

### THE PALACE Cash Meat Market

In the place where you can buy all kinds of  
**Fresh, Salt and Smoked Meats,**  
**Butter, Eggs and Poultry**  
at reasonable prices.  
**Geo. E. Duff, Proprietor.**  
Birmingham, Mich.

### HOW IS THIS?

For one month we will sell  
**All \$2 and \$2.50 Glasses for \$1.**  
Write to or call on

**Hugh Connolly,**  
the Eye Specialist, corner  
State and Griswold Sts.,  
Detroit, Mich.

### City Bakery and Restaurant

In the New Ford Block.  
**ALL KINDS OF**  
Bakers' Supplies, Canned Goods,  
Confectionery, etc., at city prices.  
Boarders by the Day or Week.

### C. Ellenwood.

### Bench & Whing

Successors to John Hanna.  
Will conduct the Meat Market  
Business in the Hanna Block on  
Pierce Street, commencing Monday  
morning, March 27, 1899.

Reduced prices on Steaks.  
**All kinds of Fish and Vegetables.**  
Your patronage solicited,  
**BENCH & WHING,**  
Birmingham, Mich.

### Clarence L. Cowles,

Architect,  
21 and 23 Chase Block,  
Saginaw, E. S. Mich.  
Phone 1 Office 547--R. Residence 400.

### GEORGE M. CASWELL,

Attorney and Counselor at Law,  
BIRMINGHAM, MICH.  
Special attention given to Conveyancing, Real Estate  
and Mercantile Collections, etc., etc.  
Office at D. M. Day's Marble Works.

### JUST LIKE DAD'S

That is what all the lads say when they see our line of  
**LITTLE GENTS' SHOES.**

These shoes are made up in the latest toes and the "Golf" style of cut, and look for all the world like their fathers' shoes. We have just received an extra large consignment of these goods from our New York jobbers and as we secured them at an exceedingly low cost, we offer them to you as follows:

"Little Drummer" line, Tan or Black \$1.00  
"Glendale" line, Dongola, patent tips, nickel eyelets 1.25  
"Oakdale" line, Box, Cat 1.25  
Tops "Em All" line, Salt, Calif 1.25  
"Little Corporal" line, Tan, Vici 1.50  
All the above, sizes 8 to 13 1-2.  
Of course the place is at  
**Going's Corner Shoe House,** Pontiac, Mich.  
STORE OPEN EVENINGS UNTIL 8 O'CLOCK.

### WE ARE CLOSING OUT

Wall Paper at old prices. We bought our new stock before the advance in price and can sell you at 50 per cent less than new prices. You cannot afford to buy of book-men or dealers that have had to buy of the Combinations as they will have to get advanced prices, while we can sell for what they have to pay at wholesale. It will be for your interest and pocket-book this year to look at our goods and prices.

### WE ARE SELLING

Window Shades and Men's and Ladies' Shoes at cost and can make it an object for you to call at  
**F. Blakeslee's,**  
Birmingham, Mich.

### We Are Ready For Business

in our remodelled and renovated store. With increased facilities, convenience and better light we shall be able to serve our customers in a satisfactory manner. Elegant lines of Dress Fabrics for the early spring trade in

Wash Goods, Foreign and Domestic Wool Goods, Silks of Every Weave and Quality.  
New Goods in Every Dept.  
New Elevator Service.  
Popular Prices.

### THE TAYLOR-WOOLFENDEN CO.

WOODWARD AVE. & STATE ST., DETROIT, MICH.

### If You're Proud of Your Boy

you will have him as well dressed as any other boy in his "set." You owe it to him to dress him as well as you can. To dress him best, is to equip him with clothing of the sort and make we carry and sell.

Our stock for spring is now very complete with all the new styles, new shades and new fabrics. You will find ours the cheapest as well as the best.  
**SPECIAL—Twenty-five Boys' two-piece suits, ages 3 to 8 (formerly sold at \$3.50, \$4.00 and \$5.00, now to close, \$2.50.**

### HAMMOND & JUDD, Clothiers,

PONTIAC, MICH.

### WORKED MASONIC LODGES.

He Was a Schemer But Not Sufficiently Crafty to Escape Jail.

And is Now Languishing in the County Jail. He tried to Get Money Under False Pretenses and Succeeded for a Time. His Name was Garman, but it is "Dennis" Now.

About 6:30 last Saturday morning a well-dressed, good looking stranger, apparently about 40 years of age, and claiming to be long in the County Jail, was arrested by Officer N. Y. called on Worthy Master D. M. Johnston, of 44, F. & A. M., this place, and asked for money to purchase a ticket to Grand Rapids, where he claimed to have a brother whom he wished to visit. He gave his name as Blakeslee while here.

Mr. Johnston immediately escorted him to the presence of Past Grand Master Partridge, of the local lodge, and together they closely questioned the stranger and after that they pronounced a very close examination, they furnished him the wherewithal with which to purchase a ticket, and let him go. But something, notwithstanding the respectable appearance of the impostor, aroused Mr. Johnston's suspicions and he made inquiries of Ticket Agent Aldrich to ascertain whether the man had purchased a ticket for Grand Rapids with the money procured. He did so, and he found that his suspicions were not groundless, as the fellow had boarded the train without a ticket. Then Mr. Johnston began work in good earnest.

He first telephoned to Past Master Dickinson, of Pontiac Lodge, to see if he could learn anything in regard to the man, and was informed that the stranger had worked Pontiac for quite a sum. Mr. Dickinson then telephoned around to several places, finding that the sharper had worked the same scheme in other towns also, and was just at that time in the where the local lodge were on the town a copy of furnishing him with money to pay his way to Chicago.

Past Master Dickinson immediately informed Mr. Johnston who hastened to Pontiac, had a warrant issued by Justice Safford for the man's arrest, on the charge of obtaining money under false pretenses. The under sheriff of Pontiac was dispatched to Holly and escorted the impostor, who gave his name as Charles Garman and said that his name was in the jail, to the county jail at Pontiac, to await his trial. We doubt this scheme being tried in Birmingham again very soon, especially if the chief part concerned in it is directly reeled with Worthy Master Johnston.

LATER. The prisoner was brought before Justice Safford Tuesday, plead guilty and sentenced to the jail for 30 days on his "retirement." Being without funds he chose the latter.

### A Prosperous Company.

How many of our readers have ever visited Buell Bro's immense store on Michigan Ave., Detroit? Many of you remember that these gentlemen were for several years residents of this vicinity, living near Clawson. They are the proprietors of an immense furniture establishment, having the largest display window on Michigan Avenue.

The building occupied by them is 160 feet deep and has a frontage of 60 feet. Their enterprise is known as the Household Installment Co., and besides this Detroit plant they have branch stores in Battle Creek, Ann Arbor, Ypsilanti, H. H. Marshall, Lansing, Mt. Clemens and Jackson, all of which are in a flourishing condition.

The enterprising Bros. carry an elegant line of furniture, lace and draperies, curtains, lamps, alabams, silverware, clocks, wringers, rugs, etc., etc. They are now offering a handsome 3-piece Antique bed-room set for \$100, and other goods corresponding in low prices.

The Household Installment Co. have been on our advertising list for a long time and it will pay our readers to watch their space. Their number is 224-B Michigan Ave., Detroit, and it would be no more than due courtesy for "should aid acquaintance be forgotten," to give them a share of our patronage.

### Sad Accident in Southfield.

While on the way to her father-in-law's funeral on Monday last, a team of horses driven by Mrs. George McKinney, of Southfield, became frightened and started to run. One of the traces became unhooked and this added to their fright so that they became unmanageable. The tongue to the buggy dropped down and the horses ran across the fields into Eric's marsh, where they were afterwards captured but little time before their escape. The carriage was not damaged much. Mrs. McKinney was unable to attend the funeral, but her husband was more fortunate. Due to the Medical aid was summoned from this place and the injured lady was made as comfortable as possible. Dr. N. T. Shaw was the physician in attendance.

### Notice to Foreign Pupils.

The list of foreign pupils with amount due for tuition for the spring and last term of the school year is in the assessors' hands for collection. These amounts must be paid at once. Call at Whitehead & Mitchell's drug store, pay your tuition and get your receipt. Those in arrears are particularly requested to settle.

### Choice Eggs for Sale.

Anyone wishing some thoroughbred Barred Plymouth Rocks for hatching will do well to call on Mrs. V. B. Miller, one-half mile north of Beddow. The price is 75c per 15 eggs.

### COMMUNICATED.

#### EDITORS OF ECENTRIE:—

As you are perhaps aware, the school board (we are informed the majority part of it) has rented one of the rooms in the Frank Ford block and the same is now in use as a school room. Monday morning last the board took charge of this room, where the entire 4th grade will hereafter be instructed until a change of location can be made for the better, which it is to be hoped will not be long.

The room itself is all right, with the exception of its acoustic properties, which are none of the best. It is not only hard upon to teach little children under the best of conditions, but where it is almost impossible to hear recitations and instructions, owing to echoes and other outside noises, which are very annoying.

Now then, Miss Leonard has proven herself a teacher well qualified to fill the position she now holds and she is well liked by her scholars, and in her own quarters will no doubt strive to give the best of satisfaction and obtain the best results.

Now then, Mr. Editor, wouldn't it have been better if the scholars in the school building proper as long as there are no more scholars this spring than there were last? One thing more that puzzles the writer as to the school boys and girls going along without having any recess, as there is no playground, unless Maple avenue or Saginaw street be used for that purpose, and what parent who has a little child in this grade would like to think that his child was playing on the electric car line? Now if there is a remedy for this evil as it seems to me, we would like to know what it is.

### QUICK WORK.

Lenhoff's Clothing Store at Pontiac Burglarized Sunday, Thief Captured by Officer Fay, Monday

On Sunday last Lenhoff's clothing store at Pontiac was broken into and several articles taken. Officer Fay, of this place, was notified and a description of the supposed burglar being furnished him, he watched the streets on Monday morning and finally located his man on one of them bound for Detroit. The officer rode up to Hunt's switch and when the car came along he took his suspect into custody and returned with him to Pontiac. The man was arranged before Justice Safford and gave his name as Jerry Hale, of McBoagall Ave., Detroit. He plead not guilty and was taken to jail to await trial. Some of the plunder he had secured was disposed of by him in Pontiac.

He is a man about 35 years of age and is a tailor by trade, just how he happened to be disposing of the stolen goods and still knew nothing about the burglary seems rather strange but will no doubt be cleared up when he comes before the court for trial.

### A Memorial Tree.

At an annual meeting of the Village Improvement Society was proposed to plant in the park a tree in memory of Mrs. Backwell. She went from our community, leaving here no relatives to whom is usually left the tender offices of remembrance.

Her well known love for flowers and plants and her liberal distribution of them among friends and neighbors made this expression of remembrance most fitting.

The reading of a paper prepared by Mrs. Irving, a sweet song by Miss Hunt, an appropriate recitation by Mrs. Ward, a paper by Mrs. Langley, made up a program that was closed by the reading of a stanza selected by the president of the society—Miss Baldwin.

### Village Improvement Notes.

Don't forget to plant the tree or shrub. Have you signed the paper promising to do one thing for Village Improvement? Everybody has promised to lead their cows to and from the pastures this summer. Why not put one flower bed outside the walk? Won't the children pick the flowers? Can't you spare a few to those who have none.

Cyrus W. Field offered Williston Improvement Society \$10,000 when the last front fence should disappear. One owner held some time, but when the fence came down the money was paid. Would that some one would make a like offer to Birmingham. Maple Ave. west has only two left. Has any street less?

### Getting the "Blues" For \$10...

Dark blue serges are immensely popular this season. They deserve to be popular because of their workability. They always look handsome, they are very comfortable in warm weather, they always wear well. This is a certain fact if they come from this store.

Of course like everything else there are poor imitations on the market, there are adulterations, cotton goods that will not hold the color nor shape, that shrink in moist weather. So the wisdom of buying where there's no doubt of honest goods. The Traver label has never yet proven a disappointment. It means perfect satisfaction or your money back. We have this season a tremendous line of blue serge Suits for Men at \$10. The wide or narrow waist and herringbone weave in both the double and single-breasted styles, every one made this spring.

The sizes are all here and we always like to give the "hard to get" men because they're not hard to fit here. Stout, short, tall, skin, chunky, or slight or slender men, will find it very easy to get properly fitted among these \$10 Suits of ours.

### NEGLIGE SHIRTS.

We open the season with nothing but absolutely new shirts. We did not carry over a single one, so this spring we place our customers amid a multitude of the best. Neglige Shirts produced in the country, beginning with 18 distinct patterns with two turned down collars, and one pair of round cornered detached cuffs to each shirt, for 50c, and then by easy price steps through the various grades up to the finest at \$2.00 each.

### COYING SCHOOL EVENTS.

Look out for the closing exercises of our school this year. A long list of good things.

The Junior Exhibition on June 2nd will be one of the most elaborate affairs the school has attempted for years. It will be a representation of the World's Peace Congress to be held at the flag in response to the manifesto issued by the Czar of Russia. The participants in the exhibition will be dressed in the costume of the various European and Asiatic nations, and the decorations of the room will include a brilliant display of the flags of the nations.

Another attraction will be an address on Commencement Eve, June 29, by one of the best speakers in the land, Mr. G. A. Gearhart, of Buffalo. The Senior Class are making every effort to give to the public something of such value and excellence that the exit of the last class of the century, 1899, from the B. H. S. will long be remembered. We will not attempt at this time to name all the attractions of the closing exercises, but among the most interesting will be the program by the primary grades and another program by the grammar grades. The detailed program will be published later.

### ADVERTISED LETTERS.

The following is a list of letters remaining unclaimed in the postoffice at Birmingham, Mich., for the week ending April 22, 1899:

Thomas A. Balkwell, J. F. Roney, Ches. Schultz, Mrs. Laura Anderson, Mrs. P. G. Phillips, Miss Hattie Rowley, Emma Hoton, Mrs. Martin.  
Persons calling for any of the above will please say "advertised."  
JOHN HANNA, P. M.

### HUDSON'S, The Big Store, Detroit.

\$5.00--THE HANAN SHOE--Best on Earth--\$5.00

### SPRING OVERCOATS FOR MEN.

The prices and purchases of these New Overcoats last week by men who had looked all around, verified what we already knew of their unmatched goodness at our prices. This bit of them.

A short Covert, just long enough to cover your sack coat..... \$7.50 to \$25  
A herringbone Covert, just about long enough to reach your knees..... \$10 to \$25  
A soft, fuzzy Vienna, in gray, black or herringbone effect, silk faced, silk lined, velvet collar, length just above your knees or just below them..... \$10 to \$25  
SPECIAL--100 Men's Fine Covert Top Coats, brand new, right lengths, correct styles, and all sizes. They are regular \$10 values for..... \$7.50

### BOYS' Top Coats

Styles like the Men's; materials, cut, the same.  
3 to 5 years..... \$4  
9 to 10 years..... \$6  
16 to 19 years..... \$7.50

### LADIES' TAILOR-MADE SUITS.

SPECIAL--Extraordinary values in a special price of Men-Tailored Suits, made for this season's wear, stylish and correct. See the Gratiot Ave. window. They're \$12.50 and \$15 values for..... \$7.95  
SEEDS--Flower and Vegetable, one dozen packages, 1c.  
**Hudson's Big Store, DETROIT.**