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County Drain Commissioner..... F. A. Palmer
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CITY OFFICERS.

Mayor..... W. F. Bricker
Clerk..... G. R. Cowdin
Treasurer..... W. D. Day
Marshal..... W. W. Mitchell
City Attorney..... G. S. Roosevelt
Justices of the Peace..... E. B. Lapham, W. J. Wilson,
Aldermen: First ward, J. A. Spencer, Chas. Harroun; Second ward, M. E. Peck, E. W. Jersey; Third ward, T. F. Ireland, E. Hunt; Supervisors: First ward, Chas. Eddy; Second ward, J. T. Angell; Third ward, W. A. Wilder.

CHURCHES.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH—Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sabbath School at close of morning service. Prayer meeting on Thursday evening. REV. O. J. GOLDEN, Pastor.
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H. L. VAN BENSCHOTEN,

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CITY PHYSICIAN AND HEALTH OFFICER—Office near of W. I. Benedict & Co. drug store. Hours: 9 to 11 a. m., 2 to 4 and 7 to 8 p. m. Residence opposite M. E. church.

J. E. FERGUSON,

PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON—Office: Over Earle & Rummel's store. Office hours 8 to 10 a. m., 2 to 4 and 6:30 to 8 p. m.

I. OHLINGER,

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PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON—Office over Page's hardware. Hours: 7 to 9 a. m., 1 to 3 and 7 to 9 p. m. Night calls at office.

G. A. STANTON,

PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON—Office: Second floor, T. H. Benedict's block. Office hours 8:30 to 10 a. m., 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p. m. Night call at residence.

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NEW HANDS AT THE WHEEL.

Old Council Completes Its Work—Mayor Bricker's Inaugural—Increase in Salaries.

After a brief session, Monday evening, of the council which has run the city government for the past year, the business was closed up and it adjourned sine die. Ex-Mayor Spencer made a few remarks in retiring, reviewing the work in part accomplished in the two years he had held the office, and closed by introducing W. F. Bricker as mayor, who took his seat and proceeded at once to read his inaugural address as follows:

My friends having shown their confidence in me by their votes in electing me as Mayor of our city, I deem it but just and proper, that in taking my seat as Mayor I should express my thanks to the voters of this city, and especially to the voters of the ward in which I reside, and hope my administration will prove as satisfactory as my predecessor, Mayor Spencer. I now deem it my duty to this council, and the citizens of this city, to express my views for the management of the city government.

CITY MARSHAL.

The office of City Marshal and Street Commissioner has been filled so satisfactorily to all by Mr. W. W. Mitchell, that the members of this council all recommend his reappointment. I heartily concur in their judgment.

NIGHT WATCH.

The most important office to be filled is that of Night Watch. A man for this position should be a man that can be trusted with the safety of our lives and our property. A man that will preserve good order on our streets and can at all hours be found on duty. I would recommend that a time clock be purchased by the city and it be carried by Night Watch.

CITY SURVEYOR.

I would recommend that no salary be fixed for this office. Work be paid for by the day.

POOR COMMISSIONER.

This office has been filled the past year by the City Marshal and very satisfactorily. Some times too much work for one man does not give him the time to look up all applications for help as they should be and in a good many cases money is paid out for charity where want does not exist. The man that you may expect to fill this position should be one that will look after it properly, see that none are allowed to fill it unless they are deserving, and that a series of life, if they are deserving, should be given under no circumstances should underserving friends be kept at the city's expense.

CITY PHYSICIAN AND HEALTH OFFICER.

Last year the offices of City Physician and Health Officer were combined and the lowest bidder. I am not in favor of that plan. I believe that a fair salary should be fixed and a man be elected by the council. I would elect a man for Health Officer that will look after the back allies, privy vaults, cess pools, and all other nuisances that may threaten the lives of our people. A man that will use no pretension to stamp out all dread scourges from our midst and guard against their gaining an entrance to our city.

CITY ATTORNEY.

Whoever is elected to fill the office of City Attorney, should contract to do all the city work equal to the head of City Attorney's business for the stipulated price named in salary. No counsel should be employed at city expense without the consent of the council. I would elect a man whose advice on all legal questions is sound and avoid plunging the city into expensive litigation.

CITY FUNDS.

In dividing the funds of the city into the several different funds, a liberal amount should be placed to the credit of the Fire fund. It has been demonstrated many times over, that our efficient fire department earn their wages, and should be fairly paid for their services while on active duty. A liberal amount should be placed in this fund to maintain the department, and purchase all necessary equipments, and I would recommend that the department be furnished with at least three chemical hand fire extinguishers. Many times small fires could be extinguished before water could be used. Our fire alarm system will soon be extended over the greater part of the city, and for the small outlay I deem it money well expended.

CITY EMPLOYEES.

Where tax payers make application for work on city streets, preference should be shown them, especially where they are not able to meet their taxes any other way. Fair wages should be paid. Where labor is well paid good results are accomplished.

ORDINANCES.

When the city council shall pass an ordinance it should be the duty of the law abiding citizens to live up to the ordinance; and the duty of our City Marshal to see that they are enforced. If the ordinance should be obnoxious to the people, it is their privilege to petition the city council to have the ordinance repealed. If our own citizens do not live up to the city laws we cannot expect others to. I refer in particular to the fast driving, bicycling, and disturbing the peace ordinances. A citizen should not expect his neighbor to live up to one ordinance while he breaks another.

STREET FUNDS.

Before appropriating money for street fund I would recommend that the city be divided into three separate street districts. Each ward composing one of said districts. A liberal amount should be placed to the credit of the street fund and this fund should be divided into four equal parts. One fourth to be used as a contingent fund, to be used after all other street funds are exhausted, in any part of the city where needed in case of contingency. The balance, three-fourths, to be equally divided between each district or ward. This, I think, will divide the work up better through the city, and will have a tendency to create no strife as to which ward will have the best streets. I would recommend to our citizens that our streets reaching out into the country be first placed in first-class condition.

MUNICIPAL EXPENDITURES.

It is time for municipal as well as personal economy. Money should only be expended for those things that are needed. Any violation of this rule is unwarranted extravagance. In view of the fact that the city now does not pay for a jail, hose house, 2,000 feet of hose, and nearly all equipments for fire department, scrapers and all necessary tools for street work, our bridge tax all paid, with strict economy in every branch, I believe that the expenditures of this city for the ensuing year, need not exceed over 4 or 1 per cent, and I recommend to this council, that no more than that amount be levied.

HARMONY.

In conclusion I hope this council may be able to work in harmony through the year, for the best interests of the city and citizens. Work for the city's improvement. No opportunity should be lost to induce new industries to locate in our city. New industries means employment and employment means money and money means happy prosperous homes for our citizens.

Messrs. Edwin Hunt and Chas. Harroun are the new members (E. W. Jersey being re-elected) and after getting a little acquainted with the work will drop into the business like old hands.

The work done during the past year by Geo. S. Roosevelt as city attorney, and W. W. Mitchell as marshal, street commissioner, and poor commissioner, was so satisfactory that both were unanimously re-elected, the latter also getting his salary raised to \$600, an advance of \$25.

There were a number of candidates for the position of nightwatchman from

whom Ed. Riker was selected. The salary was raised \$50, making it now \$500. The city clerk also came in for a raise of \$25. Dr. I. S. Morris was elected to the position of health officer and his pay will be \$100 a year. F. A. Palmer was unanimously elected city surveyor and fire warden.

Geo. Stout had a grievance and presented a petition declaring the barn of Arthur Conner a nuisance and detrimental to health. Mr. Stout addressed the council in his own behalf and a wordy contest ensued between himself and Mr. Conner, who was also present. The matter was referred to the health committee.

The session was a long one lasting until after midnight but a good lot of business was done and the new city government is well under way.

A PLEASANT SURPRISE.

From Sunfield Sun.
Are the words most applicable to the event which occurred at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Deatsman, last Saturday evening. Without a word of warning, about one hundred and fifty friends and relatives, from Scbewa and this place walked into their home, taking them completely by surprise. The company took with them a handsome secretary which they presented to Mr. and Mrs. Deatsman as a token of their friendship and esteem.

Rev. N. E. Gibbs made the presentation speech in a highly creditable manner. Mr. Deatsman responded in glowing terms, expressing himself and wife as truly appreciative of the friendship bestowed upon them. Refreshments being served, singing and prayer were next in order, after which the company departed; regarding the event as one long to be remembered.

E. H. Deatsman will leave for his future home in Belding the last of this week. It is with feelings of regret that his many friends in this vicinity bid him farewell; fully realizing that Belding is to receive one of our most enterprising business men. Mr. Deatsman has been in business here for a number of years and through his business transactions has made friends for miles around. The best wishes of the Sun will attend himself and wife in their new home.

WESTWARD THE SHOE TRADE.

The boot and shoe industry, according to an important manufacturer at Lynn, Mass., is destined to be removed permanently from New England, where it has long had its seat, to the west, where it has already found some footing. The Lynn man has it correct in his observations of fact, but wrong in the reason he assigns for the change. He attributes the removal to cheaper labor in the west. It cannot be shown that wages are lower in Chicago or any other western city than in the manufacturing towns of New England. The contrary is true. The shoe industry is coming west for much the same reason that the cotton industry is moving south—to get nearer the sources of raw material. In addition, Chicago, besides being the base of supply, is now by far the most important center of distribution.

In a word, there is no longer any reason why hides should be shipped from Chicago to Massachusetts to be made into shoes and then carried back as a finished product to be sold in Chicago and its territory. Such things have been done in the past, but that was before Chicago got its growth. New England must be satisfied hereafter to make shoes for her own slim and graceful feet.—Chicago Times-Herald.

MEETING OF S. S. WORKERS.

Another vacancy is caused in the offices of the Ionia County Sunday School Association by the removal from the county of our vice president and acting president, Fred J. Cross of Lyons. A special meeting of the executive committee of the county association will be held in the office of C. O. Thompson in Ionia, May 15, 1895, at one o'clock. All officers of township associations and all Sunday school superintendents are urgently requested to be present at this meeting, as the aforesaid vacancy is to be filled and other important business to be done. Definite action will be taken in regard to the two rallies to be held, one at Portland and one at Saranac. A large representation from there is quite necessary.

Fellow workers, do not neglect this important meeting. Much can be accomplished by a united effort. Let every member of the committee be present.

A. R. MERRILL, Secretary.

Rev. Golden of Belding seems to have a cinch on the "golden" opportunities in the marriage line in that city. He married three couples in one day last week. He does not perform ceremonies on a "golden" basis, however, being also a free silver advocate along this line.—Portland Observer.

Dr. Elmer's Last Week in Belding.

DR. ELMER APPRECIATED.

A Patient Who is Willing to Acknowledge The Benefit.

The following statements are taken from many of the wonderful ones received by the justly celebrated curer of diseases, Dr. A. Elmer:
Owosso, Shiawassee Co., Mich.
March 27, 1895.

DR. A. ELMER, Dear Sir: When you began treating me I had been for years a great sufferer from spinal affection, general debility and a broken down constitution.

I had taken all kinds of medicines without obtaining relief. The doctors told me there was no relief for me and I believed them, when I came to you for treatment I had little hope of being benefited. Through using your electrical appliances and taking your Blood Purifier, also nerve tonic, I am not only able to do the work about the house but to attend to the business of canvassing without feeling any inconvenience.

I began taking your treatment on March 12, 1895, and can freely say I am not only a surprise to myself but to all my friends.

I would advise all my sex suffering with the same complication of diseases to buy your wonderful method of treatment, as I feel assured that if they follow your advice they will be restored to health and happiness.

Yours truly,
MISS ANNEY SUTTON.

Dr. Elmer may be consulted at the Hotel Bricker.

Owosso, March 30, 1895.
DR. ARTHUR ELMER,

DEAR SIR:—After suffering for four years with loss of eyesight and consulting with many of the best oculists in the country and receiving no relief I was advised by my friends to place myself under your care and it gives me pleasure to state that through and by your wonderful treatment I am recovering my eyesight, in fact I am able to attend to my business without any inconvenience. I can truthfully say your treatment has not only been most wonderful but remarkable in its benefits from the past, that after being in Ann Arbor for treatment I was told by the faculty there was no remedy for me.

I make the above statement with pleasure and wish you success where ever you may go.

I am yours most respectfully,
E. M. RIDLEY.

YPSILANTI, April 3, 1895.

DR. A. ELMER,

ESTEEMED FRIEND:—It is with feelings of gratitude I embrace this opportunity to say that when I commenced treating with you I was greatly afflicted with what is called a cancer corn. Within a week after your treatment the corn was removed and my foot began to get well and is now entirely cured. I would say to those who are afflicted as I was that every indication of the disease which was the cause of the cancer corn, has been removed from my system and I regard the cure as most remarkable, from the fact that other doctors had repeatedly tried to cure, tried and failed. Wishing you success wherever you go, I remain,

Yours truly,
GEORGE YEAGER.

Persons who sympathize with the afflicted will rejoice with D. E. Carr of 3125 Harrison street, Kansas City. He is an old sufferer from inflammatory rheumatism, but has not heretofore been troubled in this climate. Last winter he went up into Wisconsin, and in consequence has had another attack. "It came upon me again very acute and severe," he said. "My joints swelled and became inflamed; sore to touch or almost to look at. Upon the urgent request of my mother-in-law I tried Chamberlain's Pain Balm to reduce the swellings and ease the pain, and to my agreeable surprise, it did both. I have used three fifty-cent bottles and believe it to be the finest thing for rheumatism, pains and swellings extant. For sale by Holmes & Connell, druggists.

Mrs. T. S. Hawkins, Chattanooga, Tenn., says, "Silloh's Vitalizer saved my life. I consider it the best remedy for a debilitated system I ever used." For dyspepsia, liver or kidney trouble it excels. Price 75 cts. Sold by W. I. Benedict & Co. (2)

Silloh's Cure is sold on a guarantee. It cures incipient consumption. It is the best cough cure. Only one cent a dose. 25 cts., 50 cts., and \$1.00. Sold by W. I. Benedict & Co. (3)

It's a Grand Success.

The fact has been demonstrated by the thousands of testimonials the Mayers Drug Company, of Oakland, Md., has received since it has sent its famous Mayers' Magnetic Catarrh Cure out to the sufferers of catarrh. No medicine has received such an endorsement from the people in so short a time as it did. The makers sell the medicine on business principles, and a patient is not required to buy the medicine by the dozen to get a cure. The Mayers' Magnetic Catarrh Cure sells for \$1 per bottle, one bottle to last for a three months' treatment. 3 bottles is the highest record ever required to complete a cure. General catarrh one bottle is guaranteed. No cure, no pay.

This is an unequalled offer and if you are a sufferer from catarrh get a bottle from your druggist, if no benefit costs you nothing. A prominent R. I. conductor speaks:

CUMBERLAND, MD., April 29th, 1895.
To The Mayers' Drug Co.,
Gentlemen:—Yours to hand, in reply will say that I have the highest regard for your Catarrh Remedy, my trouble is in a chronic form and expect to use more than one bottle. I used one bottle which removed the trouble from the head in good shape and am on the second bottle for throat trouble. If I should succeed with the latter as I did in the former, I shall write you again in the near future. Hoping it will do for the suffering humanity what it did for me. I remain,
Yours truly,
G. J. SCHMIDT.

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