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DETROIT, G'D HAVEN & MILWAUKEE RAILWAY.
CENTRAL STANDARD TIME.

GOING WEST.

Morning Express	7.42 a m
Mail	11.10 a m
Grand Rapids Express	5.30 p m
Chicago Express	9.00 p m
Night Express	11.35 p m

GOING EAST.

Chicago Express	6.58 a m
Detroit Express	11.10 a m
Mail	2.37 p m
Evening Express	9.05 p m

A. B. ATWATER, General Supt.
W. J. SPICER, Manager.

J. W. PARENT of Southfield Center IS OFFERING:

13 lbs granulated sugar	$1 00
15 lbs extra C sugar	1 00
5 gallons water white kerosene oil	50
3½ lbs crackers	25
4 lbs English currants	25
6 lbs rolled oats	25
1 lb superior Rio coffee, roasted	25
6 bars Queen Ann or Leonox soap	25
Best uncolored Japan Tea	50
A 25c tea good as most 50c.	
Clear pork per pound	08
Beddow's cheese	12
"My Game" finecut tobacco	30

An extra line of Boots and Shoes.

J. W. Parent, Southfield

PISO'S REMEDY FOR CATARRH
PRICE 50 CTS.
IT IS THE BEST
EASIEST TO USE
& THE CHEAPEST.

For sale by Whitehead & Mitchell. This remedy is as good for Catarrh as Piso's Cure is for Consumption. It has an enormous sale.

Wants, Lost, Found, etc.

Birmingham Baptist Church.

(The little church around the corner.)
Sabbath services: Preaching by the Rev. C. C Miller, pastor of Pontiac church, who will preach here until further notice at 3 p. m. Sunday school at 4 p. m. Prayer conference and bible study each Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock, conducted by Mr. Miller. All are cordially invited. Seats free. tf

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

Rev E. P. Prince, pastor. Sunday morning service at 10.30; Sunday school at 12, M.; Class meeting at 12, M.; Young people's Epworth League at 6 p. m.; Preaching at 7 p. m.; Prayer meeting at 7 p. m. on Thursday.

You are cordially invited to unite with us in all these services. Strangers are always welcome. If you do not meet the pastor please leave your name and residence with the ushers

NOTICE—Who wants to make a good, safe and profitable investment? Owing to ill health I will sell my land on Bates street in the village of Birmingham, consisting of four lots and containing nine acres. This land will cut up and make a number of fine building lots and will pay to anyone doing so a large return on the investment. I will sell in any way or quantity that purchasers desire. To a buyer of the whole I will throw into the bargain a good cow, horse, wagon and harness. Call and see me. Andrew C. Wallace, Birmingham, Mich. Nov21

Notice to Poultry Fanciers.

I have for sale a few thoroughbred Plymouth Rock Cockrels, 1 S. C. Brown Leghorn Cockrel, a few pairs of games, pure White Pekin Ducks. I have as fine a breeding pens of R. C. Brown Leghorns as there is in the state of Michigan, and I shall soon be ready to book orders for eggs from these, and also pure bred Plymouth Rocks. A. H. Carpenter, Teller place, walnut Shade Farm, Birmingham, Mich tf

NOTICE—I take this way of informing the ladies and gentlemen of Birmingham that I do laundry work of all kinds and wish their patronage. Work equal to city laundering will be given. Satisfaction guaranteed. Mrs. H. Peters, in Mrs. Harris' house, Saginaw st. 2714

TO RENT—The premises recently occupied by Madison Spear on Bates Street in this village. Good house and barn and every modern convenience. Apply to or address W. F. Crowl. 27w4

FOR SALE—Wm. H. Smith, at his cider mill one mile north of Birmingham, has a large number of whiskey barrels, suitable for cider, for sale. Price $1 each. 28tf

FOR SALE—Thoroughbred Chester White pigs for sale cheap. W. F. Crowell, 1½ miles east of Birmingham. 24w4

NOTICE—C. F. Crouch has a list of No. 1 Nebraska land for sale cheap. It will pay those who want a reliable investment to see him.

FOR SERVICE—A yearling Victoria Boy of the best strains of blood. Terms $5. M. W. Rundell. 30w4.

L. O. TROWBRIDGE & CO., AUCTIONEERS.

Terms reasonable and satisfaction guaranteed. Call on or address L. O. Trowbridge & Co., Pontiac, Mich. Office opposite court house. 27w4

Mrs. A. G. Lewis, —OF DETROIT— Teacher of Vocal and Instrumental MUSIC!

Pupils received at any time at very reasonable rates. A class is now formed and one can join at any time and rapidly advance. For terms and particulars call at Mr H. A. Randall Maple avenue, on any Tuesday until further notice.
MRS. A. G. LEWIS.

WE OFFER THIS WEEK

The best assortment of Ladies' and Children's 25 cent Mitts ever seen.
The best assortment of Men's, Ladies' and Children's Underwear at 50c.
The best assortment of Ladies' and Misses' Fall and Winter Gloves.
The best assortment of Children's Plush Hoods at 75c. $1 and $1 50.
The best assortment of Ladies' Fascinators, Scarfs and Hoods in town
The best assortment of Ladies' Fancy Silk Mitts at 50c and $1 per pair.
The best assortment of Ruchings, Collars, Collarettes and Neckwear.
The best assortment of Gents', Ladies', Misses and Children's Hose
The best assortment of Ribbons, Plush Ornaments, Cords and Laces.
The best assortment of Men's Flannel and Knit Shirts at $1, $1.50, $1.75.
We are headquarters for all kind of Stamped Goods at very low prices
We are constantly receiving new Novelties in the Dry goods Line.
They come direct from the Eastern Markets and are new and fresh.
Remember we handle German Knitting, Vassar, Spanish, Saxony, Shetland, Germantown and Midnight Yarns at the very lowest prices,
Full Line of Wall Paper, Lace Curtains, Shades, Poles and Fixtures.

F. BLAKESLEE,
Birmingham, - - - - Mich.

WE FEEL GRATEFUL

to our friends for their past patronage and favors and soliciting a continuance of the same, we want you to call and inspect our

NEW HOLIDAY STOCK

whether you intend to buy or not. We want you to see our elegant line of all new goods, and call your attention to the following lines which have been purchased for this year's Holiday Trade:

A handsome line of Cups and Saucers, Beautiful novelties in China and Glassware.	Shaving Mugs, Music Boxes, Imported Notions.
Mustard Dishes and decorated Toothpick Holders.	Oil Paintings, Oil Cans, Children's Paint Boxes.
10 cent Silver Trays and extra 25 cent Brass Trays.	Papeteries, Assorted Pencils, Perforated Chair Seats.
Baby Rattles, Paint Boxes, Hair Brushes, Tooth Brushes.	Perfumery Stands, Picture Frames, Pitchers, Pipes.
Perfumery in Bulk and Bottles, Harmonicas, Toilet Soaps, Sachet Powders.	China Plates, Rockingham Ware, Rubber Dolls.
Autograph Albums, Photograph Albums, Bisque Figures.	Glass Salt and peppers, Scrap Books, Plush Shaving Sets.
Blank Books, Alphabet Blocks, Assorted Books, Book Department.	Shawl and Book Straps, Silverine Goods, Smokers' Goods.
Box Paper (plush), Bread and Milk Sets, Whisk and Hearth Brooms.	Staple Notions, Miscellaneous Staples, Stationery.
Candy, Playing Cards, and all kinds of Fun time Games.	Cabinet Stationery, Toy Stoves, Surprise Boxes.
China Cups and Saucers, China and Bisque Ornaments, China Mugs.	Ten Pins, Tin Toys, Tin Toy Stoves, China Toys.
Imported China Novelties, China Table Sets, China Toys, Christmas Cards.	Domestic Toys, Imported Toys, Iron Toys, Penny Toys.
Christmas Card Novelties, Cigars, Combs, Crockery, Cuspidors.	Rubber Toys, Wood Toys, Assorted Vases, China Vases.
Dinner Sets, Dolls, Drums, Electric Glue, Envelopes, Furniture.	Glass Vases, Boys' Wagons, English Waiters, Wash Boards.
Children's Games, Glass Art Goods, Gloves and Mittens, Horns, Trumpets, etc.	Watches, Toy Watches, Whisk Brooms, Wooden Specialties.
Inks, Mucilage, Glass Inkstands, Juvenile Book's.	Woodenware, Plush Work Boxes, Wooden Work Boxes.
Toy Kitchen Sets, Lap Writing Desks, Lemon Squeezers.	Writing Desks, Writing Paper, Yellow Crockery Ware.
Plush Manicure Sets, Marbles, Pocket and Toilet Mirrors.	Shelf Ornaments, Table Ornaments, Wall Decorations, Etc.

Yours respectfully,

Whitehead & Mitchell.
Birmingham, Mich.

HOME NOTES.

Last Saturday passed for a rainy day.

Mrs. P. J. Bailey called on friends in town one evening last week.

Fred Smith limps about with a very sore foot, the result of a severe cut.

A Rochester school ma'am was arrested last week for spankin' a child too hard and too "sudditt."

Lost—a pocket-book. The finder will be suitably rewarded by leaving it with the owner, M. G. Jones.

Three millions of men and women in this country are out of employment and cannot find work. Too bad.

And now English capitalists want to buy up all our cigar factories. This scheme will no doubt end in smoke.

It is a shame that Christmas time and tax time come the same month. It just empties the pocket-book of all.

Rochester pays 1½ per cent taxes this year, the cause thereof being the cost of a new school house, of which $4,300 is raised this year.

The death of Fred VanHooven, which occurred at his home in Pontiac last Saturday, casts a goom over many warm friends in this place. To know him was to esteem him.

Mr. Samuel Jarvis is away on a visit to his daughter, Mrs. Musgrave at Kankakee, Ill. Samuel will make a nice long visit and no doubt will enjoy every moment of his absence!

The Rev. Mr. Marsh, a very talented minister of the Presbyterian faith, will preach at the Presbyterian church next Sunday morning. All are earnestly invited to attend.

Married, at the M. E. parsonage, Birmingham, Mich., by Rev. E. P. Peirce, Mr. William West and Miss Minnie R. James of Troy, Mich, on the evening of December 5, 1889.

Mr. James Beatty has disposed of the old Morris mill property to Mr. Henry Reynolds of Pontiac, who has taken possession of his property and will run the mill to its fullest capacity.

The new and beautiful Catholic church at Royal Oak, the "St. Mary's," will be dedicated December 15, at 10 a. m. His Lordship Bishop Foley will be present at the ceremony. No doubt but what a large crowd will be in attendance.

Notice to woodchuck scalp takers: I will be at Volney Nixon's store Saturday, December 21, to receive woodchuck scalps, sparrow heads, etc., and issue orders for the same. McAllister Randall.

The Misses Lena and Myrtie Faint each had a birthday party last week Saturday, and hospitably entertained about 70 of their little friends. Many presents were received from the friends of the little ones.

Our Troy friend, Stephen S. Cooper had a stroke of paralysis not long ago, was found in the field, taken care of and is now almost as good as new. At any rate he will collect the Troy taxes just the same.

A. H. Leet, treasurer of Bloomfield township, will be at the Exchange Bank in Birmingham every Friday in December to receive taxes, Treasurer's office at Pontiac the first and third Saturdays in December. 2

Our own hens should stick a pin right here and lay all the harder. Last year 14,147,000 dozen eggs worth $2,118,582 were imported from Canada into this country. Of course Canada should by all means be annexed.

We shall have cheap Christmas gifts after awhile. A Birmingham man has invented a metal that can be distinguished from the fine gold only by experts; it can be turned out for 60 cents a pound.—[Orion Review.

Saturday, December 7, the Orion Review wound up its eighth year and was extra full of choice local miscellany and interesting reading of a general nature, and from all indications it promises to live long and war fat under its excellent management.

Persons dealing four foot wood consisting of oak, elm and white ash can be supplied by calling on Noble Gravline on Fremont street. Price $2 50 per cord. I have also 50 cords of basswood at $2 per cord.

J. S. Stockwell for the next 30 day will sell all his cloaks at a special discount and will give to every purchaser a muff or handkerchief, except those who buy the $25 plush cloaks. Read his advt. in this issue and profit thereby.

The ladies of the M. E. church held their regular monthly meeting and supper at Mrs. E. M. Leonard's on Friday last. Nearly 50 were present and all had a good time, and the treasury of the society was added to in a very satisfactory way by the company gathered.

It it against the law to run a lottery or gift distribution or advertise them in the great commonwealth of Michigan Still we notice in our exchanges that a number of them are advertising such and a number of law abiding merchants (supposed to be) are engaged in this low breaking business.

The sad news of the death of Allen H. Castle was telegraphed to his friends here last Monday night, from California, by his sons, Heman and Charlie. Mr. Castle, only inside of a month, went to the Pacific slope apparently a well man and his death came upon us like a sudden blow. It is expected that his body will reach Birmingham next Monday for burial.

It is stated that the new postal cards which were issued October 1, vary in size. One is a fine delicate card for ladies' use, much smaller than formerly in circulation, and of finer quality. An intermediate card of the same size as the one that has been in use is retained, and a large card has been introduced that can be used for business purposes.

The first gun of the season since the honey episode was Will Smith, brother to Col. Chas. B. Smith, thumping Hon. John R. Nye on the snoot, charging him with being the informer who caused the dude's arrest. The wat took place in the new tonsorial parlors.

For the purpose of receiving taxes I will be at the Birmingham Exchange Bank every Saturday during the remainder of this month. At Troy Corners on Thursdays, and at home, one mile east and one mile south of Big Beaver, on Tuesday, December 24 and 31. Stephen S. Cooper. 3

David Reid while helping his brother Peter butcher a cow on the 5th inst, received a serious injury which will lay him up for some time to come. While drawing the beef up his hand got caught in the pulley and lacerated severely, and breaking his left arm between the elbow and wrist. Dr. Campbell attends him and reports him doing well.

At the regular communication of the Birmingham lodge, No. 44, F. & A. M., held Thursday evening, December 5, the following officers were elected: Eugene Brooks, W. M.; Isaac Pearsall, S. W. Homer Ebling, J. W.; Moses K Taber, treasurer; McA. Randall, Sec'y; Augustus C. Tibbils, S. D.; Frank Withy, J. D.; Samuel Jarvis, tyler; Ira J. Chatfield and Morrell B. Dennis, stewards.

Orion has a syndicate that tries every month to bust the Louisiana lottery, and as usual draw monthly blanks. We understand Birmingham once had such an organization for the same purpose, but gave it up long ago, having in all their many investments drawn the magnificent sum of ten big dollars, which they reinvested and—horrors! drew nothing.

A Partridge, administrator of the estate of Samuel Roberts, deceased, will sell at auction on the premises in the township of Greenfield, Wayne county, just east of the middle toll gate on the Detroit and Birmingham plank road, on the base line, Thursday December 12 1889, at 2 o'clock p. m., five acres of land. Sale absolute. Terms cash. Mr. Partridge will do his own talking and officiate as his own clerk. 2

We recently received from Messrs Arthur & Philbric of Detroit, a fine lifesize water color portrait of Master Raynale Whitehead. It was the work of an artist in the employ of the firm and could not be finer. The expression, color of the hair and all the minor details which go to make a life-like and satisfactory portrait, are simply perfect. There can be no better work done either in large or small pictures than by this firm.

Advertising is no longer an adjunct to business; it is a business in itself. Progressive merchants and manufactures realize that they must keep their announcements continualy and attractively before the public if they would gain their share of public patronage. Those who do not use the newspapers wonder at the dullness which settles upon them and the gradual drifting to other houses of their business. Those who would thrive in this age of sharp competition must not allow the public to forget them.—Ex.

On the 5th inst., Mr Searls, a young man living in the John K. Adams house, received a dislocation of the right shoulder joint, and was in that condition all night before help was summoned. But the next day reduction was accomplished by Dr. Campbell and chloroform.

I will be at the following places to receive taxes: Seth Barue's school house, Bloomfield, on Saturday, December 21; A. A. Rupt's store in Franklin, on Tuesday, December 24; Wm. Erity's mill, Thursday, December 26; town hall in Southfield, Saturday, December 28. Will be at each place from 10 a. m. to 3 p. m. Jas. R. Brooks. 2

During this month many of our subscribers' time runs out, and as we are still running on the cash in advance system they should see to it that the dollar of our daddies is handed in at once. After mature deliberation we have determined to turn our old blue X loose upon a long suffering public, two weeks from this issue. You can now tell whether you will see him or not. Look at the date after your name and if is past you have a dollar belonging to us and we can use it. Time is nearing a close.

The piano and organ trade was never better than now. Sales lively and satisfaction given to all. For a Christmas present what would be nicer than an upright piano? We have the agency for the sale of the celebrated Schubert piano and there is no better instrument manufactured. We have one on exhibition which we will be pleased to show to any one intending to buy, and as to price and terms we can satisfy the most exacting. Call on Whitehead or Mitchell for particulars. Time given if necessary.

As the liquor law and election act of the last legislature are better understood the more the impression gains with people that the late work of our legislature is a piece of gigantic nothingness. These enactments were given weeks of time that cost the taxpayers thousands of dollars, yet both are so defective that enforcement is entirely impossible. No sane officer would think of enforcing either of these enactments on his own interpretation, and the Attorney General is sure to drown him self in voleminous opinions concerning their constitutionality.—[Mt. Clemens Press.

The greatest evidence of the success of "our boys" who went west to carve a name and fame for themselves, comes to us in the Thanksgiving number of the Crawford, Neb., Times, which is edited and published by Allie J. Bodine, formerly of this place. It is a finely printed 16 page paper and shows the efforts of a well educated and industious young man. The advertising columns are well patronized and give evidence both of an appreciative public and a healthy circulation. Allie's many friends hereabouts will be pleased to hear of his successful enactment of the new role of editor in chief.

Every spring the thousand and one little cross road printing offices, have looked to "ticket printing" for a little change as a bankrupt actor does to his benefit night. But this is to be no longer. The wise legislature has enacted that all copy of election tickets must be sent to the secretary of State at Lansing to be printed by the state contractor, and that no ballot shall be counted except those so officially printed. This is the climax of all infernal fool laws that ever were enacted, and it is time for the people to kick. If they can no longer be trusted to prepare their own ballots, they are unfit to cast them. We would like to see a general disregard and defiance of the law throughout the state.—Ypsilanti Sentinel.

K. O. T. M.

The Busy Bees Have a Grand, Good, Old Time.

About two weeks ago some 200 invitations were issued for a public installation of the newly elected officers of Hall tent No. 227, Knights of the Maccabees, and last Monday night witnessed one of the pleasantest little gatherings ever seen in Birmingham.

The lodge room in the new Parks block was filled with the best people of the town, a fine selection of half a dozen numbers of vocal and instrumental music was given by Misses Peabody, Worth and Peck, and Messrs. Smith and Hanna, while the cornet duet by Messrs Taber and VanEvery was well received.

The evening was a most enjoyable one, being enhanced by games, refreshments and fun of all kinds, the climax of which was reached when Claud Harris rode the goat.

Long life to the merry Maccabees say we. The object is a most worthy one, and should be encouraged by every one who has at heart that most commendable of all virtues, the care of the wife and little ones at home.

HIGH SCHOOL EXHIBITION.

Program for the Freshmen and Sophmore exhibition to be given Friday evening, December 20, at Library hall. Entertainment to be begin at 8 o'clock sharp. Admission 10 cents.

PROGRAMME.

Quartette—Greeting Glee ..... Simplication
Essay—Education ..... Sadie Thomas
Recitation—Lighthouse ..... Longfellow
Inez Caswell.
Music—Woodland Whispers Waltz .....
Myra Coleman.
Recitation—The American Forest Girl .....
Mae. Peirce.
Essay—From The Beginning ..... Minnie Starr
Recitation ..... Fannie Johnson
MUSIC.
Essay—Life is What we Make It .....
Alice Houghton.
Dialogue—What is Christmas ..... May Thurby,
Bertha Park, Millie Alexander, Rena Rayfiond, Minnie Staley.
Tableau ..... Select
Recitation—Callilues Defiance Grant M'Donald
High School Paper ..... Myrtie Bird, Mae. Peirce
MUSIC.
Play—Selection From Ingomar ..... Charlie Reynolds, Laura Midgley.
Quartet—Little Old Cot by the Sea .....
Tableau ..... Select
FINIS.

MY CHRISTMAS OFFER.

To every one buying $2 50 worth of goods at my store between now and Jan. 1, I will present a handsomely bound book worth 50 cents. This offer will include millinery, hosiery, underwear, mittens, corsets, or anything in holiday goods of which I have a new and well selected stock. Give me a call before buying a Christmas present for any one. Orders taken for picture frames.

LILLIE I. ALLYN.

A CARD.

Editors of the Eccentric.

GENTLEMEN—Noticing a card in your paper, recently, in which Mr. George McClelland of Southfield asks why he is being persecuted by some one opening his petato pits, letting down his fences, etc., I now rise to ask why he, Mr. Geo McClelland, lets down my fences and turns my stock in loose with Louis Haack's stock, to the great damage of Mr. Haack.

RICHARD MILLER.
Southfield, Mich.

NEW BOOKS.

King's reputation from stories of war times, "A War Time Wooing" and "Marion's Faith," is well sustained by his last, "The Deserter." Certainly no one will lay down the book from lack of interest.

The boys who remember with pleasure the Castlemon series, "Frank Amsley," "The Rockies," etc., will not pass over this last, said to be his best, "True to his Colors," a story of the civil war.

A story for girls, "The Quaker Girl of Nantucket," by Miss Lee; and the very popular story of camp life, "The Straybacks in Camp," are the latest additions to the library.

HONEY WAY UP.

"If You Must Have Hon, You Must Have Mon."

Last Saturday night Mr. Frank Beckman invited in a few friends for a social game of pedro, the now fashionable card game, it having successfully driven progressive euchre to the wall in all circles of gay and fashionable life.

No pains had been spared by the hospitable host and maybe doubt. Wine and champagne flowed freely around the festive board far into the the "wee sma hours."

At any rate something had put the chief and fun into the pedro players, for Gen. Chas. B. Smith, Col. George McStay, Hon. John R. Nye and Maj Will Simonson, went out on a little lark.

Sunday morning church goers were surprised to find that George Toms' and Mr. VanGordon's barber shop signs had shifted during the night; a number of boxes belonging to Whitehead & Mitchell were piled upon the walk; Pinder Worth's property had been contaminated Mrs. Utter—yes, even the widows, we are sorry to say, were imposed upon, the good lady's fence being torn away and put across the walk; old Mrs Carter, a feeble invalid, had her door step torn away; the empty houses of Mrs. Abram Smith were entered and a carnival held there that disturbed the neighbors for blocks around; the quartet amused themselves by dissecting Charlie Raynor's wagon, and three of them wound up the toot by making a call upon the apiary of Ira J. Chatfield where about three pounds of choice honey was absorbed.

Before this part of the program had been carried out Hon. John R. Nye had left the party after going part of the way, backing out because the boys wouldn't take him to the scene of action in a coupe; hence the Hon. John was not gathered in with the rest of the gang when the grand finale was reached.

Well, Sunday morning, Ira Chatfield discovered the depredations and Monday morning, owing to the seductive persuasion of Constable Beattie and the fact that the Hon. John N. Nye had awakened, in fact gave away the whole scheme, Constable Beattie arrested Chas. B. Smith, Geo. McStay, and Will Simonson, brought them before 'Squire Partridge, who, in a few words of fatherly advice regarding the many acts of lawlessness that had been committed during the past year; and that the people had got tired of it; and that it didn't require a college education to tear away door steps from widows' homes, destroying their fences, or damaging their other property; he gave them to distinctly understand that such acts were brutal and henious and also deserved punishment, but owing to the fact that Mr. Chatfield had asked for judicial clemency he would grant his (Chatfield's) request and let the boys off by paying Mr. Chatfield $20 damages and the court fees, 17, making a net cost of about $9 per pound for three pounds of honey, which was promptly paid. Therefore, "if you have hon, you must have mon."

The report that the honey was intended to add to the table of a public installation for their enjoyment last Monday evening, was false. The Macca-Bees always furnish their own honey.

HAPPY HOOSIERS.

Wm. Timmons, postmaster at Idaville, Ind., writes: "Electric Bitters has done more for me than all other medicines combined, for that bad feeling arising from Kidney and Liver complaint." John Leslie, farmer and stockman of the same place, says: "Find Electric Bitters to be the best Liver and Kidney medicine; made me feel like a new man." J. W. Gardner, hardware merchant, same town, says: "Electric Bitters is just the thing for a man who is all run down and don't care whether he lives or dies;" he found new strength, good appetite and felt just like he had a new lease of life. Only 50c a bottle at Whitehead & Mitchell's drug store.

HOLIDAY OPPORTUNITIES.

A Rare Opportunity to Visit Relatives and Friends in Canada.

The Detroit, Grand Haven & Milwaukee railway, and Toledo, Saginaw and Muskegon railway will sell special excursion tickets from all stations on their line to all prominent points in Canada, at one lowest limited fare for the round trip. Tickets will be sold for all trains going on December 20, 21, 22, and are valid to return up to and including January 7, 1890, giving ample time to pay a visit during the holidays to Canadian friends and relatives. The rate is a very low one and the limit a long one. Tickets will be sold as far east as Montreal and Quebec. For information apply to all agents of this company, or Ben Fletcher, traveling agent, Detroit, Mich.

CLARKSTON.

A number of our young folks were skating Friday evening.

Mrs. Drew of Birmingham is visiting Mrs. A. J. Crosby.

The Band of Hope met with Mrs. Pratt Monday evening.

Mrs. S. Yager gave an oyster supper in N. B. Smith's vacant store Saturday.

Mrs. Habbin and daughter have gone to Detroit to spend the winter.

The W. C. T. U. met with Mrs. Allen Thursday.

The donation at the M. E. church last Thursday evening was a pleasant affair and realized $69 50.

The Aid society meets at Mrs. Gulick's Saturday.

HURRAH FOR TRAVIS.

Dear Eccentric.

As I have a few short moments to spare before hustling to the next town to dispose of another carload of surplus oil, I will tell you that I arrived in Omaha safe but hungry (not dry; thanks to a thoughtful friend), on Monday, November 25, and after a few hours with the moguls, started over a route in Iowa to Sudeator, by all the acts traveling men are noted for, to convince the lowa grasser and the festive cowboy that the goods sold by the Consolidated Tank Line Co. were superior to those of any other company in America, and judging from results so far obtained, the people here are open to conviction.

If Troy and Bloomfield farmers had to raise corn and sell it for 18c for 75 pounds of ears (the present price here), they might have cause to complain. Crops here are enormous, but prices are very low.

I ate my Thanksgiving turkey in the small town of Oakland, Pottawattomie county, on the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific railroad. It was very cold, the thermometer being four degrees below zero, and the wind blowing a gale. As usual I was blessed with a good appetite, and not being handicapped by having the senior member of the Birmingham Exchange Bank for my viz-a viz at the table, I fared quite well.

You can't imagine what a relief it is to get away even for a short time from the buzz of the electric railways and the continual thumping of the ponderous machinery which supplies the village of Birmingham with pure spring water. However, nothing succeeds like success, and should the writer see all these improvements upon his next visit to Birmingham he would not be surprised.

After making a trip in Nebraska I will write again. Meanwhile go on in the even tenor of your ways, for the future hath in it a great reward.

C. S. TRAVIS.

REMARKABLE RESCUE.

Mrs. Michael Curtain, Plainfield, Ill., makes the statement that she caught cold, which settled on her lungs; she was treated for a month by her family physician, but grew worse. He told her she was a hopeless victim of consumption and that no medicine could cure her. Her druggist suggested Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption; she got a bottle and to her delight found herself benefited from first dose. She continued its use and after taking ten bottles found herself sound and well, and now does her own housework and is as sound and well as she ever was. Free trial bottles of this great discovery at Whitehead & Mitchell's; large bottles 50c and $1 00.

COUNTY LINE CLIPPINGS.

Miss Emma Hoard is in poor health again.

Mrs. Charles Babcock of Bay City is visiting relatives in this vicinity.

There is a new doctor at Warren.

James Geddes talks of visiting the old country this winter.

WEST BLOOMFIELD BUZZINGS.

Look out for the wedding.

The social went off splendid and $12 was realized, which was presented to Mr. Allen and Mr. Colvin, Mr. Page making the presentation. Mr. Colvin thanked the people for their kindness and also in behalf of his brother, Mr. Allen, who was not present.

Charlie Crofoot is having his barn replaced.

Miss Clara Brewer of Memphis is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Lord.

Mrs. Harwood has gone to the city to spend the holidays.

We met John Patchett on the way, as we were going to town the other day; we noticed he was rather smiling, and his looks were quite beguiling; but we went but little farther, when we heard that he was father of a six pound baby boy, which he thinks is but a toy.

The school has a new unabridged dictionary, which was much needed in the school.

Active preparations are being made for a Christmas tree by the young people of this place.

Sidney Barton has purchased a new feed grinder which he is operating successfully.

The citizens are anticipating a post-office on Barton's corners when the proposed electre railway comes through.

BIG BEAVER BLIZZARDS.

Maud Rainey is visiting in this vicinity.

Mattie Axtell Sundayed with Vet Robbins.

Mr. Povey will give a temperance lecture at Red Ribbon hall next Saturday night.

The muddy going of last week revived the subject of sidewalks, which, it is hoped, will result in something besides talk.

Ivy Gibbs has returned from a visit to her parents at Rocommon.

Minnie James has gone West for an indefinite period.

Jennie Ebling is doing Evangelistic work in a distant part of the state.

A new lot of trimmed and untrimmed winter hats and bonnets. A lot of trimmed goods from 50c up to $2 00. Childrens hoods from 25c up. Mrs. L. T. Furman.

School supplies—slates, pencils, tablets dialogues, Gospel hymns, etc. Perfumery and toilet powders at Mrs. L. T Furman's.