

temperance question with the result that a resolution was passed calling on the church to have nothing to do with the liquor traffic, "socially, politically, or financially." Considerable discussion was aroused over the meaning of the terms used as how far they should apply. They were shown to include only reasonable restrictions and the resolution passed with hardly a dissenting voice.

Dr. Theodore Marsh, of Grand Rapids, a trustee of Alma College, presented the minority report on the question of a new system of representation. Both the minority and majority reports were put in the hands of the executive committee until next year. In the discussion of this question Mr. Bennett of New York, and Mr. Clancy, of Indiana, both representatives in the national house, took an active interest and used to advantage their knowledge of governmental affairs. In speaking of the remarkable dispatch with which the assembly conducted business in comparison with the national house, Mr. Bennett thought that the reason could be found in the fact that in the Assembly all were working for the good of the common church, while in the national houses each man was working for the good of his particular section.

Reports from the various boards of the church were all encouraging over forty foreign missionaries were in attendance, which of course lent its inspiration to the whole gathering. On the return trip a stop was made in New York, where on Sunday Professor Ewing attended part of the commencement exercises of Columbia university. Memorial day was spent in New York city also, and it was noticed there that the day was observed religiously, every store being closed tight and the streets and houses being decorated with laurel. The return trip was made by the same route which was used in going, Professor and Mrs. Ewing arriving home last week.

Mr. Ewing was the delegate from the Saginaw Presbytery, there being at least one pastor and one elder sent from each presbytery. Rev. Cas. M. Fraser, who graduated from Alma college last year, was the ministerial delegate from this presbytery.

So well was the assembly pleased with Atlantic City that they chose it as the meeting place for 1911.

BROUGHT BACK HONORS
Alma High School Wins Athletic Contest

PAUL KRESS GETS GOLD MEDAL
Cahler Brewer Leaves the Beach and Walks to Town

Supt. F. E. Ellsworth, Principal Ward, Ezra Smith and Ely Brewbaker started on Saturday morning in Wilbur's auto carry-all with the high school track team of nine members, bound for the annual central state interscholastic track meet at St. Johns. Frightful roads were encountered soon after leaving the city. Sucky clay and loose gravel formed a combination that was hard to back. Three miles out of town one of the party, Mr. Brewbaker, thought it safer to start back home before getting any further away and returned home on foot. Before reaching St. Johns the chain drive on the engine broke and it was 12:15 before the squad was at their destination. After a hurried meal they got on the field just a few minutes before the time to commence.

The meet was good all the way through in spite of the fact that the track was soggy. The high jump was perhaps the greatest field event, while the relay and mile run were both exciting. The Alma relay put up a plucky fight, which won them the race, while Cooper lost out by a very close margin to Johnston, of St. Johns.

The schools contesting for honors were Point, DeWitt, Ithaca, Lansingburgh, Cold, Alma, St. Louis and St. Johns. Of the possible 100 points Alma won 44 1/2; Ithaca was second with 22 points, and St. Johns third with 11 1/2 points. Alma got first place in the 100-yard dash, 15-pound shot put, running broad jump, half mile run, 200-yard dash and half mile relay race; second place in mile run, pole vault, 220-yard low hurdles and tied with DeWitt for first and second in the running high jump.

Alma school received the championship banner for the best team represented and Kress, of that school, was awarded a gold medal for winning the most individual points, 23. He made the 100-yard dash in 16 1/2 seconds, 2/5 seconds slower than the interscholastic record.

On the return trip the automobile with the victorious athletes took the wrong road turn in seeking better roads by way of Maple Rapids, with the result that the party did not arrive in Alma until about midnight Saturday.

SEVENTEENTH ROUND-UP
Of Alma Lodge Number 244 F. & P. M. Occurred Yesterday

The members of Alma lodge, F. & A. M., assisted by brethren from St. Louis, Saginaw and elsewhere throughout this part of the state, enjoyed the seventeenth annual round-up in this city yesterday. Work commenced at 1 o'clock in the afternoon and before time for intermission seven candidates had been initiated into the mysteries of the degree. One live victim was saved for the evening and after he was properly "branded" all present adjourned to the vanderbilt, where proprietor Fishbeck had prepared a program for their entertainment. During their absence from the hall tables had been spread and the following menu prepared to satisfy the wants of the inner man:

Sweet pickles	Olives
Escalloped Potatoes	Baked Beans
Deviled Eggs	Cold Ham
French Salad	American Cheese
Strawberries and Ice Cream	Plain Sandwiches
Assorted Cake and Coffee	Cigars

The banquet over the postmaster took matters in charge and there was not an idle moment until it was time for the guests to take their departure. On the whole it was one of the best round-ups held by Alma lodge, F. & A. M. No. 244, in many a year.

COUNTY TREASURER
To the republican electors of Gratiot county:

I take this means of announcing to the people that I am a candidate for treasurer of Gratiot county. I shall appreciate any support I may receive and promise if nominated and elected to perform the duties of this office in a satisfactory manner.

Respectfully yours,
A. F. Lane.

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