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BIRMINGHAM, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 1912.

WHOLE NUMBER, 1786.

STORIES RETOLD. PRETTY WEDDING

Interesting Facts Pounded Out by A. Whitehead, on his Type-writer, of "Ye Olden Time."

In the old days before the "Academy" on the corner of Pierce and Maple was burned, there daily congregated on the bench along the east side of that historic building in the summer afternoons, a goodly congregation of old timers, from whom would daily emanate various and sundry quips and jests provocative of wonder or ridicule from the younger listeners as their inclination or temperament might dictate.

"They were all 'uncle' this and that except one more revered than the rest for certain qualities in general, either good or bad, but particularly on account of his receiving a pension for a longer or shorter period of a more or less bloody and sanguinary service in the war of 1812. This worthy veteran was always accented and mentioned as the Colonel."

"Been fishin' lately?" queried the Colonel of Uncle Jim.

"Naw, what's the use? Why, Uncle Joe and ole Horace, here have fished the old mill pond so much that the wall-frogs are all hollier'n-Barnum-an-Meade, Barnum-an-Meade! hear 'em any night. They've set on their shoulders was froze solid in the ice all last winter."

"Good afternoon my Christian friend!" said Uncle Horace to Uncle Jim.

"Aft'noon, an' I wish't I could return the compliment of the last of it."

"Wal' y' could if ye lied as bad as I did!" blantly returned Uncle Horace.

"Just finished gittin' my crop of white turnips in 't' cellar this mornin'!" said Uncle Sid, "an' I calculate they are about as good an article of food as any crop they raise in this country."

"Ye! I guess that's so," said Uncle Horace. "I had a cellar full of 'em last winter an' I fed one o' my cows on the turnips and the other on snow balls and they both did fairly well 'till 'long to the spring and they had to sell up the turnip crop every mornin' an' I sold the snow ball crop for beef!"

"They say old Uncle Hunt over in Troy is trouble 'n' a," said Uncle Joe.

"Seems like trouble 'n' a," said Uncle Horace. "I've seen him in the carload lots of times. After he lost his voice, he had to teach his hogs to come 'by rappin' on the trough with his cane. Hadn't more 'n' got 'em broke when a turnip pecker commenced to build a nest in the hog pen an' the hogs all went plum crazy."

"Some says I'm right an' some says I'm wrong!" said Uncle Mike. "Now I claim I'm just about the oldest man in Michigan an' about the oldest. I fit in the war of 1812, named as the Colonel claims he did, tho' I never seen nothin' of him, not sayin' I was 'n' there. Then I was 26 years old 'n' I was married the first time in 1831—that makes 77. Then my first wife died an' I married again in 1833 an' I figger that makes me just 140 years old. If he can't say, then George Mitchell is a liar, for he says my dates prove it!"

"They don't seem to get those felers that run off Davises' cattle yit," said the Colonel, one afternoon (just as Ed Ford was passing) to his business as well as they did in the early days of the country, they would git 'em all right. They don't git out the right kind of papers," said Ed, as he took a shot at a complacent grasshopper at the edge of the sidewalk, and missed.

"Seems like there had been a mistake some 'ere's" quoth Uncle Joe, with the sarcastic drawl his companions were always in dread of. "Ed, ought to be prosecutin' attorney. Mebbe he can tell us what kind of a writ they'd order got, he's so dum gusted cunnin'!"

"Sure, I'll tell you, ye dinged old snaggle' turtles! They want a writ of habeas corpus—multum-in-parvo. That'll git 'em jist as well where they ain't as where they are," and Ed made a ballgame of the grasshopper and walked away in triumph.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank our neighbors and friends for the beautiful floral tokens and the kindness shown us in our recent bereavement, especially Rev. Houghton for his comforting words.

MR. AND MRS. JOHN BRADLEY, WILLIAM BRADLEY, J. WESLEY BRADLEY, EDWARD BRADLEY, ROBERT BRADLEY, DAVID BRADLEY.

John P. VanEvery with his gang of hangers-on are decorating Woodward avenue. Wash Bras, two elegant homes and Austin R. Parks, all look fine after John D. gets through with them.

Wednesday Afternoon at the Home of the Bride's Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Plumstead on Maple Ave.

Miss Juanita Plumstead, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth Plumstead, and Mr. Louis Erwin were married at the residence of the bride's parents on Maple avenue, Wednesday afternoon. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. H. Jamieson, the Episcopal service, somewhat modified here.



Mr. and Mrs. Louis Erwin.

ing used, and was witnessed by only the immediate relatives and friends of the bride couple.

Presently at 4 o'clock Lohmgren's wedding march was played by Miss Ruby Jamieson and the bridal party entered the parlor, the bride, on the arm of her father who gave her away, and attended by the Misses Ada and Winifred Couch of Detroit, and the groom attended by Mr. Leon Maples of Detroit and Mr. Charles Plumstead, a brother of the bride. After the ceremony while congratulations were received by the bridal couple Miss Jamieson played Mendelssohn's wedding march.

The bride was beautifully gowned in a white embroidered voile and carried bridal roses. The bridesmaids wore gowns of white and carried pink roses. The bride's colors were pink and white and the parlor and dining room were profusely decorated with green, and pink and white asters. The parlor had been transformed into a leafy bower, the ceremony being performed under a canopy of green and white.

The bride is an attractive young woman and is prominent in social circles of our village and the groom is a popular young business man.

Mr. and Mrs. Erwin left in the early evening for the East and will be at home to their friends after Nov. 1 at 210 Maple avenue.

33 YEARS AGO

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

By E. M. M.

Did you "shake" with the President? Tom Wiley and family of Owosso, are attending the bedside of Siley Drake, who is in very poor health.

Mrs. D. J. Filkins of Howell, Mich. is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson.

The Detroit M. E. Conference has appointed Rev. A. R. Bartlett to this charge. Our old friend, H. O. Parker, is assigned to Fowlerville; J. B. Atchinson, to East Tawas; J. H. Brown, to Royal Oak and Warren; Thos. Stalker, to Pontiac and F. Davidson to Utica.

Luther Staffley is buying the foundation of a large and commodious residence on his property in the southwest part of the village.

John P. Hale, better known as "Jack" Hale, has been sick very sick with erysipelas.

William Sturgis is erecting a neat and commodious residence on the site of his former home on Merrill street.

Ell. Chatfield, the fourteen-year-old son of E. F. Chatfield, of Troy, had the misfortune to break his leg while moon hunting last Tuesday evening.

Dr. Lillian J. Courts, Osteopathic Physician, Graduate of the American School of Osteopathy, Des Moines, Missouri. Diseases of women and children a specialty. Examinations Free. Office 1015 Third Street, Birmingham, Mich. Phone 327.

Paid to Mrs. Henry Streeter Who Passed into the World Beyond on September 2, 1912.

The sudden and unexpected death of Mrs. Henry Streeter on Sept. 2, came as a shock to the community and her departure leaves a vacancy noticed by many. We do not miss her because of her absence from public life, because she did not feel that her place was in public or attending to the affairs of others. Mrs. Streeter felt that her first duties were in the home and family, and to these she gave her untiring attention. We do not wish to leave the impression of selfishness on her part, because she was always willing and ready to lend a helping hand when called upon and her gentle disposition and friendly attitude toward all remain as a memorial for her true Christian character.

We sometimes pause as we use the term Christian because there is sufficient reason to doubt its genuineness, but it was not so with Mrs. Streeter. Her faith was anchored in Jesus Christ and His blood shed on Calvary's Cross, was the ground of her hope. Her religion was not secondary nor did she give it a secondary place in her life. There is a tendency to substitute other forms of service and devotion and give the important place in our life which we owe to the worship and praise of Jehovah, but such was not the case with Mrs. Streeter. Empty formality might offer attractive inducements, but the worldly and selfish does not satisfy the child of God. Her religion was genuine. The worship sincere. It was her delight to go to the house of God, and it was not without sufficient cause that her seat was found vacant.

In her life she gave full proof that Christ was her Savior and her desire was to be in the assembly of His people, where He had promised His presence and blessing and it was there also that she found peace and satisfaction.

Loyalty to Christ was the ambition of her life, and the best in her life was that which she most desired to give. We may ask ourselves why God so ordered that she should resign her task before, while His plans are unknown to us, we have the assurance that her faithfulness will not be unrewarded and today she fills a more important place and stands in still closer fellowship with Him in the home above. His promise is: "Him that honoreth me will I honor."

Therefore we sorrow not as those that have no hope for them that sleep in Jesus will God bring with them.

Antonia Deloria, Postmaster at Garden, Michigan, knows the exact facts when she speaks of the curative value of Foley Kidney Pills. She says: "Prof. J. H. Foley's Kidney Pills cured my kidney trouble. My father was cured of kidney disease, and a good many of my neighbors were cured by Foley Kidney Pills." For sale by all druggists.

Under this heading you are a liberty to express your views, suggest improvements, and so on to our village, criticize anything and everything of matters in general. You must be brief and to the point. Your name will be printed in full unless you indicate otherwise (not for publication) otherwise no attention will be given to whatever.—EDITOR.

In Michigan 100,302 women pay taxes amounting to \$3,856,749.71 on property assessed at \$177,000,000. How many pay taxes in this village? Will tell you next week.

The Detroit Humane Society is calling loudly for help to find abused animals. Our Humane Society could find fit homes right here in town lying on cement floors without bedding.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Lamb's flower-bed covers their whole yard and is one of the finest in town. Look at it!

The Men Who Succeed As heads of large enterprises are men of great energy. Success, today, demands health. To all is to fail. It is only by a self-imposed condition when medicine I ever feel better than I do. My friends, I am glad to hear of your liver trouble, stomach disorders and deranged kidneys, I am glad, thank you, for Electric Bitters, sound and well. Try them, only 50c at C. J. Shain's, and J. W. Cobb's.

BIRMINGHAM BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES

Sunday morning preaching service at 10:30. Subject of sermon, "Judging not According to Appearance but According to Righteousness." Sunday evening subject, "A Reasonable Fear."

Bible school at 11:15 a. m. B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 p. m. Subject, "Believe! Believe Much! Believe Strongly!" Leader, Mrs. Malley.

A cordial welcome is given to all who desire to worship with us.

LETTERS TO THE EDITORS!

OF BLOOMFIELD, TROY, ROY, AL OAK and SOUTHFIELD.

GENTLEMEN:— I am a candidate on the Democratic ticket, for County Surveyor. While the office pays no large amount of money, such, still the privilege and influence I would receive in my chosen profession, that of Civil Engineering and Surveying, if I am elected would help me greatly, both in a business way and financially.

Am a young man of good habits; Birmingham is my home and I respectfully ask you all irrespective of any party to give me a lift, and your vote at the November election. Respectfully yours, W. WILLIAM E. MURCHIE, Oct. 4.

Mrs. J. N. Hill, Homer, Georgia, has used Foley's Honey and Tar Compound for years, and says she always recommends it to her friends. "It never fails to cure my coughs and cold and prevents croup. We have five children and always give them Foley's Honey and Tar Compound for a cold, and they are all soon well. We would not be without it in our house." For sale by all druggists.

A Card.

On and after October 1st, 1912, I will be located in the Ford Block, corner of Woodward and Maple avenues, DR. FRED G. CRAWFORD, Dentist.

W. A. Smith, Bridgeton, Indiana, had kidney trouble for years, and was so crippled with rheumatism he could not dress without help. He started using Foley Kidney Pills, and says: "I began to get better at once, and now my trouble has left me, and I do not feel that I ever had rheumatism. I rest well, can now, and though 59 years old, can now do the work of a man of 35 years." Would like to be the means of others getting benefit from Foley Kidney Pills. Refuse substitutes. For sale by all druggists.

Garrick Theatre.

The Blue Bird All this Week; Next Week Come and See and Hear The Black Birds.

The Garrick Theatre, Detroit, will have for its attraction next week the latest and most approved form of minstrel, to be presented by the distinguished and popular burnt-cork artist, Neil O'Brien, who on this occasion will make his initial bow before a Detroit audience at the head of his own organization now known to fame as Neil O'Brien's Great American Minstrels.

O'Brien, through his long association with Lew Dockstater as his principal comedian, is known to local theatre-goers as one of the cleverest comedians who has ever appeared here in minstrel entertainment. Not alone the star but several members of his company are exceedingly popular with lovers of minstrelsy. Among the big ones are: Bill V. Long, the leading comedian who has ever appeared here in minstrel dispensing a new one with the O'Brien show, called "Dr. Nut," described as intensely funny. Eddie Mazier, Pete Detzel, Wood Alexander and Major Newark, all contribute to the fun.

Mr. O'Brien's Minstrel entertainment. The program also includes two feature acts conceived and produced by Neil O'Brien, said to be the most original and ambitious efforts. The organization commences Detroit business in equipment and scenery after several nights in the smaller cities where it has been received with much appreciation.

Ucle Ezra Says "It don't take more'n a gill uv effort to git folks into a peck of trouble," little neglect of constipation, biliousness, indigestion or other liver derangement will do the same. If you are a Dr. King's New Life Pills fan, you'll get results. Easy to get, and only 25c at C. J. Shain's and J. W. Cobb's.

Birmingham U. P. Church Notes

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

U. P. C. U. meeting at 6 p. m. Service at Troy congregation at 1:30 p. m. Sabbath school at 2:30.

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

Many Driven from Home. Every year, in many parts of the country, thousands are driven from their homes by coughs and lung discharges. Friends and business are left behind for other cities, but this is not costly and not always sure. A better way—the way of "multitudes"—is to use Dr. King's New Discovery and cure yourself at home. Stay right there, and take this safe and reliable medicine. Throat and lung troubles find quick relief and health returns. It helps in coughs, colds, grip, croup, whooping cough and sore lungs, makes a positive blessing. 50c and \$1. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by C. J. Shain and J. W. Cobb.

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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 \$7,011,636.00.

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FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR

Elmer R. Webster & Charles P. Webster, Attorneys - at - Law, Treadway Building, Pontiac.

MORTGAGE SALE. Whereas default has been made in the payment of principal and interest on a mortgage of \$10,000.00, made by Jacob G. Webster and his wife, Anna Rigor, to Elmer R. Webster and Charles P. Webster, of the County of Oakland, Michigan, on the 15th day of August, 1912, and the said mortgage is now due and unpaid the undersigned, as trustees of said mortgage, do hereby give notice that the same shall be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, at the front or rear corner of the southeast corner of Section 26, in town 1 north, range 13 east, being the Township of Royal Oak, Oakland County, Michigan, on the 23rd day of November, 1912, at 10 o'clock, a. m. The said mortgage is described as follows: The east half of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 26, in town 1 north, range 13 east, being the Township of Royal Oak, Oakland County, Michigan.—Dated August 15, 1912.

LOUIS GRAMMEL, Mortgagee. Elmer R. Webster & Charles P. Webster, Attorneys for Mortgagee. Business address, Pontiac, Michigan. 1912-1913.

A Note To You

Birmingham, Sept. 20, 1912. These notes are not written with the idea in view of asking you to come here expecting to get something for nothing. Neither will you expect to get nothing for something! Everybody seems to be from Missouri nowadays and we know we must show you why it will pay you to trade with us.

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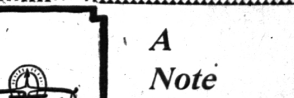
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