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This week is a fair one for Pontiac.

Notice dates of Auction Sales in another column.

Pontiac is to have a new Business College in the near future.

WANTED—1000 persons to buy fancy dairy butter at Nixons.

Whitefish are not very plenty in our midst. It is the home product.

C. H. Schlaack is fitting out the home of David Roy with a new furnace.

Claire Aldrich is very patient with his boiling vegetable, but is not calling for more to any great extent.

Regular meeting of Birmingham Lodge No. 44, F. N. A. M. next Thursday, October 12. J. B. Hunt, Sec'y.

The usual services will be held at the United Presbyterian church next Sabbath. Preaching at 3 o'clock by the pastor.

Note change of ads for Frank Blakeslee, Bhm.; C. H. Goig, Pontiac; C. Shafer, and R. H. Traver, Detroit.

HOUSE TO RENT—Corner Pierce and Fremont streets. Apply to Mrs. Gillett, P. O. Box 291 Birmingham. 2312

At the next Literary Society the quotations will be from Tennyson, and the current events pertaining to Klondyke.

Vict James is the sad and sorrowful owner of a full fledged carbuncle on his left hand that takes most of his time nursing.

The W. H. M. S. meet with Mrs. Maurice Blair next Wednesday afternoon, Oct. 11. Be prompt, as the meeting is called at half past two.

If you want any good cider vinegar enquire of S. Davis at his place of business. He has 200 gallons which he will sell for 10 cts. per gal.

George Wright is proud of the fact that he has a pear tree in full blossom and quite a sight it is, too, but to George it appears a little out of season.

Butter! Bajer! Who says there is no good fresh dairy butter in Birmingham? You can buy 100 pounds strictly fresh dairy butter at W. Nixon's.

A special meeting of the W. C. T. U. is called for this (Friday) afternoon at 2:30, in the M. E. church, for the election of delegates to the county convention.

Everybody attend the Ladies' Aid Society at Mrs. Dreyer's this (Friday) afternoon. Meeting commences at 3 o'clock sharp; tea from 5 to 6:30. Sec'y.

There will be a lively ball game at Franklin Saturday—none of those you read about. Michigan Drug Co. of Detroit vs. Franklin, at 3 p. m. Everybody go.

Holy Communion was observed at St. James' church Sunday. The service, which was a very impressive one, was conducted by Rev. Quinn, of Toronto, Ont.

The ECCESTRIC office is turning out job work galore now-a-days. Among many others this week are 1,000 large bills for our hustling furniture dealer, Will O'Neal.

"Dewey Day"—September 29—was celebrated at the home of Mr.

and Mrs. James Chappel by the arrival of a little son. Will he be a namesake of the great Admiral?

A rare bargain I have for sale 150 new apple barrels, all in slick order and condition. Call at my farm, John Snow, Town Line, or address me at Birmingham. 2252*

Little Jim Montgomery sports a badly burned ear, the result of too close a contact with a very hot lamp chimney. Perhaps you heard the little chap yell, if not it wasn't his fault.

FOR SALE—A six-year-old bay gelding, sound, well broke and a fine carriage horse. Want to sell him. Call and see and get particulars from Thomas Power, Circle, Mich. 21134

There were twenty cases on the docket of the September term of court, and of this number eighteen of the respondents were convicted. The other two were continued to the next term of court.

Gathering hickory nuts and all other kinds seems to be the order of the day, and the farmer who wants a few for home eating has to be on the qui vive every moment in order to save his crop.

FOR SALE—A kitchen Range, furniture, good two-seated buggy. A thoroughbred Berkshire brood sow, nine pigs, weight about 125 lbs. each. Call at once. I. H. Cheeseman, Southfield Ave. 2212

H. S. Rogers and family, formerly of Detroit, are now residents of Birmingham and are occupying Mrs. Wooster's house, Maple Ave. east. Mr. Rogers is engaged in running the Hunt milk wagon.

Six feet square of new shingling on the kitchen of Walk, North's home is all the damage caused by the fire that caught from the chimney and set off the fire alarm and frightened the whole village one day last week.

Everybody, their sisters, their cousins and their aunts are all at the County fair this week at Pontiac, and they certainly do say that it is a grand success, but, sad to say, today (Friday) is the very last day.

An Oklahoma court has sent a man to prison for five years for passing a counterfeit ticket. It seems to take some people a long time to learn that such things are for church contribution baskets and not for general circulation.

The members and officers of O. E. S. No. 220 are invited to visit Keystone Chapter, Detroit, this (Friday) evening Oct. 6, and exemplify the work. A special car will follow the 6:30 regular. All are requested to go. C. E. Leet, Sec.

We are glad to welcome the old reliable firm of Taylor & Woolfenden back among our advertisers again. There is a great retail trade centre and their new fall goods are just what everybody wants. Be sure and read their new ad at this week for full particulars.

Here is what a lady in a neighboring city dropped on a fresh blotter when she dropped into her husband's office the other day: "eno guilrad no ym." Having received no such communication from him for years, a question naturally arose which has not been satisfactorily settled.

The New York Independent says that next to "David Harnam" and "Richard Carvel" "Prisoners of Hope" has been the most successful book of the year. The author, Mary Johnston, is not yet thirty years old, and comes of an old Virginia family. All these books are in our library.

If the party who took the dinner pail from the corner of Willets street on Sunday morning with Mr. Berry's breakfast in, would please return the pail and dishes they would be welcome to the etables. If not returned before next issue your name will appear in next issue after, for you are known.

Married, in Detroit, Tuesday evening, September 26, 1899, Minnie Broadway, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Broadway, to Edward Benedict, both of this place. The happy couple left immediately for Ann Arbor, their future home, where they will be pleased to receive their many friends.

Our school never was in better condition than today. It is the banner year for attendance, for the interest that teachers are taking in their work, and for the work that the students are putting on their studies. Even the janitor is enthusiastic over his duties and takes special pride in having everything up in apple pie order.

Those great big round sun faces advertising "Sun Cured Smoking Tobacco" are put out by the Bagley Tobacco Co. and three of them are in town, and the genial, jolly, grand expression on each one is sure to

drive ever the worst case of blue value cameras. Will you give away 50 cents Saturday and 25 the Saturday following. A blank is to be filled out, without which cannot secure one. Remember only 50 will be given away, as the cost is so great this number is all that we feel like standing. Call quick and get your blank to be filled. After the blanks are all given out don't make a "holer" coz you came too late. The regular announcement will be made just as quick as we get the cameras and they are promised to us on or about October 14th, inst.

The cutting of prices on the staples in groceries and dry goods in our village is the talk of the State. Nowhere in the State of Michigan can the user buy sugar so cheap as in Birmingham. It cost for 50c per pound last week and costs considerable over that price by the barrel. And coffee too. Arbuckle's barrel Lion all sold at one store all last week for 80c per pound, cheaper than you or anybody else can buy it by the car load. Pardon these blushes while we say it was at Whitehead & Mitchell's. F. Rakeslee took a whirl in ladies' shoes and underwear and Holy Moses how the goods flew; they flew so fast that manufacturers who came to see the show with both hands uplifted and with rolling eyes shouted "Suffering Rachel, how in Hanover does he do it?" Volney Jones has "bleed in his eye," and sells mens' underwear, this season's vintage, \$1 shirt or drawers, for 50c each. When you see these goods you know at once you have a bargain, and Volney claims that the fun has only just begun and will soon come out in the blank advertisement and an affidavit will show the cut in the bag. Frank Hagerman is in it, too, and will follow the market to Halifax and back again, if necessary, so there you are. If you want to live cheap come to Birmingham, where taxes are nothing and groceries and dry goods much less.

The editor of the Farm Journal asks: Why have a mortgage on the farm, poor crops, rheumatism, sour bread, grip, leak in the roof, hole in the pocket, skeleton in the closet, or any other pain or trouble, when you can get the Farm Journal for the balance of 1899, and all of 1900, 1901, 1902, and 1903 by paying a year in advance for the Birmingham ECCESTRIC.

Our thanks are due to our old friend and fellow townsman, James R. Corson, for very interesting papers from Portland, Oregon, where Mr. Corson has located and is doing finely in his chosen vocation. He is interested in a computing scale and the result of his change and the business he is in is quite gratifying to himself and his large number of Michigan friends.

Justice and Mrs. Cornelius Losey, of Oxford, had a thrilling experience with a burglar one night recently. Mr. Losey was awakened by his wife's cries and found the villain trying to choke her. He grappled with the thief, but after struggling with him for five minutes the man broke away and made his escape.

One of Mrs. Losey's eyes was blackened, as a result of a blow the burglar struck her. Mr. Losey was considerably bruised.

Of all strange looking things in the vegetable line, the one that Frank Smith brought into our office last Monday beats anything we ever saw. Our jaw is tired answering the ten thousand questions asked to "what it is." Some say it is a gourd, others say it is a California cucumber, while some solemnly aver that it is a banana melon. We think it is a cross between a snake and a twigtalagalacogator. We wonder if this is not a species of the serpent that once roamed around the garden of Eden, and can promise that Mr. Smith's finish is in sight if he ever does it again.

The new Electric R. R. is now running cars over their track from Rochester to Royal Oak, every two hours. Passengers change at Royal Oak for Detroit. The cars are patterned after the D. & P. cars and are painted in ox blood color, lettered in gilt, making a very pretty effect, and read Detroit, Rochester, Romeo and Lake Orion R. Co. owing to a misunderstanding of orders one night last week a car stood on the track out in the country all night, because the juice was shut off, and the engines shut down one hour earlier than they should. It is not reported what the passengers' near Claud and Mollie Harris; they did not suffer, we'll warrant.

Down on the plantation of Mrs. Frank Brooks in Florida are several large mounds always known to be Indian mounds and objects of great curiosity and wonder. Their age is unknown, but the builders must have existed ages ago, as large trees have grown upon them, and their condition prove that they have been in existence for centuries. Now a scientific society of Philadelphia, Penn., writes to Mrs. Brooks of our town for permission to excavate and explore these mounds, of which there are two on her plantation, and promise her that in the event of their finding any minerals or any other valuable product not relating to the Indian search, that all will be hers; and further agree to give her a duplicate of each Indian relic found if any there be. As this search involves a vast outlay of money and a prodigious amount of labor, the "pit" lady is quite willing for the Philadelphians to go on with their show.

"Up the hills on a bright sunny morn." Say, gentle reader, do you know that altho' Whitehead & Mitchell are just more than selling groceries cheap, that they are even going to do better than that, and this is their astounding and astonishing proposition. About the middle of October they propose to give away 50 Vive Souvenir Cameras, not a toy but a genuine camera that takes a picture 1 1/2 x 2 1/4 inches square. An absolutely free camera, and all we ask you to do is to buy a package of plates to use in the camera; regular price of the plates is 30c. We'll sell you the dozen plates for only 25c. We can only give away 50 of these

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Mrs. J. J. Toms is at Highland Park, where she was called to the bedside of her brother, John Langdon, who is very low with cancer of the liver.

Hon. A. Linabury met with the club last Saturday night and cleaned their clocks to the Queen's own taste. Mr. Linabury hails from Detroit.

L. H. Cheeseman and family, who have been occupying Mrs. McKinney's house on Southfield Ave., removed to Detroit Tuesday. Many will regret the departure of this estimable family from Birmingham.

Rev. Mr. Clark, the new M. E. minister, and family, will occupy the new home of Mrs. Grace McKinney, who moves to her other home on Southfield avenue, lately vacated by L. H. Cheeseman and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Craft and their aged father, Peter Legris, removed to Pontiac last week, where they will reside in the future. Mr. Lewis, who has been an invalid for a long time past, was carried on a carriage bed.

William Stevens has been calling on old Birmingham friends. He was a resident of this place over 30 years ago, but for a number of years has resided in the Upper Peninsula. In the future he will make his home in Port Huron.

Visitors at the Pines during the past week: J. J. Toms; Wm. Stevens of the Upper Peninsula; Mr. and Mrs. M. Harris, Pine Lake; Miss Bertha Cheesey, Pontiac; Mrs. H. J. Clift and Mrs. Lydia Musgrave.

Mrs. Frank Blodgett, who has been spending several weeks with her father-in-law, Isaac Blodgett, who is sick, returned to her home in Saginaw this week. Mrs. Lena Bunnell, of Goodrich, Mr. Blodgett's daughter arrived Monday and is assisting in the care of her father.

Miss Lulu Durker, who as an army nurse visited Cuba during the late war, became so in love with the life, enthusiasm, bustle and excitement of war, has enlisted and is now on her way to Manila, P. I. We do give her our best wishes for a pleasant experience.

Deputy Sheriff Geo. W. Fay visited his sons Will and Louis at Battle Creek one day last week, and found the boys up to their eyes in their business, that of running and managing one of the best lively stables in Michigan. Officer Fay is also a happy Grandpapa, and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Fay and Baby Fay entertained their visitor right royally.

Ram Lambs for Sale. I have a fine lot of Shropshire Ram Lambs for sale, bred direct from Imported Stock on the Joy Farm, Town Line, two miles north of Birmingham. Address Will S. Walker, Birmingham, Mich. 2113

UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. M. R. MAXWELL, Pastor. Sabbath School at 2:00 p. m. Public worship and sermon at 8:30 p. m. O. Y. P. Christian Union each Thursday evening at 7:30. All are welcome.

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