

**HOME NOTES**

Freshmen Social this eve.  
Look for our new advertisers.  
Mrs. Nellie Camp, Detroit, Monday.

Mrs. Bert Campbell spent Tuesday with Royal Oak friends.  
Everybody attend the Freshmen's social at Geo. Purdy's tonight.

\$1,750 house and lot for sale at cut rate of \$1,000. See Mitchell.

Little Gladys O'Neal is recovering after an illness of several days.  
Mrs. A. V. Winters of Flint, has been a recent visitor at Chas. Sly's.  
Daniel Stabler of Livonia, is spending a few days with his brother John.

Light, Mort Bigelow has returned from his recent sojourn in New York City.

FOR SALE—New milch cow and calf. Inquire of Joe Brooks, Bedford, Mich.

Miss Jennie Brown, of Detroit, was the guest of Mrs. Harry Satterlee over Sunday.

Chauncey Stuart and wife, of Holly, visited friends in Birmingham and vicinity last week.

FOR SALE—Hickory and mixed stove wood. Inquire of Ed J. O'Brien, Gilbert Lake. 32w8

All lost property has found its owner, the collar, muffs, silk tie and pocket-book are all home.

A sunny smile adorns M. H. Levinson's countenance since the arrival of a little daughter in his home last Sunday.

Miss Mamie Utter, though unable to assume her accustomed school duties in Detroit as yet, is much improved in health.

Austin Parks and Frank Smith, while on a fishing expedition at Straits' Lake Saturday, captured five large pike.

Escar Pougher, Whitehead & Mitchell's efficient clerk, is spending a delightful vacation at his home near LaPiet.

C. E. Mason, of the Courier-Herald, Saginaw, E. S., is a guest at the residence of Rev. F. L. Church for a few days.

Sunday evening services in St. James Episcopal church beginning at 7:30, Jan. 23. Seats free. A hearty invitation extended to all.

FOR SALE—Thoroughbred Plymouth Rock roosters. Enquire of Thos. Furse, one mile north and one mile west of Birmingham. 3772

The L. C. C. meet with Mrs. Poppleton next Monday evening. Lemon is from the rise of Mohammedanism to the founding of France.

Lost—Between Birmingham and Phillip Durkee's, a red horse-blanket and neck strap Friday night. Finder please leave at postoffice and oblige. 3872

Our citizens will be pleased to learn that the Night Express, No. 81, going west is again running. The train arrives in Birmingham at 11:05 standard.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gamble, of Pontiac, called on Birmingham friends Sunday. Mrs. Gamble is better known in this place as Miss May Allen.

It is reported that a Southfield family are stricken down with trichina, with one death thus far, resulting from eating raw pork purchased in Detroit.

The Pontiac B. Y. P. U. tender a reception to the Birmingham Baptist Church and Young People's Society this evening. A pleasant time is anticipated.

Mrs. Geo. H. Mitchell and Miss Ida Corey were called to Sashabaw last week by the serious illness of their aunt, Mrs. John B. Gates, who is not expected to recover.

Mrs. Thalia Wilkinson, who is improving slowly, desires to thank the friends who have so kindly sent flowers and other tokens of remembrance during her illness.

Skating on the mill pond is all the rage now and every evening sees about all our boys and girls and ones too sliding, slipping, shouting and having a gay old time.

How shocking! What? Why the prices for which W. Burch & Co., of Pontiac, are selling clothing. The sale began last Saturday, and every purchaser may rest assured that he will get a No. 1 goods at greatly reduced prices. By the way, this is a \$4.00 sale. Now Mr. Burch has a large 24-inch ad on local page which gives price list. Read same.

The Kneipp Matt bath is absolutely free from all substances injurious to health. Every family rich or poor, should use it every day. Sold by Whitehead & Mitchell.

Al. Linabury, formerly of this place, now of 69 Alexandrine Ave., east, Detroit, has been under the doctor's care for the past week, but is again able to attend to business.

Do you all realize the full meaning of the word discount? If you do then S. M. Peck's new ad may be of great help to you financially. He is located in the Davis Block, Pontiac.

If you are looking for a home in Birmingham before purchasing see A. D. Shadlock first and last. Some one can make a good bargain. It must be sold; terms easy. Will sell on contract. 3872

Beginning Sunday evening, Jan. 23, '98, services will be held at St. James Episcopal church, Birmingham. All seats free. A cordial invitation extended to all. Services begin at 7:30.

Young man, only think of it! You can get a nobby suit (good enough to appear in before your best girl) at R. H. Traver's, Detroit, for only \$7.50. Don't delay, but speed away. See ad this week.

Hurrah! the collarette is found! The lady loser is glad to recover her property and Ed says after this no collarettes in the game and honestly avers that his coat sleeve is a better collar than any made yet.

Those who are willing to assist the Presbyterian ladies in getting up an old-fashioned "District School" are requested to meet Mr. Brush, at the home of Mrs. E. C. Poppleton, next Wednesday evening at seven o'clock.

D. M. Johnston, W. M. of Birmingham Lodge, No. 44, F. & A. M., will represent his lodge next week at the regular annual meeting of the Grand Lodge and Daniel is the lad to do it with dignity and credit to his station, office and town.

Mrs. Rowena Mills, of Byron, Mich., visited her mother, Margaret Mills, and her brother, Samuel C., last week and called on a great many old-time friends. Increasing years do not change the good lady's social pleasing ways and all enjoyed her visit very much.

Julian Leet has secured a nice fat contract to light a church in southern Ohio with a combination gas lighting machine mixer and all. There were many called but only our Julian accepted. The church folk will never be sorry that they had our townsman do the work.

C. Hoy, of Huntsville, Ala., paid his mother, Mrs. S. J. Harris, and other relatives a flying visit the fore part of this week. He had visited Chicago, Grand Rapids and Memphis, Tenn., buying furniture to go with his own manufacture and was happy over his good luck at all places.

Have you heard about the great January shoe sale being held at H. B. Merritt's in Pontiac? If you haven't it is certainly time you should do so. Well, we will give you all particulars in this issue and of course you will inform yourself regarding this slaughter sale and profit thereby.

Have you heard the latest? It is no secret: Waite Bros., of Pontiac, are going to move in more commodious quarters; yes, into a bran new store. Well, you get they want new goods in a new store, so that everything will correspond, hence a removal sale—great bargains on everything. New ad, too, this week.

Come ye disconsolate who have been saying "I can't afford a new cloak this winter," and see what encouragement you can obtain by reading W. H. Elliott's price list, in these columns. Cheer up, you can all have one at these low prices. This is the time to buy cheap and W. H. of Detroit is the man who can sell them.

Will J. Taber has joined the army of amateur photographers and will become the crankiest of them all except our old friend, Al Linabury, who makes his folks get up nights to get for flash-lights, after which he works until morning developing the plates. Tracy Randall is our most advanced kodak fiend and he does truly take very fine pictures.

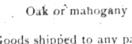
Anson Tomlinson is a great lover of skating but not swimming, but did combine both one evening last week when he stepped over the dead line and went kerosene clear down and under the ice. Many hands pulled the jolly old soul out, but the fish have not recovered from the nervous shock and some have "sliced died." The water raised in the pond a foot and a half while he was in it.



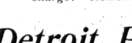
Solid Oak, \$5.95.



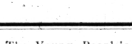
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Goods shipped to any part of state—packed free of charge. Remember name and number.



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117-119-121-123 Gratiot Ave., Detroit.



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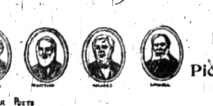
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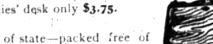
**Xmas Buyers**

Come and select your Xmas presents and have them laid away and get them delivered when needed. Look at this solid oak book-case, Only \$5.95.

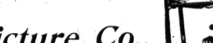
Given Away Free six pictures in one, who buy \$5.00 worth of frames or pictures before Jan. 31, '98, we will give them one of these beautiful pictures of American poets or any other which retail for \$1.00.



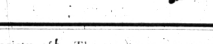
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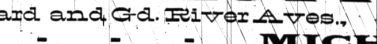
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