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### For Oakland Pioneers.

"The cases ordered some time ago by the Oakland County Pioneer society, to be placed in the men's rest rooms and used for the storing of the society's papers, books, pictures and relics of pioneer days, arrived last week. They consist of eight sections of glass-fronted cases, with four compartments to the section; are made of handsome quarter-sawn golden oak and are as fine looking a lot of cases as are to be found in the city. The cases are placed on a four-inch platform, raising them from the floor so that the bases cannot be scarred by foot marks.

Ezra Jewell, president of the society, stated that the society would be grateful for the gift of anything that is a relic of pioneer days. There are a number of old-time pictures of pioneers that are not in the possession of the society and their gift would be greatly appreciated.

In time to come he hopes to have cases of the birds of the county. There are a number of birds about the county, but not as many as in past years, and it is planned to preserve stuffed specimens of them before they become extinct.

Household articles, ornaments, books, letters, everything that was closely related with pioneer days and privation would be treasured by the society. There are already a number of such articles in the collection, but it is not nearly as complete as Mr. Jewell hopes to have it in a few years—Press Gazette.

### Howland Theatre, Pontiac, Friday, April 2.

There is said to be a razzle-dazzle, "zipply-go-bang" about "The Flower of the Ranch," Joe Howard's musical comedy novelty, which comes to the Howland Theatre that makes it worth while. The curtain rises on an empty stage and bring a herd of cowboys in "chaps," sombreros and red kerchiefs bristling like a Kansas cyclone, d st flying and the action is on. A lion is Mr. Howard's one hobby in his musical plays and he has plenty of it in "The Flower of the Ranch." There is a good plot, altogether unusual in musical comedy, but the play hits a high place when it comes to popular catchy melodies for which Mr. Howard is well known and so by the end of the first performance we may expect the whistles to get busy.

"California, Just Say You Care," "Lulu, My Indian Maid," "My Boy and I," "In the Days of '49," "The Same Old Story" and "World's End" are some of Mr. Howard's new compositions to be heard for the first time here.

### His Opinion.

When in the course of human events the people of one political party fail to nominate a township ticket, a decent respect for the opinion of mankind requires that they declare the cause that impelled the omission.

These truths we hold to be evident. That a person's political faith or affiliation with a political party, when it comes to the performance of the duties of township offices, is a microscopic resource.

That a contest over or a scramble for township offices fought and ironed out on national political lines has no political significance, especially in Farmington.

That the settling of local affairs by the lining up of the individuals under the banner of their national political party, is deplored by political economists in general and affords a topic for serious reflection for a thinking mind.

In light of the above two old bachelors had the nerve to vote not to place in nomination a democratic township ticket.

"It was not as wide as a barn or as deep as a well, but it was enough." FROM A VOTER.

### Republican Caucus.

The Republican caucus was largely attended last Saturday afternoon. John Thayer was chairman and Clyde Nichols, secretary. The following ticket was nominated:

Supervisor—James L. Hogle  
Clerk—Herman Schroeder  
Treasurer—C. W. Chamberlin  
Justice of the Peace—Harry McCracken  
Board of Review—Chas. Ely  
Highway Com.—Thos. Lytle  
Overseer of Highway—Carl Ely  
Constables—C. W. Chamberlin  
Bernard Meyers, Wm. Groves, Clarence Wood.

Mr. Hogle received the unique compliment of every ballot for the nomination to the office of supervisor, there being 139 cast.

The only real contest occurred in putting up a nominee for highway commissioner. Mr. Lytle's friends, especially those from North Farmington, came to town in force and carried their man to victory.

One of the funny incidents of the caucus was the voting for a nominee for school inspector, an office legislated out of existence by the constitution last year. Jay Batton was chosen upon the second ballot for that honor.

There were plenty of cigars in evidence and if there were any moths in the clothes of those present they were properly fumigated.

After the republicans adjourned a few of the "unaffiliated" (?) met and organized their caucus by making Frank Steele, chairman; Frank Lee, secretary, and Carl Hatten, teller. T. H. McGee gave them the oath of office, and when the pleasure of the caucus was asked a motion to adjourn was made.

When a vote was taken two voted aye and one no and the chairman announced the caucus adjourned. Besides those named above there were eight other men in the hall, but two of these were republicans.

The reasons given for this strange conduct on the part of the Democratic caucus were: "They are a nice lot of fellows on the republican ticket and it is hard to find men who are willing to stand up to be knocked down on our ticket." Excellent republican reasons but "blankety blank" democratic ones. To the uninitiated "blankety blank" simply means unexpressible.

### Sunday School.

The Sunday-school recently organized in the Nichols schoolhouse adopted a name last Sunday and will henceforth be known as the Duncan M. Ward Sunday-school. It also observed Temperance Sunday by enrolling 25 members of the White Shield League, who signed the total abstinence pledge. This Sunday-school is a month old and has had an average attendance during the four Sundays of March of 31 and has raised \$1.85 for current expenses. An Easter program is prepared for the afternoon of April 11. Everyone in the neighborhood is cordially invited to enroll.

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