

**THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC**  
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**HOME NOTES**

**JUSTICE AND MERCY.**

How many an ill world riddled by  
Had we only the patience to wait and see.  
The harvest shall be when our sheaves shall  
grow.  
The very same get the seed we sow.  
And never a wronger better made  
By another wrong of a deeper shade.  
And no foolish, "No black as the night,  
But God's sweet pity would cleanse it white."  
—THELMA WILKINSON in Review.

Blue Cross.  
Blue Cross soon.  
Blue cross is hale, hearty and healthy.

Pennsylvania has two Arbor days, one in spring and one in fall.

Glen Watkins made a business trip to Detroit Saturday last.

Attorney D. D. Waggett, of Oxford, is under arrest, charged with forgery.

Wesley Beebeizer is spending a few days with his sister, Mrs. Will Newman.

Last week the town board of South Lyon paid out for woodchuck scalps \$442.50.

Watch out for the blue cross. Everyone deserving it gets it without reserve.

Miss Nellie Marble has gone to Davisburg to spend a few weeks with old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Bower, of Detroit, have been the welcome guests of Mrs. E. M. Leonard.

Miss Mary Lee, of Farmington, was the guest of her aunt, Mrs. S. W. Fuller, over Sunday.

A petition to prohibit the sale of the Sunday Sun will come before the council of Pontiac soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Eber Allen of Detroit, spent Saturday and Sunday at their uncle's, James Marble.

Mr. and Mrs. Chet Urch have gone to Andersonville to spend a few days with their parents.

For SALE—Hickory and mixed stone wood. Inquire of Ed J. O'Brien, Gilbert Lake, 1248.

TO RENT—Farm of 77-1-2 acres one-half mile east of Royal Oak cemetery. John F. Moore, 3392.

Everybody attend the Celebrated Ferris lecture at the M. E. church this evening. Admission only 15 cts.

Just received at H. W. Baxter's, jeweler, watches, chains, gold rings, brooches, cuff buttons, earrings and jewelry.

The Ferris lecture which was to have taken place Tuesday evening last, has been postponed till tonight (Friday).

Lost between Birmingham and Big Beaver a package of books and stationery. Finder please leave at the Eccentric office.

Many of our advertisers have change of ad in this issue. Look them all up, for they contain many rare holiday bargains for all.

There will be a meeting of the chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, Wednesday eve, Dec. 22, '97. All members are requested to be present. Jas. B. Hunt, Sec.

A Linabury of Detroit, met his old chums last Saturday evening and was given a reception at Tracy Randall's. It was well attended and heartily enjoyed by all present.

The L. L. Club meet with Mrs. Clitz next Monday evening. Study for the week is civil dissensions and was down to the empire and the flourishing period of the empire.

Have you ever tried California perfumes, put up by Paul Rieger of San Francisco? Whitehead & Mitchell has just received a new line of these fine goods. What nicer Xmas presents?

Mrs. A. H. Bitters of Rochester, Mich., mother of Mrs. A. Blakeslee of our village, died at her home in Rochester on the 2nd, inst. Death resulted from a cancer. Her age was 63 years.

If the boys and girls who patronize the library will read "My Favorite Novelist and his Best Book," in the November Munsey they will then be able to read "Dana's Two Years Before the Mast."

Supervisor Hogie, of Farmington, (Everybody knows Jim) passed his 40th birthday anniversary last week Tuesday and his many friends gave him an old fashioned surprise party that was right up to date.

**Election of officers at next regular review of Hull Tent, K. O. T. M., Dec. 20th. A full attendance desired. I. H. Wilson, R. K.**

I will give 25 cents for the return of my kitten, "Blodgett". It's all black and about as big as my two fats. Emeline M. Mitchell.

The Pontiac Philetos works have orders for 30 carloads of vehicles, the result of orders received by their agents and solicitors, Messrs. Linabury, Murphy and Dunlap. The goods go to the great west.

Lieut. M. O. Bigelow, son of J. J. Alleg, is home on a furlough from his South Dakota post. Mort is the same old boy, little thin, brown and happy. During his absence from duty he will take a trip to South America.

If the date on your paper is passed, our first issue in January to which we carry its general reminder, that you are in arrears on this great paper and should pay up one dollar for every year past and one dollar in advance. Try it and see us smile.

Job printing at this office has been crowding us to some extent this week for which we are much obliged, thank you. Neat work printed on good stock with good inks and by good workmen, combined with right prices are what one is sure to get there.

It is reported that another subway train will be run through this city to Detroit on the D. & M. line, leaving this city at five o'clock p. m., and returning at midnight. Such a train would be of great convenience to those who attend the theatres at Detroit.

Rev. S. Snyder, pastor of the Christian Society at Oxford and Thornville, has preached there for 30 years and has labored there and elsewhere for 45 years, during which time he has officiated at 700 funerals and performed 500 wedding ceremonies. He is now 73 years old.

By the time this is printed the celebrated Casey case with John Arthur of Farmington, plaintiff, suing for \$1000, will be all settled up and receipts passed. J. F. Rindell brought about this result, and it is said James Casey will retain something like \$1000 in the settlement.

Byall means Coroner Brace should summon every witness who can throw any light on the cause, or who is to blame for the dreadful trolley accident. Byall means let Roy Blakester on the stand and let them tell the jury all they know of this disfiguring affair. It is said that they can tell a different story yet than has been told.

"The Choir Invisible" by James Lane Allen, is the title of the last new book in the library. It is a book whose sale and popularity has been almost phenomenal. It is a story of the early days of Kentucky. Another pleasing book just added to the library and not mentioned in these columns is "Phelma," by Marie Corelli, a weird story of the North.

We humbly ask our correspondents to pardon us for publishing their interesting communications in this issue. Our plea was of space on account of the great amount of news published relating to the late "Inquest," of which we are sure our readers are anxious to hear. Your items, however, are in a good state of preservation and will appear in next week's issue.

The Detroit & Pontiac Electric road carried 65,000 passengers in September, 73,000 in October and 78,000 in November, or at the rate of 1,000,000 passengers yearly. The Detroit & Mt. Clemens line carried 600,000 passengers last year, and the Wyandotte & Detroit line carries 500,000 yearly. So it will be seen, the Detroit & Pontiac line does most business of all the electric lines running from Detroit.

Park and Cemetery for November makes a strong plea against Sunday funerals. The clergy do not wish them; the cemetery authorities protest against them, and they do away with all privacy for those bereaved. The same journal notes a growing sentiment in favor of trees. The practice of hacking down some beautiful tree to make room for some unarchitectural building is a poor one.

The clothing store of R. H. Traver stands out as the place where you get good goods for the least money. Mr. Traver prides himself on the quality of goods he sells, for nothing of a cheap-john or shoddy character is allowed on his shelves or tables. In style and fashion he is correct to a dot. In suits for the little ones to buy at, Traver's is to get full value and an absolute knowledge that your youthful son is up-to-date.

**Xmas Buyers**  
Come and select your Xmas presents and have them laid away and get them delivered when needed. Look at this solid oak book-case.  
**Only \$5.95.**  
Given Away Free six pictures in one, who buy \$5.00 worth of frames or pictures before Jan. 1st, '98, we will give them one of these beautiful pictures of American poets or any other which retail for \$1.00.  
Free Pictures.  
Oak or mahogany ladies' desk only \$3.75.  
Goods shipped to any part of state—packed free of charge. Remember name and number.  
**Detroit Picture Co.,**  
117-119-121-123 Gratiot Ave., Detroit.

**Pontiac 99c Store**  
Is capturing the Christmas crowd.  
Counters and Counters of Christmas.  
Gifts such as:  
Lamps, Silverware, Jewelry, Pictures, Frames, Mirrors, Chinaware, Glassware, Chamber Sets, Pocket-books, Baskets, Collar and Cuff Boxes, Smoking Sets, Albums, Perfumery, Drums, Soldier Sets, Books, Books, Pianos, Blackboards, Desks, Chairs, Wash Sets, Banks, Watches, Whips, Guns, Swords, Animals, Tables, Magic Lanterns, Iron Toys, Croquet Boards, Trunks, Steam Engines, Arks, Puzzles, Wagons, Sleds, Hobby Horses, Shoe Files, Velocipede, Magic Lanterns, Tool Chests, Ten Pins, Cradles, and Dolls without number and their belongings.  
Santa Claus himself can get pointers here!

**Pontiac 99c Store.**  
**A. E. & S. E. HOWLETT.**  
Buy at Peck's==Save Dollars  
The Greatest Clock Sale of the season. Clocks and Cases. I am selling at almost half regular price, equal to making a little profit. It makes a difference of when and how goods are bought. These are a part of an purchase of 2000 garments at 50c on the dollar and going at prices less than merchants paid for the same goods earlier in the season.  
\$12.50 Plush Capes at \$9.50 \$5.00 Jackets at \$4.48  
15.00 " " 8.98 6.50 " " 4.48  
14.00 " " 7.90 4.00 " " 4.48  
8.50 Cloth Capes at \$4.88 12.50 " " 7.88  
6.75 " " 4.20 15.00 17.50 and 20.00 jackets at 9.88  
7.50 and 8.00 Collieries at 4.98

**S. N. PECK, Pontiac, Mich.**  
Every garment new just from the factory.  
**HOW ABOUT CHRISTMAS GOODS**  
Here is a reminder—look over this:  
(Books, Games, Toys, Banks, Dolls, Matches, Purse, Perfumes, Handkerchiefs, Ribbons, Towels, Stationery, Silver Trays and a largest list of novelties.)  
Here are tables full of Novelties, Fancy Goods and Useful Articles. An elegant assortment of Jewelry, Silver Ware, Kings, Books for Boys and Girls, Hosiery, Gloves, Toys of all kinds.  
If your purse is full and heart large you can show your friends Handkerchiefs and Gloves, Dolls, Toys, Books, Dolls, Silk Handkerchiefs, Silk Umbrellas, Neckties, Kid Gloves, Table Covers, Napkins, bed spreads and a host of articles from 50c to \$50, nothing any price desired.  
My first reason and everything new. Every street car stop at and start from Peck's Corner in Pontiac. Furniture coupons given with every sale.  
DIED.  
John Regal, the Fourth Victim of the Trolley Disaster, Dies at National Hotel.  
Six o'clock Saturday morning, last, John Regal died at the National Hotel, never having rallied to any great extent after his fearful ride to death in the electric railway accident that killed three others. Deceased was a German and had worked on a farm near Auburn for the past five years. He had a brother Tony, of Detroit, who was with him when he passed away. Deceased was about fifty years old, and about four years ago had been threatened with consumption, but the past year it was thought he was cured. The shock and his injuries, together with his weak condition proved too much for him. His body was taken to Detroit the day he died on a special car, his brother Tony and other friends accompanying. We are requested by Tony Regal to express his thanks to the many good people of Birmingham for their numerous acts of kindness to his brother during his stay here, and especially would he mention Mrs. Charles Schlaack, Mrs. Frank Ford, Mrs. Alex Parks, Mrs. Austin Parks and many others. Their tender care and watchful solicitude gave him much ease and made his sufferings much less. To Landlord Dates and housekeeper, Mrs. Golden, are due much commendation for their acts of kindness, also to all employees about the hotel. Had the deceased been a man of fortune he could not have received any more care or tender respect than John Regal.

**Wm. H. Elliott, Woodward & Grand River, Detroit.**  
**Garment Department.**  
If you want a new Garment see the goods we advertise.  
Three new lines of Black Jackets, heavy rough English curl, high storm collar at 7.50, 8.75 and \$10.00.  
New Kersey Jackets at 10.00, 12.00 and 15.00.  
Double Cloth Capes at 3.75, 4.98 and 5.95.  
Plush Capes at 8.00, 10.00 and 12.00.  
New Dress Skirts in black and colored at 3.90, 4.00, 5.00 and 6.50.  
Fur Scarfs at 1.00, 1.50, 2.50, 3.50, 3.50, 5.50, 6.50, 7.50 and 10.00.  
New Muffs at 1.00, 1.50, 2.00, 3.50, 4.50 and 5.00.  
Children's Reefers at 3.50, 5.00, 6.00, 8.50 and 10.00.

**Chas. F. Quick, UNDERTAKER and EMBALMER.**  
Corner Second and Main Sts., Royal Oak, Mich.  
Calls promptly responded to day or night.

**Millinery!**  
MRS. F. BOYD'S  
for new and stylish millinery—everything new. No old goods to dispose of.  
Prices Very Low.  
MRS. FRANK BOYD, Pontiac, Mich.

**LADIES**  
The new fall and winter styles in MILLINERY.  
Arrive every week at **MRS. S. L. BIRD'S,** Pontiac, Mich.  
The largest stock and lowest prices in Oakland County.

**The Chance of a Lifetime—**  
Improve your leisure hours during the long winter and put yourself for a higher sphere in life.  
A Correspondence school near at hand. Thorough Courses in all Subjects. We furnish all books free.  
As a specimen of our low rates see this—  
Complete course of Double Entry Book-keeping only \$19; \$5 cash and \$3 per month for balance.  
Send for our catalogue.

**BIRMINGHAM BUYERS**  
Who trade in our city will find it much to their advantage to make their purchases at our store.  
Our styles always excellent. Our prices always reasonable.  
We cordially invite you to call and would be pleased to enjoy your patronage.  
**BELL'S SHOE HOUSE,** 33 Saginaw St., PONTIAC, MICH.

**"A Word To the Wise is Sufficient."**  
TOMLINSON  
The Artistic Photographer of Birmingham, is making as fine Photos as any gallery in the State at prices that cannot be duplicated elsewhere for the same class of work. All kinds of large work made and finished in India Ink, Crayon, Pencil or Water Color.  
View Work a Specialty.  
**TOMLINSON.**

**The Correspondence School of Science and Literature.**  
Wyandotte, Mich.  
**That old, Puzzling Question**  
is up again—What shall I buy for Christmas?  
Read the answer in our windows. Good perfumery—always acceptable—appropriate—reasonable. New and delicate notes made by Birger, the California perfumer. 10, 25 and 50c packages.

**The Newest Thing in Shoes**  
Always found at **CRILL'S, Pontiac!**  
The swiftest thing for men this season is an enamel. New shapes in black enamel and box calf. No wonder these shoes are popular, they are comfortable, stylish and reasonable in price, three very important features in shoes. We have reasonable footwear for ladies and children in box calf, russia, calf skin and kangaroo calf and lighter shoes in turn and welt. It will pay you to inspect our stock. Headquarters for first quality of rubber goods. Big assortment of school shoes. Some people wear boots, we have a good assortment of them. Cars stop directly in front of our store.  
**H. M. CRILL,** Pontiac, Mich.

**Southfield Flour!**  
You want to eat the best bread cake and biscuit that can be made, don't you? Yes. That's a fact. Therefore you must buy **PHELPS' SOUTHFIELD FLOUR!**  
Straight product. Honest deal! Sold in Birmingham by Whitehead & Mitchell, John Hanna and Parks & Son.  
Warrant to give satisfaction.  
**L. C. PHELPS,** Southfield, Mich.

**ROYAL OAK LUMBER YARD.**  
G. A. DEWEY, Prop.  
Dealer in Lumber, lath, shingles and posts, builders' hardware, lime, hair and cement, doors, sash and blinds to order, Homesacred fertilizers. Agent for Axford Patent Fence Wiring Machine.  
Best and cheapest on the market. Call and get our figures before placing your order.  
Fence Wire at City Prices.

**FENWICK'S LUNCH PARLORS.**  
77 Woodward Ave., Detroit, Mich.  
Everything home made and palatable. Parcels checked free. Ladies Waiting and Toilet Rooms. Birmingham people specially invited to come to this Restaurant, and be at Home. G. G. FENWICK.

**When in Pontiac A GOOD PLACE TO BUY Dry Goods**  
—IS AT—**HUTTON, CHURCH & LINABURY'S.**  
Every Item of Merchandise shown is strictly guaranteed to be light in Quality and Style and at **LOWEST PRICE.**  
The McCopell Store is where we are located. The lightest store in the city.  
Always Welcome.  
Whether you Buy or Not. Hutton, Church & Linabury, Pontiac.

**Josh W. Bird, Pontiac, Mich.**  
Wishes you to know that our Fall and Winter Goods are all in and will give you fits in Suits and Overcoats. Our line in Underwear and general line of Gent's Furnishing Goods was never better. Come and see us.