

To Our Friends.

When trading with any of our advertisers either in Birmingham, Pontiac or Detroit, it will be a great favor to us if you will mention the fact that you noticed their advertisement in our paper. A word from you at the time of trading, costs you nothing and benefits us greatly. Will you be good and do so?
THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC.

HOME NOTES

My warmest of health is to grey hair's throne. With his holy trimmed brow and caroling lip, There's no fire fainter to us if you will, No nectar so rich as the wassail bowl tip. —Rose Cook.

BLUE CROSS.
The blue cross, O, tonight is the Xmas seal. Keep one eye out for the blue cross.

Popcorn and candy at the sale this evening.

Rather doubtful about a green Christmas now.

See Loose Bros. & Co.'s, Pontiac, new ad this week.

WANTED—Plain sewing to do at home. M. J. Eddy. See ad.

Christmas is coming at Goring's Shoe Home, Pontiac. See ad.

Yes, sir, they are right in line for Christmas at Sparring's Detroit. See ad.

FOR SALE—Two Shropshire, rams and three Bull calves. J. H. Snow. 3117.

Go to Library Hall for a cup of coffee, sandwich and doughnuts this evening.

Mother Karthed danced her first coat of "the beautiful" Tuesday evening.

Don't forget to "be took" at the Tomlinson gallery, Pontiac. Holiday rates.

The traveler label is fragrant with holiday aromas of a substantial character. See ad.

Our town can boast of some tasty show windows in honor of the arrival of old Santa.

Remember the fancy sale of Christmas goods this evening at Library Hall by Presbyterian ladies.

Regular meeting of the Order of the Eastern Star next Wednesday evening, Dec. 20. Emily Leet, Sec'y.

It is easy to settle all Christmas quarrels by looking at W. A. O'Neal's assortment of Holiday goods.

A number of stumps are being removed from the land along Baldwin Ave., preparatory to further improvements.

Is it brave to refuse to do what you know to be right for fear that some evil-doer will be displeased with your action?

What is nicer for a holiday present than something for the feet? Read H. B. Merritt's price list for the holidays in this issue.

To RENT—A desirable 8-room house, with bath, closet and other conveniences on High street. Enquire A. W. Campbell. 3372.

Our Baptist friends at their last Sunday School session fully decided to hold their Christmas exercises on Monday evening, Dec. 25th.

Plants in bud and bloom costing no more than a Christmas Card, and giving more pleasure, for sale at the Royal Oak Greenhouse.

The Ertz & Nixon Flour is rapidly gaining in popularity. If you have never tried it step right over and ask Mr. Logan for a sack of it.

Don't you think for a moment that they have forgotten over at Frank Blake's that Christmas is coming. Go in and see what you can find.

When a few more families move to Pontiac or Rochester, our people may see the necessity of bringing some manufacturing interest to the town.

Christmas sales of millinery are now drawing many to the establishment of Mrs. K. B. Terry, Pontiac. Be sure and visit her place of business.

The approach of the holidays brings great reduction in millinery of all kinds. If you doubt it, just visit Miss Moutier in Pontiac, and see for yourself.

Died, of consumption, at St. Mary's hospital, Detroit, Monday last, William Bellamy, aged 20 years. Deceased lived 2 1/2 miles east of this place and had been at the hospital about a week.

Rev. L. S. Stevens, of Pontiac, will administer Holy Communion in St. James' church next Sunday morning, Dec. 17. An evening service will be held.

Christmas is booming in full blast at Taylor & Woodford's, Detroit. Every department, and they are numerous, is crowded with attractions for the season.

FOUND—a key near the cemetery, and a pair of gloves and a comb on the street. Owners can have same by calling at the post office, and paying for this adv't.

STRAYED OR STOLEN—One black sow, one white pig five months old, one white pig with black spots, four months old. Reward, J. F. Kellogg, Birmingham.

See Tom Cobb's big front window. Don't it look tempting? There's where you find your fresh assortment of nits and candies for the holiday appetites.

Attend the next lecture on the case of Big Beaver, next Friday evening, December 22. Rev. Eugene Allen will give his popular lecture "Abraham Lincoln."

The terrific gale of Tuesday blew the Xmas advertisements right into our "Eccentric" columns, all of them taking their respective places as you will see by observation.

You don't need a microscope to aid you in finding Shafer's Christmas ad in this issue—77 inches is all the space it requires—you can't avoid reading it, and then—

Next regular meeting of Mary D. Hive will be held tomorrow evening, December 16. All members are urged to be present, as it is the annual election of officers. R. K. C.

The remains of Miss Mary Lowes, who died at Albuquerque, N. Mexico, May 16, 1895, arrived by express on Tuesday last and were laid to rest in the family lot in the Perrin cemetery, Troy. See ad.

Mrs. L. H. McDowell died at her home in Royal Oak Tuesday evening, December 12. After a long and painful illness. She will be mourned by a large circle of friends. Obituary notice next week.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church will hold a sale of dolls, aprons and all kinds of fancy work at the Library Hall on the afternoon and evening of Friday, Dec. 15. Coffee, sandwich and doughnuts to cents.

Quarterly meeting services will be held in the M. E. church on Sabbath next. Love Feast, 9:40 a. m. Rev. Dr. Shier, of Detroit, will preach at 10:30, after which the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered. See ad.

At the Novel Club last Saturday evening, Mrs. Cooper gave the first part of "Our Mutual Friend." The book will be finished at some future date, while in two weeks "Hilfack of Banisdale" will claim the attention of the Club.

A man wishing to open a barroom in a Northville hotel asked for a mandamus to compel the village to accept his bondsmen. The Supreme Court decided that the village had a right to refuse to accept any and all bondsmen if it so decreed.

It may seem strange, but it is a fact that we can send you the Farm Journal five years, all of 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903 and 1904, if you will pay for the Birmingham Eccentric one year ahead—both papers for \$1. This applies alike to new and old subscribers.

The many friends of Mrs. John Ludlow will be pained to hear of her death which occurred Tuesday afternoon, at her late home west of this place. Deceased was only 30 years of age and the family have the sympathy of the entire community in their bereavement.

Our readers will remember some time ago of Geo. W. Fay receiving a serious fall in Pontiac by reason of tripping over a line stretched in the street. Well, one day recently he received from Lennan Bros., pavement contractors in Pontiac, \$150 to pay him for, his tumble and their carelessness.

Don't forget that the first number in January, 1900, will bring to you the blue cross if you deserve it. Don't say after you get it that we are wrong. If your date is not right now, call at once, and we will investigate. Remember, pay up now and get the Farm Journal for five years free—absolutely free.

A merry little company of about 20 assembled at the home of Raynold Whitehead last Friday evening, to "surprise" him and a jolly time was the general verdict passed by the young people. A dainty repast was spread, and with games, time passed very pleasantly to all participants. Miss Hattie Whitehead, of Detroit, was among the

guests.

All are invited to attend the Patriotic Curio entertainment and social at the manse of Rev. N. Norton Clark and wife on Brown street this (Friday) afternoon and evening. Mrs. Schlaack, chairman refreshment department; Mrs. Eugene Smith, chairman of entertainment, and Miss Ida McKinney, chairman of the Curio department. The offering will be for the new parlance.

The Michigan Improved Live Stock Association will meet in Detroit December 19, 20, 21, with headquarters at the Griswold Hotel. An interesting program has been arranged and prominent speakers from all over the state, as well as many from our own state, will discuss the various topics. It will be an important event of its kind. Reduced rates have been secured on the railroads. Don't forget dates.

Whitehead & Mitchell have a new case of jewelry at astonishingly low prices put in for the Holidays. Their stock of toys, fancy cups and saucers is full and full, with prices never so low before. During the bustle of the holiday trade, they will not forget to sell 25 lbs. of granulated sugar for \$1; 10 bars Cune Anne soap for 25 cents. XXXX Coffee only 8 cents. Come and see us. We are yours to command.

The Ladies' Church Society of the Presbyterian church will hold their annual meeting with Mrs. George H. Mitchell, Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 20th, at which time the officers for 1901 will be elected and plans for the coming year talked over. All the ladies of the church and congregation are cordially invited. Refreshment Committee—Messdames Hemenway, Weller, Erwin, Perry and Ward.

The Cemetery Association has made a much needed improvement in the grounds by building a shelter house 15x18 feet in size. It will contain closets, shelves for tools, a stove and have ample room for the storage of implements used there. We understand that a number of persons have not yet paid this year's assessment. It would seem that \$1 a year should be gladly given to insure such improvements as the Society yearly make.

The spacious establishment of Waite Bros., Robertson & Co., Pontiac, is an attractive place now-a-days, with its dainty booths, exquisite decorations of Holly festooned about in great profusion, and various other decorations to assure the numerous patrons that Christmas is coming. An orchestra directs courses sweet music every day and the general proprietors together with their efficient corps of assistants look after the requirements of their customers in an admirable manner.

Albert Lamb, who lives a mile north and a mile east of Big Beaver, has a horse that is well worth going many miles to see. The animal is six years of age, and the remarkable thing about him is, that during the summer months he is the same as any horse in appearance, but as soon as cold weather approaches his hair begins curling and until mild weather approaches, the equine looks very much like a buffalo. It has often been suggested to Mr. Lamb that he exhibit the horse during the winter months, but he does not care to do so. Horses of this kind are very rare, only three or four of them being known to horsemen.

We are in receipt of a dozen or so very fine photos taken by Miss Dollic Lusted, of Albuquerque, New Mexico. She received her five camera and without any instruction than those accompanying the outfit, has taken many views of mountain scenery, animal life and mining views. Phantom Canon comes in for a great share and views of R. D. Lusted and his friend, R. Calkins, on the rocks in Phantom Canon are great, while the cyonide and leaching rooms of the Albarmer mine are very fine. An assay furnace shows excellent work, flock of kids pasturing and a headless burro, shows that the young lady is a very good amateur photographer.

Joe Andrews, of Detroit, raised the fore part of the week calling on old Birmingham friends.

Warren J. Brown and wife left Saturday evening for a month's visit with relatives at Scranton, Pa.

Mrs. Lydia Musgrave passed a few pleasant days this week with her sister, Mrs. George Dawson, of Troy.

Rev. N. Norton Clark attended the great Methodist convention at Albion on Wednesday and Thursday of this week.

We learn that the youngest son of Rev. and Mrs. Clark is expected home from Boston next week to remain a few days.

Miss Alta Poppletton is home from Wesley College, Aurora, N. Y., for the holiday vacation. She is delighted with the college in every respect.

Mrs. H. G. Clark and little daughter Treva, of Blissfield, have returned home after a visit of several days with their parents, Rev. and Mrs. Clark.

Was it Calumet where Will Baum has been enjoying a three weeks' visit? Anyhow he looks as tho' he had enjoyed himself. Are the current reports correct, Billy?

Joe McGrath and Harry Coney, who have been in Northern Michigan for some time past, have returned to Birmingham and are the guests of Mrs. Nellie Camp. Harry is just now passing through the trying stage which comes to all young men and is known as the moultage period.

Cargill Young left Tuesday evening for Denver, Colo., where he expects to remain some time. Owing to hard work Cargill has become rather out of sorts, and hopes the western climate will restore him to his usual good health. The young man has scores of friends in this vicinity who join him in this wish.

Surprised, well we should think so, when Joe Rainey who has been away from here 14 years, walked into our office on Monday last. He has been at different places in the west and from his appearance western life must have agreed with him. He says Birmingham has changed greatly and the change is on the right side of the ledger.

Fred D. Smith, of Loleta, Cal., after eight years' absence is again among his friends and visiting his mother, Mrs. A. M. Martin. Fred is a successful business man in the far west, 250 miles from San Francisco. He is the president of the Cold Brook creameries, a system of seven creameries in the best dairy section of the U. S., where every acre of land supports a cow. Mr. Smith's stay will be short but next week we will give our readers a full account of his prosperous business in the far west.

Advance a Step
If you have been in the habit of taking pills for constipation and with poor results, just try a bottle of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin and you will be surprised at the results. Very pleasant to take. 10c. 50c and \$1. For sale by Whitehead & Mitchell.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.
Sam Patterson, of Pontiac smiled on Birmingham friends Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Hutton are spending a few months in Hammond, La.

Miss Sarah Reid, of Detroit, has been a recent guest of her sister, Miss Emma Reid.

L. H. Rosseau has returned home after spending the past eight months in Connecticut.

Rev. Montrose Maxwell is conducting a series of revival meetings in the Upper Peninsula.

That Cough Hangs On
You have used all sorts of cough remedies but it does not yield; it is too deep seated. It may wear itself out in time, but it is more liable to produce la grippe, pneumonia or a serious throat affection. You need something that will give you strength and build up the body.

SCOTT'S EMULSION
will do this when everything else fails. There is no doubt about it. It nourishes, strengthens, builds up and makes the body strong and healthy, not only to throw off this hard cough, but to fortify the system against further attacks. If you are run down or emaciated you should certainly take this nourishing food medicine.

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Notice to Taxpayers of Southfield.
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Piles for Sixteen Years.
Mr. O. M. Giblin, 30 LeRoy Ave., Big Hart, N. C., says: "I have had piles after every kind of medical treatment, and was finally cured by Dr. W. C. Hanson, of Buffalo, N. Y. Absolutely guaranteed to cure piles, hemorrhoids, and all kinds of skin diseases. Free sample box for stamp."

GOLF CAPES
Superb Gray Homespun Cloths, \$1.00 a yard, 54 inches wide.
Panama Camels' Hair Cloth, grays, blues and castors, 50 inch stuff for Sailor Suits, \$1.00 a yard.
58 inch Venetian Covert Cloths, the ultra stylish tailor gown goods, \$1.50 a yard
38 inch Camels' Hair Effects, stylish goods that will sell low in price as an advertisement, 50c a yard.
Camels' Hair Plaids, 46 inch at \$1.00. Very best makers' goods, 50 inch at 1.39.
For Skirts and Linings, Mercerized Floreens, very pretty shades, 39c a yard.
Heavy Sateen Skirting, colors or black, 19c a yard.
Striped or plain Floreen, very silky, durable and inexpensive, 50c a yard.
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ROY DENNISON, son of Victor Dennison, who lives about three miles northwest of this place, was kicked in the face by a horse on Tuesday afternoon. The horse had balked and the young man was trying to make it work, with the above result. His face was cut badly, but Dr. J. L. Campbell, by the use of stitches and bandages, made the sufferer as good as possible, and in a few days the young man will be as good as new.

A Postmaster's View of It.
"HOOVERVILLE, Ind., Feb. 30, 1900.
GENTLEMEN:—After having given Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin a fair trial in my family, I unhesitatingly pronounce it a great boon to all suffering from indigestion, constipation and dyspepsia. In all their forms with all their train of evil consequences, I have fought dyspepsia and constipation of a severe character for 25 years. I have employed the most skillful physicians that I could reach, have spent hundreds of dollars and now I find more relief in this pleasant remedy than I have found in anything else. To all persons of sedentary occupations in life, I wish to say, buy and use now. I have spent 12 years at this place, and now if I had had this remedy years ago it would have saved me much suffering."
W. M. McCORT, P. M., Bloomington, Ind.

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Latest stock and lowest prices in Oakland county.

JOHN POUND.
Grand Trunk Railway System
Time Table in Effect Nov. 10, 1900.
D. Q. H. & M. DIVISION.
WEST BOUND FROM BIRMINGHAM.
No. 11—Morning Express to Detroit 7:45 a.m.
No. 13—Mail and Chicago Express to Detroit 10:15 a.m.
No. 15—Chicago Express to Detroit 12:10 p.m.
No. 17—Detroit Express to Chicago 1:50 p.m.
No. 19—Chicago Express to Detroit 3:22 p.m.
No. 21—Detroit Express to Chicago 5:00 p.m.

ALASKA SPECULARS—The best in the world. They create wonder and admiration by who use them. Adjusted by compass or by sun. 15c tested free.
Kiddie Enggass
JEWELRY CO.

I AM HOLDING
Christmas Sales...
On all my Millinery Goods of every description. Come in and see them. Bargains for everybody.
Mrs. K. B. Terry
Lawrence St. E., Pontiac.

FLOUR! FLOUR! FLOUR!
We handle all the favorite brands of Flour and sell Ertz & Nixon's "Snowball," McClellan & Satterlee's "Moss Rose," Phelps' (Southfield) "Best," Washburn Crosby's "Gold Medal." All goods delivered promptly. Try us.
We solicit a share of your orders.
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Lunch Parlors.
77 Woodward Ave., Detroit, Mich.
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.

Wayne Hotel, Detroit
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\$2 TO \$25.00. 8:00 TO 8:00. SINGLE ROOMS. 50c. UP TO DATE CAPES