

Local Items

All About Our Town And Its People

Harry Curtis left Monday for Detroit.

Mrs. Ed. Covert was in Greenville, Saturday.

Mrs. W. C. Spicer was in Grand Rapids, Tuesday.

Mrs. Wm. Coulter has been quite ill with the grip.

Zala Howe of Ionia was in the city, Saturday.

Mrs. L. E. Trimble visited friends in Ionia, Saturday.

Levi Tuttle made a business trip to St. Johns, Monday.

Fred Beckwith has recovered from an attack of the grip.

K. C. Gonsulus made a business trip to Grand Rapids, Monday.

Miss Isa Sprague was ill with the grip the first of the week.

Ray Phillips is suffering from a severe attack of the grip.

Charles Webster was a Greenville visitor Saturday, on business.

Edgar Stanton made a business trip to Grand Rapids, last Friday.

J. A. Lessiter made a business trip to Grand Rapids, Saturday.

W. C. Whitney was in Lansing visiting his sons, last week.

Elmer Kingsbury made a business trip to Grand Rapids, Monday.

A. S. Dimmick was in Sand Lake Saturday transacting business.

Edgar Berry went to Six Lakes for a few days' visit Tuesday.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Cranston, a 9-pound boy, January 31.

J. L. Taylor went to Coral, Saturday to visit his people over Sunday.

Verne Smith of Stanton was the guest of Kenneth Deno, Thursday.

Forrest Fish has been in Detroit a few days this week on a business trip.

James Caverley spent Sunday with his son and family of Grand Rapids.

A few trimmed hats left; all go at \$1.00 each at the Hat Shop.—adv.

Mrs. Nell Boylan of Grand Rapids was an over Sunday guest at Frank Lally's.

Miss Pearl Haskins of Ionia was the week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Trimble.

Percy Hanks and family were in Grand Rapids visiting relatives over Sunday.

Vern C. Divine was in the city a few days the past week on a business trip.

Cullen Wiggins of Moseley spent Sunday with his daughter, Miss Ina Wiggins.

Mrs. F. H. Hanks entertained Mrs. Morton Corryell of McBrides, a few days this week.

Mrs. J. C. LaBar spent several days the past week visiting with friends in Ionia.

Mrs. C. J. Watkins of Greenville was the guest of Mrs. C. W. Watkins, a few days last week.

Mrs. Charles Moore was in Orleans visiting her daughter, Mrs. Henry Pingley, over Sunday.

Rev. C. M. Pease was called to Traverse City, Tuesday, on account of the death of his niece.

W. C. Spicer and Mr. and Mrs. Claude Spicer went to Flint Saturday on a business trip.

Frank Lally left Monday for Detroit, where he is working in the Dodge Automobile works.

Thos. G. Stevenson of Ionia stopped off in the city a few hours Saturday on his way to Stanton.

Miss Mabel Cole left Saturday for Lansing, where she will attend the Lansing Business University.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Moulton of Ionia were in the city last Friday to attend the Goodfellowship club.

Guy D. Weter returned from Chicago, Monday, where he had been for several days on a business trip.

Mrs. Emily G. Ford left Wednesday for Chicago, where she intends visiting for a couple of weeks.

Harry Stacey went to Grand Rapids Saturday to remain over Sunday with his mother, Mrs. S. S. Stacey.

Dormas Moran of Bad Axe returned home Monday, after a few days' visit with his sister, Miss Beatrice Moran.

Miss Pearl Kilborn returned to Lansing, Monday, after a few days' visit with her father and other relatives.

Mrs. John Carten of Ionia was in the city Tuesday on her way to her daughter's in Smyrna, Mrs. Chas. Krupp's.

One-half off on all feathers and flowers at the Hat Shop.—adv.

Earl Vincent went to Owosso Monday to look after his farm there. He will also go to St. Johns before returning.

Miss Della LeBarge and Miss Emma Markey were the guests of Margaret Fabung in the country over Sunday.

Wm. Fuller has been in the city this week. He had been visiting in Greenville and will return to Clare, Friday.

Mrs. Walter G. Meach of Muir was in the city Tuesday. She was on her way to Lakeview, where she went to visit relatives.

There will be a regular meeting of the O. E. S. Tuesday evening, February 8th at 8:00 o'clock. Initiation and supper.

Alvin Harlan of Decatur, Michigan was the guest of his brother, Frank Harlan from Friday until Monday. It has been fourteen years since his last visit here. He is an extensive grower of celery and mint and also operates a stock farm, owning two farms near that city.

Sickening headaches, constipation, indicate unhealthy condition of stomach and bowels. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea assists the bowels to work naturally, thus aiding your health in general. Begin to-night. Corner Drug Store.—adv.

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Donald, the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Darling, who has been quite seriously ill with pneumonia, is reported as slightly improved.

Mrs. James Caverley returned Wednesday from Midland, where she has been the guest of Mrs. F. H. Olmstead since Friday.

Alex Thompson was home from Lansing over Sunday. Mr. Thompson has been working at carpenter work there for some time.

Misses Mildred Jakeway and Zita Gonyea were the guests of the former's sister in Grand Rapids, from Saturday until Wednesday.

Mrs. Maude Keesh of Grand Rapids was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Eckler last Thursday. Mrs. Keesh is a daughter of Mrs. Eckler.

R. F. Fisher of Chicago, auditor for the Belding Bros. & Co., who has been here for several days, returned home Tuesday night.

Mrs. J. Frank Wood and son, Howard, were the guests of relatives and friends in Breckenridge and Midland from Friday until Wednesday.

The Ladies' Social Circle will meet with Mrs. W. B. Reed, Wednesday, February 9. Ladies will please bring articles for the "On-Hand" Sale.

Mrs. Leo G. Benson and son Eugene left Saturday for Webberville to join her husband, who has secured a house there in which to move into.

Mrs. Mertie Unger and daughter, Miss Hazel, were called to Charlotte last week by the serious illness of the former's mother. They returned home Tuesday.

Bert Potter left Monday for Pontiac, Ill., to see his father, who is quite ill. Mr. Potter had a very successful auction sale last week and intends later to move to Illinois.

Beautiful, glossy, healthy hair for those who use Parisian Sage. Get a bottle of this French hair dressing from Wortley & French on guarantee of satisfaction, or money back.—adv.

Stewart Hayden of Chicago, a traveling salesman for Belding Bros. & Co., who has been in the employ of the company for nearly a quarter of a century, was in the city this week.

James Ovenhouse, who has been living in Edmore since the death of his wife, was in the city Monday and left Tuesday for Grand Rapids to spend the remainder of the winter in the Soldiers' Home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Kauffman returned to Lansing Wednesday. They were intimate friends of Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Nowlin and came here to render assistance and attend the funeral of Mr. Nowlin.

Mrs. Helen LaBlanc of Grand Rapids was in the city Tuesday. She came to look after her property interests here. Mrs. LaBlanc owns a house and lot on the north side, which has been occupied by the McBain sisters.

One of the good moves made by the Grand Lodge booster club is directed against the frequent hold-ups worked by advertising grafters. Hereafter solicitors of this sort will get no hearing from merchants unless the scheme has been looked up and endorsed by a committee from the club.

Dr. Geo. F. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Hetherington, Mrs. F. A. Washburn, Mrs. Brinton F. Hall and Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Lapham were in Greenville Monday evening attending a meeting of the executive and membership committees of the Washington club, held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Ranney.

Bargains in millinery at the Hat Shop. We give automobile tickets.—adv.

Nicholas Rummell went to Wyandotte this week after his daughter, Iva, who returned with him. She has been sick in the hospital there with typhoid fever for several weeks, but is now convalescing and will remain home until she is able to resume her duties in the office where she has been employed for some time.

Charles Crosby of Traverse City was the over Sunday guest of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Wortley and Mrs. Crosby. He was on his return from Battle Creek, where he had been for a few days' visit. Mr. Crosby was a former well known and highly respected resident here, having worked in the refrigerator factory in an early day and later as clerk for several of the business men in their stores. Failing health compelled him to go to Traverse City, where he has resided for a number of years. He was looking well and pleased to meet old friends.

REAL ESTATE DEALS ARE NOW MOVING

The Wagner Real Estate Agency which department is in charge of W. E. Little and who is always on the alert for making a sale or a swap, has put through several deals during the past week or two and there are others still pending. Among the recent sales are the Geo. Boyer place, corner of Bridge and May streets to Thos. Kidd; the Claude Brockway property to Wesley G. Porter; the W. E. Little house on Root street to Wesley Freese; the Joe Isabel place on Hanover street to Mrs. Millie Sowers; the W. W. Case house, Harrison avenue to E. W. Bradshaw.

ASA HALE DIES AGED 84 YEARS

Asa Hale of Traverse City, died Sunday at noon, aged 84 years. For many years Mr. Hale was a resident of Greenville and well known in this city, and was known far and near for his early activity in Masonic circles, he being worshipful master of the blue lodge several years besides holding other important offices in the Royal Arch Masons. When he went to Traverse City they soon found out his Masonic knowledge was profound, and there he was chosen to fill important offices in the Royal and Select masters, and Knights Templar. He leaves a widow and several children, one of whom is Mrs. D. C. Carlin of Greenville.

OLD PAPERS FOR SALE

INTERESTING NEWS OF BELDING PEOPLE MANY YEARS AGO

JANUARY OF 1880 WAS AS WARM AS APRIL AND NO SNOW FELL

The following interesting items were taken from our files of February 5, 1880. The festivities of that time in Belding were far different than the present ones.

Locals

Literary tomorrow evening.

It isn't safe to prophesy on the weather.

The friends of Mrs. J. T. Angell will be pleased to learn that she is improving.

Where; O, where, is that little lap-robe!

Was the cry of some of our youngsters on Monday morning last.

The quarterly meeting of the Excelsior Agricultural Society will be held at Grange Hall, Otisville on Saturday February 14, at 1 o'clock p. m.

The editor has been on the wing again this week. He was at Waucoosa, Clinton county, on Tuesday evening, where he delivered an address before the Watertown Teachers' Association.

Our readers will please excuse the lack of the usual amount of reading matter this week. The absence of the editor a part of the week and sickness in Mr. Kendall's family, are the principal reasons.

The corn social held at the residence of W. A. Luther, on Friday evening last, was a remunerative as well as a pleasurable affair. The net proceeds amounted to nearly \$12. The charade in four parts, representing "Indigent" was really well performed. The next social is to be held at the residence of H. H. Gooding, on the evening of Feb. 13th and charades will constitute a part of the evening's entertainment.

Mrs. F. W. King is visiting in Grand Rapids.

Snow at last and lumbermen sport a delightful smile.

W. W. Everts will be off for the lumber camps tomorrow.

Mrs. Asa Fuller has been quite sick for some days past.

Mr. M. R. Alden is to occupy the Belding Homestead as a dwelling.

Those wishing, can now purchase New York drafts of Leonard & Divine.

As a matter of record it is well to say that January passed without snow, and the weather was as moderate as usual for April.

Mr. M. S. Boss says he did not sell his property last week at auction on account of the rain. He will sell to any who wish to buy at private sale.

The editor had the sport of walking from the Belding depot to Kiddville on Tuesday last. The one and a half miles was made in fifteen minutes. The good lesson taught was "always better be early than late when the cars are to be taken."

From the Ionia Standard

During the year 1879 Justice Spencer disposed of 59 criminal cases, and Justice Mitchell and Clark, 32 each. The most of the cases were for drunkenness and assault and battery.

L. P. Jersey, formerly leader of the Belding band, is one of the finest cornetists in the state. He will take part in the coming band concerts, and is also contemplating taking up his residence in this city if he can find employment. He is an excellent young man, and we trust his friends will make an effort to keep him here.

Donation

There will be a donation party and picnic supper for the benefit of Rev. Wm. Buell at the residence of C. A. Vandenberg on Wednesday evening, Feb. 18. A cordial invitation is hereby extended to all to attend the same and contribute to the enjoyment of the evening. The following named persons and their wives are the committee on arrangements: Ansel Smith, S. Unger, Frank Moore, Clark Wakeman, A. T. Demorest and Orrin Purdy.

Buildings

Buildings are contrivances which surround trouble, deprive pleasure, entertain business, indolence and plumbing.

Buildings are built with brick, mortar, cement, wood, steel and mud. It also takes sand to build buildings, but they should not be built on sand.

Some buildings are public and some are private. Public buildings are usually very imposing, and usually the public has been imposed upon to build them. Private buildings are frequently private in name only, especially if occupied by several inquisitive women. Such buildings are made up of a large number of stories and most of them are without foundation.

Rats, mice, flies, earthquakes and rent collectors are buildings' worst enemies.—Judge.

Long Days on Uranus.

Uranus can be claimed for a British planet. It was discovered at Bath in 1781 by the elder Sir William Herschel, the musician who became private astronomer to George III. Uranus is so distant from us and has an atmosphere so dense that little is known about the rotation, position of the axis or number of the satellites. But the inhabitants, if they exist, may console themselves for living in a temperature approaching zero with the fact that they can seldom be dunned for income tax, because their year contains more than 30,000 days.—London Mail.

The Bull of Perillus.

Perillus of Athens is said to have invented for Phalaris, tyrant of Agrigento, 570 B. C., a brazen bull which opened on the side to admit victims who were to be roasted by the fire which was built underneath. The dying groans of the sufferers resembled closely the roaring of a mad bull. Phalaris greatly admired the invention and by way of test roasted the inventor first. Later the populace rose in rebellion and burned Phalaris.

REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION DELEGATES

Below is given a list of the delegate apportionment among the states that had been previously worked out, but was formally adopted at the recent meeting of the Republican National committee held in Chicago last week. It will be interesting to clip the list out and keep until the convention to be held in Chicago June 3. It will be noticed that the total number has been decreased by 81.

States	1916.	1912.	Loss.
Alabama	16	24	8
Arizona	6	6	—
Arkansas	15	18	3
California	26	26	—
Colorado	12	14	—
Connecticut	14	14	—
Delaware	6	6	—
Florida	8	12	4
Georgia	17	28	11
Idaho	8	8	—
Illinois	58	58	—
Indiana	30	30	—
Iowa	26	26	—
Kansas	20	20	—
Kentucky	26	26	—
Louisiana	12	20	8
Maine	12	12	—
Maryland	16	16	—
Massachusetts	36	36	—
Michigan	30	30	—
Minnesota	24	24	—
Mississippi	12	20	8
Missouri	36	36	—
Montana	8	8	—
Nebraska	16	16	—
Nevada	6	6	—
New Hampshire	8	8	—
New Jersey	28	28	—
New Mexico	6	6	—
New York	87	90	3
North Carolina	21	24	3
North Dakota	10	10	—
Ohio	48	48	—
Oklahoma	20	20	—
Oregon	10	10	—
Pennsylvania	76	76	—
Rhode Island	10	10	—
So. Carolina	11	18	7
South Dakota	10	10	—
Tennessee	21	24	3
Texas	26	40	14
Utah	8	8	—
Vermont	8	8	—
Virginia	15	24	9
Washington	14	14	—
W. Virginia	16	16	—
Wisconsin	26	26	—
Wyoming	6	6	6
Alaska	2	2	—
Dis. Columbia	2	2	—
Hawaii	2	2	—
Philippines	2	2	—
Porto Rico	2	2	—
Totals	987	1076	81

* Without vote except by action of convention.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the neighbors, friends, M. E. church Sunday school and societies for their assistance, sympathy and floral offerings during the illness and death of our mother.

C. E. Holcomb and family.

Benjamin Holcomb.

Coffin Pasties.

Mince pies now are generally round, but there was a time when they were of a long, coffin shape and were, in fact, often referred to as "coffin pasties." But this somewhat ghoulish name and shape do not appear to have detracted from their popularity. Scoggin, for instance, in the edition of his "Jests" published in 1923, is reported to have said on his deathbed, "Masters, I tell you all that stand about me, if I might live to eat a Christmas pie I care not if I dye by and by after; for Christmas pie is good meat."—London Chronicle.

Couldn't Get at Him.

Grubbs—Young Blower tells me that at the trial of the last case in which he participated he moved the jurors to tears. Stubbs—Yes, so one of the jurors told me. He said that they were bemmed in by a high railing and two bailiffs were constantly on guard. The tears were tears of rage.—Richmond Times Dispatch.

Old Fashioned.

"Daughter, you should not be seen constantly with a young man unless you are engaged to him or expect to become engaged."

"How old fashioned you are, ma! That's my dancing partner."—Pittsburgh Post.

Luxuries Cause Cold Feet.

Tight, narrow shoes, high heels, tight waists and the habit of candy eating cause in many women benumbed, tender and icy feet and are their enemy.—Health Culture.

Indispensable.

Knicker—Did he make himself indispensable to the firm? Bocker—Yes, so much so that when he left they set three detectives looking for him.—New York Times.

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