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BIRMINGHAM, FRIDAY, NOV. 11, '98

HOME NOTES.

NOVEMBER.

No warmth, no cheerfulness, no healthful ease,
No comfortable feel in any member,
No shade, no shine, nobutterflies no bees,
No fruits, no flowers, no leaves,no birds,
No-vember!

Election is gone, but not forgotten!

Can't you begin to smell Thanksgiving?

Mrs. B. Shain is back to her own home agoin.

Remember the lecture tomorrow (Saturday) evening.

Miss Grace Mills has been home from Detroit a few days.

Ed Langle spent a very enjoyable Sunday at his Algonac home.

And here's Volney Nixon again, with a rousing big change of ad.

TO RENT—A whole or part of a house. Mrs. Flora Beattie. 28t3*

Miss Ida McKinney has been spending part of the week inDetroit.

Will Mullett, of Southfield, has accepted a position in M. Levinson's store.

The Y. P. S. C. E. is contemplating a social in the not-far-distant future.

"The King's Jackal," by Richard Harding Davis, is the last book in the library.

Gardner Shelly, of Detroit, spent one of his enjoyable days in Birmingham Sunday last.

Misses Nellie and Lottie Donohue, of Detroit, were Sunday guests of Mrs. John Savage.

Miss Mollie Smith entertained the Misses Mary Milligan and Jennie Brown, of Detroit, Sunday.

The deestrick skool scholars are very lonely since Ebenezer Slabsides left town. May he return soon.

Miss Bertha Cady, one of Holly's fair teachers, was a guest of Miss Delia Crosby Saturday and Sunday.

The Cemetery Society will exchange Mountain Ash for Shad, or Dogwood. Small trees preferred.

TO RENT—A pleasant sleeping room furnished and heated. Terms cheap. Enquire at this office. 26tf

Miss Ella Cicott of Pontiac, and Miss Mame Adams of Detroit, have been recent guests of Miss Nellie Camp.

FOR SALE—Cow and Calf. Enquire on the Hall Farm, one mile north of North Farmington postoffice. 28t2*

Miss Baldwin will be glad to give Catalpa trees, from two to four feet in height, to any one who will plant them.

Business is booming with Julian Leet, and as a result the ECCENTRIC turned out some nice job work for him this week.

The Baptists are up-to-date and about the first of December will give you the first of the series in their lecture course.

Special fall and winter sales now on at the Taylor-Woolfenden house, Detroit. Everything and everything. See ad.

LOST—A pair of nickel-bowed glasses, right here in the village. Finder please leave at the postoffice and receive reward. 27tf

Sears Sawyer and family have taken up their abode in Detroit, where they removed last week. They will be missed here.

Rev. Overton Farrant, rector of St. Paul's church, New Orleans, La., will hold services at St. James church next Sunday morning.

WANTED—Washing to be done at my home on Fremont St. I can help three or four families and want the work. Mrs. Bert Wright. 26t3

Miss Anna M. Hamilton, of the Ellenwood restaurant force, left Monday to spend a short vacation at her home in Elba, near Lapeer.

FOR SALE—Three new Milch Cows, also some Springers. Call on or address Will Todd, one and one-half miles east of Royal Oak Cemetery. 28t1*

LOST—A lady's gold watch and short chain with locket containing red set attached. Finder please leave at Dr. C. M. Raynale's and receive reward.

There will be a meeting of the Birmingham Ladies' Aid Society at Mrs. E. M. Randall's, corner Maple Ave. and Bates street, on Monday, November 14, at 3 p. m. sharp. All interested are earnestly invited to be present.

The dreaded diphtheria has again appeared in Lyon township, with fatal results—one death in the Girke family and two other members of the family seriously ill.

Harlow Greene, aged 85, one of Rochester's oldest and most respected citizens was found dead in bed recently, where he had retired for his usual afternoon nap.

See Santa Claus ad in Photographer Tomlinson's space this week. Watch said space from week to week for holiday prices. He is doing a good business in Pontiac.

A pretty face 'neath a pretty hat makes a pretty picture. Miss H. L. Carhart, of Pontiac, can furnish the pretty hat. Latest styles and reasonable prices. See change of ad.

Visitors at C. E. Owen's during the past week: Mrs. E. L. Rowley, Bay City; Mrs. Wm. Gage, Detroit; Z. O'Leary, wife and two children, Detroit; Miss E. H. Haskins, Walnut.

To enable the Ladies of the Maccabee Order to attend the Novel club, the time of the meeting has been changed to the second and fourth Saturday evenings of the month.

The hearts of our citizens go out in sympathy to the bereaved families of the victims of the fearful disaster in Detroit Saturday. Several from here were eye-witnesses of the calamity.

The regular meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union will be held Tuesday, Nov. 15, at 3 pm., in the M. E. church parlors. All members are especially requested to be present.

The face of Conductor Brown will no longer be a familiar one on the D. & P. R'y. Mr. and Mrs. Brown left Thursday for their new home in Pennsylvania. May good luck follow them.

Little Marie Hubert celebrated her fourth anniversay by a birthday party Monday afternoon. Twenty of her juvenile friends enjoyed tea with her in a manner known only to innocent childhood.

All friends and former pupils of Prof. Zimmerman will be pleased to know that he can be interviewed at Mrs. Emma Robinson's every Friday afternoon regarding vocal and instrumental music.

LOST—A pair of spectacles in a red case with the business advertisement of A. Lewis, Detroit, between Isaac Strong's in Birmingham and my home in Southfield. Leave at postoffice. Alvin Wooster.

How are you, Old Socks?" We mean the St. Joseph Rubber socks just got in at L. B. Peabody's store. They are sellers. Dont fail to get some of them. Walk right in and Harry will tell you all about them.

A New York farmer predicts a long and hard winter. The sap is running back to the ground slowly, which accounts for the leaves of the trees staying on so long, but the sap will be equally slow in returning in the spring.

Hoyt L. Conary, the unique impersonator, is the second number on the lecture course of '98-9. He will be at the M. E. church tomorrow evening, Nov. 12, and all who hear him will receive compound interest on their money.

"And things are not what they seem" is what James Casey thinks since he sold his house last week and wasobliged to "take it all back" again a few days after. We understand Jimmie was no loser by the transaction, however.

Geo. E. Duff likes it well enough in his grand new store, with sawdust floor. Just give him a call and he'll tell you all about fresh and salt meat, and even pigs' feet, for his stock is complete. With prices to suit the most destitute.

There is a neat millinery store in Pontiac, owned and operated by Mrs. J. Sullivan, near the bridge. If you are looking for stylish up-to-date millinery you will find it there. Be sure and read Mrs. Sullivan's new ad on local page of this paper.

Special revival services, conducted by Rev. Eugene Allen, will be held in the M. E. church, commencing next Monday evening and continuing throughout the week until Saturday. Service begins at 7:30, sharp, local time. Everybody welcome.

Mrs. E. Waring, who has been confined to her crutches for a long time past, has enjoyed being able to go about the house without them of late, but while out on the front porch one day recently she had the misfortune to slip and fall, striking her elbow and giving it a severe strain. Although not suffering much pain from the accident, the old lady is almost helpless, not having any use of the injured member.

My barn having burned down I will sell at public auction on the premises, 1 1-2 miles east and 1-2 mile south of this village, at one o'clock this Friday afternoon, cows, calves, horses, hogs and shoats. Jas. Anderson, proprietor; Martin Blunt auctioneer.

Ernst Kern, the hustling Detroit merchant is by nature what his name would indicate—earnest—as all who have visited his mercantile house will affirm. He is now holding an anniversary sale, which comprises many specialties in the various departments. Read new ad.

The followlng suggestion is from "Park and Cemetery:" Monuments may in a way be obviated by recourse to other forms of memorials, and in this connection a fine tree is an interesting object. In other directions excellent and useful memorials may consist of entrances, fountains, houses for sexton, offices, etc."

Our readers all remember Losee Bros., the hustling shoe dealers of Pontiac? You know they were on our advertising list a few months ago—well, after a vacation from our columns, they have returned, and we give you a pointer to watch their space for a time, as it will pay you. They are as lively as ever. See ad this week.

Two men were caught violating our village law for putting signs on poles and trees. They were promptly stopped by the marshal, but not until they had mutilated many trees and poles in the village limits. If our sister towns of Pontiac and Royal Oak would pass and enforce a law against this thing it would help us.

A certain Oakland county minister of the Methodist persuasion was annoyed on a recent Sabbath morning by the drowsiness of his congregation. He suddenly stopped in his discourse and in a pleasant voice remarked: "If some of you people will wake up, I'll tell you something." A smile flickered over the congregation, and there was no more drowsiness that morning.

The Salvation Army of Pontiac conducted the services in the M. E. church last Thursday evening, and were welcomed by a large attendance. This army is composed of a band of most devout, earnest Christian people, who are devoting their lives to suffering humanity about them. They made a very favorable impression in Birmingham, and we hope they will favor us with another visit soon. Their religion is permeated with genuine sunshine.

The Modern Novel Club met at the Library room last Saturday eve. Despite the stormy weather a goodly number discussed the "Red Badge of Courage," by Stephen Craine. Many opinions of home and foreign critics were given, and those present would certainly feel an interest in anything from the pen of this writer. The next meeting will occur the fourth Saturday of November. The book, "Nicholas Minturn"—a study in a story by J. G. Holland.

The jolly hunting party from this place set sail for Detroit Tuesday, where they were joined by reinforcements from that city and the united force started on their annual hunt. Among those from this vicinity are Web Bray, L. B. Peabody and son Bert, Purdy Bros., Frank Ford, Ed. Daniels, Will Adams, Austin Parks, Chas. Reynolds, John Rainey, Alford Johnston, of this place, and Geo. Bingham, of Franklin. Good luck to you, boys.

The new BIG Block is rapidly assuming the appearance of a bee hive, with its various business representatives. During the past week M. Levinson and Geo. Duff have taken possession, and to-morrow our newly enlisted business young man, Thomas Cobb, will open a bran new grocery in the corner apartment, which might well be designated as "Cobb's Corner." "And still there's more to follow."—Others can hardly await the completion of the rest of the block, so that they, too, can fall in line.

We forgot to tell you last week that October 31st was the fifth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Peabody, and that the event was celebrated in a proper manner at their home on Woodward Ave. Between 40 and 50 immediate relatives and friends of the young couple ably assisted them in disposing of a sumptuous dinner and a general family reunion and merry good time prevailed. The guests were obliged to comply with the request of the host and hostess "no boquets (presents) please," which did away with all presentation and acceptation speeches. May Mr. and Mrs. Peabody live to enjoy many more anniversaries.

Our little city had cause to blush for shame over the conduct of some of its youthful representatives at the Salvation Army Thursday evening. Ordinary laughing and whispering at a religious gathering is rude enough, but when it comes to hissing, the act is unpardonable. However, it was most emphatically done on this occasion, and the heathenish sounds came from the interior of the church, too, right in the hall, in close proximity to the door of the prayer meeting room. These Pontiac friends were Birmingham's guests; they came here to do good and should have been treated in a polite and courteous manner. The names of the "hoodlums" will be remembered, and should the insult ever be repeated woe unto the prime actors in the plot.

THE STAGE.

AT WHITNEY'S.

"A Grip of Steel" is at the Whitney Grand. It is a powerful melodrama in four acts, from the pens of Arthur Shirley and Benjamin Landeck, two English playwrights. Henry Bedford, who originated the leading character of "Ronjarre" in England, has been specially engaged to play the role in this country and his work is said to be of a very high character. "Ronjarre" is the leader of the thieves of Paris, a man of unusual physical strength. He has a blind wife whom he adores, and from whom he keeps all knowledge of his double life. He tries for her sake to lead an honest life, but his old companions compel him to return to it in order to save himself from the guillotine. The play is relieved by some excellent comedy touches, and is represented by a really good cast.

AT THE LYCEUM.

"Black Patti," the greatest singer of her race, who has appeared in every part of the civilized world, is at the Lyceum, together with the Black Patti Troubadours. There are 40 people in the company, many of whom are well known in vaudeville and comedy. While comedy and vaudeville hold a conspicuous place on the program, yet the main feature is the "operatic kaleidoscope," which occupies the final half hour. In this are introduced selections from "Grand Duchess," "Trovatore," "Carmen," "Daughter of the Regiment," "Faust," "Tar and Tartar," "Bohemian Girl," "Maritana," "Lucia," and "Rigoletto." The company is directed by Voelckel & Nolan.

Lightning Did it.

Last Saturday morning about 9 o'clock the barn of James Anderson was struck by lightning and totally destroyed by fire. The loss was great, as the building was filled with various kinds of produce, besides containing some agricultural implements. It was partially covered by insurance.

Mr. Anderson's farm home is what is known as the old Stafford place. It was only a few years ago that two deaths occurred in the Anderson family from diphtheria and now they are the victims of a heavy financial loss.

Came the Day After.

One of the oldest residents of Oakland county is Joseph Berridge, father of Druggist Berridge of Orion, and who makes his home with his son at that place. Mr. Berridge will be 95 years old the 26th of next December, and has recently been assisting in clearing up land in a northern county. He is in the habit of going to the store daily with his son, and the old gentleman and the young man keep step together in a brisk walk. He is very proud of his age, and when asked how old he is, has a quaint way of replying, "Well, Christ was born on Christmas day, and I was born the day after."—Ex.

An Example for Our Birmingham Boys.

Some eighteen Holly boys committed a new kind of depredations the other night, and personated "good spirits" instead of the evil ones that are supposed to walk abroad on that night. The first thing they did was to "chip in" and buy a cord of wood and a big load of kindling, which they left neatly piled up in the yard of a poor woman who does washing for a living. Then they hunted around and found a lot of wood to split for other widows, and finally finished up their good deeds by putting back into place all the movables that the hoodlums had misplaced.

WANTED

25 Active Agents at once to sell my new

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DEAR SIR:—Your Perfection Ironing Board is the neatest folding, lightest and strongest board I have found while canvassing for your board which I am selling at a very encouraging rate. I believe them to be the best article an agent can handle. Sold 17 in one day. H. G. MOORE.

MUIR, Mich., Dec. 29, '97.
J. T. BRACE, Wacousta, Mich.
DEAR SIR:—I feel under the strictest obligations to recommend your Perfection Ironing Board, knowing that I do it with safety. I have sold them to wash women who have used a good many other kinds but say this one beats them all. Yours respectfully, M. S. WORDEN.

Now is the time to work for the Holiday trade. There is no trouble to sell my Board.

Agents' complete Board sent on receipt of only 75c. Make orders payable to

J. T. Brace,
Box 35. - Wacousta, Mich.

Blankets.

Wm. H. Elliott,

Woodward and Grand River Aves.

Wheat from the time it's threshed will shrink two quarts to the bushel in six months. So that holding for a high price is offset by the shrinkage. Same with Dry Goods, only worse. Styles change rapidly and colors get unpopular. With this in mind we buy quickly for the time being and sell quickly at small margin of profit—never holding for a rise, that's business isn't it?

Taffeta Silk Petticoats, double ruffles and corded, beautiful colors, awfully stylish and at less price than any other house would consider, **$5.00 each.**
Well made Sateen Petticoats, **$1.00. $1.25. $1.50**—worth far more than indicated by the prices.
Silk Moreen Petticoats, **$4.98**—worth while taking time to see.
Muslin Night Robes, at **89c** and **$1.00**, special values.
Robes of Night, made of nice outing flannel in best of style, **75c** to **$1.89.**
Corset Covers, a varied assortment, at **25c** each.
Children (6 months to 6 year) Drawer Leggings, **50c, 89c, $1.00, $1.25.**
Fleece lined Wrapper Cloth, large assortment of patterns to choose from, **10c a yard.**
Our special **$3.00** Blanket is a fair white article that so far hasn't been beaten by any other house.
2 pair for **25c** reliable black full fleeced Hose for ladies.
Very neat styles in dark Percales at **8c a yard.**
Outings start at **4c a yard.**

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All Goods sold on easy terms—Great reductions given on Cash Purchases.

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A good judge can tell you at once the artistic merits of our work when they see it, because we put into the picture that natural expression which makes it a speaking likeness and that artistic judgment which makes it invaluable.

We invite all our friends in Birmingham and surrounding country to call and inspect our work and get our Special Prices for the holiday trade.

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18 pounds Granulated Sugar	$1.00
3 pounds Rio Coffee	50c
9 bars Queen Anne Soap	25c
½ pound Baking Powder	10c
12 pounds Rolled Oats	25c
10 pounds Sweet Potatoes	25c
6 boxes Sardines	25c

Headquarters for the best Ammunition!

Having put in a lot of new goods we will also give the people some new prices. Call and be convinced that we mean what we say.

E. J. FERGUSON,
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Grand Millinery Sale!

In order to make room for new goods for the Holidays, we will close out our Trimmed Hats at the lowest price.

Ladies, if you wish to secure a stylish Trimmed Hat at a great bargain, don't fail to attend this sale, commencing MONDAY, Nov. 14th, '98.

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Arriving daily at

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My head trimmer is right up-to-date, having recently been spending a time in the city, studying up the latest and most artistic styles, including Paris patterns.

Hats trimmed on short notice.

Remember the place.

Miss M. Moutier,
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Everything home made and palatable. Parcels checked free.
Ladies Waiting and Toilet Rooms.
Birmingham people specially invited to come to this Restaurant, and be at Home. G. G. FENWICK.

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All of the Latest Novelties of the season always in stock.

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Three Black Tips for $1.00 at

Miss R. DeLancey
E. Lawrence St., Pontiac.

BICYCLES FOR SALE.

We have on hand an 1897 Crescent Bike, gent's wheel, $50, warranted, which we will sell to close out the business at less than it cost. Will sell for $35.

Also a second hand Clipper in fine order for $17.

Also a second hand Misses' Wheel, 25-inch, cost $50, will sell for $15. In good order and has lots of wear in it yet.

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