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WESTWARD

†Morning Express	7:42 a. m.
*Mail	12:05 p. m.
†Grand Rapids Express	4:50 p. m.
†Suburban	6:30 p. m.
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†Night Express	3:55 a. m.
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To close out my stock of Scales I offer a Double Beam Scale at $15, a Single Beam Scale at $13. Every farmer needs a Scale of this kind. These Scales sold at $16 and $18. They are manufactured by the Howe Scale Company.

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All that I have on hand your choice for $11. One Sulky Plow new at $20. Former price, $30. One second hand Gale No. 22, good as new, at $7.

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We have for sale a limited number of Indian Tan Buckskin Gloves. Prices last season $1.50. We will close out 11 pair just for a teacher at 75c per pair. Never before was such value offered.

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HOME NOTES.

Doll show, to-night.

John Pound has a new advertisement.

George W. Waters, of Detroit, was in our town Monday last.

A new milch cow for sale. Martin Meyer. If

Mrs. G. Jones and son Joe, visited in Oxford one day last week.

Read J. S. Stockwell's new adv't this week.

Mitchell wonders will the electric car gong keep his baby awake nights.

Buckwheat bran $11.00 per ton. A good grain bag for 13 cents at Smith & Co's.

R. A. French, of New York City, spent last week with his aunt, Mrs. W. E. French.

If you want to buy a doll for Christmas cheap, you will find that the doll show, Admission 10 cents.

It is proposed to build a children's monument to Eugene Field. He was truly the children's poet.

The fire alarm Tuesday night was caused by the burning out of a chimney at the home of Mrs. Russell.

The Tuesday club will hold its next meeting at the residence of Mrs. J. R. Logan, Dec. 10th, at seven o'clock.

Miss Minnie Gillette is the welcome guest of Miss Mollie G. Smith, and the two young ladies are more than happy.

Mr. Reuben Russel was in town last week laying out and establishing the run of the new electric railway through our village.

The celebration of Mrs. Stanton's 80th birthday called out one of the most notable gatherings ever seen in this country.

Francis F. Fall received Friday, Nov. 29, a fine saddle of venison, shot and sent by his brother, Henry Fall, of East Troy, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Wooster are safely settled on the farm and Dr. N. Shaw and wife reside in their pleasant home on Maple avenue.

The L. L. C. will meet with Mrs Poppleton next Monday evening. Subject, Shakespeare's "King Lear." Current events for roll call.

If you have not secured a ticket for the lecture course, do not fail to do so. Judge Thomas, Herbert Sprague, B. W. Waltermire and an entertainment.

Hall's Hair Renewer is pronounced the best preparation made for thickening the growth of hair and restoring that which is gray to its original color.

Stella Ward and James Cobb returned to Ann Arbor Monday morning, after a few days vacation. Both are delighted with U. of M., but find long, hard lessons.

The Ladies' Working Society of the M. E. Church, will meet at the residence of Mrs. Frank Allen, Friday, Dec. 6. All are cordially invited. M. Daniels, Sec'y.

Be sure and go to the Weight social given at the home of J. W. Bassett, tomorrow evening, Dec. 6. Conveyances will be in front of E. Blakeslee's store at 7 o'clock.

The electric road will bring all our friends out from the city and we must put on our best. When the ice house is moved we can have the nicest water works grounds in the country.

Mrs. John Waters of Southfield, an early pioneer and a highly respected lady much loved by all her neighbors, died last week. We would be pleased to print an obituary notice if some kind friend would hand it in.

Al White was the very first man to show blood for the electric railroad. Some fellow workman without malice aforethought, struck Al a backhanded blow with his pick axe, and the rest of the day Al resembled a foot ball player of a winning eleven.

It will pay you to go to the doll show to-night to hear the singing, to see the the booths, and most of all, to see our owne st own nicest girls who have charge of them. The finest doll in the hall can be had for five cents if you only guess her name.

"A woman may vote as a stockholder upon a railroad from one end of our country to the other. But if she sells her stock and buys a house with the money, she has no voice in the laying out of the road before her door which her house is taxed to keep and pay for."

The next lecture of the Library course will be on Dec. 13 and by Judge Sidney Thomas, of California. His subject will probably be "The Nation's Defenders." The tickets for remainder of the course will be sold for $1. For sale at the Postoffice.

Does anyone know anybody by the name of Samuel Hiller. His mother in Detroit is anxious to hear from him, for if anyone knows of such a party they will confer an everlasting favor upon his mother by communicating with her at once. Elida J. Hiller, 415 Champlain St., Detroit, Mich.

The ladies of the Episcopal church will hold their "Tea Meeting" in the basement of the church on Friday evening, Dec. 6, from six o'clock till eight. All are cordially invited to attend. Supper 10 cents. Georgia R. Wilson, Secritary.

There will be union gospel meetings conducted by Rev. Edgar E Davidson at the Congregational church, Pontiac, Michigan, Sunday, Dec 1st to Dec 22, 1895. Meetings every day except Saturday at 4:00 p. m., and 7:30 p. m. The public is cordially invited.

The services at the Methodist church next Sunday morning will be of unusual interest. They will be under the auspices of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. A deaconess from the Detroit Home will be present and give an account of the deaconess work in the city.

Dynamite had to be used to loosen up the road for the Oakland Electric railway, and in front of M. K. Taber's the managers gave up the fight and decided to run the track top of the ground on the side. Nearly fifty men are at work and cars will soon run. John Edwards is the dynamite fiend.

Bert Blakeslee did not come home at Thanksgiving. He will finish up some photographs and review his calculus ready for examination. He wants his mother to send him a cup of jelly, some roast turkey, some raised biscuit and cake, and he thinks he could eat a home made mince pie without any trouble.

The Detroit Courier pays the Woman's Eccentric many fine compliments. It says, "Evidently the new woman is come to crowd us even out of journalism, our last ditch, next to soldiering." She says "No," we don't want to crowd you out, we only wanted to make sure we could do it if we should ever want to."

John Clapp will sell at auction on the premises, 1 mile east of Royal Oak Village, on Tuesday, Dec. 10, 1895, at 1 o'clock p. m., the following property. Horses, colts; cows, harnesses, wagons, cutting box, plow, cultivator, drag, four acres of cornstalks, and other articles. Terms easy. M. H. Blunt, auctioneer. Samuel Martin, clerk.

Notice to whom it may concern: The township treasurer will be at the store of Jacob Erb in Royal Oak Village, to receive taxes Thursday, Dec. 5, '95, and Friday Dec. 6 and every Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 'till Jan 10, '96. F. L. Knowles, Township Treasurer of Royal Oak.

That advertising pays and pays well, is proved by Mrs. Elvira Benson, of Warren, Mich., whose carpet weaving notice appears on our 4th page. The lady is an expert in her business and is making many homes happy by carpet weaving. If you have anything in that line that you wish done you should call on her and secure promptness, fair dealing and satisfaction.

Oh, say! Did you ever consult an Ouija board, or Planchette? Whitehead & Mitchell have 'em for sale and the fun Mitchell is having consulting the spirits is better than riches. The answers that are received are surprisingly wonderful, startling, mysterious, and are believed. Some one or two are developing as great workers on Planchette and Ouija.

Will Baum is a careful, conscientious, pleasing, economical draymas, but met his Waterloo one day last week. In taking a load of empty oil barrels to the depot, he discovered that all of them had more or less oil (?) in. He industriously secured nearly five gallons of the fluid by draining out each barrel, but alas, and alack! when he came to burn it, it was water that had rained in the bung-hole of each barrel.

At the regular annual convocation of Birmingham Chapter, No. 93, R. A. M., held Monday evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Eugene Sherman, H. P.; J. Allen Bigelow, K.; M. K. Taber, S.; A. C. Tibbils, C. of H.; Wm. C. Richardson, P. S.; M. G. Jones, R. A. C.; W. H. Smith, M. of 3rd V.; M. B. Dennis, M. of 2nd V.; Walter North, M. of 1st V.; F. Hagerman, Treas.; A. Partridge, Sec'y; S. Jarvis, Sentinel.

E. J. Kipnisten, our popular baker, has sold out his entire plant—pails, pans and kettles, with stock of bakers goods, candies etc., to the Misses Joslie and Eva Hutchinson, who took complete possession Monday last and who will continue to manage as before, a first class tidy bake shop, where all may get in the future as well as in the past the very best bread, cakes, pies, candy etc. We certainly wish the young ladies the very best of success in their new venture, and trust that their fondest hopes will be realized.

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Having rented his farm Joseph Bell will sell on the premises known as the Bell estate, 3 miles south and 1 mile west of Birmingham and 1½ miles south of Erity's Mill, on Friday, Dec. 6 1895, at 10 o'clock a. m. the following property: Horses, harnesses, top buggy, new wagons, set trucks, plows, iron drag, mowing machine, binder, horse rake, 2 hay racks, cultivators, road cart, saw and six pigs, two cutters, a quantity of corn in shocks, and other articles usually found at a sale. M. H. Blunt, auctioneer. For terms of sale and other particulars see large bills.

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Alanson Partridge, Administrator of the estates of Mary Ann Maney and Margaret Dunn, deceased, will sell at public auction on the premises, about 3 miles west of Warren Village, on section one, in the township of Royal Oak, on Thursday, Dec. 5th, 1895, at 10 o'clock a. m. the following property. Nine milch cows, one bull, calves, 12 shotes, 23 sheep, horses, one mower, one lumber wagon, 4 turkeys, 40 chickens, 20 geese, 12 tons of hay, 200 bushels of potatoes, 150 cords of four foot wood, 15 acres of wheat on the ground. Wood and corn on the old Maney farm, but will be sold at place named above. Terms easy. M. H. Blunt, auctioneer, A. Bayley, clerk. Free lunch at noon.

The school collection for Thanksgiving came in our Ladies' Aid society, and was thankfully received. We will dispose of it to the best of our ability. From the High room came $2 21; second Grammar room, $2 60; first Grammar room, $1 65; first Primary room, $1 01; second Primary room, $1 75; in all, $8 62. And I would like to say to the scholars and teachers who are so kind and generous in giving to us, that often a portion of the money comes back in the school by helping to buy books for some of their schoolmates, and I think it is truly a pleasure to the scholars to know they are helping each other, and I am sure any one who may get the books would prize them very much for the remembrance of them from their schoolmates.

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Made up in Irish Frieze, Black and Oxford—Chinchillas—Whitney Beavers, Black and Oxford—Fancy all wool linings with big storm collars.

Boys' Clothing

we've been fortunate in securing another lot of those fine Blue Chinchilla Reefers that have been so much in demand at $5, which usually sells for $6 and $7. Could only get them in sizes up to 12 years though. Have a fine line of Reefers at $2.50 and up in sizes 3 to 16 years. Pair of steel club skates free with every Boys' Suit, Reefer or Overcoat.

R. H. TRAVER

171, 173, 175 WOODWARD AVENUE, DETROIT.

SELF EXPLANATORY.

BIRMINGHAM Mich., Dec. 2nd, 1895.
EDITORS OF THE ECCENTRIC:—

My attention was called to the article in your paper of Nov. 28th, headed "Are we a back woods town, or are we up to the times?" In reply will say—that I never opposed appointing ladies on the board, or threatened to resign if such a thing was done, in fact I mentioned one or two that I thought would make good members, and work for the interest of the school, and as I will be the only member of the board to hold over for the year of 1896-7, I will be pleased to act with any ladies elected at our annual meeting, especially the writer of the article. Yours truly,

WM. C. JENKS.

THE MILK QUESTION.

EDITORS OF THE ECCENTRIC:—

There seems to be more clouds on milk horizon. The farmers of Birmingham seem to be inclined to let the "cream" as they call themselves, dictate to them how they shall sell their milk. It seems strange that as intelligent men as the farmers of Birmingham are, would be so cowed in that way. Nothing in the world is more plain than the course pursued now by all the unions was the matter of producing all the milk for Detroit market from where it is now to a radius of 10 to 20 miles farther off. If the farmers think there is much money to be selling milk for 30 cents for 40 quarts, whilst for the potatoes raised a few rods off pay but little more than an average of $1.00 per 100 lbs., they are pursuing the right policy to their profit and future. A couple of Eastern houses are shut up and his milk coming from other places. Nearly sharp enough to keep their market with dogs as. How many more will do so remains to be seen. Of course the City is to form a co-operative station and sell their own milk, half would be all right for one part of the year, but the farmers would soon go broke at supporting one for their would be against the best interests. I trust that the farmers of Birmingham will show the good sense they have had and look after their own interests instead of trusting them to people who have no interest with them.

Yours Resp'y,
P. H. CHILD.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

The following is a list of letters remaining unclaimed in the post-office at Birmingham, Mich., for the week ending November 30, 1895:

Miss Bilbina Wehrle; Fred Van Tarese, Miss N. Saunders, Mrs. O. W. Petty, Mrs. Lafferty, Mrs. Joseph Lightfoot, Evans Culture Co., Mrs. Fanny Cole, A. M. Baston.

Persons calling for any of the above will please say "advertised."

GEORGE H. MITCHELL, P. M.

ROYAL OAK RUMBLINGS.

Mr. Herman Herring was presented with a beautiful little son on Thanksgiving day. Mother and child doing well.

Miss Frankie Benedict, of Detroit, visited her parents here over Sunday.

The two sports dance that was to be held at the town hall for Friday evening, did not turn out as was anticipated, and the band played on, to his own satisfaction.

Mr. Billy Duff is again on the war path, this time Mr. Frank Macper, of Detroit.

Mrs. Joseph Conrad is visiting her parents from Grosse Pointe.

Miss Clara Erb, who is attending school at Ypsilanti, spent Thanksgiving at home.

Mr. Will Wilcox spent Sunday at Mrs. Dows.

FRANKLIN FLITTERINGS.

Mrs. S. I. Slade and family are visitors in town.

A. Dusbar was the lucky winner at the gun raffle.

Everybody is going to the donation party at Edwin Miller's.

Miss Bertha VanEvery and Nathan Ishmael were married at the residence of the bride's mother, Thanksgiving morning. Rev. Beatty performed the ceremony in the presence of a few relatives and friends. A bountiful dinner was served after which the young couple departed for Farmington, where they will reside.

Miss Jennie German and Chas. Bingham surprised their many friends on Monday last by slipping quietly away and being married over the Canadian border. On their return they took up their residence at the groom's parental home. My good luck and prosperity go with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bingham.

One good Jersey cow, 36 Merino ewes for sale. E. Prince on E. C. Poppleton farm, mile north of Birmingham. 3

THE ELECTRIC RAILROAD.

Many Men Employed, and the Work is Being Pushed.

Thanksgiving day brought a gang of men and work at once was begun in front of the National hotel and E. Hagermans drug store in what used to be Saginaw St., but now called by nearly everybody in reference to the thoroughfare, "Woodward Ave." About forty men are employed in the work and they are right into the earth, rails are immediately laid and spiked thereon, and the earth put back and safely jumped into the city limits the work is necessarily slow, because it is a gravel road pressed and pounded solid with years of travel, but once outside of the village, the work progresses very rapidly. The grading for nearly the whole distance is finished and the laying of the rails will be completed as fast men's muscle and money can do it. Young Hendrie keeps one eye on Springfield and Royal Oak, and Nelson E. keeps both eyes on the men and busies himself along the whole line as a general pusher. The Oakland R. R. Co. is a perpetual franchise, and in return give passengers a 15 cent fare to the river, foot of Woodward avenue. There is absolutely nothing that our people could ask for in this regard. Mr. Hendrie, Hon. Stephen Baldwin, and other stockholders say that the Oakland Co. R. R. will be second to none in the world. The road bed will be made to stay. Heavy eight wheel cars will be run equipped with the best electrical appliances capable of making forty miles an hour if desired in the city or they propose. Open cars, will be run for the pleasure of the party chartering the same, and everything that a company can do to please its patrons their company will faithfully do. As for the question is about the only thing not yet undecided, and when the question is settled, the boilers, dynamos, and gearing will at once be placed in the contracts for the same are already let. Some of the enthusiastic projectors of the scheme say cars will run to Detroit by Christmas.

THE BLUE CROSS.

The Time is Coming When the old War Horse will Appear.

This blooming periodical is now in its eighteenth year, and every year exceeding perhaps her last first and second year of this paper's life, we are follow the rule that all those in arrears the first day of January, their paper would receive as a reminder of their indebtedness a nice bright blue cross before and after their name. This is to remind you that you owe a dollar, and that we have a healthy appetite for the absent cash. The way to tell whether you will receive a New Years present or not is the blue cross, is to right now look at the date after your name on this paper or wrapper. If it comes to you wrapped, and if the date is any month in 1895, you will be pretty sure to get a blue cross. Now this is plain, isn't it? Look at the date after your name on this paper or the wrapper, if it came to you wrapped and if the date is passed you owe us a nice, healthy, round silver dollar. If the date is ahead you need not worry, nor chip in the dollar until that date is reached. We owe our readers and subscribers a vote of thanks, for we really think that our ECCENTRIC list is second to none in the state, and we are proud of our subscribers. They are numerous and nearly all, with only a few exceptions, prompt pay. Roll in your December dollars, ask for your receipt and you'll be happy in knowing you have done your christian duty and we will then be able to buy ourselves a Christmas present. A word to the wise, etc. THE PUBLISHERS

TOWN LINE FOOTINGS.

Our district has only one plowboy now, Mrs. T. G. Beach.

Gene. Wm. Fertig and Louie Patch are guests at A. C. Habb's last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lenton, Miss Pierce and Miss Lowes took dinner with Thanksgiving with Dod Roberts.

Mr. and Mrs. Whitaker, of Detroit, visited D. C. A. Kelly, Thursday.

John Nye, of Bloomfield Centre, has moved on to Mr. Brush's farm near the railroad.

Will McKinstry is moving on the Frank Smith place near Amy.

Nearly all of Mr. Beach's family took Thanksgiving dinner at Mr. U. Loot's, Franklin.

Four pounds beautiful raisins for 25c at Whitehead & Mitchell's.