

Business Directory.

SOCIETIES.

O. O. F.—Buchanan Lodge No. 75 holds its regular meeting at Odd Fellows Hall, on each Tuesday evening.

F. & A. M.—Buchanan Lodge No. 68 holds its regular meeting on Monday night at 8 o'clock in the hall on each month.

P. O. F.—Buchanan Grange No. 40 meets on the second and fourth Saturday of each month at 2 o'clock.

L. O. G. T.—Buchanan Lodge No. 856 holds its regular meeting on each Monday evening.

G. A. R.—Wm. Perrott Post No. 22. Regular meeting on the first and third Wednesday evening of each month. Visiting comrades always welcome.

ATTORNEY.

VAN RIVER & WORTHINGTON, Attorneys and Counselors at Law, and Solicitors in Chancery. Office in Buchanan Building, Buchanan, Michigan.

THORNTON HALL, Attorney and Counselor at Law and Solicitor in Chancery. Office in Buchanan Building, Buchanan, Michigan.

EMERY, Attorney and Counselor at Law and Solicitor in Chancery. Office in Buchanan Building, Buchanan, Michigan.

PHYSICIAN.

E. S. DODD, M. D., Physician and Surgeon. Office in Buchanan Building, Buchanan, Michigan.

D. R. LEWIS, M. D., Physician and Surgeon. Office in Buchanan Building, Buchanan, Michigan.

M. S. E. ANDERSON, M. D., Physician and Surgeon. Office in Buchanan Building, Buchanan, Michigan.

M. W. SLOCUM, Homoeopathic Physician and Surgeon. Office in Buchanan Building, Buchanan, Michigan.

THEODORE H. SPRENG, M. D., and from 1 to 3 and 4th Sts., Office on Main street, Buchanan, Michigan.

D. R. HENDERSON, Physician and Surgeon. Office on J. K. Wood's street. Residence, corner of Portage and Sixth streets.

DENTISTS.

J. M. WILSON, Dentist. Office, first door north of station.

J. G. MANFIELD, Operative Dentist. All work done at the lowest prices. Rooms in Kingston's building.

JOHN W. BEISTLE, Dentist. Rooms over J. G. Manfield's. All work warranted. Also, a complete set of dental machinery.

DRUGGISTS.

D. E. S. DODD & SON, Practical Druggists. Office in Buchanan Building, Buchanan, Michigan.

W. WESTON, Practical Druggist, dealer in Drugs, Stationery & C. and S. of Buchanan, Mich.

INSURANCE.

W. A. PALMER, Notary Public, Fire and Life Insurance, and Real Estate Agent. Office in Buchanan Building, Buchanan, Michigan.

BARNES' MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE CO. OF BUCHANAN, Mich. Office in Buchanan Building, Buchanan, Michigan.

MANUFACTURERS.

DOUGLAS BROS., Wagon Works. Manufacturers of the Buchanan Wagon, and all kinds of wagons, also Light Trucks. Wide tread wheels a specialty. Send for price list.

BUCHANAN MANUFACTURING COMPANY. Manufacturers of the Buchanan Wagon, and all kinds of wagons, also Light Trucks. Wide tread wheels a specialty. Send for price list.

THE VICTOR HAT RACK CO. Wholesale Manufacturers of Hat Racks.

THE COLLAR PAD CO., sole proprietors and manufacturers of Collar Pads. Buchanan, Mich.

BUCHANAN WINDMILL CO., Windmills, Pumps and all kinds of machinery. Office in Buchanan Building, Buchanan, Michigan.

W. H. TALBOT, Machinist, Engines, Thrashers, and all kinds of machinery. Office in Buchanan Building, Buchanan, Michigan.

B. T. MURLEY, Steam Foundry and Agricultural Machinery. Office in Buchanan Building, Buchanan, Michigan.

HENRY BLODGETT, Manufacturer of Building, Lumber and Pavement Brick. Yard in Buchanan Building, Buchanan, Michigan.

JOHN WEISBERGER, Manufacturer of Lumber. Office in Buchanan Building, Buchanan, Michigan.

W. O. CHURCHILL, Dealer in Lumber, Lath, Lime and General Building. Office in Buchanan Building, Buchanan, Michigan.

W. TRENBETH, Merchant Tailor. Office in Buchanan Building, Buchanan, Michigan.

MILLERS.

L. P. FOX, Proprietor of Buchanan and Rural Mills. Office in Buchanan Building, Buchanan, Michigan.

KINGERY & MARBLE, Proprietors of Indian Reserve Mill. Office in Buchanan Building, Buchanan, Michigan.

CLOTHING, BOOTS & SHOES.

W. E. WOODS, Dealer in Boots and Shoes. Office in Buchanan Building, Buchanan, Michigan.

WEAVER & CO., Dealers in Clothing, Hats, Caps, Gaiters, Furnishings and all kinds of goods. Office in Buchanan Building, Buchanan, Michigan.

GEORGE W. NOBLE, General Dealer in Boots & Shoes, Men's, Boys' and Youth's Clothing. Office in Buchanan Building, Buchanan, Michigan.

DRY GOODS.

P. & C. G. HIGG, Dry Goods. Office in Buchanan Building, Buchanan, Michigan.

GROCERS.

BREATH & REDDEN, Dealers in Staple and Fancy Groceries, Crockery, Stoneware and all kinds of household goods. Office in Buchanan Building, Buchanan, Michigan.

W. A. H. HOP, Dealer in Groceries, Dry Goods, Crockery and all kinds of household goods. Office in Buchanan Building, Buchanan, Michigan.

BUTCHERS.

S. TOURNE, Proprietor Tremont Market. Office in Buchanan Building, Buchanan, Michigan.

W. D. GROSS, Proprietor of Central Meat Market. Office in Buchanan Building, Buchanan, Michigan.

MISCELLANEOUS.

RETI & STILWELL, Largest Stock of Wall Paper and Ceiling Decorations. Office in Buchanan Building, Buchanan, Michigan.

GEORGE CHURCHILL, Contractor and Builder. Office in Buchanan Building, Buchanan, Michigan.

HARRY BARNES, News Dealer and Stationer. Office in Buchanan Building, Buchanan, Michigan.

BUCHANAN MARBLE WORKS. Office in Buchanan Building, Buchanan, Michigan.

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FARMERS & MANUFACTURERS BANK, Buchanan, Mich. All business entrusted to this bank will receive prompt and personal attention. Wm. Pease, Pres.; Geo. H. Richards, Vice Pres.; A. F. Ross, Cashier.

W. O. HAMILTON, Milk Dairy. Delivers Milk in all parts of the corporation daily. Residence, end of Front street.

D. MONTGOMERY, Grainer and Decorator. May be found at Sew's Paper Store.

Buchanan Music School.

(Redden's Block.)

Piano, Organ, Guitar, Clarinet, Saxophone, Cornet, Violin, Viola and Double Bass.

Through Bass, Harmonium, and Instrumentation taught in a thorough and systematic manner. Plans and Military Bands organized and perfected. Music arranged to order for any instrument or combination of instruments.

Agents for Pianos, Organs and General Musical Merchandise. Organ and piano on easy monthly payments or cash.

V. E. DAVID.

Box 241.

BEST BUILDING BRICK.

—AND—

Improved Brick and Tiling Kiln.

I am now prepared to furnish the

Best Brick

the market affords. Also

FIRST-CLASS TILING

ranging in size from two to eight inches.

Call and see my brick and get prices.

HENRY BLODGETT.

JACOB F. HAHN,

THE RELIABLE

UNDERTAKER

Has recently refitted his establishment, and put in a fine stock of

Caskets and Coffins.

Of the latest designs and at the most reasonable prices. Anything in the line can be prepared in a few hours. Fancy Cloth Covered Caskets a specialty.

BURIAL ROBES,

Of many varieties and styles always in stock, and prices warranted as low as anywhere in the East.

A Fine Hearse

Always ready to attend funerals, and furnished with short notice.

Before Village Sexton my time is at the disposal of those wishing to purchase lots in Oak Ridge Cemetery, and at all times ready to assist in locating or showing lots to customers.

Remember that I have had over thirty years experience in this business and thoroughly understand it. When in need of my services my time and skill are at your service.

J. F. HAHN.

Oak Street first door south of Engine House.

SCOTT & ROWNFIELD

Have moved their large stock of

Boots and Shoes

—IN DIIHOFF'S—

DAY-LIGHT STORE ROOM.

And are ready to show a full stock of

BOOTS, SHOES,

RUBBER GOODS.

Come and See Us,

—AND YOU CAN—

SAVE MONEY BY BUYING OF US.

Don't forget the place—four doors east of the Post Office.

SCOTT & BROWNFIELD.

SALES

AT

AUCTION!

All parties wishing the services of a first-class auctioneer would do well to call on

CHARLEY EVANS.

Satisfaction guaranteed. Rates as low as any other good salesman. Residence, Buchanan, Michigan.

LORILLARD'S Giant 10 ct

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Plowshare the lead.

Ask your

PLUG Dealer for it.

FOR THE BEST

JOB PRINTING,

CALL AT THE

Record Steam Printing House

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BITTERS

THE BEST TONIC.

This medicine, combining with pure vegetable tonic, and is a complete cure for Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Weakness, Nervousness, Headache, and all the ailments of the stomach and bowels.

It is a powerful remedy for Diseases of the Kidneys and Liver.

It is a powerful remedy for Diseases of the Women, and all who lead sedentary lives.

It does not injure the taste, cause headache or other symptoms, and is a complete cure for all the ailments of the stomach and bowels.

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FARMER JOY'S "ARRANTIN".

The jolliest farmer was Ephraim Joy, Gray-headed and bent, with the heart of a boy.

He whistled all day as he ploughed or mowed; He halted each neighbor upon the road; He patted his cat and called every one by some comical name for the sake of the fun.

He sang at his milking and pitching his hay; He always was sunny, whatever the day.

He carried his cream to the neighboring town; Three days in the week he rode up and down, Still singing or whistling or resting his team After climbing the hills and crossing the stream.

Not a single house did he ever pass by Without stopping horse and waiting to cry, "Well, neighbor, anything new any way? I've got a new recipe for the day."

And all the farmers who ploughed along With never a smile or a note of a song, Who never found time to get out the "shay," And take wife and children off for a day, Who thought it was queer in old Ephraim Joy.

To be jolly and merry—so much like a boy, Were all very glad, when he went up and down.



Down goes the price on Boots, Shoes, Clothing, Hats, Caps, Gents' Furnishing Goods. We wish to close out our entire Winter Stock to be ready for a big Stock for Spring. A big slaughter on Overcoats.

G. W. NOBLE.



1886, to-morrow.
TURN the new leaf to-morrow.

THREE OAKS creamery is in successful operation.

MISS GRACE LOOMIS, of Chicago, is visiting here.

We wish you all as happy New Year as we intend to have.

SETTLING up time for all kinds of business next week.

HARVE ROUGH captured the greased pig at the rink, Christmas.

THE Supervisors meet in Berrien Springs next Wednesday.

H. A. CHAPIN has bought the old Larimore drug block, in Niles.

W. H. PEAK is once more high chief of a minstrel company.

Yes, we would all like sleighing better, but this is an open winter.

MR. F. T. PLIMPTON is home for a holiday visit.

BENTON HARBOR has an orchestra of six pieces, just organized.

ST. JOSEPH and Benton Harbor street railway stock is quoted at \$1.05.

PROSPECTS for the ice crop are not among the best this winter.

CELEBRITY raising is being experimented with at St. Joseph.

NAOMI U. B. Church has been robbed of its wood pile.

THE firm of Sanson & Pierce dissolved to-day, Harry Pierce retiring from the firm.

DOGS have been slaughtering sheep in the vicinity of Coloma. Shoot 'em.

DR. L. Q. SPALDING, of Carroll, Iowa, is here for a visit with his people, in this township.

REMEMBER the series of meetings in Kinyon's hall, commencing next Monday. See notice.

BROTHER COOK gives an interesting account of his first experience at office seeking.

MR. H. C. FRENCH and family, of Cassopolis, were in this place over Sunday, for a visit.

THERE were four "Best Christmas trees in the county" in Buchanan Christmas eve.

THE Sun wants a musical concert in Three Oaks. What kind have you been having?

MR. AND MRS. ORA REMINGTON, of Marcellus, were in Buchanan Christmas eve.

THE first volume of Grant's memoirs is being delivered to subscribers in this county.

MICHIGAN CITY has lately been blessed with the location of glass works there.

THE time for paying your taxes with one per cent. collection fee expires to-day.

MR. AND MRS. M. A. ROE, of Chicago, are in Buchanan for a few days' visit with relatives.

THERE appears to be some dissatisfaction with our open winter. Who ever heard of everybody being pleased?

BENTON HARBOR picklers have set their stakes at 20,000 bushels of pickles for next year.

HENRY WARD BEECHER will lecture in St. Joseph for K. O. T. M. some time in January or February.

RAILROAD excitement is still at high pitch along the line between Benton Harbor and Kalamazoo.

MISS EDIE FOX is home from her school, at Morgan Park, Ill., for a vacation.

DANIEL FERDINAND BOMBERSCHEN, P. M., is the signature of one of the good Democratic citizens of Three Oaks.

GRUBBEN MOSS, formerly of Galien, takes the place of the fallen Markham as agent of the Wabash railroad company at Berrien Centre.

"OUR Little Ones" is a great favorite among the children. Subscriptions taken at this office, clubbed with the RECORD at reduced rates.

EAU CLAIRE is so sure of the county seat that that part of town in which it is to be located has been christened Court House Hill.

CAPT. DAN SHERMAN, of Niles, has been elected Grand Marshal of the Select Knights of A. O. U. W., with brigade headquarters in Niles.

AFTER this date the Buchanan Music School will be supplied with a stock of new pianos and organs, which will be kept on sale.

As usual the several markets of this place made extra displays of well-fatted meats, for Christmas, some of which are hard to beat.

THE Baker family, not a very small one, studied Turkish anatomy at the pleasant home of Dr. L. W. Baker, Christmas.

MARRIED.—At the residence of the bride's mother, Dec. 24, Mr. George Anderson and Miss Fidelity Nash, Rev. C. G. Thomas officiating.

OUR Berrien Centre correspondence, last week, reached us just in time to be too late. Letters mailed on Thursday are pretty late in reaching us.

MR. UNION HANOVER, of Weesaw, has gone to Hamilton, Iowa, where he expects to establish his home for the future.

BERRIEN SPRINGS people appear to object to the removal of the county seat. Don't blame 'em. We would too if we lived there, and may do so any day.

GOOD roads have been the means of keeping Buchanan well filled with teams, and business good the past few days. Good sleighing would be an improvement all would be pleased to see.

LAST of letters remaining uncalled for in the post-office at Buchanan, Mich., for the week ending Dec. 31: Rose, Mr. B. D.

L. P. ALEXANDER, P. M.

THE annual convention of the Berrien County Sabbath School Association has been postponed till February. Due notice will be given of date.

W. A. SEVERSON.

ELDER Wm. M. ROE has been called to Ohio to spend a few days, and will be unable to fill the pulpit of the Christian church in Buchanan next Sunday.

MARRIED.—Mr. Joseph Boucher, of California, and Miss Mary A. Partridge, of this place, were married at the Major house last Saturday, by Rev. C. G. Thomas.

WE learn that some of Buchanan's young men will spend New Year's day in Chicago. It is also stated that the Sylvester Sisters give an exhibition in Chicago that day.

It is remarked incidentally that Niles is determined that Buchanan shall not have the county seat, if she "never lays up a cent." Sorry. We thought all of the time that we were sure of it.

WITHOUT any joking, we are at last able to say that the Vandavia railroad will reach Benton Harbor before the close of next year.—The IVedgie.

That interests us, but we have thought so for some time.

THE Benton Harbor Palladium of last week contained a letter from Hiram F. Strong, well known here, dated Calcutta, India, Nov. 13. It is having a good time seeing the world in a business trip.

THE lads and lasses must enjoy themselves in their midnight "serenading" parties, but old puritanic methods would require them to be at their homes at such hours.

MRS. CHARLES SHEPARD and daughter Grace, from Kansas, are visiting in this vicinity, the guest of Arthur Allen and family. They are on their way to New York for an extended visit.

ADVERTISEMENTS are not quite so plenty this week as last. They will return to their places in many weeks. Buchanan business men are good advertisers, and those who advertise most prosper best.

BUT few better examples of the truth of saying that great minds will differ, are found than in the question of the removal of the county seat. The changes of sentiment appear to vary with locality in this case.

BUCHANAN GLO Club has covered itself with glory. They went to Dowagiac, Friday, and played a game, each with the Niles and Dowagiac clubs, in all six games, of which the Buchanan boys managed to capture one.

MARRIED.—Mr. Harry Sterrett and Miss Little Noble were married in this place Dec. 25, Elder J. H. Finney officiating. They departed at once for Chicago, where they are now comfortably located at housekeeping.

THE RECORD office foreman was remembered by Banghart Bros., of Chicago, wholesale cigar dealers, on Christmas, with a box of fine cigars, for which he returns thanks. Ten centers are rather "rich for his blood," gentlemen.

THE owners of the Benton Harbor and St. Joseph street railway talk of applying electricity as a motive power for their cars, and have been to South Bend to investigate the electric system there.

THE test of getting up steam with the fire steamer in short time was satisfactorily made Friday afternoon, and resulted satisfactorily to the fire company. From the time the torch was applied until a stream of water was flowing from a nozzle and fifty feet of hose, was less than 3½ minutes. The engine was started with ten pounds of steam, and gained in pressure while running. The company conclude that they have the operating of the Silsby engine down to a pretty fine point. The experiment shows Mr. Koontz's arrangement for warming the water to be a success.

CHRISTMAS eve a collection of money was made among those standing in Wood's drug store. The amount was turned over to the Supervisor, next day, and he so divided it as to give a good feast of meat to 47 persons, who rarely eat of the best cuts.

THE Hubbard Music Company of New York is preparing to give a concert and course of lessons in rudiments of music and voice culture, in this place in the near future. They come highly recommended.

ONCE more it is reported that the Michigan Central company has fully decided to erect a new passenger house in Niles the coming season. There can be no doubt of the need of one at that place. The temporary shed has done service long and well.

ONE postmaster in this county evidently holds office for life or during good behavior. He was appointed by President Buchanan, and has held the office continuously ever since, and as he is a pretty well behaved man is likely to continue doing so.

A. O. KOONTZ has been taking extra care of one of his hands the past few days. He scalded it while working around an engine, and this was followed by the appearance of a couple of Job's comforters. He has our sympathy, with all of its curative qualities.

\$2.60 will pay for the RECORD and American Agriculturist. Full price for both \$3. Then if you will take the daily Inter-Ocean and Harper's weekly Bazar, or monthly Magazine, we can save you more than the cost of the RECORD in the subscriptions of all. Subscribe.

THE last number of the School Period contained a half sheet supplement, on account of a crowd of Whittier day matter. The Period, although a new enterprise for the school, is one of value, if too great a portion of the editorial work be not assumed by the teachers.

WRITE a number are heard asking why our county tax is so high. If they will consider for a moment the great expense of the trial of the McCrone murder case, amounting to a number of thousand dollars above our usual expenses, they will not need ask the question again.

FATAL FALL.—Mrs. Christiana Mutchler, for thirty-five years a citizen of this vicinity, fell down the cellar-way at the home of her son, Mr. Chas. Mutchler, in the north part of this township, Monday evening, and broke her neck. She was seventy-six years of age.

BENTON HARBOR people are so quiet about their movements to secure the county seat that they caution the village papers to say nothing about the meetings held. The Supervisors will doubtless vote to submit to the people what appears to them the best proposition before them, be it Benton Harbor or New Buffalo.

THE compilations show that since last January there were shipped from Benton Harbor 1,500,000 packages of berries and grapes, 500,000 bushels of apples, 200,000 bushels of potatoes, and 14,000 barrels of cider. The value of the entire produce is estimated to have brought \$1,250,000.

THE St. Joseph Republican states that the owners of the steamer Dix have bought the Sister Lakes pleasure resort of Elias Pardee, and will boom the place for all they are worth, the coming season. Passengers from Chicago to Sister Lakes, all aboard! Stop at St. Joseph fifteen minutes for supper.

ELECTION.—The following officers of Buchanan Lodge No. 75, I. O. O. F., were elected Tuesday evening: Dr. R. Henderson, N. G. Elias Eaton, Jr., V. G. J. H. Paul, R. Sec. J. C. Dick, P. Sec. Allen Emerson, Treas. Allen Emerson, R. to G. L. B. D. Harper, Trustee.

A LIVING curiosity was recently captured in this place, and its wings clipped. It was a young man about eighteen years of age, who has lived in this county all of his life, of ordinary intelligence, and good looking, but until last week had neither seen nor heard a piano, and did not know what it was when he did see one. Berrien county is not the most remote part of the world, either.

SOLD.—Geo. W. Fox has sold his grocery and produce business to Aaron Miller and Chas. Hoffman, who take possession to-day. George has discovered an opportunity to go west and help the country grow up, and thinks hell go. The new firm will take George's place in the wheat market.

A LARGE supply of stationery, fine papers, cards, envelopes, new styles of job type, fancy colored inks, and a new devil have been recently added to our facilities for doing all kinds of work in the printing line. Call, if you are in need of anything of that kind, from a single line to a poster as large as the side of a barn, and you shall have it, at our own price.

A MINSTREL company, made up of the colored population of Buchanan, with an imported star, is among the possible enterprises of the future. They are certain of a good clog, and of the King of bass, for when Cyrus E. lets his voice down to the bottom notch it makes the window rattle.

BURGERS got in a little work in this place Sunday night. They went into Harvey Rough's room, and taking his pants and vest into the parlor proceeded to examine the pockets. They found a \$1 bill in the vest pocket and left \$15 in the pants. Harvey was awakened, but did not pull, lest he hurt some one. Faint heart never killed a burglar. At C. Bishop's they took his clothes into the front yard to examine them, and found \$2. John Bishop came home about that time and disturbed their operations. They visited Mr. J. J. Van Riper's house but failed to find an open window, and were frightened away by a small dog in the house.

DEMOCRATIC opinion on the appointment of Capt. Edwards to Niles post-office appears to be somewhat muddled. The Democrat says the appointment is a good one, and gives general satisfaction, while the Mirror says it is not a good one, and does not give general satisfaction. There is a—a—mistake out somewhere, surely.

THE Niles Republican seems to think that the fact that buttermilk is sold for five cents a gallon in Berrien Springs will not save to that place the county seat. "Mebbe so." Perhaps. By the way, Major, did you ever see a Niles lawyer pouring cold buttermilk down his throat, and notice the smile that floats over his face as he licks his chops over the last drop? The influence we fear will be a strong one.

DON'T fail to attend the New Year supper and social by the Junior and Senior classes of the High School, at the rooms of Buchanan Music School, to-morrow evening. A good program has been arranged and a good supper will be served. Go, and make the occasion profitable both to yourself and to the members.

AMONG the ornaments of which the village of Buchanan should be proud, especially in wet weather, is the walk along the north side of Front street, between the foundry and Black & Willard's shop. The ladies can have so much fun wading along there in the mud, knee deep, or less. A foot or so more of mud drawn in there would doubtless be an improvement.

PARENTS, do you know where your girls are when they do not come home until midnight, or later, these winter evenings? If you do not you should insist upon the hours of darkness finding them at home. If you did you most certainly would establish such a rule. This is for the benefit of Buchanan parents. By observing this warning you may save yourself and family from trouble.

SUICIDE.—Mr. Frank Shearer, of Ononago township, aged 20 years, committed suicide, Friday, by shooting himself in the head, the ball entering just back of the right ear and lodging against the skull near the center of the forehead. He lived seven hours after. The act was the result of insanity, he having been in the asylum at Kalamazoo for a short time. Mr. Shearer was a young man, well liked by a large circle of acquaintances. The funeral services were conducted at the U. B. church in Berrien Springs, by Eld. J. F. Bartness of this place, Sunday, and was well attended.

THE question of legality of the jury drawn for the January term of court has arisen. The manner prescribed by law for drawing petit jurors is such that it would be an uncommon if not an impossible occurrence to draw an impossible occurrence to draw a juryman from twenty-four township districts and not have all represented. There is one way out of it. The clerk may have found some man in Buchanan who is either crazy or does not live here. We do not know of any such being on his list.

SOME of the members of the Christian church in this place object to our notice, published a few weeks since, of the Cass county preacher who was arrested for incest, because we classed him as a Campbellite, when he was not. We had the authority of the Cassopolis dispatch to a Chicago paper that he is, and now have the word of these gentlemen that he is not. We will not say which church he does belong to, lest we injure the feelings of that organization, but apologize by saying that if he be not a christian, we wish he were.

THE week of prayer had its origin in the heart of an earnest and devoted Missionary to India, who in his great burden of soul for missions and the conversion of the world, and believing that "The fervent effectual prayer of the righteous man availeth much," besought the church universal to set apart a time for earnest prayer for the cause of missions and the final triumph of the gospel of Christ, hence the yearly observance of the week of prayer by God's people, believing in missionary work, around the world. And all, without respect to name or sect, who are in sympathy with the thought and spirit of the week of prayer, are earnestly solicited to unite with us in its observance this year. The first service will be held in the Methodist church, Sunday evening, Jan. 3, 1886, sermon by Rev. H. V. Warren, on the assigned topic, "Occupy till I come." The place and topics will be announced from night to night.

C. G. THOMAS, Pastor of the M. E. Church.

H. V. WARREN, Pastor of the Presbyterian church.

Nuptial.

Elder J. F. Bartness was called to Niles, Dec. 23, to perform the marriage ceremony of Rev. E. N. Prentice and Miss Aralia Christner, of Noble, county, Ind. The marriage took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Round. Among the invited guests were Revs. L. F. Wilkinson and J. A. Weber, Evangelists. A most excellent dinner was prepared by Mrs. Round, of which all partook with a relish. After a pleasant exchange of thought with many kind words and wishes for the newly wedded pair, and an earnest prayer offered by Mr. Weber, the company dispersed, all feeling it was good to be there.

Now comes a pleasant idea from the north end of the county. It is that Benton Harbor and St. Joseph double teams to secure the county seat, and when they get it plant it in the bottomless swamp half way between the two towns, in Benton Harbor village and St. Joseph township. Not a bad idea. There is about as great a probability of it being done as there is of Buchanan and Niles joining hands for the same purpose, and then place it at the old distillery grounds. That such an arrangement would be a grand thing for both places and go further toward uniting the two villages as one city than any other thing that could be done at this time, there can be no doubt. First the county seat and then combined railroad accommodations. Castles in the air.

THE Christmas trees in this place were well laden, and the churches well filled. At the M. E. Church tree, the Pastor was presented with a fine patent rocker, and his wife with a silver cake and berry dish containing five berries, each one of them resembling a silver dollar so nearly that they will pass as such. At the Advent tree, Mr. Jerome Beistle received an elegant album, a present from the Sunday School.

NOTICE.—A series of meetings will be held by Elder E. C. Briggs, from Chicago, and Elder Hiram Rathbun, from Lansing, at Kinyon's hall, in Buchanan, commencing on Monday evening, Jan. 4, 1886. Meetings will commence at 7 P. M. Come one, come all. E. C. BRIGGS, HIRAM RATHBURN, Ministers of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

FROM BERRIEN CENTRE.

December 30, 1885.

Mr. Thomas Evans and wife returned on Christmas eve from a pleasant visit at Westerville, Ohio.

Mr. Arthur Uhley came home on Thursday last from Hahnemann Medical College, Chicago, to spend the holidays.

The genial face of our former townsman, Mr. W. P. Harmon, of Benton Harbor, was observed in our village on Tuesday morning.

Miss Adah Harmon, of Warsaw, Ind., is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. G. W. Wymann.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Rapp are happy over the advent of a little girl born the 23d inst.

Mr. Levi Roden has taken to himself a wife, a Mrs. Tilletson, of Benton Harbor.

Mr. Arthur Dean, of Pipestone, will move back to his father's place, in order to farm for him, Mr. Jas. Dean's grandson, Osgood A. Fifield, having purchased the Johnston farm lying just west of Berrien Springs, where he will shortly commence tilling the soil upon his own account.

By reason of the sudden illness of his wife, Elder J. F. Bartness was obliged to close his meetings at Maple Grove and go home. Although no immediate accessions were the result of the preaching, much good seed was sown.

Mr. Max Bartness, of Elkhardt, Ind., spent Sunday in this vicinity, visiting former acquaintances.

Berrien Centre Corn-Band elected officers and reorganized at their last regular meeting. This band was first organized in 1869, with Mr. W. P. Harmon as leader since which time many members have come and gone, but rarely have they missed holding their regular meetings, and still find themselves firmly united.

During the past season, Miller & Pelter have shipped from this point 1,387 head of hogs, aggregating near \$36,500 pounds. Besides these, several carloads of sheep were sent away by them.

THREE OAKS ITEMS.

Dec. 28, 1885.

The hum of machinery in the Featherbone and Whip factories has ceased, in order to give the employees opportunity to eat the holiday turkeys, go sparking, and get married. They are putting in good time.

The creamery is making "bread kivering" by steam, and the butcher is turning out ground hog by the same motive power, and our young and enterprising township treasurer is discounting time, and so moves business in Three Oaks.

Health of the surrounding country good, with an occasional death from acute disease. A Mrs. Love, a German woman, wife and mother, was thus removed from us last week. Only sick two days. The deceased was a good neighbor and a good woman. We can speak from a personal knowledge, having lived neighbor to deceased several years. The family have our most hearty sympathy. The remains were conveyed to the Riverside cemetery, in Chikaming, accompanied by the largest procession we have seen in this place for years.

Some of our citizens, thinking that they possessed some musical talent, undertook to serenade the town on Christmas eve. The next day the President of this village called the council together to inquire whether or not the Charter provided for the killing of cats that disturb the peace of the village after bed-time. If repeated, it was determined to *kill* in the leader.

The post-office is still in Republican hands, and all who wish to encourage Republican principles should do their post business this week, as the office will pass into the enemy's possession, Jan. 1.

Dance in Town Hall Christmas eve, and from all appearances there must have been a drug store, in rear of hall, and near at hand. The citizens would not object to druggists selling whisky for medicinal purposes, if they would take out of it before sale all the obscene and profane properties. Anyone on our streets at a late hour, on the night referred to, would naturally think Three Oaks whisky was full of them.

Several of our nice girls are on the lookout for a beau who does not find it necessary to keep pockets filled with trix.

[St. Joseph Republican.]

James Monroe, formerly U. S. marshal for this district, is talking of starting a national bank at Benton Harbor. J. M. Almondinger and family, of Benton Harbor, were nearly suffocated by gas from a coal stove, one night last week. The gas having moved out over the river on Thursday the steam May Graham was brought down from Yellow Creek, where she has been frozen in for the past two weeks, and she is now tied up in the canal. In coming through the draw of the railway bridge the strong current forced her over against one of the abutments and she struck it with such force as to jam her bow up in a bad shape. The damage will be easily repaired, however, and during the winter she receives a thorough overhauling.

[Benton Harbor Wedge.]

The committee appointed from the Board of Supervisors to decide on the question of the Haine case met at Berrien Springs on Monday, and as a result of their deliberations it is to be tried again for the murder of John McCrone. It is not yet decided where the next trial will take place, but it is thought that the case will be taken out of this county and tried at Paw Paw in the county seat of Van Buren County.

This action of the Board of Supervisors is gratifying to all lovers of justice, as it was feared the case would drag along and be finally dropped altogether. Haine succeeded in the last trial in proving, or attempting to prove that he and Billington were not in this place on the night the murder was committed; but new evidence will be forthcoming at the next trial sufficient to effectually disprove his alibi. Edward Brant will build a grain elevator at Coloma next spring.

State Items.

Detroit celebrated Christmas with two murders.

Clarence King, of near Port Huron, fooled with a gun, and is minus his good right hand to pay for it.

Hartford expects to invest in a steam fire engine and will decide between a Silsby and a Rumsey.

Henry French, of Adamsville, severed an artery in his forearm, while butchering hogs, and nearly bled to death.

The appointment mill in the white house seems to have stopped grinding to see what the disappointment mill in the senate will do.—Philadelphia News.

Burglars entered four or five houses at Cassopolis Saturday and Sunday nights and secured a good deal of loose money and jewelry.

Mrs. Rachel Garwood, of Pokagon township, Cass co., an old and esteemed lady fell in a fit while sitting before an open fire, yesterday, and was burned so that she died in a few hours.—Evening News.

A Wayne county Deputy Sheriff sued the Detroit Evening Journal for libel, asking for \$10,000, and has just been given a verdict by the jury for \$300. The case will go to the Supreme Court.

Cassopolis is to have a creamery with a capacity of 1500 pounds of butter per day. The time is short when there will be a surplus of creameries and butter in this county.

The Barker murder case in Van Buren county has gone to the Supreme Court, and while there is no question of guilt, and the guilty ones are all in prison, the citizens of that county have great fear of a reversal by that Court, and a new trial ordered.

Locals.

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