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Building Wrecked.

The building of the Finley Brewing Co. near the Ann Arbor depot was considerably wrecked about 10 o'clock last night by an explosion of some kind—generally supposed to have been that of a charge of dynamite.

Osmer-Shanafelt.

The marriage of Miss Mamie B. Shanafelt and Albert G. Osmer, both of this city, occurred at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Sarah Shanafelt, 581 Pine street, Wednesday afternoon.

The house was very handsomely decorated with ferns and potted flowers, white roses in profusion added much to the beauty of the scene.

Following the ceremony came hearty congratulations from those present and then a bounteous wedding supper served by the young ladies of Mrs. Osmer's Sunday school class.

Mr. Osmer is a member of the firm of Osmer Bros. and is highly esteemed by the people of Owosso.

Mr. and Mrs. Osmer left on the evening train for Detroit, going from there to visit relatives at several points in Ohio.

Shiawassee Battalion Picnic.

The annual picnic of the Shiawassee County Battalion was held at Caledonia Park on Wednesday of this week and was well attended by old soldiers, their wives, children and friends from all over the county.

In the afternoon the literary exercises were held in the pavilion and were opened by the drum corps.

Rev. Henry King invoked the divine blessing after which the audience, led by Col. Moyses, sang "America," Miss Lena Parker presiding at the piano.

Col. Henry Clark, colonel of the battalion, warmly welcomed the old soldiers and their friends in a few well chosen words.

"Marching Through Georgia," prepared the audience for the strong address of Rev. Mr. Marshall, of Corunna, who paid an eloquent tribute to the "boys in blue."

Referring to the Cuban struggle for liberty the speaker justified the present resort to armed force on the part of the United States, in the cause of humanity.

Mr. Marshall then sang the following original song, set to music of his own:

Although your gray we call you boys, And such you are in truth; The flag you gave you all to save, Has clothed you with eternal youth.

That "Dear Old Flag" you fought to save, That sat this people free; Your sons shall plant with manly pride, On many islands of the sea.

No ensign floats on sea or land, With such a glorious hue; Her sacred folds hold dear the names Of all the "Loyal Boys in Blue."

The breeze of every clime shall waft Freedom from her folds, Where God has planted human souls.

Wave on "Old Glory," we will hold, Thy staff with steady hand; No other ensign o'er shall float Above thee on thy native land.

Wave on and on and on, Rev. C. V. Northrop, of Owosso, here paid an eloquent tribute to the soldiers of the rebellion, and his well known fund of anecdotes afforded the audience much entertainment.

The solo with chorus, "The Old Army Bean," with Col. Moyses as soloist was heartily applauded.

Miss Millie Reynolds, "The Daughter of the Regiment," recited an appropriate selection in a very pleasing way.

Comrade H. H. Pulver being called for re-ponded in his well known entertaining manner. He claimed the old soldiers had the right to boast of many things.

Comrade C. H. Cobb then gave a laudable description of the "army mule"—not Blanco's mule but the genuine mule.

Rev. W. H. Simmons, of Corunna, in his address gave merited praise to the patriotic spirit of the young men of these days.

At any rate the speaker humorously interjected, "We will take pay for the expenses of which we have been put in this war, out of the Philippines or elsewhere."

Caledonia—New Haven.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Beckwith, a son—Bertha and Sylvester Ostrander are visiting relatives in Caledonia this week.

The Free Methodist quarterly meeting will begin Friday evening at the church on the state road.

Philo Mills and wife, Eugene Young and wife, George and Louie Harder, Mattie Mills, Fred Hurry and Tillie Lanekton took an outing at Long Lake Saturday.

Children's day exercises were held here Sunday evening—Rev. J. F. Emerick, evangelist, preached here Sunday.

Kyle Fosket, after spending a few days at Ashley, returned Wednesday—N. Gortner went to Grand Rapids Saturday to visit his sister.

H. L. Peck has moved from Hotel LeBar into his residence on Grand River street.

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Death of Mrs. D. C. Hoyt.

The friends of the family were deeply grieved Wednesday afternoon to learn of the death of Mrs. Don C. Hoyt, which occurred at 2 o'clock at the family residence on south Chipman street.

Mrs. Hoyt had been sick three weeks—seriously so for a week—with gastric fever, and while she was given every possible attention it was impossible to stay the progress of the disease.

Mrs. Hoyt was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Ferry, north Adams street. She came to this city eight years ago and was united in marriage with Mr. Hoyt five years ago.

Mrs. Hoyt was a member of the Congregational church and a teacher in the Sunday school, taking a very active part in the latter. She was an excellent woman, a devoted wife and mother.

The funeral services were held this morning at the home of her parents, a large number of friends being in attendance.

Death of Michael Rourke.

The death of Michael Rourke, of Rush township, occurred on Tuesday evening at his home.

Mr. Rourke had been in rather feeble health for some time, being in the city Tuesday to consult Dr. Perkins.

Mr. Rourke was one of the pioneers of Rush township, having settled there in 1851, coming from Massachusetts.

Mr. Rourke was married three times, his last wife dying about a year ago, since which he has lived with his son William.

Funeral services were held at 10 o'clock this morning at St. Paul's church.

Burton.

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Company G Off for Santiago.

The Owosso boys are at last off for actual service as indicated by the following:

Newport News, Va., June 23.—The auxiliary cruiser Yale, with the thirty-third Michigan regiment and one battalion of the thirty-fourth Michigan, sailed from Old Point this evening at 6 o'clock for Santiago.

The troops, to the number of 1,600 are in command of General Duffield. Colonel Boynton of the thirty-third regiment is second in command.

The auxiliary cruiser Harvard will leave Old Point for Santiago Monday or Tuesday with another expedition.

The God speed of the people of Shiawassee will follow the boys and many a prayer for their safety will be made daily.

Silver Convention.

On Saturday a mass convention of so-called silver republicans was held at the city hall in this city.

The attendance was not large—about the number who might attend the caucus of a precinct casting a very small vote.

Senator H. S. Hadsall presided, J. D. Estes acted as secretary, while S. E. Park constituted a committee of one to draft resolutions.

The delegates elected to the several conventions are: STATE CONVENTION. S. E. Park, S. S. Miner, Geo. B. McCaugha, H. S. Hadsall, A. F. Hunt, Wm. McDonald, Frank Savage, Elmer Colby, Wm. Rowley, C. C. DeCamp, J. N. McBride, A. W. Spidler, Grayford Colby, Archibald Wrigley, E. A. Convis, J. W. Lamb.

CONGRESSIONAL. J. N. McBride, Dr. Shickle, A. F. Hunt, Geo. B. McCaugha, S. E. Park, Wm. McDonald, Chas. McQueen, Grayford Colby, Charles Dunham, H. S. Hadsall, Frank H. Morris, J. C. Curtis, H. W. Wallace, John W. Hillis.

SENATORIAL. S. E. Park, G. B. McCaugha, Wm. McDonald, Arthur Haggart, Perry Hadsall, Jas. McBride, W. Wrigley, Dr. Shickle, A. F. Hunt, Richard Warren, Adolph Newman, Dr. Knapp, Newman Parker, Chas. Dunham.

The resolutions declared their allegiance to the principles fought for in 1896, etc. DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION. The democrats met Monday at Corunna, Dr. Fair, of Durand, presiding, W. H. Mumby, of Corunna, acting as secretary.

The following delegates were elected: STATE. Chas. Hamper, C. Frain, Dr. Fair, Bates Snyder, R. B. Wilson, W. H. Mumby, Wm. Cummins, D. J. Geow, Hugh Nichols, Chas. Baldwin, Theo. Eule, W. E. Lamb, Byron Black, H. Hutchinson, Dennis Corcoran, H. F. Green, Allen Goodall, C. D. Smith, Geo. Shattuck.

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The resolutions indorse the Chicago platform of '96, instruct the delegates to support Congressman Brucker for re-nomination. J. H. Benson, of Laingsburg, was elected chairman of the county committee and W. H. Mumby, of Corunna, secretary.

Andrew Strehl, who has been attending school at Albion, came home Tuesday to spend the summer with his parents near the city.

Mrs. Fred Schaidle, of Pittsburg, Pa., is a guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Noble, west Oliver street.

The Owosso box factory was entered last night by some unknown person, but nothing of value was taken.

The water was nearly all let out of the boiler and had not the fireman discovered this before firing up, an explosion might have followed.

The entrance was made through one of the windows. Mosley is selling bacon at 7 cents a pound.

The class of '93 Owosso high school will have a reunion at the home of Roy Seely, south of the city tonight.

Mrs. William Barnes and daughter left Monday for Manchester, Eng., for a three months visit with relatives. They sailed from Montreal, Wednesday.

C. A. Connor & Co. have dissolved partnership, C. B. Radford retiring. The Modern Beauty Thrives on good food and sunshine, with plenty of exercise in the open air.

Special Sale on Trimmed Millinery at Mrs. Geo. Sprinkles. \$2.50 Hats for \$1.50, &c.