BIRMINGHAM THE ECCENTRIC.

"Devoted to our Own Locality, We Labor for its Interests."

TWENTIETH YEAR. BIRMINGHAM, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN, FRIDAY, JULY 23 1897. NO. 12. WHOLE NO. 1002.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM.

DETROIT & MILWAUKEE DIVISION.

TIME TABLE.

IN EFFECT

July 12, 1897.

WESTWARD

†Morning Express............7:42 a. m.
†Mail............12:14 p. m.
†Steamboat Express............4:50 p. m.
†Suburban............6:29 p. m.
*Chicago Express............9:12 p. m.

EASTWARD.

*Chicago Express............6:20 a. m.
†Suburban............7:18 a. m.
†Steamboat Express............11:07 a. m.
†Mail............3:10 p. m.
†Evening Express............8:38 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.			Stations.	Going South.		
Fr'gt No. 5	Pass. No. 3	Mx'd No. 1		Mx'd No. 2	Pass. No. 4	Fr'gt No. 6
A.M.	P. M. 4 05	A.M. 6 55	D., G. H. & M. Mich Cent.	P. M. 9 25	A. M. 11 50	A.M
[illegible] 10	5 15	8 10	PONTIAC.	8 05	10 40	4 00
10 05	6 00	8 55	Oxford Arr	7 10	10 05	2 00
10 50		9 15	Oxford Dp	7 25		3 00
7 10	9 25	1 00	Caseville	3 00	6 45	6 15
p. m.	p. m.	p. m.	Ar. Lv.	p. m.	a. m.	p. m.

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

W. C. SANFORD, Gen. Supt.

HOME MADE BAKERY SUPPLIES

6 loaves of Bread or tickets............25c
3 dozen Fried Cakes............25c
3 dozen Cookies............25c
Layer Cake............10 and 25c

All kinds of Cake made to order.

Warm Meals,

Lunches, etc., at all hours.

Ice Cream Soda, Ice Cream, Phosphates of all flavors, Lemonade and Ginger Ale, ice cold. Ice Cream in large or small quantities.

Edith Hamlin,
Birmingham, Mich.

F. Hagerman

DEALER IN

Drugs, Medicines, Chemicals, Toilet Soaps, Combs, Brushes, etc.

Perfumes.

Prescriptions a specialty. Paints, Oils, Glass and Varnishes

CHOICE GROCERIES.

Teas and Coffees, Canned Goods, Spices, Etc., Rolled Avena, Caramel Cereal and Granose.

Eggs at Five Cents a Dozen

are cheap eggs—but you don't want any of them for breakfast. Same thing in PLANS, you don't want worthless ones at any price. Write or consult

Clarence L. Cowles, Architect,
21 and 22 Chase Block,
Saginaw, E. S., Mich.
Phone { Office 547—3 R. Residence 408.

LOW PRICES We Have Got Them LOW PRICES

Ladies' Shirt Waists at 25c, 39c, 49c, 75c and $1.00. All marked down to close out.

Boys' Waists and Suits at - 25c, 35c, 50c and $1.00.

Boys' Brownie Overalls at - 35c

500 yards Turkish Toweling at 10c per yard, was 15c

Best line of Men's, Ladies' and Children's Hose in town

We have a nice assortment of Ladies' Belts, 15 and 25c

Men's Laundered Shirts at 39, 49, 75 and $1.00, good values and all new goods.

We offer our line of Ladies' $2.50 and $3.00 Tan Shoes at $1.98 cash to close out all late style and regular sizes This is a bargain.

Yours for Good Goods and Low Cash Prices.

F. Blakeslee,

BIRMINGHAM, - - MICH.

PLOWS! BICYCLES! GARDEN SEEDS! (IN BULK.)

A. Blakeslee,

Birmingham, - - Mich.

EVERY ELECTRIC CAR STOPS AT OUR STORE

THE TAYLOR WOLFENDEN CO.,

WOODWARD AVENUE AND STATE ST., DETROIT.

LADIES OF BIRMINGHAM:--

You will find everything in Dry Goods and Furnishings at Popular Prices.

We Solicit your TRADE.

THE TAYLOR WOLFENDEN CO.

Every Week Brings New STYLES!

At Going's Great Corner Shoe Store, Pontiac.

The largest shoe stock in the County and better adapted to your wants than any Detroit stock. Extra values in new styles this week:

Ladies' Fine Dongola button and lace, new toes............$1 75
" " " " " " 2 00
" " " " " " 2 50
" " " " " " 3 00

Ladies' Fine Chocolate Oxford Patent Tip of same color is a beauty and no mistake............2 50

We are still fitting small footed ladies with $1.50 to $2.00 Oxfords at 89c. A call will pay you.

C. H. GOING,

Corner Saginaw and Lawrence Sts. Pontiac, Mich.

WONDERFUL

A Trolley Excursion from Piqua, N. Y., Visits Birmingham and are Hospitably Entertained and Amused.

FOUR HUNDRED EXCURSIONISTS DELIGHTED. THEY CAME, THEY SAW, THEY CONQUERED.

And Left Us in a Hypnotic, Dazed and Happy State of Innocous Desuetude.

Never in our wildest dreams did we ever expect to be so surprised and delighted as we have been the past two days. Noticing in a New York paper several days ago that a trolley party was being developed in a small city of interior New York state to visit Michigan we paid no attention to it, but Monday night of this week the fact that we were visited came upon us all at once, and on a rousing call from A. Whitehead, president, our village was profusely decorated with National colors and Old Glory was made most prominent. On a side switch from the main line of the electric railway, gracefully curving to and in front of G. E. Daines furniture emporium, which has been quickly constructed by John Savage, our popular electric railway superintendent, stood the enormous trolley car that had conveyed our visitors to us. Think of it! a car that carried from the manufacturing city of Piqua, N. Y., to our village 400 souls, men, women and children accompanied by four of New York's best brass bands. The thought of it even now after they have gone sets our blood a bounding. We can hardly see where to begin to tell of this great visit. Our first view as we came upon Saginaw street at nine o'clock Monday evening was an immense wilderness of red, white and blue. Every storekeeper in the village tried to outdo their neighbor in a bunting display, while the National Hotel was a rainbow in itself. Stretched across the street fastened to the buildings opposite our flag, Old Glory itself, in one immense banner covered the entire street. This flag alone was 100x600 feet in size and made of silk and the colors red white and blue were dazzingly brilliant. We could hardly believe we were in dear old Birmingham, but we were for there stood Harvey C. Wilson and his two shilling meerschaum gazing at the animated scene with a disdainful smile as much to say he seen bigger displays in Chicago. Lyman Peabody had just drove in from Pine Lake with a catch of bass and pickerel that ordinarily would have been the town's talk for a week. It took Harry, his popular clerk, ten minutes to explain to him that he was home and that immense throng of people were all in staid and quiet old Birmingham, but his fish received no attention. Frank Sherman was lustily calling out "peanuts, candies and cigars" and the New Yorkers and their children didn't do a thing but eat, drink and smoke him out in just seven minutes. A. Partridge in front of Hagerman's drug store was taking in the scene and familiarly visiting with all the old New Yorkers and five of the visitors called him Mark Flanagan. An electrical fountain in brilliant colors was playing to beat all where our village boy and girl used to play under the umbrella close by Library Hall. George E. Daines had emptied his furniture store both floors and at National Hall and Library Hall and in Daines' furture store grand balls and receptions were being held.

As soon as the visitors' car had arrived word was sent by telephone to Pontiac, Franklin, Southfield, Royal Oak, Big Beaver and surrounding vicinity of the fact and the result was that everybody within a radius of fifteen miles came to Birmingham that night. Farmers and their families drove in. People from Detroit, Mt. Clemens, Wyandotte, Trenton, Ecorse came to see the fun by special trolley cars. The "Old Reliable" ran half hour excursions from Detroit and Pontiac. People walked in, pedalled in, rolled in, singly, and by two, threes, fours and in large vans, and with string music from the four crowded ball rooms and four brass bands outside the scene was one never to be forgotten.

The visitors seemed to be of the labering element with horny honest hands, glad hearts and open hospitality. The car that brought them from their home was a wondrous affair, a double decker with seats arranged in some way that at night they were transformed into berths or bunks making quite comfortable quarters. This car was 100 feet in length, had 24 pairs of trucks beneath and the travelers said rode easier and with less weariness than the best Pullman. While everything was free and open-handed the visitors one and all were very chary of being interviewed. At last one good looking, jovial old visitor who looked like John Waiton was selected by our reporter, whom he thought might be induced to disclose something concerning their trip. This old chap was chewing a generous quid of Battle Axe which he had just bought at the postoffice, and after accepting a ten center from our ever vigilant reporter, on being questioned said this excursion had been planned by the operatives in one of the immense electrical machinery manufacturing establishments of Piqua, N. Y., and that he (the interviewed gentlemen) had designed the car on which they had arrived, that it was capable of carrying and sleeping 400 passengers. They left nome that Monday morning at four o'clock, had come straight through from their starting point without delay or an accident in just 16 hours over four different trolley lines. They would have went on to Pontiac but the railroad crossings not yet being in they decided to remain here two days and return home starting at nine o'clock Tuesday evening. He said Honest Money and Prosperity were good things to have—and I wish we had more of it—that his wife and family used no other headache remedy but the "Reliable" Headache Cure and he knew of a great many cases of consumption, coughs, colds, etc. cured by Mitchell's White Pine Cough Syrup made right here in Birmingham and that !!!!***??!!*** ——the next thing we knew our wife was disentangling her feet from our ribs—our dream was busted and this is what we heard: "Good gracious alive!! George are you ever going to get up, it's seven o'clock now," and we meekly arose, built the morning breakfast fire and started out for fish for breakfast.

G. H. M. at Watkins Lake.

Niagara Illumined.

We have gazed upon Niagara in all its varied forms of grandeur and beauty. We have seen it jagged, rough and ice-crowned like a monster avalanche thrust forth from an Arctic sea. We have seen it robed in a shroud of polished whiteness, as it holds its quivering breath on the very brink of the terrible abyss which was waiting to receive it.

We have seen God's beautiful bow of promise resting, like a halo of glory, above the seething chasm. We have gazed, enraptured, upon the moon's soft radiance when it stole meekly down into those fearful depths with a pale and silent benediction. We have seen the glorious sunlight kissing those troubled waters; and we have seen, too, those same waters rent asunder by scathing bolt and fiery flame while they echoed back, in thunderous tones the loud response to Heaven's grand artillery!

Wild and terrible, with a wierd and awful beauty all its own is our great Niagara, unparalleled at all times and beyond description.

Then how shall we attempt to portray it as now, with this soft bewitching light flooding those mysterious depths?

How subtle and intangible it all appears, until the strange light, growing more intense and brilliant, at length wraps itself in one gigantic mantle of flame o'er all the seething mass below.

For a moment we look deep into a crystal sea, sparkling with myriad gems: At another all the gold of Ophir seems buried within those untold depths.

Anon appear again those strange, bewildering lights. Outward and onward they creep. With tongues of fire and rivers of blood they come lapping and intermingling in their maddening whirl, until they seem like things of life; and we hush our very breathing as they plunge wildly into the caverns below; where, mocking our gruesome fancies they scintillate with an added beauty as they gleam forth once more ere they at last bury themselves 'neath a pale green mist, enshrouded with emerald hues, in shadings of molten gold.

It is here, amid these bewitching transitions of inexpressible beauty which follow each other in such rapid and varied succession, that the vast waters of our great Niagara seem to pause for a single instant, over-awed by their own sublimity, ere they take the final plunge which is to bear them away forever!

THALIA WILKINSON.

Wedding Bells.

The wedding ceremony of Rev. A. F. Waldo, brother of Prof. E. F. Waldo, took place at the home of the bride, in Detroit, Wednesday, July 21, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Dr. Hunting, of Marshall, Mich., who was the popular and be loved president of Alma College when the groom and his bride first met in 1890.

The bride is a daughter of Judge Alexander Hodges, who is lately deceased. Judge Hodges was a well-known attorney in New York City, Buffalo and Detroit. His early home was in northern Vermont, whence came the sterling worth and high Christian character which marked his whole life in home, in society and in business circles. Miss Hodges inherits in a marked degree the fine nature and liberal culture of her honored parents.

Mr. Waldo left Alma College in 1892 to complete his collegiate course at Lake Forest University, where he graduated in 1894. In the fall of 1894 he entered Princeton University, where he prosecuted his theological course, and at the same time took a master's degree in philosophy.

Rev. and Mrs. Waldo will spend a few weeks in Michigan, and then betake themselves to their new home and their chosen labor at Havre de Grace. They will be accompanied by Mr. Waldo's mother, who will make her home with them for a time. Their many friends in the west wish them God-speed and confidently predict for them a happy and useful career.

FOR MAN AND BOY!

$7.25

We have marked down all of our $10 and $12 suits for men to $7.25. These suits are made of first-class goods, in light colors and tailored to conform of the best styles of the merchant tailors. If you want a good dressy suit of clothes for a small price you can do no better than buy one of these at $7.25.

$6.75

We have marked down from $10 all our suits in light colors for boys 14 to 19 years of age, known as Long Pants suits to $6.75. These are our standard suits for boys. They are made of tweeds, cheviots and homespun in the newest modes. We guarantee to give satisfaction on all these suits.

R. H. TRAVER

DETROIT, MICH.

Notes From the Mitchell Camp.

(Special.)

Well,—Mitchell's family are all at the lake at last. The good people came in a covered carriage, as good people should. Then came another load with the children, which they unloaded by the wholesate, till the woods were full. A little later came G. H. on his wheel, then fun began, and everything went well, as do all well regulated families, until one beautiful moonlight evening poor little "Pug" got an overdose of "something," causing much alarm and anxiety for all, but at the present writing, under the patient and watchful nursing of Miss Ida Corey and Miss Tillie Walker, is likely to live a healthy and useful life for the next ten years.

The last of the family came yesterday. They were of the Bantam breed, Sir Charley and Jennie Wren and the five little chicks. Sir Charley was a model rooster while in town, but now he will insist on standing on a table on the porch to give his morning salute about 4 o'clock The neighbors will all testify that he is a good crower.

Trouble in the Mitchell family!—The women folks wanted a chicken killed for dinner, and George would insist on cutting its head half way off and then chasing it through the barb wire fence and back again till he got about 35 cents' worth—chicken not dead yet—Mitchell in despair! No one willing to hold the poor chicken. Finally one of the girls takes pity on him and holds the chicken while Mitchell does the chopping act. Chicken then died.

More anon.

Absolutely Fiendish.

From the Presbyterian Banner of December 30, 1896, published in Pittsburg, Pa., we clip the following given as the words of an officer of the Liquor League of Ohio at a meeting in which the interests of the saloon business were being discussed:

"It will appear from these facts, gentlemen, that the success of our business is dependent largely uson the creation of appetite for drink. Men who drink liquor, like others, will die, and if there is no new appetite created, our counters will be empty, as will be our coffers. Our children will go hungry, or we must change our business to that of some other more remunerative.

"The open field for the creation of this appetite is among the boys. After men have grown and their habits are formed, they rarely change in this regard. It will be needful, therefore, that missionary work be done among the boys, and I make the suggestion, gentlemen, that nickels expended in treats to the boys now, will return dollars to your tills after the appetite has been formed. Above all things, create appetite!"

Such a statement seems absolutely fiendish; and yet, whether spoken or unspoken, the fact remains that the traffic exists only by recruits from among the boys. "Wanted, a hundred thousand boys," must be the constant motto of this infamous business, that a few may grow rich and their children live in luxury while their patrons go down to the lowest depths of degredation and poverty.

Such a frank statement ought to arouse parents to take the proper step to protect their children from a Moloch, beside whom the ancient minotaur of Crete who fed on young men and maidens from Athens was a patron saint.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

The following is a list of letters remaining unclaimed in the post-office at Birmingham, Mich., for the week ending July 17, 1897:

Grace Inman, Sarah Berriman, Miss Lenora Johnson, Robt. O'Brien, Esq.

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

GEORGE H. MITCHELL, P. M.

Buy at Hudson's and save money.

These Are a Few

Of the bargains we give you from the "Sprinkled Stock" of Burnham, Stoepel & Co. Less prices than the biggest wholesalers pay.

TABLE LINENS.

The new tariff will increase the prices of Table Linens nearly if not quite 50 per cent, yet this is the way we are letting them go. Perfect goods, every yard:

Turkey Red Damask.

25c quality—60 inches wide, for............12½c
30c " " " " "............16 c
37½c " " " " "............17 c
50c " " " " "............23 c
50c " " " " handsome red and green, for............27 c

Buff Damasks—Fast Colors.

Regular 39c quality—70 inches wide, for 19c

Unbleached Damasks—Colored Borders.

39c quality—60 inches wide for............25c
50c " —70 " " "............37c
69c " " " " heavy, for............40c
25c " —58 " " for............15c
30c " —60 " " "............20c

Unbleached Damasks.

45c quality—70 inches wide for............29c
50c " " " " "............33c
50c " " " " "............39c

Half Bleached Damasks.

50c quality—70 inches wide, for............33c
69c " —72 " " "............45c
$1 00 " " " " "............65c

Silver Bleached German Damasks

50c quality—60 inches wide, for............35c
50c " " " " "............33c
75c " —70 " " "............45c
75c " —72 " " "............45c

Full Bleached Damasks.

75c quality—70 inches wide, for............55c
$1.25 " —72 " " "............75c
1.50 " " " " "............85c
1.25 quality in plain 72 inch wide Damask for Lunch Cloths, for............75c

Full Bleached Table Cloths.

Very fine goods in handsome patterns:

$2.25 quality—8x12, for............$1 65
3 00 " —8x14, "............2 00
3.50 " —8x12, "............2 25
4.50 " —8x14, "............2 50

Fringed Table Cloths.

75c quality—2 yards square, for - - 58c
Colored Borders.
$1.25 quality, 2x2½ yds pure white and with colored borders for - - 69c
$1.50 quality, 2x3 yards, white and with colored borders for - - 85c
60c Turkey Red, 2 yards square, for - 45c
85c " " 2x2½ yards for - - 55c
$1.25 " " 2x3 yards for - - 65c

Full Bleached Sets—Cloth and Dozen Napkins.

$4 50 quality 8x10 cloth Napkins ¾ size - $3.00
5 00 " 8x12 " " " " 3.25
9.00 " 8x10 " " " " — handsome hemstitched border, for 6.00
7.00 quality 8x10 Cloth Napkins, ¾ size, hemstitched borders for - 4.00
7.00 quality 8x10 Cloth Napkins ¾ size for 4.00

Linen Napkins.

Pure Linen Goods—a marvelous abundance—and these values:

⅝ 75c quality, for - - 55c
¾ $1.25 " " - - 75c
¾ silver bleached $1.29 quality, for - 90c
¾ full " 1.39 " " " 90c
¾ " " 1.50 " " - $1 00
¾ " " 1.75 " " - 1.20
¾ " " 2.00 " Scotch damask, for - 1.35
¾ silver bleached 2 00 " for - 1.50
¾ full " 2.50 " " - 1.65
¾ " " 3.00 " " - 2.00
3-4 " " 4 50 " " - 2.75

And Prints, Lace Curtains, Flannels, etc. go the same way.

THE J. L. HUDSON CO.

Detroit, Mich.