THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC.

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TWENTIETH YEAR. BIRMINGHAM, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN, FRIDAY MAY 14, 1897. NO. 2. WHOLE NO. 992.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM.
DETROIT & MILWAUKEE DIVISION.

TIME TABLE.
IN EFFECT
May 2, 1897.

WESTWARD

†Morning Express	7:00 a. m.
†Mail	12:14 p. m.
†Steamboat Express	4:50 p. m.
†Suburban	6:20 p. m.
*Chicago Express	9:40 p. m.
*Night Express	11:45 p. m.

EASTWARD.

*Night Express	6:35 a. m.
*Chicago Express	6:50 a. m.
†Suburban	7:18 a. m.
†Steamboat Express	11:07 a. m.
†Mail	3:10 p. m.
*Evening Express	8:40 p. m.

E. H. HUGHES, A. G. P. & T. A., Chicago, Ill.
BEN FLETCHER, Trav. Pass. Agent, Detroit, Mich.
GEO. F. ALDRICH, Local Agent.
*Daily.
†Daily except Sunday.

PONTIAC, OXFORD & NORTHERN R. R.

TIME TABLE.

Trains Run on Central Standard Time.

GOING NORTH. Fr'gt No. 5	Pass. No. 3	Mixd No. 1	A.M.	P.M.	STATIONS.	A.M.	P.M.	GOING SOUTH Mixd No. 2	Pass. No. 4	Fr'gt No. 6
			A.M.	P.M.		P.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.
			4 05	6 55	Lv. Mich Cent. Ar.	9 25	11 50			
7 40	5 15	8 10			PONTIAC	8 05	10 40	4 00		
10 55	6 00	8 45			Oxford Arr	7 10	10 05	2 00		
10 5		9 15			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. v	a. 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.
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BICYCLES!

GARDEN SEEDS!

(IN BULK.)

A. Blakeslee,

Birmingham, - - Mich.

BICYCLES ARE CHEAP!

Here are a few Bargains in Bicycles both New and Second Hand:

1. Maid of the Mist, Niagara Wheel Co's best grade Lady's wheel $100. Sold last season for $75. Party failed in payments and gave up the wheel which we offer to-day good as new and fully guaranteed for only $40. A big bargain for some one.

2. A gent's wheel in fine order, run last season. Cost $75. Will sell for $40. $35 cash.

3. Here's a beauty bargain. A $75 Crescent Wheel, 26-inch wheel, strictly high grade, run not more than 15 miles last season. The best wheel made by the Crescent folks and we will sell it for only $50 cash.

4. Mitchell's own wheel. New last season, run only 200 miles. Dunlop tires, gear 90, strictly high grade, pneumatic saddle. $100 wheel for only $60 cash.

5. New Crescent, gent's, as good as new. Price $75 Will sell it for only $57.

All wheels are fully guaranteed as represented and we offer them all away below actual value. Call and see them.

Whitehead & Mitchell.

Birmingham, Mich.

The School Meeting.

VERY HARMONIOUS—MANY LADIES PRESENT.

NO CROCKERY BROKEN.

Pursuant to the call for a special meeting of the tax payers of Fractional District No. 1, called for last Monday night, the High School room was packed full of interested voters, many ladies being present added color to the assemblage and all in all a very satisfactory meeting was held.

Chairman Clizbe called the meeting to order and in a few well-chosen remarks stated the object of the gathering. Statistics were read and figures presented to show that the number of pupils was greatly in excess of four years ago.

A tiny little buff was made to make a better showing of financial ability than the former Board—"twas "veaded" and shown to be only in the mind of the promoter.

A little time was passed in desultory conversation when F. Blakeslee opened the ball by making a motion to reconsider the motion made at last annual school meeting not to use the north basement room for a school room. This motion was amended by A. Partridge who substituted the word rescind in place of reconsider. Discussed by Mattie Baldwin, Albert Adams, Thos. A. Ward, Jno. W. Perry, A. W. Campbell and many others. It was carried by a vote of 53 to 15.

Chairman Clizbe seemed fearful of the responsibility to say whose children should be put five feet under the ground even for school purposes.

Thos. A. Ward would rather pay taxes than doctor's or funeral bills, etc., etc.

We don't think the basement will be used at all under the circumstances.

Capt. J. Allen Bigelow moved that a committee of five be appointed to inquire into the advisability of building an addition to the present building or build a new school building, this committee be empowered to secure plans, find cost of same and report at a later meeting. Motion supported by J. F. Stephens, and carried by not a dissenting voice.

A motion was made that the meeting choose the committee. Another motion was made that the Chairman name the committee. The former motion prevailed. The committee chosen were:

Moses K. Taber,
Alanson Partridge,
John W. Perry,
Martha Baldwin,
Albert S. Adams.

This committee to report in two weeks. Meeting adjourned.

The ladies graced the meeting and seemed alive to the needs of the hour, entering into the discussions and with an understanding equal and better than their husbands, brothers, fathers or sons.

We noticed among the ladies present, Mesdames Mary Howland, Marietta Gorham, Elizabeth Shain, Mary Poppleton, Hannah Raynale, Belle Bigelow, Mary King, Helen Corson, Martha Blakeslee, A. Marsh with Misses M. Baldwin, Carrie Blodgett, Hanna and Purdy.

More than 100 voters were present.

NEWS FROM SCHOOL.

The Junior class of this year is unusually large, numbering 22, 15 girls and seven boys.

Of the class of '97 Miss Nona Bassett receives the honor of salutatorian and Miss Carrie Poppleton as valedictorian.

The Junior program for May 21, is as follows:

Entrance March ..... Miss Pessotelle
Historical Representation of Mary Queen of Scotts ..... Nellie Adams
Violin Solo ..... Geo. Raynale
Recitation ..... Blanche Hagerman
Pantomime from "Miles Standish" Nellie Bassett and Glenn Watkins.
Vocal Duet ..... The Misses Soule
Oration ..... Will Campbell
Scene from "Kenmont" Clydia Anersmann, Jennie Young and Carl Jansen
Piano Solo ..... Mr Saltzer
Scene from "Merchant of Venice" Ethel Bruce, Nellie Camp, Chas. Thomas
The Fates, Recitation and Representation Winnie Daines, Hattie Benedict, Emma Purdy.
Recitation ..... Maggie Taber
Vocal Solo ..... Minnie Hunt
Pantomime ..... Will Campbell, Mary Bassett, Grace Mills, Fred Sisley Clara Hanna.

SAM EX-LAINS

Why All Place-Seekers Aren't Cared for

"As good a piece of news as can be given the people of Michigan," says Congressman Sam W. Smith, "is to explain the position of members of congress regarding appointments. Every day the papers tell of places secured for people in the departments here, and naturally Michigan people are writing their members to ask why they can't have some of the jobs that are going.

"The understanding doesn't seem to have penetrated to everybody in Michigan that these situations that are being given out here now go in every instance to those who were either deposed or cut down by the Democrats, and that no new men are getting in without taking the civil service examination."

LITTLE MORE CIDER TOO.

The W. C. T. U. Make Life Dreary for Birmingham Tipplers.

The good people of Birmingham have entered a solemn protest against the establishment of any saloon in that quiet little village. This has had the usual effect of driving the smart Alex to other methods of procuring intoxicants, just for fun. They have instituted the fashion of imbibing hard cider and as that beverage is plentiful, it is a common thing to see men and boys with jugs in hand coming in from the country, it is supposed, loaded with the ardent. Now the local W. C. T. U. ladies are after the farmers who sell cider by the jug to all comers It is said that a large per centage of the drunks seen in that neighborhood is due to hard cider. Every Sunday a procession of jug carriers may be seen coming from farm houses where cider is sold as though the business was licensed.—Pontiac Gazette.

Indeed! Is it so? It's news to us and we'll wager dollars to doughnuts that the originator of the above must have been imbibing from the jug or hitting the pipe, for such a state of affairs could not exist and we not know about it, don't you know?

ROUGH ON RATS.

Oh! Well, 'Twas Rough on the Well.

The house that was on Charles Gorham's place of abode on Middle street, after he broke up house keeping was rented to Mr. Wm. Howland and family. After they had moved in Charles in one of his tantrums went on the premises and destroyed shrubs and smashed up things generally but no one suspected that he had tampered with the well.

After a short time the entire family became sick and suffered in such a manner that it was supposed that the water they were using from the well caused the illness. The well was then carefully cleaned out and floating around in the water was an empty box that had contained rough on rats as shown by the label It is believed that Charles Gorham in his mad spell deliberately placed the poison in the well, but of course it cannot be proved.

Fortunately the family have all recovered and although the well has been carefully cleaned, still Mr Howland and family dare not use it but will be obliged to use city water hereafter.

HOME ADVERTISING.

Why it Is Profitable, Honorable and a Necessity

Owing to the recent enlargement of the Eccentric our advertising space is proportionately larger, therefore we are desirous of increasing our number of advertisers, and are doing so from day to day. Not only are we enabled by this extra space, to increase the number, but we can also give our patrons more attractive looking ads., providing they are willing to purchase space enough to allow for necessary display, as all advertisements look much better and attract more attention when not over crowded or cramped for room. Now, having this extra space, we intend to fill it, and notwithstanding the fact that we give our local business men a most decided preference and would much rather see their names occupying our advertising columns than those of other cities and towns, if we cannot secure home advertisers we shall certainly go outside to get them. We are confident that if all our merchants, manufacturers, etc., would give this matter due consideration, they would come to the conclusion that advertising does pay and that in order to retain their customers and, in a measure, prevent them from going to the "city" to trade they must constantly call attention to their products, wares, etc., in their own home paper.

Rejoicing of All Kinds.

Hurrah for the new ECCENTRIC! Won't it be fine for the house-keepers, so nice and large for the pantry shelves after we have read all of the good things! And Mitchell, how proud and happy he is, too.

What a time of rejoicing in Southfield! Long live the new Postmaster! When did that lawyer in Washington die?

S. A. RIGHT.

A BACHELOR'S REFLECTIONS.

If men couldn't talk, girls would kiss them as much as they do dogs.

A girl always remembers a thing by what dress she wore when it happened.

Some women seem to think a man ought to purr when he's comfortable, like a cat.

It's funny that when you whisper in a girl's ear she always grabs hold of your hand.

Any respectable mouse would be just as much frightened and mortified as the girl, anyway.

A woman always seems to think a man can make over a stovepipe hat as easily as she can fix up her last year's bonnet.

When you see a girl that doesn't act ashamed to let you see she wears big shoes, you may be sure she has pretty feet.

It's a wise woman that knows enough not to say anything the next morning when her husband has a wet towel around his head.

There never was a married woman who sympathized with an old bachelor and there never was a married man who didn't.

A woman is just as sure to hit her finger when she drives a nail as a man is to step on the soap when he gets out of the bathtub.

OBITUARY.

MRS. SUSAN E. TALBOT.

In the death of Mrs. Susan E. Talbot which occurred on the 28th of April, in Chicago, our village has lost one of its oldest and most respected citizens. Although of a very retiring disposition she was beloved by all who knew her intimately. Susan E. Allen was born in Palmyra, N. Y., in 1817, of Quaker parentage, and was married in 1832 to Bernard H. Talbot of Rochester, N. Y. They came to Michigan Territory the same year and settled in the eastern part of the state, (Oakland Co.) then a wilderness. She was the mother of eleven children, ten of whom she raised to manhood and womanhood. Five of her boys were volunteers in the late war, three of them reenlisting for a second term. In March of last year Mrs. Talbot received news of the sudden death of her oldest son which caused a slight stroke of paralysis. This was followed by a severe attack of la grippe and in December last she went to Chicago to spend the winter with her youngest daughter thereby avoiding the cold weather. During the winter she had a second and, later on, a third stroke of paralysis, which resulted in her death. Five of her six living children were with her during her last illness and attended the remains to her home in this village.

The funeral occurred at the residence Friday at two o'clock and the remains were laid to rest in Hillside cemetery.—Plainwell (Mich.) Enterprise.

$15 Dollars

That's the price of an all-wool Suit which we guarantee to be the best value for the money on the market. The Suits are in Tweeds, Cheviots, Serges and Homespuns in all colors, prettily patterned and perfectly tailored.

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DETROIT, MICH.

IN MEMORIAM.

The following resolutions have been adopted by the Ladies of the Maccabees of Mary D. Hive, No. 393, of Birmingham, Mich.

Whereas, It has pleased God, in His all wise providence to remove by death our Past Commander, Josephine V. Campbell, we recognize the voice of the Great Commander saying, "Be ye also ready, for such an hour as ye think not the Son of Man cometh.

RESOLVED, That, we recognize the hand of the Great Commander in calling our sister to His home, we yet deplore in her death the loss of a faithful and conscientious member. One of whom it may be said, "the world is better for her having lived therein."

RESOLVED, That, while we mourn our loss we cherish her memory and strive to profit by the example of her noble life.

RESOLVED, That, we, the members of our Hive, extend to the bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy in this their great affliction.

RESOLVED, That, in token of remembrance, we drape our charter in mourning for 60 days, and a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family of our sister and one to be kept in the minutes of our hive, also to be published in the Lady Maccabee, the Pontiac Gazette and Birmingham Eccentric.

NELLIE BLAIR,
MARTHA L. BLAKESLEE, } Committee.
EMILY L. HUNT,

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

The following is a list of letters remaining unclaimed in the post-office at Birmingham, Mich., for the week ending May 8, 1897:

Mr. T. Gretenburg, 2, Miss Lena Walker, Mrs. J. B. Johnson, Chas. McKiwin, Mrs. M. E. Armstrong.

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

GEORGE H. MITCHELL, P. M.

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Marriage Licenses.

Albert M. Braddon, 24, Pontiac.
Carrie Johnson, 22, Pontiac.
Clayton C. Barnes, 23, Rochester.
Kathalie M Kimball, 21, Pontiac.
Samuel G Redoubt, 22, Pontiac.
Lizzie G. Henry, 18, Pontiac.
W. Burke Hodges, 25, Detroit.
Anna Jenks, 24, Southfield.
Maurice Sprung, 25 Pontiac.
Dora Cobley, 20, Pontiac.

TAKE NOTICE

We have made arrangements with F Blakeslee and F. Hagerman to receive orders for flour, feed and grain, which will be promptly filled from the mill at the lowest prices. All orders will have our best attention

Yours respectfully,
McCLELLAN & SATTERLEE.

NIXON'S BARGAINS.

Men's, ladies' and misses' gauze underwear at Nixon's.

Ladies' sailor hats at Nixon's.

Package coffee at 15c per lb. These goods are as good as some of our merchants are selling for 30c per lb. Nixon.

If you want a good watch you can find them at Nixon's.

A good shirt at 25c. These are good goods, no cheap John stuff like some merchants sell in the town and tell you the old merchants have robbed you Ask some of the people who have been gulled and find out who is doing the swindling act. Nixon.

Just received a full line of men's and ladies' silk umbrellas at Nixon's.

Good unbleached cotton at 4c per yard at Nixon's.

40c tea at 35c per lb, or 3 lbs. for $1 at Nixon's.

The best line of ladies' walking shoes at $1 per pair in Birmingham at Nixon's.

The best table oil cloth at 15c per yard at Nixon's

Say! at Whitehead & Mitchell's You can Get

Celery Compound, per bottle	50c
Beef, Iron and Wine, per bottle	50c
Lambert Root Beer Ext., per bottle	10c

Trade at HUDSON'S. It Pays.

FOR WOMEN.

Ladies' Dress Skirts

Here's three exceptional bargains—not available outside this "Big Store."

FIRST.—Handsome skirts in a great variety of Scotch mixtures in blue, green, red, gray and brown. Percaline lined and Velveteen bound

For $1.75

SECOND.—Crepon skirts in brown, blue, green and heliotrope with black figuring well worth $5

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For $3.98

In ordering by mail give waist measure and skirt length. We guarantee satisfaction. You have no risk.

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Twenty distinct lines in Men's Bike Suits at $5

Finer qualities in materials at $7.50 and $10 with Caps to match.

Men's Bike Pants from $1.25 up.

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Men's Bike Caps—ventilated—49c up.

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Boys' Bike Suits made just like the daddies', $3.50 and $5.00.

In ordering by mail be careful in measurement and we'll make no mistake. You take no risk—money back if you want it.

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