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THE ALMA RECORD,

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GREETINGS.

Pure drugs at Miller's. *

Mrs. Prof. Stuart is on the sick list.

Fine imported Violin and Guitar strings at Porter's.

The well at the Sanitarium is now down over 400 feet.

The irrepressible Joe Kimble is busy now days sweeping chimneys.

Ithaca has a new elevator with a capacity of 50,000 and will be fire proof.

E. Moyer will open a lunch room in the Messenger building on State Street.

G. B. Porter moved his stock of jewelry to Miller & Co's. drug store, Monday.

A soap eat er and street fakir, interested some of our people Tuesday night.

D. DePew expects to enter his brown trotter in the races at Hubbardston next week.

Go to G. B. Porter for watch work and engraving. First door south of the Post Office.

W. A. Bahlke has leased the building vacated by G. B. Porter and will move his law office thereto,

If any subscriber of the RECORD has back numbers, he can get good pay for them by calling at this office.

We are in receipt of complimentary tickets to the Isabella county fair to be held at Mt. Pleasant Sept. 25th to 27th inclusive.

Rev. J. W. Peach, the new M. E. minister, was in town Tuesday making arrangements to move his family here next week.

On Sunday evening last, Rev. Venor preached the memorial address of the late Bishop Harris, the floral decoravery elaborate.

Come to the War Song concert next Friday evening, Sept. 21st. Everyone can enjoy a war song whether he be Republican or Democrat.

There will be a basket picnic and pole raising at the Town Hall, Lafayette, on Saturday, Sept. 15, at 1:30 o'clock Good speaking may be expected.

W. S. & S. last fall sowed 10 bushel of "Improved Deal" wheat from which they raised 107 bushel. They have some on hand, and parties destring seed will please call. *

In announcing the democrat blow out at St. Louis last week, our devil set it 2,000 people, getting on one too many ciphers. Pardon us as we try not to mis-represent our friends.

M. B. Faughner & Co. received word, the first of the week that the machinery for their Excelsior factory had been shipped. This will enable them to start about the first of October.

The census returns of this school district, recently made, contains the names of five-hundred and fifteen children between the ages of five and twenty years entitled to draw public money.

The tool store house to be built by the Village and the township of Arcada, will soon be under headway. It is to be built on the lot back of the Engine House.

On Thursday, of last week, Miss Ross had the misfortune to loose a roll of money in bills, between the College and Postoffice. Finder will be rewarded by returning.

Elias VanLeuvan, living near Elm Hall, got too much budge on board Thursday and was arrested for fast driving on the streets; fined $4.00. Several other smart suckers should have this same dose.

The best musical talent among the gentlemen of Alma is engaged for the War Song Concert, to be given at the College Hall, one week from to-night. A fine program is selected and new pieces will be sung. The proceeds will be given for books for the ladies' library.

The head of the deer that died for scientific purposes at Higgins Lake last year, was forwarded by Rev. A. F. Bruske, the capturer, to Alma College last Monday where it will adorn the walls of the Natural History Museum and delight the students of future generations.

The indications now are that Maine has gone Republican by 29,000 majority, an increase of 6,000 over the vote of two years ago. The Republicans will gain a few in the house and perhaps in the senate. The four representatives to congress are elected with increased majorities.

Prof. Morris, with his wonderful educated horses and dogs hold the boards at Holcomb's Opera house this week, and they give one of the best performances that has been in the Opera house for many a day. The old and young are delighted and are loud in encomiums of praise. It is a truly wonderful feat to teach horses and dogs, to do everything but talk and is an accomplishment which but few human beings possess. In this respect Prof. Morris has no superior as he seems to succeed equally as well with both species. To be appreciated this entertainment must be seen and as the engagement is for the entire week, closing with the Saturday matinee, an opportunity will be presented for our citizens to attend. One thing should be remembered; that the children enjoy a show of this kind equally as well as the older ones, therefore do not leave them at home. Remember the matinee at 2 p. m. Saturday.

Fine stationery at P. O. Book Store.*

Monograms designed and engraved at Porter's.

Clocks! Clocks!! Clocks!!! Clocks!!!! At E. P. SHAFFERS. *

The Board of Supervisors will meet the 2nd Monday in October.

Two years back numbers of the RECORD wanted at this office; good pay

Adama Bros. are now prepared to pay the highest market price for oats. *

Ladies' solid gold chatealine watch for $12.00, at Porter's.

A very enjoyable suite of rooms to rent, unfurnished. Enquire at this office.

New goods. A large and well assorted stock of jewelry at E. P. SHAFFERS. *

Dr. Geo. F. Hunting is putting in an individual telephone at his residence this week.

The Alma roller mill is busy on a large order of flour, to be shipped to England.

J. M. Montigel & Co. exhibited a pair of their patent sleighs at the St. Louis fair this week.

D. DePew entered his two-year-old trotter at the St. Louis fair this week, in the green race. *

A large number of Gratiot county G. A. R. men are attending the encampment at Columbus, Ohio, this week.

The Frankfort extension of the T., A. A. & N. M. to Manistee has been commenced. J. C. Carland has the contract.

The Ladies' Library is removed to the office one door south of the Angell House, on State street, nearly opposite the Milliken House.

The Ladies' Library rooms have been moved to the first door south of the Angell House, making much nicer and pleasanter quarters.

Highway Commissioner Willard is busy this week opening the town line road east to Emerson, a job that has been in need of notice for some time.

Geo. Thornton brought into this office, on Monday, a stalk of dent corn, raised by Reid Latimer, which measured ten and a half feet in height. Next!

It took 250 extra RECORDS to supply the demand, owing to the speech of Dr. Geo. F. Hunting before the Gratiot Co. G. A. R. Association, in last weeks issue.

The Nashville *News* celebrated its 15th birth-day last week. The *News* is one of the brightest papers in Michigan and should be, and is, appreciated by its citizens.

The well-filled advertising columns of the Alma RECORD indicate its value as an advertising medium, and the fact that the business men of that place appreciate it, too.—*Detroit Dash.*

At the M. E. conference held at St. Joseph, the Rev. J. W. Peach was appointed to the M. E. church at Alma. From the report we learn that Mr. Hart is stationed at St. Louis for the coming year.

Supt. Stillwell and all his assistants are re-engaged at Alma. Supt. Stillwell and one of his teachers, Miss Kittie Chapin, were married during the vacation. The courting was carried on in Volopuk.—*Moderator.*

C. M. Scott brought into this office on Tuesday, a cotton plant in full bloom. Quite a novelty to those who never saw one before. Those wishing to see it, can be gratified by calling at Scott's ice cream parlors on Superior Street.

W. S. Hormig upon being released from the penitentiary, a few days ago, was again arrested upon an old charge, tried, and sentenced to Ionia, for one year. We understand there are several more charges against him, yet to be met.

The iron fence for the pool in Mr. Wright's park, is on the ground. It was manufactured by Montigel & Co., and is certainly an artistic job and one that few institutions in towns of this size undertake. It is of the very latest design and adds one more ornament to this beautiful resort.

Chas. Stinchfield spent several days in town last week, in quiet enjoyment and contributed, not a little, to the enjoyment of the Soldiers at the Home in Grand Rapids by sending one hundred copies of the RECORD containing the address of Rev. Dr. Hunting, delivered at the G. A. R. reunion recently held in this village.

Never send a dollar away from home when the article that dollar will purchase can be obtained at home. Money is our financial blood. Its circulation keeps the business body alive. Bleed that body by sending your money away from home and soon trade will put on a look of lethargy and inactivity. Always trade at home It is twice blessed. It helps the person patronized and finds its way to you again.

Alma College opened for its second year last Wednesday. There is a prospect of a very large increase in the number of students. The ladies' hall is full, every room being occupied by at least two ladies, and the janitor who has had quarters in this building, has been notified to vacate. The faculty has reason to congratulate itself on the flattering prospect under which this youngest institution of higher learning in Michigan starts on its second year. *Saginaw Journal.*

In order to make the political meeting and pole raising on the 19th a perfect success, it will be necessary for our financial committee to solicit a little pecuniary aid from the many friends who will be glad to witness the success of the meeting. Be ready to encourage the committee by a little timely aid and thus contribute to the success of this, the most important meeting of the campaign in this locality this year.

COL. A. T. BLISS,

Nominee for Congress, of the 8th District.

On Wednesday, Sept. 19th, Alma will have a grand old mass meeting. Speaking by Col. A. T. Bliss, Gen. Paul Standwent, of Omaha, Ex-Department Commander of Grand Army, and others. A pole raising and speaking in the park in the afternoon, and in the evening a torch-light procession and speaking in the rink. Wright's Opera House Band will furnish music. One of the grandest times ever enjoyed in Gratiot county looked for.

Fine gold head silk umbrellas at Porter's.

Two good stoves cheap at Miller's Drug Store. *

Ladies' and Gents.' gold watches at E. P. SHAFFERS. *

A Junior Republican Club was organized last Monday night numbering 50 boys from 10 to 16 years old, with the following officers: Pres.—Chas. Gibson; Vice Pres.—Earnest Scott; Sec.—Frank Kehn; Treas.—Wilson Davis; Captain—Ray Turck; 1st Lieut.—John Sharp; 2nd Lieut.—Ed. Cole. They hold regular meetings and are putting in lots of time drilling and expect to celebrate a pole raising soon. Everybody should encourage these boys in their right start in life.

Arcada.

Miss Flora Brooks of St. Louis is the guest of Miss Angie Nichols.

Miss Mary Way attended the yearly meeting at Forest Hill, Saturday and Sunday.

N. B.—Please read on our democrat flag "Fair Trade" instead of "Free Trade" as it was formerly.

Fred Osborn is still in the employ L. W. Miller. Fred is about as good an artist as there is in the state for his age.

West Arcada.

Mrs. Alvon Wiley and Mrs. Harry Clark visited friends in Sheridan last week.

Fires are raging in the woods around this vicinity and people are anxious for rain.

Miss Mollish Irish assumed the responsibilities of a school ma'am last week at the brick, on the town line near Alex. Wiley's.

Miss Nellie Carey began her maiden term of school in the Eckert district last Monday, with 24 scholars.

M. L. Osterhout and family, of Greenville, Pa., have been visiting his sister, Mrs. J. H. Allis, the last week.

A very pleasant surprise was planned to help Mrs. M. T. Rice remember her 54th birthday which occurred last Thursday, the 6th. A goodly number of her friends and acquaintances met and enjoyed a pleasant evening with social intercourse and music after which several well-filled tables of refreshments were relieved of their contents and all wished the worthy lady many happy returns of the occasion.

Mass Meeting.

On Monday, Sept. 10th, the Republicans of Elwell and vicinity, had a mass meeting and pole raising. About 350 people being present. At 1 o'clock a handsome 100 foot pole was raised with an elegant flag and streamer attached, after which Mr. Copp, an old time Democrat, who has seen the folly of his ways, was appointed to the chair, after a few very fitting remarks he introduced E. L. Waldbridge, of Ithaca, and Jas. L. Clark, of Alma, who made strong and concisive arguments for the tariff and the political issue, after a few remarks by Mr. Copp, the meeting closed by three cheers for the ticket.

For the Yellow Fevor Sufferers.

The appalling ravages of yellow fever at Jacksonville, Florida, has led the Detroit *Journal* to open a subscription for the sick and the $1000 and over, who are officially reported to be without means of support, but yet who, by the rigid quarantine regulations, are hopelessly shut up in the plague stricken city. The Detroit *Journal* publishes from day to day the acknowledgement of all gifts sent, with the names and addresses of the donors, and readers of this paper should liberally and quickly respond to the appeal by forwarding to the Detroit *Journal* their gifts, which may be sent by P. O. order or in postage stamps, small amounts being as acceptable as large. There is no doubt but that our readers are willing and anxious to help and have only waited for an opportunity. This opportunity is now supplied by the Detroit *Journal*.

PERSONALS.

Dr. Lancashire was in town Wednesday.

B. S. Webb visited Saginaw last Friday.

Allen Williams, of Elm Hall, was in town Monday.

John Flanigan spent a few days in town this week.

F. M. Milliken was in Edmore Monday on business.

E. P. Shaffer was in Detroit Wednesday on business.

To S. F. Anderson and wife, Wednesday night a boy.

E. R. Moblo, of Riverdale was in town Tuesday, busy as usual.

Fred Hamlin and Mrs. J. T. Hall left Wednesday for York State.

Miss Jessie O'Connel is visiting friends in Detroit this week.

E. Kimball took in the encampment at Columbus, Ohio, this week.

C. M. Scott has made some vast improvements at his Oyster Parlors.

Archie Alexander returned Tuesday night from his summer's vacation.

John Day has completed the school census in a very creditable manner.

Ber. Button and wife are attending the State fair at Jackson this week.

Mrs. N. LeRoy, of Coboconk, Ont., is visiting her sister, Mrs. M. McLaren.

Mrs. E. M. Webb, of DeWitt, is the guest of her son, B. S. Webb, this week.

T. A. Johnson is confined to his bed with poison caused while working n a swamp.

Mrs. F. Butler, of London, Ont., is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. C. Morden.

J. M. Montigel & Co. turned out a very neat open buggy Wednesday, for A. J. Weston.

Landa Hough left last Saturday for a weeks visit in Charlotte, making the trip over land.

Max Pollasky leaves Friday for the east and west to buy goods. Look out for their new stock.

Jas. Kress is assisting Tinker & Lancashire in the office this week during the absence of Mr. Carey.

John Glass and wife left Monday for Jackson, where they will attend the state fair and visit friends.

A. N. Brown, of the Mt. Pleasant *Tribune*, made the RECORD a call Thursday, while on his way to Saginaw.

H. Harrington, of Harrington Table Co., who has been confined to his room for some weeks, was in town Thursday.

John Courrence, residing west of Alma, has his new residence about completed, making him a very fine farm house.

Charles Ingersoll was in town Wednesday. He is on the road for the New York and New England shoe manufacturing and selling company.

J. F. Norton was called to Riverdale last week to defend an assumpist suit, which was adjourned two weeks. C. W. Giddings appearing for the plaintiff.

A. D. Amsden and Geo. Harrington are assisting in the Orchestra at St. Louis this week, furnishing music for the evenings entertainments at Holcomb's Opera House.

J. L. Clark will deliver a tariff speech in Isabella county, Saturday. There are but few in Michigan who can treat this subject better than Mr. Clark. He has made a study of it, and has the documents to prove each assertion.

Wedding Bells.

Married at the home of the bride's parents in Fenton, Mich., on Wednesday evening, Sept. 12th, '88, at 7 o'clock p. m., Mr. E. G. Carey to Miss Gertie H. Fisher. The Rev. W. K. Ingersoll, of Milford, officiating.

Mr. Carey, who is book-keeper for the firm of Tinker & Lancashire is a young man of unbounded excellency and a man of true worth.

Mrs. Carey bears the same excellent reputation as that of her husband. At the time of the Alma Normal, she held the position of teacher of Elocution, and since returning to Fenton, held a position in the Fenton Normal until its close.

About forty guests were present at the wedding and tendered the bride many compliments in the way of beautiful presents, and at the same time wishing them both a life-long happiness.

The happy couple started the same evening for Detroit, where they will spend a few days, thence from Detroit to Flint, where they will visit the parents and boyhood home of Mr. Carey, after which they will return to Alma, where they intend making their home.

The people of Alma extend to them the hand of friendship and welcome, and wish them long life, joy, happiness and a God-speed.

Kip boots D. S. & L. 18 inch leg, cold liquor tanned, sure to give satisfaction at the lowest living price.
491-tf W. R. KINCH.

Boots and shoes going as low as possible at Kinch's.

W. R. Kinch offers a new line of hand made cold liquor tanned calf boots at bottom prices. 491-tf

Ladies should call and get a bottle of Gilt Edge shoe dressing at W. R. Kinch's. It beats everything. 491-tf

Call and see our line of stoves. The Peninsular cooking stoves take the lead. In coal or heaters we have an endless variety. * CAPLE & HALL.

COLLEGE OPENING.

Our new institution, which, one year ago was dedicated to higher learning and for which so many fond hopes were fostered, has on the eve of its second year surpassed even the most sanguine expectations.

These cherished hopes have been fully realized and Gratiot Co. boasts to-day of a college which is the peer of any in Michigan.

Alma College may justly claim a faculty, which for scholarship, ability, experience and christian character is not surpassed by any like body in the state.

Even the first year, the friends of this institution, were justly proud of the choice, which the executive Board made in its selection of instructors—men of eminent piety and zeal—men consecrated to the propagation of christian education—men whose pre-eminent qalifications for educating the youth of our land and moulding christian characters have been recognized, not only by the people of one state, but by a long circle of prominent educators throughout many.

Although the corps of instructors was strong in the beginning, it has been materially strengthened by the accession of such men as Rev. Kendall Brooks, D. D., ex-president of Kalamazoo College, Prof. Butler, an eminent minister of the gospel, from Ill. and Miss Ross, who has a national fame as a kindergarten instructor.

Wednesday morning witnessed the opening of the second year of Alma College—an opening which made glad the hearts of its friends.

The beautiful chapel was almost full of bright boys and girls—enthusiastic and apparently ready for business.

The thirteen efficient members of the faculty were arranged more than the entire length of the platform in front of the students. The President conducted the devotional exercises, after which he gave a soul-stirring address of welcome to the boys and girls gathered there, which brought tears to the eyes of some.

One hundred were enrolled the first day—more are coming daily.

The people of the state may rejoice in this new and prosperous institution. May the good work go on—may consecrated money and ability make it a bright star in the intellectual firmament.

TO OUR COLLEGE FRIENDS.

Imperative duties compelled us to lay aside the pen last year, which for a brief period represented Alma College in the college department of this paper. We now desire to say that circumstances are so favorable that we are again permitted to wield the pen in the interest of the institution we so much love. In entering upon this arduous task we respectfully solicit the co-operation of both faculty and students to make this department not only interesting but spicy and instructive. We desire to allay any apprehensions which may arise, by informing one and all that there will be nothing inserted in this column from a spirit of predjudice or a desire to work mischief, but *tout an contraire* to promote a closer fellowship among the students. The responsibility of this department rests entirely upon the correspondent and not upon the editor. This much for the renewal of our acquaintance with you.

Miss Ross has a training class of thirty members.

Ladies' hall is full to overflowing and more are coming.

We learn that A. W. is an exceedingly happy man—shake.

We are glad to learn that Beckner is going to remain with us this year.

President Hunting gave a very kind, interesting and instructive address of welcome to the students Wednesday morning.

Blanchard's curly head and McKee's smiling countenance have been visible at all trains, welcoming the old, and new boys, and girls.

Poor boys, how timid they are in the presence of the fair sex. We venture to prophesy that that embarrassment will soon be a thing of the past.

The student's reception at the College will take place this evening. Outside friends are invited to attend and get acquainted with each other.

Many of the old students are on the ground and we are glad to see their familiar faces. New ones are pouring in and we extend to them a heartfelt welcome.

As we have begun another year may the good fellowship which existed between the town and college last year be strengthened and extended during this. May God bless the faculty, and students, as they enter upon their duties, and may much good be accomplished, as we believe there will be.

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