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JOHN WILKINSON

Of Carleton, Florida, Writes a Very Interesting Letter Describing His Winter Home

Carleton, Putnam Co., Florida. Nov. 16, 1908. Friend Mitchell-- I promised you when I left Birmingham that you would hear from me. I have been here two months and I feel 10 years younger and as to Comar Newman, his cough has entirely left him and he has gotten over the heaves and works every day. We are located on the highest place in Florida, being 100 feet above the level of the Atlantic ocean. We are on 55 acres between two beautiful ones on the east within 10 rods of our land and on the west our land runs into the lake and there are three more within one mile. Our soil is all 7 feet deep and the water is warm and tastes flat, so that we have to drink it at night and in the morning it is cool and good to drink all day, also the water in the lakes are pure and good to drink, it never gets warm for it is cool every night. There is no frog scum on any of the lakes, and I do not think that there is a frog or angle worm within 500 miles of here, the bait used for fishing is called sawyers, they are a white grub, and they get them between the bark and wood of dead pine trees. I think this is the healthiest place in the United States, for every body that comes here sick gets well, and there has not been a single death in the colony since it started, 20 years ago. There is no doctor here, so that you here but he could not make a living, so had to move away. The weather is fine and so far I have not had to wear a coat. If you Birmingham folks want to buy coal of the Smith's, sit over the register and freeze, you can, but not for mine. We have just planted our garden and the woods are full of wild flowers and when one kind is gone, another is in blossom. If you want to hear from me again and more of Florida, just say so in the paper. Yours respectfully,

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When you buy from a town merchant. When you patronize a town tailor. When you employ a town dentist. When you encourage a town enterprise. When you speak the town's praise. When you subscribe for the town's newspaper. Some citizens fail in some of these duties. A few fail in all of them. HOW ABOUT YOU?

OPENING OF FOREST AVENUE.

T. B. Smith presented the following resolution, supported by Nichols: WHEREAS, The costs and expenses incurred in connection with the opening of Forest avenue west to Davis street amounts to the sum of six hundred dollars (\$600.00); and WHEREAS, This Council desires that a certain portion, hereinafter defined, of the village in the vicinity of such opening is benefited thereby; Resolved, That a just proportion of such costs and expenses to which the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars (\$350) be paid by special assessment upon the property benefited by such opening, and that the balance be paid from the General Highway fund; also, Resolved, That the following real estate, within the limits hereinafter defined, is deemed to be benefited by said opening, and shall constitute a district for the apportionment and assessment of the benefits from such opening, which district shall be bounded as follows: Beginning at the southerly corner of Saginaw street and Maple avenue, thence east on the south line of Maple avenue to the east line of land owned by Mrs. Mary King; thence south along the east line of said parcel and following the boundary line of said parcel so as to include the whole of parcel south along the east line of said parcel (eight (8) of the Campbell Sub-division, thence south along east line of said lot to Hazel street; thence west along the north line of Hazel street to the right of way of the Detroit, Grand Haven & Milwaukee Railway company; thence across said right of way permanently by the southerly corner of land owned by J. Bert Peabody; thence southerly along the southerly line of said Peabody's land to Saginaw street; thence northwesterly along the easterly line of said Peabody's land to the place of beginning. Also, Resolved, That the Board of Assessors of this village be, and the same is, directed to assess upon the owners or occupants of such taxable real estate as is included within the district above defined and constituted, the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars (\$350) in proportion, as nearly as may be, to the advantage which each lot, parcel or sub-division is deemed to acquire by said opening, and in accordance with the provisions of the act applicable in such cases; and that when such assessment is complete, the Board report the same to this Council. Voted by roll call. Ayes--Nichols, W. E. Smith, T. B. Smith, Wilkinson and Truax. Nays--None.

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FROM THE PEOPLE.

The latest act of vandalism is the breaking of the window in the engine house at the cemetery. But when grown men commit such acts, and are known to the authorities, go unpunished; it is no wonder that even the sacred precincts of the cemetery are invaded.

Can't our school children be taught to help in the care of village property instead of destroying? Great boys 12 and 14 years old are trying to kill some trees recently put out near the school house, by swinging them loose at the roots. A child in the kindergarten should know better.

The D. U. R. has rented a room in the Davis block in Pontiac for a waiting room for its patrons. It is to be fitted up with all the modern conveniences and to be open all day and at night as is needed by the public. This is fine for Pontiac, but what about Birmingham people? They have shivered on the corner longer than any one else on the line and have a fine prospect ahead.

BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES.

Themes for sermons: Sunday morning, "Death" being the first of a series on "Five Last Things." In the evening there will be a union Temperance meeting in the M. E. Church with the pastor of the Baptist church as the main feature of the address.

The attendance on Sunday was large at both morning and evening, the largest during the present pastorate. The entertainment, "Ten Nights in a Bar-room," held in the church on Friday night was a decided hit, the house being filled to overflowing, all the standing room being taken.

The Mission Circle holds its monthly meeting on Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Conde. Subject, "Christ's love." The long talked of experience social of the B. Y. P. U. will come off on Friday evening at the home of Mrs. C. G. Jackson. Convocations sufficient for all desiring to go, will leave the postoffice at 7 p. m.

Smith Brothers closed all day Thanksgiving Day--too much to eat to lose any time working.

OUR CLUB NOTES

From the Women's Literary Club Which Meets Tuesday Afternoon of Every Week

The Women's Literary club met Tuesday last week at the home of Mrs. Jamieson.

Roll call was responded to with political news. The meeting was a very pleasant time. A paper on "Titan, and his works," was given by Mrs. Carter; "The Cathedral of the Renaissance" was a topic of a paper given by Mrs. Poole.

After the short intermission Mrs. Goring, of Pontiac, made a plea for help in their hospital work. They brought a number of beautiful calendars that they were selling for the benefit of the hospital fund. Mrs. Biggs consented to take charge of these and to sell them as best she could. The price of the calendars is \$1 and it is certainly very reasonable. They will be fine for Christmas gifts and by their purchase, you help on a good work for your own country.

The meeting was closed by the reading of an Indian legend that was given at the State Federation and had a local charm, as it was told and believed by the Indians of the Traverse Bay region. After the adjournment of the meeting, light refreshments were served. The Thanksgiving festival so near at hand, were served by the hostess and her daughter. The last meeting of Nov. was announced for the same place.

Mrs. Flynn has been asked to substitute in the Women's Literary club for Miss Blodgett, who is detained from her home by sickness in a sister's family.

The women of the Literary club are collecting supplies for the hospital. The collection consists of sheets, pillow cases, towels, pillows, blankets, etc., and is nearly ready for shipment. Any one wishing to add to this worthy work will kindly leave articles with the committee. Mrs. Bertha Shaw and Mrs. M. E. Hemmley.

The Women's Literary club will meet with Mrs. Miller through the month of December.

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Oakland county Federation of Women's clubs has been called for Dec. 1st at the home of the president, Mrs. A. Wilcox, of Royal Oak.

One of the resolutions adopted at the meeting of the Federation at Royal Oak were the following:

Resolved, That resolutions not kept are better not made. Resolved, That the Oakland County Federation assembled take encouragement from past year's success, and advance, determine to move forward in all the reforms advanced at the meeting, and in our individual clubs be wide awake to their necessities, and act accordingly.

Resolved, That we continue to advocate and important those in authority that a woman be placed on the poor commission and in all institutions where women and children are confined.

Resolved, That we continue to ask for a good practical woman to be employed at the county house as nurse.

Resolved, That we extend our heartiest thanks to the club of Royal Oak for their royal entertainment given us at this meeting of the federation, for the charming music rendered, the recitations by Mrs. Simons, the planning of the committee on program, for the feast of reason and flow of soul that followed the sumptuous dinner, and to everyone that contributed in anyway to the most profitable meeting.

Mrs. S. M. B. FLYNN, ROYAL OAK, Mich. Resolutions Committee.

Mrs. Julia Ward Howe, now nearly 90 years old, in a recent speech, spoke of her life long work for the good of others, she said: "It was my good fortune to get interested in this question early, about the time when the Negro men obtained the ballot. Then for the first time we saw the whole of one sex governed by the whole of the other--every Negro man governing every white woman. This seemed to me an intolerable tyranny. After holding the door open for the Negro, we might at least have been allowed to go in after him."

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SCHOOL NOTES.

Our football team played Pontiac last Saturday and defeated that team five to nothing.

Thanksgiving exercises will be held in the first five grades. Miss Walker's room will combine with Miss Simpson's room. Misses Hanna and Smith will also join for the exercises.

Some of the scholars of the sixth and seventh grades were entertained by Mrs. Parkinson at her home Saturday afternoon, she being their Sunday-school teacher. All report a very pleasant time.

The fourth and fifth grades are just beginning the microscopical study of yeast and its fermentation. They have also recently purchased a new picture for their room. The children furnished the pennies themselves.

A fire drill has been organized to instruct the children what to do in case a fire should occur. The drills will be practiced once a week at least until they understand perfectly just what is expected of them.

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