

AMUSEMENTS.

S. C. PETERS & CO.'S CIRCUS.—It is but seldom that Birmingham is favored with a first-class circus, but, it seems we are to be honored this spring. On Tuesday next our village will be visited by S. C. Peters & Co.'s Great American Circus, said by all competent judges to be the most complete show traveling. The announcement alone of the engagement of Miles Orton, the undoubted champion bareback rider of the world, and Claud Orton, the double pironette bareback rider, are enough to insure an audience anywhere, while they will be ably supported by little Barney, the child rider, Caleb and North, the daring acrobats, and the famous Bob DeBar, the funniest clown in the world, with a host of others. The price of admission has been placed within the reach of all, the nominal sum of twenty-five cents.

THE CONTINENTAL.—The Continental Vocalists—P. O. Hudson and C. J. Cromwell—gave a fine concert at the M. E. church, last week Tuesday evening. Their programs consisted of "Songs of other days, mingled with more modern lays." A large and appreciative audience greeted them, and should they ever return to this place, they are sure of a warm reception by their host of friends.

BLUEBEARD.—The pantomime of Bluebeard, at Library Hall, last Friday evening, was a decided success. The richness of the costumes, and the excellent acting of all, rendered the entertainment very pleasing. The discovery of the terrible room containing the headless remains of Mr. B.'s former wives, was a tableau well brought out, and excited the greatest merriment in the appreciative audience. Bluebeard's return, his murderous assault upon his wife, and the timely rescue, was truly exciting; and when the big brother (Mr. T.) killed Bluebeard (Mr. S.), and the "corpse" was removed, some wag in the audience, whose mind seemingly runs to sporting matters, yelled, "Dead bird for Trowbridge!" the uproar was immense. Should the ladies continue to furnish as good entertainments as this for the low price of ten cents, we predict for them crowded houses. The ladies intend, in the course of two or three weeks, giving a drama, entitled "The Loan of a Lover," and will spare no pains to make it fully up to the standard of their former entertainments.

An article from "Bussie" is unavoidably crowded out.

A series of resolutions from Birmingham Grange have been received too late for this issue. They will appear in our next.

Our patrons will, no doubt, be pleased to hear that we are fully prepared to give all the local which can be had, and our country friends will confer a favor by giving us any little item of interest which may occur in their vicinity. But if worst comes to worst, we will get out our old velocipede, start a base ball club, and advocate the free use of petroleum for kindling fires, and we trust that our locale will be numerous as long as the population lasts.

COMMERCE, April 29, 1878.

Whereas, Dr. H. S. Thomas, of Corunna, a self styled cancer doctor, has referred to my case as one in which he has been successful in curing cancers, I hereby certify that I consider him an arrant impostor. First-class physicians affirm that I had no cancer—merely a small scrofulous sore, which the money-loving M. D. pronounced a cancer and treated accordingly, but not curing it at all, leaving my face disfigured, and but for the timely assistance of Dr. LeBaron, of Pontiac, would have been in a pitiable condition. I warn all persons suffering with cancerous humors to beware of him, as he is, in my estimation, a fraud and merely an itinerant swindler.

CATHARINE L. GOULD.

STORY OF BIRMINGHAM IS LIKE ROMANCE

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Names, which today are familiar to villagers first came into prominence at this time: Bigelow, Poppleton, Merrill, Botsford, Lee and a host of others.

Time passed rapidly. Days of hard work faded into comports of more hard work and the community kept growing. Soon there was a railroad.

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Birmingham, Mich., May 1, 1928.

J. S. STOCKWELL.

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cupied the days of the inhabitants.

Because of the number of foundries the name "Birmingham" was adopted, after Birmingham, Eng.

But as suddenly as the place grew as a manufacturing center, just that suddenly did it again fade into a farming town and one for residences. A series of fires reduced foundries to the ground and other manufacturers found more fertile fields.

of the Detroit Grand Haven & Milwaukee railroad was routed to Birmingham and immediately the community began to grow. The electric cars came several years later, in 1896.

In direct contrast to the Birmingham of today, the community in the first half of the nineteenth century was one of industry. Its 600 inhabitants were engaged in the many factories which had sprung up. Foundries came and the manufacture of fanning mills, brooms, bricks,----- oc-

In 1864 the village was incorporated with J. C. K. Brooks as president of the first board of seven trustees. It comprised territory one mile square. A new charter was passed in 1865 providing six commissioners. In 1916 another charter providing for three commissioners went into effect and a year ago the people of the village again amended the charter making the board one of seven men.

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