

Business Directory.

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CONFESSION. SERVICES in Wright's Opera House at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sabbath school 12:00.

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Alma Record.

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Alma, Mich., Friday, August 14, 1885.

Whole No. 332.

JOB WORK

OF ALL KINDS DONE AT THIS OFFICE. LETTER HEADS, NOTE HEADS, ENVELOPES, BILL HEADS, POSTERS, AUCTION BILLS, DOUGHERS, ELECTION TICKETS, SLIPS, ETC.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Register Saturday. The superabundance of news this week is not alarming. Do not fail to attend the entertainment Monday evening.

Do you like music? Then do not miss the treat Monday night. H. L. Wood and S. J. Day of St. Louis now receive the RECORD.

Our subscription list is still booming. Let the good work go on. Work upon the third story of the sanitarium is progressing rapidly.

The walls of the new school building just peep above the ground.

Secure your tickets for the entertainment next Monday evening.

Rev. J. W. Sutton is attending camp meeting at Lonsa this week.

Are you going to join the new library? Good way to get good reading.

Fred Church is having a house built on his farm just southeast of town.

Subject for morning service at the M. E. Church, "Divine Benefaction."

Don't forget the special election, a notice of which appears on fourth page.

Ferd Montigel's new house on north Woodworth Ave., is nearly completed.

The little adopted daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Kenzie, on State st., is very ill.

Mr. Roberts is making several improvements upon his residence on State street.

C. F. Brown left for Sheridan Saturday p. m. to take charge of the Sheridan News.

Miss Bamforth's S. S. class plucked last Saturday afternoon, just south of town.

Read the program for the entertainment Monday evening and see if you can afford to miss it.

Do not fail to register Saturday, so that you can vote on the bridge question next Wednesday.

The normal students gave a pleasant entertainment at the school house Wednesday evening.

Quite a number of Alma people took in the excursion to Detroit given by the K. of P. Wednesday.

Miss Maggie Mero, of Charlotte is the guest of Miss Estelle Barnes, the trimmer with J. L. Miller.

Louis Irish is the happy possessor of a 114 pound boy which came to board at his house Wednesday last.

The Elwell Dramatic Club expect to produce their new play, "The Drunkard, or the Fallen Sinner," here soon.

We hear that Marcus Pollasky contemplates building a residence on his lot next to what is known as the Barton property.

Dr. Fairchild left town Tuesday morning for parts unknown leaving quite a number of merchants and others to conclude that he is a dead beat.

Pollasky's store, Turck's bank and the Gratiot County savings bank were hand somely damped Saturday last and canons were fired at intervals during the afternoon.

Considerable sickness is prevalent among the children in this vicinity. This is the most trying season of the year for little ones and the best of care should be given them or else the number of little angels will be materially increased.

F. J. Dibell, the new foreman of this office, arrived Monday and has been turning out the work in good style ever since. He is an excellent printer of ten years' experience, rapid and tasty, and we have no doubt about his being able to please all patrons.

Mrs. J. G. Gray and Miss Nellie Gray, of Sheridan, were in town last week, the guests of Mrs. J. Phipps. The RECORD force did their best to help entertain them and have things done up Brown. A trip to St. Louis was among the many pleasant things.

Among all the chances in the tax law are, one year for redemption; sales to take place in October instead of May; duplicate sales certificates to be made out, one for the purchaser, the other to be sent to the anti-fraud general. No person can bring action for recovery of land after five years; and tax titles for 1882 will remain in a lien for two years.

The circus has come and departed. It was well attended here and although the great menagerie etc. advertised failed to materialize we understand that the people were fairly satisfied. Some of the performances were excellent, among them the trained dogs. The intelligence displayed by some of them was remarkable.

On Tuesday morning last Mr. Emory Alverson, of Grand Rapids, and formerly of this place, was married to Miss Alnetta E. McLaren at the residence of the bride's father. The happy couple took the early train for their new home in Grand Rapids, accompanied by the good wishes of their many Alma friends. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. J. W. Sutton.

Messrs. Steele, Turck, French and Engineer Hall, of the Lansing, Alma & Mt. Pleasant railway, were in town Wednesday for the purpose of discussing the line of railway and the sight for the depot. At a meeting of citizens held last night at which the engineer of the road was present, a committee composed of F. A. Sweeney, J. E. Chatterton and J. W. Hance, was appointed to confer with the citizens and consider the most feasible route for the railway into this place and the most desirable location for a depot. They will report at another meeting to be held Saturday evening. We are informed by the officials that as soon as the right of way is secured the company will employ a large force of men and push the construction of the railway to Mt. Pleasant as rapidly as possible. The grading is all completed to Salt River and from present indications trains will be running to that place within a few weeks. —Mt. Pleasant Tribune.

The Michigan State and Barrel factory of Vestaburg was destroyed by fire on the 7th. Loss \$4,000; insurance \$2,500. The mill is to be rebuilt at once.

An easy way to kill plantain, dandelion and other weeds in a lawn is to place a little sulphuric acid with a stick on the crown of each plant, carrying the acid in an open mouth bottle with a long handle, so as not to touch it with the fingers or clothes.

The agricultural college people are testing the vitality of seeds buried in sealed bottles six years ago. The seeds which thus far prove to have most vitality are those of common weeds, their percentage being from 90 to 100, while plant seeds did not germinate freely.

The 9-years-old son of Mr. Merriman who lives four miles south of Alma, was injured in a terrible manner Saturday last by an infuriated dog. For some reason the boy had punished the dog and caused him to become angry when he sprang upon him in a ferocious manner. His scalp was torn loose nearly half the way around and one wrist was lacerated in a terrible manner. Dr. Suydam was called and dressed the wounds. Mr. Merriman had the good sense to have the dog killed immediately.

Some low lived specimen at St. Louis indulged in a dynamite "blow out" Tuesday morning about 2 o'clock. Dynamite had been placed on the sidewalk and against Mr. Noble's large barber pole. This was blown into the gutter, a great hole torn in the sidewalk and the gas in the front of the building was reduced to powder, while the windows in the adjoining buildings were also badly shattered. It is said that the force of the shock was as great as to throw Mr. Noble's family, who room over the shop, from their beds and partially stun them. Fortunately they escaped without bodily harm. The noise of the explosion was distinctly heard eight and ten miles away. Who the perpetrators of the deed are is not yet definitely known.

The Franklin Square Library Company of Lockport, New York, are establishing a circulating library club for the benefit of the citizens of Alma and vicinity. The membership is One Dollar (no further expenses whatever), which entitles each of its members to two years' use of the library, consists of the usual good and interesting works published in the Franklin Square series by Messrs. Harper Bros. of New York. Books can be changed every day or held from ten to fourteen days, at the option of the readers. The agents of the club are here, and will call at every house and store for the support of the citizens to further the object in view. No subscriber will be called on to pay until the book is formal and the books placed in the hands of the librarian, whose name will be duly announced in the RECORD. The books are put up in manila covers, which will be changed as soon as they become soiled or defaced.

How little we realize the awful effects of rum! We read, we hear of terrible things caused by it but it is not often that it is brought so near home. What a forcible temperance lecture the sad occurrence of Saturday is. It is stronger, it comes home more forcibly to each heart than all the speeches delivered by the best orators in the land. Will you not heed the warning, will you not shun the cause that brought a strong, intelligent man to such an untimely, such an awful death? Do not delude yourself into thinking that you will never come to that. You do not know. No one knows what is in store for them, but be assured if you are a slave to the accursed habit of drink there will be few good things for you. Fathers and mothers teach your children never to use liquor. Fill their minds with horror of its effects. Tell them how it debases everyone who uses it making them in time to love the bottle. See to it that you do this that you may not some day be called upon to mourn over a loved son brought home to you like this poor man, his spirit hurled into eternity without a moment's notice, because the rum traffic is allowed to flourish throughout the length and breadth of this fair land luring the young, the easily tempted, down to destruction and death.

A Rare Treat. We take pleasure in announcing to our readers this week one of the finest entertainments the citizens of Alma and vicinity have ever been allowed to enjoy. We refer to the musical and literary entertainment to be given at Wright's Opera House, Monday evening next. The readings which Mr. Holmes gave here recently will be repeated, with such variations as the audience may desire, and of his excellence as an elocutist we need not speak, as so many of our citizens know for themselves.

We have been able, on account of old acquaintance, to induce Miss Lema G. Hostenstein to be present and give the people a treat in the form of piano music. Miss H. graduated from, and was retained as instructor in the Oberlin Conservatory of Music, which is sufficient guarantee to those at all acquainted with that noted institution that she must be an expert. A piano has been secured for the occasion, and the music alone will be worth the price of admission. The band and orchestra will assist, and some of our somewhat have kindly consented to lend their aid and help make the affair a grand success. For the benefit of those who have not seen the bills, which have been scattered freely, we will state that the prices of admission have been fixed as follows: 25c for adults, 15c for children, 5c for reserved seats, which can be reserved at the Wright House free of charge. We give below the program:

1. Overture.....Orchestra

2. Bad Penny-Bible.....Mr. Holmes

3. Song, Sweet Violate-J. K. Emmet.....Miss Hostenstein

4. Cripple Song.....Miss Hostenstein

5. John Burns at Gettysburg.....Mr. Holmes

6. Epitaph in D-Clara.....Miss Hostenstein

7. The Dead Student-Will Carleton.....Mr. Holmes

8. Reading.....Miss Hostenstein

9. Yes, New Villains and the Lightning.....Mr. Holmes

10. Twain.....Miss Hostenstein

11. Horatius at the Bridge-Lord Macaulay.....Miss Hostenstein

12. Op. No. 1-Orchestra.....Miss Hostenstein

13. Henry Fifth's Wooing-Shakespeare.....Mr. Holmes

14. Selection.....Orchestra

Death by the Rail

Last Saturday evening two little boys were returning from a fishing expedition they discovered a man lying in the ditch beside the railroad side track in the east part of town. They told the first person they met about their "find," but little attention was paid to it for some time but finally some of the citizens went down to see about it. They were horrified to find the dead body of Jeremiah M. Carthy, the trackmaster on the Lansing, Alma & Mt. Pleasant railroad, who had been in town for some time past waiting for the work of laying the iron to commence. The alarm was given at once and the remains were conveyed to the Engine House and an inquest called. This was held Sunday forenoon and the verdict rendered by the jury was to the effect that the deceased came to his death through injuries received while lying on the track in an intoxicated condition, and that no blame could justly be attached to the railroad officials. The facts as we have obtained them are as follows: Mr. McCarthy had been under the influence of liquor the greater part of the week and had several times been rescued from dangerous positions. On Saturday he had gone down by the sidetrack where some work was standing and had crawled under one of them to get in the shade. It is customary for the freight to back in on this track to let the 1.15 passenger train go by, and the supposition is that when the freight backed down the cars were jostled together and the unfortunate man was caught and crushed by the bumpers. No one knows what agony he suffered during the long afternoon as it was concluded that he had been dead not more than half an hour when found. A coroner inquired into the case and the remains were taken to the morgue. Mr. McCarthy had been under the influence of liquor the greater part of the week and had several times been rescued from dangerous positions. On Saturday he had gone down by the sidetrack where some work was standing and had crawled under one of them to get in the shade. It is customary for the freight to back in on this track to let the 1.15 passenger train go by, and the supposition is that when the freight backed down the cars were jostled together and the unfortunate man was caught and crushed by the bumpers. No one knows what agony he suffered during the long afternoon as it was concluded that he had been dead not more than half an hour when found. A coroner inquired into the case and the remains were taken to the morgue.

FULTON.

Correspondence of the RECORD.

The rain was splendid and much needed. Harvest is nearly completed and the threshing machines are hard in every direction.

A. W. Herrick threshed from eight acres of land 354 bushels of nice wheat as ever grew in Fulton—nearly 35 bushels to the acre. It was the Clawson.

There are seven self binders within a radius of three miles of Fenton center.

R. V. Smith, of Missouri, is here visiting old neighbors and friends.

George Creason is attending the Normal School at Alma.

A Mr. Stevens, of Bay City, is visiting his mother, Mrs. Armstrong.

Huckleberrying is a thing of the past. Some of the prohibitionists went to the huckleberry patch and drank lemonade with some of the people from another neighborhood, but they soon found that it was part whiskey and a cheaper set never was seen. They looked as though they had been struck by a cyclone.

FOREST HILL.

Correspondence of the RECORD.

Plenty of wet for the last week but we are in hopes of some good weather this week.

The S. S. picnic held last Thursday was not extra well attended owing to the weather and a misunderstanding among the schools. All who attended report a pleasant time.

A lady preacher, a Mrs. Finch, of Estella, spoke to quite an audience last Sunday night at Pine school house.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Randolph returned from the 15th from a 5 weeks visit to their old home and neighbors in Lenawee county.

Some fields of oats in this vicinity are in terrible shape owing to the storms and wet weather but on the whole this township never saw a better out crop.

One of our best farmers has had considerable experience with his barley crop of over 30 acres, but he is nearly all secure now. Better bind it up next time.

Why cannot there be more correspondents to the RECORD? (There is one new one this week and more coming. Everything takes time.—Ed.)

THANKS

The new church edifice is under cover at last. Through the aid of friends at some and abroad the important end has been reached. Will not the public spirited citizens of Alma and vicinity help on the work to its completion? Many thanks are due to those who have kindly and generously aided thus far. It is pleasant to know that contributing strangers take an interest in this work. Mr. W. L. Holmes gave a reading at the Opera House upon the 31st. For this object, and Miss Fleming, of the RECORD, although a comparative stranger among us, aided largely by her suggestions for her part in making it a success. The Opera House was opened and lighted by Mr. Geo. Wright, free of charge. What makes this more worthy of note is that a service was not rendered in behalf of this church party but to help on the public edifice. The readings and recitations by Mr. Holmes were literary in character. Mr. H. has a rare power of impersonation and his gifts should not be hid in a napkin. Let the people call them out. He had an appreciative audience and the \$11.75 helped out of a tight place. By the way do the people know that we have a live paper published in Alma? It ought to double its subscription list. Why not friends?

REV. J. VAN ANTWEEP.

REGISTER.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Registration for the Township of Pine River will hold a meeting at the office of the Township Clerk of said Township, in the Village of St. Louis, on Saturday, the 15th day of Aug., 1885, for the purpose of registering electors completing the list of the qualified electors of said Township. Board will be in session from 9 o'clock a. m. till 4 o'clock p. m.

JOHN J. McCARTY, Township clerk of said Township of Pine River.

Dated this 1st day of August, 1885.

ALMA MARKET REPORT

Corrected every Friday morning by Wright, Schneider & Stutz, General Merchants.

Table with 2 columns: Commodity and Price. Includes Wheat, Oats, Potatoes, Butter, Eggs, Corn.

BUSINESS LOCAL.

You can get a stove pipe shelf for 85c at Kelso Bros.

Kelso Bros. are selling the best mixed Paints in the market at cost.

You can get a good cigar at Abbot's for 3 cents, also a better one for 5.

Remember Kelso Bros. are closing out and you can get big bargains in all goods in stock.

Marcus Pollasky has a few thousand dollars to loan on prime real estate securities at a low rate of interest.

MONEY TO LOAN in sums of \$200 to \$5,000, on good security at low rates of interest. MARCUS POLLASKY.

Notice.

An Intelligence office has been established in Alma. Persons wanting servants, firm wishing employees, or people desiring situations, can be aided in procuring the same through this Intelligence Office. Call at office, opposite Wright House, or address Intelligence Office, Alma, Mich.

Farms for Sale.

Six 80 acre lots, partially improved and wild, will be sold at a bargain. J. W. McLEOD, Alma, July 2.

Farms or Sites.

Parties wanting to purchase a farm, will find it to their interest to call at the Bank of W. S. Turck & Co., Alma, Mich., before purchasing elsewhere.

Second Hand Store.

Second-hand goods of all kind bought, sold or exchanged. All kind of cleaning, coloring or varnishing done cheap. Cash paid for all kinds of farm produce. Small sums of money loaned on personal property. Call at ware rooms on Superior St., opposite Wright House or address Harris & Wilson, Alma, Mich.

Speers Port Grape Wines for Weakly Persons.

This product of the grape is prescribed and is used by leading physicians, when a nourishing wine is desirable, especially for females, aged persons and consumptives; and by churches for Communion. Hundreds of New York Physicians have visited Speers' Vineyards and wine Cellars, and pronounced his wine pure and unexcels in healthful properties. It is sold by Dr. Suydam, Alma.

Two Rare and New Roses Free.

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