

BIG BEAVER

Mrs. Linus Bookham is very ill at this writing.

Mrs. Charles Smith recently visited relatives in Detroit.

Joseph Bowers was in Detroit last Saturday on business.

The Ladies' Aid Society will meet this month with Miss Gertrude Vokes at the home of her uncle, Mr. Al Lamb.

Len Farmer has sold five of his farm to Mel Mathews of Rochester, formerly of Big Beaver, who will build on his purchase, soon.

Mrs. Fannie Harris spent the week-end with Mrs. Ebling at Royal Oak, and attended the funeral of her friend, Viola Bruce on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Scott and children of Royal Oak, who spent the past two weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Will Clark have returned to their home.

W. H. Lamb is having his ice-house filled. Mr. Lamb hopes to secure a large quantity of ice for home use and to supply his trade next summer.

Mrs. Eunice Taylor and Mrs. Alice Taylor, of Ionia, were the guests recently for a few days of Mrs. Maria T. Yor, also were at the home of Miss M. nie Taylor.

Mrs. Louis Terry from Nevada, who is visiting his family here, is happy renewing the acquaintances of old time friends. He has been absent from his home town for the past fourteen years.

Mrs. Homer Ebling, of Royal Oak, is a sister of Mr. Terry.

Some time ago Miss Minnie Parker of Clawson, had her foot painfully pierced with a rusty nail which troubled her so much that an operation was found necessary and which was successfully performed last week by Dr. W. E. Bennie. Miss Parker is now the guest of Mrs. Wm. Truesdale.

Mrs. Margaret Daley who is a teacher in the oral day school in Detroit, has come to Ironwood, Michigan, U. P., to open and start an oral deaf school there. Miss Daley will remain North until the school is running in good order and competent teachers in this work are received for the positions before returning to her duties in Detroit.

The word you had in quotations was mis-spelled my worthy brother Roncoe. Let's both take lessons in that line! What do you say? I never could spell even when at "Yale." Now am going to his way to find an oral deaf school. Thought I had one but was horrified to find it was an almshouse. So, bye-bye! you sly old fox. Am sorry your memory has aged.

Girl's Tan's 75c. values reduced to 35 cents at Levinson's.

Mrs. Chas. Kinicut, of Willis, is visiting her mother, Mrs. W. H. Colby.

Mrs. W. H. Colby has been visiting Mrs. Hattie Williams, of Highland Park.

Mrs. George Pickering and John, of Orion, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Forman.

Miss Sarah E. Sly left on Monday for a business trip in New York and other points in the east.

Mrs. Ruth Hall, who has been living in northern Michigan, was brought here for burial on Thursday last.

John Miller is arranging for a Farmers' Institute to be held in Johnston & Shaw hall in Birmingham on Saturday, Feb. 17. There will be three sessions morning, afternoon and evening. I. N. Moore, state speaker, will be present and there will be an interesting program and some good music.

A shadow and how social will be given by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. C. Forman on Friday evening, Feb. 2, for the benefit of the Auxiliary of the Cemetery Association. The refreshment committee is as follows: Miss Adele Sly chairman, Mrs. E. J. Beattie, Mrs. Fred Clew, Mrs. H. J. Broughton, Mrs. Chas. Higby, Mrs. L. D. Birmingham. Mrs. S. G. Forman will have charge of an old fashioned fish pond. The proceeds of the social is to apply on the fence fund. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

Boy's and girl's heavy Toggles 50c. values reduced to 35c. at Levinson's.

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ALL OVER

Fred King, of Sterling has lagrippa. Fred King of Sterling has the lagrippa.

Ruth Davidson was home from Birmingham over last Sunday.

Joe Park of Troy has recovered from the pneumonia being able to get about.

The modest, industrious and sensible woman are the making of the proverb "Home Sweet Home."

See W. H. Odor before March 1st for the Women's Home Companion, two years and one year to Electric or Royal Oak Tribune or Dress Making at Home with two free patterns coupon for \$2.00. The above offer is for new or renewals.

Last Saturday the great western gas engine, the newest and latest patent through the lighting of a match to thaw out the pump, was wrecked by the explosion of the gasoline tank followed by the burning of the inflammable parts of the engine.

Men's Pair's \$1.00 values reduced to 50c. per pair at Levinson's.

Pleasant Ridge

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Wilcox are wintering in San Diego, Cal.

The ice in the lake in front of Edward Probst's new residence is ready for harvesting.

Mrs. Richards, of Ypsilanti, the mother of Mrs. Albert Motley, was senior at the Moday home last week.

A number of new pupils have joined the already large class at Mrs. E. D. Hutton's music studio.

Mr. and Mrs. I. Y. Jenkins and family, formerly of this place, have taken up their residence in the Hendrie cottages in Royal Oak for the winter.

Since the reported robberies of chicken thieves in and about Royal Oak, a number of the residents of Pleasant Ridge have equipped their chicken houses with electric burglar alarms.

Ladies' warm lined Shoes, \$2.00 and \$2.50 values reduced to \$1.45 at Levinson's.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, ss. LUCAS COUNTY.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business at Toledo, Ohio, and that said firm will pay the sum of \$100.00 for each and every copy of catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

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Ladies' house Slippers \$1.50 values reduced to 95c. at Levinson's.

Died on Friday, Jan. 5, 12, after one week's illness, Ruth, younger child of Mr. and Mrs. William Groom.

From our arms, our little darling, Whom we love with tenderest love, Has been called to God, we grieve her. Now she sings with him above. Though her hearts are filled with sorrow With the parting of our pet, Her sweet voice will be remembered And her smile we'll not forget.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank all our friends and neighbors for their many acts of kindness and words of sympathy shown to us during the illness and after the death of our daughter Ruth. Such acts will never be forgotten.

MR. AND MRS. WM. GROOM.

WANTED! TO LAST.

Mike—Have you any cloriform in the house, Mary Ann?

Mary Ann—Sure, why do you want to know that, Mike?

Mike—Oh had a dream last night. OI thought that OI was rich and was filling in automobiles and steam launches and when OI has another one OI wants you to give me some cloriform.

Dangerous Experiment.

A Brooklyn woman wants the courts to grant her a two years' separation from her husband, so she was filling in automobiles and steam launches and when OI has another one OI wants you to give me some cloriform.

Where Hubby Made Mistake.

"Wedmore—I made the mistake of my life last night, I told my wife I didn't like her new gown. Single-toe—And she stared up, eh? Wedmore—Oh no; it wasn't that; but now she wants the 'mummy' for another.

The Burden of It.

"The Muntoborns belong I suppose, to what you call the 'idle rich' class."

"Of course, not. They're too rich for that."

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JOKE

SHAKING AFTER TAKING.

There was a terrible noise coming from the dining room and the food service hurriedly went in. On the floor her son, aged ten, was going through all manner of contortions—somersaults, both backward and forward; back hands, etc. "Willie—Willie," cried his mother, "what are you doing? You'll—"

"For a moment Willie passed in his gymnastics.

"Oh, it's all right, mother," he gasped. "You see, I forgot to shake my medicine before taking it—like you always told me to do. So I thought I'd shake myself up, as the medicine was inside me!"—New York Globe.

THE LAST STRAW.

An old woman entered a savings bank the other day and walked up to the desk.

"Do you want to withdraw or deposit?" asked the clerk.

"Nav OI donat. OI wants to put some in," was the reply.

"Just above the book for her signature and name," said the clerk. "Sign on this line, please."

"Above it or below it?"

"Just above it is now."

"My whole name?"

"Yes."

"Before OI was married?"

"No, just as it is now."

"OI can't write."

WHERE OUR DEAD GO, TOO.

Mal S. Harris, one of the Australians who fought in the South African war, visited British Columbia and finally settled down in Vancouver. Now he tells of a man in his province who went over to see London for the first time last year and was being shown through Westminster abbey. He got into conversation with a tourist agent who was showing a party about and at intervals the man who was explaining asked the British Columbia questions about Vancouver. "I suppose that in your country you have no place like the abbey?" he suggested.

"No," replied the other.

"Then what, may I ask, do you do with your illustrious dead?"

"First," replied the British Columbian, "we appoint a commission to see whether the man is really dead, and then if the commission decided in the affirmative, we send him to the legislature."—Argonaut.

GRAFT! GRAFT! GRAFT!

Rabbi Wise, when he visited Boston for the first time, was undecided at what hotel to stop. As he wandered up Summer street from the South station he determined to inquire for a good hotel. So he accosted a fine-looking man who was coming toward him, and asked that from such a citizen he would be sure to get the very best advice as to his choice of a stopping place in the city.

"What would be a good place to stop at?" he inquired of the stranger.

"Just before you reach the 'at,'" was the direct reply.—Cosmopolitan Magazine.

Still Going.

The reporter was trying to get the particulars of the automobile accident.

"How fast were you going when you hit the obstruction?" he asked.

"About fifty miles an hour."

"Who was in the motor car with you?"

"Man named George Johnson."

"You landed, you say, in a cornfield to the right of the road. Where did Johnson land?"

"I don't know; we haven't found him yet."

FEMININE PREROGATIVE.

The leaves are withered on the tree; Chill breezes blow. Upon the blasted pine we see A bonny crow.

The Outward Show.

"These two women always greet each other with the most effusive cordiality."

"Yes," replied Miss Cayenne. "Each takes pride in showing the other how artistically she can conceal her real feelings."

Why, she used to be a theatrical star, but since she has grown fat she's just an ordinary actress."

Nothing strange about that. Any astronomer will tell you that as stars increase in magnitude they decrease in brightness.

A Piteous Plea.

"Will you help a poor unfortunate mortal, sir?"

"What can I do for you?"

"Oh, sir, I would gladly accept one of your cast-off automobiles, if you would throw in a chauffeur and a few gallons of gasoline."

EARTHQUAKES.

The Joker—This earth is becoming very unhealthy.

The Serious One—What makes you think that?

The Joker—Look at the eruptions that have broken out all over her face lately.

Laughter vs. Reform.

"I am convinced," said Shelley to his friend Hog, "that there can be no entire regeneration of mankind until laughter is put down."

"There have been moments for most of us in which we have felt inclined to agree with him; but these are, in general, unpleasing to recall."—London Nation.

As an Educational Force.

"What brought you here, my boy, at your tender age?" asked the philanthropic visitor at the jail. "Bad surroundings? Familiarity with crime?"

"Yes," said the boy with the tough mouth, "been seen' too many of our movin' picture shows."

That Rumble You Have Heard.

"I see where a new play is called 'The Thunder God.'"

"I saw him once."

"What are you talking about?"

"The thunder god. He stood on the wings at a theater and smote on a big bass drum."

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A. L. Wilson, Sparta, Ill.

Mr. Wilson was for a number of years cashier of the First National Bank of Sparta.

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The Actress—In this new play I'm supposed to die from a broken heart. Now, how am I to know how a person with a broken heart behaves?

The Manager—I'll tell you what to do. You study the author of the play after he sees your first rehearsal.

Combine Against the Genius.

When a true genius appears in the world, you may know him by this sign, that the dunces are all in confederacy against him.—Swift.

Loved Gold Better Than Life.

A large sum of money was found hidden in an old garret at Troyes, France, where Josephine Viard, an old beggar woman, died of starvation.

A GREAT TALKER

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Passing of the Spare Room.

Fifty years ago nearly every house in New York City had one or more guest chambers. Today half her inhabitants live at an unusual hour to permit their beds to be turned into parlor furniture or piano fortis. If Cousin Mary or Cousin John realized all this as, of course, go one who has not lived in a great city can really realize it, they would understand better just why they had not been invited to visit Tom's folks. It is not because Tom and his wife wish to slight Mary and her husband that they have not invited them to visit them in the city, but because probably the city council have not enough more room in their city apartment for even so much as a canary bird.

On the other hand, John and his wife probably have a great twelve-room house in the country, a house whose location is known to be always hanging out—Wentworth's Home Companion.

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