.
N. B. Blumberg—Second cock; first cockerel; second pullet.
PIESANTS.
John Wilkinson—Golden, Silver, English and Reeves; four first premiums, capturing everything in flight.

Let us carefully and candidly think over the proposition of the Ladies' Library building and library, as offered to the village. The fact is that libraries are and have been from ages past; a source of much thought and consideration and they must be good or million dollars would not be given for their establishment. The library building and all its books and paraphernalia is offered to the village of Birmingham, provided said village will raise each year approximately \$450 for its maintenance, which means that if a man's property is assessed at \$1,000 he will pay 50 cents tax. In looking it all over, I think that the village should accept the proposition.

SAMUEL W. SMITH
Our Own Congressman, Samuel W. Smith is Doing Needed Things and Will Continue To Do So.

No wonder there is a deficit in the Post Office receipts when railway companies are paid twice as much for the transportation of mail as the express companies pay for a similar service. Congressman Murdock has introduced a resolution seeking information as to the weighing of mail matter sent via railways. The annual payment by the government of \$16,825,993 is \$10,000,000 beyond the amount which should be paid to railroads for the transportation of mail at existing rates.

One member of the Michigan delegation received gratifying news upon a return to Washington, after being at home during the recent illness of Gov. Warren. The member in question is Samuel W. Smith of the Sixth District. Upon his return to Washington Mr. Smith was informed that the committee on postoffice and post roads, of the House of Representatives, have recommended a reduction of ten per cent in railway mail pay.

Mr. Smith has gone into the question of the railway mail service very thoroughly and from his investigation declares the prices charged by railroads for carrying mail are simply exorbitant.

In discussing the subject Mr. Smith said: "I am gratified to learn that on my return here that the committee on postoffice and post roads of the House have recommended a reduction of ten per cent. This is not enough, but I am glad for this start. There never was a time when the press of the country could do more good than by advocating a reduction in railway mail pay and urging their members of Congress to stand loyally by and also for a reduction both telegraph and express rates. These propositions are each right and are in the interests of the people."

"Of course I expect that the railroads will do their utmost to defeat the report of the committee on the floor of the House. If we can only win there, I hope we have got a sufficient number of senators who stand up in defense of the people's rights and do the fair and just thing not only by the people but by the railroads."

Ye Editors Whitehead and Mitchell and their respective families had a most delightful outing and entertainment last week Friday when they joined the Club at noon on the special car, Volande, which was rendered most generously by the D. U. R. for a round trip to Monroe.

Just 80 editors and their wives filled the cozy car to its limit and in an almost incredible time were safely landed in Monroe. The car stopped at Monroe, the mayor, alderman and Monroe committee on reception were on hand and gave us the right hand of fellowship and a most hearty welcome. President Roosevelt couldn't have complained had he been an editor and with the gag.

In a very few moments we were all comfortably seated in carriages and a drive over this beautiful city was begun.

Starting from the interurban station south, a block away was the site of the old "Custer Home," the home where General Custer married Libbie, the beautiful and accomplished daughter of Judge Bacon and the only home the chivalrous and brilliant warrior ever knew.

A little further on was the plant of the Monroe Foundry and Furnace Co., manufacturers of the finest and best heating furnaces, that have a national reputation and is called the Floral City Furnace. Handsome souvenirs were received by all. Driving along we were shown a street of beautiful churches to Memorial Place where the State of Michigan has erected a beautiful monument to the brave Kentuckians, who fell in the Massacre of the Raisin, in 1813, when from a band of brave, sturdy and experienced Indian fighters numbering 1,000, only 27 escaped.

There seemed to be a streak of wind just at that time that hit also a barn belonging to Charles A. Brush, of Woodward Avenue, blowing the roof into the highway and only home seeking the frame of the barn. The big poplar tree at this corner also went down.

John H. Snow's two barns were unroofed.

Charles Todd, of Koal Kabin Farm, had every window of his barn blown in on the west side.

The big barn on the Mason N. Leonard farm was damaged quite a good deal.

On the Thomas Quarter farm 300 rods of fences were tipped over, several old apple trees pulled up out of the ground and a good thing it was that no vessels were out that night.

THE M. A. COLLEGE
Will Celebrate Its Fiftieth Anniversary With President Roosevelt as Its Principal Speaker.

President John L. Snyder, of the Michigan Agricultural College, announces the celebration of the 50th anniversary of the founding of that institution, which grand affair will occur at the institution at Lansing, three days in May, the 20th, 21st and 22nd, 1907.

The American Association of Agricultural Colleges and Experiment Stations will all be there at that time, as will also several of our national organizations. This assures the attendance of a large number of distinguished educators.

President Roosevelt has consented to address the meeting on May 21st.

All alumni, former students, educators and other friends of the College are invited to join in celebrating not only the semi-centennial of the College, but, what is of more importance, the fiftyth anniversary of the founding of the system of education of which this institution is an advocate.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

BIRMINGHAM, Jan. 14, '07.

Regular meeting.
President Johnson in the chair.
Trustees present—Snow, Crawford, Whitehead and O'Neal. Absent—McNeal moved, supported by Snow, that the bills be allowed as read.
Voted by roll call.
Ayes—Snow, Whithead, Crawford and O'Neal.
Nays—None.

The following are the bills:

WATER WORKS.
Whitehead & Mitchell 11 30
Michigan State Telephone Co 20 00
Standard Oil Co. 5 97

GENERAL EXPENSE.
Wilson Bray 63 43
Birmingham Gas Co 41 47
John Allen 1 75

Complaint of Miss Emma Robinson, in regard to the smoke from the power house.
Referred to Snow, Whitehead and Crawford.

Miss Baldwin presented to the Board a proposition to give to the village the library building for a free public library. Whitehead moved, supported by Snow, that the proposition be laid on the table until the next regular meeting.
Carried.

Minutes read and approved.
Moved to adjourn. Carried.
G. H. SATTLEBEE, Clerk.
D. M. JOHNSON, President.

How to Cure Chills.
"To enjoy freshening the chills," writes John Kemp, Esq. of Otisfield, Me. "I apply Kennedy's Arctic Salve. Have used it for all colds with the most reliable results." Guaranteed to cure fever, sore, indolent ulcers, piles, burns, frost bites and scalds, diseases in regard to the smoke from the power house.

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January Clearance Sale

- 1 lot Ladies' Rubbers, per pair 50c and 60c
- 1 lot Men's Rubbers, per pair 75c and 85c
- 1 lot Men's Rubber Overshoes, per pair \$1.00
- 1 lot Men's Fleece-lined Shirts, each 39c
- 1 lot 10-4 Blankets, per pair 58c
- 1 lot Men's Laundered Shirts, each 39c
- New line of Muslin Embroideries, Beadings and Insertions, per yard 5c to 25c

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THE OLD YELLOW SCHOOL HOUSE ON THE PLAINS.

Men'sy's volume tonight I unfold,
And jars to the pages more precious than gold—
To a spot ever sacred, yet no vestige remains
Of that old yellow school house that stood on the plains.

Teachers and scholars! Oh, where are they?
In whose bright death-in dust and decay,
Is the low, low awe, now of the school?
White few now are left the tidings to tell.

The departed are John, Joseph, Robert and Will
All his recollections are of the school.
With Edwin, Joseph, Charles and Mel,
And a score of others, remembered so well.

There are also Orville, Arvilla, and loved sister Jane.
Who in warm affections will ever remain
With Amos and Rachel, and Helen and Ned,
The all while I write, seem loving near.

It is with sighing and sorrowing and tears
That I recall those gay, happy years.
When afflictions were strangers—no trials to know,
Then each heart was loving, loyal, and true.
Life was all sunshine—no clouds did arise
To threaten our pleasure or darken our skies!
The laughing and sported in countless gleams
Every one merry, joyous, and free.

In school hours, when after prevailed,
With whispering we're often accused,
For, to see, was a rule which must be obeyed,
Or it stood on the floor, we surely were made.
Program was reading, writing, and lessons at hand.
Each spelling, when proud was the one who
Marched to the head.

But not alone, not a vestige remains
Of those that the crowd in play-around would gain
Whether the ground our critics or covered
With snow.

A cheer, too, was our school house, where each
 Sabbath was held.
From the sang or young the life-giving Word
But, alas! they have fallen—the laborer's all done,
The school and the crowd are faithfully gone.

Tuesd. Cool Time! But you've wrought!
Took from us treasures—destruction have brought!
Pitied our foot steps—robbed of sight!
Gone, gone forever, never more delight.

Now, with love farrowed by time, tall and serene,
As that has changed, so soon is he of our
Life, with its shadows, so soon is he of our
I ask for the tears that time nevermore.

Oh! if once more I could see
The place as of old, so precious to me!
But not alone, not a vestige remains
Of those that the crowd in play-around would gain
Whether the ground our critics or covered
With snow.

Composed by the late Maria Blount Dunaway,
Troy, Mich.

A GOOD OLD AGE.

WEST BRANCH, Mich., Jan. 17, '06.
Mr. GEORGE MITCHELL,
Birmingham, Mich.

DEAR SIR—Enclosed you will find fifty cents. I want your paper for six months.

I am past 83 years of age and have lived in Oakland county about 70 years. I am almost blind but can read a little and take great pleasure in seeing the names of so many of my old friends.

Please send the paper and oblige,
Your friend,
MRS. MARY CHASE,
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"It is now 11 years since I had a narrow escape from consumption," writes FLOYD S. C. I had run down in weight to 135 pounds, and coughing was constant, both by day and by night. Finally I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery, and continued this for about two weeks. My cough and lung trouble were entirely gone and I was restored to my normal weight—170 pounds." Thousands of others have been healed every year. Guaranteed at Whitehead & Mitchell's and Cobb & Cobb's drug stores. 50c and \$1. Trial bottle free.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

List of letters remaining uncalled for in Birmingham postoffice on January 19, 1907: Jas. J. McARDLE; Mrs. N. W. McCARTHY; Mr. and Mrs. M. A. STEWARD.

JOHN HANNA, P. M.

Special Announcement Regarding the National Pure-Food and Drug Law.

We are pleased to announce that FLOYD'S HONEY AND TAR FOR COUGHS, COLDS AND LUNG TROUBLES, not affected by the new National Pure-Food and Drug Law, and it contains no opiates or other harmful drugs, and we recommend it as a safe remedy for children and adults. ALL DRUGGISTS.