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IN EFFECT OCT. 14, 1895.

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*Morning Express	7:42 a. m.
*Mail	11:00 p. m.
Grand Rapids Express	4:50 p. m.
†Suburban	6:20 p. m.
*Chicago Express	9:31 p. m.
*Night Express	11:45 p. m.
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I have a good assortment of Wood and Coal Cooking Stoves. Can sell as cheap as anyone.

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Yes we are, indeed we are, for a good year of trade, prosperity and happiness during year of 1895. To our many friends and patrons who have favored us with their trade and friendship in the past we extend all the season's greetings and wish everybody a merry Christmas and a happy New Year and

MANY OF THEM.

To start off 1896 in a way to please our people We have decided to have a

WHIRL IN LAMPS,

and will close out our entire stock of these useful articles at a price that will move them without fail.

The sale begins next Saturday, Jan. 4th, 1896, at one o'clock and lasts until 8 o'clock. During this time every lamp in our stock will be sold for just ¼ off.

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HOME NOTES.

Masquerade Jan. 30, 1896

When does the D & M. R. R. reduce rates?

Elizabeth Taylor, of Southfield, is in Denver, Colo.

Melvin Rice was in town last week shaking his many friends.

Miss Jessie Fuimer of Pontiac spent Christmas with friends in town.

School has closed, so boys and girls can whisper for two weeks to come.

Miss Flora Keys is home from Ludington for the two weeks' vacation.

Miss Esther Marsh has resigned her position and returned to Birmingham.

The Tuesday club will meet with Mrs. M. E. Hemenway, Jan. 7, at seven p. m.

Mr. McAllister Randall and family spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Converse.

Bert Blakeslee, James W. Cobb and Stella Ward are home from the U. of M., for the holidays.

Lamp sale at Whitehead & Mitchell's next Saturday. Look up their new ad's and learn all about it.

Mrs. D. G. Falkins and daughter Mabel, were the guests of A. Partridge and wife during holiday week.

For sale, a three quarter Jersey cow, four years old, due to calve about Jan uary first. H. M. Tomlinson.

Washington hotel keepers were with President Cleveland in his opposition to a holiday recess for Congress.

Girl wanted. Small family, good wages and permanent position. Inquire at Exchange bank. tf

The Mormons have made a sufficient number of converts in Virginia to contemplate the erection of a church.

Will Masters and Chas. Whiting have just completed a dandy steel bridge in Southfield Township for district #1.

Hay Three or four tons of best timothy hay for sale at Patterson's Orchard Hill farm, two miles north of Birmingham.

John Pound has a few words to say to the ladies in his new ad'v, this week. Read it ladies, you will find it interesting.

Hotel Hodges at Pontiac now serves regular 6 o'clock dinners every Sunday, with music by the Orpheus Mandolin Club. 3

The annual reduction cash sale is now on at F. Blakeslee's. Read his new ad'v this week and govern yourself accordingly.

"What fools these mortals be." Trilby has netted Du Maurier more than $125,000 and the money is still pouring into his lap.

Bernard Smith was in town Sunday, the guest of E. P. Jarvis and wife, accompanied by Miss Lizzie Sheridy, of Drayton Plains.

Harry Russel has invested in a new feed mill, which will soon grind on his recently purchased farm that he bought from Wm. S. Young.

The only really "quiet" marriage is that of two deaf mutes, but that will not prevent "quiet" being used to describe other marriages.

Some of our citizens talk about moving to Royal Oak, so they can find the way home after nine o'clock, by the light of a street lamp.

The special feature of the warehousing is unquestionably the poetry it has inspired; for the poetry ought to make a Quaker revival popular.

Well, we could n't all get brick houses for Christmas gifts; some of us had to content ourselves with little things like diamond rings and gold watches.

Mr Erastus Wilman escaped that prison sentence, but his mail isn't overburdened with invitations to "tell Sunday Schools how well it pays to be good."

The Ladies' Working Society of the M. E. church will meet with Mrs. J. R. Corsun, Friday afternoon, Jan. 3. Everybody invited. M. Daniels, Sec'y.

Chas. A Wilson, of Holly, has sold his drug store back to its former proprietor, H. M. Church, from whom Chas. purchased it some eight or ten years ago.

It is perfectly safe for the most cowardly man to offer the government his services in case of a war with England. Cause why; there'll be no such war.

Hall's Hair Renewer contains the natural food and color-matter for the hair, and medical herbs for the scalp, curing grayness, baldness, dandruff, and scalp sores.

From way out near Denver, Colo., on Brown Cannon's ranch, comes the news back that Frank T. Evans' health is gaining very rapidly and hopes soon to have regained his entire health.

Mr. A. F. Waldo, brother of Prof. E. F. Waldo, passed his holidays here. He is a student at Princetown college and preached a very fine sermon at the Presbyterian church last Sunday.

The people on the west end of Maple Ave., are all anxious to have the ice house removed from its present place. The five years are up and it rests with the village board to see that the agreement is kept.

The electrical railroad is progressing as rapidly as possible and from all appearances we will have the best suburban electric railway in the country. Building railways in the winter is no fool job.

Mr. Callahan, a blacksmith of good name and fame has opened a shop at John Baldowl's, where he will be more than pleased to see his former patrons. He is a first-class workman and comes there highly recommended.

Maurice R. Blair left Monday last to take charge of one of Hal. M., Gibb's drug stores. This store is quite an important point situated at Coral, Mich., and we predict that both gentlemen will be pleased with the new relations.

Three of a kind, Jerry Russell, Sammie Green and Joe Brooks were all in town one day last week, and every blessed mans team ran away all at once. You never saw such a mixed, and such a lucky one too, as no damage that amounted to anything occured.

The schoolmates of Southfield, returned home from the holidays in good force. Miss Maggie Smith from Bay City, Sarah J. Brooks from Harbor Springs and Elnora McDonald from Benton Harbor, all ate turkey at their respective homes.

Mr. John Baldwin received from Mr. J. W. Ross, of Calumet, Mich., a paper weight in the shape of an anvil of native copper, made by Mr. Ross himself, and it is a beauty in shape, appearance and workmanship.

A new insurance company is being organized at Holly, to be known as "The Preferred Farmers' Mutual Insurance Company, and will only insure farm property. The company expect to open up business with $500,000 of good risks on its books.

George Kemp, of Kentucky, is home for the holidays and is visiting his uncle, Mrs. Elizabeth Kemp. George is the same old sixpence and takes things as they come and believes in being happy and making others the same if it is a possible thing to do.

The country has not passed such an exciting week for a long time as the one just closed. Following President Cleveland's Monroe doctrine message was a regular deluge of star spangled war talk, which hasn't all subsided yet, but is much quieter.

Mr. T. Cargill Quay, wife and family, are visiting relatives in town and visiting Cargill is one of Chicago's live business men and fills a very important position in the Monadnock building in the big city. His line is in the "plumbing building and steam fitting and like everybody else in this line he is growing rich.

Say, do you like pickles? A R Parks handles only those put up in our town by H. A. Randall. Going to their supper is excellence; Mr. Randall receives $2 per barrel more then the market price, but Austin sells them at the same price that inferior pickles are sold for. When you buy, buy home made and you will be glad. A. R. Parks, sole dealer in Birmingham.

Mr. Irving Wilson while proceeding home and one evening some nights ago, slipped and fell and from that accident has been confined to his bed. Here is a case of happy foresight, as Irving carries an accident policy that will net him $7 56 for the first two weeks of his illness and then $10 per week for twenty. Clear week mine. We hope that he will soon be on his feet again and around as usual.

At the annual communication of Birmingham lodge, No. 41, F & A. M., held last Thursday evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Frank W. Blair, W. M; Wm. H. Smith, S. W. Elmer Monroe, J. W. S. K. Taber, treasurer; James B. Hunt, secretary; Morell B. Dennis, S. D. Peter McKay, J. D; H. F. Daniels and Ellsworth Randall, stewards; Samuel Jarvis, tyler.

The Methodist, Baptist and Presbyterian churches in this village will unite in observing the week of prayer. The services on Sabbath evenings will be held in the Meth dist church; on Monday evening the meeting will be at the Presbyterian church; on Tuesday evening at the Baptist church; on Wednesday evening at the Methodist church; on Thursday evening at the Presbyterian church; on Friday evening at the Baptist church.

We are glad to say that the boy who wrote the following essay on King Henry VIII did not belong to our school: "King Henery VIII. was the greatest widower that ever lived. He was born at Anno Domino, in the year 1666. He had 510 wives besides children. The first was beheaded and afterwards executed, the second was revoked. Henry VIII. was succeeded to the throne by his great grand mother, the beautiful Mary, Queen of Scotts, some times called the Lady of the Lake, or the Lay of the Last Minstrel."

The Christmas tree at the Presbyterian church was a joyous affair for the children and the exercises appropriate and interesting. At the Methodist, Miss Mary Ninde gave a very interesting address a proceeding that was entirely new for Christmas entertaining but none the less acceptable. After which the trees were shaken and presents distributed. The Deconesses' Home in Detroit received a large donation of vegetables and such articles as they need, which was delivered to them in Detroit the next day.

Frank Gravelin, of near Franklin, seems to be playing or working in unusual hard luck as the following will prove. Several weeks ago, while hauling logs, he met with an accident in which his foot was badly crushed. Scarcely had he recovered from this injury and again began logging, when he met with a more serious accident. As he was passing the lines from one hand to the other around a tree, which grew too close to the track to admit of his going between it and the wagon, the wagon lurched into a jut, throwing the log against his arm, breaking it and stripping a large portion of flesh from the bone. The injury was cared for and the young man is now only waiting for it to heal that he may resume his logging.

Brown Cannon went out to Denver, Colorado a few years ago, a young lad without money and in rather poor health. To-day he is back visiting his parents, J. S. Cannon, and wife of Southfield, a great big strapping lad by three (almost) hale, hearty and happy, and they do say owns plenty of money or stuff that will procure cash. Brown, with a compatible partner is doing a big dairy business, selling nearly $100 worth of milk daily to the restaurants and hotels of that western city. They collect each week and don't have any strikes or disputes or misunderstandings at all, at all. Brown tells us he has been in the mining business and other enterprises, but the milk business is the one that pays and pays well, to a certainty.

The Baptist Sunday school celebrated Christmas on the evening of December 25th. The doings were different from what have here to fore been enacted at such gatherings. The program which was furnished by the David C. Cook Publishing Co. of Chicago, entitled, "Santa Claus Dream," was carried out splendidly and to the entire satisfaction of the audience. The singing and acting of some of the younger performers was worthy of special mention. The church was crowded, fully fifty having to stand and dozens could not get in at all. The gaily decorated tree was loaded with presents for the children. Kenneth Kinnieston was the only scholar who attended Sabbath school every Sunday in the year, his teacher, Mrs. McCollum, gave him a special prize for that.

One night last week Mr. Hayes telephoned E. C. Poppleton that a closed carriage or hack hauled by a span of intelligent horses driven by an impudent Irishman, who after consigning the gate keeper to that place that Robbie Ingersoll says is hot, drove on without contributing 14 cents to the general expense fund of the plank road company. Edgar has blanks already for these kind of people and by the time Squire Jones had 'em ready to serve, officer Fay grabbed 'em and stepped out of the police court just in the nick of time and gathered in the whole outfit, two gentlemen and a lady were inside, and before they had hardly begun to argue the case down came Wm. Cobb on a run with the alarm that they had "consigned" him also and run his gate. Fined $20 00. The cash assets of the entire gang footed up to a trifle over $2; which they turned in and were allowed to proceed onward, to Detroit. Driver to blame. The occupants said they had driven out to visit a relative in the asylum and did not take any amount of money with them.

WONDERLAND.

There is a good bill at Wonderland this week. Should be seen to be appreciated.

THE MINNOW LAW.

Act No. 37, laws of 1895, entitled an act to prohibit the taking of minnows from any of the waters of Oakland, Macomb, Lapeer or St. Clair counties, otherwise than with hook and line, provides for a fine of not more than $100 and not less than $50, or imprisonment in the county jail for not more than 90 days or less than 30 days, or both fine and imprisonment. This law was made simply because parties in the above mentioned counties were making a business of seining minnows to sell.

November 27th three young men were arrested for attempting to seine minnows, and in doing so the law more carefully, I found that the penalty was seemingly severe, and I spent some time conferring with proper authorities, and have decided to not only drop this case, but also not to prosecute where parties catch minnows for their own use. I do not want this misconstrued. I will prosecute to the full extent of the law anyone who catches minnows for sale.

I want to say at this time that it is not my purpose to prosecute anybody, but simply teach by the best interests of the people, and I want it distinctly understood that the merchant or business man will be treated exactly the same as the poorest man in Oakland county, should he violate the law. I trust that my position in this respect will not be misconstrued again. Daniel Stoliker is not my deputy, but is a county game warden and has the same authority as any county warden.

Yours truly,
JAMES HOGUM, Co. Game Warden.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

The following is a list of letters remaining unclaimed in the post-office at Birmingham, Mich., for the week ending December 28, 1895:

Mr. Peter Baumgartner, W. M. Cross, J. M. Conroy, Mr. W. J. Gilbert, Miss Bertha Lapham, Mr. Rob McBurney, Jno. Thompson.

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

GEORGE H. MITCHELL, P. M.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 2, 1896.

SEND 20c IN STAMPS

and we will mail to your address, postage prepaid, a

GOOD WINTER CAP.

That has just been reduced in price from 50 cents. Men's sizes.

Regular Scotch Caps with side band that pulls down over the ears. Just the Cap for winter weather. Warm and good lookers. Nice enough for any time.

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171, 173, 175 WOODWARD AVENUE, DETROIT.

THE DEVIL

He Is In Town and Very Red.

Among the many amusing and merry Christmas incidents, one took place at D. M. Doty's marble works, known as the Lime Kiln club room. The club had bought a present for Dave in the shape of his Satanic majesty, the devil. It was made in iron, finely finished and highly colored in red to represent the infernal regions, with balls of fire flashes and altogether not an interesting affair to look upon, but really intended for a paper weight, pen and pencil holder and pen wiper combined. A few of the friends had gathered at the rooms and when Dave came in Mr. Faris rose and in behalf of the club presented the same to Mr. Doty with the remark that we ought to be careful of the choice of our company through life and that he had about to present him the image of the one that he regretted to say he always been his friend and kept if he still found pleasure in him that he would meet him in the great hereafter. Mr. Doty responded, saying, he thanked the club for this kind remembrance of him and declared that he had no better acquaintance with his Satanic majesty than many others that he could name and much as he regretted to say it, that during the short stay in Birmingham he had often found me out and straight for kind business principles, in the spacious and eleven footed gentleman that now sits upon my desk, that in many of those who go clad in sheep's clothing but lift truth are ravenous wolves. Yells from the club.

THE MILK QUESTION.

Editors of The Eccentric:

I notice in your paper of last week that the milk dealers of Detroit were "scared" now if I understand to know what he must have a fight is to be scared then I suppose we are "scared!" In the last year a few men have made up their minds they wanted a soft job and the plan of getting the farmers to set them up in the milk business looked very enticing to them and I guess by the looks of things the farmers are going to be fools enough to do it. Before now when anyone has done any milk business we have bought the milk. Some times some one has failed and then he was a "old honest curse just trying to cheat his way." But to have out of 200 or 300 who have tried the business there are four or five who have, by working 18 hours a day been able to pull through "till now they are "shylocks" and "robbers" etc. And there are a lot of men who are willing to guard the farmer's interests and more especially their pocket books for from $50 to $100 per month. Now, Mr. Editor what are the facts—just this—three acres of land will keep one cow which will produce 75 to 80 gallon oats of milk in a year, which at an average of $1 00 per 100 pounds will bring $63 75. The same land will keep 30 sheep which at the price of wool will bring less than $25 00 in any crop he can raise. Now again, giving that same milk its greatest better value and it would only bring $47 75 giving a profit of $25 00 a cow kept for Detroit milk market. For this reason farmers all over the country have through their efforts toward Detroit for a market for their milk, and the farmers who have enjoyed the profits of milk for years instead of meeting the surplus and cut in price as business men, meet such contingencies, they have foolishly followed the advice of designing men and raised the price at home and come in here and make it still lower. Now the only thing for us dealers to do is to quit the business or go and get it at a living price which we shall surely do.

Respectfully,
P. H. CHILD.

A GOOD INVESTMENT

The Interchangable Mileage Ticket issued by the Ohio Central Lines over all the important Railway Systems in the territory of Central Traffic Association and is now the leader. Every traveler should have one. It is an every ready ticket for Columbus, Toledo, Cincinnati, Charleston, W. Va., Cleveland, Pittsburg, Buffalo, Chicago, St. Louis, Louisville, etc. It costs but $20 and can be used any time within one year. It reduces your traveling expenses just 33⅓ per cent, and is a money saver. There are very few persons, especially business men, who do not travel in a year's time, at least 1,000 miles. Get one without delay. There are others in the market but the Ohio Central Lines' Ticket is the favorite. See Agents of Ohio Central Lines, or address Moulton Hoxie, G. P. A., Toledo, O. Jan 9

FRANKLIN FLUTTERINGS.

Roads are very bad in this vicinity.

Misses Stone and Tucker, of Clarkston, spent Christmas with Mrs. C. Case.

Mrs. J. VanEvery has been on the sick list for some time.

Judson Cummings will attend Birmingham High school during the remainder of the winter.

The Christmas exercises at the church were very pleasing and well attended. Many pretty and useful presents were distributed among both young and old.

George Pickering is busy settling up the estate of his brother, the late Joseph Pickering.

COUNTY LINE CLIPPINGS.

John Pressel still continues under the care of Dr. Anderson.

Joe Parks, while feeling a cutting box, unfortunately lost four of his fingers. Dr. Anderson is attending him.

Chas Pressel, after a comparatively short illness, died Friday night, of typhoid fever. He was buried at Royal Oak. The Lutheran minister of Warren, officiating.

G. W. Heard, wife and daughter, spent the holidays with relatives at Marengo.

A great big kick about insurance. We do not see why the Insurance Co's are to blame for the numerous fires. There has been 18 fires that we remember of from the Birmingham mills to A. Babcock's house on our street.

We hear that John Cantrall's will is to be contested. The County Line is acquiring a bad flavor for lawsuits and troubles.

Warren Entz and wife, of Everett, visited Mr. A. Bate ck's folks last week.

Orma Steven reports a new daughter.

F. W. Cutcright is going to have a series of sales to close out his stock of goods.

WEST BLOOMFIELD WARBLINGS.

Happy New Year.

Most everybody either went to dinner or entertained their neighbor during the holidays.

Mrs. E. Blanding, teacher at Wing lake and her sister Miss Sadie Sly, teacher at Walnut, had a union Christmas tree in the Walnut school house, the afternoon before Christmas. The rain did it, and that did not prevent the house from filling up rapidly. The exercises were very nice and reflected credit on the teachers and pupils both.

Mr and Mrs R. C. Haskins and family of Birmingham, made a short call on their sister, Miss E. H. Haskins, Christmas afternoon.

Mr and Mrs. S. D. Chapin, of Salem, spent Christmas at Wm. F. Coulter's.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Clark spent Christmas at Carleton.

Special Notices.

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

Four per cent. interest on savings, Exchange Bank.

Whitehead & Mitchell will have for the children's sale a special line of CANDY, CANDY, CANDY, CANDY; 20 sticks for 5c. Next Saturday all day long from 9 a. m. until 10 p. m. Whitehead & Mitchell.

If one to rent and one acre of land $7 per month. Call at THE ECCENTRIC office for particulars.

A bottle of Mitchell's Compound Syrup of White Pine in the house saves much time and trouble, and very often saves precious lives. Gives almost instant relief in cases of coughs, colds, or lung troubles of any sort.

Notice of Dissolution.

The partnership heretofore existing between Louis Storz and Julius Brown, of the village of Royal Oak, Oakland county, Mich., and known as Storz and Brown, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. The books and accounts of the firm have been placed in the hands of S. J. Wilson who is authorized to settle and collect all debts due the firm. Parties owing the firm will please call on him at once and settle.

LOUIS STORZ,
JULIUS BROWN,
Royal Oak, Mich. November 1st, 1895. (Jan5)

FARM FOR SALE.

Farm of 60 acres in Bloomfield, two miles west and one mile north of Birmingham, known as the Shain farm. For particulars apply on the premises or address L. Hatch, Birmingham, Mich.