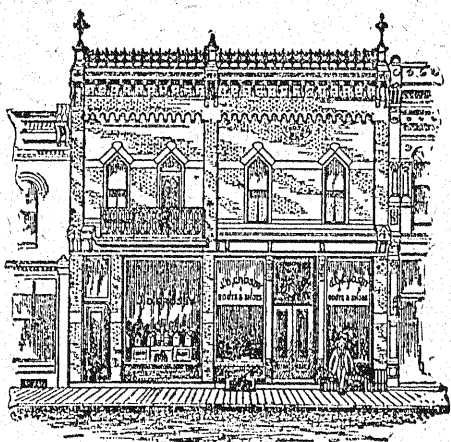


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CHARGED WITH ARSON

Ugly Citizens Are Greatly Excited Over Sequel to Burning of a Store Building.

Last Friday morning at 2 o'clock, J. D. McMillan's store at Ugly was reduced to ashes which is a serious loss to the owners and to the village. We clip the following from the Ugly Courier:

"At the hour above mentioned, Mrs. John Ferriby, who lives in the adjoining building, arose to replenish the fire in the sitting room and noticing a bright light in the McMillan store, called her husband who hastily dressed and rushing to the building found it on fire and immediately gave the alarm. But at that time of the night everybody was sleeping soundly and fully ten minutes had elapsed before enough people had gathered at the scene of the fire to do any effective work. By this time however, the anterior part of the building was a mass of flames and entirely beyond reclamation. Noticing this fact the citizens gave their attention to adjoining buildings, which were only saved by hard and heroic labor and by men risking their lives to save the homes of others. The Ferriby building, a frame structure which stood only a few feet from the burning building, was several times given up by those on the ground, but those on top kept pouring on water until at last their efforts became effective and they succeeded in saving a building which seemed out of the question, with only a bay window in the upper story, being nearest the fire, receiving a slight scorching.

How the fire originated is a mystery as in an interview with the manager of the store, J. D. McMillan, he informed us that he left the store about 10:15 o'clock and everything was all right and but little fire in the stove, and the only way he can account for it is, that some person has carelessly thrown a cigar stub in among the shoe boxes, which were under the clothing tables just back of the stove."

LATER—A special to the Detroit Journal of Feb. 27, says:

"John D. McMillan and Charles R. McMillan were arrested yesterday charged with burning the store building of M. McMillan. They were taken to jail at Bad Axe last night. John D. McMillan was manager of the store. Other arrests will follow, it is said.

"The McMillan store burned last Friday morning. Citizens were not satisfied as to the cause of the fire and started an investigation. Yesterday a posse of them went to the McMillan residence in Paris township and searched the premises. In the barn it is charged, they found several hundred dollars worth of goods stored away.

"The discovery created a sensation and warrants were immediately sworn out. The village is in an uproar over the developments."

WHO ARE THE CANDIDATES?

Thus far very little is being said about candidates for the various village offices. The CHRONICLE reporter, while making his rounds, accidentally overheard a few names mentioned which will probably be presented at the caucus next Monday evening.

It is generally conceded that C. W. Heller will be re-nominated for village president. Both E. F. Marr and Hugh Seed are mentioned for the clerkship. Men like Harry Hunt or Amos Bond would crown the treasurer's office. For the assessorship, the present incumbent, J. H. Striffler, and W. J. Campbell are talked of. Council timber seems to be plenty. Mr. Stevenson, who has been in the council one year, will undoubtedly be re-nominated. Other staunch citizens like Henry Wettlaufer, Warren Schenck, Wm. Fairweather, J. C. Lauderbach, and F. C. Lee are also mentioned as available for the position. Any of the above gentlemen would be an honor to the village if elected.

L. O. L. DISTRICT MEETING.

The district meeting of the L. O. L. convened at Cass City on Friday, Feb. 22nd. The meeting was called to order by S. Cope, District Master. E. R. Phillips, State Grand Master of Bay City was present. The following lodges were represented: Peck, Carsonville, Applegate, Ugly, Bad Axe, Elm Grove, Elkton, Pinnelob, Beasley and Popple. After a close contest between Carsonville and Bad Axe for the celebration of the coming 12th of July, it was decided to celebrate at the latter place. Bad Axe is an up-to-date town and will spare nothing to make it one of the best celebrations ever held in the state.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: District Mast-

er, Wm. McCallum, Cass City; Deputy Master, Bro. Sherwood, Carsonville; Sec'y, F. M. Linton, Owendale; Treasurer, Bro. Walker, Elkton; D. of C., F. Stinton, Popple; Chap., Bro. Conkey, Pinnelob. The next district meeting will be held at Carsonville. The evening session was taken up by Royal Arch work given by the Cass City degree team. The State Grand Master gave a very instructive talk on degree work. Refreshments were served at 12 o'clock.

HIGH SCHOOL LYCEUM

Washington's Birthday Fittingly Observed by the Young People.

Owing to other diversions held in the village last Friday evening, but a small audience assembled at the lyceum rooms. Messrs. Deming, Houghton and Landon responded to the request of the lyceum members to give reminiscences of the Civil and Spanish wars.

The high school opened the exercises with the patriotic song, "My Country 'Tis of Thee," after which Dr. Deming followed with an address on "Character Building." The doctor aptly illustrated his address by showing forth the influence exerted by military heroes. David Houghton gave a graphic account of what might be seen on the field of battle and related humorous anecdotes of peculiar characters met with in the army. The meeting closed with an address by Dick S. Landon in which he gave a description of the First Tennessee regiment and an account of the battle of Colocan in the Philippines. The addresses were patriotic and entertaining, and were highly appreciated by the young people.

THE WAIL OF A PREACHER.

It is generally believed that preachers are fond of chickens. We see no reason why they shouldn't be. Chickens when not too old and rightly cooked are not only delicious but also a wholesome food. Preachers are certainly entitled to the best which they do not always get. There is such a thing as eating too much, even of chickens, and judging from the following lamentation, the good brother who wrote it was imposed upon by the good sisters of his parish, which is not often the case in this lean world of ours. We would suggest to this preacher that he change places with some of his ministerial brethren, whose stomachs have not been overtaxed by "chicken hot and chicken cold," but rather would enjoy that kind of fare for an indefinite period.

"Tis chicken, chicken everywhere,
And chicken all the while,
Until I wish I were not there
Or chicken not the style.
"Tis chicken young and chicken old,
Yellow, white and buff,
"Tis chicken hot and chicken cold,
Some tender and some tough.
For breakfast and for dinner, eye
For supper, to be sure—
And thus 'tis chicken every day,
And chicken evermore.
O, for some good old fashioned soup
Or mush and milk galore,
For these I'd give the chicken sweep,
And see them nevermore.
There's roosters, pullets, fat and lean,
From dunn hill or from pen;
And by the texture, sometimes I wean
And by the color, chicken 'an.
They come in boil and fry and stew,
You stick them in your jaw,
Some are so tender you needn't chew,
And some are nearly raw.
And then you try to make believe,
For me they're just the hit—
And so white others you deceive,
You play the hypocrite.
But with some preachers it appears
To matter not a whit,
How old they are or young in years,
If but chickens they can get.
And so white others you deceive,
You play the hypocrite.
Till caught but bare bones can be seen
Of the poor defunct chick."

Raise Sugar Beets.

To the Farmers of Cass City and vicinity: For the purpose of putting Cass City before the beet sugar capitalists as a desirable point for erecting a sugar factory, let us raise 1,000 acres of beets and ship them to Caro this season, which we can do at 150 cts. per ton from Cass City, Deford and Wilmot. As we get \$4.50 per ton for 12 per cent beets that insures us at least \$5.00 per ton net for the average beets raised in this section, and makes a sure sale at good profit of one crop at least. Having been very much interested in the beet sugar factory idea, it has been mentioned to me by capitalists that it is necessary for us to show what we can do as to raising beets to strengthen our chances for getting a factory. All those wishing to contract as above please see me soon about it.

Yours truly,
O. K. JAMES.

The plaster I bought of J. J. C. Howey is the best I ever used. A. Muck.

FOR SALE
Cedar rails. Enquire of
2-8-4 JNO. STRIFFLER.

Giant Oxie Plasters saved my life.
M. Anthes.

Try Heller's special process buckwheat flour.

A MISSIONARY SOCIAL

At The Auten Home, Which Included A Drama Teaching How To Give For Foreign Missions.

Those who failed to attend the Missionary social at Mrs. Auten's on Friday evening missed a very enjoyable time. The back parlor was used as a stage for the entertainers while the front parlor, being filled with chairs, served as an auditorium. The following program was finely rendered.

Vocal solo..... Nellie Perkins
Recitation, "Skipper Ineson's Ride," "Lazy Land"..... Miss Pinnce
Vocal solo..... Ora Wickware
Recitation, "The Painter of Seville," "Audie Doon"..... Miss Pinnce
Vocal solo..... Miss Westland

The second part of the program consisted of a comedy in three acts entitled, "The Lippincott Square Church Coup," a laughable take-off on the generosity(?) of church members in the cause of foreign missions. The characters were: Mrs. J. W. Wilkins, President Ladies' Home and Foreign Missionary Society, Lippincott Square Church, Miss Irene Pinnce; six lady members of the society,

Mrs. Smith—Mrs. Brooker
Mrs. Brown—Mrs. Wickware
Mrs. Jones—Miss E. Anderson
Mrs. Robinson—Miss V. Schooley
Miss Harper—Miss N. Perkins
Miss Fiske—Miss H. Deming
Madge Wilkins, daughter of Mr. Wilkins, Miss Nellis.

The Rev. Belford Clarke, missionary at Issaquia, Manitoba, Hugh Seed.

Janie, Rev. Belford Clarke's servant, Lucile Seed.

Sarah, maid of Mrs. Wilkins, Madeline Auten.

Johnnie, Clark McKenzie.

The parts were all well taken and all voted the entertainment a great success.

SUDDEN DEATH OF LOUIS SANDHAM.

The relatives and many friends of Louis Sandham were shocked to hear of his sudden death, Feb. 21, at Delta County Hospital in Escanaba, Mich., of cerebro spinal meningitis. Mr. Sandham's home was in Argyle, but he was favorably known in Cass City. Having lived here a short time, and was regarded as an honest, upright young man.

His illness was of short duration, lasting only three days. A host of friends express deep sorrow at his untimely departure, and the grief-stricken family have the heartfelt sympathy of all in the loss of a kind son and loving brother. Members of the K. O. T. M. lodges from Argyle, Shabbona, Freiburgers and Cass City and a large number of friends followed the remains to the Elkland Cemetery Monday, where they were laid to rest, thereby showing the great esteem in which the young man was held.

A memorial service will be held at the Gwspel Hall, one mile east of Wickware, on Sunday at 2:00 p. m. The obituary will appear next week.

HERE'S SUCCESS.

A. J. Knapp of Cass City has purchased the Bad Axe Steam Laundry from James Woolley and will take possession next week. Mr. Knapp was a resident of this place several years ago and needs no introduction to the citizens of Bad Axe, as he is well known to most of them, and they will be pleased to have him and his estimable wife take up their residence here. Mr. Woolley has not been enjoying good health for about a year and will take several months rest before again engaging in business. We understand that Mr. R. A. Rapson will be retained as foreman, by the new proprietor.—Bad Axe Democrat.

While we are sorry to lose Mr. and Mrs. Knapp from our midst, yet at the same time the Chronicle is pleased to know that Mr. Knapp has purchased a lucrative business. Bad Axe has only the one laundry, and there is no doubt but what he will be able to command the respect and confidence of the people, and thereby hold the field for many days to come.

RUMMAGE SALE A SUCCESS.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Presbyterian church closed their rummage sale on Tuesday after having operated it for two weeks in the Deming block. The venture proved to be very successful, financially and otherwise. The receipts amounted to the neat sum of \$150.

Besides being profitable to the society, there were many satisfactory features about this sale. Those who were burdened with overstocked garments were easily relieved of the surplus accumulations and thereby benefited. Poor people of the community were furnished with a great many useful articles, of second hand wearing apparel and furniture at a very low price, and many in better circum-

stances were among the purchasers who took advantage of the many bargains offered. The serving of lunches was a feature that attracted considerable patronage and added largely to the receipts of the sale. The ladies are very much pleased with the result and wish to thank those who so generously assisted them in their undertaking.

THUMB RAILWAY TALK

Proposed Routes Throughout Michigan's Thumb Are Not on the Decline.

Electric railway rumors galore have been floating throughout the Thumb and the towns and villages who are not on one of various routes proposed are few. One of the latest is a proposed route from Caro to Harbor Beach, by way of Cass City and Bad Axe. One of our Bad Axe exchanges has this to say of the route: "Mr. Richardson was in town and at Harbor Beach the forepart of the week for the purpose of securing the necessary franchise from the townships on the proposed route. The banking firm of Carson, Ealy & McNair, of Caro, who have a financial responsibility of \$1,000,000, are the financial backers, and providing the right of way is secured, the line promises to be a sure thing. Mr. Richardson expressed his belief that the promise of this route for traffic is not exceeded by any proposed route in this part of Michigan."

It is reported that the surveyors are at present working between Caro and Lapeer on the Detroit, Pontiac, Caro and Bay City electric lines. There is also a slight intimation of surveying on the Port Huron, Caro, and Bay City line. The M. C. extension surveyors are at work in the vicinity of Owendale.

A Mt. Clemens correspondent to the Detroit Free Press says, "Mr. Gilbert R. Lovejoy, one of the promoters of the Detroit, Lenox & Sanilac Centre electric railway, says that his company has secured 14 franchises through the different townships between Detroit and Sanilac Centre. They only lack the right of way for three and one-half miles to connect directly with the Rapid railway on Gratiot road, and when this is secured there will be immediate prospect of the Sanilac people having a direct electric route to Detroit."

TEMPERANCE RALLY.

The temperance meeting at the Baptist church last Thursday evening was fairly well attended. Mr. Moreland conducted a song service until the arrival of the speaker, Rev. W. G. Hubbard, a most able speaker and eloquent in the cause for which he is so nobly fighting. Mr. Hubbard touched many interesting points on the temperance question, and gave note of many places where the liquor traffic was abolished and of the prosperous condition of such places. He spoke of the beauty of our little village and said if Christian men would do their duty at the coming village election, clouds would be lifted and the sun would shine brighter in many homes.

Rev. Hubbard is an energetic temperance worker and friends of the temperance cause missed much by not hearing him.

PROHIBITION CONVENTION.

The Prohibitionists held a conference at the M. E. parsonage last Friday for the purpose of choosing delegates to the state convention to be held at Kalamazoo on the 5th day of March. The following delegates were elected:

John Elliott, Kingstons; Nathan Hill, P. S. McGregory, A. Saigeon, A. A. P. McDowell, Cass City; Ad. Moreland, Rev. C. Salyer, W. E. Clough and Mrs. W. E. Clough, Caro; Dr. Bradshaw, Mayville; Rev. Mulholland, Rev. L. C. Lawrence, Vassar; John Thomas, Unionville; D. S. Woolman, Willington; H. B. Cline, Rev. B. E. Allen, Howard Luther, Unionville; J. Thompkins, Postoria; Rev. Scott Van Horn, Rev. J. M. Stevens, Tuscola; Rev. Armstrong, Reese.

IS A FAMOUS HORSE.

Neil McLaren is now the proud possessor of Craig Ronald, an imported Clydesdale stallion, formerly owned by Andrew Richards of Caro. The horse was foaled April 25, 1889, and imported from Scotland by Graham Bros., Chairmont, Ont., in 1891, and in 1897 he came into the possession of Mr. Richards. The horse has gained several first prizes at Canadian and Michigan fairs and is without a doubt one of the best horses in the country today.

Twenty cords of green maple and beech wood wanted at \$1.30 at this office.