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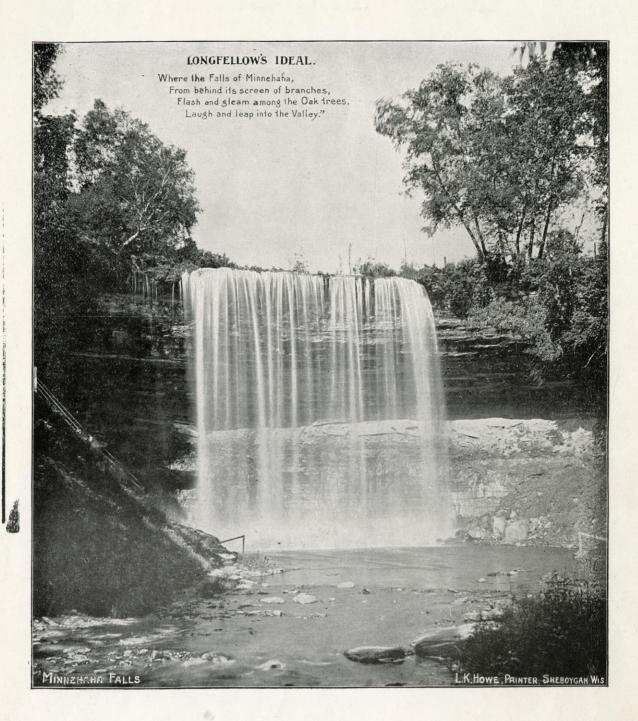
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# Papers Read at the Meeting of the G. G. is

At a meeting of the G. G. G's., a woman's club of Plymouth, held on October 26, 1909, Mrs. Otto Gaffron read some reminiscences about the Rublee family, which was one of the earliest to settle in this county. The facts were given Mrs. Gaffron by Mrs. Emmeline Cole, whose maiden name was Emmeline Rublee, and who was a sister of Hon. Horace Rublee. Although very young when she first came here with her family, she recalls many events which took place in those early days. She kindly furnished the Biographical Record with a paper read by her brother February 22, 1894, at a Pioneer meeting at Sheboygan Falls, and which is printed herewith. The reminiscences follow:

# Reminiscences by Mrs. Gaffron

Mr. and Mrs. Alva Rublee came to Sheboygan county in 1840, when Mrs. Cole was four and her brother Horace eleven years of age. They came from Vermont by way of the Great Lakes, taking a steamer as far as Milwaukee, where they were obliged to change to a schooner. There being no harbor at Sheboygan, steamers could not make a landing.

For a short time, the Rublee family lived at the Farnsworth mill, near the Ashby farm, two and a half miles from Sheboygan, but soon moved to a farm on the site of the present Wildwood cemetery. This place had been an Indian burying ground, but with the Poet Campbell, the early settlers thought:

"What's hallow'd ground? Has earth a clod It's maker mean'd not should be trod By man?" In their opinion, if there was, it wasn't an Indian cemetery and they trod it, plowed it and grew their harvests on it.

Mr. Rublee, when tilling the soil, uncovered old gun barrels, flints, arrow-heads, silver ornaments and other articles, which had been buried with the Indians and which were to be used by the deceased on their journey to the "happy hunting grounds" For some time the Rublee children had an Indian skull as a plaything. The silver ornaments referred to were articles something like large belt buckles with which the braves fastened their shirts together across their chests.

Among the grewsome recollections of Mrs. Cole's early days was that of the sight of two Indian bodies placed on scaffolds high up on poles near the Ashby farm. The bodies probably of the members of some wandering tribe, whose custom it was to dispose of their dead in that manner, as the red men who lived in this part of the state buried their dead.

Indians were about the only neighbors the Rublee family had; the little copper colored girls and boys were the playmates of the younger members of the household and during the first summer in Wisconsin, Mrs. Rublee saw but one white woman and she came from Vermont with them.

The squaws carried their pappooses strapped on boards on their backs, the boards held in place by thongs across their forehead. The Rublee daughters of course, adopted the same manner of carrying their dolls.

The Indians were very friendly to the whites, but great beggars and always hungry. When they came

to a house, they never rapped at the door, but came silently and looked in at the windows. Mrs. Rublee often looked up from her work to see an Indian face at each pane of glass. If they wanted to come in, they opened the door and walked in single file. If it were evening, they spread their blankets on the floor around the fire and slept there all night. The settlers had not the least fear of them.

On one occasion after they had been here several years, some Indians who had spent the night at their place, became drunk and one killed another. The body was buried in the Firmin cemetery in the town of Lyndon. The family of the murdered Indian claimed all of the property of the family of the murderer and got it, as that was the way the red men settled such trouble.

The Indians and white mentraded with each other. Mrs. Cole remembers of an Indian stopping at the house with honey which he had in two kegs about as large as beer kegs, hung on either side of his pony. The honey splashed like water and upon being questioned, he informed them that he had strained it through his blanket. The Rublee family never knew whether the blanket improved the flavor of that honey or not.

Of course "fire water" sold readily to the Indians and the dealer, who had gotten an Indian drunk, pretended the he was doing a virtuous thing by adding more and more water to the whiskey he sold him thereafter, until the Indian was again sober.

When there was any trouble or when the redmen wished to know of the future, they held a pow wow. At one time, a vessel with supplies for the settlers was overdue. The people were almost in want. The Indians told the whites they would find out when the boat was coming. They held a pow wow and informed he settlers that the boat would be in at sunset the next evening. To the surprise of the settlers, the vessel came at the time their primitive neighbors had set for its arrival.

William Farnsworth, who owned much of the land on which the present city of Sheboygan now stands, had for a wife a squaw named Marinette. Her home was where the present city of Marinette stands, that place being named after her. It seems that Marinette played quite an important part in the early history of Marinette and vicinity. She spent part of her time at Sheboygan. Some act of Mr. Farnsworth having angered the Indians, they gathered with the intention of killing him. Being apprised of their coming and knowing that only heroic measures could save his life, he seated himself upon an open keg of powder with a lighted candle in his hand. A man that could do such an act as that must be under the special protection of the "great spirit," the Indians though and they departed nor ever molested him after.

There is only one person in the county who came

here earlier than Mrs. Cole did and that is Mrs. William Jones of Sheboygan Falls, who came in 1836 There was but one horse in the county when the Rublee family landed at Sheboygan. Their family was among the first to keep cows. They also had one hen and a rooster which was something very few of the early settlers had. When the hen had a brood of small chickens, a skunk killed her, the rooster took it upon himself to care for the orphans. He found them food, hovered them at night and gave them every care that a mother could.

One day while milk and cream were so scarce that they were luxuries, the Rublee children were alone and they tipped over a churn of cream. It was a problem to them to know what to do with the cream. Horace, who at that time was twelve or thirteen years of age, hit upon the idea of boring holes in the floor and letting the cream run through. There was no cellar under the house. The cream being disposed of the next thing was to meet their mother. Horace however, sat down and wrote a poem upon the mis hap, which was so funny that when he read it to his mother, she could not refrain from laughing and the children escaped reproof.

Horace was a natural poet and had he been encouraged might have been another Reilly, but his family looked upon his poetry as so much foolishness, none of it was ever saved and he was told to write prose. As far as known not one of his early rhymes can now be found, although Mrs. Cole can remember a line or two of some of them whose humor appealed to her childish fancy. One dark, stormy night, a young man staying at their place went quite a distance through the woods to visit the lady of his choice. That a young man could be so foolish as to go a long distance in such weather to see a girl was too much for the young Horace, it set his muse working and in a most humorous way, he recited the difficulties and trials he met on his lonely walk. The only line Mrs. Cole can remember is:

"Around his head the boughs do bend",
When it was repeated to the young fellow in the morning, he could see nothing humorous about it, but for a number of days manifested an extreme coolness toward the author. The young man referred to has been dead for many years, but his son is known over most of the county.

Another rhyme ridiculed a very pompous and conceited man. The man got hold of the rhyme and although it did not take the ego down it made the ire rise.

It took much work to suppress the poet in Horace Rublee, so that he could write in anything besides rhyme. He would start to write a letter, it would soon be rhyming and many a bitter tear he shed over what he considered a fault.

The following paper was read by the late Mr Horace Rublee, well known as a former editor of the Milwaukee Sentinel.

# Mr. Rublee's Reminiscences

On occasions like the present one, reminiscences are the order of the day. I, therefore, propose to do a little raking among the embers of the past. I can justly claim to be one of the early settlers of Sheboygan county. My father came here in the autumn of 1839, his family following in June, 1840. The second ten years of my life were mostly spent here. Coming from Milwaukee, on a schooner, no steamer landed at Sheboygan in those days. I vividly remember the transfer from the little craft which anchored off



Horace Rublee

the mouth of the river, in the star-lit quiet of a lovely June night, just before daybreak, to a large scow, which was then rowed into the river, the warm breath of the land wind scented with odors of the forest and of wild flowers, the brilliancy of the fire-flies, the sense of strangeness and romance imparted by the silence of the night and the consciousness of the vast and almost unbroken wilderness into which we were entering, the short walk up a soft, sandy roadway to a square framed building which then served as a lodging house to the seldom coming stranger.

A few hours later, we returned to the scow, and, with our goods and chattels, were rowed up the river to what was known as the "Follett place", the head of river navigation, and about half a mile below a saw mill, in the management of which my father was then interested, and where there was a fairly comfortable, indeed a large house for that period, which we occupied. At that time, I believe, there were but eleven

families in the county. Only one, that of Joshua Brown, was to be found at Sheboygan. A mile and a half up the river lived John Johnson, an Englishman with a large family of sons and daughters, who cultivated the adjacent flats, which had long been cleared and used as corn fields by the Indians. Between the mill referred to, now gone, and the Falls, was an unbroken forest with the exception of an acre or two on a knoll now occupied by a cemetery, where Chas. D. Cole had made a clearing, and planted corn between he stumps.

At the Falls were Chas. D. Cole and Albert Rounsville with their families, and David Giddings, then unmarried, occupied the only house on the right bank of the river. There was a saw mill on the left bank. A



Mrs. Rublee Mother of Horace Rublee and Mrs.Cole

mile or more up the river Deacon Trowbridge with his stalwart boys had begun the farm occupied now by his son. Five miles to the south, John and Benjamin Gibbs had settled and begun clearing farms, and about the same distance to the west, Dye, Firmin, Hoffman and Upham had reared their log habitations and made a small opening in the primitive forest. A road had been cut through the woods to Port Washington the previous winter, by which, once a week, the scanty mail was brought on foot or on horseback. Westward to Fond du Lac and north to Manitowoc. the wilderne ss was traversed only by Indian trails On the lake shore south of Sheboygan, a few fishermen from Ohio and Michigan lived in summer, returning to their homes for the winter. Among them was the Wilson family, who have given their name to the town of Wilson.

During the season of 1840, Col. B. H. Mooers and family came to Shabayg an, and kept the hotel there

A lighthouse keeper named Woolverton, came also hat year with his family. He was a florid faced, middle aged man from Maryland. It denotes the general condition of the colony to recall the fact that Woolver. ton, with his government salary of \$365 a year, was probably the most affluent person in the county, and regarded as a sort of capitalist who could afford to dress and live in a more sumptuous manner than the others. With the exception of the lighthouse keeper the settlers were all people who earned their daily bread by daily toil. The style of living was plain. Most of the flour used was unbolted wheat and corn ground in a little run of stones set in one corner of the saw mill. Salt pork and salt whitefish were the staple articles of animal food. There was hardly a horse owned in the county except the ponies belonging to



Miss Emmeline Rublee Now Mrs. Cole

drive reporter

the Indians who remained here in considerable num bers. There were few cattle except oxen, and hardly any domestic fowls. The second year my father obtained a pair of fowls. I remember the intense interest with which I watched the growth of the first brood of chickens. They were the most remarkable chickens ever seen, each one had a name, and I can still recall their names and personal appearance of each.

Nearly all the settlers were from the New England states and New York. There was neither clergyman, doctor or lawyer among them. Almost all were under middle age, active, hardy young people. No gray haired men were seen. Deacon Trowbridge was the patriarch. He was about fifty, and regarded as an old man. You all remember him in his serene and beautiful old age. for he lived to be a veritable patriarch. Then he was not only a farmer, but the black-

smith of the county, and he occasionally assumed the office of a clergyman and preached on Sundays.

Other arrivals during the same year were a family named Russell and two young men, Worthy McKillip and Starke. Another, William Ashby, better known as "Sam", who had previously spent some time in the county. He and McKillip are still with you, holding places of honor among the pioneers.

The little colony received from year to year some accessions, but the growth was slow until about 1844 or 45 when a plank road was constructed to Fond du Lac. Then steamers began to land at Sheboygan, and settlers to arrive in greater numbers. The German immigration soon followed and land began to be taken and clearings made in all directions.

The pre-plank road period was the true pioneer period in our history. In those days Sheboygan was of little consequence. The Falls was the business and intellectual center. Here was the only post office. Here the elections were held. Here Chas. D. Cole, who was the postmaster and general adviser and business man of the little community, lived. In the winter at the Falls a debating society held weekly meetings, and the debates were sometimes preceded by an original essay or poem. Nearly everybody took the New York Tribune then edited by Horace Greeley in the heyday of his power. A smattering of phrenology had been acquired by some of the citizens and several had read "Combe on the Constitution of Man", a book then much in vogue. Greeley and Combe produced no little mental fermentation, and the social movement known as "Fourierism", which led to the Brook farm experiment, broke out with a good deal of virulence right here in those primitive days.

In the earlier period my father was living on the "Johnson place," Johnson having gone into the wilderness to make a farm in the Gibbs neighborhood, and our relations were with the duller and more conservative region of Sheboygan. Little intellectual scimulus was found there, but the neighborhood of the fishermen and the frequent presence of sailors from the little schooners that carried lumber to Milwaukee and Chicago, led during the second year to the open ing at Sheboygan, then always spoken of as "The Mouth", of an establishment which was a combination of a very small retail shop and a rather mild type of saloon. It was kept by Mrs. Glass. She was a buxom. apple-cheeked woman of perhaps 45, and wore a white muslin cap with a ruffled border. Her hair and eyes were dark, she was a voluble talker, and a kind hearted but resolute and self-possessed female. Mrs. Glass' stock consisted of a box of crackers, a bladder of snuff, some plug tobacco, a jar of striped peppermint candy, pins and codfish. She also had somewhere on the premises a barrel of whiskey and a decanter filled

from it was exposed to the view of the thirsty wayfarer. Occasionally she had a keg of what was known as "strong beer" on tap. Though a business woman Mrs. Glass had a decidedly sentimental side to her character, and possessed a small but very select library of romances including "The Scottish Chiefs", "Thaddeus of Warsaw," "The Romance of the Forest, "The Children of the Abbey" and a blood curdling story entitled "The Three Spaniards". These are books not much read at present, but Mrs. Glass loaned them to me with warm commendations, and I read them with great delight. Mrs. Glass had a husband, John, a small quiet person, whom she sometimes required to advance and allow her to smell his breath, when he was suspected of surreptitiously visiting the whiskey barrel. John preferred to keep well in the background.

The third winter, that of 42-43, I profited a little by indirect communication with the intellectual center here at the Falls. It was determined to have a school for three months at "the mouth," and a young man from the Falls, but a new comer was employed as teacher. This young man was Samuel Rounsville, then early in the twenties, an active, brighteyed, hopeful man. For the most part the school consisted of another boy and myself. Of course, the teacher's duties were not very laborious. He read and smoked a good part of the time. He went to the Falls on debating nights and Sundays, and besides teaching me some arithmetic he loaned me Scott's "Lady of the Lake,""Nicholas Nickleby,""Oliver Twist"and several of Bulwer's novels, which helped to pass the school hours: and wonderfully shortened the long winter evenings. Among my school teachers, I remember none with more kindly feelings than Samuel Rounsville. A year or two later, after a visit east, he brought back a diamond edition of Byron, the first copy of that author's works without doubt ever brought into the county, and that also he loaned me. Books were scarce here in those days. I had long had my curiosity excited respecting Shakspeare by references to him and quotations prefixed to chapters in novels, before I ever saw a copy of his works. The first one brought into the county was, I think, by W. W. Kellogg, a lawyer who settled at Sheboygan about 1845. Benjamin Trowbridge was the only man who had a copy of Milton in the pre-plank road era. I could supply further information of this sort if it were desirable but have already exceeded the limits I had intended to observe

The grown up men and women of the period referred to have nearly all passed away. But their works remain. By them and those who came a little later, the wilderness has been transformed into one of the richest and most productive districts in the whole country, studded with comfortable homes where

dwelled a nappy and prosperous people. Only those who saw the beginnings, and who know the hard and straitened lives of the first settlers, can fully appreciate the strenuous toil, the wear and tear of human m uscle, the self-denial, the stubborn endurance, the persistent energy required to clear away the tangled forest, to break up the soil filled with stumps and interlacing roots, to build roads and fences while main taining themselves and their families, and to bring the great work on to its present stage of advancement. If he who causes two blades of grass to spring where but one grew before is a public benefactor. what shall we say of those to whose strenuous toil is due the broad meadows and pastures and productive fields that have supplanted the wilderness? The pioneers of Sheboygan county accomplished a great work. Their names may not be inscribed on monuments, or preserved in history; but the work they accomplished will remain a permanent benefit to succeeding generations.

The poet of Faust makes his hero begin with an insatiable craving for all knowledge and all delight, to end, after sounding every depth of learning and philosophy and after exhausting all the phases of earthly pleasure, by finding his final and supremest satisfaction in reclaiming the waste places of the earth and fitting them to become the habitation of his fellow men and the seats af civilization and culture: Such was the work performed by the pioneers of this county, and their successors will do well to cherish and honor their memory and to strive, like them "To plant the great hereafter in this now."

# Mad Dog Bites People

Plymouth went through one of the most terrible of its experiences in the early part of January. On the third of that month towards evening Lincoln Davis and his son of the town of Sheboygan Falls were bitten by a dog with the rabies. The following day the animal reached Plymouth where it bit Edward Iserloth and Mrs. August Plautz. It continued westward biting Henry Jens, Henry Alwardt of the town of Plymouth, and Harry Hinman and the son of Albert Price, both of Greenbush. Mr. Jens suffered bad lacerations in the face.

The dog was shot by Louis Wittkop west of the city. All the persons bitten went to Madison where they received the Pasteur treatment, and nothing serious resulted from the bites.

Other dogs were bitten, but their owners promptly killed them.

Mayor Starrett of Plymouth issued a proclamation, ordering that all dogs be chained on their owners' premises or be properly muzzled for sixty days. The surrounding towns took a like precaution.

# New Superintendent for Asylum



Dr. H. A. Arpke
The Newly Elected Superintendet of the
Insane Asylum

On January 7, 1910, Dr. H. A. Arpke was chosen to succeed A. J. Whiffen as superintendent of the county insane asylum, Mr. Whiffen having handed in his resignation in November after many years of eminent service in the position. The board of trustees had looked about with considerable care to find a man



A. J. Whiffen
Who Resigned His Position after 28
Years of Service

who possessed the requisite qualifications for the important place. After considering several aspirants, the trustees looked about to find, if possible, a more available man than any of those who had applied, and

it occurred to them that Dr. Arpke might come nearest to their ideal of what a superintendent should be like. He was approached on the subject, and although not a candidate for the position, accepted the appointment.

Dr. Arpke was born in the town of Herman, where he grew to manhood. Since 1893 he has been a resident of Sheboygan. He was sheriff for two years and was for some time chairman of the Republican county committee. He is a very competent veterinarian and enjoyed a large practice, which he discontinued when he took charge of the superintendency of the asylum.

Dr. Arpke is a man of very agreeable presence, humane in his impulses, strictly conscientious in the performance of any duties, and one can not help but feel that the interests of the poor unfortunates committed to his care will be carefully looked after.

# Fiftieth Anniversary of Concordia Singing Society

On February 9, 1860, the Concordia Singing society was organized in Sheboygan, and on February ninth this year its golden jubilee was celebrated. Its origin and its existence for a half century are due to the Germans' love of song. Shakespear did not have them in mind when he wrote;

"The man that hath no music in himself,
Nor is not moved with concord of sweet sounds,
Is fit for treasons, stratagens and spoils"

Is fit for treasons, stratagems and spoils".

Despite their love of song and their enthusiasm in keeping alive the melodies of the "Fatherland", it was not always easy to keep up their organization, especially during the first several years. The great civil war was in progress and the American people had little time for pleasure had they been much disposed to have. The Concordia Society, however, never lost its identity.

It gave its first concert in October 1861, and the audience was so well pleased that the members were encouraged to continue. Its next appearance was at Howards Grove in the spring of 1862, and gained the society new laurels.

At the close of the Rebellion in 1865 Mr. William Nehrlich was chosen director, and the society took another start.

It was not until 1873 that several ladies joined the society, and the following year the mixed chorus gave a concert which proved a marked success

On May 24, 1887, Mr. John Schmidt succeeded Mr. Nehrlich as director, and was himself succeeded by Prof. Theodore Winkler on December 24, 1893. Of the directors all survive but Mr. Kroehnke, who served the society from its organization until 1865.

Its first own place of meeting was provided in 1874, and on June 27 of that year was first used for that purpose. It possessed no such qualities as elegance, convenience or commodiousness. It was, indeed, rather a plain and crude structure. It was, moreover, unsuited for public entertainments. The need of something better was soon seriously felt, and Concordia hall was built.

The society has grown from year to year, and with its growth in numbers interest has increased.

At the annual concerts held by the society, Sheboygan has been made familiar with many of the best German songs and literary works, and thus has the society done much to cultivate a taste for good music

In 1887 the Concordia society became a member of the Northwestern Saenger Bund and has continued its membership in that organization ever since.

Two Saengerfests of the Eastern Wisconsin ciruit have been held in Sheboygan, the first in 1892 and and the second in 1905.

# Fire Destroys Coal Dock No. 1

The Reiss coal dock No. 1 was totally destroyed by fire the night of March 1, entailing a loss of \$185,000. Besides the dock a number of freight cars were burned, causing a further loss of \$20,000. The annex to the dock was badly damaged. The insurance on the dock was \$117,000 and on the annex \$103,000.

It was at half past nine that the fire was discovered by Watchman Nicholas Shin, who said that at the time he first saw it, it had made little headway, but in the space of a few minutes it had spread over the greater part of the dock. There was a thick coat of coal dust covering the greater part of the dock and this acted as a conductor of the fire. The fire was permitted to gain greater headway owing to the fact that the telephone service was defective at the time, and the fire department could not be communicated with very promptly.

The Sheboygan Herald said at the time.

"Some idea of the fire can be gained from the fact that twelve streams were thrown on it at one time with but slight effect. The twenty-four firemen headed by Chief Bedford and assisted by several others, temporarily drawn into the service, worked the apparatus at hand to the best advantage. All but one of the streams came from hydrants while the old fire engine from Station No. 2 did good service.

"It required almost superhuman effort to prevent the flames from sweeping away nearby buildings. The Port Huron salt docks were in imminent danger of meeting a fate similar to the coal dock, while the Frost Veneer Seating company's plant also seemed for a while to be doomed. The firemen never relaxed their efforts until they had cut off the progress of the flames and not only saved adjoining property but prevented a total loss of the annex.

"The fire lacked nothing in picturesqueness. Indeel, at times it was a sublime sight. When it was at its height it impressed the observer with the vastness of its power. It was a mighty furnace which seemed to cause vast beams to bend like willows in a gale. It was when the derricks fell that the grandeur of the scene was at its height.

The fire had crept along the wooden beams until it

reached the top of the four huge derricks. The network of blazing beams was a sight that attracted attention in the very midst of the excitement in fighting the flames; but when the derricks fell there was a scene which can rarely be witnessed. The flames and clouds of sparks shot upward until they seemed to make vast supports for the blue vaults of the sky.

"The fire could not be extinguished for many days owing to the burning coal."

# Farmers' Institutes

Two farmers' institutes were held in Sheboygan county on March 1 and 2. One was conducted at Sheboygan Falls and the other at Glenbeulah. At Sheboygan Falls a cooking school was held in connection with the institute. The conductors at these institutes were W. C. Bradley, Hudson; Fred Stubley Black Earth; C. E. Matteson, Pewaukee; Supt. George McKerrow, Madison; A. R. Hirst, Madison; D. E. Bingham, Sturgeon Bay, all at Sheboygan Falls: L. E. Scott, Stanley; J. L. Herbst, Sparta; C. E. Matteson, Pewaukee; Supt. George McKerrow, Madison; A. R. Hirst, Madison, at Glenbeulah.

Miss EdithL. Clift of Chicago and Miss Mae E. Ross of South Bend, Ind., conducted the cooking school.

# A Pastor's 25th Anniversary

After twenty five years of faithful service the Rev. F. Wolbrecht was the center of a notable celebration on February 8th, 1910. For a quarter of a century he had served the Trinity Lutheran congregation of Sheboygan as its pastor, and he is held in high esteem not only by the members of the church but by all who enjoy the pleasure of his acquaintance.

At the church on the anniversary there were appropriate religious services conducted by the Rev. Mr. Wildermuth of Sheboygan Falls. Following the services the Rev. Mr. Wolbrecht was invited to the Eagles' hall, where the celebration was continued in a more worldly way. Music by the church band and several choirs, and brief addresses entertained the as sembled guests, while nothing seemed to be forgotten in the way of refreshments. The large congregation left no doubt in the mind of their pastor that his services have been greatly appreciated.

When the Rev. Mr. Wolbrecht came to Trinity church twenty-five years ago there was only the one Lutheran church in the city and Trinity congregation was much smaller than it is now.

# School Board Conv. at Plymouth

A school board convention for Sheboygan County was held at Lyceum hall, Plymouth on Wednesday, January 19th. There were in attendance 235 members of boards. County Superintendent J. E. Kennedy spoke on the subject "Co-operation of School Boards and Teachers", impressing upon boards the necessity of their visiting not only their own school but those in other districts.

Rural School Inspector W. E. Larson addressed the convention on the relation of education to the development of the state. The speaker showed how much the growth of industries were affected by intelligence, by the discoveries in science, and by intelligent application of natural laws. Mr. Larson also discussed the advantages of township high schools.

"The Value of an Education" was the subject on which Prof. Paul Neystrom of the University of Wisconsin Extension Department, gave a talk. He spoke of the tendency of the age to specialize, and cited instances to show that trade schools are giving the training which prepares men for useful careers.

# Sheb. Woodmen Tuberculosis fund

Chair City Camp, Modern Woodmen of America, on January 14, 1910, held a meeting at which 175 of its 350 members were present. It performed an act which is well worth recording; it was an act of charity; and the spirit in which it was done speaks well for the organization. The Modern Woodmen have a tuberculosis sanitarium at Colorado Srings, Colorado, and it was proposed to establish and equip a colony tent at the sanitarium. A knowledge of the fact brought out the large attendance and when the subscription list was circulated over \$125 was subscribed. It will require \$250 to get the tent in readiness for patients, but there is no doubt that the remainder of that sum will be forthcoming.

# Launching of the John P. Reiss

On January 29, 1910, the John P. Reiss, a large steamer, was launched at Lorain, Ohio. Mrs. Reiss christened the large vessel. Mr. and Mrs. Reiss and several other S heboygan people witnessed the launching. The John P. Reiss is one of the largest vessels on the Great Lakes. It is 524 feet long, fifty-six feet wide and thirty feet in depth. It is owned by the Wisconsin Transportation company of which Mr. Reiss is secretary and treasurer. It was built at Lorain, Ohio, by the American Ship-building company. It is built to carry 10,000 tons.

# Sheb. Business Men's Banquet

On January 24 the Sheboygan merchants and manufacturers enjoyed a banquet at the Hotel Foeste, to which 140 sat down. It was more than anice feast; it was a meeting at which much was said to encourage a movement to bring about a more rapid growth of and more substantial improvements for the city. It was plain from many of the things said that the aim of those participating is a larger and better city. Sheboygan business men appreciate as never before the need of an enlightened public sentiment and great civic pride. This is, indeed, a hopeful sign.

M. E. Hanchett presided, and introduced the speakers as follows: W. A. Pfister, president of the Merchants' association; J. M. Grantham of the Cramer-Krasselt company of Milwaukee, who spoke on "Retail advertising of today;" M. R. Zaegel, one of the largest and most successful advertisers in the country gave some excellent hints on advertising; A. C. Hahn of the Phoenix Chair company discussed "Freights and the collection of claims;" Attorney E. R. Bowler told about "Protecting and collecting accounts," F. S. Duffie, agent in the city for the American Express company.

W. A. Pfiister made the closing remarks. The speaking was interspersed by singing by a quartet composed of Mrs. Arthur Genter, Mrs. Julio Imig, William Leicht and William G. Wolf, with Miss Mabel End as accompanist. Mr. Leicht also sang a solo.

# Journeymen Plumbers' Conv.

On Sunday, February 6, 1910, the Wisconsin association of the the United Association of Journeymen, Steam and Gas Fitters and Steam Fitters' Helpers of the United States and Canada held its first semi-annual convention at the Eagles' hall in Sheboygan. There were about fifty delegates in attendance from various parts of the state. They were entertained by the Sheboygan branch. A banquet was given at the Hotel Foeste. The state organization was formed in Milwaukee on August 1st, 1909.

# Lutheran Hall, Ply, Dedicated

The new Lutheran hall at Plymouth was dedicated on Februray 3 and 4. The entertainments given on those dates were well attended.

The hall is situated on the new extension of Stafford street. It is a good looking building and is ample in size. It is one of the best and largest halls in Plymouth, provision having been made for a kitchen, dining hall, etc., in the large basement. There is a good stage, and altogether it is well equipped for an entertainment hall.

# Items of Interest

In March a mission was held at the Congregational church in Plymouth.

O. F. Lueder of Plymouth fell on March 3rd and suffered the fracture of one of his ribs.

The Hand Knit Hosiery company of Sheboygan on January 10th took possesion of its new plant.

Will Gallager of Lima had his right hand badly crushed in the sproket wheel of a feed cutter March 22

About the middle of March George Wittkopp purchased A. W. Siemers' interest in the furniture business of Kiefer and Siemers.

On February 26, B. H. Dingman transferred his photograph gallery to Mr. Matson of Mt. Horeb this state, the sale having been made before.

The Halter residence in the town of Lima was destroyed by fire on January 13, 1910. It happened while Mrs. Halter's funeral was taking place.

Robert Stolper of Sherman was seriously injured while unhitching his horse on March 15. In the fall he had lost one of his arms in a corn shredder.

The city of Sheboygan had owned the water plant just a year on March 2, and the commission made a very glowing report on its success financially.

The price of cheese went up to  $17\frac{5}{8}$  cents a pound on the Plymouth dairy board on January 19th. That was the price paid for daisies.

A freight train was wrecked on the Northwestern road between Plymouth and Sheboygan Falls on January 25th. Ten cars were derailed.

At a meeting of the City Improvement society on March 14, Mr. A. D. DeLand of Sheboygan generously offered to provide a public bath house at a cost of \$500.

In February, 1910, the Hanchett Furniture company of Sheboygan opened a morgue at their furniture store on North Eighth street, the first morgue in the city.

Eul, Cochems and Nebel of Sturgeon Bay were awarded the contract for completing the sewers in the city of Plymouth, their bid being \$16,065.45, the owest.

On March 12 M. R. Zaegel became sole owner of the three-story brick block at the corner of Eighth St. and New York avenue by purchasing Dr. Muth's interest.

On March 1st, Dr. Arpke took charge of the County insane asylum; Mr. A. J. Whiffen, who had for so many years been its very efficient superinten-

dent withdrew.

On February 21, 1910, the H. F. Wolf store and machine shop on Division street in the city of Plymouth was nearly destroyed by fire. The contents were badly damaged.

Fred Wehmeyer of the town of Rhine was injured in a feed-cutter on January 19th. His hand was so badly mangled that it was necessary to amputate the part of two fingers.

On March 7th the electric railway between Plymouth and Elkhart Lake was opened up and the first car since January 4th was run on that part of the interurban line.

On January 25th the Sheboygan County Medical association met in Sheboygan and choose Dr. Emil Guenther of Sheboygan, president, and Dr. C. W. Pfeifer of Sheboygan Falls, vice-president.

A mission was held at the Roman Catholic church Plymouth during the week from January 10th to January 16th. It was conducted by the Jesuit Fathers Dieckes and Engelen, of St Louis.

In March, 1910, the country roads became impassable when the snow began to melt. The snow was several feet in the middle of the roads and when it softened it became dangerous to drive on them.

F. Radloff was awarded the contract for putting down a re-inforced concrete pavement on parts of Mill, Stafford streets and Eastern avenue in the city of Plymouth. Mr. Radloff was the lowest bidder.

The Holstein-Friesian Breeders' association of Sheboygan county held its annual meeting on January 8th and chose the following officers; President, R. B. Melvin; secretary, T. H. Thackray; treasurer, C. Nehrling.

Judge Michael Kirwan accepted a call from the bar of Sheboygan County signed by every attorney in the county to be a non-partisan canditate for reelection as judge of the Fourth Judicial Circuit, on January 24, 1910.

The latter part of February the P. M. Wolf factory in the northwestern part of the city was completed. The main building is a three story structure built of cement blocks. The plant is occupied by the Plymouth Novelty company.

The Sheboygan Falls Machine company, a grow ing and prosperous manufacturing concern, in February, 1910, increased its capital stock to \$150,000. The growth of its business necessitated an increase in its facilities for manufacturing more extensively.

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If ever it could have been said of any one that as a boy he lisped in numbers, it could have been said of Horace Rublee.

The Merchants' association held a meeting on March 8th and from its discussions it was apparent that its members realize the importance of electing good men to conduct the affairs of the city. There is no doubt that the business men of Sheboygan will more and more interest themselves in the matter of better municipal government, as a means of improving conditions and encouraging legitimate enterprises.

This number contains reminiscences of the Rublee family, told by Mrs. Emmeline Cole, widow of the late George Cole of Sheboygan Falls, and Mr. Horace Rublee, deceased, who gained prominence as a former editor of the Milwaukee Sentinel. Mrs. Cole is a sister of Mr. Rublee. They were among the very earliest settlers of the county, and the Biographical Review feels that it was fortunate in obtaining some of their experiences told in their inimitable style Life has always had a broad and deep meaning to them, and events could not take place about them without their significance being felt.

The year 1910 is that of the reappearance of Halley's comet. The best proof that people are less superstitious now than they were in the past was shown by the fact that there were few people of any one's acquaintance who showed great fear at the near approach of the heavenly wanderer. While there were a few persons comparatively whose fear led them to commit self-destruction; the large body of the people awaited the predicted collision with the comet with a philosophical calmness that did them great credit. The people of Sheboygan county did not show that they were in the least disturbed.

# The Second Year

With this issue the Biographical Review begins its second year. There are many who recognize that the periodical meets a demand, and must, if the publishers carry out their ideal, become more and more a welcome visitor in the homes of Sheboygan county. The first four numbers illustrate somewhat the purpose of the Review, and, if not fully, in a measure give assurance that the promises made in the preliminary word in the first issue are being faithfully kept.

It may be urged that the rewspapers furnish the current events and that therefore this publication is superfluous. The newspapers do not select the matter with as great care nor do they print it in as readable a form nor give it to their readers in such a condition as to encourge preserving it.

But those who are familiar with the character of the publication are satisfied that the numbers which have thus far appeared contain much and that those that will appear will contain a great deal about the past of the county and its pioneers. It is unnecessary to tell the discerning person that the Biographic al Review is destined to become more popular as time passes by, and that the time will come when people will prize every number highly, for the associations which its contents will call forth.

In order to make the publication as interesting and valuable as possible, the editors would kindly request the co-operation of all who are in possession of facts or documents which might prove of interest or be helpful in the preparation of the historical sketches which are to be made prominent features of the publication.

In conclusion we would say that we greatly appreciate the marked favor with which the Biographical Review has been received, and we can only assure our readers that there will be no backward step, but that the periodical will show improvement rather than deterioration from one year to another.

# Golden Anniversary of Mr. and Wrs. Ioseph Staley

January 4, 1910, was the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Staley of Waldo, and they were delightfully surprised by their relatives. Despite the inclement weather it was a day of rejoicing at the home of the happy couple. Both hale, both content in the contemplation of well-spent lives, both pleased to be so kindly remembered, both joyous in the midst of those most near and dear to them, both gratified to be spared to each other for so many years, they spent a rarely enjoyable day; while their guests were no less happy.

Mr. and Mrs. Staley were married in the town of Lyndon on January 4, 1860, the ceremony having

country in war, in that he has no thumb on one of his hands. The member was taken off by a bullet in one of the battles of the Civil war. He enlisted as a member of Co. E. 36 Reg., under Capt. Tuthill, on February 18, 1864, and was honorably discharged in the summer of 1855.

Mrs. Staley was born in Germany on December 25, 1837, and came with her parents. Mr. and Mrs. John Peiter, to America in about 1855. They settled in Lima, a mile or so northeast of Onion River, where Mr. Peiter established what was for many years known as "Social Hall." No landlord in Sheboygan county was better known by people in the southwestern part



been performed by H. S. Hutchinson. Mrs. Staley's maiden name was Miss Henrietta Peiter.

Mr. Staley was born in Buffalo, Erie county, New York, seventy-five years ago last October. He came to Onion River early in the fifties and established a blacksmith shop in that village. He conducted the shop until 1879 when he removed to Plymouth. After a brief residence in that city he removed with his family onto a farm a mile and a half this side of Elkhart Lake. Here they resided for two years, when they sold the farm to take possession of the Peiter homestead near Onion River. The past few years they have lived in Waldo, their son, George Staley, residing on the homestead.

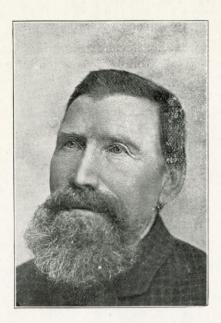
Mr. Staley bears evidence of having served his

of the county Sheboygan was for a long time the chief market for the greater part of the county and in those days few people passed by the "Social Hall" on their way to and from that city. No where were people more hospitably received.

Mr. and Mrs. Staley were twice called upon to mourn the loss of a child. One died in infancy, and Mrs. Hattie Roehr passed away eight years ago. These children remain to comfort them during their declining years; Peter Staley and Mrs. R. H. Koehler of Plymouth; George Staley of Lima; and Miss Emma K. Staley at home. They are also grandparents to seven.

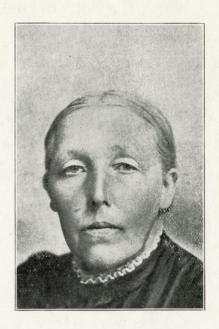
Mr. and Mrs. Staley have always had the respec and esteem of a large circle of acquaintances.

# Golden Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Buscher



On Thursday, January, 27, 1910, was the fiftieth anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Buscher of Herman, and the event was celebrated at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Schreiber near Kiel. Besides the children and other relatives, many other friends were in attendance. A most delightful time was spent, and the happy couple joined in the festivities with the life and activity of younger people.

In youth they came to America and both their



families settled in the town of Herman, where they were married. Soon after their union Mr. and Mrs. Buscher settled on a farm in that town and engaged in farming until ten years ago when they retired, and since that time made their home with their daughter, Mrs. Charles Berg of Herman.

It was for convenience' sake that the celebration was held at the home of another daughter, Mrs. Schreiber.

# Items of Interest

In January, 1910, it was announced that the Re formed church of the city of Plymouth was free of debts, having during the previous year paid up \$1402 the balance of its indebtedness. Besides an attractive church edifice the congregation has a handsome parsonage.

The Town of Plymouth Farmers' Fire Insurance company held its annual meeting on January 4th, and these officers were chosen: President, H. Waterman, secretary, Henry Ott; treasurer, E. G. Phelps. The report of the secretary showed that there were 599 policies in force.

On March 5th, Herman Hayssen and son Arthur were both injured while placing a bread weighing machine into the plant of the Atlas Bakery in Milwaukee. The machine, which weighs 600 pounds tipped over onto Herman Hayssen and broke one of his legs in three places.

On February 22, severe cold and drifting snow

greatly interefered with traffic both on the interurban and the Northwestern railroad. The train which is due in Sheboygan from the west at about seven o'clock in the evening, became stalled between Sheboygan and Sheboygan Falls and the passengers were up all night.

Geachers' Institute

On Friday and Saturday, January 21st and 22nd a teachers institute was held at Plymouth. It was in charge of County Superintendent Kennedy, President A. H. Kieth of the Oshkosh normal, president Charles McKenny of the Milwaukee normal and Supt. Thomas Loyd-Jones of Fond du Lac. The attendance was large.

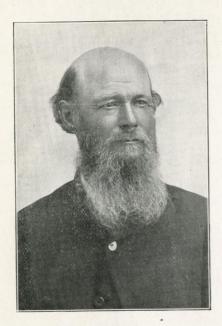
President Kieth had the subject "Mental Characteristics of Children at Different Stages;" President McKenny the subjects of "Physical Basis of Learning" and "The Significance of Self-activity;" Supt. Loyd-Jones, "Supervision and Co-operation."

# Record of Deaths of well known Shehoygan County Citizens

# Edward Baumann

On January 30, Edward Baumann passed away at his home at St. Cloud at the age of 81.

The deceased was born in Saxony, Germany, Jan. 24, 1829 and came to America in 1854. On December 8, 1856, he was married in Sheboygan to Wilhelmine Zehagen, so that a little over four years ago, Mr. and Mrs. Baumann celebrated their golden wedding. Mrs. Baumann survives, as also do eleven of the fourteen children born to them.



The children are Ernest and Edward Baumann and Mrs. J. C. Gessert of Kiel, Mrs. Wm. Obigt of Sheboygan, Mrs. Wm. Pinnow of Racine, Mrs. Theodore Krembs and Mrs. Herman Messing of St. Paul. Mrs. Jacob Stumpf of Kiel and Mrs. Christ Iserloth and Arthur Bauman of St. Cloud, two brothers and one sister are living, Ernest Baumann, Glenbeulah, Theodore Baumann, Oshkash and Mrs. Jacob Keuper Plymouth, Mrs J. M. Ackerman, another sister, expired at her home in Plymouth October 2, 1909. For some time Mr. Baumann owned and conducted a farm near Johnsonville.

The funeral was held at Kiel February 3.

# Mrs. William Higby

Mrs. William Higby expired at her home three miles west of Oostburg on Tuesday, March 15, at the ripe age of eighty-five. She succumbed to the weakness attendant upon old age, although she had suffered from a rather severe cold for a week or so.

Mrs. Higby was born in the state of New York, and was married to William Higby while they were still in the east. Soon after their marriage they came to Wisconsin settling on the farm in the town of Holland still in possession of Mr. Higby. This county was yet but little more than a wilderness. In the immediate vicinity where Mr. and Mrs. Higby took up their abode there was not a white settler. Indians roamed the dense and unbroken forests. It is said that Indian Solomon was a frequent visitor at the Higby home. To supply the needs of his family, Mr. Higby had no other alternative but to walk through the forest to Milwaukee for the necessaries. There were no roads and Mr. Higby in order to find his way back was obliged to blaze trees. Sheboygan was not even a village, and there was not a place in the county where things essential in a household could be bought. Mr. and Mrs. Higby were, indeed, pioneers. These children survive: Mrs. J. Lemkuil, Sheboygan; D. H. Higby town of Holland and Mrs. Fay Richmond of Greenwood A son Dewitt Higby, died fifteen years ago, but his widow lives and has made her home with the aged parents of her departed husband and has ministered to their needs.

Mr. Higby is eighty-six years old and still resides on the homestead.

The funeral was held on Thursday March 17, with interment in the Hingham cemetery.

# Miss Fannie Farnsworth

On Wednesday, January 26, Miss Fannie Farnsworth died at the home of her sister Mrs. Delos Churchhill at Chenoa, Ill. She had been ill for six or seven months. The remains were brought to Sheboygan from where the funeral was held, and the remains laid at rest in the Sheboygan Falls cemetery. Her aged mother and sister survive.

The Sheboygan Herald said of her:

"Miss Farnsworth will be remembered as one of the bright young women who attended teachers' institutes in this county twenty-six or twenty-seven years ago. She was easily selected as a leader among the teachers of the county. After teaching in the elementary schools a few years, she attended and was graduated from the Wisconsin State University. Following her graduation she taught in high schools.

Miss Farnsworth was a teacher in the larger sense of the word. She did more than to give instruction in school subjects, such as history, science and language. It was her nature to think beyond mere facts, and she could not help but lead her pupils to become thoughtful. Among teachers her class is not overcrowded; indeed, it is far too small.

## Paul Fless

Paul Hess was born in Bavaria, Germany, on March 5, 1848. He died at 1608 Superior Avenue, Sheboygan on Feb. 10 The funeral was held Feb. 12 with interment in Holy Name cemetery. He was a member of St. Boniface society, Catholic Knights and Phoenix Aid society. He came to America in 1833.

# Mrs. Geo. Walker

Mrs Geo. Walker, 815 North Fourth street, aged 38 years, died Feb. 10 of tuberculosis. Harriet, the one year old daughter of Mrs. Walker, died just two days before her of tuberculosis. The mother died shortly after the return of the funeral party. The interment was in Fond du Lac Feb. 13th.

# Mrs. Antonia Timmer

Mrs. Antonia Timmer, one of the very few who could claim the distinction of having been a pupil of Froebel, the founder of the kindergarten system of education, died at the home of her sister, Mrs. Amalia Kuehmsted, in Appleton, January 13.

Mrs. Timmer was born in Salzing, Saxony, Germany, June 13, 1830, and came to America with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Christian De Laporte, in 1848. For a brief period they resided in New York, then in Milwaukee, from which city they removed to the town of Herman. The remains of Mr. De-Laporte rest in the Plymouth Union cemetery where a marble cross marks his grave. The epitaph, which was dictated by himself is truly an extraordinary one. It is in German and reads, "My friends were worry and pain, my enemies, my heart and I."

In the town of Herman Miss De Lamarriage to Eberhardt Schlaich took place in 1851. Mr. Schlaich, who was a brother to Capt. Schlaich, ran a hotel which stood on the present site of the Plymouth brewery, later he conducted the Central house for a few years when he removed with his family onto a farm northwest of the city Shortly after the Milwaukee & Northern R. R., now a division of the St. Paul system was constructed, the Schlaichs disposed of their farm and built the Plymouth house, which has been remodeled into the freight depot of the Northwestern R. R. In 1874 Mr Schlaich died and his wife ran the hotel for a few years longer, when Mr. and Mrs. Frank Knoepp I took charge. During the war, Mr Schlaich was postmaster of Plymouth

In 1881, Mrs. Schlaich was married to Henry Timmer of New Holstein. His death occurred in 1905, after which she lived with her stepchildren.

Although she never had any children of her own, she bought up nine children. She is survived by three stepchildren, Mrs. H. H. Greve of New Ho'stein. H. W. Timmer of Waldo and M. Timmer of Dogden, N. D., five sisters, Mrs. Ida Kuehmsted of O-hkosh, Mrs. Amalia Kuehmsted of Appleton, Mrs. Frank Knoeppel of Thompsonville, Mich., Mrs. Fanny Berry, Benton Harbor, Mich., Mrs. W. Welz of Green Bay and two brothers, Louis DeLaporte, Oconto and Carl De Laporte, Green Bay.

On January 17, the body of Mrs. Timmer was taken to Plymouth

where at the Reformed church, Rev. Schildknecht of New Holstein conducted services and interment was made in the Union cemetery beside the remains of her first husband.

# G. J. Jentink

At the age of nearly seventy-nine G. J. Jentink passed away on Thursday January 13, 1910, at his home near Cedar Grove The funeral was held Monday, January 17, with services at the residence at eleven o'clock and at the Presbyterian church at one o'clock in the afternoon. The Rev. Mr. Roth officiated.

Mr. Jentink was born in Aalter, Netherlands, on February 28, 1831. His union with Frieda Lubbers was solemnized in 1865. In 1869 they came to this country, landing at Amsterdam and going directly to Gibbsville this county. Two children had been born to them, Henry and Lydia, and they came to this country with their parents. They lived at Gibbsville until 1881, when they moved onto a farm north of Cedar Grove, where Mr. Jentink died. Besides his wife these children survive: H. J. Jentink of Holland, Mrs. G. Lammers of Cedar Grove, Ben of Holland, Mrs. Ben. Huenink of Cedar Grove, Miss Cena at home and Gerret, who is living on the homestead. These also mourn the loss of a dear brother: Mrs. D. J. Neerhoof Cedar Grove, Mrs. G. J. Neerhoof and Mrs. Abram Ernisse of Gibbsville

Mr. Jentink was of a happy nature, and was disposed to make those about him happy. His uprightness was never questioned.

# Nenry Garside

On Sunday January 16, 1910, Henry Garside late of the town of Holland, died at the Wesley hospital, Chicago, Ill. He had undergone an operation on December 27 and from all appearances was recovering from its effects when on January 11, he suffered a stroke of paralysis, and on the 16th passed away.

The funeral was held on Thursday, January 20, from the family residence in Holland and from the M. E. church at Hingham; the Rev. Mr. Perry officiated. The remains rest in the Hingham cemetery.

Mr. Garside was born in Nottinghamshire, England, November 6, 1856. When only a year old he came with his parents to America. They went to Detroit Michigan where they resided for four years, when they removed to Chicago. There they resided until 1871 the year of the great fire, where their home and business was destroyed. It was then that they came to Holland, this county, and purchased the farm still owned by the family. Mr. Garside obtained his first experience in farming with John DeLyser. Having expressed a desire to his father to become a farmer, he was sent to work on the farm of Mr. DeLyser. This was one year before the family left Chicago.

On October 28, 1886, Mr. Garside was united in marriage to Miss Mary Rhodes, who survives him as do also eight children as follows: Henry, Irene Martha, Robert, Sarah, Frances, Ralph and Mary. He also leaves his aged mother and these brothers and sisters: Mrs. Thirsk, Mrs. Holmes and Mrs. Louret and George, Benjamin and Joseph Garside.

Mr. Garside was highly esteemed for his integrity and uprightness, and he had evidently lived for those most near and dear to him.

# Miss Flarriet Ashby

Miss Harriet Ashby, died at her home 716, Pennsylvania Avenue Feb. 28, after a sickness of some duration

For forty years Miss Ashby had taught in the public schools of Sheboygan and of the town of Sheboygan. She was born on the old Ashby farm in the town of Sheboygan, July 7, 1848 For twenty-two years she taught in the town of Sheboygan and nineteen years ago she began teaching in the city schools, only once in that time, did she stop teaching, when for a time she was forced to assist in the care of the sick in her family.

She is survived by her sister Mrs. F. A. Manville, the oldest living white woman born in Sheboygan city or town, and a nephew, Fred Manville.

The funeral was held from her home March 2, Rev. Curtis of Grace Episcopal church conducting services and interment was in Wildwood cemetery.

She had exceptional ability as a teacher and as such has helped form the character of many prominent people of Sheboygan.

## William Meisner

William Meisner, aged 31 years, died at 1513 North Second street, Sheboygan on March 4. The funeral was held Mar. 8 with interment in Wildwood cemetery. He was a member of the Eagles lodge.

# Mrs. Marie Elizabeth Reis

On January 3, 1910, there passed from earth Mrs. Marie Elizabeth Reis, widow of the late Jacob Reis, at the home of her son Henry in the town of Scott. Pleurisy was the immediate cause of death, although she had passed her eighty-seventh year.

The funeral was held from Zion's Evangeical church, Batavia on Thursday, January 6, and the interment was at the South School cemetery in the town of Scott, where Mr. Reis remains rest. The Rev. G. Reichert officiated.

Mrs. Reis, whose maiden name was Marie Elizabeth Kauer, was born in Argenthal, Rhenish Prussia, on Aug. 12, 1822. She was married to Mr. Reis on the 22nd day of March, 1846. The same year Mr. and Mrs. Reis came to America, settling at first in Washington county. One year later they removed to Sco t, and took up their abode in the wilderness, where they bore all the hardships of pioneer life The children and grandchildren vividly recall how Mrs. Reis told of the early experience of herself and husband after coming here. She related how she and Mr. Reiss sowed several acres of rye among the stumps by the aid merely of hoes and rake; how she carried on her head in the old German style butter and eggs to the market ten miles distant and returned with a sack of flour; how she was lost in the woods while looking for her cows and was obliged to remain in the woods all night, but when day broke she found she was near home; how Mr. Reis carried seventy-five pounds of maple sugar from Scott to Milwaukee and exchanged it for a log chain which he carried home.

Mr. Reis bought forty acres of wood land. He left his wife with friends at Germantown and went to work, taking with food sufficient to last him a week. He was obliged to sleep under the open sky. The first night he prepared himself a place to sleep beside a big log, but thinking it a little dangerous, he made his bed on a pile of brush.

Their first abode in the forest was a small cabin with a roof of brush, When it rained tney were obliged to put up an umbrella to keep dry even in hed

Mr. and Mrs. Reis were esteemed for their hospitality for never were they known to turn the poor wanderer from their door, or deny the traveler food or a place to sleep.

Mr. Reis, who passed away on May 30, 1876, was one of the influential men

of his town. For a number of years he represented the town of Scott on the county board, having been chairmen of his town ten or twelve years.

Six children survive as follows: Mrs. E. Gersmshl, Plymouth; Mrs. Henry Row, Seymour; Mrs. Mary Graff, Oshkosh; Jacob Reis of this city, who was born in the wilds of Scott in 1849; and Henry Reis at whose home the mother died. The demise of two sons, Frank Reis of Scott and John Reis of Seymour has occurred within a year. Thirty-five grandchildren and thirty-four great grandchildren also survive.

Mr. and Mrs. Reis were prominent citizens of Scott, and they had an important part in the development of that town. Energetic, preserving and thrifty, it was not iong ere they had conquered the chief obstacles met in pioneer life. Mr. Reis' name was always good for any amount he wished to attach it to. Mrs. Reis made him a worthy helpmate, which she was in the truest sense of the word.

# Mrs. Friedericke Karpe

On January 6, 1910, Mrs. Friedericke Karpe, wife of the late Mr. Gustav Karpe, died at her home in Los Angeles, California. Her passing was much regretted by many who knew her as



one ever ready to minister to the happiness of others. Hers was a life of service and of usefulness in the largest sense of the word. Her kindness and generosity are well remembered traits of her character, and her charity was shown by deeds not words. She helped the needy, but the world would have been none the

wiser, had the subjects of her charity not sung her praise.

Mrs. Karpe was born in Necklin, Brandenberg, Germany, on March 20, 1838. Her maiden name was Miss Friedericke Porth. She came to America and to Plymouth in 1856, and the following year was married to Mr. Karpe. For many years she was practically the postmistress of Plymouth, Mr. Karpe having been appointed postmaster in 1869 during the administration of U.S. Grant, and he held the office until 1886 during Cleveland's first term, when H. W Hostman was given the appointment. During the seventeen years Mrs. Karpe was mainly in charge of the office, as Mr. Karpe's time was largely devoted to the real estate business. It was over twenty years ago that the Karpes went to California.

The demise of Mr. Karpe occurred in 1893, and his remains were laid at rest in Rosedale cemetery, Los Angeles; and she who had been his faithful and loving wife rests beside him.

Mrs. Karpe is survived by three children as follows: Mrs. H. W. Hostman of Plymouth and W G. Karpe and G. A. Karpe of Los Angeles, California. Mrs. Christ Hahn of Plymouth and Julius Goetsch of Schleswig are respectively a sister and brother of the deceased. She also has two brothers and two sisters in Germany.

# Flenry Schilder

Henry Schilder passed away at his home in Sheboygan, March 2. He was born December 20, 1839 at Blessena, near Cologne and came from there to Sheboygan in June, 1867. He was first employed by Theo. Huette. In 1871, he went into the flour and feed business and continued this until 1904. In Germany, Mr. Schilder served with the First Battalion Rhein Artillery. He was a member of the following societies, Sheboygan Gegenseitiger Kranken Unterstitzungs verein, Sons of Herman, Krieger Verein and the Concordia Singing society. He had held the following city offices, alderman, supervisor, school commissioner library commissioner and for four years was city treasurer.

He leaves his wife, five children Henry Jr., Peter and J. M. Schilder of Sheboygan and Frank of Los Angeles and Catherine, two brothers and one sister.

The funeral was held March 5, from Holy Name Church, Father Thill officiating, with interment in the North Side Catholic cemetery.

#### Robert Scheibe

On January 25, Robert Scheibe died at his home in Plymouth of Bright's disease.

Mr. Scheibe was born in Muehlberg, Saxony, August 11, 1834. In 1853, he came to America—and to Wisconsin, and four years later to Plymouth. On November 25, 1860, he was married to Miss Theresa Michi and next fall they would have—celebrated their golden wedding. For a number of—years he conducted a harness shop in Plymouth. He was one of the original members of the Liederkranz singing society and at his death he—was an honorary member of the Harmonie singing—society He held the office of alderman from his ward

He is survived by his wife, three sons, August R and Robert H of Plymouth and George of Chicago, a brother August and a sister Mrs. Mary Hostman, both of Plymouth and eleven grand-children.

# Mrs. August Scheibe

On March 19, occurred the death of Mrs. August Scheibe at her home in Plymouth of cancer.

Mrs. Scheibe's maiden name was Anna M Naether and she was born in Mutschwetz, Saxony, Germany in 1844. She came to Sheboygan county in 1848, April 1, 1866, she was married in Plymouth to August Scheibe. Besides her husband she is survived by the following children, Mrs. O H. Watson Mrs. C. W. Jackson, Mrs. R. D. Burke, Miss Meta Scheibe and O A. Scheibe, all of Plymouth and Miss Lillian Scheibe of Chicago. She leaves two grand children and a Herman Naether of Plybrother, mouth

Rev. Up-john of the Episcopal church conducted the funeral March 22, and she was laid at rest in the Plymouth Union cemetery

#### Mrs. Jouisa Schaetzer

Mrs. Louisa Schaetzer born in Germany on July 28, 1821, died in Sheboygan on March 2. The funeral was held March 4 with interment in Wildwood cemetery. Mrs. Schaetzer came to Sheboygan with her five children in 1872, her husband having died before she left Germany. For the past seven years she has made her home with her daughter, Mrs. Albert Quasius. The other children are Herman, Turtle Lake, Wis., Mrs. Henry Meierlein, Sheboygan and Charles of Centerville.

# Peter Roethlisberger

On February 24, 1910, there expired at his home in the town of Scott Peter Roethlisberger. The interment took place on the following Sunday, the funeral being held from Zion's Evangelical church at Batavia. The Rev. G. Reichert officiated, and the remains were laid at rest in Winfield cemetery.

Mr. Roethlisberger was born in Switzerland on May 17, 1831. He came to America in 1852, first making Milwaukee his home He remained in that city but a short time when he went to Ozaukee There he remained county to reside. for several years, when he went to Scott which has been his place of residence ever since. His union with Miss Ernstina Hoehnert was solemnized in 1858, but she passed away ten years later. 1869 he took unto himself a second wife, Mrs. Catherine Veble (nee Martch.) She survives him as do also these children: Edward of Oshkosh; William and Lewis of Milwaukee; John of San Francisco, California; Mrs. Wm. Fabian of Onion River; Mrs F. McLean and Mrs. F. Knueppel of Chicago; Mrs. F. Weinbauer of Batavia, and Mrs. Charles Stark of Milwaukee.

Mr Roethlisberger was one of the kindest of men, and had much sympathy for boys. He was a very faithful member of Zion's congregation and for many years taught a class of boys in Sunday school, and none of his boys will soon forget his kindly face.

#### Fred Kaesermann

Fred Kaesermann, whose home was just west of the city, died at the St. Nicholas hospital of blood-poisoning, on Sunday, February 13, 1910. Shortly before he had received a slight injury to his hand, a mere scratch, of which no notice was taken at first The hurt evidently became a place for absorbing poison, and resulted fatally.

The funeral was held on Thursday from his late home, with interment in Wildwood cemetery. The Rev. Mr. Horstmeyer officiated.

Mr Kaesermann was born in the county in 1867. His marriage with Miss Louise Mahnke took place on May 4, 1895. She surviyes him as do also four children.

## Mrs. John Mullen

Mrs. John Mullen, aged 80 years, born in County Clare, Ireland, died at the home of her son Michael on January 5. The funeral was held January 9, with interment in Lady of Angel's church cemetery at Osceola.

# Henry Heinschmeyer

Henry Heinschmeyer died at his home on North Sixth St on Saturday Feb. 19 of cancer of the intestines. The funeral was held from the family residence on Wednesday February 23, the Rev. E. R. Schreiber officiating

Mr. Heinschmeyer was born in Germany, June 10, 1848. He came to America and Sheboygan while a mere boy, and that city has been his home for most of the sixty-two years of his life. For thirty years he held the position of chief engineer in the J. J. Vollrath company's plant. The surviving members of his family are his wife and five children and two step children as follows: Mrs. Joseph O. Scultz and Mrs. F. A Gessner of North Dakota; Mrs. Chester Seurich, Indiana; Alfred and Henry Heinschmeyer, Jr., and Eugenie and Josephine Harding, of Sheboygan. The last two are children of Mrs. Heinschmeyer by her first husband.

Seven years ago Mr. Heinschmeyer had trouble with his eyes and it was thought that he would lose his eyesight, but later by an operation his sight was completely restored.

# Jacob Liebl

On Wednesday January 26, Mr. Jacob Liebl, died at the age of eighty, at his home on St. Clair avenue, in Sheboygan. The funeral was on Saturday from Holy Name church and the Rev. Father Thill officiated. Interment was in the North Side Catholic cemetery.

Mr. Liebl was born in Germany on May 11, 1830, and came to Sheboygan when a boy and has made that city his home ever since. He had enjoyed the best of health up to six months before his demise, when he was taken with a heart trouble. His wife and eight children survive him as follows: Mrs. H. Riestenpott; Mrs Peter Werner, Mrs. Edward Kausler, Mrs. John Bartzen, and the Misses Theresa, Julia, Rose and Elizabeth.

Mr. Liebl was well and favorably known in the county.

# Thomas J. McCarty

Thomas J. McCarty died at his home in Clintonville on February 1. Funeral was held on February 3, with interment in a cemetery near his late home. He conducted a store and a saloon at Rhine village for some time. He then ran a hotel at Chilton but returned to Elkhart Lake where he was landlord and proprietor of the hotel now conducted by J. Gerhardt.

# Diedrich Reysen

After an illness of many weary months Diedrich Reysen died at his home in the town of Scott on Saturday, March 19, having arrived at nearly the age of sixty-eight. The funeral was held on Tuesday, March 22, from the church of the Evangelical Association at Beechwood and the Rev. G. Reichert officated. The interment was in the Beechwood cemetery.

Mr. Reysen was born in Germany on May 22, 1842, and came to Wisconsin in 1865, residing for a few years in Fond du Lac county, after which he went to the town of Scott In 1870 his union with Miss Christine Frohman took place. The wife and six children survive as follows: N. J. Reysen at home; Walter of Scott; Julius of Caroline, Shawano county; Mrs Rudolph Zilck, Mattoon, Shawano county; Mrs. B Darling, Caroline, Shawano county, and Miss Flora at home.

#### Rebekah Mahler

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Kohl of the town of Sheboygan Falls, Mrs Rebekah Mahler expired on Thursday, February 24, at the age of nearly seventy-eight. For the last year Mr and Mrs. Mahler had made their home with their daughter, Mrs. Kohl

Mrs. Mahler, whose maiden name was Rebekah Wieboldt, was born in Germany on February 21, 1832, and was married to Mr. Mahler January 29, 1854. They came to America fifty-five years ago. She is survived by her husband and five children as follows: Mrs. John Kohland August Mahler, town of Sheboygan Falls; Mrs. Ernst Strassburger, Herman; Mrs. W. J. Kohl, Millersville, and Mrs. Moritz Weidner of the town of Meeme; Manitowoc county.

The funeral was held on Monday, February 28, and the Rev. Mr. Mielke fficiate 1

#### Louis Rosenthal

Louis Rosenthal, aged 35, died at Emergency Hospital, Milwaukee on Mar. 1, 1910. The funeral was held March 4 with interment in West Bend cemetery. The deceased is the brother of J. C. Rosenthal of Plymouth.

## Mrs. W. David

Mrs. W. David, aged 87 years, died at the home of her son Carl of Russell on February 3. Funeral was held on Feb. 6, with interment in the Catholic cemetery. She is survived by her husband and a family of grown up children.

# Kick in Face Fatal

On February 19, 1910, William Wendland died at St. Nicholas hospital, having several days before been kicked in the face by a horse. Death was due to the injury, in having resulted in brain fever and convulsions.

The young man was twenty-one years old and was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wendland of the town of Mosel. He was employed with the Herzog Meat Company on the Lake Shore road, and was kicked by a horse while hitching it up. His nose was broken and his face was badly lecerated. The funeral was held on February 22 with interment in the Lutheran cemetery.

#### Eisold

The five-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Eisold died on Tuesday Jan. 25. The funeral was held on Thursday with interment in Wildwood cemetery.

#### Mrs. Arno Gunderson

Mrs. Arno Gunderson died at St. Nicholas hospital, Sheboygan on Thursday. January 27, 1910 The funeral was held at Chicago with interment in that city.

#### Norman Zelm

Norman, the little six-weeks' old son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Zelm of Lyndon died Friday, January 7. The little one rests in the cemetery north of Cascade.

#### Maud Vreeke

Maud, the four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Vreeke of Sheboygan died of tuberculosis on Friday, January 21. The remains were laid at rest in Wildwood cemetery.

# Herman Utech

Herman Utech, aged 76 years, died at the home of his daughter near Adell on Jan. 7. Funeral was held Jan. 11 with interment in St John's cemetery.

### Thomas Slattery

Thomas Slattery, aged forty-five years died at the home of his mother in Mitchell on Dec. 25, 1909. Funeral was held Dec. 27 at St. Michael's church with interment in the adjoining cemetery.

#### Frank Liffering

Frank Liffering, aged 38 years died at the Trinity hospital in Milwaukee on Jan. 12, funeral was held Jauuary 15. About twenty years ago he went to Milwaukee and had been employed the entire time as shipping clerk for the Schlitz Brewing

## Mrs. John Kwekkeboom

Mrs. John Kwekkeboom was born in Westhapple, Netherlands, on Jan. 27th, 1823. She died at the home of her daughter Mrs. Wm. Roelse of the town of Lyndon on January 14. The funeral was held Jan. 17 with interment in Wildwood cemetery. She came to America in 1852.

# Mrs. W. Cook

Mrs. Wm. Cook died at the home of her daughter Mrs. John Little of Gladstone, North Dakota on Dec. 31, 1909. She was the wife of Rev. Wm. Cook, a former pastor of the M. E. Hingham church, about 27 years ago.

## Mrs. Ada M. Whiffen

Mrs. Ada M. Whiffen was born in Hingham on March 7, 1852. She died at her home in Los Angeles, California on Jan. 7. She is survived by her husband, two daughters and a sister.

#### Peter Gessert Sr.

Peter Gessert, Sr., was born in Odenheim, Hessen-Darmstadt, Germany. on April 29, 1831. He died at Plymouth on January 15. The funeral was held January 18, with interment in the Plymouth Union cemetery. He came to America in 1860.

#### Louis Hensel

Louis Hensel, age 37 years, died at 611 North Seventh street, Sheboygan on March 4. The funeral was held March 6 with interment in the Wildwood cemetery. He was a musician by profession, having made a specialty of the piano.

#### Mrs. Jesse Cole

Mrs. Jesse Cole was born in Oswego County, New York, Aug. 4, 1844 She died at Marshalltown, Iowa on March 9. She was interred in the Ireton cemetery. She came to Sheboygan Falls when four years old and lived there for many years.

# Mrs. Friederick Zschetzsche

Mrs. Friederick Zschetzsche was born in Jachtershausen, Saxony, on May 17 1819, died at St. Nicholas hospital, Sheboygan March 1. Funeral was held March 4 from the home of her son Theodore and she was laid at rest in the Wildwood cemetery. She came to America in 1850 with her husband, who later founded the Badger State Tanning Co.

#### Mrs. D. Maercklein

Mrs. D. Maercklein died in Milwaukee on New Year's day of grip She was ninety-four years old and was a relative of the Lautenbach families and of Mrs. L. Liese.

# Mrs. Augusta Brechtel

The demise of Mrs. Augusta Brechtel occurred at the home of her son Louis Augsburger on North Eighth street in Sheboygan on Wednesday, January 26. She was one of the early pioneers of the county. Paralysis was the cause of death. She had suffered a stroke about a year ago, and another on the Monday preceding her demise.

Mrs Brechtel was born in Germany, April 13, 1834. When sixteen years old she came with her parents to America and to Sheboygan, where she has since lived. She was married to Frederick Augsburger in 1854, and he passed away in 1866. Three years later she was united in marriage to Sebastian Brechtel who died in 1882.

She is survived by only one son, Louis Augsburger of this city.

The funeral was held on Saturday, Jan. 29, the Rev. Mr. Horstmeyer officiating. Interment was in Wildwood cemetery.

# Hugo Joerns

Hugo Joerns died at his home in Winooski, January 3, of tuberculosis of the brain. He was born in the town of Lyndon, May 17, 1860, and had followed milling and farming.

The funeral was held January 7, from the home, the Royal Arcanum of which he was a member, having charge. He is survive by the following brothers and sisters: O. B. Joerns and Mrs. G. Ferguson of Sheboygan, Fred, Paul and Charles Joerns, Mrs. Mary Neuman and Miss Martha of St. Paul, Mrs. Clara Schwalbe, Orange, Virginia and Misses Helen and Bertha at home.

# Philip Eimerman

Philip Eimerman born in the town of Russell on June 17, 1886, died at his home in the town of Rhine on February 17, after an operation.

Funeral was held February 20 with interment in the Evangelical church cemetery in Rhine.

He is survived by his wife to whom he was married January 29, 1895, and two brothers and five sisters also his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Eimerman, who live near Sheboygan

# Fred Neese

Fred Neese, died on Wednesday, Jan. 26, 1910, at his home on Georgia avenue in Sheboygan. He had been a resident of that city for many years. He is survived by his wife and several children. The funeral was held on the following Saturday, the Rev. Mr. Staehling officiating. The interment was in the Lutheran cemetery.

## Mrs. Louis Benn

Mrs. Louis Benn born in the town of Sherman 46 years ago died at her home in Sherman on March 12.

Funeral was held March 15 with interment in the Sherman Center Lutheran cemetery.

She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Winter of Sherman and is survived by her husband and eleven children.

#### Leonhard Miller

Leonhard Miller born in the town of Rhine on September 11, 1866 died at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jac. Miller in Rhine March 13.

Funeral was held March 16, with interment in the Rhine cemetery.

#### Mrs. Daniel Westerbeke

Mrs. Daniel Westerbeke born in Zeeland, Netherlands in 1879 died at Oostburg on February 17.

Funeral was held February 21 with interment in the Hartman cemetery.

She came to this country when eight years of age. She is survived by her husband, daughter Delia and son Peter.

## Harold Bohm

Harold Bohm, aged 11 years died at 1118 North Ninth street, Sheboygan on February 15.

Funeral was held February 16 with interment in the Lutheran cemetery.

## Ludwig Zimmerman

Ludwig Zimmerman, born in Germany October 23, 1835 died at St. Nicholas hospital Sheboygan on February 13.

Funeral was held February 17 with interment in Flader's Rest cemetery.

He is survived by a wife and several hildren.

# Charles Plautz

Charles Plautz born in Germany on July 26, 1826 died at his home near Random Lake on March 18 of old age.

Funeral was held March 21 with interment in St. John's Lutheran cemetery Sherman.

## John Keppeler

John Keppeler born in the town of Plymouth, fifty years ago, December 20 was found dead in bed the morning of March 22.

Funeral was held March 24 with interment in Maple Grove cemetery.

His wife, formerly Maggie Koebel, a son Edward and a daughter Mrs. H. Gottschalk of Milwaukee and a brother Fred of Plymouth are left.

## Pat Harkins

Pat Harkins born in Ireland, 73 years ago died in Milwaukee March 14 of Bright's disease.

Funeral was held at Adell with interment in St. Patrick's cemetery.

A widow, four sons, Dennis of Russell, Richard and John of Milwaukee and Mike of Marshfield, three daughters Mrs. Wm Masterson of Milwaukee, Mrs. Pat Keenen of Sheboygan and Mary at home and four brothers Mike and Tom of Kansas, Henry of Adell and Charles survive him.

### Charles Jahn

Charles Jahn, aged 44, died at St. Nicholas hospital, Sheboygan on March 11.

Funeral was held March 14, from his home in Sheboygan with interment in Wildwood cemetery. He was a member of the German Verein. He conducted harness shops on Michigan avenue and on the Calumet road.

# Mrs. Fred Arndt

Mrs. Fred Arndt, aged 22 died at Random Lake March 21 of dropsy

# Henry Webb

Henry Webb, born in Lafayette, New York on March 4, 1842, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. De-Smidt at Baldwin, February 14, after a year's illness.

Funeral was held February 16, at the home of H. F. Thackray and the Methodist church in Greenbush.

He came to Wisconsin at an early date. He went to Baldwin about a year ago. His wife died in 1901. Will Webb of Greenbush is a son and George Webb of West Greenbush is a brother.

## Mrs. W. O. Spratt

Mrs. W. O. Spratt, aged 34 years, born at Shopiere, Wisconsin, in 1876, died at Sheboygan on February 17.

Funeral was held February 20 with interment in Wildwood cemetery She was a member of the Baptist church and of the Rebekahs. She is survived by her husband, father, Mr. Thurston, and a step son, Walter Spratt.

## Mrs. Carrie Yelland

Mrs. Carrie Yelland was born in Sheboygan County on Jan. 24, 1875, died at 521 East Water street, Sheboygan on March 26, 1910. The funeral was held March 28 with interment in Wildwood cemetery. She was formerly Miss Carrie Schwartz.

# John Huibregtse

John Huibregtse, aged 75 years, died at the home of his son Jac., near Oostbu g, March 15. The funeral was held March 18 at the Gibbsville church. He is survived by the following children; John at Oregon, Jacob, James and Henry near Oostburg, Mrs. John Eernisse of Garwin, Ia., Mrs. J. Arensten near Gibbsville and Mrs Earl Sharpe of Dixon, Ill.

# Mrs. Elizabeth Halter

On Tuesday January 11, Mrs. Elizabeth Halter died at her home in the town of Lima of old age. The funeral was held Thursday, January 13, with interment in the Firmin cemetery.

Mrs. Halter was born in Erie county, New York, in 1820, and came to Wisconsin in 1859. She resided for many years in the town of Lima. Her marriage to Jacob Halter took place in Erie county on April 4, 1838. Her maiden name was Miss Elizabeth Miller. Mr. Halter died in 1867. Two children survive John of Lima and William of Sheboygan Falls.

# Mrs. Chas. Hellminger

Mrs. Chas. Hellminger born in Luxemberg, Germany on Nov. 25, 1852, died at her home in Adell on Jan. 29. The funeral was held Jan. 31 at the Adell Catholic church with interment in St. Patrick's cemetery. She came to this coutry in the 80's and was married in 1882. Mr. Hellminger died three years ago, but two sons survive.

#### Mrs. Wm. Geele

Mrs. Wm. Geele, aged 38 years born in New York, died in Sheboygan on Jan 29. She was a daughter of Col. and Mrs. Cumberlidge of Sheboygan and is survived by them, her-husband and one son.

## Miss Margaret Irwin

Miss Margaret Irwin born in the town of Sherman, died at her home a mile north of Waldo on March 18 of cancer from which she had long been a sufferer. She had lived near Waldo 35 years and was nearly 47 years of age. Her aged father is the only relative she leaves in this vicinity. The deceased was for many years a faithful correspondent for the Herald. The funeral was March 20, and she was laid to rest in the Onion River cemetery.

# Otto Thimmig

Otto Thimmig, who was thirty-seven years old, died at his home in the town of Wilson on January 4, 1910. He is survived by his wife. His remains were laid to rest in the town of Wilson cemetery on January 9.

# Mrs. August Schmidt

Mrs. August Schmidt born in Germany on Sept 19, 1834, died at her home in Sheboygan on March 15. The funeral was held at the home, March 18 with interment in the Lutheran cemetery. Her husband and one son, John Schmidt are left. Mr and Mrs. Schmidt would have celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding this year had Mrs. Schmidt lived.

## John Krautra mer

John Krautkramer, aged nearly 78 died in Milwaukee on March 5 at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Hildebrand. Funeral was held March 10, with interment in the Beechwood cemetery, beside his wife who died eighteen years ago The funeral was held from the home of his son John of Scott.

#### Mrs. Marie Scott

The body of Mrs. Marie Scott of Chicago was brought to Sheboygan Falls for burial on March 30. Three sons and a sister survive her.

# Henry Kuehle

Henry Kuehle died on Jan. 1, 1910, at his home in Sheboygan, at the age of fifty-two. The funeral was held on January 5, with interment in Wildwood.

# Edward Cummins

Edward Cummins, aged twenty-seven died at his home in Mitchell on Jan. 5, 1910. The interment took place on the following Saturday. He leaves a wife and one child.

#### Mrs Ferdinand Vorpagel

Mrs. Ferdinand Vorpagel. born in Germany on September 17, 1835 died at her home in Beechwood on January 23.

Funeral was held January 26 with interment in Beechwood cometery.

She came to this country in 1873. She is survived by her husband, one daughter and three sons.

#### Mrs. M. B. Root

Mrs. Mary B. Root, aged 87 years died at Fond du Lac,.

Funeral was held February 1, with interment in St. Cloud Forest home cemetery. She was for several years a resident of Glenbeulah.

# Charlotte Schmidt

Miss Charlotte Schmidt daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Schmidt, died of an attack of typhoid fever. She was fifteen years and the daughter of the well-known band leader.

# Michael Reilly

Michael Reilly, who was over 6 years old died at his home near Parnell, on February 15.

Funeral was held February 18, at St. Mary's Catholic church with interment in the adjoining cemetery. H was a member of the Parnell Foresters who attended the funeral.

A wife, three daughters and three sons are left, Mrs. Flaherty of Eden, May, Stella, John and Thomas at home and Lawrence the Parnell merchant.

#### Robert Yoost

Robert Yoost, aged 30 years, died at 1513 Michigan Avenue, Sheboygan March 5. The funeral was held March 7 with interment in the Wildwood.

# Perer Karpolis

Peter Karpolis died at St. Nicholas hospital on February 24. He was a Greek

# Rudolph Wagner

Rudolph Wagner died at his home in Sheboygan on Thursday, February 24. He was forty-three years old.

# John Sanders

John Sanders, aged 22 years, born in Sheboygan, died in that city on March 16 after a lingering illness.

# F. W. A. Zurheide

F. W. A. Zurheide. born in Bielefeld, Westphalia, Germany, on May 24 1824, died at his home on 1030 North Fifteenth street Sheboygan February 1.

Funeral was held February 3 with interment in Lutheran cemetery. He was a member of the local G. A.R. and the Working Men's Aid Society. His wife survives him as do also four children.

## Nicholas Ort

Nicholas Ort, born in Rhine Province, Germany, on December 8, 1822, died at 1209 North Eighth street, Sbeboygan on February 1.

Funeral was held February 3 with interment in North Side Catholic cemetery. He came to America at the age of eighteen. Mr. Ort was one of the oldest pioneers of his nationality in Sheboygan County.

# August Buechler

August Buechler died at Albuerque, New Mexico, on March 19.

Funeral was held March 25 with interment in St. George cemetery He was the son of August Buechler of St George.

# John Liebl Sr.

John Liebl, Sr., a former resident of the town of Scott, died at the home of his son Bernhard in Milwaukee on Monday, February 21, at the age of seventy-eight. He was the father of Mrs. A. Seifert of Adell. The funeral was held at Kohler, near Fredonia, Father Dells officiating.

# Mrs. Susan K. Ehle

Mrs. Susan K. Ehle born in the state of New York on March 17, 1832 died at the home of Wm. Ubbelohde at Waldo, February 21. Funeral was held Febauary 24, with interment in the Fond du Lac cemetery. For many years Mr and Mrs. Ehle lived between Greenbu-h and St. Cloud.

## Carl F. Pergande

Carl F. Pergande, age 87 years, was born in Germany died at Lake View Sheboygan on February 26 He was suffocated by gas escaping from a coal stove in the house.

# Oscar E. Rudloff

Oscar E. Rudloff, aged 23 years died at Sheboygan on March 23.

Funeral was held March 26 with interment in Lutheran cemetery. He wa motorman on the freight run between Sheboygan and Plymouth. He was born in Germany having come to this country when 6 years of age.

#### Mrs. Barbara Heinkel

Mrs. Barbara Heinkel, aged 55 years died at the home of her daughter on 1135 Lincoln avenue Sheboygan on March 23.

Funeral was held March 26 with interment in Wildwood. She is survived by four children, all of Sheboygan

## George Hinman

George Hinman, born in the town of Greenbush 54 years ago, died at a hospital in Dubuque, Iowa, on March 14.

Funeral was held in Greenbush with interment in Greenbush cemetery. He was formerly of Greenbush.

#### Cecelia Nelson

Cecelia Nelson, aged 5 years, died at 1030 High avenue Sheboygan on March 23.

Funeral was held March 25 with interment in South Side Catholic cemetery.

# Alexander Ruppel

Alexander Ruppel, aged 3 years, died at home in Sheboygan on March 22.

Funeral was held the same day with interment in the Lutheran cemetery.

# Marshall Trowbridge

Marshall Trowbridge was born in Little Valley, New York in 1828He died at Dutch Hill, New York, on February 25. Deceased is a brother of E. G. Trowbridge of Sheboygan Falls.

#### Mrs. Louisa Beiersdorf

Mrs. Louisa Beiersdorf, aged 87 years, died at her homein Krieg addition, Sheboygan, March 5.

Funeral was held March 8 with interment in Lutheran cemetery. She is survived by her husband and threes children, Wm. Beiersdorf and Mrs. Amelia Grams of this city and August of Antigo.

#### Cornelia De Vriend

Miss Cornelia De Vriend, aged 22 years d'ed at 223 Lincolu avenue, Sheboygan on March 8.

Funeral was held March 10 with interment in Wildwood cemetery. She came to America from Holland three years ago.

## Frank Pooler

Frank Pooler, aged 25 years, died at 421 North Seventh street, Sheboygan on March 6

Funeral was held March 9 with interment in Wildwood cemetery.

# Mrs. Rosina Spittel

Mrs. Rosina Spittel, born in Germany on November 4 1825, died at 1132 Alabama avenue, Sheboygan on March 22.

Funeral was held March 24 with interment in Wildwood cemetery. She is one of the earlier pioneers of Sheboygan county. Mrs. Sittel is survived by three children.

# Deaths Due to Unnatural Causes

# Death from Fall

On February 8, 1910, Sylvester the adopted son of Mr. and Mrs. William Lewendowski of Sheboygan, fell from a sleigh belonging to the Garton Toy Company and in the fall broke his neck, dying three hours after the accident. It appears that he was riding on the back of the sleigh with other boys when he fell off. Two of his comrades drew him home and finding no one in the house, laid him on a bed, where he was found by the mother shortly afterwards.

Two physicians were called in who found that the upper vestebra had been driven into the base of the skull.

The remains rest in Holy Name Catholic cemetery.

# Meets Death hy Drowning

Mrs. Albert Mahnske came to her death on February 2, 1910, by accidental drowning in the swimming pool in Born's sanitarium. The coroner jury after hearing all the testimony and considering the circumstances came to that conclusion. On discovering the body shortly after the drowning occurred a physician was called, but all efforts to revive her failed. She was a patient at the sanitarium, suffering from a nervous trouble.

Mrs. Mahnske's maiden name was Bertha Riemer, she was forty-six years old, was born in Germany on February 26, 1864, and came to America about twenty years ago. She is survived by her husband and one daughter, Sophia.

The funeral was held on February 4, with interment in the Lutheran cemetery. The Rev. Mr. Krueger officiated.

# Unknown Man Killed

On March 12, 1910, an unknown man was struck by a car on the Milwaukee Northern line near Cedar Grove and he sustained fatal injuries. He died the same day and the remains were taken to Sheboygan.

# Items of Interest

On Saturday January 8, 1910, the Sheboygan County Agricultural association held its annual meeting and chose the following officers:

President,—Philo K. Wheeler. Vice-president,—N. Saemann. Treasurer—E. A. Dow. Secretary—Otto Gaffron.

The city of Plymouth Mutual Fire Insurance Company held its annual meeting on January 3rd. The officers' reports showed that the company had had no losses to pay during the year 1909, and that its assets had passed the \$20,000, mark although it takes no risks outside the city and has been in existence only sixteen years.

On March 19 a Farmers' Telephone company was organized by a number of persons residing east of the city of Plymouth. A company was formed to be known as the Plankroad Telephone Line. These were chosen as directors; W. Schroeder, H. Kallenberg and

Charles Laack, who were authorized to get out articles of incorporation, the capital stock to be \$2500.

The County Order of the Wisconsin Experiment Association held its first annual meeting at the City Hall, Plymouth, February 24th, 1910. A very creditable display of cereals, corn and alfalfa was made. These officers were chosen.

President—W. L. Illian Vice-president—J. O. Parrish Secretary and Treasurer—O. R. Frauenheim

A severe snow storm visited this part of the state on January 4th and 5th. It snowed and drifted badly from noon January 4th until the following morning and the entire county was snow bound. The sudden change of the wind from a northwesterly direction to a easterly direction was a marked feature of the storm. The country roads were in an impassable condition, and it required sometime for the interurban to get its cars running on schedule time. The storm was followed by severely cold weather.



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