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COMMITTEE SURVEIL

Thomas Gillespie McKinley, Aged 36, of Woodward Avenue, in a Fit of Despondency, Ends His Life

Monday noon was an exciting time for the people of Birmingham as the almost unbelievable report flashed over the village that T. McKinley was dead—had ended his life by hanging. The shock over the entire community was indeed severe and incredible. No man so well liked, so good a citizen should do so horrible a deed. It was too true. Mr. McKinley has been a great sufferer from ill-health trouble, from which he greatly and from that brooded over very much.

The day of the act he was his usual self from all outward appearances. He helped his wife prepare the potatoes for the noon meal and remarked that he must have an earlier dinner as he must be at the Pontiac court house at 1 o'clock and appear before Judge Smith as a circuit court juror. He must then have gone to the barn, as a pair and immediately ended his life. He tied a stout leather tie-strap to a rafter in the barn roof, made a slipping noose and with it around his neck, leaped from a grain box five feet above the floor. His weight, 190 pounds, broke his neck as he did not die from strangulation.

He was first discovered by his frightened wife who gave the alarm. Mr. Hudson, next-door neighbor, called Mr. Kelley of the telephone office, and Dr. Hilly just passing, all hastened to the barn. Dr. Hilly cut the strap and the lifeless body was eased to the floor by sorrowing friends. Justice A. W. Campbell was summoned and after careful examination of the facts, decided that an inquest was unnecessary.

Mr. McKinley leaves a wife and young son, a father William McKinley and brother, William McKinley, all of this village. Daring Mr. McKinley's life in our midst he was a most exemplary citizen and highly esteemed and respected. The funeral was held Thursday, Dec. 14, burial at Woodward conducted by Rev. W. H. Jamieson of the First Presbyterian church. Mr. McKinley was reputed to be worth \$100,000.

ACTUAL STARVATION.

Facts About Indigestion and its Relief that Should Interest You. Although Indigestion and Dyspepsia are so prevalent, most people do not thoroughly understand their cause and cure. There is no reason why most people should not eat anything they desire—if they will only chew it carefully and thoroughly. Many actually starve themselves into sickness through fear of eating every good-looking, good smelling, and good tasting food because it does not agree with them.

The best thing to do is to fit yourself to digest any good food. We believe we can relieve Dyspepsia. We are so confident of this fact that we guarantee and promise to supply the medicine free of cost to every one who will use it, who is not thoroughly satisfied with the results which it produces. We exact no promise, and put no one under any obligation whatsoever. Surely, nothing could be fairer. We are located right here and our reputation should be sufficient assurance of the genuineness of our offer.

We want every case of indigestion, indigestion or dyspepsia in any form to come to our store and buy a box of Rexall Dyspepsia Tablets. Take them home and give them a reasonable trial, according to directions. Then, if not satisfied, come to us and get your money back. They are very pleasant to take; they aid to soothe the irritable stomach, to strengthen and invigorate the digestive organs, and to promote a healthy and natural bowel action, and thus leading to perfect and healthy digestion and assimilation.

A 25c package of Rexall Dyspepsia Tablets furnishes 15 days' treatment. In ordinary cases, this is sufficient to produce a cure. In more chronic cases, a longer treatment, of course, is necessary, and depends upon the severity of the trouble. For such cases we have two larger sizes which sell for 50c and \$1.00. Remember, you can obtain Rexall Remedies in this community only at our store—The Rexall Dispensary, Chas. J. Shaw.

WARNING.

Some unprincipled person has been industriously circulating the report that I, the long time agent of the Sun and Phoenix Fire Insurance companies, am unable longer to do insurance business. This is far from the truth, as my Fire Insurance business still continues.

33 YEARS AGO

The following items were published in this issue of the Recorder... Bev. Beardslee is renewing acquaintance with his old friend... It is worth a dollar and a half to hear Mort Smith recite his attack of sea-sickness which gripped him during his trip to Green Bay, Wis.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Birmingham, Mich., Council Records, Nov. 10, 1911. Regular monthly meeting of the Birmingham Village Council.

Trustees present Johnston, Smith, Crawford and Wilkinson. Trustee absent, Schlaack, Nichols. Crawford moved seconded by Johnston, the following bills be allowed as read:

- WATERWORKS FUND. E. H. Randall, \$80.00. Detroit Lead P. and S. L. Wks. 10 78. Crane Co. 2 22. J. H. Carter, 50 20. Grand Trunk Railway, 75 54. Walker Mfg. Co., 84 59.

- HIGHWAY FUND. Smith Bros. 123 48. T. B. Smith, 53 69. O. A. Young, 107 65. John Allen, 3 80. Frank Burnett, 50. Mack Hunt, 11 40. Asa Rifflinger, 5 09. Frank Yeager, 69 00. Foy Beck, 29 00. Ed. Holloway, 63 30. Robt. Hutchinson, 41 00. Chas. Hoffman, 68 25. Claud Rix, 2 00. Frank Roach, 22 05. Tom Vorkens, 4 00. Charles Allen, 7 00. E. P. Thurdood, 1 00. John Nash, 35 09.

Eastern Mich. Edison Co., 132 35. A. W. Campbell, 6 00. Peninsula S. and S. Co., 37 50. E. A. Parks, 50 00. J. Allen Bigelow, 4 65. E. C. McQuater, 4 65. Birmingham Eccentric, 11 00. Buckleburgh & Murchie, 3 59. Huston Hardware Co., 1 99. John Berry, 53 15. Ira Reed, 1 75. John Hanna, 2 00. Voted by roll call; Yeas, Johnston, Smith, Crawford, Wilkinson. Nays, None.

Wilkinson moved, Smith seconded, the Board's Plan be referred back to the street committee, with instructions to notify Mr. Bowers all streets will have to be graded and put in proper shape for acceptance. Voted by roll call; Yeas, Crawford, Smith, Jackson, Wilkinson. Nays, None.

Minutes read and approved. Wilkinson moved, Crawford supported the meeting adjourn. Motion carried. GED. L. DAINES, Clerk. GED. L. KEMP, President.

MUST ENROLL

Every Voter Has Got to do This To Vote at the Primaries Next Year Says Martindale

Secretary of State Martindale is sending out notices relative to the new primary laws which require an entire new enrollment of all voters next year. Enrollment will take place the last Saturday in January and the first Monday in April for the primary elections, which take place in August instead of September. Books for recording the names of all voters will be prepared at each polling place in the state every voter will have to sign his political affiliation in order to vote for the candidates of the respective parties at the primaries next year.

Lightning Kills Few. In 1906 lightning killed only 169 people in this whole country. One's chances of death by lightning are less than two in a million. The chance of death from liver, kidney or stomach trouble is vastly greater, but if Electric Bitters be used, as Robert Madison, of West Burlington, Iowa, proved. Four doctors gave him up after eight months suffering from violent liver trouble and yellow jaundice. He was completely cured by Electric Bitters. They're the best stomach, liver, nerve and kidney remedy and blood purifier on earth. Only 50c at C. J. Shain's.

Death removed from our midst Sunday last Mr. John Purdy, aged 63, in Birmingham. Mr. Purdy was well known throughout the entire state as a stock dealer and all called him "Jack." Up to his death, for a long period back he has been a great sufferer but in an inimitable way kept him in business and going.

Watch Your Kidneys. Their action controls your health. Read what Foley's Kidney Pills had to say for your neighbor. Mrs. W. H. Taylor, Ann Arbor, Michigan, says: "I had a case of kidney trouble, it caused me much worry and pain. I was troubled with severe backache and shooting pains in the sides, and at times I felt as tired early in the morning as if I had done a hard day's work. Foley's Kidney Pills were brought to my notice and I began taking them. After a short time I felt entirely relieved of the backache, the pain passed left me, and have never experienced that tired feeling in the morning or any other time. Foley's Kidney Pills cured me, and I shall always recommend them highly." Sold by all druggists.

Saved His Wife's Life. "My wife has been in her grave today," writes O. H. Brown, of Muscadine, Alabama. If it had not been for the New Discovery, his wife was down in her bed, not able to get up without help. She had a severe bronchitis, coughed and spit blood. I got her a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery, and she soon began to mend. I had to leave her in her bed, and she was left for a week. It's the most reliable remedy on earth for desperate cases of cough, hemorrhages, grippe, asthma, hay fever, cough and whooping cough. 50c. 1. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by C. J. Shain.

Without opiates or harmful drugs of any kind, Foley's Honey and Tar Compound stops coughs and cures colds. Do not accept any substitute. Sold by all druggists.

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MACAULEY BROS., DETROIT.

Now in Their New Store—Attractive Display of Holiday Books. Michigan has many book stores, but only one "Macauley's." This widely-known house has just moved to new and magnificent quarters at 78 Library Avenue, King Building, one block east of the River and 100 feet north of the new shopping district, Detroit. Here the display of books, calendars, cards, and other fancy articles for Christmas gifts is larger and finer than ever shown before. These articles are always glad acceptables and the range of choice is all that could be wished.

History Extract

Page 113, of San Francisco Fire The Hartford Fire Ins. Co. Paid from 60 to 80 claims per day—nearly all settled from the Company's records, as policies had been burned while other companies were wrangling the Hartford was paying, and paid out \$7,015,636.00.

J. Allen Bigelow Agent of that grand old Company in Birmingham. Office—First floor, front room, Telephone Building. Office Phone, 11-3R. Residence phone, 75.

PEOPLE WHO ONCE BUY "STERLING" Never Afterward Buy Plated

There's a "solid" satisfaction in buying Silverware marked "Sterling." For in such a purchase you buy a certainty—and in buying plated ware, especially if you buy it of an "uncertain" dealer, you often buy "probability." Not that good plated ware is not good ware—it is; and it is well worth buying, and well worth all and more than it costs.

THE ADOLPH ENGGASS JEWELRY CO. Established 1865 Opposite 22 GRAYHUT HUDSON'S AVENUE. DETROIT

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT Owing to the destruction by fire of his horse barn, tool house and engine room Mr. John F. Peters announces that he intends to dispose of surplus stock, implements, tools etc. This sale will afford persons interested in obtaining stock and tools at bargain prices, as this will be out of the ordinary run of auction sales. Look for notice of sale hereafter. John F. Peters, 2

Wewosso Cyclone We Write Insurance in the Michigan Mutual Tornado, Cyclone & Wind-Storm Insurance Co. Policy \$1, and 20c on each \$100. Just two assessments of 10c on each \$100 in the last 15 years. Now is a good time to protect yourself against loss by wind.

Oakland Realty Co. Next Door to Birmingham P. O. JNO. D. RIKER, M. D. Practice limited to EYE, EAR, NOSE, THROAT, PONTIAC, MICH.

Dr. Lillian J. Courts, Osteopathic Physician, Graduate of the American School of Osteopathy, etc.

O'CONNELL'S WEST-SIDE GROCERY I take this opportunity of announcing to the people of the west side of our village.

YULE-TIDE

As now with us—the days of kindly thought and kindly remembrance—the days of joyous Christmas carols and of feasting. We provide the "Good Things" for the Department of the Interior.

Biggest Line of Confectionery Ever Shown in This Village During Holiday Season 2 lbs. Kisses for 25c Both Peanut-Butter and Molasses Kisses.

Vegetables and a house full of good things for our customers. Make your selections early from our Christmas China.



A Merry Christmas! AND A Happy New Year! They are coming very fast, but we are all ready to serve our Patrons in order that they may enjoy this happy Yuletide season, a large and complete stock of carefully selected Candies and Nuts. Raisins and Currants, Fresh Figs and Dates, and Choice Fruits of all Kinds.

We Keep Everything to sell, cook, eat and be happy with. Yours for a Happy time, H. G. SPENCER & CO.

Fall Goods That You Will Need New Fall Outings at 6, 8, 10 and 12 1/2 yard New Fall Bed Blankets at 60c, 75c, \$1, \$1.25 and \$1.50 pair New line of Val and Trench Coats at 5c per yard Men's Extra Fleeced Underwear at 50c garment 100 pairs Ladies' Best Quality Ribbers at 75c pair 50 pairs Misses' Best Quality Ribbers at 85c pair 50c pairs Men's Pants at \$1.50 pr while they last

F. Blakeslee That I have in stock a full line of Fancy and Staple Groceries. Expenses being comparatively very low, my prices are likewise. I also handle Land and Orchard Fertilizers.