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BIRMINGHAM, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN, THURSDAY, MARCH 18, 1886.

WHOLE NO. 461.

DETROIT, G'D HAYEN & MILWAUKEE RAILWAY. CENTRAL STANDARD TIME. GOING WEST. Morning express... 7:35 a. m. Noon express... 11:30 a. m. Evening Express... 9:00 p. m.

W. L. DOUGLAS' CELEBRATED \$3.00 Shoe. THIS WEEK: 9 Pairs Ladies' fine low shoes, worth \$2 25 and \$2 50 per pair, at one-half price.

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HOME NOTES. PERPETUAL NOTICE. You will please notice that after your name on paper and envelope; if you please to not please mail and settle.

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- 14 pounds standard Granulated Sugar, \$1.00
10 pounds of White "C" Sugar, \$1.00
4 pounds Best Carolina Rice, .25
20 pounds new Prunes, \$1.00
20 pounds choice Dried Apples, \$1.00

DRY GOODS. Headquarters for BOOTS and SHOES. Can offer BARGAINS IN ODD PAIRS AND SIZES TO Make ROOM FOR SPRING STOCK.

Call and Buy a pound of Baking Powder at 50c. and get a splendid Saw worth 60c. FREE, at F. BLAKESLEE & CO., Birmingham, Mich.



Mr. W. S. Young has added to his building a new hen park with all the modern conveniences, "boom" window, etc.

County clerk Fay has issued a call for a special session of the Oakland board of supervisors, to be held at Pontiac on Tuesday, March 16, at which time the 25 cent horizontal cut business will be considered.

George Buckle has gone to England. He was to be absent for about two months, and it is expected that when the George returns, he will be accompanied by a Yorkville lass who will be his bride.

Books added to the L. A. Scotch Club, Porter; Dark Days; Conway; Arse, Happy Boy; Bjornstjerne; Bert Harte; Fire Brigade; Deep Down; Ballentine; Grandfather's Chair; Hawthorn; Frankenstein; Shelly; No. 1900; White Heather.

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The Commercial was elected president by a majority of 103, and what is peculiar is the fact that he heads the Republican ticket. Charles's fortunes seem to be at flood tide at this time, and he is being courted to lay and incubate to their fullest capacity.

The dance at the skating rink this evening is not one of the series of club hops some may suppose. The fourth of the series takes place at the National tomorrow night, March 19. All invited and 50 cents pays the bill.

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A good year fruitful in every respect reaches to from the far north. Not long ago a lady was bewailing the fact that they could not have a revival, said in strong and earnest tones, "Oh, I do wish we could have such revivals as we had Birmingham!" "My dear sister," replied the parson, "there was no place as bad off this side of it, and in such need of a revival as that village was it was very easy for the elder there to have such a success."

The poor little innocent rabbit which lives under the Baptist church which deal of trouble to the sportsmen of Council Bluffs. One of the sporting iron Pundits shot at the inoffensive little quadruped by mistake and killed it.

It becomes our painful duty this week to inform this patient public that Mrs. James Frost has disappeared. "Gone but not forgotten." Suddenly and without warning one day last week she faded away as if by magic.

The Beehive (John Pound's store Pontiac) is booming. It is a very good place for friends to meet any fine afternoon. There the ladies do mostly congregate, and it is without doubt the fashionable rendezvous for shopping in the dry goods circles of the city.

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DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS. Notice is hereby given that the Democratic caucus of the township of Bloomfield, in the village of Pontiac, Michigan, will be held on Saturday, April 3, at 8 o'clock p. m., to nominate candidates for the coming township election, and to transact such other business as may come before the meeting.

TOWN LINE FOOTING. Correction: It was \$4 00 that was taken in at the social at Pontiac and the clock is on duty. Mrs. M. Shug and children visited at Mr. Leebler's in Detroit one day last week, and Miss Annie Patch will do likewise this week.

ROYAL ACE RUMBLING. Miss Minnie Oakley, who has been attending school at Clarkson this winter, has returned home. Mrs. Scott and her son visited at Mr. Starr's the past week. Mr. and Mrs. Hickey and L. B. Warner are on the sick list. Several patients are too numerous to mention.

REVISAL MEETINGS WERE HELD AT THE M. E. church last week. There will be union meetings held at the Congregational church this week. It is hoped that the old adage "union there is strength," will prove true. Those gas men are still in our midst doing business. Some say they think the gas with them is all on top of the ground. Others say they will stick to the former grocery and get the news for the ECCESTRY.

CLAWSON CULLING. Rather good sport. Francis Poole is proud of being a father. The boy is a girl. George Baker has taken part of his family and goes to Grose Point, where he has accepted a position as gardener at \$200 per annum. Oscar Martin, has moved into Billy Black's house. Orrin Stowell will work John Long's farm this season.

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