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For Spring. We have a new appearance.

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But will not look for a few per cent. treating that we can better.

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STEAM making weather.

St. JOSEPH gets the glue factory, if she did stick up her nose about it.

"CURTAIN" is the way the St. Joseph Republicans speak it.

Those who went to Niles last Thursday say they were highly entertained at the concert.

A meeting of the directors of the narrow gauge railroad met in this place Monday.

REV. J. F. BARNES is conducting a series of revival meetings at Berrien Springs.

People come to town with sleighs yet. This is the 11th day they have done so this winter.

REV. H. WORTHINGTON, of Dowagiac, was shaking hands with Buchanan friends yesterday.

The sugar maker who has not commenced operations is losing the best part of the season now.

The drawing of Crocker's cash donation took place last Saturday. James Monahan drew the \$50 gold piece.

A straw-board factory is to be started in Niles in the building formerly used as a knitting factory and burned.

Mr. J. V. VORHEES is building a new cooper shop in the south-east corner of Oak and Fourth streets.

A pair of twins were recently born to Mrs. DEWEES of Mottawan, daughter of Mr. M. E. Smith of this place. Weight, nine pounds each.

MR. JESSE HELMICK, one of the old settlers of this vicinity, died at his home Monday evening, March 7, in Oregon, in his eighty-third year.

SOLD.—Mr. E. Ballenger has sold his house and lot at the corner of Portage and River streets to Mr. W. A. Vincent. The consideration was \$300.

The subscriptions for the South Bend and Plymouth railroad, have reached \$80,000. In South Bend. The company organizes and directors elected.

The next meeting of the Home Mission Band will be held at the residence of Chas. S. Back, on Second street, tomorrow Friday afternoon at the usual hour.

THE papers at the mouth of the river are great for valdectories, lately. Two of them were filled up with that sort of literature about the first of the month.

IN South Bend they have barn warnings. The latest attempt of the kind netted over \$500 for the Baptist church, over 2000 persons being present.

WE publish this week an interesting essay read by Mr. Chas. F. Howe, before the St. Joseph County, Ind., Grange, at their last public installment of officers in South Bend.

A new advertisement appears on the first page of this paper, signed by S. P. & C. C. High. You will find this firm just as liberal in their dealing as they are in their advertising.

NEARLY every body thank—the cold weather is about at an end. Some people thank one thing and some another. You may fill the blank to suit yourself.

\$2,000 has been subscribed toward rebuilding the Baptist church in Benton Harbor. This, with the \$7,000 insurance, will give a good gift toward a new building.

THE Excelsior Manufacturing Company expect to have their building up and machinery in operation in a short time. Work on the building is well under way.

PLEASANT weather commenced in this vicinity Sunday morning, and the way carts and sleighs were made to fly during the day, to get the full benefit of the sleighing while it lasted was a caution.

FRANK ROSS, Steve. Wood, Salma Barnes and Wm. Palmer had a bit of experience with a runaway team yesterday afternoon. The President of the village can tell you the particulars.

Quite a number of persons are contemplating putting up cheap telephones between their place of business and residence as soon as the snow gets settled. They will be of great convenience to their owners.

A little more of this kind of weather and work can be resumed in the narrow gauge railroad. We are all anxious to see that completed to the lake the coming season, so we can have a good boat ride to Chicago.

THERE are still a few who have promised to bring in some word to pay their subscriptions, and they are hereby informed that we have not quite done with burning wood this winter, and would like to have them bring it along.

OWING to the severe snow storm of last Thursday all of the passenger trains out from Chicago during the day were abandoned. The Kalamazoo Accommodation managed to get as far as Kensington and the Pacific to 22d street.

THE Daily Evening Herald is the name of the successor of the Lake Shore Daily News, and is published by L. J. Merchant of the Traveler-Herald. It is gotten up in a neat, tasteful, and healthy look, and deserves success. Geo. Fields is the Benton Harbor editor, and goes at it like an old hand.

If this weather continues, work on the new railroad can be commenced again next week, and a very short time ought to complete it to Berrien Springs. The citizens of Buchanan are anxious to see it completed and in operation to the lake by the Fourth of July at the farthest.

THE Niles Democrat says they have had 129 days of sleighing up to March 5. We think the Democrat must be a little off the track. Snow commenced to fall here November 14, and the next day sleighing commenced. With its own figures: 25 in November, 31 in December, 31 in January, 28 in February and 3 in March, would need to be added nine times to make 129.

SUBJECTS of sermons at the Advent church next Sunday: Morning, "Love to God, and the Divine Approval." Evening, "The Trial of Abraham's Faith." Three pulpit paintings will be used to illustrate the subject. The church and pastor extend a cordial invitation to all.

As will be seen by the election returns, H. N. Hathaway was re-elected Marshal. This will make the eighth time he has been elected to that office since the incorporation of the village in 1858, having served in that capacity during the years 1859-63, 1878-80. Notwithstanding the hotly contested election of Tuesday, his majority is 101.

REV. HENRY R. COLEMAN will deliver an illustrated lecture, under the auspices of the Masonic fraternity of this place, in Rough's Opera House tomorrow evening. The lecture will treat principally of items of interest in Palestine, and with the reputation borne by the speaker, we may expect a good entertainment. The lecture will be free.

Mrs. BROWN, better known in this place as Mrs. York, died yesterday morning, and was buried this afternoon. She had been a sufferer from rheumatism for the past twelve years, and for the past several weeks was perfectly helpless. She was a consistent Christian, and bore her severe affliction with great patience and trustfulness, awaiting the hour of her death. She was 57 years of age.

THERE was considerable of a smash-up on the Michigan Central, at this place, yesterday morning, caused by the collision of a locomotive and the hind end of a freight train. The locomotive was made into kindling, and the last freight car, which was loaded with corn badly bruised so that a part of the cargo was strewn along the track. No one was injured.

THE spring term of the Walkerton high school commenced last Monday. It is a fact that the scholars never progressed more rapidly in their studies in Walkerton than they have done since Mr. Jones took charge. Another thing worthy of mention is, that no disturbances whatever have arisen during the entire fall and winter terms.—Walkerton (Ind.) Republican.

IT has been proposed to change the place of holding the summer meeting of the Young Peoples' Picnic Association from Berrien Springs to Niles or some other point in the county. We object to any change. Berrien Springs is right where the meetings belong. It is centrally located, or nearly so, and can be reached by people in every part of the county. Niles cannot be. There is no need of a change, and the majority of the people will say no to it.—St. Joseph Republican.

Wonder what Niles wants that for. She runs the Agricultural Society, and has her hands more than full with that.

WHAT THE RECORD would be pleased to see: The newly elected Marshal to serve all drunkards alike, be they paupers or millionaires; give them the full benefit of the law, just as it exists, with no sign of favoritism to any. It would like to see the present Councilman raise by tax, enough money to pay one-half of the present village indebtedness, and they pay it. Talk about the next year. It would like to see some live manufacturing interest established in the cheese factory building; a brick block built on the Tremont corner, another on the next corner east, and the two wooden buildings on the opposite side of Front street replaced with a substantial brick one; about 150 new dwelling houses erected in this place the coming season, so that at least one-half of the families who want to move to Buchanan may be accommodated with places to live.

CATERS.—The caucus for the nomination of village officers was held at Rough's Opera House on Saturday evening. There was a larger attendance than at any previous one known by "the oldest inhabitant," over 900 voters being present. The following ticket was nominated: For President, John D. Ross; for Recorder, B. D. Harper; for Marshal, H. N. Hathaway; for Treasurer, George Churchill; for Assessor, Howell F. Strong; for Trustees, John F. Barnore, Solomon Rough, David E. Hinman. The following committee was appointed for the ensuing year: Wm. Peairs, LeRoy H. Dodd and H. N. Mowrey. The nominations on some of the candidates were hotly contested, but the principal fight was on the office of Marshal, and considerable ill-feeling was engendered, so much so that another caucus was called Monday evening, and Mr. Darius H. Smith nominated to oppose Mr. Hathaway on election day.

ELECTION.—The annual village election took place on Tuesday last, with the excitement on the office of Marshal brought out nearly all the voters. There were 406 votes cast; which is the largest number that was ever cast at an election in the village. There was no opposition to the ticket nominated Saturday evening except for the office of Marshal, for which office the contest was between Homer N. Hathaway and Darius H. Smith, and for one of the Trustees, when James K. Woods was run in opposition to John F. Barnore. Mr. Hathaway, for Marshal, received 247 votes against 146 for his opponent, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Barnore for Trustee, received 222 votes to 181 for his opponent, Mr. Woods. The balance of the candidates nominated Saturday evening received from 286 to 399 votes.

OBITUARIES.

HELMICK.—At his residence in Oronoko township, March 7, 1881, Jesse Helmick, aged 82.

Jesse Helmick was born in Virginia, Oct. 23, 1798, and passed to his heavenly rest March 7, 1881. His parents were members of the Methodist Church and early taught him the principles of the religion of Christ, which continued with him through the journey of life. His father was a class-leader and died at his post. In early childhood Jesse gave his heart to God, but did not become fully established in the Christian life until 1834. In 1805 he moved with his parents to Warren Co., Ohio, and in 1815 his father and mother entered the rest of Heaven only two weeks apart. Brother Helmick was married to Eliza Simonton, May 10, 1822. Almost 59 years they traveled together along life's pathway. She waits a little longer here below in the enjoyment of a blessed hope of meeting him "in the sweet by and by." In 1838 Mr. Helmick, his wife, and six children moved to Berrien county, Mich., and settled on the farm where he resided until called to his home on high. For many years Father Helmick occupied places of trust and honor in the county, and in the church of which he was a member. He was elected Justice of the Peace in 1837, and for many years served in that capacity. He was also Associate Judge of Berrien County for about two years. Father Helmick was an active, industrious, honest and upright man and by the blessings of a kind Providence led a very successful life. He was not a religious enthusiast. His was a meek and quiet spirit. He was blessed with a vigorous frame and a strong will power, so that he was not driven about by every wind of doctrine, and the cunning craftiness of men, but steadily maintained and faithfully adhered to the principles of early life. He was always true to the church of his choice, and in him the Methodist itinerant found a generous friend and faithful brother. He was an acceptable steward, trustee and class leader. For more than forty years he was an official member of the M. E. Church. Nearly all the children are members of the same Church, and have promised to meet their father in Heaven. In 1878 Father Helmick met with a serious accident, being thrown from his horse he received injuries from which he never fully recovered. He was confined to his home all winter, but everything that loving hearts and willing hands could do was done to make him comfortable and happy. We shall miss him. He and Sister Helmick were among the first members of the M. E. Church at Berrien Springs, but he has been called up on high to be forever with the Lord. When he realized the end was near he spoke tenderly to his children and grandchildren, telling them he wanted them to meet him in Heaven, and sent the same dying message to the absent loved ones. Three children preceded him. Five sons and three daughters remain with many relations and friends to mourn their loss.

The funeral, which was attended by a large circle of friends and over seventy of his children and grandchildren to the fourth generation, was held at Mount Tabor Grange hall, March 8. Rev. Isaac Wilson officiating, assisted by Presiding Elder Boggs and Rev. H. Worthington.

WILSON.—Catherine Ora Phillips departed this life February 28, at five p. m., after a protracted illness and intense suffering of some thirty-seven days.

The deceased was born September 18, 1841, at White Hill, New Jersey. Residing there until August 13, 1867, when at the residence of her grandparents was married to Sylvester K. Wilson, of Dayton, Mich., with whom, amid the joys of their new relations, hopes and prospects, moved to Dayton, Mich., where they entered their first home, which proved to be the last home with her.

Deceased was a professor of Christianity when married, and had maintained her profession only to be strengthened and intensified in her affections, at first not so hopeful, but at last bright and joyful.

During the series of meetings she loved so well to hear the ringing of the bell, which told of worship to Almighty God. On Thursday evening while the bell was being rung, she desired it would ring long, for perhaps it would be the last time she would hear it; but she lived to hear it toll the death knell of sister Van Fleet. She then desired to be situated so as to look out upon the procession and church, once more, which was granted her by kind and attentive friends. Thus the bell ceased to send out its vibrations through the air and upon the ears of the community and the living, only to take up the doleful strains to tell but the last sad tale of one so near and dear.

When came upon the charge as pastor, she, with husband and others, were the first to bid welcome and to administer to our wants. We next found her identified with any and every enterprise connected with church and society; next we found her and husband, and child by their side, connected with public congregations convened for the worship of God. Next, to find her where she could assist in the musical department of the church; and next, and last, as teacher of the infant class in Sabbath school, and when she could not come longer, to find her listening to the peals of the church bell, hoping, praying, and prompting others on, saying, "If I were well I would be one of the first." She leaves a husband, an adopted son, and a babe five

weeks old, with a host of friends to mourn their loss.

Funeral held at Dayton, conducted by Rev. J. R. Skinner and attended by a large concourse of friends who sympathized largely with the bereaved ones.

Text, Jeremiah xv, 9: "Her sun has gone down while it is yet day."

J. R. SKINNER.

VAN FLEET.—Nancy Dempsey expired February 24, very suddenly, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. B. Stryker, Terre Coupee Prairie.

She had not been feeling well all winter, but on the day of her death was around, and at night retiring, saying, "If I could only rest all night I would feel better to-morrow." Before her daughter retired she went in the room to see if she was comfortable, and behold, she had passed over the river very peacefully, remaining in the same position as when retiring.

Deceased was born May 15, 1815, in Cayuga Co., N. Y. In 1831 she was married to Peter Van Fleet, deceased September 28, 1876, with whom she came to Berrien Co., Mich., where she has lived until death released her from all sufferings.

She was converted when but eleven years old, and had been a member of the M. E. church for the past twenty-six years.

Out of a family of fifteen children, one brother now in the ministry in East Vienna, N. Y., and one sister residing in Buchanan, survive to tell the sad story, and strive to meet those who have gone but a few steps in advance of them. She also leaves three daughters, one of the same being a church member, grandchildren, nieces and nephews to mourn the loss of a faithful and loving mother, grandmother and aunt. Our sister has been a faithful worker and disciple of Christ among us, and we shall miss her largely in public gatherings and by the home fire-side especially. We have often met with her there and had many rich and beneficial conversations with her. She is gone. Our meetings with her on earth have ceased; but I trust we shall again meet her in that home prepared for the children of God.

Funeral conducted by Rev. J. R. Skinner, in Dayton, Mich., attended by many sympathizing friends.

J. R. SKINNER.

ITEMS FROM GALILEN.

If there were one dozen houses in this place to rent they would be engaged at once.

Charles Butler has again embarked in the butcher business. This time it is in Pokagon. He has moved with his family to that place.

A 400 lb. couple (collectively) were married at the Redding House by Justice Harris, one day last week. Both from Chicago.

Mr. E. Prince is now living in Charles Butler's house. He selected one of the most stormy days we have had lately to move.

Jesse White rode the Odd Fellows' Goat last Friday evening without saddle, bridle or spurs.

O. S. Brooks has pulled up stakes and gone to Iowa.

Who do you think has come home? Can't guess? Well, the first two letters of his name is Ray Cowell.

Died.—At the residence of Bert McOmber, in this place, our News Depot. Mr. Frank Allen, who lives on the Briton farm, is selling milk to the Galileens. He has purchased a number of cows, and will make the milk-milk business a specialty.

Mr. Charles Salisbury, Wm. G. Moss' telegraph student, has graduated and secured a position as night-watch at the M. C. R. depot in the city of Dayton. He will have one train to report every twenty-four hours.

Bert McOmber, Ed. Curtis, Dan Myers and Mrs. Bugle have all moved from where they live now.

Tom McOmber is going to move back to Galien again.

Mr. H. Haskins will leave the hotel soon.

E. J. Fairchild has put up a lot of ice to use in the restaurant business.

Wooden and variety wedding at Charles Clark's last evening (March 8). Our printer reports an unusual amount of job work during the last week.

ITEMS FROM HILL'S CORNERS.

March 2, 1881.

March is moderating some.

Plenty of snow drifts to plow through.

Farmers' Institute here Feb. 25 was a grand success. The Baptist church was used for the purpose, and was full to overflowing. Two wind engines entertained the people on the subject of transportation, etc., namely: W. J. Jones and Hon. L. Sparks, and smaller engines without name also added a little. The choir furnished the music, which was good.

J. B. Cornwall sold his farm to one Jacob Miller, also Lorenzo Fields sold his farm, west of the Corners, to Sam. Flowers. Price, \$2,900.

There is a great deal of church talk, and we expect a new church for sure.

Some talk of M. J. Morley buying a farm west of G. B. Penwell's saw-mill. Mrs. Addison Vinton has been very sick, but at present convalescent.

There is a good prospect of a saw-mill being put up on Peter Volkins' farm, in the near future, by a gentleman from Indiana. At least the lease of the site for the mill and timber is entered into by the parties, and there are saw-logs at the designated spot.

Mrs. Celia Strong has an encysted tumor on the side of her neck; and expects to have it cut out, if courage does not fail her and no other remedy comes to hand.

There is quite a muss in Lake township about a road that the Commissioner of Highways has laid out. When the people commenced to travel the road to open it through the route, Lo! and behold, they were taken up for trespass and damages, and taken to Buchanan to answer to said charge, but took an appeal to Circuit Court to test the title, etc. Go slow, Japhet, there may be breakers ahead.

Schools are closing out fast—at the rate of one a week.

[St. Joseph Republican.]

We have talked with some of the farmers of Royalton regarding the St. Joseph Valley Railroad, and we have not been able to find a single one who does not favor the enterprise, but on the other hand they are willing to do the best they can to aid the project.

PRO BONO PUBLICO.

The "Road Committee" appointed at the mass convention held at the Court House in Berrien Springs, 24th of April last past, would most respectfully submit this our report to the citizens of Berrien County.

As to the efficiency and force of our present highway laws we find, that in many respects serious defects exist, which can only be remedied by legislative enactment and amendment. We believe the present mode of collecting and disbursing revenue for the support of highways is not productive of the best attainable results, and ought to be and could be rendered more efficacious by a radical change in the entire system. We also find, that much tax is collected for which the tax payer receives no adequate returns, which can likewise be remedied. We believe that a thorough investigation of these matters will result in desirable changes; we conceive that a public discussion of vital questions relative to highways is the best method of reaching and educating the masses, therefore we have selected from the great mass of topics connected therewith the following list, and having secured the consent of able advocates to present leaders on the same, we hereby issue a call for a mass convention to be held at the Court House, at Berrien Springs, March 25th inst., at 11 o'clock a. m. sharp, at which the following programme will be carried out (unless otherwise ordered by said convention) together with other pertinent subjects which may be presented.

An organization will be effected and necessary committees appointed, after which an adjournment will be had to 1 o'clock p. m.

Upon reassembling, reports from committees will be heard and acted upon. After which Hon. L. P. Alexander will present a leader on the subject of "making roads and the best tools to be used."

2:15 p. m. Resolved, That our annual election should be held March, first Monday, instead of April, first Monday. Presented by A. N. Woodruff.

3:30 p. m. How shall land owners use surplus land in our highways, to the end that it shall be kept clean and useful? By Hon. Wm. Chamberlain.

4:50. Resolved, That the time has come when the best interest of the people of Berrien county requires that domestic animals should not be allowed to run at large in the highways. By A. L. Drew.

4:30. Resolved, That the Highway Commissioner should be empowered by law to authorize the Drain Commissioner to lay out and construct ditches through any land for the drainage of the highway, and apportion the costs thereof pro-rata to the parties benefited thereby. By Dr. C. H. Bostick.

5:10. Question box opened and contents discussed.

6:00. Adjourn.

7:10 p. m. Reassemble.

Resolved, That each township should constitute one road district, and that a money tax should be collected for the support of roads instead of a labor tax. By Hon. Levi Sparks.

8:00. Resolved, That for the protection of highways, the fire on all vehicles carrying 1,200 pounds or upwards, should not be less than three inches wide. By Henry A. Ashoff.

8:40. What ought to be the rights and responsibilities of petitioners for laying out, altering or vacating roads? By Wm. J. Jones.

Question box opened and contents discussed.

Hon. Thomas Mars is expected to be present and participate in the discussions, and treat the convention to a relation of what is being done at this session of the Legislature in regard to highways. Special invitations will be extended to many prominent men of the county, and it is emphatically desired that every tax payer in the county should devote that day to this matter, by putting in an appearance.

All questions for the question box must be submitted in writing. These will form subjects for discussion at future conventions.

It is desirable that a permanent organization shall be effected, which shall exist until bad, unsafe roads and useless taxation for the same shall become unknown.

We respectfully request all newspapers of the county to copy this report, and thereby assist in securing a full representation.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. SNEYDE FARMER, NORMAN NIMS, R. V. CLARK, Com.

COUNTY PRESS.

[Benton Harbor Times.]

Wheat is reported damaged in many places by standing water.—Frank Road, of St. Joseph, a shoemaker, is serving thirty days in the county jail for abusing his family.

He broke the arm of one of his little children.

[Niles Republican, March 8.]

George B. Sullivan, a young lawyer of Dowagiac, was found dead near the side-track at Pokagon, yesterday afternoon. Mr. Sullivan was in this city on Monday and argued a suit before Judge Barron, leaving his office about 5 o'clock in the afternoon. He was in Pokagon on Tuesday, and it is supposed that he missed the train and started to walk home. His body was found by some boys about 3 o'clock yesterday morning, lying on the ground. He broke the arm of one of his little children.

[Niles Democrat.]

The Studebaker Bros. Manufacturing Co., of South Bend, have recently purchased fifty-seven acres of land adjoining that city known as the Swygart place, and are about to build a large factory there. The land is owned by Hon. Henry A. Peed, of the Plymouth Democrat, has purchased it, and will conduct the business of the office as heretofore. Chas. E. Murry retires.

[Berrien Springs Journal.]

So high were the drifts of snow between here and Buchanan last Monday and Tuesday, travel was entirely suspended. Several teams made the attempt to go over the road, but failed, and in one instance team, sleigh and driver had to be left on one of the drifts. Supervisor H. K. Glasgow, from the commonwealth of Kansas, is known as the "joker" of the board and amuses that body (at the rate of \$60 a day) with his jokes "just to keep the newspapers howling." In all probability the average tax-payer will fail to see where the jokes come in.

Locals.

The GRANGE STORE is not dead yet. Come in and see the new stock of Fancy Groceries.

Plenty of Potatoes at BARMORE BROS.

KINYON is getting in a new stock of Crocker and Glassware.

A new stock of Dry Goods expected daily at the GRANGE STORE. \$1,000 worth of Clothing just received from New York.

WEAVER & CO.

Unlaundried Shirts very cheap at HIGHS.

Call at TRENBETH's tailoring rooms for good work and nice fits.

The nicest line of coffee in the market, at BARMORE BROS.

Money to loan on farm lands, for 1 to 5 years at 7 per cent. For particulars enquire of E. M. FLIMPTON.

Having numerous calls for vaccination, I have just received fresh vaccine virus. Those wishing vaccination should call immediately.

L. W. BAKER, M. D.

Full line of Dress Trimmings at HIGHS.

KINYON's New Baker is making splendid bread.

The Noblest Low Shoes in town at J. K. WOODS.

Another nice line of Hanging Lamps at BARMORE BROS.

Our Breadbreads have arrived, only at HIGHS.

Plenty of fresh Pan Cakes, Pop Corn Balls, etc., constantly on hand at KINYON'S.

Boys, call and see the new Spring Styles of Men's Low Shoes, at J. K. WOODS.

32 rolls of Wall Paper sold to one man Wednesday, at HIGHS.

KINYON is still waging war on high prices.

