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EASTWARD

†Morning Express	7:05 a. m.
†Mail	12:10 p. m.
†Grand Rapids Express	4:50 p. m.
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†Chicago Express	9:00 p. m.
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*Night Express	5:35 a. m.
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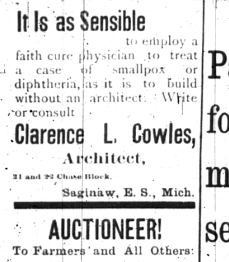

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Too busy to write an adv't for this week. Watch this space next issue.

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HOME NOTES

Did you attend the shooting match? Some fine scores made.

The B. V. R. C. will meet with Mrs. Langley, Tuesday evening, March 16

Mr. William Satterlee is a juror in the United States Supreme court now a days.

The Sigma Psi wishes to inform the public that they need no private secretary.

The decision given in the Hixie will case was that the deeds should stand as given.

The imports of American apples into Germany this year exceeded those of former years 20 times

A Partridge sells at administrator's sale next Saturday, March 13, 1897, the John Harris home in this village

We noticed last Thursday that Griggs Bros., of Rochester, had a carload of barrelled apples on the railroad siding just ready to ship.

Money to loan. Any person wishing the loan of $500 or $1,000 on real estate, apply to Box No. 107 Royal Oak P. O., Mich. 3

Mrs. Roland Gillett, of South Bend, Ind., visited her friend Mrs. James Shain, of this place, one day last week.

Those two big logs at the depot cause some comment. "My," said a party, "what a tree it must have been to have had such a limb as that."

Will J. Fall, fireman at electric station, says with dirty flues and gale, he uses 343 pounds of coal per hour. Will beats them all by 57 pounds.

A Matrons' Contest will furnish all the entertainment needed during first evening of the W. C. T. U. convention. Don't fail to attend.

If Mr. Taber would provide a bridge or a ferry over the pond in front of his residence, the public would be very much obliged. A Citizen.

Mrs. Virginia C. Mueehill's lecture on "Winter Feed for Cattle," is estimated to have saved thousands of dollars to Indiana farmers.

Saturday, March 13, don't forget that A. Partridge sells at auction the late home of John Harris in this village. Some one will get a good bargain

Mary Lyon, the founder of Holyoke College, has been the subject of many a brilliant speech and sermon of late. Her fame stands for the era of higher education of women.

P. G. Phillips offers his farm near Birmingham for rent. Good references required. Address or call on James Nye, 2½ miles west and 1½ miles north of Birmingham.

Our town is bound to come to the front in the matter of ornament in the way of trees, and it's no small amount of labor, either, to transplant them when half grown.

A bargain can be had next Saturday, two o'clock p. m., by anyone who wants the John Harris property which will be sold at auction by A. Partridge, administrator.

Mrs. C. H. Johnson, the President of the 6th District W. C. T. U., is also Recording Secretary of the State W. C. T. U. and a much valued worker in the National.

Mr. Martin H. Blunt, the successful veteran auctioneer, can't complain but what confidence is fully restored and that prosperity is with him—he has an auction sale for every single day of this week.

The majority of the loads of hay that pass through town going west these days, are bound for the Ward estate to help feed the thousands of sheep they have there. The price ranges from $6 to $8 per ton.

Rev. W. F. Sheridan will lecture at the M. E. church, Friday evening, March 12. Subject, "Patriotism With a Backbone" or the "Heroic Renaissance." This is the last number of the E. L. Course.

Friday, March 19, at 1 o'clock p. m., on the premises, ¼ mile south and 1 mile west of Kitty's Mills, Andrew Prince will sell the following property at public auction: Horses, mares, cows, wagon, 2-seated buggy, 2-seated cutter, land roller, spring-tooth harrow, Champion mower, set double harness, buggy tongue, one horse cultivator, quantity of corn in the ear, etc. Terms reasonable. M. H. Blunt, auctioneer.

Miss Mary Satterlee is home again after six months' visiting in Missouri, Ohio and the great West. Reports having enjoyed a very pleasant visit. Glad to go and glad to return to "Michigan, my Michigan."

Mrs. Lydia Gardiner is very ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. E. F. Peabody. She is attended by Dr. J. L. Campbell and he's assisted by a professional nurse, Miss Sutherland, from Detroit.

James A. Casey is busy erecting a large barn on his premises, frame up and the work being pushed rapidly to a finish. He intends to at season to overhaul and enlarge his house. Success to Jimmy.

Lost, a leather pocket-book between Binns's meat market and the residence of J. F. Rundel on Maple avenue. Contained about $1.90. The finder will be suitably rewarded by leaving at the Exchange Bank or Post Office.

"If the franchise is a privilege, as a supreme court has lately decided it to be it is not the privilege of superior intelligence, virtue, sobriety or providence for in these attributes women are the superiors of men."

The ladies of the Maccabees and Forester Lodges have sent flowers to their sick members all through the long winter. Truly it is pleasant to be remembered. They were sent from the Birmingham green-house, too.

Everybody should attend the band concert, Friday night, it is week, as the boys have got up a first-class programme and the price of the town should help the boys as they will be in shape to give us lots of music this summer.

Some 30 Detroit Lady Maccabees came out from the city Saturday night last and visited their sister L. O. T. M. Mrs. Ira Chatfield, and were entertained at the Birmingham Lodge of the L. O. T. M. Saturday evening. All happy.

The twentieth annual convention of the Sixth District W. C. T. U. will convene in the M. E. church Birmingham, April 13, 14 and 15. It is hoped everybody will avail themselves of the privilege of attending these meetings.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Loeb were very pleasantly surprised last Wednesday evening, by a large number of their friends who were delightfully entertained by some very fine music and spent a most enjoyable evening at their most hospitable home.

John Jonas has an auction Saturday, March 27, at 10 o'clock a. m., one mile north and 1½ miles east of Royal Oak. The following property will be sold: Two work horses, set of double harness, wagons, drag, plow, cultivators, mower, reaper, binder, road cart, 6 new milch cows, fanning mill, 100 bu. oats, 500 bu. corn, big kettle, hobsleigh, cutter, corn sheller, hay rake, hay rack, steel ditching scraper, cutting box, land roller, hay fork, rope and pulleys, etc. Terms easy. M. H. Blunt, auctioneer. Samuel Martin, clerk.

A tramp at Lapeer was given a saw and directed to work at the wood pile while the lady of the house was getting a lunch ready for him. He departed, leaving the saw with a note attached which read, "Tell them that you saw me, but you didn't see me saw."—Ex.

One day last week Mr. Wm. Reynolds purchased for the sum of $500, at administrator's sale, the property known as the Mrs. Patch place, and presented the same to his daughter and her husband, Mr. Bert Gravin.

Some years ago Dan Carlos Buckland, of Pontiac, died, leaving a large property for his wife. John H. Patterson, formerly of Holly, managed her affairs for her, and his work was so satisfactory that she willed him property worth $10,000 and the handling of her $75,000 estate.

Can't lay the ignorant votes on the farmers this time as usual, because, of the 25 worthless votes cast on Monday last not an honest granger had a chance to cast one. This shows that the farmers understands voting better than the villagers, judging from the recent election.

Jan Maclaren, who se books and lectures have been so much read in our village this winter, has said since his return, that great as are our prairies, our mines and the wealth of this new world, that which impressed him most deeply was the vastness of the scope of the intelligence of the American woman.

Saturday, March 20, at 1 o'clock p. m., 1 mile north of Royal Oak and ½ mile east, Joseph Staudt will sell the following property at auction: Horses, cows, heifers, 3 yearling Jerseys, binder, mower, reaper, hay rake, cultivators, wagons, two road carts, bobsled, hay rack, corn sheller, fanning mill, Gale plow No. 22, harnesses, set of wagon springs, forks, hoes, shovels and many other articles. Terms easy. M. H. Blunt, auctioneer.

Mrs. Paton and Georgia, Demause, Harry and Kenny were in town last week visiting old friends with headquarters at H. C. Wilson's. Mr. Paton has been transferred back to America for which the entire family are thankful. Mr. Paton's work will be for the G. T. railroad company at Port Huron and may be he won't celebrate.

The bicycle show in Detroit had many features but none so pleasing to Birminghammers and our neighbors as to meet Tom Cooper who will soon be the world's champion rider. He rides this season for the Monarch people for a $3,000 a season salary and extras that will net him $2,000 more. He rides the Morgan & Wright tire. Success to Tommy.

The Farmington Enterprise, one of our brightest and best exchanges, is prospering as much as the fondest hopes of its enterprising manager could expect and is a bright, clean, breezy newspaper. Editor Bloomer has just added a new Taylor drum cylinder steam press and with a suitable bugine he is right up to date and strictly in it. Good for Bro. Bloomer.

Wm. Rehse, administrator, has an auction on the premises, on mile south of Warren village, Wednesday, March 17, at one o'clock p. m. The following property will be sold: One horse, cow, calf, wagon, road wagon, new horse rake, hay rack, fanning mill, drag, two cultivators, 20-gallon kettle, 3 tons timothy hay, 1 ton clover hay, 75 bu. of oats, 25 bu. of corn, stack of straw, wheelbarrow, cutter, single harness, grain cradle, grindstone, corn planter, household furniture, etc. Martin H. Blunt, auctioneer.

So near and yet so far. Conductor on Thursday's afternoon train just missed interviewing a friend and brother as he jumped his fare from Pontiac, and a long jump it was, 16 feet by actual measurement. Our sable friend was no doubt a g. o. p. delegate to the Washington Out and In, but important business called for a stop over at Birmingham.

A new state telephone company has been organized and preparations are now being made to go out into the state. J. R. Buchanan is organizing in Pontiac, and promises telephones at $18 per year for residences and $24 for business places, with free service to Birmingham and Orchard Lake and ten cent charge for Detroit service. The present rate, metallic service is 25 cents.

Here's a good one on a fat Detroit policeman. George and Will Starr made a run for the Oakland trolley car and after reaching Woodward Ave., a great big 250 pounder policeman came up gasping for breath and wanted to know just what they were running for. They told him, "Fun, what else," said the blue coat and "I've chased two fellows ten blocks." And his breath kept coming in short pants.

Some 35 or 40 couples tripped the light fantastic at Mr. Joe Gravlin's on Wednesday night of last week. This and a fine supper helped to celebrate Mr. Frank Gravlin's wedding. The bride's presence made the occasion doubly interesting. Good music kept them all until the next day.

Friday evening, March 19, the Maccabee lodges of Royal Oak give an interesting play at the Royal Oak Town Hall. The play is a strong piece in favor of temperance and should be heard by all. Immediately following this will be presented a comedetta in one act entitled "The Penitent's Return." Both casts are strong ones. Admission ten cents. Children under 12 years, five cents.

Any person who is a new subscriber to THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC will receive along with their paper one dozen fine, hardy flowering bulbs, the same costing at the seedman's, 50c. So send in your dollar and receive by return mail your bulbs. Address your letter Subscribers' Department, ECCENTRIC, Birmingham, Mich. Send in your subscriptions at once as supply of bulbs is limited. First come, first served.

Thursday, March 18, at 10 o'clock a. m., on the premises, 2 miles west and 1 mile south of Utica, Mrs. John Cromie will sell the following property at public auction: Three horses, 4 cows, brood sow, 4 shotes, harnesses, wagons, bobsleigh, cutter, fanning mill, cultivators, drag, hay rake, about 8 tons of hay, quantity cornstalks, quantity of oats, about 600 bu. corn, about 50 chickens, Wheeler & Wilson sewing machine, quantity lumber and shingles, about 40 cords of beech and maple stove wood, household furniture, etc., etc. Terms reasonable. M. H. Blunt, auctioneer. 4

Our school teachers report that few persons ever call upon them. This is too bad. Teachers and scholars are working hard and both appreciate very much the smiling face of a parent or friend to help drive away the monotony and incessant drill of school life. If you have the time to go, you will nowhere else receive as cordial a welcome as in the school room. Remember this and act upon it at your earliest opportunity.

Mrs. R. D. Lusted and her sisters Isabella Lowes and Nancy Lowes gave a farewell party to about forty old friends last week Friday. A most enjoyable time was had. Light refreshments were served and all depa ted having been made most happy by the Lowes girls. They expect to return to New Mexico row very soon and will be accompanied by the best wishes of a whole village full of old time friends.

H. N. Lavery will have an auction on what is known as the Dan Barwise farm, 1 mile north and 1½ miles east of Amy, Monday, March 15, at 10 o'clock a. m., at which time there will be sold, 17 cows, span of colts 4 years old, span of mares 6 and 8 years old, 250 bu. of rye, 500 bu. of corn, 750 bu. oats, 4 sets of drags, mowing machine, Osborne binder, roller, plows, cultivator, set of sleighs, 3 dozen cow chains, grindstone, 2 large kettles, wire stretcher, 5 log chains, wagons, set of whiffletrees, milk tank, 10 tons of hay, 5 barrels of vinegar, set of double harness, set of 500 lb. scales, 4 10-gallon milk cans, Planet Jr. cultivator, etc. Terms easy. M. H. Blunt, auctioneer.

Our blushes and modesty will not allow us to tell all that Samuel Jarris says of the good qualities and the great curing propensities of Mitchell's Compound Syrup of White Pine. Anyway Samuel says that he was in for a hard attack of grippe and all of the attendant symptoms, cough, back ache, bones ache and that unutterable wish to die that all have—well one bottle made a new man of him. Think of it, a cure for 25c of the grippe.

And now our enterprising liveryman Will A. Baum, comes to the front with a new 30x40 foot building in front of the property known as the Samuel Mills' cooper shop, but which Mr. Baum now owns. With all these new arrangements and a fine stock of horses and vehicles, second to none, Will can suit the most fastidious customer and the Palace Livery ranks No. 1. Just how Messrs. Baum and Johnston will "hitch," such near neighbors, we hardly know, but all on a line of peace we should say, considering that they have an undertaker's establishment between them.

Having leased his farm, Edward Killian will sell at auction 2½ miles west of Woodward Ave. and 5½ miles north of Grand River Road on town line between Royal Oak and Southfield, March 16, 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m., the following property: Heifers, 4 springers, cow, span of mares, horses, colts, 8 pigs 8 weeks old, sow and 9 pigs, harnesses, wagons, top buggy, Champion binder, 2 Champion mowers, Keystone, side delivery hay rake, cutter, Thomas hay tedder, grain drill, iron roller, cultivators, harrows, drag, 2 Syracuse plows, fanning mill hay rack, 500 bu. 2-year-old oats, 500 bu. of last year's oats, quantity of cornstalks, number of grain bags, etc. Terms easy. Lunch at noon. M. H. Blunt, auctioneer. 2

The surest way to murder the growth of your own town and see her languish and die is to patronize foreign enterprise of any kind. To build it up, assist by all means in your power all legitimate home efforts, and no where in our town do we find a more enterprising firm in their line of business than that of E. R. Smith & Co. Here we find lumber, long or short, thick or thin, rough or dressed, clear or not, just as you choose. They'll sell or buy your corn, oats, wheat, rye, barley and deal on the square every time. No New York or Chicago parties to wait upon, but Birmingham boys, and right at home. That engine they have to elevate and clean their customers' grain is a daisy. Every dollar's worth of business this firm does, assists the growth of our town. Farmers find here the highest market price for their produce as well as kind treatment.

If a person is a lover of fine horses and wishes to see English Hackney stock, call on him, visit Col. Roberts' Spring-brook Stock Farm, under the supervision of Mr. W. J. Peters. Here we found 28 head of English imported b'o'd. We never had any desire to tickle a strange horse's hind foot with a straw, and always fought shy of our neighbor's pups, but Mr Peters has his charges under complete control. They are as frisky as kittens but gentle as lambs. These horses are bred and broken for the Eastern market. Edisman, a fine two year old, paces or trots and has made an 1 8 of a mile in 2 seconds, and judging from his looks, could show his two with stockings at a faster clip. Tempus, or as the name means Time, looked to us as though he was able to do the foreclock act if called upon, and so on all through the plant everything was in order. Quietness, gentleness and neatness prevailed. The Colonel did have some imported cattle of the Red-Polled variety, but has of late only kept two or three for his own use. W. J. remarked that they were such easy keepers he thought of trying snow and ice as fodder, and getting a cinch on the ice cream business. We must not forget to mention Lord Kingsbury, the imported English stock horse. My! but he's a dandy, shows his breeding on sight.

CLEANING 'EM OUT!

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Every Overcoat, Ulster, Reefer, heavy weight and medium weight in our store has been marked down to cost for this week's sale.
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THE WAY WE LIKE 'EM.

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