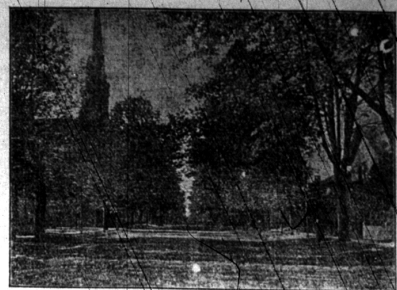


GREAT AUCTION SALE

BIRMINGHAM REAL ESTATE

J. S. Stockwell will sell 68 BEAUTIFUL LOTS (known as the Randall Addition to the Village of Birmingham) at public vendue. Every lot will absolutely be sold to the highest bidder.



SATURDAY, JUNE 25, 1898,

at 1:30 o'clock sharp.

This will be a rare opportunity to purchase a home, or to make an investment. Every lot is a good one, no filling required, natural drainage; Nature has done it all. The lots are beautifully located on high ground. Visit them before the day of sale and I am sure you will say that there is no more beautiful place for a Home. No railroad to cross several times a day in going to and from your home makes a lot worth \$100 more for a residence.

Birmingham Must Double Its Population Within a Very Short Time.

Its health; its convenience of access for Suburban Residence for Detroit people; its pure water and its beautiful drives possess charms and variety of picturesqueness unequalled by any locality in our state. Its nearness to our 400 Beautiful Lakes; its neat and tidy streets; the intelligence of its people; its church privileges; its fine school; its notable library, and other attractions will effect this result.

Of course some will tell you that none of the modern improvements can come to Birmingham. They will not admit that the world moves until conviction is actually forced upon them. They are not surprised that it comes to a town 1,000 miles away. They are not aware, figuratively speaking, that there are "Acres of Diamonds" all around us, if we stop to pick them up.

HOME INVESTMENTS ARE ALWAYS THE BEST.

Of the many thousands of dollars sent out of Pontiac during the last 15 years in foreign investments I believe that less than 25 per cent came back. Look around and judge for yourselves of the men who have made home investments and helped to improve their own town.

AS AN INVESTMENT

When property begins to change hands it invariably increases in value. It is an excellent Savings Bank for a young man who desires to save a portion of his weekly or monthly salary. From the Detroit Evening Journal we take the following:

Desiring to obtain the best possible answer to this question, a young man recently addressed a letter of inquiry on this subject to several of the most prominent men of our times. Grover Cleveland said, "Buy Real Estate." Gen. Alger said, "Buy Real Estate." Mr. Morgan, of Drexel, Morgan & Co., one of the most widely known of all American bankers, says, "Buy Real Estate." He also quotes a famous saying of the Duke of Wellington, "Good interest means bad security," showing it is safer to buy real estate than to loan money, especially where people are tempted to loan money at too high a rate of interest. Andrew Carnegie says, "Buy Real Estate."

Birmingham Public Schools.

We have one of the best Schools in the state. If you have children to educate you can fit them for the University without expense of tuition. Graduates of our Public Schools are admitted to the University on their diplomas.

Birmingham Churches.

Six in number—Methodist, Presbyterian, Baptist, Episcopal, United Presbyterian and Advent. All are right in the end. Take your choice.

Birmingham's System of Water Works

is excellent and what is more important the water is pure and healthful. Ann Arbor and Lansing expert analysts pronounce Birmingham city water the purest for use they ever analyzed.

Birmingham as a Health Resort.

It is said that 22 persons die out of every 1,000 in New York City; 16 in Detroit; only eight in Birmingham, and, as it is often said, self-preservation is one of the first laws of nature, very naturally the people are beginning to come our way.

New Houses and Business Blocks

are being put up; new streets opened and prosperity is coming. Cost of living in Birmingham is much cheaper than in Detroit; more than enough difference to compensate for the time and money expended in going to and from Detroit daily and taxes are very low, which speaks well for the ability and wisdom of the village council.

We are only 18 minutes ride from Pontiac, the county seat, and only 50 minutes ride from Detroit, the metropolis of the state. Just think of it, between 40 and 50 trains daily for Detroit and Pontiac—and the fare a mere trifle.

While cemeteries are not to be considered in connection with the material interests of a community, they are certainly, when well ordered, an index of refined sentiment. In this light Greenwood Cemetery in Birmingham with its beautiful memorials is a lasting tribute to the living, as well as the dead.

For residents of the surrounding country who will soon want to escape the cares of the farm or to educate their children, now is an opportunity to buy a lot at your own price and pay for it at your leisure.

TERMS OF SALE! Our terms are so liberal that they will accommodate all—10 per cent on the day of sale, 15 per cent in 30 days, balance any time within two years in weekly, monthly or quarterly payments, with interest at 6 per cent per annum. All moneys after day of sale will be payable at the Exchange Bank at Birmingham. Contract delivered as soon as possible after day of sale.

TITLE PERFECT! A printed Abstract given with every lot. Building Restrictions announced on day of sale. **SAVE YOUR MONEY.** One dollar a week will buy a lot in two years worth over One Hundred Dollars.

