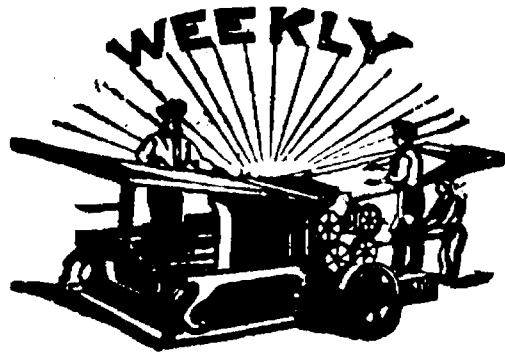


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Local Dispatches.

Tomorrow, Friday Evening, Pinckney High School Drama "Among the Breakers," To be concluded with the laughable farce entitled "A Little More Cider." Reserved seat tickets 25 cents, on sale at Sigler's drug store. Regular admission 15 and 20 cents.

There is a young man in this community who holds his head very high Mboils.

F. L. Andrews and family transacted business at Jackson on Saturday of last week.

Mrs. Carl S. Jones, who spent last week with her parents at Charlotte, returned Monday.

Mrs. M. B. Darrow and daughter of Montana, are visiting friends in Livingston county.

H. Sawyer and family of Brighton, were guests of H. G. Briggs and other relatives the last of last week.

Frank Hinchey returned the first of the week from a two weeks visit with friends and relatives in Ingham Co.

Miss Mary Switzer of Petteysville, spent several days the past week at the home of Mrs. E. W. Martin near Anderson.

Rev. W. T. Wallace was called to Napoleon the first of the week to preach a funeral sermon. He formerly preached there.

Epworth League as usual on Sunday at 6:30, Mrs. Mildred Bowman, leader. Topic, "A Wise Vow." Let everyone come—all are welcome.

Sunday was one of the stormiest of the season and almost approached a blizzard. Well, Hicks said it would Monday was a fine day however.

Quite a narrow escape from drowning occurred on the mill pond last Saturday morning when the little son of Thomas Read accidentally skated into a hole out of which ice had been taken but by prompt and able assistance he was rescued from danger. This should be a lesson to those who persist in being careless. Young Read kept himself afloat until help arrived by treading water and paddling with his hands as he had been instructed to do by his father, in case of accident. He can not swim a stroke.

Mrs. L. H. Newkirk of Carleton and mother, Mrs. Beebe of Munith were guests of relatives here the last of last week.

The saw mill has begun operation and is turning out lumber at a great rate. The large stationary engine makes better power than the threshing engine used last year.

The tea given by the Church Workers of the Cong'l church at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Cadwell on Wednesday of last week was one of the largest ever held, the receipts being over \$9. A very pleasant time was enjoyed by all present.

THE CLARA SCHUMANN ORCHESTRA.

This company of young ladies will comprize seventeen in number, consisting of fourteen instrumental a vocalist, an impersonator and a leader. This is one of the finest orchestras traveling and have been a huge success where ever they have appeared. Only a few days ago they appeared at Bay City and Mr. and Mrs. VanWinkle of this village, who were on a visit to friends there at the time, heard them and speak in strongest terms of their performance. The largest opera house was packed full of people, who manifested great delight in the entertainment.

The large company and the high order of talent make it an expensive undertaking for a small village, but knowing the deep interest manifested by all classes in the first-class musical entertainments, the lecture committee feel assured that nothing but bad weather can prevent a large attendance. Already orders for seats and tickets are coming in by mail and for the benefit of all who may feel doubtful about seats, we wish to say that all may feel assured of obtaining good seats as the committee are making all necessary arrangements to accomodate all who may come. Plenty of sheds and barns are near by to shelter all horses and no pains will be spared to make this the event of the season.

Do not forget the date and place—Pinckney opera house, Friday, Feb. 4, 1898.

THAT ELECTRIC RAILWAY. SHALL PINCKNEY HAVE IT?

About 100 were present at the railroad meeting in the town hall in this village on Friday afternoon last and listened to the propositions of the board of directors. There were present Judge C. P. Black and Dr. R. J. Schenck of Lansing, L. C. Chase and Secretary Taylor of Dansville, and T. Birkett of Dexter.

The meeting was called to order by supervisor, McIntyre and F. L. Andrews was called to the chair. After opening the meeting the chairman called upon Judge Black, who outlined the proposed line and explained the workings of such a line. He was followed in turn by Dr. Schenck, L. C. Chase and Thos. Birkett.

It is proposed that the line start from Lansing and make through to Ann Arbor, thus connecting with the line there giving a direct electric line from Lansing to Detroit. There is also a line in project from Lansing to St. Louis and from there to Saginaw which would be almost a state belt line. The road will be fitted to carry either freight or passengers and at a reasonable rate. Any farmer or farmers can have a short spur put in where freight cars can be left for loading or unloading, and thus the farmer can do his own shipping to any market as the road will be built standard width so that the cars can be run on any steam road. This is one of the many things that should commend the road to our farmer friends. The passenger cars will be of a fine type, seated with the best class of seats and the cars will stop anywhere on the line for passengers.

Chairman Andrews, after conferring with several citizens, then appointed the following committee to solicit the right-of-way etc.: Dr. H. F. Sigler, H. H. Swarthout, Hon. Geo. W. Teeple, Jas. Marble, Alex McIntyre, J. A. Cadwell, Geo. W. Reason, H. D. Gardner, Hon. F. W. Allison.

The Dispatch a few years ago commenced to agitate the electric road question and many of our brother editors took particular pains to joke at our expense and laugh at the idea of such a thing ever coming to Pinckney. That such a road is now under contemplation is a source of great satisfaction to us, but we are still aware that there is "many a slip" etc., and that if we get the proposed Lansing, Dexter (or Pinckney) & Ann Arbor Electric Ry. line we will have to work for it as we have sister towns that are off of the direct line, who will do all in their power to divert the road from this direction.

Now, shall we have this line or not? That is the question to be settled by the citizens of Pinckney and vicinity. That the township board has the power to give the right-of-way through the township is undisputed, but to make the matter more satisfactory and easier to dispose of the committee desire to secure the right-of-way of the farmers along the line to allow it to pass their farms, and it would seem as if no fair thinking man, who has the best interests of his township, village or farm at heart, would hesitate a moment in granting this to the proposed line.

Now, friends, shall we have this road or shall we let some other more progressive community secure the plum? Let us rally and put our village and township to the front and be the foremost in Livingston county. The ball is rolling, do not let it stop until the cars of the L. D. & A. A. Ry. roll through Pinckney, and they will in less than a year if we all say so.

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F. L. ANDREWS, EDITOR.

THURSDAY, JAN. 27, 1898.

A NEW YEARS EPISODE.

BY H. A. LARY.

'Twas New Years Day 1890.—The morning dawned bright and clear and, although the sun shone brightly, the air was crisp and bracing, bordering upon the disagreeable. The early morning train steamed into the little village of L— and among those to get aboard was a young lady who, though she was alone, had an independent air. The casual observer would not be attracted by any particular beauty, but the more observant would see much to admire. She was tall but her form was erect. Though slight in build, she was not thin and moved with a certain grace that captivated. Her hair was auburn and her eyes brown, with a complexion clear and fair without the use of paint or cosmetics.

As she entered the car and took her seat, many a glance was cast her way for she was the only young lady in the car. But no one received a reciprocating glance as Miss Edith Crapo (for such was the young lady's name) thus far was heart whole, and though she had many admirers, she preferred to devote her time to teaching and studying to pass an examination for a diploma at the academy in her home village and this was her last year before graduation.

It was only about one hour's ride to where Miss Crapo was going to spend New Years Day at the home of a friend in the country and she was to get off at a little place called A— which was only a flag station. The only reason that the train stopped at all at this place was for the accommodation of the father of Miss Crapo's friend, the Hon. Casper M. Woodin, whose palatial residence and farm was in sight of the station, and who had been instrumental in securing the right of way for the railroad.

The conductor came through the train as usual taking up the tickets and noted the fact that he had a passenger for A—. As they drew near the station, Miss Crapo prepared to leave but was horrified to see that the train did not slacken but went past the station at full speed. She knew that her friend, Miss Woodin, was there waiting for her and what would she think of her not keeping her promise to visit her.

The conductor came through the train and a look of consternation crept over his face as he saw Miss Crapo and the thought came to him that he had carried her past her station. He hastened to her and apologized, explaining that he had been so busy that he had forgotten to signal the engineer to stop as they so seldom stopped at the station. As they were now near the next village he would do the best he could and try and get her a ride back to her destination.

On reaching the station he rushed out and enquired if there was a livery but there was none and he did not know what to do. He explained his dilemma and the agent exclaimed "De Launce Raymond is in town and as he goes right by Mr. Woodin's, I think I can make arrangements for the young lady to ride out with him. I will see that she gets there at any rate. Here are your orders to meet No. 68 at Stockville."

Miss Crapo, although not relishing the predicament she was placed in, nor a ride of four or five miles through the country with a stranger, was one of the kind who tried to make the best of everything and went into the waiting room while the agent went out and hunted up De Launce.

Mr. Raymond was soon found, the situation explained and he very reluctantly agreed to take the young lady with him. Like Miss Crapo, he was much sought after by certain young ladies of his acquaintance and many men had their eyes on him for he was considered a good "catch" for any young lady. He was, however, disgusted with that kind of people and so far had eluded the charms of the fair sex. He was good looking—not handsome—was enterprising and moreover, was the only son of a well-to-do farmer, who also had plenty of other means. As soon as he secured his mail he drove over to the station, was introduced to Miss Crapo and the two set out upon their drive. The air was sharp but the drive was not long as DeLauncey's team were good steppers and the sleighing excellent.

The young couple, although strangers, made the best of the affair and soon were chatting merrily upon the different subjects in which they were most interested and young Raymond admitted to himself that this young lady was not like others and was very entertaining, and he was secretly in hopes that the fate which had thrown them together would bring him another chance of spending a pleasant hour in her company.

Miss Crapo's thoughts were somewhat similar but she was too anxious over what her friend would think of her absence, to give much thought to herself or her surroundings.

The drive soon came to an end and they arrived at the beautiful home of Mr. Woodin and Mr. Raymond sprang out of the cutter to assist Miss Crapo to alight. Her friend saw who it was and came out to greet her. "Why, Edith Crapo, how did you ever come this way. I was down at the station and was almost mad because you had not come and now you drive up from the other way with LeLaunce Raymond. Where did you young people ever get acquainted and how do you come here together. Explain yourselves."

Of course explanations followed and Mr. Raymond sprang into the cutter, bade the young ladies good morning and was about to drive away when Miss Woodin called him and requested him to drive over in the evening for a visit and a lunch, which of course he readily accepted and for the life of him he could not tell why he was so glad of a chance to meet Miss Crapo again and he knew that was the reason he would visit the Woodin's that evening. It was certainly an experience new to him.

And Miss Crapo, now that her anxiety was over, admitted to herself and had remarked to Miss Woodin that Mr. Raymond was good company and she was glad to have met him. "Do you think he will come over to-night?" she asked and then wondered why she hoped he would.

The young ladies spent a very pleasant day as the Hon. Casper Woodin never left anything undone that would give pleasure to his only child and her guests.

Evening came and with it Mr. Raymond who, although always

slick and well dressed, looked better than ever before, and could not have told why he took the pains to be so. There was also another young man present, Mr. Harry Girard, who was in the habit of paying the Woodin frequent visits, and although he was not blessed with much of this world's goods, he was a young gentleman of excellent habits and industrious, and his visits were encouraged.

The young couple spent the evening popping corn, cracking nuts, playing pedro, etc., and it always happened that Miss Crapo and Mr. Raymond were partners.

Of course the young couple had to stand many a joke upon their chance meeting and morning episode, but although Miss Crapo would blush a little she would always turn the joke by saying "all is well that ends well." Little did she think what would be the ending however, nor little did Mr. Raymond think that morning as he drove to the village for his morning's mail that he would meet his fate, but he owned to himself that Miss Crapo "was the only girl in the world for him" and he was bound to win her if it took a year.

The young men did not stay until a late hour but before leaving Mr. Raymond found time to ask Miss Crapo if he could call at her home sometime in the future and was unable to conceal his pleasure when Miss Crapo told him she would certainly be pleased to have him.

It is unnecessary to chronicle the events of the following year; of the many pleasant drives and the boating at the little resort near her home. It is enough to say that Miss Crapo graduated with honors at her school and it is rumored there will be a double wedding at the home of Hon. C. M. Woodin and he declares he will see to it that all trains that go over that road on that day will stop for the many guests who will be invited to the wedding.

Miss Crapo often thinks of her first visit to her friend and she will never forget "the episode of that New Years Day."

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Jackson and Intermediate Sta.	9:11 a.m.	10:11 p.m.
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LV.	AR.
Pontiac Detroit—Gd. Rapids and Intermediate Sta.	10:44 a.m.
Pontiac Leoux Detroit and Intermediate Sta.	11:45 a.m.
Mich. Air Line Div. trains leave Pontiac at	12:20 p.m.
for Romeo Leoux and Int. Sta.	

D. & M. DIVISION LEAVE PONTIAC WESTBOUND

LV.	AR.
Saginaw Gd. Rapids and Gd. Haven	7:02 a.m.
Gd. Rapids and Haven Chicago	12:33 p.m.
Saginaw Gd. Rapids, Milwaukee Chicago and Intermediate Sta.	10:07 p.m.
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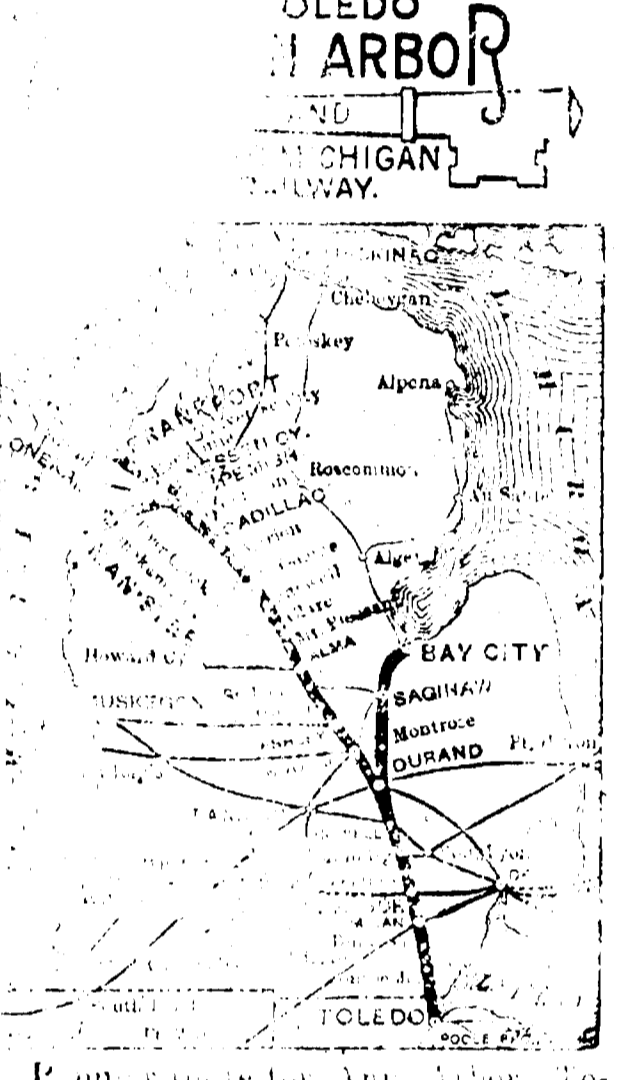
LV.	AR.
Detroit East and Canada	9:07 a.m.
Detroit East and Canada	10:53 a.m.
Detroit and South	12:57 p.m.
Detroit East and Canada	12:35 p.m.
Detroit Suburban	17:05 a.m.
" "	17:05 a.m.

Leave Detroit via Windsor EASTBOUND

LV.	AR.
Buffalo—New York & Boston	7:45 a.m.
Toronto Montreal New York	12:30 noon
London Express	10:40 p.m.
Buffalo New York & East	11:25 p.m.

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