

LOCAL OPTION.

Prohibition prohibits in any locality, whether in Maine or Kansas when public sentiment is established prohibition; prohibition does not prohibit in any locality in Maine, Kansas, or anywhere else when the public sentiment of that locality does not sustain the law.

Business is rather quiet just now and many a man complains of the dull times. I heard a blue business man said one day a week, that he felt like buying a rope and going up into the attic.

I am repeatedly asked the question as to my views on local option, and whether in my opinion, I believed it would carry when submitted to the voters of Washtenaw county. I have always been in favor of high license, as the only satisfactory solution of the liquor problem.

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I could not help but notice Monday what a crowd of men that strolling band of musicians drew around them, and they were men, too, who seemed to have nothing to do, only loafing, but that is a business with some men. I know of several who have tried repeatedly to get men, at various times, to do light chores, but no, not one of them would work.

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OUR MAN ABOUT TOWN.

He Sees About Everything and Prints About Everything He Sees.

I haven't learned whether the ladies propose to furnish lunch at the polls at the coming election. They will probably make their plans known in due time.

I wonder how many who were in the opera house Monday evening from 8 until 12:30 o'clock waiting for Nellie McHenry, would sit in any church in this or any other city and listen to a service four and one-half hours long.

There was a time when a person desiring to go to Muskegon from this place had to take a round-about way to reach his destination. Now all one has got to do is to take the morning train on the Toledo, Ann Arbor & Northern Michigan railroad, and by making connections at Ashley he will arrive at Muskegon the same afternoon.

I understand that the little Greenman died from want and exposure. If such be the case the father of the lad should hide his head in shame. If he is unable to take care of his family, or will not do it, the officers should see that he is put where he will work and earn his living and not be fed at the expense of the taxpayers of this city.

I have heard it suggested and think it would be better if the university and city clocks did not strike together. The two striking at the same time confuse one, and he does not know the hour unless he is the fortunate possessor of a "Waterbury." Why could they not be regulated so that one could strike and then the other. There would certainly be no confusion then.

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I have read considerably in the past few weeks about how local option and prohibition works in different portions of the country, and if men are to be believed, both are failures, for the law is not enforced, and whisky and beer flow freely. Clergymen, laymen, and others who are red-hot for the passage of these laws, now favor high license as the surest regulation for the liquor traffic.

To construct a railroad is easy enough if a man has plenty of backing, but it requires pluck, cheek, determination and a large amount of gall to build a railroad 200 miles or more in length when there is no money behind the enterprise. I venture the assertion that the Ashley's have not their equals in this or any other country, but be that as it may, they have done a fine thing for Ann Arbor, and are entitled to a full meed of praise from every citizen who has the welfare of the place at heart.

I see from the Way Bill, a monthly publication of January last, that the Hon. Jas. M. Ashley is given a very lengthy complimentary notice concerning his early life. His work while a member of congress, and as governor of Montana territory, and his connection with the construction of the Toledo, Ann Arbor, & Northern Michigan railroad, a line now 245 miles in length. The article concludes as follows: "President Ashley, though he has just reached his 64th year, is still in the vigor of his life."

MR. BLAINE now says that he will not accept a nomination for the presidency from the next republican national convention. If this be true, it shows that he has finally come to the conclusion, which has been known by even his own party that he had not the shadow of a hope of being elected, and at this late day, though not without a struggle, fully realizes that James G. Blaine will never be president of the United States.

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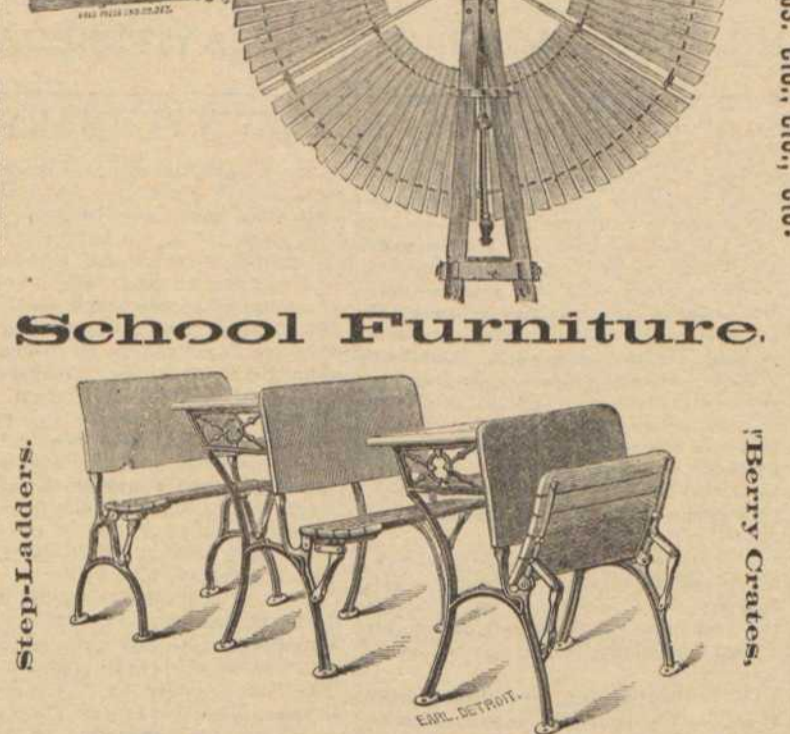
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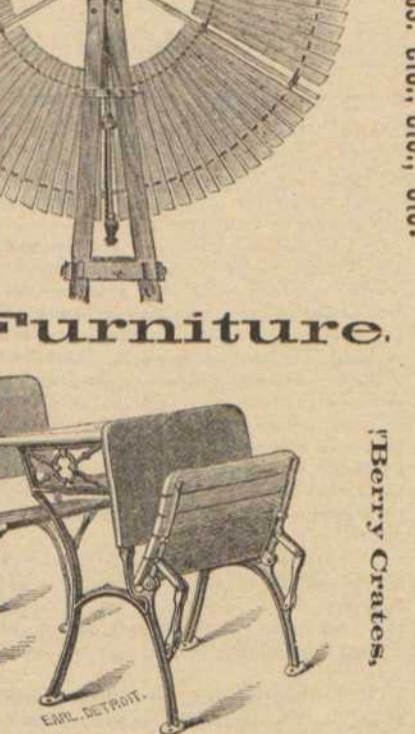
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Ann Arbor Democrat. FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1888. Friends of the Democrat, who have business at the Probate Court, will please request Judge Harriman to send their Printing to this office.

JOTTINGS. Don't forget to register next Thursday. Washington's birthday next Wednesday. Teachers' examination in Ypsilanti today.

It is rumored that Dr. O. C. Jenkins is in Canada. Walled Lake has quite an epidemic of scarlet fever. Dr. Hamilton Smith and bride have returned to this city.

There will be a union teachers' meeting of Livingston, Washtenaw and Oakland counties in South Lyon, on March 16-17.

Mrs. Wm. Galpin spent Sunday in Dexter. Mrs. E. Barnett, of this city, died last week. "New" maple sugar will soon be in market.

The city mills have shut down. No wheat to grind is the reason. Mrs. Viola Kitzer leaves for a short visit to Washington Monday.

John Schumacher talked prohibition yesterday. Geo. W. Haviland leaves tonight for an extended trip west and south.

John S. Henderson and Wm. B. Everett, of this city, have been drawn as United States jurors. Jas. McMillen, of Northfield, was buried Friday.

The Dexter postoffice was broken into Monday night and some \$200 in cash and a like amount in stamps carried away. Mrs. T. Wraspender and children, who have been residing several months in the city, left for her home San Diego, Cal., Wednesday night.

David Peterson, of Pittsfield, had a horse stolen Saturday night. A reward of \$50 has been offered for the recovery of the animal and conviction of the thief. Frank Rust is in jail awaiting trial on the charge of stealing \$25 in cash and \$25 worth of jewelry from a farmer and \$100 from Clark, living one and a half miles from Saline.

At the next meeting of the unity club, Monday, Feb. 20, exercises will be held commemorative of the birthday of the father of his country, familiarly known as Geo. Washington. There will be an address by Fred N. Scott on "The Will-o'-wisp of the Washington Family."

John J. Greeman, aged 15 years, of Saline, who had some specimens there which cost him from \$10 to \$25 apiece. Mr. David De Forest, Sr., an old and much respected citizen of Amsterdam, N. Y., died Feb. 6th, at the advanced age of 87 years. He had occupied several positions of trust and importance, and at one time was postmaster of Amsterdam. The deceased was an uncle of O. B. Church and of Andrew D. Forest of this city.

The Michigan poultry breeders' association held its first annual meeting, a great success both in the large exhibit and financially, hence the management is pleased accordingly. The largest single exhibitor was S. J. Nisley, of Saline, who had some specimens there which cost him from \$10 to \$25 apiece.

Charles Godfrey's new turn out is a beauty. The wagon was manufactured by Wagner C. Barker. Mrs. K. G. Barker, of Detroit, spent the first of her week-end in Detroit.

A young man can now have his sweethearts' photograph upon his watch-case, has been discovered by a New York photographer. County Clerk Hubert has sold his farm in Lyndon. Fred has come to the conclusion to live in, and he will probably become a permanent resident of our city.

A Sunday school institute under the auspices of the interdenominational Sunday school association of England, Jackson, Livingston and Washtenaw counties, will be held in the Congregational church, Tyron, on Friday, March 2d.

The following from the Ludington Record shows the esteem in which the late Mrs. C. E. Mitchell was held in this city: "The sad intelligence of her death produced widespread consternation for her sorrow stricken family."

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