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Royal Baking Powder

ABSOLUTELY PURE

OUR LOCAL MARKETS.

Following are the prices paid by our merchants and dealers for the products named:

Butter	12@14
Eggs	16
Potatoes	20@25
Beans	1.10
Onions	.30
Poultry	.06 spring chickens
Fat cattle on foot	3-3

The Price of the Northern is now, as it has been in the past, \$1.50 per year. But we are making a special rate of \$1.00 per year to advance paying subscribers only. Do not expect the special rate unless you comply with the special conditions.

Additional Local.

That Public Meeting.

The citizens' meeting called to meet at the court house on Tuesday evening, to consider ways and means to bring to an end violations of the local option law, was only fairly attended. Rev. F. W. Corbett opened the meeting with an address, at the close of which he called Mr. E. L. Warner to the chair, and A. Clark Seward was made secretary. David Woodman, O. W. Rowland, Rev. John Hurd and other citizens were called out and made enthusiastic talks favorable to the local option system, and to the rigid enforcement of the law. The exercises were enlivened by music by a male quartet, consisting of Messrs. Bacon, Gilman, Jennings and Free. The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That we, the citizens of Paw Paw, recognizing it to be the duty of an American citizen to uphold the laws of his country, do hereby declare ourselves to be the friends of peace and sobriety, and the defenders of the home as against all forms of intemperance and lawlessness.

"We further express ourselves as in active sympathy with all reasonable measures that may be employed to preserve the integrity of our laws, and to this end we pledge our hearty support."

A committee of five was appointed on permanent organization, consisting of Messrs. A. C. Seward, O. W. Rowland, F. W. Corbett, G. P. Linderman, J. W. Free. It is probable the work of this committee will include organization for the probable local option election, as well as for the enforcement of the law.

We know of but one community in the world where dyspepsia is practically unknown, and that is the Shakers of Mount Lebanon, N. Y. These good people have been studying the subject of digestion for more than a hundred years, and that they understand it pretty thoroughly, is evidenced in the foregoing fact. Their Digestive Cordial is the safest and best remedy in cases of indigestion that we know of. A trial bottle can be had through your druggists for the trifling sum of 10 cents.

The Shakers Digestive Cordial supplies the system with food already digested, and at the same time aids in the digestion of other foods. It will almost instantly relieve the ordinary symptoms of indigestion and no sufferer needs to be told what these are.

LAXOL is the best medicine for children. Doctors recommend it in place of Castor Oil.

Echoes From the Big Brick.

Mary Knapp is living in the village now.

Several 5th grade pupils are working for the 4th grade.

Miss Conklin was a caller at the school on Monday.

Mice killing is getting to be a trade, in the 2d intermediate.

Frank Avery was a most welcome visitor during the week.

Jay Landphere fell in the pond while skating, a few days ago.

Final examinations will be Thursday and Friday of next week.

Mesdames Hall, Harrison, Nelson and Foote were with us Monday.

The fan drill by the 1st and 2d primaries was a pronounced success.

Bertha Reed will not attend school until next term on account of illness.

Our Monday morning exercises are bringing many visitors to our school.

Rev. Anna Barton conducted the religious exercises on Monday morning.

A number of members of the high school are practicing the use of Indian clubs.

Miss Irmah Wilcox, salutatorian of the class of '94 was a welcome visitor during the week.

Miss Christine Hudson was absent from school Monday afternoon, for the purpose of moving.

The first division of the first grade will study "Hiawatha" during the remainder of the term.

Miss Bernice Quick's instrumental solo Tuesday morning was a source of much pleasure to her listeners.

The class of '96 spent a very pleasant evening with Miss Ella Taylor, at her home east of town, last Saturday.

The second year German class has finished reading "Minna von Barnhelm" and will take an examination to-day.

Misses Butler, Allen, Southwell, O'Dell, Webb and Bunnell were among the visitors at the Monday morning exercises.

It is with pleasure we note the success of members of the class of '95. Each of them now holds a lucrative position.

The walls of Miss Bailey's room present a more pleasing appearance since they have been decorated with framed pictures.

The article published last week in regard to cigarette smoking has brought good returns, one letter in regard to it coming from another town.

Those Pesky Sparrows.

The sparrow bounty law was passed in 1877. Up to Oct. 1, 1888, the county treasurer's books do not show the amount of bounty paid, the sparrow orders evidently being included under the general head of "county orders." Since that date the amount of money paid from the public treasury for the "slaughter of the innocents" is as follows:

For the year 1889	\$110.50
" " 1890	953.44
" " 1891	541.30
" " 1892	623.19
" " 1893	834.46
" " 1894	98.76
" " 1895	140.47
Total	\$2,822.12

This represents the lives of about 100,000 of the little nuisances. The marked decrease of recent years is owing, doubtless, to three causes, viz: The reduction of the bounty in 1894 from three cents per head to two cents; the amendment of the law so that bounty was payable only in the fall and winter months, and diminished numbers caused by the wholesale slaughter. The last legislature repealed the statute removing the bounty during the spring and summer months.

A Niles correspondent of the *Kalamazoo Telegraph* complains that neighboring counties allow sparrows to multiply and overrun that county faster than they can be destroyed and says the authorities are considering the matter of refusing to pay further bounties unless other counties be made to live up to the law. It is evident that this criticism cannot apply to Van Buren county. If the Berrien boys have done better than Van Buren lads, it is because they are better marksmen.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following transfers of real estate were recorded in the register's office during the past week:

G B Wait to B G and Susan Wait; e h s w q s e q 10 Bloomingdale; \$600.

A S Dyckman et al to A W Kerrison; 1 a vill South Haven; \$200.

Sarah M Ridlon to Isaac Monroe; 6 lots vill Lawrence; \$250.

Isaac Monroe to J J Cole; und h last above; \$600.

L S Monroe to vill South Haven; lot 10 South Haven; \$300.

J D Kelso to Hamilton Ewing; n h n e q s Porter; \$3000.

Fred Morgan et al to L H Sweet; e h u e q 15 Waverly; \$3200.

W S Crosby to G C Keller; w h s e q s w q 16 Pine Grove; \$100.

A E Barringer to Elizabeth Austin; lot 63 Kendall; \$850.

C B Charles to Wesley Hall; s h s e q s w q s e q 23 Bangor; \$200.

G W Lampton to Mary E Riley; s h w h s e q n e q 20 Waverly; \$300.

Thos Alexander to Chas Beach; 6 a sec 20 Porter; \$400.

C J Hosmer to O B Hosmer and wife; n q n e q s w q 12 Porter; \$325.

G W Merriman to J D Robinson; lots 5, 6, 11, 12 blk 6 Sampson add Hartford; \$100.

C J Monroe to L S Monroe; lands on Home add South Haven; \$1.

W H Nelson to B O Chapman; n t n w q s w q 35 Geneva; \$350.

B O Chapman to David Funk; same as last above; \$300.

Louise Lee to G G Lee; lots 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 blk 2 Furnace add Lawton; \$1.

G G Lee to Benj Smith; same as last above; \$100.

Carl King to L H Symonds; lot vill South Haven; \$150.

G W Hempstead to Caroline Robinson; w h n w q n w q 22 South Haven; \$3000.

A J King to Henry Goech; n w q n w q 1 and n h n e q 2 Columbia; \$1450.

Edward Ray to Clara S Anderson; w 122 a n w q 3 Decatur; \$7000.

John Cleland to Edwin Remington and wife; s e q n w q 10 Bloomingdale; \$1000.

Peter Walker to C F Schuyler; e h s w q n e q 12 Columbia; \$600.

Alpha Waters et al to Mich Conf Assn; lot vill Bloomingdale; \$20.

L S Monroe to Fred Linsenmeyer; lot 6 blk 27 South Haven; \$300.

Almira S Stone to W W Phillips and wife; n f l h n e f q 3 Bloomingdale; \$1500.

Peter Peck to Daniel Lyle; lot sec 19 Pine Grove; \$350.

Zella Cheesbro to Caroline J Sherwood; s 17 a n w q s w q 23 Columbia; \$75.

J S Cross to Eleazer Burger; lots 120, 121 South Bangor; \$90.

J S Cross to F J Burger; lot 119 South Bangor; \$45.

Henry Spaulding to A H Chandler and wife; lots 13, 14 blk 2 Hilliards' 2d add Hartford; \$1200.

A H Chandler to Henry Spaulding and wife; e h w h s e q 17 Hartford; \$2700.

Emma S Van Horn to H D Harvey; 25 ft front lot 5 blk 3 Cross add Bangor; \$270.

H D Harvey to Martin Bruce; same as last above; \$700.

F R Stratton to B F Humphrey and wife; e n h s e q 29 Hartford; \$925.

Lysander Brooks to G W Brooks; lots 1, 2, 3, 4 blk 1 Furnace add Lawton; \$1.

J C Engle to J V Spiroy and wife; und h n 37 a n e f l q n e f l q 2 Covert; \$1500.

Gregory Snyder to Frederick Snyder et al; pt lot 3 blk 4 Deerfield; \$300.

Marriage Licenses.

Lewis C. Osborn, 26, Hamilton; Carrie Bass, 19, Keeler.

Albert B. Frisbee, 28, Mabel Rockwell, 20, both of Waverly.

Andrew Graham, 29, Dollie Sykes, 30, both of Paw Paw.

Bartholomew Hard, 56, Gobleville; Libbie Martin, 45, Almena.

New Suits.

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County and State.

Bootleg saloons are on the increase. —Bangor Breeze.

Eighty-five drops are now in use on the South Haven telephone exchange. In the circuit court at Allegan Tuesday morning, H. V. Streeter was fined \$100 and costs of \$33; Hiram Moore, Henry Brownell and William Simons \$100 each and \$19 costs each; all for violation of the local option law. Streeter was convicted by a jury last week. The others pleaded guilty.

The surface of the water at the outlet of the river at St. Joseph, is covered with dead minnows, which are being brought down by the current by the bushel. Theories that explosives are used to kill large fish is advanced as the cause by some, while others think poison has been thrown into the stream.

Ex-Senator Thomas W. Palmer and a party of distinguished friends were given a sitting last week by the famous medium, Riley, at Marcelus. The ex-senator was very much interested. Riley performed many wonderful things. He produced forms, secured messages on slates, and created considerable of a rumpus on tambourines; but the performance did not phase the ex-minister to Spain.

Probate Court Proceedings.

Following is a summary of the proceedings in Judge Heckert's court for the week ending Dec. 12:

Matter of Grace P. Hayden, minor; license to sell real estate granted.

Estate of James Shearer, dec'd; Polly Shearer appointed administrator.

Estate of Wm. Stacy, dec'd; Demetrius Ackley appointed administrator de bonis non.

Estate of Thomas N. Copley, dec'd; order allowing claims.

Estate of Nathaniel Kent, dec'd; final account allowed.

Estate of Juliana Putney, dec'd; final acc't filed; hearing Jan. 6.

Estate of Henry Ford, dec'd; petition to mortgage real estate; hearing Jan. 6.

Estate of John J. Shaker, dec'd; final account filed; hearing Jan. 13.

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Be mine, fair one, the lover sighed, Her glance his blood did freeze; "I love no man," the maiden cried, "Whose pants bag at the knees."

No need to say that he didn't wear the H. S. & M. perfect-fitting trousers, for they hold their shape and beauty. They're sold by E. Smith & Co.

You may talk about "smart dressers" And "swell fellows" all you will; The butcher leads the fashion for— He always "dressed to kill."

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One hundred and fifty years ago Lord Chesterfield said:

"I would rather have a young fellow too much than too little dressed; the excess on that side will wear off with a little age and reflection, but if he is negligent at twenty he will be a sloven at forty. Dress yourself fine where others are fine, and plain where others are plain, but take care that your clothes are well made and fit you, for otherwise they will give you an awkward air."

This advice holds just as good to-day as it did then, and the young man who would be well dressed in clothes that are "well made and that fit and do not give him an awkward air," should get his garments at E. Smith & Co.'s. They sell the famous H. S. & M. make.

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Freight	7 35 a m
Mail	11 25 a m
Fast Eastern Express	7 10 p m
Chicago & Kalamazoo Accommodation	8 35 p m

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Chicago Night Express	2 45 a m
Kalamazoo & Chicago Accommodation	6 50 a m
Mail	7 35 a m
Freight	11 25 a m
Fast Western Express	5 21 p m
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