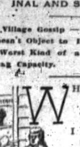
THE JOKER'S CORNER.

WIT, HUMOR AND SATIRE ORIGINAL AND SELECTED.

The Village Gossip — Why Her Papa Doesn't Object to Her Latest Fad — Worst Kind of a Case — A Boy's Lung Capacity.



WHY, Susan Smith, how you go on! I just told Martha Brown
I thought you was the queerest little woman in the town.
You scrape an' polish, sweep an' dust, an' wash an' cook an' stew
Until, my land! I don't see how you ever do get through.
I think a woman hain't no call to do them sort of chores,
She ought to have a servant for to wash an' clean the floors,
An' do the other work; an' if her husband can't afford
That sort of thing, it's his lookout—an' mercy me, good Lord!
I would just like to see myself go slavin' on that plan
An' workin' off my finger ends to please any man.
My husband married me for looks, an' got 'em—more or less—
An' sometimes when I fix my hair an' wear another dress
He says I ain't so homely yet, an' takes an old-time kiss—
But what's the use? It's all the same a hundred years from this.
You never have no time at all to gossip at the door,
Or talk about your neighbors what's come on the other floor.
There's somethin' queer about them folks, they're wearin' too good clothes
An' see the way that girl of theirs holds up her snubby nose.
They think they're somethin', that's a fact. I stopped the littlest one
An' asked him where they used to live, an' what his sister done.
An' where his popper worked, an' how his mommer spelt her name.
An', say, he told me everything, an' that was why I came
To let you know at once about the folks you's livin' nigh.
What! Is that man your brother? Well, you needn't git so high.
Oh, shut the door on me, of course. Yes, that's the way to do!
Now I'll go on to Mrs. Jones an' tell her about you."

Pat's Objection.

Proprietor—Pat, how do you like the fight?
Pat—Oi only have wan objection.
Proprietor—What is that?
Pat—Oi can't get in it.

Worst Kind of a Case.

"You look thin and careworn, Tadley," said the man in the russet shoes.

"Insomnia!" replied Tadley, with a groan.

"Insomnia?" repeated the man in the russet shoes. "Oh! come now, a man with no more than you have to worry him doesn't get insomnia."

"It's the baby that's got it," explained Tadley, as he stepped off the ferry-boat and resumed his struggle with life.

Not Ready for That Diet.

"What do you call this, my dear?" asked the young husband, after tasting the dessert which his wife had constructed with her own fair hands.

"That is angel food."

"If that is angel food," commented the mean man, "I do not want to go to heaven."—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

Decadent Mother H.

Old Mother Hubbard
Went to the cupboard
To get her poor dog some food;
And when she got there
The cupboard was bare—
A study, as 'twere, in the nude.
—Detroit Tribune.

A Boy's Lung Capacity.

"Henry," said Mrs. Woodle, "I hear Willie's voice. Won't you step to the door and tell him that I want him."

But Willie was two miles away disputing a point with the umpire.

Will She Stick?

Maude—Papa said he doesn't mind my latest fad if I can only stick to it.
Hilda—What is it?
Maude—A bicycle.

Its Own Reward.

"Don't you know, Willie," asked the Sunday-school teacher, "that you are always happiest when you are good?"

"Yes'm," said Willie. "I'm never so happy as when I'm good, 'ceptin' when I'm eatin'."—Chicago Record.

Explanation Needed.

Mr. Dinwiddie (quoting)—Blood is thicker than water.

Mr. Shingiss—Do you mean filtered water or Allegheny river water?—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

The Difference.

For very joy the song birds sing—
The lark, the thrush, the linnet;
But modern poets chortle for
The ducats there are in it.
—Buffalo Express.

A MOST ENJOYABLE AFFAIR.

Perhaps your readers who were not privileged to attend the reception given by the Birmingham High School to their new teacher, and the new pupils, will be glad to learn that it was a very enjoyable and indeed a brilliant affair.

All the teachers of the school and many of its patrons were present to participate in the pleasures of the evening. Flowers were seen everywhere, artistically arranged, their beautiful hues richly blending with the pictures and statuary with which the pupils have adorned the High School room.

It was surprising to see the large number of young ladies and gentlemen, misses and lads belonging to the school. It is doubtful if any other village in the state could collect so large a number of fine, intelligent looking young people as were assembled on this occasion.

The new piano was frequently brought into requisition in a very informal manner, as one and another of the pupils and friends in passing it, sat down for a few moments discoursing sweet music for the entertainment of those present. Recitations and songs were also enjoyed greatly, the closing one being "My Country 'tis of Thee," which was engaged in with great enthusiasm.

It was pleasing to see the effort put forth by the resident pupils to entertain and render happy some of the more timid strangers, and cause them to feel at ease and enjoy the evening. In fact everyone seemed anxious to do the best that could be done, and "all went merry as a marriage bell."

No class of young people can be surrounded with the artistic and literary advantages which Birmingham furnishes its pupils without a great uplift in ethical and mental acquirement.

On the other hand no village can have within its borders, from day to day, such a class of pupils as are connected with this school, without being greatly benefitted thereby both intellectually and financially.

A LOOKER ON.

Meeting of Grand Lodge F. & A. M., Cincinnati, O., October 20 to 22.

Agent of Ohio Central Lines will sell Tickets October 19 and 20 at One Fare for round trip from all points in Ohio, good returning until October 23.

The Ohio Central Lines are running Solid Vestibuled Trains, Detroit and Toledo to Cincinnati, without change. 2

ST. JAMES PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

(Corner Maple avenue and Chester street.)

Morning prayer and sermon next Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock. Sunday school at 12:00 o'clock.

Vestry meeting Friday (to-morrow) evening in Mr. Whitehead's office at 7:30 o'clock.

Choir practice Saturday evening at 7:00 o'clock.

RAM'S HORNS

The devil wastes no bait on dead fish.

Faith is always the basis of joy in religion.

God sends His witnesses where they are needed the most.

Get a man to think right, and God will get him to do right.

The more we love God, the more we will be willing to do for man.

We may be able to get rid of God's man, but never of God's truth.

God sees heroes where men see only the commonest kind of people.

A man may wear religion as a cloak, and yet freeze his soul to death.

When some people have nothing to say, they seem to talk the most.

Every dollar some men get increases their chance of missing heaven.

The real chosen people of God are those who know His will and do it.

The aim of many sermons is too low for angels, and too high for men.

The devil always goes to the wedding, when people marry for money.

Man's blindest eye is on the side where he thinks it will pay to sin.

No man prays in earnest who does not expect to get just what he asks.

A doubt is the heaviest burden the devil can bind on a Christian's back.

It is doubtful if we can truly own anything for which we are not grateful.

The man who walks with God must keep step with everything that is good.

The Lord's army was never defeated because the opposing army had giants in it.

The devil has not yet found out how to make the man poor who loves to give.

Obscurity on earth will not keep anybody from becoming famous in heaven.

The first dart the devil aims at a young convert is always pointed with a doubt.

The more a mean man has to say in church, the more it hurts the cause of true religion.

The devil has no dart in his quiver that may not be quenched by the shield of faith.

The man who would have the power to move mountains must begin on grains of sand.

Let a vote be taken to determine who is the wisest man, and every fool will vote for himself.

The devil is often made welcome in a home where there is a handsome Bible on the center table.

Ever since Eve ate the apple, one of woman's greatest troubles has been about something to wear.

We know exactly what kind of a man Adam was, when we become well acquainted with ourselves.

There is something wrong with a Christian's life, if it never makes a sinner feel ashamed of himself.

God has never been concerned about the size of the church, but he has always been particular about who should be in it.

WORTH REMEMBERING.

For sore and inflamed bunions use one part of tincture of aconite and three parts of tincture of iodine. Apply it with a camel's hair pencil twice a day.

For intolerable itching sponge the body off with a mixture of vinegar and hot water—one pint of vinegar to two quarts of water—every night before going to bed.

It is said that if parsley is eaten with onions or a salad containing onions the odor of the onion will not affect the breath. The sprigs of parsley should be eaten as you would celery.

An excellent astringent wash is orange flower water, 100 grammes; milk of almonds, 25 grammes; sulphate of alum, 2 grammes. Mix all together and keep in a well stoppered bottle.

Hard water is much improved for toilet uses if it is boiled and stood in the sun for three or four days. The water is softened by the action of the air and sun. A large quantity may be made ready at one time.

The facial massage, which is recommended for daily use, is to keep the muscles of the face toned up and thus to prevent wrinkles. Beneath the eyes the flesh should be stroked firmly but gently from the nose out. From the nose to the corners of the mouth should be treated in the same way. The cheeks should be pinched and kneaded vigorously, and rubbed with a circular motion, while the forehead should be stroked with the fingers toward the sides and also pinched and kneaded.

You are invited to

A RECEPTION

given by the Teachers and Pupils of the Birmingham Public School to the Parents, Patrons, and Friends, on October 9, 1896.

The doors will be open at 6:30 p. m. A Reception Committee will be in each room to greet guests and strive to make them feel "at home." We wish to see every resident of Birmingham and vicinity on Friday, October 9th. Come and spend a portion of the evening in the School House and become acquainted with teachers and pupils. In this manner show your appreciation of the work done in "our school."

From 7:00 to 7:30
An entertainment will be given by the Primary Departments in South Room, 1st Floor

From 7:45 to 8:15
An entertainment will be given by the Grammar Departments in North Room, 2nd Floor

High School Program, 8:30–9:00
The Reception will continue until 10:00 o'clock.

A small charge will be made for the literary programs to cover expenses, but the general Reception is free to all.

The Senior Class will serve refreshments in the basement from 7:30 to 10:00

TOWN LINE TOOTINGS.

Gertie Patch is now the happy owner of a bicycle with which she visited friends at Bald Mountain.

Mrs. C. A. Kelly has bought a buggy horse for her own use.

C. A. Kelly is the new district officer elected this fall.

Mr. William Boomer, of Tawas, visited his friends here recently and is looking hale and hearty.

Annual Convention Brotherhood of St. Andrew, Pittsburg, Pa., Oct. 14-19.

Agents of Ohio Central Lines will sell Tickets at One Fare for round trip October 12, 13 and 14, good returning until October 20. 2

COUNTY LINE CLIPPINGS.

A little one died at Warren last week of diptheria.

John Stevens has lost two daughters within a week. The family have the sincere sympathy of the entire community.

A pole is to be raised at Warren, Saturday of this week.

A daughter of Mr. Edward Jones was buried last week.

Wm. Wilson's people have a son. It being the first of course W. feels proud.

A new harnessmaker at Warren.

Phelps and Jarvis are busy making cider and potatoe crates.

Hank Bitner intends moving near Wheeler, Gratiot county, in the near future. He has a host of well wishers in Troy and will be sadly missed as he is an all round good fellow.

T. Redick's team ran away Saturday evening. Collided with a buggy hitched in front of B. Rivard's, making a complete wreck.

F. Dunn shot 18 gray squirrels one day lately.

Special Notices.

Four per cent. interest on savings, Exchange Bank.

17 sticks (latest style) stick candy for a nickel at Whitehead & Mitchell's.

For sale at a bargain, my home on Middle street. Good house and barn, with excellent well, good cistern. Plenty of small fruits. Lot large and roomy. I want to sell and will make the price right. Water works connection and everything in first class order. Mrs. H. R. Miller, Birmingham, Mich. tf

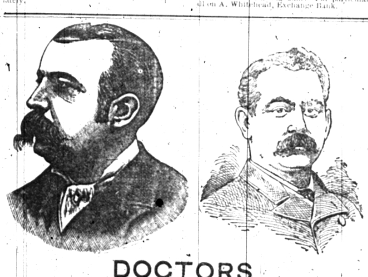
A bottle of Mitchell's Compound Syrup of White Pine in the house saves doctors' bills, saves trouble, and very often saves precious lives. Gives almost instant relief in cases of coughs, colds, or lung troubles of any sort.

Wood for sale, good soft wood for summer use, dry, and delivered at 80 cents per cord. Leave orders at P. O. or E. E. Daniels.

Wanted at once, hickory, suitable for turning handles at the handle factory of J. N. Zimmerman, Birmingham, Mich., formerly Tack Factory. Highest cash price paid. tf

A RARE CHANCE.

Here is a chance for some wily speculator who wants to make some easy money. Twelve acres of fine land bounded on three sides by streets, square as a checker-board, not an inch of waste land in sight, ½ acre of young orchard. Parties want to sell and will close out reasonable. Barn on land. Now then with the boom for Birmingham just in sight, why not lay hold of this piece of land and make a big sum? For particulars call on A. Whitehead, Exchange Bank.



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STEPHENSON & GALLAGHER
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Will visit this town every week. None should miss this opportunity to consult these celebrated physicians, Free of Charge. We treat all CHRONIC, NERVOUS, and Special Diseases of Men and Women. Catarrh, Blood and Skin Diseases, Kidney, Bladder and Liver trouble successfully treated by our NEW BIOCHEMIC METHOD.

PILES, ULCERATION of the RECTUM, VARICOSE VEINS and Ulcers a specialty.

We charge nothing for consultations. You will make a mistake if you do not learn all you can about the new and most wonderful system of remedies, called cell salts, tissue remedies, the Schuessler system or more properly the Biochemic medicine. This medicine is given in no larger doses than 1-600 of a grain at a dose. Chemistry proves that after a human body has been burnt to ashes only 12 elements can be found. The absence of one of these elements or even 1-100 of a grain of one causes disease; supply this deficiency, and you have perfect health not for a month or a week, but permanently. The human body acts as the battery that rings a door bell; if one ingredient is deficient, the bell will not ring; you can add a hundred different things to it but of no use until you add the right thing, then the bell rings again all right. It is just so with the body; add what is needed, or take away what is not needed, and you have perfect health. Don't say it can't be done, for it can.

REMEMBER THE PLACE AND DATE
National Hotel, Birmingham, Mich.
Saturday, Aug. 22, and every Saturday Following
Address all mail to
Drs. Stephenson & Gallagher,
Mt. Clemens Sanitarium, Annex 162-164 Woodward Av. Detroit

Hunting the Wild Goat

The White Goat or Rocky Mountain Goat, as it is indiscriminately called, is a species of big game rarely hunted by sportsmen. This is not so much because of the difficulty of killing the animal, nor because of its actual rarity. It is a stupid animal, easily shot when once found. It is not, however, found in the usual hunting grounds, as are bear, deer, elk, etc. It is remote from the common localities, but where found is in goodly numbers. It ranges very high up in the mountains, above timber line usually, among rocks and cliffs. This requires great labor to get to it, but once there the hunter will get his game nine times out of ten.

If you care to read of a goat hunt made in the Bitter Root Range in Montana, in the fall of 1895, send six cents to Chas. S. Fee, General Passenger Agent, Northern Pacific Railway, St. Paul, Minn., for Wonderland '96, which recounts such a hunting expedition.

WHITNEY GOOD SEATS—20 AND 30 CTS.
All This Week.
MATINEE EVERY DAY 25 CENTS
Wilbur Opera Co.
70 People
150 Trunks of Wardrobe.
2 60-Foot Baggage Cars,
1 Special Sleeping Car.

Thursday	Merry War
Friday	Dorothy
Saturday	Mascotte

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GUARDIAN'S AND ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE.—In the matter of the estates of Sarah Harmon, incompetent, and Elizabeth Harmon, deceased. Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a license to me granted on the 5th day of October, 1896, by the Honorable Thomas L. Patterson, Judge of Probate in and for the County of Oakland, I will sell at auction, to the highest bidder, on the premises, in the township of Southfield, on Tuesday, the 1st day of December, 1896, at 2 o'clock p. m. all the right, title and interest, of which the said Sarah Harmon is seized, and of which Elizabeth Harmon, died seized, in and to the following real estate, situate and being in the town of Southfield, Oakland county, Michigan, and more particularly specified and described as follows:

The south half of northwest quarter of section thirty-three (33) in Southfield, Oakland county, Michigan, aforesaid, subject to mortgage of $[illegible] and accrued interest. The interest of Sarah Harmon therein being an undivided three fourths, and the interest of estate of Elizabeth Harmon, deceased, therein being an undivided one fourth.

Dated Oct. 5, 1896.

CHARLES V. BABCOCK, Guardian of Sarah Harmon.
WILLIAM A. YOUNG, Administrator of Elizabeth Harmon.
(Oct8-Nov19)

STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF OAKLAND, ss. Notice is hereby given, that by an order of the Probate Court for the county of Oakland, made on the 28th day of September, 1896, six months from that date were allowed for creditors to present their claims against the estate of SAMUEL C. CROSBY, late of said county, deceased, and that all creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said Probate Court, at the Probate office, in the city of Pontiac, for examination and allowance, on or before the 29th day of March next, and that such claims will be heard before said Court, on Monday, the 29th day of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day.

Dated, Sept. 28, A. D. 1896.

THOMAS L. PATTERSON, Judge of Probate.
(Oct1-Nov5)

STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF OAKLAND, ss. At a session of the Probate Court for the county of Oakland, held at the Probate office, in the city of Pontiac, on the 2nd day of October, in the year one thousand, eight hundred and ninety-six. Present Thomas L. Patterson, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of Lottie Brock, Angelia Brock, Helen M. Brock and George R. Brock, minors, and of George R. Brock, deceased. On application of James R. Brock, guardian of Lottie Brock, Angelia Brock, Helen M. Brock and George R. Brock, minors, for the allowance of his final account as guardian, and on application of A. Whitehead, administrator of the estate of George R. Brock, deceased, for the examination and allowance of his final account and the settlement of said estate.

It is ordered that Thursday, the 5th day of November next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be appointed for hearing said applications and the examination and allowance of said accounts; and it is further ordered, that a copy of this order be published three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC, a newspaper printed and circulating in said county of Oakland.

THOMAS L. PATTERSON, Judge of Probate.
(A TRUE COPY.) (Oct8-Oct22)

Notice of Drain Letting.

Notice is hereby given that I, M. H. Blunt, Township Drain Commissioner of the Township of Royal Oak, county of Oakland, state of Michigan, will, on the [illegible] day of October, 1896, at the house of Fred Moritz, in said township of Royal Oak, at [illegible] o'clock a. m., proceed to receive bids for the deepening and widening of a certain drain known and designated as the "North Branch Outlet of the Kaiser Drain," located and established in said township of Royal Oak, and described as follows:

Commencing at a point in the center of the Hubbard Ditch and on the [illegible] way line [illegible] rods east of the center post of section 29 [illegible], thence [illegible] between lands owned by Fred Moritz and Wm. McGee 52 rods to the center stake of said section, thence same course between lands owned by Fred Moritz and Thos. McGann 81 rods, thence same course between estates of John and Fred Granson [illegible] rods to the Section corner on west side of section 29, thence west into section 30, [illegible] rods to center of the main line of the Kaiser Ditch, total 135 1-3 rods.

Said job will be let by sections. The section at the outlet of the drain will be let first, and the remaining sections in their order up stream, in accordance with the diagram now on file with the other papers pertaining to said drain, in the office of the Township Drain Commissioner, to which reference may be had by all parties interested, and bids will be made and received accordingly. Contracts will be made with the lowest responsible bidder giving adequate security for the performance of the work, in a sum then and there to be fixed by me, reserving to myself the right to reject any and all bids. The date for the completion of such contract, and the terms of payment therefor, shall be announced at the time and place of letting.

Notice is further hereby given, that at the time and place of letting, or at such other time and place thereafter to which I, the drain commissioner aforesaid, may adjourn the same, the assessment for benefits and the lands comprised within the "North Branch Outlet of the Kaiser Drain Special Assessment District," will be subject to review.

The following is a description of the several tracts or parcels of land constituting the Special Assessment District of said drain, viz:

Township of Royal Oak.

[illegible]

Dated, this 22nd day of September, 1896.

M. H. BLUNT, Township Drain Commissioner of the Township of Royal Oak.

H. W. BAXTER, Jeweler.

Elgin and Waltham Watches with screw dust-proof case, gives the best satisfaction and last a lifetime. A written guarantee with each watch and I'll stand by it, too.

Also some second-hand Watches at low prices that cost a fortune once, in good running order.

Repairs of Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, Spectacles and Silverware strictly attended to.

Come and see me. Clocks called for and delivered.

H. W. BAXTER, Jeweler, Birmingham, Mich.

Birmingham Presbyterian Church.

REV. A. MARSH, PASTOR.

Sabbath services at 10.30 a. m. and at 7 p. m. Sunday School at 12 m. Young People's meeting Sabbath evening at 6 o'clock. Prayer Meeting Thursday evening at 7 o'clock. All who are not identified with other churches are invited to come with us.

Methodist Episcopal Church.

REV. E. S. NINDE, PASTOR.

Sabbath services at 10:30 a. m. and at 7:00 p. m. Sabbath school at 12 m. Epworth League at 6 p. m. Prayer meeting on Thursday evening at 7 p. m. All are invited.

REAL ESTATE COLUMN.

The Following Choice Parcels of Land Are for Sale in the Real Estate Department of the Exchange Bank, Birmingham, Mich., Where All Inquiries Will Be Cheerfully Answered.

LOT 1.

Four and one-third acres of land in the southeast corner of the village of Birmingham, with a frontage on Woodward avenue, of 330 feet. Good house, small barn, grapes, peaches, etc., all ready to make some one a comfortable home with a chance to make money out of the very best acreage in the village. Electric railway to Detroit and Pontiac along the entire Woodward avenue front. You cannot help making money whether you hold it or plat it. Price very low and terms easy.

LOT 2.

Farm of 78 acres straight west of Birmingham. All plow land and none better, being a rich, gravelly loam. Good barn 30x40 but an inferior house. Fine orchard. Price $55 per acre. Terms $2,000 cash and balance on easy terms and long time. There is no better bargain in farms in this section. Land every way inferior having been sold in the immediate neighborhood in the past two years for nearly double this price.

LOT 3.

House and lot with small barn on Pierce St., in Birmingham. A new artificial stone walk along the entire front. City water in the house. Buildings in good repair. House insured for $1,000. The owner having moved away is anxious to sell and has put down to the very low figure of $1,200. Terms easy.

LOT 4.

One of the finest farms in Oakland County, consisting of Two Hundred acres of rich loam, two barns, two sheds and a good old fashioned farm house in excellent repair. Everyone knows the "old William Durkee farm." It is three miles west of Birmingham, over good roads and the finest location for a stock farm in the vicinity. Ten acres of orchard, 18 acres of Beech and Maple timber and the balance improved. All kinds of fruit and the finest location hereabouts. The price asked is only sixty dollars per acre and the buildings are well worth $4,000. Terms, half down, balance on long time if desired.

LOT 5.

The old C. W. Jenks place formerly occupied as a cooper shop by S. C. Mills and now owned by him. On north side of Maple Avenue, midway between Woodward Ave., and the depot of the D. G. H. & M. R. R. One of the best business sites in the village. As the owner has decided to dispose of this property at once he offers it at the remarkably low price of $1,500 cash.

LOT 6.

A 53 acre tract lying next to the village on the south with ten acres of timber, balance cleared and comprising some of the best farming land in the country. Price, $4,500. Terms, $2,000 cash, balance on easy terms.

LOT 7.

A farm of one hundred acres within a mile and a half of the new Electric Railway. Sixty acres cleared and twenty in timber. Two barns and house in good repair. Insured for $1,250. Four acres of orchard all grafted trees. Two fine springs furnishing an abundance of excellent water. Soil, a rich clay loam, price, $10 per acre. Land in the immediate neighborhood has been sold for nearly double the price asked for this place. The place is owned by Volney Goodwin, of Birmingham.

LOT 8.

We have had placed in our hands for sale one of the beautiful homes our pretty village is noted for. This place is handsomely located, shaded to perfection with large maple trees, has ten large living rooms, all bedrooms with closets, good well and cistern. Cellar under whole house. Two-story house, wood-shed and all necessary outbuildings. Three lots 40x108 go with the place. Call on Whitehead & Mitchell for particulars.

LOT 9.

A farm of 66 acres within one and one half miles of the village of Birmingham, in the township of Bloomfield. Fifty-six acres cleared, three acres excellent orchard and the balance in timber. Good house, barn and all necessary outbuildings in good repair. Never-failing stream of good water running through the length of farm. One of the finest farms for grazing and stock raising that could be desired. Owned by J. McCracken. Price $5,500. Terms easy.

LOT 10.

The farm known as the "Bayley Farm" in the township of Troy. It was awarded the first premium of many contestants for the best farm in the county of Oakland and there are none better to-day. The owner really wishes to sell and realizing that fancy prices are discouraged by us, has finally consented to put the farm in our hands for sale and has put the price down to $75 per acre. Finest flowing well in the country furnishes an abundance of the best water the year round, one hundred and twenty-seven acres of rich, loamy soil, 20 acres timber, beech and maple, 4 acres orchard fine, grafted fruit. Seven buildings, insured for $2,800. Terms, half cash, balance on easy terms, or will exchange partially for Detroit property. You can't help but be suited with this place. Come and see it.

LOT 11.

Six acres within half a mile of Birmingham. Just the place for a small farming outfit, within easy access of the electric road and the village. Nice place for city people requiring a little place for small farm and keeping stock. Owned by Mrs. Elmer Brown and situated directly south of the post office in Birmingham, on Pierce street. Price $700 and nothing less will buy it. Terms, one-third cash and balance on long time.

LOT 12.

The Franklin Mills, situated at the village of Franklin, Oakland county, in one of the best farming countries in the state. The property includes house and lot and other buildings. Water power with old fashioned stone run for flour. Was formerly held at $10,000 but owing to the poor health of the present owner it will be closed out for cash at the remarkably low figure of $4,500, or will exchange for a small farm. At one time this mill had the largest patronage in the county and a hustling young man could soon bring it back to its former prestige and make it a remarkably good investment. It is worth looking up a little and we will gladly answer all inquiries.

LOT 13.

Twenty acres of land adjacent to the little village of Big Beaver and about six miles from the village of Birmingham, with good barn 24x30. One acre of good orchard and everything to keep a cow, horse, a few chickens, etc. Price $50 per acre. Terms cash.

LOT 14.

Here's a chance for some one to make a little fortune in Birmingham acreage—and that's what they are all looking after just now, too. Sixteen acres bounded on the south by Harmon street, where the new electric railroad power plant is about to be erected, and on the west by Cemetery avenue with a 60 foot street running north to intersect with Saginaw avenue. Some of the finest residences in Birmingham are in the immediate vicinity. The price now is $3,500 but we will not promise to sell at that figure 60 days from this date, (Jan. 1, 1896). This will, with a possible exception, the finest acreage in the village. A good tile drain extends throughout the tract and there is nothing in the way of platting the entire lot—not a foot of waste land on it. Come and see it and bother us all you can about it—that's what we are here for.

LOT 14.

A nice little place on the northeast corner of the cross roads at Bloomfield Centre about half way between Birmingham and Pontiac and on the direct line of the new electric railway. Comprises an acre and a half of excellent land, a good little house and a never failing supply of water from one of the best wells in the country. It is owned by John Nye and will be sold to any one with Six Hundred dollars cash, or easier terms could no doubt be made. Just think of it. Within 15 minutes ride of either Birmingham or Pontiac and electric cars will be running right in front of the door before the summer is over. Better call and let us take you out to look at it.

LOT 15.

What better farming country could be found than the immediate vicinity of Birmingham? Where could you find a finer location for a good roller process mill? Well, here it is, right here ready and doing a good business, and for sale at a price which is lower than it was sold for before the roller process was put in at a cost of many hundred dollars. The lowest cash price is $6,500 and half cash will buy it. Or you can buy an undivided half interest free and clear for $4,000. The new and improved roller process consists of nine sets of rollers of the Geo. D. Smith pattern. The real estate consists of four and one-half acres and abundant water power, and the entire outfit will be sold as above, or will be exchanged for city property or a good farm. The property is the Birmingham Mills and is owned at present by Jones & Fredericks. We will be pleased to show you over the property at any time.

LOT 16.

House and lot in Birmingham on Saginaw street corner of Brown street, one of the finest locations in the village with the electric cars passing, enroute for Pontiac or Detroit every few minutes, or will be the coming summer. The house is two-stories with good basement or cellar, a fine new barn, beautiful lawn, house fitted with city water and an excellent furnace with every modern convenience. Every surrounding is light, bright and cheerful. One of the most convenient and commodious residences in the village and one that will go at the price, during the coming summer is sure as the summer comes. The lowest cash price is $3,500 and the buildings alone are well worth at least $3,000. The property is owned by a lady who is anxious to sell, which is very evident from the price named. Let us show you over the premises some day.

LOT 17.

The "Wooster Farm," 165 acres more or less, within one mile of Birmingham, Mich., the River Rouge runs through this highly desirable farm, giving its owner the very finest, most coveted grazing lands in the great state of Michigan. The best land for potatoes and grain raising in any section of the country. Well wooded, good large farm house, barns in sufficient number, good well, cistern and cellar. No better farm could ever be wished for, for a dairy farm or stock raising. We predict for this property a speedy sale at the price offered and will be greatly pleased at any time to visit the premises and show it thoroughly to anyone looking for a location.

TAKE NOTICE.

All the land advertised herein is in our hands and controlled by us exclusively. The commission comes from the seller, invariably, and it is not possible in any case to purchase from the owner any cheaper than you can from us. All the necessary papers will be drawn free of charge to the parties interested and abstracts examined for customers, by a competent person, free of charge. For any information in regard to the above mentioned property address THE EXCHANGE BANK, BIRMINGHAM, and your inquiries will be answered with courtesy and dispatch.

Very respectfully,
WHITEHEAD & MITCHELL.

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COMMISSIONERS' NOTICE.—In the matter of the estate of JOHN HOWLAND, deceased. The undersigned, having been appointed by the Honorable Thomas L. Patterson, Judge of Probate in and for the county of Oakland, state of Michigan, commissioners to receive, examine and adjust all claims against said estate, and six months from the 28th day of September, A. D. 1896, having been allowed by said Judge of Probate to all persons holding claims against said estate, in which to present them to us for examination and adjustment, notice is hereby given that we will meet on the 11th day of November, 1896, and on the 29th day of March, 1897, at [illegible] o'clock [illegible] of each day at the Birmingham Exchange Bank, in the village of Birmingham, in said county, for the purpose of receiving and adjusting such claims.

ISAAC MAYBEE, [illegible] KUSTER, Commissioners.
(Oct1-Nov5)

STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF OAKLAND, ss. At a session of the Probate Court for said County of Oakland, held at the Probate Office, in the City of Pontiac, on the 28th day of September, in the year one thousand, eight hundred and ninety-six. Present, Thomas L. Patterson, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of STEPHEN CONGAR, deceased. On reading and filing the petition of Almeron Whitehead, praying for the probate of an instrument in writing, heretofore filed in this court, purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased.

It is ordered that Monday, the 26th day of October next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be appointed for proving said instrument; and it is further ordered, that a copy of this order be published three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC, a newspaper printed and circulating in said County of Oakland.

THOMAS L. PATTERSON, Judge of Probate.
(A TRUE COPY.) (Oct1-Oct22)

STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF OAKLAND, ss. At a session of the Probate Court for said County of Oakland, held at the Probate Office, in the city of Pontiac, on the 28th day of September, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety six. Present Thomas L. Patterson, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of Amanda L. Reynolds, deceased. On application of Herman G. Riffenburg, the administrator, for the examination and allowance of his final account and the settlement of the estate.

It is ordered that Monday, the 9th day of November next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon at said Probate Office, be appointed for hearing said application and the examination and allowance of said final account; and it is further ordered, that a copy of this order be published three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing in THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC, a newspaper printed and circulating in said county of Oakland.

THOMAS L. PATTERSON, Judge of Probate.
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(June11y1)

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Time Table No. 3. Goes into effect July 26, 1896.

Subject to Change Without Notice.

Cars will run through to Detroit, by way of Brush Street Depot to foot of Woodward Ave., as follows, local time:

GOING SOUTH.

Lv. Birmingham.
A. M. ...... 6.00, 6.45, 7.30, 8.15, 9.00, 9.45, 10.30, 11.15, 12.00.
P. M. ...... 12.45, 1.30, 2.15, 3.00, 3.45, 4.30, 5.15, 6.00, 6.45, 7.30, 8.15, 9.00, 9.45, 10.30, 11.15.

GOING NORTH.

Lv. Detroit, foot of Woodward Ave.
A. M. ...... 6.00, 6.45, 7.30, 8.15, 9.00, 9.45, 10.30, 11.15, 12.00.
P. M. ...... 12.45, 1.30, 2.15, 3.00, 3.45, 4.30, 5.15, 6.00, 6.45, 7.30, 8.15, 9.00, 9.45, 10.30, 11.15.

Sundays cars do not run through to Detroit but connect at Log Cabin with D. C. St. R'y cars as follows:

Lv. Birmingham.
A. M. ...... 7.08, 7.56, 8.44, 9.32, 10.20, 11.08, 11.32, 11.56.
P. M. ...... 12.20, 12.44, 1.08, 1.32, 1.56, 2.20, 2.44, 3.08, 3.32, 3.56, 4.20, 4.44, 5.08, 5.32, 5.56, 6.20, 6.44, 7.08, 7.32, 7.56, 8.20, 8.44, 9.08, 10.00, 11.00.

FARES—On D. C. S. R'y Co.'s Woodward Ave. Line, 5 cents; Palmer Park to Royal Oak, 5 cents; Palmer Park to Birmingham, 10 cents.

A. POULTER, SUP'T.

PONTIAC, OXFORD & NORTHERN R. R.

TIME TABLE.

Trains Run on Central Standard Time.

Going North: Fr'gt No. 5	Pass. No. 3	Mx'd No. 1	Stations.	Going South: Mx'd No. 2	Pass. No. 4	Fr'gt No. 6
A. M.	P. M.	A. M.	D., G. H. & M. / Mich Cent.	P. M.	A. M.	A. M.
	4 05	6 55		9 25	11 50	
8 50	5 15	8 10	PONTIAC.	8 05	10 40	4 00
10 05	6 00	8 55	Oxford Arr	7 10	10 05	2 00
10 5?		9 15	Oxford Dp	7 25		3 00
7 10	9 25	1 00	Caseville	3 00	6 45	6 15
p. m.	p. m.	p. m.	Ar. / Lv.	p. m.	a. m.	p. m.

CONNECTIONS: Pontiac with Detroit, Grand Haven & Milwaukee Ry., and Michigan Air Line Division of Grand Trunk Ry. Oxford with Bay City Division Michigan Central Ry. Imlay City with Chicago & Grand Trunk Ry. Clifford with Flint & Pere Marquette Ry. Pigeon with Saginaw, Tuscola & Huron Ry.

W. C. SANFORD, Gen. Supt.

Post Office Directory,

BIRMINGHAM, MICH.

George H. Mitchell, P. M.

Departure of Mails, Standard Time.

GOING EAST—[illegible] a. m., 3:18 p. m., 8:40 p. m. Pouch locks at the Post Office one-half hour earlier.

GOING WEST—7:30 a. m. and 11:26 a. m. Pouch locks at office one-half hour earlier.

Local Mails.

Mail to Franklin, North Farmington and Walnut, (G. Simpson, Carrier,) leaves twice daily at 8:20 a. m. and 5:05 p. m. Arrives daily at 1:30 p. m. and 8:00 p. m.

Southfield daily mail, A. Z. Chapman, Carrier, leaves 10:25 a. m. Arrives at 10:15 a. m.

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