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### GREETINGS.

Alma Haywood, Aug. 24th.  
We are in receipt of a copy of the Grand Ledger *Independent*. Come again.  
Jas. L. Clark addressed a large Republican rally at Emerson last Thursday afternoon.

A War Song Concert for the benefit of the Ladies Library is expected to come off in the near future.

The D.L. & N.R.'s will run an excursion to Petoskey and Traverse City Sept. 4th. Fare from Alma and return, \$3.50.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. church pic-nicked in the park Wednesday afternoon. All report a grand time.

This week's Record gives its readers a supplement setting out and giving the many attractions of the Detroit Art Museum, making very good reading.

D. DePew, has his promising young brown horse on the track at St. Louis, getting him in readiness for fall races; for a young one he is doing exceedingly well.

Miss Matilda Ross has completed her very successful term at Bay View and has gone to Greenville, where she is conducting a teachers' institute this week.

The yearly meeting of the Disciples of Gratot and Isabella will be held with the church at Forest Hill, commencing Friday Sept. 7th at 2 o'clock p. m. All are invited.

The latest musical instrument manipulated by A. D. Amsden is a Vocophone; after ten minutes rehearsal he performed it nobly and expects soon to have a quartette.

Memorial services in honor of Gen. Phil. Sheridan will be held next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. An address will be delivered by President Huntington, services held in college chapel.

Ben Lane has rented the Skating Rink for the season, of James Gargett. We are informed that he intends fitting it up, making it a more comfortable place for the public to visit.

The Pioneer Association of Sumner, Seville, Pine River and Arcata townships will hold a basket picnic in Miller's grove near Elwell, August 28th. All are cordially invited. 487-2

The flag-stone for the new walk in front of Mr. Wright's residence and Sanitarium is expected in a few days. When in place it will help to adorn these handsome premises which our people are justly proud of.

Maryus Pollasky, our former resident, and whom our citizens are all interested in, has united himself with Wile & Harpham, one of the oldest law firms in Chicago. Mark is a hustler and is sure to be in the front ranks.

E. W. Dixon is in town this week selecting for an atlas of Gratot Co. which will be published next season, giving each town, township, school district and locating each farm, making a very valuable book of reference.

The many friends of Mrs. K. W. Ely, will rejoice to learn that she has received a situation in the Auditor General's office at Lansing at a salary of \$75 per month. We might say in justice to representative Wood that the position was awarded her through his influence.

On Wednesday last the scaffold at the Library building gave way letting three men and 300 brick to the ground. John Kencisell being the only one hurt, the brick falling on his foot and leg bruising him quite badly. An insurance agent wearing a white hat with more black band than hat had the misfortune to have it smashed in the fall.

On Monday, the 21st, a party of three ladies, residents of this village, might have been seen engaged in what they termed "a wade" in the mill pond near the boat houses. After several mishaps had occurred, such as falling down in the water, and losing hats, they returned home looking much like drowned rats.—Item Box.

Next Tuesday the Young Men's Republican Club propose to go to Ithaca to participate in the dedicatory exercises of the "Log Cabin" at that place. Gov. Luce, Senator Giddings, George Daboll and others will speak. It is expected the club will be uniformed and to the number of one hundred or more will go to swell the crowd expected to be present on that day. The friends of the club, especially those among the farmers of this vicinity are cordially invited to come in and join this procession. Hats and torches will be provided.

The Hubbardston fair is Sept. 18 to 21 inclusive.

Born to Mrs. W. R. Cooper, on Wednesday last, a daughter.

The Maple Rapids Dispatch says the Gratot county farmers have beaten those of Clinton county on wheat this year.

Shepherd band have received their new instruments and now the good people of that hamlet may as well take to the woods.

L. Kehn has put in a machine for manufacturing and covering buttons. Mr. K. is a hustler and will always be found up with the times.

Gov. Luce has selected Senator L. G. Palmer to represent Michigan as a commissioner at the industrial and educational exposition in Columbus, O., next month.

The Great Arabian Show is billed for Alma, Aug. 30th, consisting of trained horses, trained dogs, trapeze artists, tumblers, etc., and a grand band and orchestra of 35 members.

Inquiries in regard to rooms for students are in good demand. Parties having rooms to rent will do well to inform Pres. Huntington as to the number and whether furnished or not.

We see by the Norwalk Chronicle that Miss Nellie O'Hagan, formerly of Alma, has opened a millinery and fancy goods store in that city. She has many friends in Alma who wish her success in her new venture.

Miss Louisa Todd, of Milton, who has been spending some time with her grandfather Wm. Rogers, on Monday last received a dispatch announcing the serious illness of her mother Mrs. Harriman and left for home Tuesday accompanied by her grand mother Mrs. Rogers.

There is no excuse for going without neckties any longer. See what McCullough & Button are offering: 75 cent necktie for 19 cents! Also parasols so cheap that no lady can afford to do without one. Call and see what bargains they are offering.

Prof. O. J. Silwell and wife returned from their bridal trip Wednesday visiting Rockford the home of his parents and friends of the bride at DeWitt and Lansing reporting a pleasant tour. The Prof. is making arrangements for the opening of school Sept. 3rd.

Tinker & Lancashire are furnishing the woodwork for the interior of the new Library building at the College. This well known firm are working up an extensive trade in this line, having several orders for other towns on hand. "Good work and fair dealing is their motto."

Jos. Edison is the happy possessor of a log cabin pin of 1840, which has been in his family since that date. On one side is engraved the cabin, while the other bears the likeness of Gen. W. H. Harrison, making at this day a very pleasing pocket-piece for as good a republican as Mr. E.

The Ann Arbor common council has voted a franchise and right of way to Gen. Nathan Church, K. P. Peet, Robert Smith and others of Ithaca, for a street railway at the university city. The road will call for five miles of track and will be built early next spring. Such a road ought to be a good investment at Ann Arbor, and no doubt will.

John A. Gibson while digging a ditch on the grounds of N. Church one hundred rods south-east of the Union School House, found the fossil remains of some large animal probably a mastodon. Mr. Gibson removed a portion of two ribs which though not entire one measured three feet ten inches, the other two feet eight inches. The remainder is to be exhumed at some future time.

Mrs. Henry Stark's Sunday school class gave her a pleasant surprise last Monday afternoon, it being the 64th anniversary of her birth. They gave her a silver napkin ring, with her name nicely engraved, typical of their regard for their teacher. After a bountiful lunch had been served, Mr. Stark escorted them to the park where they indulged in the amusements that pleasant resort affords, after which they repaired to their homes, well pleased with the enjoyments of the afternoon.

The second Adventist's Camp-meeting which had been in session one week under the direction of Elder Geo. L. Butler, a man of eminent ability occupying a very prominent position in the denomination (being their chief presiding officer) assisted by Elder Van-Horn, Miller, Ostrander and that eminent scholar Dr. J. H. Kellog, physician in charge of the Battle Creek Sanitarium and member of the National Board of Health, broke up last Monday. The attendance was good, the discourses were edifying and instructive and the week pleasantly spent by those in attendance. It is estimated that there were five thousand people on the grounds Sunday.

State street shows marked improvements by a new sidewalk above the Presbyterian church.

Chas. Yerrington has written an interesting article on the Mamoth Cave which will appear next week.

Mrs. M. Pollasky has a fig tree containing fifty figs just coming into maturity; quite an unusual sight in this locality.

Ladies Gossamer circulars, former price \$1.25 now go for 69 cents. Is this not a great bargain. Wright Schneider & Stutz.

The residence lately occupied by F. J. Hamlin, is receiving a fresh coat of paint and will be occupied by Prof. Chas. Davis next year.

Col. A. T. Bliss and W. H. Miller will speak at Riverdale next Friday. The bare announcement is sufficient to insure a large attendance.

Alfred Ronk left Saturday for New York to buy his fall stock of goods. Keep your eyes open for he will surprise you when his stock comes.

The M. E. Ladies' Aid Society will serve an excellent warm dinner in the Berry building on Thursday, Aug. 30. Price, 25 cents. We earnestly solicit a share of your patronage.

Wm. Sloan, owner of the Hambletonian trotter, Diamond Joe, is putting in his time with this well known horse on the track at St. Louis. He informs us that he is doing much better this season than ever.

The Young Men's Republican club is very fortunate in their selection of president. John D. Spinnery is an active, intelligent and aggressive Republican, full of energy and push and calculated to lead the club in aggressive campaign as this promises to be.

The grounds near the cemetery have been put in order for the reception of the G. A. R. encampment on the 29th inst. Arrangements are being made for a grand time. As there must necessarily be some expense attending this occasion, it is hoped the friends will respond liberally if asked to aid in this matter.

Mrs. Joseph Sartor received a dispatch Tuesday announcing the serious illness of her mother at Berlin Out. She left here Wednesday accompanied by her daughter Emma, to visit her and contribute all that loving hands can do to soothe and alleviate suffering and restore to health.

The fall meeting of the Detroit Driving Club takes place Sept. 4th to 8th inclusive, and promises to be an unusually interesting and enjoyable affair. The National Association of Trotting-Horse breeders stakes, 12 in number, are to be trotted for in addition to 3 stakes and a purse races offered by the club.

Mr. A. W. Wright is about building a stock shed 28x70 two stories in height the upper part to be used for storage of hay, while the lower portion will furnish protection to his fine herd of high bred horses. There are two stalls for the use of the invalids and unfortunately, should there be any such among them.

The person who furnishes items to a newspaper is always a valuable friend to the editor. Many persons hesitate about sending personal notes to a newspaper regarding the movements of friends lest the newspaper man should think them anxious to see their names in print. He will think nothing of the kind, but on the contrary he is glad to get such notes. Many seeming unimportant items when printed is news to a large number of readers.

At the Young Men's Republican Club meeting held last evening, W. T. Merritt was elected captain and E. M. Wilson, and Ralph Ely lieutenants. It was arranged that the Club will go to Ithaca Tuesday afternoon, next, at 1:30 o'clock. The next meeting of the Club will occur Saturday (to-morrow) evening in the store building of Pollasky Bros. generously offered them by this wide-awake republican firm as their headquarters during this campaign. The thanks of the club were voted Pollasky Bros. for their very generous offer. S. W. Tinker very generously agreed to furnish seats.

Alma Haywood, accompanied by a number of musical artists, will be at the rink in this place, Aug. 24th. Mr. Haywood is well and favorably known in these parts and will draw a full house every time. The band have taken the responsibility of getting him here, and now let us all turn out—not only to help the band, but to enjoy an evening of solid fun and laughter. The company consists of "The Super Trio," Dewey Heywood, flute soloist; Miss Allie Cheatham, cornet soloist; Flora Gardner King, concert soprano and pianist; Henry King violinist—under the management of O. W. Heywood. Admission, 25c; reserved seats—at Webb's store—50c; children, 15c.

### A Golden Wedding.

A pleasing incident occurred at the Sanitarium, where they are spending the summer, Thursday evening, being the golden wedding of the Hon. J. D. G. and Mrs. Nelson, of Indianapolis, Ind. They were first married according to the rite of the Episcopal church at Ft. Wayne, Ind., August 23rd, 1838. Mr. Nelson has held various important public offices, having for several terms been a member of the legislature and for ten years a member of the commission for the erection of the State house. His two daughters, Mrs. H. W. Bond and Miss Eva Nelson were present on this interesting occasion. The guests of the Sanitarium also witnessed the pleasant scene and intok e of their appreciation furnished numerous beautiful bouquets from the flower beds adjoining the lawn of the Sanitarium. Mr. Nelson presented his bride of fifty years a fine gold ring, a very expressive symbol of the love he still bears her after their hand-to-hand journey along life's rugged pathway of half a century. Mr. and Mrs. Dr. Hale and the guests of the Sanitarium presented Mr. Nelson with a gold badge with a representation of the Sanitarium on one side and the names of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson nicely engraved on the other. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Geo. F. Huntington, Pres. of Alma College.

The many friends of Bishop Harris will be pained to learn of his death, which occurred at London, Aug. 21st at 6:30 p. m. His funeral services were held in Westminster Abbey at 5 o'clock on the 22nd, conducted by Bishop Whipple, of Minnesota, Thompson, of Mississippi and the Dean of Westminster. The remains accompanied by Mrs. H. daughter and son and Rev. Dr. McCarroll, sailed from South Hampton on Thursday for Detroit on the "Lahr." The burial will occur in Detroit.

On Monday evening last Mr. A. W. Wright, having his park in an advanced stage of completion, issued a general invitation to the public to be present at a grand opening concert to be given by the Alma band, whose services had been secured for the occasion. The park was illuminated by 100 parti-colored Chinese lanterns, and by the time the first piece was played it was evident that the invitation had been accepted in the spirit in which it was given, for the park was thronged with the fairest and best of our citizens occupying swings-hammocks and seats or strolling about in the "dim religious light." And the band—well the band played. Comment is useless. They broke their record. The applause which followed the rendition of the various solos and selections showed that the audience was as appreciative as it was large. The following was the program: March, The Color Guard, T. H. Rollinson; Schottische, Nora McCrea, Fred G. Binns; Cornet Solo, Concert Polka, Tom. V. Short and A. D. Amsden; Laura Waitzes, From Opera Beggar Student, Myrelies, Baritone Solo, Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep, Rollinson; C. W. Yerrington; Overture, Rival; Pottee; Clarinet Solo, Second Air Vari. E. S. Thoruton, Geo. H. Yerrington; Quartette, Cebella, Messrs. Ward, Amsden, C. W. and A. Yerrington. Alma has reason to feel proud of a citizen of such public spirit and generosity and who has the happy faculty of so distributing his "surplus" as at once to advance his own interests while contributing to the welfare and gratification of her citizens.

Something fine in mouth organs at Porter's.  
For a nice, slick carriage whip go to CHAS. MORDEN'S.  
Go to Caple & Hall for a fine job of tin work.  
Campaign pins, badges, buttons etc. at the Bee Hive.  
If in need of anything in the harness line call at MORDEN'S.  
Take your Umbrellas to E. P. Shaffer and have the tops Gold Plated and Engraved.  
We sell the best plow shoe in the market. Call and ask for the Imperial Every pair warranted.  
E. L. STARR.  
Call and see the latest style in crush hats for men, youths and boys.  
E. L. STARR.  
The Harrison and Cleveland scarf pins are the latest at E. P. Shaffer's.  
We have a \$2.50 ladies' fine shoe that cannot be equalled. Call and see it.  
E. L. STARR.  
Remember, if you want a fine all-silk umbrella with a 14-k gold head, you can get it at G. B. Porter's.  
Fine line of neckwear, collars, cuffs, white and fancy shirts, all at prices to suit the times. Call and see for yourselves.  
E. L. STARR.  
The most complete line of men's fine shoes on the market. Price \$2 and upward.  
E. L. STARR.

### PERSONALS.

F. Achard was in town Monday.  
John Graham was in town Wednesday.

M. Montigel was in Saginaw Tuesday on business.  
Joseph Miller has removed his family to Litchfield.

H. W. Ashley was at the Wright House, Tuesday.

C. F. Norris, of St. Louis, sized up Alma Thursday.

Dr. Schafer, of Elm Hill, was in town Wednesday.

S. W. Tucker was in St. Louis, Wednesday on business.

W. L. Hough was in Grand Rapids Thursday, on business.

W. H. Whipple shipped a car load of feed to Marion Tuesday.

C. H. Coats, of St. Louis, was in Alma Thursday on business.

Sim. Miller spent Sunday at his old home Litchfield, Hillsdale Co.

Mrs. N. G. McCullough, visited friends at Riverdale Thursday.

A. D. Amsden and wife visited relatives near Elwell last Sunday.

Miss Dora Hicks is in the employ of Mrs. Schafer in the fancy store.

H. F. and Frank Ward, of Shepherd, spent Sunday with G. S. Ward.

Jas. Morrison has his new residence on State street nearly completed.

M. B. Faughner was in Lansing the fore part of the week, on business.

Miss Fannie Bennett, of Palo, is the guest of A. Yerrington and brothers.

Harvey Button Sr., of Alma is spending a few days with his son Benjamin.

Jas. L. Clark was in Grand Rapids, Wednesday, on professional business.

David Robinson Jr. was in town Tuesday, a guest at the Wright House.

Geo. Latimer, of Shepherd, was in town Sunday, taking in the camp-meeting.

Mrs. W. Norris, of Owosso, was the guest of Mrs. Wm. Thompson Thursday.

Mr. Salsberry, of Lowell, was the guest of his uncle, E. L. Stark yesterday.

Miss Libbie Church, of Chicago, is visiting Mrs. J. L. Clark, a cousin, this week.

Robert Smith, of Ithaca, was in town Saturday on his way to Grand Rapids.

Dr. E. A. Bagley attended the Republican rally at Emerson Thursday afternoon.

C. E. Blanchard returned from Bay View last Friday after a few weeks recreation.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Wright leaves Friday for a ten days' trip to Montreal and Quebec.

Miss Emma Titus left Tuesday for Bettsville, O., where she will spend the fall with relatives.

Pres. Huntington delivered an address before the training school at Tawas City last Tuesday.

Mrs. C. H. Cascardis and son Eddie from Buffalo, N. Y., are the guests of Mrs. D. V. Hubblell.

Mrs. Dr. McLeay, of Prairieville, Barry Co., is spending a few days with Mr. C. Rush and wife.

Miss Nettie Rosenberry and Mrs. DeWitt Vought visited friends in Lakeview last Sunday.

Mrs. Elvira Secord and her grand-son, Mortie, of Perrinton, are visiting relatives in Alma this week.

W. H. Carpenter left Wednesday for his new position in Bay City. He invites Alma people visiting that place, to call.

Mrs. M. T. Budge, of Owosso, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Dr. Flowers. She has been a resident of Owosso for 20 years.

Prof. J. W. Ewing is conducting a very profitable teachers' Institute at St. Louis this week, the class numbers about 100.

R. E. Moblo and Lee Schafer, two of Riverdale's business men were in town Thursday. Ask Rob. if he called on the Record.

Miss Ethio Bully, of Shepherd and Miss Myrtle Sanford, of Mt. Pleasant, spent Sunday in town the guests of Eva Hudson.

Prof. J. W. Ewing returned Saturday night from Wyandotte, where he has been conducting a very successful teachers' institute.

Harry Walby spent Sunday in town, Judging from his appearance he has not been over-worked of late, as he is fat and happy as usual.

Andrew Watson and family, of Highland are guests of J. S. Macdonald and family. Mr. W. is manager of the Highland vinegar works.

Miss Leona Stout left Wednesday for Greenville, where she expects to remain this fall. Her many friends and associates regret her departure, but wish her a pleasant recreation.

### ANOTHER REAL SENSATION.

Full of Romance, but Certain, True Facts.

It was about 10 years ago, in the quiet town of Tecumseh, this state, there lived a well-to-do retired farmer, with his wife and only daughter Mabel, at that time, just blooming into womanhood, having celebrated her sixteenth birthday during the earlier part of that year. Mabel was born, and had been brought up on a farm, located four miles and a half from town, where her father had toiled hard for many a year, and having by strict economy, and judicious investments, accumulated a sufficient amount of this world's goods, to allow him to live in ease and comparative luxury during the remainder of his days. He rented his magnificent farm, and moved into town three years previous to the opening of this sketch, his main object was to give his only daughter the advantages of the splendid schools the town afforded.

In the year in which this sketch opens, she had finished the course at the high school and had graduated with honors. Owing to her rural birth and education, Mabel retained all her natural simplicity, being of a highly sensitive nature; she did not mingle much into society; on account of her simplicity and somewhat economic ideas she kept out of the circle of what was termed "our set" of young society girls. She therefore had no intimate girl friends. During her childhood she had for constant companion, a handsome curly-headed boy, a neighbor's son, who had often helped her with her lessons, and championed her all along childhood's rough and rugged paths.

Arthur was five years her senior, a handsome boy, considered by far to be the handsomest for miles around, and the target for many cupid darts sent forth from childhood girl hearts, while at school, but none attracted him as did the simple childish ways of our Mabel. He was proud but manly; his pride was his great "harbor of refuge," and in hours of temptation always came to his rescue. About the time that Mabel's parents moved to Tecumseh, Arthur, having also graduated with honors, at Hillsdale college, had accepted a position as assistant cashier in a bank of which his father was one of the principal stockholders and officers, located in a neighboring town.

This responsible position had a tendency to make Arthur still prouder, if anything. His strict application and shrewd business tact had advanced him step by step. During all this time he never for one moment forgot his early playmate, having kept up a continuous correspondence, and now that he had become of age and Mabel was sixteen, he thought to advance his already successful career another step by taking unto himself a companion for life, and during one of his visits, asked Mabel for her heart and hand. Mabel's heart had always been his, from the time that his hand had clasped hers, when on her way to the old log school house, and when he returned to his home that night, it was with "a promise ever sweet" and the blessings of Mabel's parents. But the old saying—"true love never runs smooth"—most of course be no exception in their case.

After his return to the bank next day, he sat down, and wrote her a long, loving letter, in which he described the magnificent home he was going to furnish for her, how grand everything was to be—no money should be spared in anything, even to his clothing, on which he was going to spend a small fortune. As Mabel read this letter, consternation over spread her whole being; with her simple and economic views, she could picture nothing but ruin in such extravagant ideas. The teachings of her parents had always

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