

BIRMINGHAM, FRIDAY, AUG. 12, '94

It's a rare treat when a miser invites you to join him.

The deadly cucumber joke is now getting its work in.

Men with wheels in their heads are of a mechanical turn of mind.

Even the optimist forgets to smile when the tax collector comes around.

Very few children have as much strength of mind as they have of don't mind.

There's nothing longer than the summer days to the girl who is to be married in the fall.

Some day Henry James will fall through one of his fifty-line sentences and break his grammar.

Honor and fame from no condition rise, and the dust and the cowboys of our army fight equally well.

It's hard to gather a woman's meaning from her words, but nature has saved a few of them the trouble of making themselves plain.

Every war we have had has developed some great general as a candidate for the presidency, and he has always won. Who will be the winning warrior in nineteen hundred?

It would have pleased Camara, 'we feel sure, if he might have taken his feet around the world, penetrating the bottom of the Suez canal and starting the journey in that direction.

There is a woman's humane society in St. Louis, and at a recent election of officers of the same there was a riot and somebody stole the ballot box. Put a woman on horseback and she will ride to Tammany hall.

Mr. Cleveland is of the belief that this government must do no fighting for the mere purpose of conquest. Really, however, conquest is inseparable from success, and would advise that there be only partial victories as a means to peace through moral suasion? It does seem, moreover, and it indemnity for the cost of war, and the loss of life is a reasonable thing to expect.

Mexicans decorated, May thirtieth last, the graves of American soldiers who had died during the American invasion of their country, and on the Fourth of July the south and the north joined in cheers for the old flag and for the victory in Cuba, which was given on that day. The same is true of time makes all things even. It is even possible that Spain and Uncle Sam will some day clap hands across the existing bloodshed chain.

Of the prize essays of a famous New England college Dr. K. E. Hale found after investigation that all of them had stolen their expressions and ideas, and three of them had stolen identical passages from the same authors. It is evident that the students of these institutions must undergo a wider course of reading and must familiarize themselves with authors who are generally known. However, this commencement season is generally warm and the competing students are very busy.

The Monroe doctrine may include the two continents, leaving Canada as she is in behalf of the consumer, and for the purpose of protection and as a guarantee of good faith it may include possession of Hawaii and the Philippines. Undoubtedly the students of Jefferson were correct in their views from their standpoint; but during the century things change, including situations, opportunities and circumstances. We got Alaska against the suggestions of the forerunners, and Alaska is a pretty good property.

Admiral Cervera says: Since I have passed into the custody of my captors I have been treated with such civility as are the same of kindness. Every civility, every imaginable act of thoughtful deference such as would require the politeness of my present captors has been furnished with the utmost good taste. No words of gratification could I express the real appreciation felt by my officers and myself. I see that America's big heart does not harden against an enemy. Nobody can forget the generous care and comfort of my officers after the discomfiture of our fleet. At one time the Gloucester was lying close to the Maria Teresa, my flagship, so close as to be in danger of a momentary accidental explosion of our magazines. The Gloucester was at work picking up our men. I knew its port and appeared to Lieutenant Hunt, its executive officer, to withdraw, but he quietly replied, "No, Admiral, not until I have rescued all your wounded."

Recorder Goff of New York grows more indignant every day over the unwillingness of the citizen to serve on juries. He evidently thinks this unwillingness is a crime. It doesn't occur to him that it is not pleasant to neglect your own business to attend to that of somebody else; that it doesn't pay a business man to serve others for next to nothing; that a citizen's personal liberty is a thing to be valued; and that nobody wants to be lectured like a school-boy by a judge or treated as if he were a secondary by a lawyer.

G. Bradford, an anglo-mane of Boston, wants to fight every Bostonian because not a single one of them will join him in a public meeting to protest against war. These protestants ought to be a meeting of some kind, and G. Bradford ought to be invited to address it from the platform of a thin rail.

A Toledo judge has decided that the use of slot machines is not gambling, and that it is ever patronized one. Wonder if he ever patronized one. Wonder if he has his decision in hand or the evidence of those who have?

Claire Aldrich spent Sunday with relatives at Gaines.

Miss Kate Carpenter, of Alma, is a guest of Miss Esther Marsh.

Mrs. E. F. Peabody is a guest of friends in Detroit and Orion this week.

Miss Carrie VanEvery is spending a few weeks with relatives in Milford.

Miss Wilson, of New York City, is the guest of her brother, Dr. Wilson, of this place.

Joe Adcock, of Montreal, Can., is visiting his many friends in this place and vicinity.

Miss Jessie Baker is spending the week with her cousin, Miss Clara Castle, of Armada.

Miss Alice McCall, of Milford, was the guest of J. D. VanEvery and family part of last week.

Miss Eva Banghart, of Rochester, is spending the week with her cousin, Mrs. Theron Smith.

Union services at the Presbyterian church next Sunday evening. Sermon by Rev. Eugene Allen.

Miss Jennie Peck was entertained by Miss Jennie Buttolph, of Pontiac, a part of last week.

Dr. and Mrs. Wilson have taken the house of Mrs. Shain on Willett St. for the rest of the summer.

Henry Spicer, of Bay City, was smiling on his many Birmingham friends the fore part of the week.

Harvey Staley left Friday afternoon on his way for Toledo, O., to spend a week with his brother A. G.

Miss Jean Marsh has returned home much refreshed from her recent outing at Nantucket Island.

Emanuel Gravelin and wife, of Pinnington, have returned home after a week's visit with Birmingham friends.

FOR SALE—Lots on Saginaw St. A bargain for anyone wishing to buy. For particulars inquire at the postoffice. 149

TO RENT—A tandem by the hour. Price 25c straight. Apply at this office or call on Charlie Leet on Pierce St.

Mrs. H. Wilson and Miss Mary Wilson have returned from a delightful three weeks' outing at Chautauque, N. Y.

No matter what kind of a book you want you will find it at the Library. Open Saturdays from 2 to 5 and 7 to 8 p. m.

Mrs. Wm. Young has returned home from a visit with her son at Redford, and is again confined to her home by illness.

The house of Mrs. J. H. Carter will not be recognizable when the numerous repairs which it is undergoing are all completed.

Tomlinson's photograph gallery in this place will be closed until Sept. 1st, on account of giving a special offer at his gallery in Pontiac.

The new D. & P. passenger depot is located at the 12-mile road instead of Leach's Corners, as stated in a recent issue of the Eccentric.

Miss Carrie Harger, who has been at her home in Commerce during the late illness and death of her father, has returned to Birmingham.

Mrs. Elizabeth Johnson, of Detroit, has been the guest of Mrs. G. H. Mitchell for a few days and also visiting other friends in our village.

We are very sorry to leave out our County Line correspondence, as we have a nice gist of it but we are obliged to do so until "smother day."

Visitors at Mrs. Savage's of the past week were Mrs. J. W. Pike, of Vancouver, British Columbia; Miss Lottie Donoghue, of Detroit; Misses May and Lulu Houslier, of Pontiac.

Purity, quality and age combined make Slioman's Diamond Wedding Pure Key Whiskey unqualifiably best. All leading druggists and dealers.

The happiest father in Troy for many years is Mr. A. Bayley who is rejoicing over the safe arrival of a bonnie wee baby girl who weighed just nine pounds.

A fine new artificial stone sidewalk five feet wide extends along the entire south side of our school building. A great acquisition to the pretty grounds.

Mitchell, the printer man, had a royal good time on his Niagara Falls visit and stayed the limit, five days, visiting friends at Middleport and Holcomb, N. Y.

Your special attention is called to the change of ad. for W. H. Elliott and R. H. Traver, of Detroit, and W. R. Owen, of Pontiac. They contain bargains for all.

Special meeting of Birmingham Lodge, No. 44, F. & A. M., this Friday evening, Aug. 11th. E. A. degree. All members are requested to be present. J. B. Hunt, Sec.

Mr. and Mrs. John Baldwin are entertaining their son, A. C. Baldwin and wife, also Dr. W. Wilson and wife, of Grand Lodge. The doctor spent a portion of his early life in Birmingham.

If you wish to see something interesting in the animal line, call at A. Blakeslee's store and ask to see his ferrets. Two old ones and 12 or 18 young ones in, one nest is a sight not seen every day.

TO LOAN—I want to loan \$500 at 7 per cent interest—on first class real estate. Give full description of property you have to offer as security and cash value. Address, Geo. C. Hupp, Birmingham, Mich.

Strayed from my farm in Troy last Sunday eight spots nine weeks old, five white, two black, one white and black spotted. Anyone knowing of their whereabouts will be on one of Joe H. Pine, Birmingham, Mich.

F. B. Larabee, of Flint, representing C. W. Hints, of Jackson, was in town this week and sold Mrs. John Savage a fine carved sarcophagus style, to be erected at Mt. Clemens cemetery in memory of her late husband.

Bicycling for the rest of the year means that the very best part of the year is yet to be enjoyed. You can get a very fine wheel (second hand) worth more than the price asked, \$10, at Whitehead & Mitchell's. Call and see it.

Dr. Clawson is having a sidewalk laid which will extend from his property on Woodward Ave. along the 12-mile road to his family residence. It is estimated that about 30,000 feet of lumber will be required to do the work.

Arthur Blakeslee is the happy catcher of a big bass, which weighed 5 1/2 pounds. The fight so safely laid this magnificent monster was something thrilling, to hear Art tell the tale. Wonder if it tasted as good as our daily codfish.

Tomlinson, the photographer, is giving a special offer on cabinet photos, the price being only \$1.25 per dozen. His regular price is \$3.00 for this kind of work. Secure your sitting at once and avoid the rush, as the offer is only good for this month. See new advt on this page.

The ladies of the W. C. T. U. will hold an Inspiration Institute on Thursday, August 25. Mrs. Greene and Mrs. Andrus of Detroit, will occupy the morning session and Mesdames Dawson and Rice, the afternoon. A cordial invitation is extended to all who wish to attend.

In another column will be found a sketch of the illness and death of Mrs. Adaline E. Beach, well known here several years ago as Adaline Tucker. The obituary notice, though received rather late in the day, will be of interest to our readers, on account of the deceased having been so well and favorably known in this vicinity.

For sale at a bargain: Royal Oak Feed Mills, a lots, 2 story and basement, no horse power steam engine latest improved Vyspanti rolls. Good farming country, no competition. Excellent run of custom. Best of reasons for selling. Price so low that you will be astonished. Terms easy. Address Exchange Bank, Birmingham, Mich.

The many friends of Mrs. C. G. Crooks, of Holcomb, N. Y., will be pleased to hear that the good lady is able to be about the house, and for one that has passed through her illness is pretty well, thank you. She wishes her many friends to whom she may be indebted a letter to pardon her for not writing, as the effort to write to so many would be too great for her to undertake.

A friend of ours has been good enough to send us the army yell of the gallant 31st Mich. Vols., who "have from all accounts received the "hink dink" according to all reports as to their non-appearing at the battlefields. Here is the yell:

Tarry-ah! Tarry-ah! We're with you! We're with you! Remember the Maine! To sell with Spahn Michigan my Michigan "ah! Bah! Bah!"

Did you receive one of those mammoth hand bills circulated by E. Blakeslee in which he tells you all about his closing out sale of everything and everything too numerous to mention? If you have been slighted do to headquarters and ask for one and then we would advise you to put a string on it until you learn it all by heart as it is vital interest to all brothers. "A word to the wise," etc

August 16 to 19, inclusive, are the dates for the Michigan Baptist Summer Assembly at Orchard Lake. Everyone knows the facilities of this resort for fine entertainment, and this religious convention will be both profitable and interesting to all in attendance. The program is varied and the speakers are well chosen. On the whole the event bids fair to be of an unusual degree of excellence, being under the jurisdiction of the B. Y. P. U. A. of Michigan.

Thursday of this week the genial and pleasant Post Office Inspector, Eugene Parsell, gave the Birmingham Post office his customary inspection and placed his great seal of office on Postmaster Mitchell's work. He recommended one important improvement and it has gone into effect. Hereafter instead of locking mail bags up 30 minutes before trains leave, the patrons will have to wait 10 minutes longer to post their letters as the time has been fixed to lock the bags 20 minutes before trains leave. This 30 minute rule has been the custom for more than 40 years.

D. Lucas Huff, agent of the Sons of Temperance, accompanied by his daughters, Maude and Winifred, gave two fine entertainments in the Methodist and Presbyterian churches respectively Sunday and Monday evenings last. Trained to the work of temperance reform, he is a fine speaker, logical and devoid of that abusive phraseology so often employed by workers in this field. The daughters are fine readers and singers, whose efforts immediately won and held the interest of the audience. They will be with us again next Tuesday evening at the Methodist church. He will give a lecture on "the physical effects of the use of alcohol." A silver collection will be taken at the door.

The Pontiac Gazette contains the following account of the death of the late Edwin S. Harger, at one time a resident of Birmingham: "Edwin S. Harger, ex-sheriff of Oakland county, passed away Monday, July 25, at the age of 72 years, after a lingering and painful illness.

He leaves a widow and eight children to mourn his loss: Seelye Harger, of Williamston, Mrs. Eva Reid and Mrs. Nellie Roche, of Waterford; Mrs. Jennie Sewall, of Detroit; Miss Carrie of Birmingham, and Edwin, Fred and Ida at home, and a very large circle of relatives, including some of the best people in the county. Funeral services were held at his late residence on Thursday, July 28. His friends have the sympathy of all in their bereavement.

Mrs. Wm. Reynolds met with a serious accident one day last week while driving out in the country with an uncle and aunt from Pinnington. The conveyance was a double seated carriage, the guests occupying the back seat and Mrs. Reynolds officiating as driver in front. Some of the bolts in the buggy suddenly gave out letting the two front wheels down and precipitating Mrs. R. over the dashboard to the ground. With great luck she hung onto the horse, keeping it from running, but sustaining more serious injuries thereby. She is very badly bruised and it is feared has sustained internal injuries. The other occupants were not thrown out of the carriage. As the accident occurred on a steep hill it is a wonder nothing more tragic happened.

Had any one confidentially intimated to the fair copy-plexed editor of the Herald the identity of Mrs. Lena G. VanEvery, would turn "brown" somebody would have exclaimed "impossible"—but she has. On July 30, at the home of the bride, in Holly, of the above named lady and Shelley P. Browne, of Detroit, (also a knight of the "iron stick") decided to "form" a printers' union, which, by the aid of one of the local clergymen, was soon "made up." Evidently Mr. Browne, who had been Mrs. VanEvery's assistant for the past year, desired a permanent position immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Browne left for a short sojourn at Orion. The Eccentric extends congratulations and best wishes for the future welfare of the "Independent" Brown family.

A Clever Trick It certainly looks like it, but there is really no trick about it. Anybody can try it who has laminae back and weak kidneys, malaria or nervous troubles. It is the only medicine that can be taken by taking Electric Bites. This medicine tones up the whole system, acts as a stimulant to the Liver and Kidneys, is a blood purifier and nerve tonic. It cures constipation, Headache, Fainting Spells, Sleeplessness and Melancholy. It is purely vegetable, a mild laxative, and restores the system to its natural vigor. Buy Electric Bites and be convinced that they are a miracle worker. Every bottle guaranteed. Only 50c a bottle at Whitehead & Mitchell's Drug Store.



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Umbrellas.

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This month of August is a sort of clearing up time with us, all stocks are gone over carefully, and odd lots marked to sell quickly. You shouldn't ever miss coming in whenever in town, and if you've a watch on package you don't want to lug about well check it for you.

There's a \$5.00 white California wool blanket we're selling just now that ought to interest you—has lots of other folks—as it's a regular \$7.50 article that we've put on sale to live up August.

And we're closing out a lot of beautiful colored quilts that cost us more than we're asking—\$1.49—but they're only a small odd lot and we think better to sell them at once. \$3.50 was their price.

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