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A FARM JOURNAL
Great Offer
From now to December, 1903.
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By special arrangement made with the publishers of the Farm Journal we are enabled to offer that paper to every subscriber who pays for the Birmingham Eccentric, all arrears, and one year ahead, both papers for the price of one copy on paper one year and the Farm Journal from now to December, 1903, nearly 5 years. The Farm Journal is an old established paper, enjoying great popularity, one of the best and most useful farm papers published.

HOME NOTES

"We're gittin' back to summer, with a welcome for the fields in strowin' posies in our pathway, an' the air full of songs or welcome, while the woods an' arches 's' shake their wavin' branches over us jes' fer welcome's sake."

Recital next Wednesday evening. Preaching at the Baptist church next Sunday.

R. H. Traver has the bargain flavor in this week's ad. It's so, he dad.

To RENT—Furnished or unfurnished rooms, singly or suites. Mrs. Mary C. Taber.

"Blind Bennie" and his hand organ was on our streets the fore part of the week.

FOR SALE—One good work horse and four head of young cattle. Albert M. Todd.

The Shafter building in Detroit is alive with bargains for the season. Read 15-inch ad this week.

LOST—A pair of Buckskin gloves with knit wrists, almost new. Finder please return to L. S. Sawyer.

Tri-on-fashoes at H. B. Meritt's in Pontiac. Do you know what they are? Well, then, go and find out. They are strictly in it.

WANTED—Immediately, a strong, competent girl for general housework. Will pay three dollars per week. Mrs. E. C. Poppleton.

LOST—May 8th, gold glasses, in a case. As it is known who the party is the glasses had better be returned without further trouble. Mrs. John Lawrence.

Rev. Mr. Whitfield, of Detroit, will preach in the Presbyterian church at Southfield, Sunday, May 21, at 2:30 p. m. All are cordially invited to attend.

A recital will be given by Mrs. Emma Burrows-Raviler and pupils, assisted by J. Frank Ryan, tenor, of Detroit, next Wednesday evening, May 24th, at Library Hall.

Do you go fishing? Well, then, equip yourselves with the proper utensils from C. H. Schlaack's and we will guarantee you good luck every time. See ad this week.

Mrs. Frank Benedict, formerly of Royal Oak, now of Detroit, while riding her wheel one day recently fell and broke her limb, but at present writing is improving nicely.

FOR SALE—A child's bed, white iron with brass trimmings, springs and mattress. A bargain for some one. Call at store for George H. Mitchell for particulars.

While dynamiting a stone along the electric line, Tuesday, a section of the hard substance flew with great force into the air instantly cutting off eight telephone wires.

LOST OR STOLEN—From premises, last Friday, Beadle pup nine weeks old, white with spotted ears. A return to Chas. H. Busby and receive reward. No questions asked.

FOR RENT—A nice home in Birmingham, \$10 per month. Barn on premises. Rented last year to school pupils for \$40, ten months. Call on Mitchell, Eccentric office.

The Y. M. C. A., of Pontiac, held their first meeting in their new rooms last Sunday. This worthy organization is in a prosperous condition and we congratulate them upon securing such fine surroundings.

It will pay you to visit Zimmerman Bros. & Alger's hardware store when in Pontiac. They have the most up-to-date and largest stock in Oakland county and at prices that will please you.

If you desire six hours of practical work of the best kind, interspersed with drollery and wit, buy a ticket to Mrs. Benjamin's "Parliamentary Drill" on the evenings of May 29, 30 and 31.

TO RENT—The John Crawford house on the Southfield road, 1-1/4 miles from Birmingham postoffice. Low rent. One and one-half acres of ground and barn. Address C. W. Crawford, Birmingham.

Don't miss the next excursion to Grand Rapids next Sunday, May 21. Fare for the round trip \$1.85. Train leaves Birmingham at 7:43 a. m. and returns at 10:48 p. m. Tickets good only on excursion train.

The ladies of the Presbyterian Society wish to thank their friends for their generous patronage at the plate social last Friday evening. This event resulted in a contribution of 98 plates and nearly two dollars in money. It is thought the latter will be expended for the purchase of pitchers for said society. The attendance was good and all seemed to enjoy the program and lunch prepared for them.

We are in receipt of the "Michigan Agricultural College Year Book for 1899." The same is replete with useful information on all sides of the great subject, agriculture, and is of untold value to tillers of the soil.

We wish to inform our readers that as long as the supply lasts a copy of this valuable book will be sent to any address for only a postage stamp. Address: Michigan Agricultural College, Lansing, Mich.

The Whitney Family Show Co. gave one of their select entertainments here Saturday evening. A large audience was present and everybody, evidently got their money's worth. The concert given under the main entertainment was hugely enjoyed by all who remained to hear it.

The Whitney Co. has a reputation for giving a good, clean entertainment and no rowdiness is allowed by the management on the part of any of their employes.

The Farm Journal has nearly two million readers each issue; it is putting in a new press that will print 200 copies a minute; it is the best farm paper in America, and it pleases the women folks all over the country. We have made a special arrangement by which we are able to send the Farm Journal for the balance of 1899 papers at the price of 1902 to 1903, nearly five years to all subscribers of the Birmingham Eccentric who may pay a year in advance. Please be prompt.

The far-famed Railroad Jack is again making his annual tour through Michigan. He was in Ann Arbor Saturday, and Sunday evening he entertained a large audience in front of the National Hotel at this place. As usual he held the undivided attention of his listeners and was ready to answer any question in an easy comprehensive manner. On Tuesday afternoon he spoke for an hour in the high school on various questions of the day. He is not without friends in this vicinity.

Pontiac might well be termed "the city of papers." The latest acquisition in that line is the Outlook Journal, appearing last week for the first time, a six-column quarto, published by Turner Bros. The publication is a weekly paper, neat and attractive in appearance and decidedly newsy. The type is set by one of the latest improved machines, the office equipped with the best and newest machinery and presses and prospects for the new sheet look very promising indeed. Success to you fraternal brethren, we are glad to enroll you on our exchange list.

Messrs. Wilson and Hislop, of the justly celebrated Bagley Tobacco Co., were in town Tuesday advertising Sun Cured, Long Tom and other products of the John J. Bagley Tobacco Co. The gentlemen very artistically decorated the windows of Whitehead & Mitchell in a way that is a surprise to all beholders and we venture to say no window ever looked better before in Birmingham. In addition to this they placarded the town all day long and the results show that these gentlemen know their business, get it and go their own way rejoicing. Call at Whitehead & Mitchell's for a free sample of Sun Cured tobacco. It's nice.

The illustrated lectures given by Rev. F. C. Pillsbury last Thursday and Friday evenings were greatly enjoyed by all participants. Mr.

Pillsbury's descriptive powers are of a high standard of excellence and the beautiful life-like pictures were made doubly interesting by the fact that the speaker had personally visited the scenes depicted thus enabling him to give numerous incidents relative to them. We are sorry these entertainments were not more liberally patronized, as they were deserving of a full house and it would be to the credit of our citizens to more generally grant their presence on occasions of this kind.

Many Birmingham people will be shocked to hear of the untimely death of Mrs. Nellie P. Brown, one of Detroit, wife of John H. Brown, one of the former proprietors of the Brown Bros. farm at the eastern limit of Birmingham. On the day of her death Mrs. Brown had spent the entire forenoon in the dentist's chair and it is thought that death resulted from chloroform, as she was found dead in bed, with evidence of having used the drug, which she was in the habit of doing to relieve pain. Her death occurred Monday afternoon about 4 o'clock. Mrs. Brown was 30 years of age and leaves two young sons. Deceased had spent several summers here at the farm house and had a large circle of acquaintances in this village who will be pained to hear of her sad demise.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Louie Hard, of Detroit, spent Sunday in town.

Ed Keyser, of Pontiac, was smiling on Birmingham friends Monday.

Miss Edith Seltzer, of Detroit, was a Sunday guest of Miss Marie Keyser.

Miss Jennie Keyes has been on the sick list of late but is able to be out again.

Rev. C. C. VanDorn, of Holly, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Shain.

Miss Lillian Kobe, of Detroit, has been a recent guest of Miss Florence King.

Rev. Kimmelshue, of Port Huron, was a guest of Rev. Montrose Maxwell Tuesday.

Mrs. J. W. Perry is in Utica, where she was called by the illness of her mother.

Miss Maude Gates spent Saturday and Sunday with friends in Ypsilanti and Ann Arbor.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Langley spent last Saturday with friends at their former home in Greenfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Voorheis, of Wilmot, were visiting Mrs. Nellie Camp and other friends in town.

Mrs. Golden, matron of the M. M. A. at Orchard Lake, was a guest of Birmingham friends a part of last week.

Misses Jennie Buttolph and Belle Pardee, two of Detroit's fair teachers, were guests of Miss Jennie Peck Saturday.

Joe Andrews, recently of Calumet, has been a welcome guest of his many Birmingham friends for some days past.

Mr. and Mrs. I. Willard of Detroit, are guests of Mrs. N. Beddow of this place and their cousin A. A. Rust, of Franklin.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. (J) Ed. Russell, and Mrs. E. F. Peabody enjoyed the beauties of Pine Lake Sunday.

Dan Campbell visited his sister, Miss Zilla, of the U. of M. Saturday and Sunday and participated in the enjoyments of the May Festival.

Miss Bertha Bigelow has returned home after an extended and delightful sojourn with friends in New York City, Boston and other Eastern points.

Rev. F. L. Church of Byron, spent a day with Birmingham friends recently. Mr. Church enjoys his new home but was pleased to see familiar faces again.

W. B. Ewing and family expect to take up their abode at Delray this week. Miss Eva, adjacency agent for the family, left Wednesday for that place. We are sorry to lose this estimable family.

Mrs. Anna Bryant, of Chicago, and C. H. Hoffman, of Deford, have been recent guests of their mother, Mrs. Harriet Mitchell. They were in attendance upon the funeral of their niece, Winnie Daines.

Little Ethel Hubert was surprised Monday by a small party from Detroit, it being the anniversary of her seventh birthday. The party consisted of her aunts, Mrs. F. L. Silk and Miss S. C. Reed, and little friends Edna Gearing, Dorothy Holt, Helen Silk, Sherman Cawley and Milton Gearing. All had an enjoyable time.

THE HOLY LAND.

Letter from Miss Mary M. Wilson Now on a Two Years' Tour Abroad.

Through the kindness of Mrs. S. L. Drals we publish below a very interesting letter from her sister, Miss Mary M. Wilson, who is now on a two years' tour abroad. Miss Wilson is well known to many of our citizens, having been an occasional visitor here at her brother's home, and her letter will be read with much pleasure by her friends and the Eccentric's readers in general:

BYRON, SYRIA, MAR. 30, '99.
Dear Parents at Home:

Am still a regular Nomad, moving my tent nearly every day. My last was from Jerusalem, where we stayed ten days. To say that we enjoyed this as much as expected, is saying a great deal. The situation, among the mountains, is most beautiful and the interest is absorbing. We stood on the Mount of Olives, the place where Christ is said to have ascended. A short distance from there commands a magnificent view of the city, with the whole temple area and the "great hill" without the city gate. The view is so beautiful that it is almost impossible to describe. It stands before me as the most frequent road-run by it, on its side is the impression of a great valley, the eyes formed by two small caves. Near the foot of the mountain a very old tomb was discovered, which may or may not have belonged to Joseph of Arimathea. It was certainly the same kind of a tomb and the great groove in the stone on which the body was placed, the mouth is wonderfully well preserved. The same valley of the Kidron is to be seen. The pool of Bethesda is there. The room in which our Lord was born is shown, which was served may not have been correct, but it was some place in that very city, and I fully believe that an old, old pavement in the house of the convent of the Sisters Zion, which we reached by going down two flights of steps above the present level of the city, is actually one of the streets trodden by our Saviour.

From Jerusalem we started on our camping tour. Two ladies from New York and myself formed a "Coop Tourist Party." We had our own dragoon Arab named Nami, so intelligent, faithful and good natured he soon became our "guide, philosopher and friend," and we parted from him Damascus a few days ago with sincere regret. We rode horses single file most of the time, as we were either picking our way over the stones, upstair or downstair over the mountains, or following bridged-paths, and Nami led the way. Miss Joslin, her niece and I followed, and then came the assistant "Towler," who had our wraps strapped to his horse and our luncheon in his saddle bags, and he was continually watchful of our safety and comfort. "Mustapha," who had our white lunch tent rolled on two poles strapped to his horse and sitting between them they looked like folded wings, so we called him our "black angel." These comrad our day escort. The horses, carrying our tents and baggage, with "Shockery," the cook and "George," the waiter, would go forward by shorter cuts, so by evening when we reached our destination the tents were pitched and dinner almost ready. We had four sleeping tents which held the stages of the day, the dining tent, the kitchen tent, and a luncheon tent, eight horses, five mules, two donkeys and the eight men, all to care for us three women. So we journeyed through the country with all the elegance of the Queen of Sheba.

It was a surprise to us for we did not know when we left Jerusalem that we were to have quite so much style. George our waiter had been one of the attendants in the German Empire court, and he continued his courtly manner by waiting for us. He found well liked luncheon, every evening as our horses came into camp, he would emerge from the dining tent with a tray holding a glass of tea, and fresh lettuce for each of us. A few minutes later he would invite us to some tea and biscuit and about an hour later came dinner, always consisting of so many courses as in a good hotel, deliciously cooked and served in fine style.

Our tents were double, white on the outside, but the inner lining was of a bright color, with stars, crescents and balls, leaves and flowers, etc., and running all around it was an Arabic inscription. We had a shower bath in our camping trip. The only shower we had was one morning just as we were starting from Nazareth, and as we were near a large Arab tent we rode under the grassy slope, and in a few moments the sun was shining and we proceeded on our way. "Masoual" was the name of my faithful horse, which I rode nearly every day. One day, nine hours, but we usually averaged seven a day, and it was surprising how well we endured the fatigue. The day we started from Nazareth we had our first glimpse of the floor of the little church in Caesarea, which stands on the traditional site of the wedding feast. Two large stone water jars which were used for the wedding were also seen. They are said to be two of the vases in which water was turned into wine. Certainly no one can prove that they are not the original ones, so they are highly respected and regarded with great reverence by the simple country folk.

That same day we rode past the Mount of Olives, a high, beautiful grassy slope, and a little later from a height near by we looked down on the Sea of Galilee. The view was so beautiful, the lake so blue and blue of association, being so calm, surrounded by green mountains covered then with luxuriant wild flowers, the white city of Tiberias just below and along the shores, the ruins of Caesarea, Bethesda, Magdala, (from which came Mary Magdalene), the country of the Gadarenes, where the wild man drove the swine down the lake, where, for the early time in our journey our tents stood on the same spot for two successive nights.

Wonderful night, when we stood there was an illustration of the parable of the Good Shepherd. A large flock of sheep



Umbrellas
William H. Elliott,
Woodward & Grand River Aves.

Gray Cheviot Tailor Made Suits—very stylish, well fitting and nice materials—\$12.75 and \$18.75.

Tailored Suits in Cadet, Castor, Royal, Yale, Brown, Tan, Havana, Black—some tight fitting, others Eton, box or fly front styles—at very low prices.

All shades in Covert Cloth Suits—box style, well made and stylish in every detail—\$10. What Modiste would or could make one as good for the money?

Broadcloth Suits—black, blue and cadet—Eton Jacket style, Tunic skirts, silk lined, very well garments—\$37.50.

One item of Black Goods—Black Silk Crepon, \$1.39 a yard for an advertisement—don't wait too long, however.

Splendid Black Satin Luxor—excellent value—60c, 80c, \$1 a yard.

Here's some items that demonstrate the fact that to buy your goods low, you must go to a house that sells for cash—and that's our way.

Large solid oak beds, 4 1/2 ft. x 6 1/2 ft. \$3.98
Sewing Chairs, 50c up
Sitting and Rocking Chairs, 60c up
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HOUSEHOLD INSTALMENT CO., 224-226 Michigan Ave., Detroit, Mich.

Will offer the following special inducements during the month of May:
An elegant 6 piece Parlor Suit, \$12.00, reg. price \$22.00
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BARGAINS IN

Dining Chairs, Reed Rockers, Oak Rockers.

New lines of Suites, and prices low. Bedroom Suites, special at \$14 and up to \$30. Good Tufted Couch for \$5 and upwards.

New Assortment of Jardineers just arrived.

Am selling Wall Paper lower than any place in town.

I desire a share of your patronage.

W. A. O'Neal, Birmingham.

was lying there and while we were looking the shepherd went to the front and raised his arm, uttering his own peculiar cry and then went forward to the sheep (albeit rather reluctantly) slowly rose and followed him, for "they knew his voice, but a stranger will not follow but will flee from him."
Next morning we rowed down the lake to the end where the Jordan flows from it, where we landed and strolled about knee-deep in exquisite varieties of wild flowers, mostly Crocuses. We lunched beside the river and had fresh fish from the lake. Next day we rowed to the other end of the lake, and there our lunch was spread on the green grass just where the five thousand were fed. Can you imagine what all this was? Certainly something to dream of and be thankful for all the rest of our life. All the way we felt like we were treading "on holy ground" as we passed New Testament scenes, but there was also much from the Old—Shiloh, Samaria, Jericho, the Mounts of Ebal and Gerizim, Dothan, Gibeon, etc., etc. We drank from Jacob's Well at Sychar, we stopped at Naïn, we camped beside the village well at Nazareth, where, doubtless, many times the Virgin came for water. It was all wonderful, wonderful.



Also Hats for summer wear are now ready, stylish and reasonable in price.
MISS H. L. CARHART, Pontiac, Mich.

A Narrow Escape.
Thankful words written by Mrs. Ada E. Hart, of Gorton, S. D. "Was taken with a bad cold which settled on my lungs; cough set in and finally terminated in Consumption. Four doctors gave me up, saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Saviour, determined I could not stay with my friends on earth. I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was called to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. I gave it a trial, took it eight bottles. It has cured me, and thank God I am saved and now a well and healthy woman. Trial bottles free at Whitehead & Mitchell's Drug Store. Regular size 60 cents and \$1 Guaranteed or price refunded.

A Fine Assortment of New Millinery Goods just arrived.

Also make a specialty of Children's Trimmed Hats. Prices ranging from \$1.00 up.

Miss R. DeLancey, Pontiac.

LADIES

MRS. S. L. BIRD'S, where you will find the latest styles of Millinery. Prices are right. At the newly remodelled and up-to-date millinery store.

No. 23 North Saginaw St., Pontiac, Mich.

GREAT SPECIAL...

Genuine Rogers' Knives and Forks at \$2.65 per dozen as long as the assortment lasts. Guaranteed 12 Dwt. of Pure Silver. Rogers' Table and Tea Spoons at equally low prices.

Adolph Enggass JEWELRY CO

22 Gratiot Ave., Opposite Hudson's. Near Woodward Ave.

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Latest novelties in Yelling, Children's Sailors, Dainty Bonnets for the Babies. Trimmings Galore!

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Everything home made and palatable. Parole checked free. Ladies Waiting and Teller Rooms. Birmingham people specially invited to come to this Restaurant, and be at home. G. G. FENWICK.

A CARD
We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to refund the money on a 50-cent bottle of Green's Warranted Syrup of Star if it fails to cure your cough or cold. We also guarantee a 50-cent bottle to prove satisfactory or money refunded.

May 19
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WAYNE HOTEL, DETROIT
AMERICAN AND EUROPEAN PLAN.
\$1.00 TO \$5.00
SINGLE MEALS, 50c. UP TO DATE GAPS