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FRANK ASH

Ends a Protracted Spree by Shooting at His Wife and Then Taking a Dose of Carbohc Acid.

Another uncontrolled appetite for booze has come to its inevitable end--misery and death. For some time past Frank Ash, the well-known gambler, decided he could not do two things at once, so he gave up his business and devoted himself entirely to drink, leaving the matter of providing food and lodging to Mrs. Ash, who was obliged to keep boarders in order to defray necessary expenses.

Wednesday morning, about 9 o'clock, while Mrs. Ash was engaged in ironing she heard her husband's step behind her. As she turned she saw him aiming a revolver at her head, and as he fired she raised her arm and struck the weapon, the ball cutting a lock of hair. Fortunately August Skibowski, one of the boarders, was passing through the room at the time, and grabbed with the drink-craver's man and enabled the lady to escape. Four more shots were fired before he was subdued with the assistance of a neighbor, Conductor Byrne, and the gun taken away. As soon as released Ash swallowed a lot of carbohc acid and locked himself in the bath room. Before he could be reached he died from the effects of the poison.

Mr. Ash was an expert at his trade, and when sober was popular with all. He was aged about 50 years and, besides his widow, leaves a daughter by former marriage, an aged mother, and a sister. The remains were taken to the home of his mother, in Pontiac, for burial.

Mr. Skibowski had a hand severely burned by the powder flashes, but attended to his mail route as usual.

THE MUSHROOM.

This Mystic Edible is Going to be Formally Introduced to B'ham Consumers Properly.

There will be an exhibition of mushrooms, Monday evening, in Birmingham, September 24th, at Johnston-Shaw hall, Woodward ave. from 6 to 10 p. m. with seats free, and no collection. Everybody is invited to attend, and bring all the specimens you can of every kind and nature, especially the kinds that grow in the woods and in stumps.

Experts will be present to explain to you fully, how to tell the fine and good mushrooms from the bad ones; what are edible and what are not.

Mrs. J. A. Cahn and Mr. Marchant of Detroit, experts, will be present, as well as Prof. Brotherton of Rochester, Mich. also Mr. W. B. Baala, of our village.

The use of the hall for this meeting has been kindly donated by Drs. Johnston and Shaw. Come and see the great variety of mushrooms and fungi that grow in and around Birmingham.

Indian Killed on Track.

Near Rochelle, Illinois, an Indian went to sleep on a railroad track and was killed by the fast express. He had for his last meal a piece of bread and a can of corn.

SEPTEMBER JURORS.

Jurors who will serve during the September term of the circuit court have been drawn by Sheriff A. J. Tripp. Judge East, Stoughton, and Judge Clerk F. B. Babcock. Among the list is Grant Miller of the second ward, who is the Socialist candidate for sheriff. The jurors who will report Tuesday, Sept. 10 are:

John Bell Addison; George A. Hammond; Alvo Gendrick; Bloomfield; Milo Gules; Brandon; George Dickerson; Commerce; Winter Davis; Farmington; Albert Kier; Growsland; John McKay; Healy; Harry DeGarmo; Highland; Charles Hill; Independence; Ralph Burnham; Lyon; Wm. Harlow; Miltred; Wm. Salow; Novi; Ezra Chambers; Oakland; John A. Newell; Orion; Ward Bell; Oxford; Ed. Ham; Pontiac township; Leroy J. Randall; Ross; Robert Barkley; Levay Oak; Levee Friday; Springfield; Stewart; Levee Friday; Heron; Zolner; Troy; George Collier; Waterford; Max Higby; West Bloomfield; Thomas; Gray; White Lake; C. S. Bowers; first ward; Grant Miller; second ward; John Bell; third ward; A. G. Coffey; fourth ward; Andrew Knudson fifth ward.

Regular Communication of Birmingham Lodge No. 44 F. & A. M. on Thursday evening Sept. 27. Work in E. A. degree.

SERVING MASTER

A Poem Given by Mrs. William Parkinson at the County Sunday School Convention last Spring

The following is a poem which was given by Mrs. William Parkinson, formerly of Birmingham but now of University Place, Neb., at a county Sunday school convention, held in the Birmingham M. E. church. Everyone enjoyed the reading very much and so we print the following so all can obtain a copy.

"He that goeth forth and weepeth, Bearing golden grains of wheat, Shall return again, rejoicing, With his burden rich and sweet."

This I read and deeply pondered
What of seed my hand had sown,
What of harvest I was reaping
To be laid before the throne.

While my thoughts were swiftly glancing
Along the path my feet had trod,
Sleep sealed up my weary eyes,
And a vision came from God.

In the world's great field of labor,
All the reapers, tasks were done;
Each one hastened to the Master
With the sheaves that he had won.

Some with sheaves as poor and scanty,
Some with those of richer store;
Others staggered 'neath the burden
Of the golden grain they bore.

Gladly then the peary gateways
Opened wide to let them in,
And they sought the Master's presence
With their burden rich or thin.

Slowly, sadly, with the reapers
Who had labored long and late,
Came I, at the Master's bidding,
And was latest at the gate.

There, apart from all the others,
Weeping bitterly, I stood;
I had stood since early morning,
Working for the others good.

Where one friend had fallen, fainting,
By his piles of golden grain,
With a glass of cooling water,
I revived his strength again.

And another worn and weary,
I had held and cheered awhile,
His falling strength returning,
She went forward with a smile.

And the others I had aided
While the golden moments fled,
The day was spent and Evening
On the earth her tapers shed--
And I to the Master's presence
Came with weary, toil worn feet,
Bearing, as my gathered harvest,
Just a single head of wheat.

So with tearful eyes I watched them
As, with faces glad and bright,
One by one, they laid their burdens
'Twa before the throne on high.

Oh, how sweetly then the blessing
Sounded to my listening ear,
"Nobly done, thou faithful servant,
Rest ye in your mansions here."

Then I thought, with keenest sorrow
"Words like these are not for me,
Only those with heavy burdens
Heavenly rest and blessing see."

"Yat I love the Master truly,
And I've labored hard since dawn,
But I have no heavy burden,
Will he bid me to be gone?"

While I questioned thus in sadness,
Christ, the Master, called for me,
And I knelt with bowed head,
"I have only this for thee."

I have labored hard, O Master!
I have toiled from morn 'til night,
But I strive to aid my neighbors
And to make their labors light--
"So the day passed by unnoticed
And I toiled with them all day,
Bringing as my gathered harvest,
Just this single head of wheat home."

Then I laid it down with weeping
At his blessed, pierced feet,
O, his smile upon my weeping!
"Child, it is enough," He answered,
"All I asked for was brought
Aid among the band of reapers
Truly, bravely, thou hast wrought."

"This was thy appointed mission;
Well hast thou performed thy task;
Have no fear that I would chide thee,
This is all that I would ask."

Then I wept, but long no vision
In my heart, I pondered o'er,
While I strove to see what meaning
Hidden in its depths it bore.

Then at length, its lesson slowly
Dawned upon my wondering mind--
Never mind what others gather,
Do what's'er your hand can find.

If it be your lotted mission
Just to serve the reaper band,
And the evening find you weary,
With an empty sheaf in hand,
Fideliately fulfill your task,
Have no fear that God will chide you,
Heavy sheaves he will not ask.

SCHOOL BEGINS

On Tuesday, Sept. 3, And Supt. Lederer Will Meet All New Scholars Saturday and Monday Preceding

Schools open Tuesday, Sept. 3, at 8:30 a. m. All pupils should report at this time. Do not fail to send your children the first day. Give them the advantage of an even start with the others. See that they are regular and punctual in attendance, that they are applying themselves to their work, and expect the school to do the rest. Let parents, pupils and teachers work in sympathy and to the end that Royal Oak may have the best schools possible.

The superintendent will be at the school from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. on the Saturday and Monday preceding the opening to advise with any pupils who may wish assistance in classifying.

33 YEARS AGO

What Happened in Birmingham as Published in The Eccentric 33 Ago this Week. Interesting.

By E. M. M.

Will Goodman of Clare is visiting his parents.

Miss Jennie Hannan of South Lyon visited in town last week.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. James received a visit from Miss Grace Grinnell of Jackson, last week.

Bert Simonson was recently appointed resident physician at Isle Royale, L. S.

Mr. Henry Woodson offers his house for sale.

Died--Aug. 26th in Royal Oak township, Abram Burns, aged 89 years. Funeral was held at the Irish church.

Miss Anne Granger whom many will remember as a former teacher in our high school made a brief visit in this vicinity last week.

Messrs. Thorne and Converse bought of Mrs. Ansonbom of Troy for their market a choice veal calf which dressed 250 pounds.

Mr. Woodruff and Amos Howland were slightly injured on Tuesday last while at work on the D.G.H. & M. Railroad, an oak plank fell & struck striking them on the head, cutting and thumping them seriously.

Joe Voorhis has a large and carefully selected stock of furniture and sells as cheap as Detroit houses. He successfully competed lately with Detroit and Grand Rapids houses for furnished the Asylum with three large bookcases. This speaks well for Mr. V.

W. C. T. U. MEET

In Royal Oak Last Friday For Their Annual Meeting and Some Very Interesting Talks Were Given

The Women's Christian Temperance Union held their annual open air meeting last Friday afternoon. Owing to the unsettled condition of the weather it was necessary to hold this meeting in the M. E. church and all the enthusiasm which usually prevails at an open air meeting was manifested throughout the entire program. There was an attendance of more than 50, guests being present from Detroit, Pontiac, Birmingham and Rochester.

The theme which nearly every speaker touched upon was Woman Suffrage. Rev. M. J. Olson of the M. E. church gave a short address in which he said that he thought that the chief reason why women are asking for the ballot is because of economic conditions. Mrs. W. Reid of Birmingham gave a very interesting talk on the "Physical condition of the Jews and their need of the Gospel."

Mr. H. L. Herriek of Detroit gave a short talk on "State Wide Prohibition."

Mrs. Preston of Detroit spoke of the needs of the colored people. Mrs. Clemens of Chicago, Ill., gave several delightful readings.

Others numbers on the program which helped to make this meeting one of the best ever held were piano numbers of Miss Vera Marshall and Mr. Clarence Cummings, a song by Mrs. Carley, recitations by Mildred Campbell and a talk by Mrs. Fox of Rochester.

The next meeting of the Union will be held at the home of Mrs. Carley, Sept. 27, at which time the annual election of officers will occur.

FROM THE WEST

A Very Interesting Letter From Mr. Dondero, of Royal Oak, Who is Enjoying His Vacation.

George A. Dondero, village attorney and president of the school board, is spending a month's vacation on his ranch in Bosenman, Mont. This week while in the Yellowstone Park, Mr. Dondero very kindly sent the Royal Oak Tribune this interesting account of his trip.

In Camp, Yellowstone Park, Wyo., Aug. 16, '12.
To the Editor:

To comply with your request and for the benefit of those at home interested in the welfare of the traveler, I will give briefly the happenings of the journey west and the experiences of one day in Yellowstone National Park.

After a ride of over 1,700 miles and a sojourn of one week at Bosenman, Mont., viewing rocks, climbing mountains, and displaying our tenderfoot knowledge to cowboys and ranchmen, we returned to Gardiner, Mont., (the entrance to Yellowstone) from which place we began our first day's trek through this land of wonders and mysterious things. Arriving in Gardiner, we were fortunate enough to meet a Mr. Newman, an old plainsman and scout, who was with General Custer when Custer was killed in 1876, at the battle of the Little Big Horn. This man assisted in burying Custer's men and told many new historical facts concerning the battle and the events leading up to it. This was very interesting to me as it would be to any Michigan man.

With the temperature down to the shivering point, snow falling on the dizzy heights of the Rockies, and bundled up with blankets, we began the journey through the Park. Snow capped peaks, rocky canyons and rushing mountain streams greet the traveler until he reaches Mammoth Hot Springs. Here we were away from pools of boiling hot water and escaping steam issuing from peculiar formations but beautiful in color. This mystifying phenomena is located on a foot hill of no mean elevation. Driving on, passing the "Hoodoos" a region of impossible heights and rocks, and ascending 2,000 feet in nine miles, we arrived at what is known as the "Golden Gate," being a very striking canyon, nearly perpendicular, bounded by yellow walls of granite.

After driving through a region of mountains, lakes, valleys and dense forests of pine, we arrived in camp on Willow Creek, 12 miles into Wonderland.

The camp life of the tourists is one of the interesting features of the journey. Living in tents, together with 72 other good people from all over the United States, like a large family, is enjoyable. After supper I had the pleasure of being confined in the roadway, a few rods from camp, by a fine black bear. No, I did not very slowly.

In front of the camp, a huge bonfire was built and at the usual hour all tourists are called, gathered round to enjoy its cheering blaze and comforting warmth. All professions and vocations of life were represented about that fire. Songs were sung, stories told, toasts offered and recitations given. Popcorn was distributed to all who wished it, by the management and drama and comedy indulged in.

The "Swatties" the name given to the "Park soldiers, aided in the merriment of the evening. The "Savages" the name given to all Park drivers, furnished original "take offs" on the dudes and the evening was spent in a most enjoyable manner.

With the smoldering of the pine knot camp, I added the last line by the light of a flickering camp, a good fire in the camp stove, with other music than the resonant snore of sleeping friends and the soothing murmuring of the pines.

GEORGE A. DONDERO.

Flying Men Fall

Victims to stomach, liver and kidney troubles, just like other people, with like results in loss of appetite, backache, nervousness, headache, and tired, listless, run-down feeling. But there's no need to feel like that, as T. D. Peebles, Henry, Tennessee, proved.

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Birmingham U. P. Church Notes

Services at Birmingham. Preaching service at 11 o'clock. Sabbath school at 10 o'clock.

U. P. C. meeting at 6 p. m.

Service at Troy congregation at 1:30 p. m. Sabbath school at 2:30 p. m.

Wednesday evening meeting prayer at 7:15. All are cordially invited to attend these meetings and your presence will be appreciated.

WILSON KEMP, pastor.

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A. CHILCOTT, Royal Oak, Mich.

ORDER FOR PUBLICATION--General State of Michigan, the Probate Court for the hold at the Court House in the City of Pontiac, Michigan, do hereby certify that the following is a true and correct copy of said order, to wit: In the matter of the Estate of

OLYMPIA M. BRITTY, deceased.

John W. Bennett, administrator of said estate, having filed in said Court a petition praying for admission to said office, and for the appointment of said administrator, and for the determination of the estate of said deceased, and for the distribution of said estate, and for the discharge of said administrator.

It is ordered that the 7th day of September, A. D. 1912, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Court, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition. It is further ordered that publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Birmingham Eccentric, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

ALBERT P. ROCKWELL,
Judge of Probate.
RUBEN A. FREDERICKSON, Probate Clerk.
HUGH DEWEE, Sheriff.

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A Note To You

Birmingham, August 23, 1912.

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