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BIRMINGHAM, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN, FRIDAY FEBRUARY 22, 1907. NO. 43.

WHOLE NO. 1505

MOTHER AND LITTLE SON MEET DEATH IN BLAZING HOME

Tenant House on Clawson Farm Burned Tuesday Morning

Mrs. John Grimshaw and Baby Boy Are Cremated in Ruins.

The home of John Grimshaw, on the Dr. Clawson farm, one mile north and east of Northwood, was totally destroyed by fire at 4:30 o'clock Tuesday morning. Mrs. Anna Grimshaw and her 18 months-old son James were overcome by the flames and burned to a crisp. The husband narrowly escaped a like fate after rescuing his 4-year-old daughter.

VILLAGE CAUCUS NOTICE.

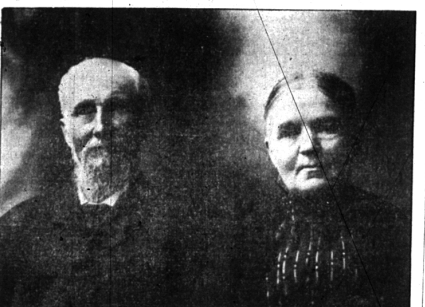
Notice is hereby given that a village caucus will be held at the Town Hall, Thursday February 28th, '07, at 7 o'clock p. m., standard time, for the purpose of placing in nomination, candidates for village officers of the village of Birmingham, state of Michigan, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before it.

SEWER VS. LIBRARY.

I see an old and respected citizen writes in favor of a library. I wish to say in answer to him that I think he has made the mistake of his life, when he talks library. I would say to the voters of Birmingham, "Do not vote for any improvements until we get sewerage."

GONE TO A RESTFUL ETERNITY

Mrs. Adaline Margaret Johnston, of Near Franklin, Passes Away At A Good Old Age. Lived 55 Years of Married Life With Her Husband, Adam Johnston, Who Died October Last.



ADALINE MARGARET JOHNSTON.—Adaline Margaret Rupert was born Dec. 10, 1831, and departed this life Feb. 9, 1907, aged 75 years and three months.

A SUDDEN DEATH

William Merrill, of Saginaw, Mich., Stricken With Apoplexy Suddenly on the Streets of Boston.

From the Saginaw Courier-Herald, Feb. 17, 1907.—A telegram was received by his family in this city, yesterday afternoon, announcing the death of William Merrill, of the firm of Mitts & Merrill, one of the most prominent residents of the city. Merrill was from his sister, Miss Margaret Merrill, from Boston, and announced briefly that he had died on the street in that city during that afternoon.

We Are Closing Out

- 10-4 Blankets at 50c pair.
- 1 lot Ladies' Rubbers at 39c.
- 1 lot Ladies' Overshoes at 75c.
- 1 lot Men's Overshoes at 80c.
- 1 lot Men's Pants at \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.25 pair.

F. Blakeslee Birmingham

Winter Goods at a Sacrifice

Rather than carry them over we will suffer a loss in disposing of some Winter Goods.

- 1 set BOB-SLEIGHTS, regular price \$22.00, will sell at \$18.00
- 1 TANK HEATER, regular \$6.00, for \$5.50
- 4 HORSE BLANKETS at 25 per cent discount.
- A GOOD HANDLED AX, only \$1.00
- A 6 ft. X-CUT SAW, now \$2.75

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OBITUARY.

MRS. RACHAEL BERGER.

Miss Rachael VanVey was born in Franklin, May 10, 1840. She was married to Otto A. Berger Sept. 4, 1865, and they have always resided in Franklin. Of this union nine children were born. Three died when very young, leaving six, who with her husband survive her.

She died Friday, February 15, 1907, at noon, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. D. J. McIntyre, aged 66 years, 9 months and 5 days. The children still living are Charles Warner, of Franklin, Mrs. D. J. McIntyre, of Franklin, Mrs. W. W. Goss, of Cleveland, Ohio, Miss Florence Annie, of Franklin, Clara Pierce, of Detroit.

Rising from the Grave.

A prominent manufacturer, Wm. A. Fertzwell, of Lucama, N. C., relates a "fearful" experience. He says: "After taking less than three bottles of Electric Bitters, I feel like one rising from the grave. My trouble is Bright's disease, in the distal stage. I fully believe Electric Bitters will cure me permanently, for it has already stopped the liver and bladder complications which have troubled me for years."—Cobb & Cobb, druggists. Price only 50c.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

List of letters remaining uncalled for in Birmingham postoffice on February 15, 1907. George Bailey, Miss C. Chatting, Albert L. Resler, R. F. D. No. 3, care of Alex. Brown.

Soft Freddy (romantically)—The moon! The moon! The beautiful mellow moon! Edna—And you remind me of the moon, Freddy. Freddy—In what way? Edna—You are also mellow.

Forget the Face. Bill—He offered her his hand and his heart. Jill—I suppose she didn't think it a fair exchange for her money? "But you've now of her face went with the money!"—Yonkers Statesman.

They Did. Hogan—Did the b'y injure Morty's rooster? Hogan—Did they? Well, you should've bin there. They cheered so loud a couldn't hear a word he said.—Judge.

This May Interest You. No one is immune from kidney trouble, so just remember that Foley's Kidney Cure will stop the irregularities and cure any case of kidney and bladder trouble that is not beyond the reach of medicine. All druggists.

MR. AND MRS. ADAM JOHNSTON

ADALINE MARGARET JOHNSTON.—Adaline Margaret Rupert was born Dec. 10, 1831, and departed this life Feb. 9, 1907, aged 75 years and three months.

The family moved from Canada in the year 1861. In the year 1862 the deceased was married to Adam Johnston, and of this union were born eight children, five sons and three daughters, Mrs. Joseph Pickering and Mrs. Alex. Parks, of Franklin, Mrs. Dunn, of Quebec, Wellington Johnston, of Detroit, Dorr Johnston, of Louisville, Ky., Dr. D. M. Johnston, of Birmingham, Mich., Wm. Johnston, of Jackson, Mich., and Frank Johnston, of Pontiac, Mich.

Sister Johnston united with the Franklin M. P. church, Dec. 12, 1868, with which she kept in close touch although not able to hear a word.

Her removal from us is with regret, but our loss is her and heaven's eternal gain.

The funeral services were held at her late home February 14th, at 2 p. m. The sermon was preached by her pastor, Rev. G. H. Dover, using as a text, the fourth and sixth verses of the 23rd psalm. "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for thou art with me; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever."

Again, dear friends, the Death Angel has been in our midst and claimed another. What a meeting is taking place "beyond the river, where the surges cease to roll!"

The words of the text is the language, the heartfelt experience of the sweet singer of Israel. Let us examine his experience and see if this is not true. Yes, on more than one occasion Saul, the King, filled with jealousy and hatred, sought the young man's life, but was protected by One who loved him as he loved his own soul. The shadow of death pursued him through many a day in his life, but mark this: "He feared no evil," it was only a shadow. Death, the King of Terrors, is not to be feared.

A WORTHY CAUSE.

The trustees of the Franklin cemetery association are making a great effort to improve the conditions which exist in this hallowed spot, and for this purpose a chicken pie supper and a good literary program are to be given on Thursday evening, Feb. 28th, at Macca-bee Hall. It is earnestly hoped that everyone who is personally interested in the cemetery lots, and all friends will feel it their duty and privilege to contribute. The trustees want to commence work in the spring to improve the whole cemetery and each and every lot-owner is expected to do their share.

A Valuable Lesson.

"Six is a valuable lesson," writes John Pleasant, of Magnolia, Ind. "I then began taking Dr. King's New Life Pills, and the longer I take them the better I find them." They please everybody. Guaranteed at Whitely & Mitchell's, and Cobb & Jobb's drug stores. 25c.

La Grippe and Pneumonia.

Foley's Honey and Tar cures a gripe cough and prevents pneumonia. It fuses any but the genuine in the yellow package. All druggists.

BLOOMFIELD TAX-PAYERS.

During February I will be at my home every Saturday and also the last day of the month, Thursday, February 28th, to receive taxes.

Geo. C. Hurr, Township Treasurer.

Alas! Wife's Resentment.

Things that always happen which illustrate that "the best-laid plans of mice and men gang aft a-gley." A romantic couple by the name of Rose named their daughter "Justie." Her truly Wild Rose seemed to justify the name. She was shy and graceful and beautiful. For years the parents enjoyed all the romance and poetry of the name. Then they awoke to the fact that young women often change their last names, and that any other combination than the present one would be likely to leave very little of the beautiful.

At last the worst came. She married Charlie Wood.—Judge.

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