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OUR CLUB NOTES

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

The Woman's Literary club held its last meeting of 1909 at the home of Mrs. Shaw. Roll call was responded to by extracts from the President's message.

After the other preliminary work of the club was disposed of, Miss Chapman read a paper on "Journalism of the United States, 1800, 1850. It reminded the older members of the club of the newspapers of their youth, and of such newspaper men as Greeley, Donist, Curtis, Irving and others who were prominent during the latter part of this period and whose good work extended to a much later date. It also mentioned the poets and authors of that period, whose writings have not been excelled by those of recent times. Some discussion followed this paper.

After a short intermission, Mrs. Satterlee read a paper on the "Wonderful Progress of Wireless Telegraphy." This too was very interesting, showing that though the wireless is not such a recent invention as it is usually thought to be, great progress has been made of late years in the distance to which it may be carried and the great benefits to be derived from its use.

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ROYAL OAK SCHOOL NOTES.

The class in 10th rhetoric are writing original Christmas stories.

The physics class are ready to commence the subject of sound.

Laura Thomas was absent from school last week on account of sickness.

The juniors gave a Christmas program in the high school room Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 22.

In twelfth grade American History part of the recitation period on Friday is devoted to current events.

The juniors are having outside work in English literature, reading some of the best works by standard authors.

School closed Thursday, Dec. 23, for the holiday vacation. Thanks to our liberal school board for the extra day.

The Christmas programs prepared by the pupils in the grades were given Thursday afternoon, Dec. 23, in their respective rooms.

The 11th grade have finished the study of Shakespeare's Twelfth Night. For review parts were assigned to various members of the class and the entire play was read.

The second year-German class has read the Story of L'Abbratrina, by Paul Hays, and is now translating with translations of letters, conditional and subjunctives.

A teacher in our school asked the question, "What is an indirect tax?" The answer was, "A tax on consumption." On being asked what indirect tax by consumption, he said, "A disease."

Report cards are given out at the end of each month. They should be the most interesting documents that enter any home, and should be retained with the greatest painstaking. All working together, let us have no failures this year.

The students of the high school are making good use of the new books that have been placed in the library. Each pupil of the English classes are required to read one book each quarter and to hand in to the teacher a written report of the same.

The youth who leaves our schools with the ability to read well, and with a selfish for good books, has acquired a power worth more to him, possibly, than any school discipline could have provided. He has taken into him that which is more to him than any other quality in his culture.

The reading habit properly developed will broaden a student and give him fresh interest in his regular work, and anything that awakens a student's interest must aid him in the discipline of himself. For when the student is sufficiently awakened to realize and be concerned in his own interests, the current of thought is changed and ideal and moral standards are uplifted.

The spirit of the German classes shows that they have come in contact with a vital and living language and that they have felt the vigor and energy of their newly adopted ancestors. No doubt in their eagerness for display will often make them the laughing stock of their native cousins.

Like the woman who had studied German for a short time wrote a German note to the merchant. She wanted to say "How much is my account, sir?" but very seriously asked, "How is my bank?" The routine work of conjugation, declension and syntax is interspersed with conversation on familiar subjects, reading of anecdotes, learning of poetry, and singing of songs.

MASONIC LODGE

The Chapter Masons Elected Their Officers For the Coming Year at their Meeting Monday Eve

At the regular annual meeting of Birmingham chapter, No. 83, R. A. M. held on Monday eve, Dec. 20, the following were elected for the ensuing Masonic year.

- Wm. M. Randall, H. P.
- Isaac N. Baker, K.
- Ellsworth H. Randall, S.
- Almoner Whitehead, Treas.
- J. Allen Bigelow, Sec.
- John A. Starr, C. H.
- Wm. W. Masters, F. S.
- A. J. Stiffler, R. & C.
- Wm. H. Smith, 2nd Vale.
- Richard H. Rose, 2nd Vale.
- Samuel G. Foreman, 1st Vale.
- J. J. Chaffin, 2nd Vale.
- W. H. Jamieson, Chaplain.
- Norton J. Maugh.
- David Roy, Stewards.
- Wm. N. Fall, Commissary and Chief.

From the smiling and satisfactory countenances of the Royal Arch Masons it is safe to conclude that the election was very credible and as no secrets are divulged when the old members say that everything is working remarkably well.

These new officers have taken a great interest and they, as well as the new members, have exhibited great mental strength in memorizing so much of the work as to entitle them to recognition, and in their turn will transmit unaltered the unprinted portions of their organization.

It is Bargain Day

When you buy Renne's Pain-Killing Oil, you get just exactly as represented. The sure cure for neuritis, headache, rheumatism and sprains. When you apply Renne's Pain-Killing Oil it is an antiseptic and will prevent blood poisoning. Price, 50c and \$1 per bottle. F. L. Manning, Jackson, Michigan, writes: "This is to certify that I have been a constant user of Renne's Pain-Killing Oil in my family for the past 20 years, and would not go a day without it. It has cured me many times in the house than I would wish to know. I know that by having it at hand to apply at any time, we have much suffering and doctor bills. Get it—keep it handy at all times, study the directions closely, follow them and you will never regret it. Sold by James W. Cobb."

BIRMINGHAM BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES

Sermon themes: Sunday morning, "Care for the Soul"; evening, "Purity of Heart."

B. Y. P. prayer meeting at 6 p. m. Topic, "Our Responsibility for Home and Foreign Missions." Leader, Mrs. Shanafelt.

The Christmas exercises will occur on Friday evening.

The new song books have arrived and will be used for the special meetings.

The special meetings begin with the Sunday morning service. Mr. Prouse, the evangelist, will be with us and will sing at all the services.

The amount of the mita box offering at the Mission Circle and Publication society offering on Sunday were very gratifying.

The old-fashioned way of dosing a weak stomach or stimulating the heart or kidneys is all wrong. Dr. Shoop's Restorative is directed entirely to the cause of the ailment—the weak intestine or controlling nerves. It isn't so difficult, says Dr. Shoop, to strengthen a weak stomach, heart or kidneys, if one goes at it correctly. Each inside organ has its controlling inside nerve. When these nerves fail, then the organs must surely fail. These vital trunks are leading druggists everywhere to dispense and recommend Dr. Shoop's Restorative. Test it a few days, and see! Improvement will promptly and surely follow. Sold by Charles J. Shain.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

List of letters remaining uncalled for in Birmingham postoffice on Dec. 18, 1909:

Mr. Birt Bowling, Jos. Hornrich, R. 2; Miss Millie Heyer, R. 1; Mrs. Mary Rockwell, Mrs. E. H. Smith.

J. H. HANNA, P. M.

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FAY YOUR TAXES.

Samuel C. Mills, Treasurer of the Township of Bloomfield, will be at the Exchange Bank of Whitehall & Mitchell on Friday, December 9, and every Friday thereafter till January 10, 1910, to receive the taxes for 1909. He will also be at the County Treasurer's office in Pontiac on Saturday, December 18, and every Saturday thereafter till January 10, 1910, to accommodate those who cannot come to Birmingham. Jan 10

GOSPEL PICTURES

Will Be Shown at the Baptist Church Commencing Sunday, Mr. Prouse, The Singer, Will Be Present

On Sunday will begin a series of special meetings at the Baptist church, in Birmingham.

Rev. C. A. Salyer will be the preacher in charge while W. E. Prouse, the evangelist singer. Royal Oak will conduct the music and assist in the service.



REV. C. A. SALYER.

Those who attended the series of meetings last year will recognize the fact that the music will be of a high order and that the solo singing will be very impressive.

During the first week, opening service will be illustrated with the stereoscopic views of the Holy Land, illustrated songs and hymns, etc.

Mr. Salyer has a very fine outfit for this work and this part of the service will be enjoyed.

While the meeting is in charge of the Baptist it is expected and desired that all the churches will be interested in these meetings.

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It's a woman's delight to look her best, but pimples, skin eruptions, sores and boils rob life of joy. Listen! Bucklen's Arnica Salve cures them, makes the skin soft and velvety. It cures the face, cuts pimples, sores, eyes, cold sores, cracked lips, chapped hands. Try it. Infalible for piles. Sold at James W. Cobb, Charles J. Shain and J. F. Wooster's.

TROY TAXPAYERS ATTENTION!

I will be at the following places for the purpose of collecting taxes.

At Big Beaver, Wednesday, Dec. 15, 22, 29.

At Troy, Thursday, Dec. 16, 23, 30.

At Birmingham, Exchange Bank, Saturdays, Dec. 11, 19, 26, and Jan. 8, 1910.

ROSS A. LAMB, Township Treasurer of Troy.

BIRMINGHAM U. P. CHURCH NOTES.

Theme, "A Saviour Born for You and for Me." Luke 2:11.

Young People's Prayer meeting at Birmingham at 6 p. m. "Our Responsibility for Home and Foreign Missions." Matt. 23:16-20.

Preaching service at Troy at 7 p. m. next Sunday evening. Theme, "What does Christmas mean to me?"

The great English statesman Gladstone wrote the following, "All I think, till I write, all I am based on the divinity of Jesus Christ, the central hope of our poor wayward race."

A Happy Christmas to you and your friends.

Preventives, the new candy cold-cure tablets, are said by druggists to have four special scientific advantages over all other remedies for a cold. First: They contain no quinine, nothing harsh or sickening. Second: They give all most instant relief. Third: Pleasant to the taste, like candy. Fourth: A sure cure. Preventives, at 25c. Also fine for febrile children. Sold by Charles J. Shain.

NOTICE SOUTHFIELD TAXPAYERS.

I will be at the following places for the purpose of collecting taxes.

At Erty's Mill Monday Dec. 20th. Exchange Bank Birmingham, Thursday, December 23rd.

Southfield Town Hall, Monday, December 27th. Dunbar's store, Franklin, Thursday, December 30th., and at home every Friday, until January 10th, 1910. FRED HAACK, Treasurer for Township of Southfield.

A DEADLY SEARCH

Officers Find Real Beer on the Premises of the Transfer Hotel, in Royal Oak.

Last Tuesday evening someone smelt real, genuine beer in Royal Oak and Dep. Sheriff Lewless, of Jackson, of Pontiac, armed with a search warrant went through the Transfer hotel run by G. H. Maul and did then there find 41 cases of beer which was promptly confiscated. Mr. Maul claimed that the beverage was for his own private and personal use. Of course the "find" will be tried out in the Pontiac court. If this is a case, there are many others in this vicinity who would be a friend.

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TO BE READ AT LIBRARY.

Delinquent, American Boy, American Magazine, American Review of Reviews, Harper's Monthly, St. Nicholas, Bird Lore, Nation, Success, Our Dumb Animals, Popular Mechanics, ECCENTRIC. Alone in a Saw Mill at Midnight, Unmindful of dampness, draft, storms or cold, W. J. Aikin worked as night watchman at Banner Springs, Tennessee. Such exposure gave him a severe cold that settled on his lungs. As last he had to give up work. He tried many remedies but all failed till he used Dr. King's New Discovery. After using one bottle, he writes, "I went back to work as well as ever. Severe colds, stubborn coughs, inflamed throat and sore lungs, hemorrhages, croup and whooping cough get quick relief and prompt cure from this glorious medicine. 50c and \$1. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by James W. Cobb, Charles J. Shain and J. F. Wooster."

BIRMINGHAM CHURCHES.

BAPTIST—Rev. C. A. Salyer, Pastor. All services under the same roof. Morning, 10:30; Sunday school at 11:15 a. m. B. Y. P. meeting, 6:00 p. m. Prayer service at 8:00 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:00 p. m. Ladies' society, Tuesday, 10:30 a. m. B. Y. P. business meeting last Tuesday of the month. All members welcome to any one of all the services.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN—W. H. Jamieson, D. D., Pastor. Morning service at 10:30 a. m., standard time. Sunday school at 10:00 a. m. Epworth League devotional meeting, Wednesday 7:30 p. m. Official hour of the Monday evening of every month. Ladies' Aid Society meeting, Wednesday 7:00 p. m. Business meeting of Epworth League last Saturday evening. Wednesday 7:00 p. m. All members welcome to all the services.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL—Rev. H. W. Mackay, Pastor. Sabbath services, preaching, 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Class meeting 11:00 a. m. Day school 1:30 p. m. Epworth League devotional meeting, Wednesday 7:30 p. m. Official hour of the Monday evening of every month. Ladies' Aid Society meeting, Wednesday 7:00 p. m. Business meeting of Epworth League last Saturday evening. Wednesday 7:00 p. m. All members welcome to all the services.

UNITED PRESBYTERIAN—Rev. R. G. Packer, Pastor. Services on standard time. Tracy-Divine worship at 10:30 a. m. Sabbath school at 10:30 a. m. Ladies' Missionary Society on last Wednesday of each month at 2:00 p. m. BAPTIST—Sabbath school, 10:30 p. m. Devotional service, 10:30 p. m. Young People's prayer meeting 10:00 p. m. All members welcome to all the services.

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COMMISSIONERS' NOTICE.

In the matter of the estate of Amanda H. Cooper, deceased. The undersigned, having been appointed by the Honorable Judge J. Rockwell, judge of the probate court for the county of Oakland, Michigan, to receive, collect and distribute the estate of the said deceased, and having taken the oath of office, I hereby give notice that I will receive and distribute the same on and after the 15th day of November, 1909, at 10 o'clock a. m. of each day, at the probate court in the city of Pontiac, Michigan, and at such other times and places as may be required by the court. Dated at Pontiac, Michigan, this 15th day of October, 1909. EDWIN MILLER, Commissioner.

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