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WALL

PAPER!

J. R. Rauch & Son have added a wall paper department to their store, and have just received an entirely new stock all the very latest patterns, which they will sell at from 10 to 35 cents per double roll. If you are going to paper your house this spring, call and see what we have.

Respectfully,

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THE QUESTION

OF DIVIDING THE TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH IS AGAIN BEING DISCUSSED.

It is an Important Matter and Should be Dealt With Carefully.

The question of dividing the township of Plymouth into two townships is again being considered and discussed by a number of our citizens. The plan is to petition the legislature and endeavor to secure the passage of a bill to this effect, but the idea of secrecy in the matter meets with prompt disapproval.

The MAIL Editor has talked with several taxpayers and finds them to be divided on the subject. While some believe there are many good arguments in favor of a division, others do not see any advantage to be derived therefrom.

The idea seems to be prevalent in this end of the township that there should not be the slightest tinge of secrecy in a matter of such vital importance to every taxpayer in the township. It is a serious question and should not be rushed through in a minute.

It is certainly unfair and creates a feeling of distrust in the minds of the people to attempt to obtain a desired end when less than one in fifty of the people who should be interested are not aware of the scheme.

By all means let us be just in this matter. Let the question be discussed freely and openly by the citizens of the township, and in this manner the advantages and disadvantages of a division of the township would be made known.

On account of the fact that this question has arisen several times during the past three or four years and will continue to occupy the minds of the people until satisfactorily settled, the MAIL believes it would be a good idea to get an expression of the voters at the coming spring election. If, at this time, it is decided that a majority favor a division, there will be no trouble in securing the passage of a bill to that effect. If a majority oppose it, the matter will probably be dropped. Every voter should have a voice in the settlement of questions of this nature.

Another plan, if it is desired that the bill be acted upon at the present session of the legislature, would be to circulate petitions throughout the township and give every tax-payer a chance to sign it. Then if the bill should pass no one would have any occasion to "kick".

The views of the MAIL on the question of dividing the township will be published next week and we will just as cheerfully publish the views of any who oppose a division.

Registration Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Registration of the village of Plymouth will meet at the office of E. P. Lombard on Saturday, March 6th, from 9 a. m. to 8 p. m., for the purpose of completing the registration of electors of said village.

EDWARD C. LAUFFER,
Village Clerk.

Dated Plymouth, Mich., Feb. 19, '97.

Election Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the regular annual election of the village of Plymouth will be held at the village hall Monday, March 8th from 7 a. m. to 5 p. m., when the electors will vote for a president, clerk, treasurer, 3 trustees and assessor for full terms.

EDWARD C. LAUFFER,
Village Clerk.

Dated, Plymouth, Mich., Feb. 19, '97.

THE PRESIDENTS DAILY ROUTINE

General Harrison Writes of "A Day With the President at His Desk."

Ex-President Harrison has written of "A Day With the President at His Desk" for the March Ladies' Home Journal. The article is said to be singularly interesting in the detail with which it describes the wearisome routine of the President. It is said that General Harrison, in this article, has delivered himself with great directness and vigor, relative to the annoyances that are visited upon a Chief Executive by persistent office seekers, and he suggests a unique plan, by which the President's burdens in that direction could be greatly lightened, and he is enabled to devote more attention to more important matters. A feature of the article that will have a timely interest to those ambitious to serve the country under the incoming administration, describes very fully how the President makes appointments to office. "A Day With the President at his desk" is unique in being the first time that the daily life of the President has been described by one who has filled the exalted office. Articles upon the social and domestic life of the President by General Harrison will follow in successive issues of the Journal.

ACCUSED

OF BEING IMPLICATED IN THE MURDER OF JAMES RICHARDS.

Three Plymouth Boys Arrested and Taken to Ann Arbor.

The excitement in Plymouth during the past two weeks has been intense, and especially so since last Saturday night when William Larkins, Ed Lyon and Rupert Jones, all of Plymouth and well known in this vicinity, were taken to Ann Arbor by Marshal Peterson and two deputy sheriffs and lodged in the county jail on suspicion of being implicated in the murder of James Richards.

Mr. Richards was murdered and robbed in his home in Dixboro, near Ann Arbor, two weeks ago last Saturday night. The event was shrouded in mystery until a clue brought the detectives to Plymouth where they remained for several days picking up evidence and keeping a close eye on the suspected parties.

Saturday night Marshal Peterson concluded that the evidence he had secured would justify him in making the arrests which he did.

The boys were taken to Ann Arbor and locked up. The next day they were placed in the sweat box and questioned but failed to disclose anything that would strengthen a belief in their guilt.

The examination was set for Thursday and a number from here drove over to Ann Arbor to attend, but on account of a rush of business on the part of the prosecuting attorney, the examination was postponed until March 9. The accused are all young men under 25 years and unmarried with the exception of Will Larkins who was married about six months ago.

In regard to their whereabouts on the night in question they all seem to agree with slight change in details. Their story is that they started out to have a good time and went to Farmington by the way of Northville and Novi, but were unable to get in anywhere on account of the lateness of the hour.

When the prosecutor and officers will be able to furnish evidence enough to bind them over remains yet to be seen.

The boys were not admitted to bail and consequently will have to remain where they are until the day of hearing.

Geo. A. Starkweather, assisted by two attorneys, are acting as counsel for the defense.

Council Proceedings.

A meeting of the common council of the village of Plymouth was held in the council chamber on Tuesday evening. All the members were present except Trustee Baker.

The following bills were read and referred to the committee on claims and accounts:

John D. Conley	\$101 00
M. A. Patterson	10 00
F. N. Dewey	20 00

Moved and supported that the bills be allowed and an order drawn on the proper funds for the amounts. Carried.

Trustees Robinson and Smitherman and Clerk Lauffer were appointed members of the Board of Registration.

R. L. Root, A. H. Dibble and J. M. Ward were appointed as Board of Election Commissioners.

Trustees Baker and Smitherman were appointed as Election Board.

The clerk's annual report was read and accepted.

Adjourned.

Hannah D. Pennington.

Died, in Livonia, Feb. 12th, 1897, at the home of her childhood, of her womanhood and of her old age, Hannah E. Pennington, wife of the late Lewis Briggs, Esq., in the 77th year of her age.

The deceased was born in the State of New York, April 21st, 1820, and removed from there with her parents to this state.

July 18th, 1839, she was united in marriage with Lewis Briggs. To them two children were born; one son and a daughter, who died in her infancy. The son survives them.

As a wife and mother, the world knew no better. Her friends that are living can testify to her worth as a friend. After years of pain and suffering, shut out from the bright light of day in the last years of her life, could she speak she would say:

"Life's race well run,
Life's work well done,
Life's victory won,
Now comes rest."

Card of Thanks.

To those who so feelingly sympathized with us during the many months of our mother's sickness, and to those who have so kindly assisted us in this our dark hour of affliction, we return our heartfelt thanks.

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Fill a bottle or common glass with urine and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment indicates a diseased condition of the kidneys. When urine stains linen it is positive evidence of kidney trouble. Too frequent desire to urinate or pain in the back, is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

What to do.

There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy fulfills every wish in relieving pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passages. It corrects inability to hold urine and scalding pain in passing it, or has effect following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to get up many times during the night to urinate. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists price fifty cents and one dollar. For a sample bottle and pamphlet, both sent free by mail, mention **THE MAIL** and send your full post-office address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. The proprietors of this paper guarantee the genuineness of this offer. (543)

CORRESPONDENCE.

Newburg

On account of the scarlet fever there will be no church next Sunday.

On account of the prevalence of scarlet fever school has been closed for this week.

Misses Lydia Joy and Mabel Rutter and Mr. Clarence Rutter are in Detroit this week.

Through some error it was stated last week that Mr. Frank Millard was on the sick list. It should have read that he had moved to Detroit.

The Ladies' Aid Society at Wm. Rattenbury's last Friday was unusually well attended, there being about 85 persons present. It was decided to build an addition on the church as soon as possible.

The officers of the Hall Association have decided to hold a special meeting at the hall on Wednesday evening, Feb. 24. All members are requested to be in attendance as business of importance will be transacted.

Miss Martha Williams, of Plymouth, late graduate of Benton Harbor, assisted by the Plymouth high school glee club, will give an entertainment in the Union church at Livonia Center, Friday evening, Feb. 26, 1897. All are invited to attend. Admission 15 cents.

UNCLE RASTUS.

W. O. T. U.

Worthy of Imitation.

Prof. Ed. L. Parmenter, county commissioner of schools, Dickinson county, Vulcan, Mich., has gotten out a circular letter, in which he quotes the supreme court of the United States, Gladstone and others on the evil of drink, gives the scientific temperance law of Michigan and appeals to the parents to help the teachers "by taking an interest in what they are attempting to do for the children, and to aid in making a scrapbook." The teacher is then instructed in part as follows:

An attractive scrapbook is furnished without charge to any teacher applying for it. This consists of two parts, the first for the reception of short articles clipped, copied or condensed from papers, books, etc., relating to the effects of narcotics, especially alcoholic liquors and tobacco. These may include every phase of the subject, from opinions of physicians, etc., to newspaper paragraphs of wrong-doing and harm caused by it. The clippings are to be turned over to a different pupil each week, together with the scrapbook, to be taken home, where the scraps are to be pasted in. In this way the sphere of influence of the scrapbook will be enlarged by being brought to the attention, in turn, of each family represented in the school.

The second part of the book may be devoted to clippings and copied articles, accounts of noble deeds, self-denial, etc.

Essays by the pupils on subjects suggested by part first or part second, on uniform paper, may form a supplementary collection to be added to the scrapbook or kept separately.

For the lower grades suitable pictures will add to the interest.

When complete, the book is the property of the school, and the pupils who had it at home during its incomplete stages may be given the privilege again.

The above shows a real interest in the subject of scientific, temperance instruction. If all superintendents were equally active, there would be no question as to the carrying out of our temperance laws. —Union Signal.

SUPT. OF PRESS.

A Reminder of Army Life.

Mr. Lou Smith, editor of the Commercial, Meyersdale, Pa., says: "A chronic diarrhoea that returns at frequent intervals, as a reminder of army life, has been more effectually controlled by Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy than any other I have ever used. It possesses true merit." For sale by Dr. J. G. Meiler.

ANIMAL LIFE.

Medieval Trials of Animals.

During the Middle Ages, and even later, animals were considered legally responsible for their acts. They were tried for various offences, and if found guilty were convicted and punished. Mules were occasionally deprived of their ears for wrong doing, and this altered the appearance of the animals, whether it improved their morals or not. There was another punishment inflicted on mules which suggests that there was method in the madness of the authorities. A mule which was particularly wicked was made forfeit to the crown, and the king had a corral of asses which could not be equalled for depravity in the world. Occasionally the animals were tried before an ecclesiastical tribunal. Swarms of flies, bees, leeches and other insect pests were often condemned to vacate within a certain time under penalty of "malediction." As a rule, certain sections of the country were set aside to which the condemned animals might retire and live in peace and quiet. A horde of flies that bothered the residents of Mayence were tried once, and escaped punishment because of their small size and extreme youth. Rats one time began eating the barley of France and were tried in court. They were defended by an eminent lawyer named Chasse-neux, and he actually won the suit and the rats escaped punishment. In Naples a case was tried by a jury of his doubt—and sentenced to die at the gallows. The sentence was carried out, the ass never committed murder again.

The Remarkable Tsetse Fly.

The most remarkable creature of the insect family is a South African fly called the tsetse. The bite of this fly, which is not larger than a common honey bee and of very much the same general appearance, is certain death to the horse, the ox, and the dog. This being the case, it is almost impossible to cross some of the South African deserts, because the animals used on such journeys for carrying the water supply of the party belong almost invariably to either the ox or horse species. Livingstone, the great traveler, lost forty-three oxen on one trip from the effect of the tsetse's bite before he became aware of the actual cause of the trouble in the herd. One remarkable feature of the bite of the tsetse is its perfect harmlessness to the human family, a probing into a man's flesh by the insect's otherwise poisonous proboscis causing no more inconvenience than would the sting of a sweet bee or the bite of a mosquito. As the reader will naturally infer from the numerous times we have referred to the "bite" of the tsetse its poison is not transmitted by a sting, but always by the proboscis, which consists of a lancet, well protected by two external shields. Horses, cattle and dogs bitten by the tsetse soon show symptoms of brain disorders which terminate fatally within any time from an hour to ten days.

SUPREME JUSTICES' GOWNS.

Our Early Statesmen's Task in Selecting a Court Dress.

Ex-President Harrison tells of the contention created over the question of an appropriate court dress for the justices of the Federal supreme court in the January Ladies' Home Journal. "When the constitutional organization of the court had been settled and the high duty of selecting the justices had been performed by Washington," he says, "the smaller, but not wholly unimportant question of a court dress loomed up, and much agitated and divided the minds of our public men. Shall the justices wear gowns? And if yea, the gown of the scholar, of the Roman senator, or of the priest? Shall they wear the wig of the English judges? Jefferson and Hamilton, who had differed so widely in their views as to the frame of the constitution, were again in opposition upon these questions relating to millinery and hair dressing. Jefferson was against any needless official apparel, but if the gown was to carry, he said: "For heaven's sake discard the monstrous wig which makes the English judges look like rats peeping through bunches of oakum." Hamilton was for the English wig with the English gown. Burr was for the English gown, but against the "inverted woollack termed a wig." The English gown was taken and the wig left, and I am sure that the flowing black silk gown still worn by the justices helps to preserve in the courtroom that dignity and sense of solemnity which should always characterize the place of judgment."


Muscular Rheumatism Promptly Believed

Mr. J. K. Holton, a well known fur dealer of Oxford, Pa., says he sometimes suffers with muscular rheumatism, and while having one of the most painful attacks, he called in W. T. J. Brown's drug store, and Mr. Brown advised him to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm. He did so, and it gave him immediate relief. Pain Balm is also recommended for rheumatism by Mr. E. W. Wheeler, of Luther Mills, Pa., who has used it and found it to be an excellent remedy. "If troubled with rheumatism give it a trial. It is certain to relieve the pain as soon as applied, and its continued use will effect a cure. For sale at 25 and 50 cents per bottle by Dr. J. G. Meiler.

Hare's Consideration.

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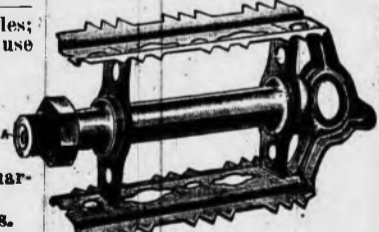
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As They Pronounce It. "There's one thing about my girl," yawned Freshly, "she's awfully chic." "Yes, and no spring click at that." Detroit Free Press.

Not long ago a farmer, who lives three miles from here, came to my store before breakfast and bought a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. He said that his little boy had a bad cold, and as they had used up what they had in the house his wife would not let him go to plow until he came and got another bottle. The little boy, who was with him, remarked: "Now I will soon be well." For Chamberlain's "toff" medicine always cures me. R. C. McElroy, Black Hawk, Pa. In speaking of this remedy Mr. McElroy said people came from far and wide to his store to get it, and many of them would not know what to do without it. For sale at 25 and 50 cents per bottle by Dr. J. G. Meiler.

Trees That Whistle. The musical or whistling tree is found in the West Indian islands, in Nubia and the Soudan. It has a peculiar-shaped leaf and pods with a split or open edge. The wind, passing through these sends out the sound which gives the tree its peculiar name. In Barbados there is a valley filled with these trees, and when the trade winds blow across the islands a constant moaning, deep-toned whistle is heard from it, which, in the still hours of the night, has a very weird and unpleasant effect. A species of acacia, which grows abundantly in the Soudan, is also called the whistling tree by the natives. Its shoots are frequently, by the agency of the larvae of insects, distorted in shape and swollen into a globular bladder from one to two inches in diameter. After the insect has emerged from a circular hole in the side of this swelling the opening, played upon by the wind, becomes a musical instrument, equal in sound to a sweet-toned flute. —Tit-Bits.

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