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Trains leave Detroit (Fort St. depot) as follows:

GOING EAST.

Night Express ..... 1.20 a. m.
Detroit Express ..... 10.55 " "
Mail ..... 4.00 p. m.
Atlantic Express ..... 9.00 " "
Accommodation ..... 6.30 a. m.

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Morning Express ..... 7.25 a. m.
Mail ..... 11.20 " "
Steamboat Express ..... 5.20 p. m.
Milwaukee Express ..... 11. " "
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Graduate of Vital Z. Att'ment for the painless extraction of teeth. Office opposite the National Hotel. Hours from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m.

National Hotel,
C. E. Daines, Proprietor. Sample room for commercial agents. Good Livery in connection with this house.

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TEMPERANCE HOTEL
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DETROIT, MICH.

RATES $1 to $1.25 per Day. Single Meals, 30c. Lodgings, 25 to 50 Cents.

We make a specialty of Dinner and it is ALWAYS ready at 11:30 o'clock. Come early and leave early. promptly.

FAINT & STALEY.
ARTISTIC PAINTERS, PAPER HANGERS and WALL DECORATORS.

With an experience of over twenty years during which time our work has been perfectly satisfactory, we still continue to offer our services in the above lines, offering the very best satisfaction in every case. Orders can be left at the P. O. where they will receive prompt attention. Estimates cheerfully given and work performed in any part of the country. Faint & Staley, Birmingham, Mich.

Wants, Lost, Found, etc.

I HAVE FOR SALE 65 choice sheep, 35 of them wethers. Can be seen on my farm, five miles east of Birmingham and two miles south. Come early and secure a bargain. George Geddes.

A. D. Shadbolt will pay the highest market cash price to any one for rubbish, quails, partridges, squirrels, etc., for which he will pay spot cash. Call on me with your game. A. D. Shadbolt, Birmingham, Mich. 31tf

FOR SALE OR TO RENT. Mr. house and lot near the depot. Good new house with every modern convenience, such as cool closet, wood house, well, cistern, and small fruit. Terms easy. Call on or address, Julian Leet, Birmingham, Mich. 42 1m pd

FARM FOR SALE. Situated in the township of Troy, Oakland county, Mich., and 6½ miles northwest of Birmingham, consisting of 80 acres timber, the balance improved land, well fenced and underdrained and good orchard of fruit; apples, peaches and cherries. Good brick house, 18x28 with a wing 18x30. Good barn 30x40, horse barn 30x40 also a corn house 18x18, mouse proof. These buildings are all built on gravel ridge, always dry and pleasantly situated. This farm is well adapted to all kinds of grain and can be had on reasonable terms. Call on or address, Nelson Burley, Troy, Mich. 40tf

WAGON MAKER WANTED. I want to rent the wagon shop on the east part of my black smith shop. To the right kind of a man, good terms will be offered. Call on or address Jno. Thersby, Birmingham, Mich. 43tf

I OFFER FOR RENT (or will sell) my house near the Union School, in good condition, with first-class cistern, barn, etc. For particulars, terms, etc., call on or address Robert Reynolds, Birmingham, Mich. 49tf

FARM FOR SALE. I will sell my farm of 120 acres of choice farming land very reasonable. Farm is situated 8 miles west and one mile north of Birmingham on the banks of Gilbert lake; about 15 acres of timber and the balance all cultivated land. Please examine; also barns and outbuildings. For full particulars call on or address, Charles Adams, Birmingham, Mich. 41 tfpd

SPECIAL NOTICES

House for sale on Troy St., or will rent if not sold soon. For particulars call at the ECCENTRIC office or apply to the owner T. Middlemis. 2tf

I shall close out a lot of children's wrappers at 25 cents each. Cashmere gloves very cheap at L. T. Furman's.

A job lot of untrimmed winter hats at 25 and 50 each. Trimmed 50 cents. Mrs. Furman.

My stock of hoods must be sold, and shall close out very cheap; also a fine lot of mittens and hosiery. L. T. Furman.

Hoods made to order as cheaply as by Miss Ona Furman.

At Mrs. J. O. Beattie's they may be found at the hoods, in full that is needed in this part of the country. Terms very low.

Trimmed hats and bonnets ½ off. Good buttons 10 cents per dozen, at Mrs. L. T. Furman's.

We give a nice Holiday card with every dollars worth of goods. Hoods off. L. T. Furman.

A new and large variety of plumes tips and fancy feathers at Mrs. Furman's.

Consumption.

It is said that 50 000 people die annually in the United States alone from this disease. In some sections of the country one death in every three is from consumption. This can be and should be avoided, our people are too careless about an ordinary cough or cold, and other symptoms of throat and lung affections that lead to this disease. You should arrest it while it is in the germ. Two or three doses of Dr. Bosanko's cough and lung syrup will relieve an ordinary cough or cold. It does not dry up a cough like many preparations on the market and leave the disease behind it, but acts directly on the throat and bronchial tubes, removing all the phlegm and morbid matter that accumulates in the throat and lungs. It allays all irritation, and renders the voice clear and distinct. For sale by Whitehead & Mitchell.

Buy no more Paper with Your Tea, Coffee and Whole Spices

Hereafter we shall weigh all these Goods in the scales without paper. We are carrying a larger stock of Groceries and making lower prices than have ever been made in Birmingham before. We are making very low prices on Dry Goods We are making very low prices on Crockery, Lamps and Glassware. We are making especially low on Hardware and Tinware.

Reductions! Reductions!

We are making sweeping reductions on Hats, Caps, Gloves, Mittens and Socks.

We are cutting on Yarns, Battings and Fancy Goods.

We continue to give away EVERY TENTH Whip and sell at low prices.

We are selling Goods for spot cash and making prices that win.

J. R. CORSON & SON,

Birmingham, Mich.

How Is This!

Goods retailed at wholesale prices for

Cash or Prompt Pay.

This Sale to continue for a short time. Take advantage and secure bargains as follows

15 pounds choicest Turkey Prunes,		$1.00
14 " " Dried Peaches,		1.00
12 " " Sliced Apples,		
12 " " Cooking Raisins,		1.00
10 cans Best Canned Corn,		1.00
10 " " 3 pounds best Tomatoes,		1.00
4 " " California Plums,		1.00
4 " " California Pears,		1.00
12 " " Sardines in oil,		1.00
8 "Pie Peaches,		1.00
5 " " 6 pounds Pie Peaches		1.00
7 " " Choicest Raspberries,		1.00
8 " " 3 pounds best Table Peaches,		1.00
12 " " String Beans,		1.00
5 pounds choicest Roasted Coffee,		1.00
2 gallons best Syrup in town,		1.00
2 pounds best Plug Tobacco,		1.00
2 pounds best uncolored Japan Tea,		.90
2 " " choicest Fine Cut Tobacco		.80
Men's Rubber Boots,		2.50
Men's choice Kip Boots,		2.00
Men's (our bargain) Kip Boots,		2.50
Ladies' fine Goat Button Shoe,		2.00
Ladies' fine Kid Button Shoe,		2.00
Lonsdale Cotton, (per yard)		.06½
Argyle Cotton, "		.06½

We have just received the largest and best assortment in town of Hamburg, Nainsook, Swiss and Loop Edgings and Insertions, including many matched Setts, embracing all the new and novel designs of the season.

All of the above named goods guaranteed to be of the best quality Sweeping reductions have been made throughout our entire stock a great many bargains can be secured by calling early.

Yours for low prices,

F. Blakeslee & Co.,

DAVIS STORE,

Birmingham, Mich.

HOME NOTES

PERPETUAL NOTICE.

You will please notice date after your name on paper and observe carefully this when your subscription expires. If your time is out please call and settle.

Gentle spring
That will help is fixed
Don't forget the one next Saturday
Keep your eye peeled for the blue birds.

Julian Leet has rented his house to a Detroit party.

Winter put in some pretty good licks towards the last.

Mr. J. P. Cranch is employed in the depot at Allerton.

Mrs. Kitty Alger is visiting relatives in Pennsylvania

All interested in the cemetery turn out to help next Saturday.

Ed Schantie and Jim Todd will occupy the Stanley Farm this year.

John Cronile's auction comes off Friday, March 7th. Don't forget it please.

Daniel Rusel got the last free whip at Corson & Son's. Every tenth whip free

Rob Reynolds has a house for sale or to rent and advertises the same elsewhere.

Rev. J. McCracken will preach at Library Hall on Sunday evening next. Everybody invited.

Mrs. James R. Corson Sr. is very low with cancer of the stomach and her death is expected almost at any time.

Regular meeting of Birmingham Chapter No. 93, R. A. M. next Monday evening at 7:30 p. m. John Bodine, Secretary.

Miss Nettie Blumberg leaves for Ann Arbor this week for a two weeks sojourn with Mrs. Gay, a former resident of An Sable.

Dr. Hewitt, of Birmingham, will deliver a free lecture on temperance in the R. R. Hall at Big Beaver, Saturday evening, Feb. 8th.

Regular meeting of Birmingham Lodge No. 44 F. & A. M., this, Thursday evening. Work on F. A. degree. E. Brooks, Secretary.

Sam Slade has a bedroom suite for sale at the depot. Bureau, bed-stead, wash-stand and springs comprise the lot. They will be sold cheap for cash.

And now it is Miner Spencer who is as happy as a bee in the clover. It's a bonnie wee girl and came to Troy on Tuesday morning last. Everybody well.

James Robbins has traded his house and lot in Birmingham for the Hanna property in Southfield, near Erity's mills and will remove to his new home at an early day.

Cooper & Stoker will open their new meat market on Saturday, March 8, in the old Leach place now owned by F. Hagerman, and hope to get a share of public patronage.

Mrs. W. H. Camp has been quite sick for some weeks past, but is now convalescent, owing to a good constitution and the efficient care of Dr. Galbraith of Pontiac.

Here's your local, Joe! Read Axford, Stockwell & Co's. new adv't. It is but a few words, but it means lots. For brevity it takes the lead, and for business it carries off the whole bakery.

What has become of our town library, that venerable institution that should be easy of access to the lame the halt and the blind? It seems to have retired from public life. READER

A Union Temperance meeting on Sunday evening next at the M. E. church, Address by Rev. Mr. Hibbard of New York. Everybody is invited to hear this able speaker upon this interesting topic,

Mack Randall has rented the suite of rooms in the west end of the Ellis house and is nicely settled in his new home. He has been absent in Charlevoix county the past week on business and pleasure

Married, in Detroit, Feb. 28, by the Rev. Richard Turnbull, Mr. Frank Young to Miss Eva A. Means, daughter of A. L. Means of Southfield. The happy couple have our best wishes for a long and happy life.

Last week Miss Flora daughter of Daniel Bassett, of Southfield, was married to Mr. Dick Erwin of the same town. Dick and his wife have our hearty congratulations and best wishes for a long and happy life.

Robert Hanna Sr., has sold his place near Erity's mills in Southfield. He wants this fact understood, because he advertised it for sale some time ago and now he is getting offers and letters of inquiry from way down south in Dixie.

J. Felder has bought Cy Jarvis' house and one lot and takes immediate possession. The consideration was $350. Cy will build a new house next door to his old quarters the coming summer and will make barrels for Sam Mills this season.

Last week we carelessly omitted to mention the fact that two brand new girl babies had arrived at the homes of John Davenport of Bloomfield and Will Parks of Troy. Both fathers are delighted of course and all families doing nicely, too.

All those who wish to join a class in dancing can do so at a very moderate expense by calling at Library Hall on Monday evening next, March 10th, at 7:30 o'clock p. m. Eight lessons for $2. Good music and a thorough course. F. W. Sherman is the teacher.

A gallaptious company of about 30 couples hopped in on Mr. and Mrs. N. T. McHenry on Tuesday night of last week and surprised them wonderfully Sherman's band, Sherman's new canvas on the floor, everybody happy and a grand, g od time.

In the advertisement of that bankrupt sale at Franklin last week we said the proprietor was David Van and it should be J. Donovan instead. John is a wide wake business man and is making things extremely lively at Franklin with his bankrupt sale.

Fred Stocum editor and proprietor of the Oakland County Advertiser, at Holly, has bought the Caro Advertiser and Citizen, the leading paper of Tuscola Co., and takes immediate possession. Fred will run both papers and do it successfully too.

A.C. Ellis has bought of John Staley, the house and lot between the foundry and the Presbyterian church, now occupied by Judge Hoyt. The price paid was $2,000. Mr. Ellis will proceed at once to give the premises a thorough overhauling and improving.

List of letters remaining uncalimed in Birmingham, post office, Feb. 29, 1884. Mrs. Mary Jane Barnham, Miss Ida Bronson, A. H. Dunham, Mrs. O. Hodgdon and Miss Blanch Jefferies. Persons calling for any of the above please say advertised. J. Allen Bigelow, P. M.

Sunday evening about 8 o'clock, the building occupied by P. W. Allen and R. J. Kenny at Royal Oak as a general store, meat market, drug store, etc., caught fire and burned to the ground with the entire stock. The building belonged to Chas. M. Fay, and was partially insured; also the stock.

The jovial editors of the Birmingham ECCENTRIC run a drag and general store, print a lively newspaper, and peddle sewing machines. On top of these numerous enterprises, the senior editor received the appointment the other day of village postmaster. —Orion Review.

The annual meeting of the Brownell Mission Society will meet on Saturday afternoon, March 15 at the residence of Mr. Fuller. An invitation is extended to all the young ladies to be present, as there is important business to be transacted. Members of the society will please note the change in date.

Will Rule left for Texas on Monday last accompanied by his wife and daughter and his brother Jim. We hope the little family will live long and prosper in their new southern home and have no doubt our many readers will join us in good wishes for their welfare.

Tracy Randall and Halleck Gibbs are selling a new and very desirable pill on sham holder and are canvassing in this vicinity. They are gentleman ly young men and deserve to be well treated, whether you wish to purchase or not, but if you try their holder you will surely buy it.

Mr. Reynus of Redford is having his house painted, inside, by the wide awake artistic painters Faint & Staley of this place. One thing is sure, when Faint & Staley get into a neighborhood, the whole vicinity gets a thorough coat of paint, and it is put on in a workmanlike manner, very quickly too.

One of the most persecuted men in town is our friend Ock Herlick. He has been suffering with a carbuncle on his neck, with other complications arising therefrom for the past two weeks and is far from well yet. Owing to circumstances the writer can keenly sympathize with him.

One day last week John Allen who lives on the Poppleton farm in Troy found a pair of horse blankets stowed away in his barn where they had evidently been hidden away by some person. Now, the blankets don't belong to John and if the owner will call and prove property and pay charges he can have his blankets.

All persons interested in the cemetery are earnestly requested to help, Saturday, March 8, to gravel the cemetery lane. They will meet at the hotel at 9 a. m. Dinner will be served at noon. All the ladies interested are requested to come and bring contributions for the table. If it should be a stormy day, we will put it over till the next Tuesday, March 11.

Kenny, Adams & Co., of Detroit, are out this week with a new spring advt of their large and fresh stock of seasonable goods. This firm has succeeded in building up a profitable trade by low prices and a determination to please their customers, who are many from this vicinity. When in the city, call on Hugh who is an old Birmingham boy and who will be pleased to see you

The annual pioneer meeting of the Oakland county pioneer association was held at the court house in Pontiac Feb. 22nd. The meeting was presided over by the president, Orrin Popplestone, of this place, and speeches were made by the Rev. Messrs. Jacokes and Herrington and Thomas L. Patterson, Esq. Holly. The attendance was very large and the meeting one of the most pleasant set held.

At the Detroit Medical College examination of graduating students last week, our young Birmingham boy Cred Park secured a prize of a case of surgical instruments valued at $25 for the best examination. He commences practicing medicine at once at Hubbardston, Mich. There's an example for you, boys. In these days, of comparatively free education a young man with his wits about him can get to the front. If he wants to very bad.

The pupils of Mrs. Lockwood's singing class, attended her concert at Pontiac last week and participated to a certain extent. John Wilde is rapidly coming to the front as a fine tenor singer and Sam Slade was successful in sustaining his already established reputation as a basso. Of course our Birmingham young people did well —they always do and we understand we will have a chance to hear Mrs. Lockwood's class in this place shortly.

Aid is being raised in almost every city and village, in the state and sent to the flood sufferers in different parts of the country. The poor unfortunates certainly need all the assistance they can get. Flint has donated $0,000 000 to the sufferers, says the Democrat, and we are glad to say that Holly has also responded generously to the cries of distress from the homeless and hungry sufferers by heading the list, for a village of its size, with a liberal donation of $00,000.—[Holly Advertiser.—Our town has also contributed to this laudable undertaking $000,000.

The drama of Esmeralda will be repeated by the Birmingham Dramatic Society in about two weeks, at National Hall for the benefit of Mrs. Wm. Riffenburg. Since the death of her husband, some of her friends have been industriously gathering in funds to build a house for the widow, chief among whom are Mrs. Ira Slade and her widower, Mrs. G. J. Shipman of Detroit, the last named having raised $210 in Detroit, and we hope our people will turn out and fill the National Hall to overflowing on Mrs. Riffenburg's benefit night and make up the necessary balance to pay for the widow's home.

A year ago last February, Charles Campbell hired a horse and cutter of H. Hickey of Royal Oak to go to Southfield, where he tried to trade the rig. Then he got Frank German of Franklin, to trade him here, first leaving his rig with Peter VanEvery as security for $3 borrowed money. Before he could be arrested, he was tried for another offense in Detroit and sent up to the House of Correction for eleven months. When he got out last week he was re-arrested by Mr. Hickey and had his examination before Squire Hollister on Tuesday, and as there was not evidence sufficient to warrant his detention, Charles was told to "git" and he got

D. E. Alward, editor of the Clare Press made us a very pleasant call this week. He enjoys the distinguished title of Justice of the Peace and in company with our young friend and former fellow citizen, Will Goodman, was in attendance upon the U. S. Court at Detroit on the trial of some counterfeiters who were arrested at Clare last July. Will sold the gang the ingredient for making the "queer" for the ostensible purpose of making Babbitt metal and their examination was held before Squire Alward, a combination of circumstances which demanded their united presence before the august U. S. Court. It may be interesting to our readers who have a penchant for prompt justice, to know that these counterfeiters made their money on the morning of the fourth of July, passed about $50 of it on the same day and were gathered into the bosom of Uncle Sam on the day following.

NEW BOOKS

The following books have been added to the L. I. A. library

Stray Pearls.....Young
Fortune's Fool.....J. Hawthorne
Donald; Dorothy, Mary Mapes Dodge
Floyd Grandon's Honor.....A. Douglas
Margaret Fuller.....Mrs. Howe.

Members of the society can leave the titles of any book which they wish bought, with the librarian or at the Library room and they will be considered by the book committee

CARD OF THANKS

The undersigned desires in some measure to express their thanks to friends and neighbors who in testimony of their respect for the bereaved, assembled at the funeral of their beloved mother, Mrs. Charlotte Pyles, on Sunday of last week. To each and all who rendered us kindness in our hour of affliction, we express our sincere thanks.

MR. AND MRS. F. TRUMP,
MR. AND MRS. R. CROWELL.

OBITUARY.

Died, near Royal Oak, Feb 22, of congestion of the heart, Mrs. John Pyles in the 84th year of her age.

The deceased was born at Belvidere, Warren Co., New Jersey, June 19, 1800 She emigrated to Michigan in 1828 and for many years resided in Macomb Co., near Mt. Vernon; but for the last few years has resided near the village of Royal Oak. She was for the greatest part of her life a member of the M. E. church, was a faithful wife and mother in all that implies the word. She was not confined to her bed a single day, but always expressed her willingness to die when the Lord saw fit to call her home. We feel that our dear mother has gone to the companionship of angels. Her funeral sermon was preached by Elder Vivian on Sunday morning of last week at the Congregational church. A large concourse of mourning friends met to emphasize the respect in which she was held by the community in which she lived

E. CROWELL.

Mesmerist

Prof. Parker, the marvelous mesmerist, of Birmingham, Mich., finished his week's engagement at the Opera House last Saturday evening. The Prof. has been greeted by large audiences, and has performed many wonderful mesmeric feats. One of the most prominent was the extraction of a tooth for Mr. B. H. Halstep, wife of our prominent druggist. The lady was magnetized, and while in the magnetic slumber the tooth was drawn by Dr. Keeler. The operation was painless, and upon waking, the lady was surprised to find the tooth gone. No ill effects followed the operation as is sometimes the case with chloroform

Cowora Enterprise.

Rochester.

W. H. Marvin of the Utica Sentinel was in town a few days ago

Miss Hattie Cook of Romeo is visiting her grand parents Mr. and Mrs. Kerby of this place.

Miss Anna Jones of First St., is visiting her cousin Mrs. C. E. Montique, Woodward Ave., Detroit.

The Rev. E. Yager, pastor of the M. E. church visited at Lapeer during the past week.

C. H. Slater of Vaughansville, Ohio, with his attendant D. Caughthran, were in town last week torching camp photo oil painting.

Rochester is to have the telephone, $500 by subscription has been raised by our business men, the amount required to secure the joint. Work on the line will commence early in the spring.

Charter election was held in the town hall, March 3, for the purpose of electing officers for the village the coming year.

Mr. Elsworth Axford and Miss May Cole were married a few days ago.

When Birmingham has its leap year hop, they may expect a genuine load of our best looking young ladies of this place. As the boys say, they are going in for a boss time, and to do this they are going to leave the boys at home. Now I suppose the Birmingham fuzzers will have a mash time.

ECHO.

FRANKLIN

I hear Frank German stands a chance to get his livery bill out of that fellow who stole Mr. Hicks' horse and cutter.

Anna Midgley was going to be put on the town for support, but the Supervisor thought her brother had plenty to support her, and wouldn't consent to it.

Mr. Holmes' stock was sold recently the drugs bringing $110 and the rest of the stock being sold for $1,902. Mr. Donovan, of South Lyons, bought them.

The roads are turning tough now, about here, how is it your way?

Doc. Leet had two wether sheep stolen recently.

Our school ends to morrow.

X SCHOOLMASTER.

COUNTY LINE

Mrs. Laura Sprague and daughter Nellie of Genesee, are visiting friends on the County Line.

Robert Geddes has lately purchased a top carriage. Drive steady Robbie.

A German living a little ways east of J. Cromlie's, while binding a load of straw, fell and the doctors think his recovery is very doubtful.

Our old friend D. A. Dexison was lately in our neighborhood attending to insurance business.

Some geese has parcha ed the Lathrope farm.

C le still stayeth with the good people at Mr. Clemens

Bert Wilson has been under the doctor's care lately, but is convalescent at present.

Andrew Cromle lately bought a nice Jersey heifer from S. Martin.

John Prebert was nearly drowned while crossing the creek during the late freshet.

Jim Anderson after a good deal of selling and buying has at last purchased the Chelsey Starr place. Consideration $4,000.

The roads were mostly impassable for a while during the late high water.

One of the Dunn boys lately lost a horse.

Donation for Elder Herrington was held at G. Brand's Friday night last. There was a large crowd in attendance.

Dave Cromle has commenced a sheep barn 20x60 which he is going to rush right along. Milo Ames is the boss.

Ash peddlers have got themselves into trouble by faking ashes when nobody is at home.

Friday night last a daughter. It is Jim Davison that has kicked up the row in our vicinity and commenced this trouble there is no telling when it will end by the locks of the surrounding country; but nevertheless Jim is supremely happy.

It is surprising to see the pile of wood those Becker boys will get away with in a day.

The people of this part of the country need not go away from home to get a first class pump, as our old friend G. W. Hoard has got a large supply on hand. The people can depend on Gird doing the square thing every time.

PAT

Our New Quarters

The alterations and improvements in the post office are about completed and the store now presents a fine appearance while the conveniences are apparent to everyone. The room is large enough to accommodate the crowd which gathers upon the arrival o mail; the express office is large and and in excellent form while the privacy secured to patrons of the telephone is something that will be taken advantage of by many who have hitherto been backward about bawling their private affairs into the transmitter with a dozen bystanders to listen to them. The location of the instrument now secures perfect privacy to the person sending the message.

The east side of the store is being fitted up with shelves and counters to which our stock will be transferred about April 1st.

The first and second floors of the building will be occupied by our furniture stock, while the ECCENTRIC will find a home in the well lighted and airy room on the third floor, from whence a speaking tube will connect with the office in the main building and a small elevator will carry "copy," "proofs" and job work back and forth without the necessity of traversing two flights of stairs. Taken as a whole, we consider our new quarters the most convenient and altogether the best we have occupied since we were running a little job office in an upstairs room in Mort Smith's wood shop where we "many a time and oft" kicked on a little Novelty press and turned out election tickets and such other small work, 'till 2 o'clock in the morning.

To our numerous friends who have patiently follow duth our migrations, and to those who have joined them, we tender our assurance of the kindest feelings in the world towards them, one and all, and sincerely hope to deserve and receive their generous patronage in our new home; a patronage which we have enjoyed and appreciated especially since we commenced business in earnest three years ago and which we hope and expect will follow us in our new quarters.

The Scenery of Birmingham

The early pioneers when they came here located Birmingham on a spot auild beautiful surroundings. Nature has done her part and if man will do his, we shall have as pleasant a village as can be found in the country. I have several times wandered around and taken in the various shots which any one can view. On the brow of the hill as you descend to the Mill, looking west and southwest the eyes glance over a delightful region of hill, wood and valley dotted with farmers' residences and other buildings to fill up the picture. On the bank of the river on Saginaw street looking northerly and Northwesterly is beautiful scenery. The eyes take in a winding vale and a far away rolling and farming country which is pleasant to look upon. Near Mr. Huff's residence in the southwest portion of the village is another charming view looking westerly. A person standing there can look upon a rolling region of about four miles, where apparently dwell thrifty and well to do farmers. Meadow, valley and hill are printed on the vision. On George Wallace's farm a person can see delightful scenery when looking towards Birmingham. His eyes behold the city of the Dead, with monuments and other headstones designating the habitation of those who dwell there. He also sees our village in the distance and this lends enchantment to the view. In the middle of the street and near Mr. Bigelow's house, looking northerly is another view perhaps unsurpassed in beauty. A few mornings since with Elder Lowe I looked that way and saw the rolling country, farms and farmhouses draped in the drapery of mist which appeared to hang over the region, which attracted our admiring gaze for a few moments. Not long since I called the attention of an artist to the scenery which I have described and I presume he has painted a picture well worthy our admiration.

W. C. H.

AUCTION.

On Friday, March 7, John Cromie will sell at auction on County Line near Mr. M. Blunt, 2 miles west of Beebe's corners and ½ mile north, horses, cows, hogs, wagon, buggy, farm tools, etc., etc. M. Blunt, auctioneer; Samuel Martin, clerk.

Notice.

Having sold all my right and title in my stock of drugs and groceries to F. B. Raynale & Co., I desire all my creditors to call and settle accounts which will be left at the old stand.

F. HAGERMAN.

Feb. 13, 1884 4t pd

NOTICE.

All parties indebted to Whitehead & Mitchell are earnestly requested to settle by cash or note at once, as the old books must be balanced and closed and all bills due we are urgently needed by us before taking stock of April 1st. Call at store

WHITEHEAD & MITCHELL.

April 1st, 1884.

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE.—In the matter of the estate of Henry Hatfield, deceased. Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a license to me directed from the Probate Court for the County of Oakland, Joseph C. Powell, Judge of Probate in said County, I shall sell at public vendue, to the highest bidder, on the premises, in the township of Bloomfield, in said County, on the 20th day of March, 1884, at two o'clock p. m., all the following lots and parcels of land, to wit: Lot No. Twenty-Nine (29) of Assessor's plat of the northwest quarter of section No. Thirty-six (36), town 2 north of range 10 east, containing at a point in the center of the road, running thence north 89¾ degrees, west 20 chains and 15 links to a stone, which point bears north 16 degrees east and distance nine chains and 28 links from the southeast corner on east side of section 26, thence north 89¾ degrees, west 20 chains, thence south 89¾ degrees, east two chains, thence south 89¾ degrees, east 18 chains and 15 links from the center of the road, thence south 16 degrees, west two chains to the place of beginning, containing 36 rods and 4 links. Also a parcel of land described as follows: Commencing at the center of the above described lot, thence north 89¾ degrees, west 20 chains, thence north 89¾ degrees, west two chains and 15 links to a post, thence south 89¾ degrees, east 18 chains and 15 links to the center of the road, thence south 16 degrees, west two chains to the place of beginning, containing 36 rods and 4 links. Also a parcel of land described as follows: Commencing at the center of the above described lot, thence north 89¾ degrees, west 20 chains, thence north 89¾ degrees, west two chains and 15 links to a post, thence south 89¾ degrees, east 18 chains and 15 links from the center of the road, thence south 16 degrees, west two chains to the place of beginning, containing 36 rods and 4 links. Also a parcel of land described as follows: Commencing at the southwest corner of the above described land, thence north 89¾ degrees, west two and (¼) chains, thence north 89¾ degrees, east two chains and 76 links, thence south 89¾ degrees, east two and one half chains to the northwest corner of said land, thence south 25¼ degrees, west along said line two chains and 95 links to the beginning, containing 40-100 of an acre. LUCIUS HATFIELD,

Dated—Feb 20th, 1884. Administrator.

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