

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

A HAPPY NEW YEAR, with a year of health and prosperity to the ANGRUS readers and the outside world.

The new county officers will enter on duty on Monday next.

The Common Council have ordered the political post out down.

Mrs. Rosalia Wines, daughter of Arthur S. Phelps, died on the 19th inst.

Bigelow, of Detroit, is the man who is to photograph the senior law students.

The regular term of the Circuit Court for this county will open on Tuesday next, January 2.

On New Year's day the postoffice of this city will be open from 11 1/2 A. M. to 12 M., and from 7 to 7 1/2 P. M.

John M. Chase, clerk in the probate office under Judge Beakes, has been appointed deputy to County Treasurer Gansley.

The Baptist Sunday School indulged in a Christmas tree on Christmas evening, and the German Methodist Church School did.

Judge Cooley, of this city, will deliver the opening course of law lectures in the John B. Clark University, Baltimore, in May next.

Charles A. Chapin, of this city, will go up by Lansing next week, possessing of a laudable hope to be elected Enrolling Clerk of the Senate.

The annual Christmas exercises of the Sunday School of St. Andrew's Church took place last evening. The church was beautifully decorated.

The Common Council is wrestling with the city charter and one of the proposed amendments tax the \$100 saloon and restaurant license tax.

If anyone can point to a better, steeper, better winter weather than that of the past week, who is the man and where was his sample served up?

Slighiders are improving their time: using with the ice-gatherer, a wood-trawler, with the festive beaux and gay belles choose the company.

On Christmas evening, after master Johnnie Duffy, in behalf of the School of St. Thomas Church, presented a handsome silver tea-set to Father Van Epp.

C. Auringer, of this city, has purchased the stock of J. M. Seelye, of Detroit, manufacturer of perfumery and extracts, who recently an assignment.

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The New England Society and Support.

The New England Society of this city celebrated its nineteenth anniversary on the two hundred and fifty-sixth anniversary of the landing of the Pilgrims on Friday evening last, at the M. E. Church.

The business meeting came first, and resulted in the election of the following officers for the coming year: President—Israel Hall.

Vice-Presidents—Prof. C. E. Greene, Eli W. Moore. Recording Secretary—A. W. Hamilton.

Corresponding Secretary—A. L. Noble. Treasurer—Leonore Taylor. Executive Committee—J. Austin Scott, Rev. S. Haskell, J. M. Wheeler.

After the regular exercises of the evening were opened with a fine anthem, sung by Messrs. Wiley and Fall, Mrs. Allen, and Miss Hutchins, Miss Smith presiding at the organ.

The same quartette also furnished the other good music of the evening. Prayer was offered by the Rev. R. B. Pope, after which the president, Mr. Rev. Dr. Brigham, introduced Hon. W. P. Wells, of Detroit, orator of the evening.

The theme of whose appropriate address was "The Civil Liberty of New England, its Origin and Importance." The poet of the occasion, A. G. Boynton, of the Detroit Free Press, failing to appear, Mr. A. C. Lewis read a short poem by Rev. C. T. Brooks, of Rhode Island.

The audience then adjourned to the lecture room of the church, which had been beautifully decorated with flags, pictures, and evergreens, and which contained numerous tables groaning under such a weight of substantial and luxurious as would have given the pilgrim fathers both dizziness and the horrors. It was indeed a "feast of fat things," and proved that the ladies in charge had drawn bountifully on their larders and liberally on their time.

The company dispersed at a late hour, satisfied with the New England forefathers and provided for their physical comfort, and satisfied with themselves.

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Myron D. Sullivan, of Brighton, who had been tried and found guilty of assault with intent to commit rape on three little girls, has been released on \$5000 bail.

And our private opinion, publicly expressed, is, that the citizens of Brighton had better provide for the support of Sullivan's family at their own expense. He evidently is not a man to run at large.

The State Public School at Coldwater will ask the Legislature for an appropriation of \$90,000, of which \$65,000 will be for current expenses for the next two years; \$8,000 for building engine-houses, etc., and \$6,000 for deficit in construction account.

Jonathan Butterworth, who lately died at Coldwater, aged 83 years, was a native of Lancashire county, England, and for thirty years and over a resident of this city. He was the father of Captain Ebenezer Butterworth, the brave and gallant officer who was in the First Regiment Michigan Infantry, and was killed in the first battle of Bull Run in the opening of the war of the Rebellion.

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