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ABOUT THIS TIME - LAST CENTURY!

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6 OCTOBER 1892

P.J. PAINTER, a resident of Maple Rapids for the past 25 years, was stricken with apoplexy while fishing on Wednesday of last week. He was discovered in his boat by Dr. **HOLLISTER** and taken to the home of **C.A. LYON** where he died. He was 68. A number of friends gathered at the home of Mrs. Fred **SWAIN** Wednesday evening, Sept. 28, to witness the opening of a night-blooming cereus. It commenced opening and at half past eleven was in its fullest. At 12 o'clock it was embalmed which made it look still more beautiful. It was about the size of a cabbage.

Olive - Miss **Carmalite HILL** is teaching school in District No. 5, Olive [Lemm School]. The following is the list of pupils who were neither absent nor tardy for the month ending Sept. 23: **Clara WAIDLICK, Minnie CARPENTER, Minnie BLACK, Chadie CARPENTER, Glenn SLEIGHT.**

13 OCTOBER 1892

The schoolhouse in the Gardner District, Bingham and Bengal has been completely repaired and is now in fine shape. Dr. **H.R. MANZER** assumed the duties of postmaster at Wacousta on Monday of last week, and the office is now in his store. Mr. **RANDALL**, who recently officiated in that capacity, expects to spend a part of the winter in Texas. **J. J. MOINET** has sold the handsome residence and grounds on Clinton Avenue north, lately occupied by him, to **Andrew J. MILLER** of Duplain who takes immediate possession.

Charles WEST & William SAVILL, Democrats, will (if Harrison is elected) draw **Charles WALKER & Charles BEARDSLEY** through the main street of Ovid in a wagon. If Cleveland is elected, Messrs. **WALKER** and **BEARDSLEY** will do the drawing.

Born to M/M **Phenando ELLIS** of Essex Twp., Oct. 9, 1892, a daughter.

Frank VALENTINE, through the assistance of his good mother, entertained about forty of his young friends at his pleasant home, corner of Wight and McConnell Streets, last evening from 6 to 10 o'clock. Their most sanguine anticipations of a good time were fully realized in the participation of games and palate-tickling refreshments. Frank is a favorite in his circle of young friends.

Eagle - the Brown Schoolhouse was supplied with new seats and desks last week.

3 NOVEMBER 1892

Died in Fowler, Oct. 18, 1892, of inflammation of the lungs, **PEARLIE**, daughter of M/M **James BRIGGS**, age 5m 3ds.

Died in DeWitt, **ESTHER**, wife of **Marion CASE**, age 56. Her remains now peacefully rest in the Lemm Cemetery.

Married at St. Johns, Oct. 29, 1892, by **M.N. DUNCAN**, Esq., **John M. KINNEY** of Olive to Mrs. **Eliza E. FRONT** of Ionia, Mich.

Eagle - The **BUTCHER** brothers are doing quite an amount of hay pressing

through this section. Someone accidentally stole **Roe WHITMORE'S** overcoat from his buggy while he attended church Sunday evening. **Ed NILES**, who fell from the Odd Fellows Temple at Grand Ledge while working thereon, is able to be around again.

Bengal - Corn-husking is nearly completed. **Hiram MURPHY** has recently built an addition to his barn. Miss **Edith CRAMPTON** begins her first term of teaching today at the Bell Schoolhouse, Dallas. The barn of **Charles TRAVIS** took fire Sunday afternoon from some unknown cause, and with contents burned to the ground. The tempest Friday night, besides taking the top off stacks and leveling fences, moved the uncompleted house of **Will T. PLOWMAN** nearly off its foundation.

10 NOVEMBER 1892

A hunting party consisting of the following named persons left for the north last Tuesday morning: **E.L. VALENTINE**, St. Johns; **James HAND**, **Stephen VALENTINE**, **Louis & Walter KISBY**, **W.C. GILBERT**, **W.H. WATERS & William GATES** of Ovid. **Henry N. WEBB** and family of DeWitt started Saturday night for their new home at Ponchatoula, LA, where Mr. **WEBB** has a position as bookkeeper in a large sugar factory.

17 NOVEMBER 1892

Maple Rapids - **George ANDERSON** who has closed his 11th term of school at Olive Center on the 4th instant has been spending several days with his parents in this village. Mr. **ANDERSON** started for Big Rapids on Wednesday where he will attend **W.N. Ferris**

Industrial and Business College during the winter. M/M **L. HAMMOND** have sold their property in this place to **W. HALLOCK** and have taken up their residence in Riley. The political cyclone has passed and all is now quiet on the Potomac. Therefore, we may begin to look for something besides politics in the newspapers. **Paul DEWITT**, for many years a resident of this town but recently of Hubbardston, died at the latter place on Friday last. His remains were buried on Sunday in the cemetery here.

Married, at the residence of the bride's parents, M/M **John JAYNE**, Nov. 9, 1892, **Will ARKSEY** of Olive and Miss **Lottie JAYNE** of DeWitt. M/M **ARKSEY** were the recipients of many useful and valuable presents. The following is a list: Bride's parents, \$20; **William KRESSTREAD**, \$20; M/M **LAWRENCE**, \$10; Mrs. **ARKSEY**, bedspread; M/M **GILBERT GRANGER** & M/M **Jessie GRANGER**, clock; M/M **George BARNES**, silver berry spoon; M/M **BRAZEE**, M/M **M.T. WOODRUFF**, silver & glass berry dish; M/M **BIRD**, silver and glass celery dish; **Julia LERG**, set napkins and towels; **Gerda JAYNE**, silver cream spoon; M/M **H.A. SIMMONS**, M/M **W. MC LOUTH**; M/M **E.M. WEBB**, silver butter dish; Mrs. **ZIMMERMAN** & son, silver butter dish; M/M **George BLIZZARD**, silver butter knife; M/M **ARKSEY**, set silver teaspoons; M/M **William BARNES** & **Minnie BARNES**, set silver oyster forks, M/M **D. WEIDMAYER**,

Kansas, set silver after-dinner coffee spoons; M/M **W. LINN**, silver individual butter, salt and pepper castor; Dr. & Mrs. **SIMMONS**, M/M **Spencer NORRIS**, silver cake basket. The bride was becomingly attired in brown silk faille. M/M **George BARNES** of Lansing stood up with them. Rev. **LUTHER** of North Lansing officiated. The happy couple expect to start for Omaha where they will make their home in about two weeks.

Mrs. **Polly BARTON** of Riley died at her home Nov. 7, 1892. She was born in Orange County, NY, in 1805. She married **Jerry BARTON** and remained in New York until 1865 when they came to Michigan and purchased a tract of land then an entire wilderness, but by perseverance they cleared this land with the aid of their son Thomas and soon had a comfortable home erected. In 1869 they met with a great misfortune. Their house burned to the ground with its entire contents. They did not give up in despair but soon had another house completed. Mrs. **BARTON** was the mother of ten children. She saw five sons don the blue and turn their faces to the sunny south to defend the dear old flag. All but one returned to their home. Mrs. **BARTON** professed Christianity in her early days and was always found faithful. She was loved and respected by all who knew her.

Messrs. **SPRAGUE & SQUAIR** have purchased the main barn connected with the Perrin House property and are now engaged in moving it to Railroad Street near Ottawa, where it will be fitted up for the storage of hay and straw for their trade. Owing to its great size, they found it necessary to cut it in two and move in sections. When in position, an addition will be made to it making its size, when fully completed, 76x40 feet, being excelled in size by only one

