

Historical Sketches.

BY REV. SYLVESTER CALKINS.

OF SOUTH LYON.

We closed our last, with the singing school in the Union school house, and we will commence this one with the same subject...

We must attend to the school, for order is brought out of the wild confusion of the gathering—the visit of Hezekiah is tuned and we sing again Exbridge, Rockingham, Lyon, and other new and popular pieces...

"Scotland a burning! Scotland a burning! Look out! Look out! Look out! Look out!"

From our recollection we are compelled to say this piece was well sung—we have not forgotten the singer on the song. The intermission ended, as every thing earthly must, and again we resume our places for singing, which continues until the time for dismissal, when we take our departure for home or perhaps if we write the whole truth, for our girl's house first; for of course we would see them safe home.

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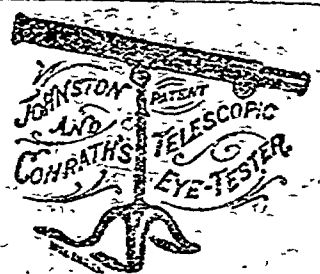
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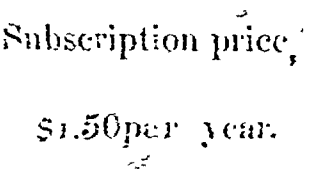
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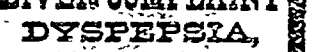
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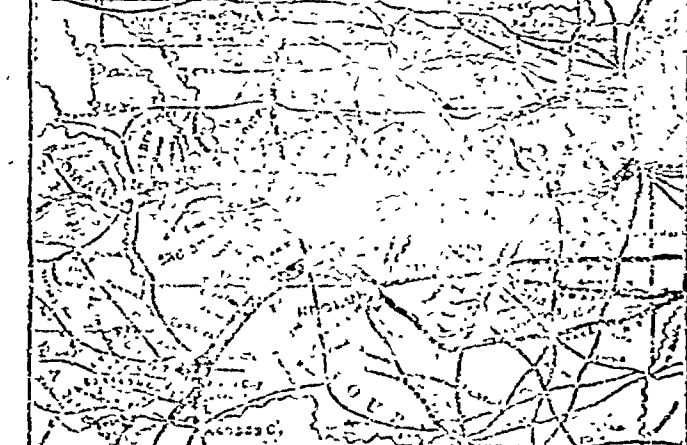
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Northville

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The Baptist pulpit is again supplied.

Plenty of rain past week and circumstances full.

Please note Miss Wheeler's ad in this issue.

Thanksgiving is coming; look out for your souls.

The Clinton House is furnished with a new piano.

The election news caused the Democrats to look down in the mouth.

The meat market is being overhauled and cleaned.

Justice Ellis has an oak Union at his residence, a steam engine of the oak make.

Halloween has passed and several gates have not found their way back their proper places.

Mrs. Forbes, of West Va., is visiting friends in Novi. She has been in poor health for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Croul have enjoyed the society of Mrs. Croul's mother, Mrs. McFarlan, of St. Johns, for the past two weeks.

The W. C. T. U. convention is now in session at Wayne. Several ladies of this place are in attendance.

Jay O. Nelson, who has recently been attending school at Oberlin, Ohio, has been visiting friends here.

John R. Clark failed to make his appearance Sunday evening, as was expected. Rev. Jacklin kindly filled his place.

Rev. D. Peebles of North Carolina, has been making a short visit to his daughter Carrie, and other friends of this place.

Bela B. Clark and Carrie M. Johnson were married Wednesday evening last, at Homer Johnson's, father of the bride.

The funeral services of Mrs. Lee, of Waterford, Mich., were held at the residence of Greg. Lapham, on Saturday, Nov. 8.

Dr. Swift went to Fall River, Mass., about a week since in compliance with a request from his wife, who has been there for some time.

The editor of this paper is making his home—when in town—with the family of Josiah Williams. Parties wishing to see him can easily find the place.

The Methodist social held Wednesday evening at the residence of Jas. Smith, was well attended, considering the inclemency of the weather. Refreshments consisted of coffee and doughnuts.

A square bay window is just being finished at Winfield Scott's house on the east side. Said addition adds in looks and convenience, and can't be surpassed as a receptacle for house plants.

The F. & P. M. Pay car has just passed over the road, and the hearts of the railroad boys are made glad.

The members of the Union school, purpose getting up a series of entertainments to pay for their organ.

Rev. Mr. Eldridge of North Adams, is likely to be the next pastor of the Baptist church. He has a family.

The late pastor of the Baptist church Rev. Mr. Churchill is now in Mass. His wife with friends in Buffalo, N. Y.

"That clock, sir," said a Michigan farmer, "was the best kind of a clock up to six months ago, when my daughter began to have beaux; but now the blamed thing is always two hours too slow."

"Azul Blair is another of our citizens who has taken it into his head that there are towns to live in as good as Northville, and with his family has taken his departure for Birmingham, in Oakland Co.

A Northville man bought a suit of clothes for himself while in Detroit, and had not driven two blocks before he found them missing from his wagon. He immediately returned and purchased another outfit.

They like cider in the town of Riley, Clinton county. The editor of the Record was out there a few days since, and a man was pointed out to him who uses on an average of fourteen barrels each year. His name is Harkman.

Northville was not represented at the Grant demonstration in Chicago, Wednesday. Not a man from here to tell the howly arrived soldier that Northville would stand by him, no matter if Toombs did cry "death to the union!"

Plenty of strength adds mightily to the good of anything—but hatter—that's why a new platform was put up this week in such a short time in front of the Baptist church. As we passed by we counted something near a dozen men at work on it.

The lyceum is in a flourishing condition. Last Monday evening the all important question of "Woman's Rights" was discussed, and after this women are to have as much right at the ballot box as men. Next Monday evening the election of officers, for the ensuing term is to take place.

Several days ago, a Mr. Potter, of Amsterdam, N. Y., returned to his home after a short absence and was met by his little girl, who said she did not like to stay with her mother, because she looked so white. Mr. Potter on entering the house found the lifeless remains of his wife, who had expired from heart disease.

As can be seen, a card appears in this issue from the "Brunswick," the new and popular hotel at Detroit. The traveling public will be glad to know that Com. P. Howell, formerly proprietor of the Bidde, and his capable aid, Harry Hartwell, are installed at this locality in the capacity respectively as manager and day clerk.

"My dear wife—I have washed the baby, put her to bed, and stirred up the pancakes; what shall I do next? Your loving husband."

This is what a husband at Onasida, N. Y., wrote to his wife who was working at the poll for the election of some pet official. Where is the husband in Northville that would do likewise?

We regret to learn that George Smith, a relative of the Smiths, of Walled Lake, who has been in the employ of the F. & P. M. R. Co., for several years and running on the night freight between Monroe and Saginaw, was so unfortunate as to have his left arm smashed while coupling cars at Monroe Thursday night. It was amputated at the shoulder.

Look out for your coal stores! J. Duntley's family put up a new one a few days since, and when going to bed left the draft open. Noticing the extreme heat rising to their sleeping room up stairs, an investigation was made, when they found considerable of the carpet near the stove burned away, and the prospects good for the house taking fire, had the least wind entered the room.

A Card to the Public.

Having made arrangements to close out my business on the first of next February, I take this opportunity of saying to the Public that I shall, during my stay in Northville, make Card-Photographs for Two Dollars per dozen, and guarantee them equal to any taken during the past year by me—to be paid for when the negative is made.

Don't wait until the last minute, but come before the rush, and get some Photographs that cannot be excelled in the state of Michigan.

A. B. Taylor.

Northville, Nov. 1st, 1879

OVID.

A Visit to this live town—A sketch of the place.

We had the opportunity, a few days since, of paying our respects to the village of Ovid and not having seen the place in ten years, were surprised at its growth. Since then it has doubled in size, and really the life and activity noticeable here is remarkable. Several nice brick blocks have been put up and others in course of erection.

Ovid lies on the D. & M. Railroad, and has a population of about 1,500. It is situated in Clinton County, ten miles east of St. Johns, the County seat, and ten miles west of Owosso. The land about is considered as good as could be wished, for farming purposes. Grain of all kinds being grown in abundance, and fruit of every variety can be found here in season. The business portion comprises four dry goods stores, five grocery stores, two hardware, three drug and a few general stores, two harness shops, one carriage shop—probably the most extensive institution of the kind in the State; a stove factory employing some fifty hands; a first class grist-mill; two hotels—one, the Royal House, being under its present ownership for about twelve years. The other is the Clinton House. Two good weekly newspapers, are published here, one the "Union," being equal in looks and editorial ability to any paper in the county. The proprietors have a new building, very appropriately arranged for newspaper work, and can also brag of a power press—present run by horse power. A glimpse into this model establishment revealed to us, the familiar countenance of an old friend, J. W. Fitzgerald, now one of the proprietors of this paper, and a son-in-law of J. D. Yrkes, of Northville. Mr. F. is a thorough newspaperman and consequently eminently prosperous in his profession. The "Union" was probably the first weekly paper containing an account of Senator Chandler's death; as a full report appeared in its columns the day following the sad event. A number of Northville people, are living about the vicinity, but the inclemency of the weather prevented us looking them up. We were pleased however to meet Mrs. Brock the wife of Geo. B.—who left Northville several months since, and engaged in business here. Mrs. Brooks was looking well and expressed herself as pleased with the Ovid people, but was about leaving for either Grand Rapids or Bay City; George thinking one of the two more desirable in a business sense. Their goods are already packed.

We feel under obligations to the families of Mr. Bassett and Mr. Faxon for the hospitality and numerous courtesies shown us during our sojourn with them, and hope to reciprocate in the future.

New Hudson.

Our school commenced last Monday under favorable circumstances. Teachers, Mr. Brooks and Miss Havre.

The red ribbon club met as usual Sunday evening; and an unusually quiet and interesting meeting. Select readings by Stella Fisher, Ella Stephenson, and Mrs. Phelps. Mrs. Fielden, organist, being sick, was not present. Mr. Fielden, president, started last Monday for New York State on a two weeks' visit. Our club takes a vacation during his absence, consequently there will be no more meetings until November 30th, when we expect to receive a lecture from Capt. Linnest, of Grand Rapids.

Mr. Vessey received a severe bite in the hand last week from an enraged hog, but is recovering from its effects.

News Bowers fell from a sled a few days ago, receiving severe injuries. Her twin sister Dora, is also sick. LOANER.

Wixom.

Business has been brisk here this fall; the freight agent has had to have an assistant. Since the "boom" in wheat in Detroit there has been a lack of freight cars to carry off the produce.

The recent prospects of the new railroad has made some here feel jubilant and joyous. Some of the people at Milford, and also at Novi, have expressed feelings of indignation, as the railroad crossing here would be likely to build up the place to such an extent that a large share of trade would be attracted here. To Novi we can only quote the words of Richelieu: "Why did I dream away the hours and let the fool dream up my vitals and now I am only left to cough, choke and rasp for breath."

The recent snow storm did not stop the operations of the croquet club. The grounds were swept and playing went on as usual. The apostle said, "Weary not in well doing."

The second band "hop" was not reported a grand success.

Since the Crowther "boom" here in the music line, the church choir has looked rather thin sometimes. We wonder if his followers are off bumping too. It is just to mention that the entrance of the choir, as rested on a few prominent among whom are Mrs. D. Johnson, Mrs. Arms and A. O. Sibley. Says Tenney in the Song of the Brooks: "Men may come and men may go but I go on forever."

Some of the "elite" of this place, attended Senator Chandler's funeral, last Wednesday.

Written for the Northville Record.

SUFFRAGE.

Suffrage, as defined by Webster, is a voice given in deciding a controverted question, or in the choice of a man for an office or trust. Every republic has some limitations on the exercise of suffrage for our Republic, age, sex, nativity, etc. The aim of these restrictions is to prevent incompetent and unworthy persons from voting. This is necessary to the existence of the country, for if the power to rule a country, is in the hands of persons who are incapable and hostile they will soon bring it to ruin. What other restrictions there are, this resolution declares for an educational provision, that is, that every one who votes shall show that he possesses some education; it does not say how much, but we infer that it means that a man should have sufficient education to enable him to vote intelligently, and to decide upon a suitable person to hold an office of trust. Ignorance is so fruitful a source of poverty and crime, that the Government is striking at the root of many evils, when it labors to promote the general intelligence of the community. There are many reasons why a republic should encourage popular education. All the interests of the state are directly in the hands of the mass of people. The officers are chosen by, and from the people; what the voters are, the government will be. The ignorance and vice that prevail among the people, will be represented in the government, as surely as the intelligence and virtue. A corrupt public sentiment, produces corrupt legislation and corrupt administration, and these produce weakness and decay. Hence the interest of every citizen and to protect himself, he must use all influence to make his neighbor an intelligent and virtuous as himself. Experience has shown that educated people understand better their relations and have more respect for law and order than the ignorant. Certainly an education is necessary to understand the laws and needs of a country, and to prevent corruption by demagogues; for the ignorant man has to depend upon others, and is liable to be misled by persons who care nothing for the morals or qualifications of the candidates for office, but who are for party right or wrong; to illustrate my point, I will relate a little anecdote of a German in Cincinnati, who went to deposit his first vote; as there were many ignorant voters the politicians had placed pictures upon the tickets. Goodness! being called Porkopolis, from the fact that it is the great pork-packing city, they placed the picture of a hog on one of their tickets and when the German was asked what ticket he wished to vote, he not being able to judge of the qualifications of the candidate said: "I vote de ticket mit on hog on it" and now Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen, I submit the question to you, whether it is better to have intelligent voters or to simply vote the ticket "wid de hog on it."

Salem Items.

New Blacksmith shop at Lapham's Corner. Robert Story, the proprietor.

E. Wixom, recently returned from the Northern hills.

A large crowd attended the social held at Harry Packard's on Thursday evening last; and a pleasant time enjoyed by all.

Mr. Sutherland will reside in the home lately purchased of Walter Hillman. His friends will soon locate the same.

Verbal Post and has returned from a grand old time, through the northern country.

An Obedy did not, as reported last week, commence his school, Nov. 5th, but the 12th inst.

Frank Brown departed for Florida, a few days since.

M. Hebee and Layton Reber will make their home at Iowa, the following winter.

John Luk-Dee will soon remove his home on lot recently purchased of E. O. Smith.

Wm. Manning has returned from a visit northward.

E. O. Smith is at Rome New York, where he will have his master doctoral once more. This is the third time he has visited Rome for the same purpose.

Warren E. Post, formerly of this place, has removed to Springfield Jackson County, where he will reside on the dry good business.

H. B. Thayer and lady, are making a visit in the state of New York.

Mr. Dako has departed for Genesee county, to visit his brothers and other friends.

Miss Barber will commence the winter term of school in the school house, west of here, next Monday.

Rev. Dean has removed to this place.

Mr. Sutherland "Our new feed mill man" will soon erect a new mill on a couple of lots purchased of John Luk-Dee. He will not occupy the building of Mr. Nollars, as expected. He is making preparations to dig well, to furnish the engine with water. He means business.

Harold Coffen started for the north a few days since.

Sarah Walker and Miss Mary Pezney have removed to this place. They will occupy the lower part of the Grange building.

Mr. Duwez of N. Y., recently visited friends here.

H. B. Thayer and lady have returned from N. Y.

Leonard recently made a short visit at New Haven.

E. O. Smith has returned from Rome N. Y.

Mrs. Callahan of Livonia, formerly of this place, recently visited friends here.

A splendid time was enjoyed by all who attended the social at Wm. Manning's on Thursday evening last.

The understanding is that Vazatta keeps a box of choice "Havanas" for his friends, especially those who call on him to settle up back accounts.

Don't forget the M. E. social at A. Farley's next week Thursday evening. Also don't forget your pocket book.

"Myron Dako," has returned from the "Northern Hills."

S. W. C. Adams, is erecting a new barn.

Peter Coltrone and lady, recently visited Chicago.

Mrs. Nancy Walker is repairing her home.

Mr. Holloway, made us a short visit recently.

The "Masked" social was a failure.

Miss Milliecent Tyke and sister, of Lansing, have departed for home after a short visit at this place.

Case Allen recently returned from an extended visit through Bay City and Saginaw. He reports things as flourishing locally.

The public wishes to know what occasion Mr. Larkins (Leonard) has to name his farm on the roof of Mr. Nollars' shop, when he comes up town to see the lady of his choice? We wait in silence for an answer. No knowing what the mystic future may reveal. Bob.

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The last report of the Richmond, Va. schools shows that the average attendance of whites was 3,092.1 and of colored pupils, 1,726.6.

The Waldensians, in their valleys in Italy, have forty Sunday schools, with 5,000 scholars. Out of the valley they have thirty-six schools, with 1,493 scholars. The Methodists have twenty-one schools, with 500 scholars.

To vote in Massachusetts for members of the School Committee, a woman must be twenty-one years old, able to read and write, and have paid a tax within a year, and resided for that time in the State and six months in the town where she is to vote.

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