THE JOKER'S CORNER.

WIT AND WISDOM, ORIGINAL AND SELECTED.

The Wooden Scepter—An Apt Answer by a District School Pupil—At the Afro-American Ball—The Smart Lawyer Naming the Baby.

We met in an April rain
(Luckily I had an umbrella.)
The loss of her own was my gain—
I was a fortunate fellow
Lucky I had an umbrella,
Her love of a bonnet was doomed.

I was a fortunate fellow
When on her horizon I loomed.

Her love of a bonnet was doomed,
Her gown would have followed likewise
When on her horizon I loomed
Thankfulness shone in her eyes.

Her gown would have followed likewise
Had I not appeared as her savior.
Thankfulness shone in her eyes
No time that for formal behavior.

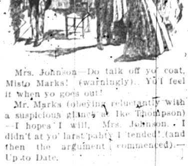
Had I not appeared as her savior
I should not be telling you this
No time that for formal behavior
I asked to be paid with a kiss.

I should not be telling you this.
Too sad is the end of my tale.
I asked to be paid with a kiss—
Many curses descend on her veil.

Too sad is the end of my tale,
Grateful she was, I am sure.
Many curses descend on her veil—
She was as black as a Moor.

Grateful she was I am sure;
I'll ne'er be chivalrous again.
She was as black as a Moor—
We met in an April rain.
—New York World.

A Burnt Child.



Mrs. Johnson—Do talk off yo' coat, Misto Marks! (warningly). Yo'l feel it when yo goes out!

Mr. Marks (obeying reluctantly with a suspicious glance at Ike Thompson)—I hopes I will, Mrs. Johnson. I didn't at yo' larst pahty I 'tended! (and then the argument commenced).—Up to Date.

The Smart Lawyer.

Many lawyers nowadays utterly disregard honor and honesty in the means by which they elicit evidence or invalidate the testimony of those opposed to them, in illustration of which we need only adduce the following specimen of cross-questioning:

Lawyer—Mr. Jenkins, will you have the goodness to answer me, directly and categorically, a few plain questions?

Witness—Certainly, sir.

Lawyer—Well, Mr. Jenkins, is there a female living with you who is known in the neighborhood as Mrs. Jenkins?

Witness—There is.

Lawyer—Is she under your protection?

Witness—Yes.

Lawyer—Do you support her?

Witness—I do.

Lawyer—Have you ever been married to her?

Witness—I have not. (Here, several jurors scowled gloomily at Mr. Jenkins.)

Lawyer—That is all, Mr. Jenkins.

Opposing Counsel—Stop one moment, Mr. Jenkins. Is the female in question your mother?

Witness—She is.—Boston Post.

Naming the Baby.

York—Oh! the baby is a dandy!—boy—ten pounds.

Duncan—Congratulations. Have you named him?

York—Not yet—any name to suggest?

Duncan—Don't know, why—er—y-e-s—; he's a late arrival, suppose you call him K-n-e-w, Knew York—that sounds well.

"York—Knew is all right for a middle name; how would G-r-a-y-t-o-r do for the first?

Enlightening Willie.

Willie—"Why don't women have whiskers, pa?"

Pa—"My son, the habit of talking though one's whiskers is abhorrent. Woman was placed upon the earth to beautify it and make it lovely. But don't say anything about this to your mother."—Cleveland Leader.

The Wooden Scepter.

Parson Drawl—And so your 10-year-old son has run away. It's strange how boys want to leave the farm. What seemed to be the matter? It surely was not the board.

Deacon Dogood—No; it was the shingle.—Up-to-Date.

An Apt Answer.

Teacher—Johnny, you may tell me what is meant by capital punishment.

Johnny (speaking from experience)—That's what a feller gits fer commencin' his sentences with small letters.—Up to Date.

What's in a Name?

A rose by any other name
Would without doubt be full as sweet;
A thorn by any other name
Would just as quickly prick your feet.
—Joe Cone, in Up-to-Date.

Appetizing.

"By valve, I steam you," said the boiler to the oyster.

"I espeshelly recognize that you are 'hot stuff,'" was the reply.

OBITUARY.

Died, at his residence in the township of Sterling, Macomb county, Mich., March 10, 1897, Emanuel Case, in the 85th year of his age. Mr. Case was born near Batavia, New York, April 1st, 1812. When a young man of 17 years, he left his home and came to Michigan and settled in Royal Oak township. A short time later he worked for John Hamilton in this village, he being the one who helped to clear off the land where the power house now stands. In 1831 he was married to Miss Adalade Burt who died five years later, leaving two children both of whom are dead. In 1839 he was again married to Miss Chloe Barton, who died 16 years ago, leaving four children, Daniel L., Mrs. Mary Sylvester, Austin E., and Mrs. Kate Bower. Since death of his wife "Uncle Emanuel," as he was familiarly called, has been very feeble and for the past few years has been tenderly cared for by his eldest son and his wife, who did all that was possible to make his declining years happy ones. He was a man of sterling worth and was highly respected and dearly loved by a large circle of friends and acquaintances. He will be greatly missed in the community in which he lived. Although old and feeble his advice was often sought and he always gave wise counsel. He lived well, his end was peace and his works follow him. His funeral service was held in the M. E. church at Warren and his remains were laid to rest in the Warren cemetery.

Died, March 15, 1897, Mr. Joseph Harris, at his son's residence. Mr. Harris was born in the Parish of Headington, Oxford, England, June 2, 1817. In 1861 he crossed the ocean with his family, settling in Paris, Canada. After remaining there several years he removed to Birmingham in 1874. On July 18, 1889, his wife, Mary, lost her life in an accident her horse running away while returning home from Birmingham since which time Mr. Harris has made his home with his son Wilburn. Many beautiful floral offerings were made by his numerous friends. He leaves four children to mourn his demise, one son, Wilburn, and three daughters, Mrs. Wm. Cobb, of Birmingham, and two others, one living in New Jersey and one in Missouri. His death was a peaceful one and he died in the happy hope of meeting the many friends gone before. His last hours were made comfortable by the kindly care of his son and daughter who were with him continually until the end came. He was buried in Greenwood cemetery, Rev. Eugene C. Allen performing the funeral services.

FRANKLIN FLUTTERINGS.

Mr. John Moore journeyed to Detroit on Saturday.

Miss Sadie Sly has been spending a few days at home.

The social to be given at Caspar Case's Friday evening was postponed until to-morrow evening in consequence of the rain.

A number of the friends and parishioners of Rev. and Mrs. J. Beattie met at their home Wednesday evening and presented them with a beautiful eight day clock.

Mrs. M. D. Sly, of Romeo, attended the Miller-Brooks wedding.

Howling drunkenness ought to be suppressed in our town and cider license required of a few farmers in the vicinity.

The funeral of Mrs. J. Cary was held in the church on Wednesday and very largely attended.

The bridge near the cheese factory needs repairing which causes some inconvenience to the traveling public.

DETROIT THEATRES.

Frank Harvey's drama of incident, villainy, persecution and beleaguered virtue, entitled "The World Against Her," is revived at Whitney's this week by the Agnes Wallace Villa company. It is a play of sustained interest, and is presented in a highly acceptable manner measuring the performance by the ordinary standard of melodrama. The cast brings in view several competent players, the scenery and properties are of the first class, the comedy episodes are capitally played, various pleasing specialties are introduced and the "thrills" with which the play is liberally provided, are so managed as to excite liveliest interest on the part of the spectator. The play is of good tone, clean throughout, and a credit to the theatre. Next Sunday, "The Merry World."

The latest edition of the Byrne Bros.' acrobatic comedy, "Eight Bells," is being presented at the Lyceum this week. It is one of the best known entertainments on the boards and has furnished harmless amusement for a large number of theatre-goers since its first production some 10 seasons ago. Its most novel feature, the revolving ship, is one of the best trick stage effects ever put into a piece of this kind. The trick horse and carriage in the first act are still retained, and the agile young men who take flying leaps through the panels of the vehicle, keep the audience in a continual roar. The two strongest features of the performance are the acrobatic feats of the Byrne troupe of tumblers and the rifle shooting by Pauline Cook and May Clinton. The acrobats, six in number, give a remarkably skillful exhibition, and the marksmanship of the two ladies prove them experts with the rifle. The engagement is for the week with the usual matinees. Next Sunday, John E. Henshaw Company.

GEMS OF THOUGHT.

Always remember that there is no possible making up of lost time.—Mary Lyon.

If religion means anything, it must mean absolute truthfulness.—James Hinton.

Opportunity, sooner or later, comes to all who work and wish.—Lord Stanley.

Light is no less favorable to merit than unfavorable to imposture.—Kames.

As you go forward in life, never expect too much, never hope for too little.—Dr. Jowett.

Negligence is the rust of the soul that corrodes through all her best resolutions.—Feltham.

The actions of men are like the index of a book. They point out what is most remarkable in them.—Thomas.

There is nothing so sweet as duty, and all the best pleasures of life come in the wake of duties done.—Jean Ingelow.

Death arrives but once, and makes itself felt every moment of life; it is harder to apprehend than to suffer.—La Bruyere.

Unlimited power should not be trusted in the hands of anyone who is not endued with a perfection more than human.—J. Veitch.

We have more power than will; and it is often by way of excuse to ourselves that we fancy things are impossible.—Rochefoucauld.

Singleness of purpose, and resolution and elevated piety endow us with perennial youth. As we make no compromise with time, time keeps out of our way.—Thoreau.

He is the best who wins the most splendid victories by the retrieval of mistakes, by beginning afresh. Forget mistakes. Organize victory out of mistakes.—F. W. Robertson.

Let us try to make our lives like songs, brave, cheery, tender and true, that shall sing themselves into other lives, and so help to lighten burdens and cares.—A. J. Gordon.

One can and should ever speak quietly; loud, hysterical vehemence, foaming and hissing, least of all beseems him that is convinced, and not only supposes but knows.—Carlyle.

THE RIGHT MAN IN THE RIGHT PLACE.

The nomination by the Democrats of Harry H. Snowdon for Commissioner of Schools to succeed himself, is a fitting tribute to the excellent service which he has rendered while serving in this capacity.

During the time which Mr. Snowdon has held this important office the schools of Oakland county have had his constant attention and the high praise which is bestowed upon his efforts by those alike interested in our district schools plainly demonstrates the general approval of the work he has accomplished. Instead of performing a mere perfunctory service in the visitation of schools, Mr. Snowdon has been active in the organization of teachers' institutes and educational meetings. Unceasing in his efforts to serve the patrons of the various school districts throughout the county, Mr. Snowdon has given special attention to promoting a spirit of co-operation between parents and teachers, and as a result of his labors in this direction has succeeded in eliminating much of the unfriendly spirit which so many times hampers the proper training of pupils.

Although it may not be generally known, this county has between 250 and 300 schools under the jurisdiction of the county commissioner. To properly understand the needs of the various districts requires a person who is thoroughly familiar with the methods employed in district school work. Mr. Snowdon, from his identification with the office of Commissioner, has placed himself thoroughly in touch with all these needs and the time which he has served the people of Oakland county has become the basis of valuable experience in laying out work, assisting in the arrangement of studies and the like. Thoroughly familiar with all the details of school work, he makes a capable guardian of the schools, both as an instructor and as an adviser.

The office of County Commissioner is not one of politics, it belongs to the people and the person who has shown such an interest in the welfare of the schools as has Mr. Snowdon deserves general support without regard to party. Mr. Snowdon's re-election should follow, not because he is a Democrat, but rather from the fact that he has shown a desire to serve well the schools of Oakland county, and moreover because he has thoroughly demonstrated his ability to meet the demands of the office.

ROYAL OAK ITEMS.

Died, at her home in Royal Oak, Monday, March 15, '97, Mrs. Jos. Quick, aged 78 years. The funeral was held at the house, Thursday, when many friends and relatives followed the remains to their last resting place. Mrs. Quick was one of the pioneers of this town and was known and loved by many.

Fred Bundt lost a child the past week.

Maude Alger is sick with la grippe.

The roads are very nice, nit.

C. G. Wilson has left the employ of H. Bartels.

The L. O. T. M. concert was well attended considering the condition of the roads and the weather. M. Suitker, as Wm. Gordon and Joe Heavener as Sam Hudson, performed their parts well. The music was fine and well selected. In the "Penitent's Return," C. F. Stumpf filled the place of a "Wandering Willie" to suit the most exacting. On the whole the plays were a success and showed training and practice.

A large number of the friends and relatives of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Truesdall, Jr., gave them a surprise party at their home Thursday evening. Cards and dancing were the order of the evening and everybody had a good time.

Mrs. Abram Harris, another old resident of this town, died Thursday last and was buried Sunday afternoon.

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Celery Compound, per bottle .... 75c.
Beef, Iron and Wine, per bottle .... 50c.
Lambert Root Beer Ext., per bottle .... 15c.

Special Notices.

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.

Auction Sales.

Having leased her farm for a term of years Mrs. Electa White will sell at auction on the premises, one-half mile northwest of Southfield Burg, Thursday, March 25, at one o'clock p. m., the following property: Three work horses, three milch cows, colt, 3 cows coming in soon, brood sow, 6 shotes, 2 yearling heifers, harnesses, 2 lumber wagons, top buggy, iron roller, set of sleighs, cultivators, 3 milk cans, about 200 bu. of oats, a quantity of corn fodder, mowing machine, plows, wooden drag, hay rake, milk wagon, about 10 tons of hay, some seed potatoes, etc. Easy terms. J. M. Lee, auctioneer.

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, bobsleigh, 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.

On Tuesday, March 30, at 1 o'clock p. m., an heirship auction will be held on the premises, 3 miles north and 2 miles east of Warren and 3 1-2 miles south and 1 mile east of Utica, when the following property will be sold: Horse, cow, 30 pair chickens, top buggy, swell box cutter, harnesses, Clough & Warren organ (new), violin and box, 16-foot ladder, goatskin robe, wool top blanket, 38 grain bags, 2 horse blankets, 4 tons of hay, quantity of cornstalks, stack of straw, quantity of oats, 50 bu. rye, 200 bu. of corn, farm bell, 25 white oak posts, stoves, lawn mower, etc. Terms easy. Wm. Duboise, manager; M. H. Blunt, auctioneer. Besides the above 78 acres of land will also be sold.

Wm. Satterlee, administrator, will sell at auction on the premises, 2 miles north and 1-2 mile west of Birmingham, known as the Lowes farm, on Wednesday, March 31, at one o'clock p. m., the following property: Heifer, 4 1-2 tons of hay, brood mare, colt, stack of straw, cutter, pair of new bobsleighs, truck wagon and hay rack, plow, two seated buggy, fanning mill, two drags, stone-boat, 150 bu. of corn, kettle, grindstone, two chains, 225 fence posts, wheel cultivator, mower, etc. Terms easy. M. H. Blunt, auctioneer.

THE SCHOOL COMMISSIONERSHIP NOT ONE OF POLITICS.

The subjoined editorial from our esteemed contemporary, The Pontiac Gazette, will be of interest to those who understand fully the responsibility resting upon the office now held by Harry H. Snowdon. The Gazette says:

"For many reasons it is deplorable that candidates for county school commissioner are nominated on partisan tickets, because it has been the written spirit of our school management, and wisely, that the schools should be kept out of politics.

"One of these reasons is that incompetent men, by sharp political manipulation, are liable to get a party nomination, and many partisans vote for them who would not, were they to vote on the merits of the candidate irrespective of political endorsement.

"The man who occupies the important position of school commissioner may properly be classed as filling almost, if not quite, the most important public position in the county. His work is mostly with the primary schools, and it will not be denied they are next to the home influence and mother love in forming the characters and giving impulse to the lives of the generation just stepping on the platform of public affairs.

"Soon the boys and girls of the primary schools of to-day will be the men and women in control of the destinies of the country, and as they are equipped for the battle of life, will depend their prosperity and happiness, and to a large extent, the future of those to come after them.

"Need we say it is most important that the early training in the public schools should be in competent hands? That the oversight of our schools should be in the custody, not only of an experienced teacher, a man qualified for the important position by temperament and character, but he should be a scholar competent to instruct teachers not only in technical branches of school work, but in the knowledge of text books and the discipline of mind that is one of the chief benefits of a liberal education."

In speaking of Mr. Snowdon's nomination some time ago, the Post contended that the office of school commissioner was one which should be kept entirely outside of politics, and it is with much satisfaction that we learn the approval of this course by our contemporary. Mr. Snowdon's administration of affairs has been universally commended by all those interested in school matters, and the Gazette voices popular approval in the position it has taken with respect to this office.—Pontiac Post.

HOW TO FIND OUT.

Fill a bottle or common glass with urine and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates a diseased condition of the kidneys. When urine stains linen it is positive evidence of kidney trouble. Too frequent desire to urinate or pain in the back, is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

WHAT TO DO.

There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy, fulfills every wish in relieving pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passages. It corrects inability to hold urine and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effect following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to get up many times during the night to urinate. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists, price fifty cents and one dollar. For a sample bottle and pamphlet, both sent free by mail, mention The Eccentric, and send your full post-office address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. The proprietors of this paper guarantee the genuineness of this offer. Feb11, 1y

CHICAGO TO THE FRONT.

Boyce's Big Weeklies, the SATURDAY BLADE and CHICAGO LEDGER, have been heard from again. The enterprising publishers of these papers have recently "gone into color work"—that is, they have added to their immense establishment in Chicago, a complete outfit of machinery, apparatus, etc., for the productions of colored pictures, such as have made several New York dailies famous.

The Boyce Company are constantly studying how to please the 2,500,000 readers of their weeklies, and this recent effort has cost them upward of $40,000. If this is not enterprise then we are not familiar with the definition.

The SATURDAY BLADE is now sixteen pages in size. The old Blade is there intact, folded inside an eight-page supplement containing three full-page colored illustrations, original in design and of the highest artistic development.

The SATURDAY BLADE is a newspaper, magazine, and comic illustrated weekly, all in one.

Each issue of the CHICAGO LEDGER contains the best stories of adventure, fiction, history, biography, household recipes, and miscellaneous reading matter that is possible for time money, or experience to get.

The LEDGER is profusely illustrated, some of the illustrations being in bright colors, the like of which has never been offered to lovers of good and interesting reading matter. The LEDGER is a greatest of all weekly family story papers, containing 24 pages, including the Young Folks' department, edited in the interest of the juvenile population. The Chicago Ledger is safely the leading Family Story Paper of America.

Boyce's Big Weeklies are for sale by newsboys and at news stands.

$100—GIVEN AWAY—$100.

Who can form the most words from the letters in the word SUCCESSFUL? I will give $50 cash to the one sending the highest list of words from same; $15 to the next largest; $10 to next largest. The fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh $5 each, and the next five will receive $1 each. These prizes are given free and without consideration to advertise my handsome illustrated monthly magazine THE LADIES' EVENING HOUR. Rules of contest: Use only words of English language in singular or plural but not both. Use no proper names nor any letter more times than it appears in SUCCESSFUL. Each person sending list of competitive words must send 30 cents cash or stamps for six months' subscription to LADIES' EVENING HOUR, or 50 cents for one year's subscription. Every person will receive a prize (in addition to the magazine) who sends five words or more, of the three following books: "Twelve Complete Novelettes," "The Ladies' Guide to Beauty," and "156 Popular Songs With Words and Music Complete." These are sent post-paid. SATISFACTION GUARANTEED or money refunded. Lists should be sent at once as the offer closes March 31st. Refer to any mercantile agency or Greene County State Bank of this city for my reliability. Address, G. S. Turrill, 204 State street, Jefferson, Iowa.

Troy Democratic Caucus.

The Democrats of the township of Troy will meet in caucus at the Town House, on Monday, March 29, 1897, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of nominating township officers and to transact such other business as may come before the caucus.

Dated, March 23, 1897.

BY ORDER OF COMM.

LYCEUM Matinee Wed. Sat. Seats **25c.**

8 Bells.

Next Sunday—John E. Henshaw Co.

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CAUCUS NOTICE.

To the Democratic electors of the township of Bloomfield, Oakland Co., Mich.

There will be a caucus of the Democratic electors of the township of Bloomfield, at the Town Hall, in the village of Birmingham, Mich., Saturday, March 27, 1897, at 4 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of placing in nomination the following officers to be voted for April 5, 1897, viz: One supervisor, one clerk, one treasurer, one justice of the peace to fill vacancy, one justice of the peace full term, one highway commissioner, one drain commissioner, one member of board of review for 2 years, and 4 constables, and to transact any other business which may come before the electors.

Dated March 18th, 1897.

By Order of Committee.

CAUCUS NOTICE.

To the Republican electors of the township of Bloomfield, Oakland Co., Mich.

There will be a caucus of the Republican electors of the township of Bloomfield, at the Town Hall, in the village of Birmingham, Mich., Saturday, March 27, 1897, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of placing in nomination the following officers to be voted for April 5, 1897, viz: One supervisor, one clerk, one treasurer, one justice of the peace to fill vacancy in place of J. R. Corson, resigned, time to expire July, 1898, one justice of the peace for long term, to expire July, 1901, one highway commissioner, one drain commissioner, one member board of review for 2 years, and 4 constables, and transact any other business which may come before the electors.

Dated March 18, 1897.

By Order of Comm.
J. Allen Bigelow, Chairman.

MORTGAGE SALE. Notice is hereby given that the following described mortgage of real estate will be foreclosed by sale of the mortgaged premises at public vendue to the highest bidder at the front door of the Court House, in the city of Pontiac, said Court House being the place of holding the Circuit Court for the county of Oakland, the county in which the premises to be sold are situated, on May fifteenth, 1897, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to satisfy the amount due on said mortgage at date of this notice, with interest and costs allowed by law, together with an attorney fee of fifteen dollars, an attorney fee of thirty dollars, having been stipulated in said mortgage. Said mortgage is described as follows: Andrew Hunt, Phoebe A. Barnes and Jane Ellis, trustees of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church, mortgagors, J. F. Rundel & Son, mortgagee, a firm composed of Julius F. Rundel and Morgan W. Rundel, dated November thirtieth, 1895, and duly recorded in office of Register of Deeds, Oakland county, Michigan, December second, 1895, and conditioned for the payment sum of one hundred and fifty dollars with interest at the rate of eight per cent per annum. The interest of said Morgan W. Rundel in said mortgage and the obligation therein mentioned, was duly assigned by said Morgan W. Rundel to said Julius F. Rundel, January twenty-fourth, 1896, and the assignment duly recorded in said Register's office, January thirty-first, 1896, in liber 1[illegible] of assignments of mortgages, on page ninety-nine. The amount claimed to be due on said mortgage at the date of this notice is one hundred and twenty-one dollars and sixty cents. The mortgaged premises are described in said mortgage substantially as follows: Pontiac city lot number sixteen, Kent's plat of subdivision of part of Pontiac out lot five, northeast [illegible] of section [illegible], township three north, range ten east, Oakland county, Michigan. [illegible]

Dated February [illegible], 1897.

J. F. RUNDEL, Assignee of Morgan W. Rundel.

MORTGAGE SALE. Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by [illegible] and [illegible], his wife, [illegible] of Oakland county, Michigan, to [illegible] Swayzee, [illegible] recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the county of Oakland, on the 3rd day of [illegible], in liber [illegible] of mortgages, on page [illegible] [illegible] David B. [illegible] said mortgage [illegible] by the Circuit Court for the county of Oakland, Michigan, held at the [illegible] city of Pontiac on [illegible] by a decree [illegible] the Honorable Thomas L. Patterson, [illegible] duly assigned to [illegible] Swayzee, [illegible] being recorded in the office of Register of Deeds for [illegible] February 16th, A. [illegible] page 565, on which there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice three hundred [illegible] also an attorney fee of fifteen dollars [illegible] and no suit or proceeding at law [illegible] to recover the moneys [illegible] or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on [illegible] day of May, A. D. 1897, at [illegible] o'clock in the forenoon, I shall sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door of the Court House, in the city of Pontiac, [illegible]

Dated February 23rd, 1897.

FRANK E. JENKINS, Attorney for Assignee.
FREEMAN SWAYZEE, Assignee of Mortgage.

COMMISSIONERS' NOTICE. In the matter of the estate of Sarah Lowes, 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 and demands of all persons against said deceased, do hereby give notice that four months from the 15th day of February, A. D. 1897, were allowed by said Judge of Probate to all persons holding claims against said estate, in which to present their claims to us for examination and adjustment, and that we will meet on the 31st day of March, 1897, and on the 15th day of June, 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m. of each day at the Birmingham Exchange Bank, in the village of Birmingham, in said county, for the purpose of receiving and adjusting said claims.

Dated Feb. [illegible], 1897.

JOHN B. SNOW, MOSES SHAW, Commissioners.

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 20th day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven. Present, Thomas L. Patterson, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of DAVID BEEBE, deceased. On application of John A. Bell, the executor, for examination and allowance of his final account and the settlement of the estate.

It is ordered, that Monday, the 19th day of April next, at 10 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.

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 800 feet. Good house, small barn, grapes, peaches, etc., all ready to make some one a comfortable home with a chance to make some 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 73 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 $3,000 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 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, $100, 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 40x105 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 $5,000. 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 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 $3,500, 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 ready for a man who would like a small farm 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 $5,000 but we will not promise to sell at that figure 60 days from this date, (Jan. 15, 1896). This is, without 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 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 $8,500 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 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.

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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 15th day of February, 1897, six months from that date were allowed for creditors to present their claims against the estate of MARY LOWES, 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 16th day of August next, and that such claims will be heard before said Court, on Monday, the [illegible] day of [illegible], at ten o'clock in the forenoon of [illegible] day.

Dated, February [illegible], A. D. 1897.

THOMAS L. PATTERSON, Judge of Probate.

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 [illegible] day of [illegible], in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven. Present, Thomas L. Patterson, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of BETSEY NEGUS, deceased. On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of [illegible], praying that administration of said estate may be granted to [illegible] or some other suitable person.

It is ordered, that Monday, the [illegible] day of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate office, be appointed for hearing said petition. 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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