

A Great Offer From now to December, 1905. Nearly 5 years.

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...



When the sun sank down in the west The air was calm and still, No evening zephyr whistled in the trees...

Watch Shaler's ad every week, it will pay you. Decoration Day was quietly observed in our village.

Trading stamps are growing in public favor very fast. Several Ladies purchased hats at the National Hat last week.

TO RENT—Furnished or unfurnished rooms, singly or suites. Mrs. Mary C. Taber. 2147

The Lord's Supper will be administered at the Presbyterian church next Sabbath morning.

FOR SALE—Second-hand bicycle in good repair for \$10. Enquire of Wesley Goodwin. 517

Memorial services in the M. E. church Tuesday evening were attended by a large assemblage.

Only one bicycle on hand to close out the stock at Whitehead & Mitchell's—\$83 cash takes it.

Have you visited the Household Installment Co. on Michigan Ave., Detroit, yet? Better go at once.

John VanEvery, assisted by Will Benedict, is painting the M. E. church and parsonage at Royal Oak.

H. B. Merritt, the Pontiac shoemaker, is offering great inducements in children's and misses evening footwear. See ad.

J. H. Meyers of Watkins farm 'fares' last Tuesday shipped a fine Shetland pony bred and born on the celebrated farm.

FOR SALE—Young pigs, cheap and in good condition. Enquire of Gus Vermilyea, one mile south of Birmingham, on gravel. 417

Rev. H. S. Justema speaks Sunday evening in the Presbyterian church at 7:30 on the theme, "Eve, or the First Young Bride."

FOUND—A silver spoon. Owner can have the same by calling at the Eccentric office, proving property and paying for this advt.

The LaFuge family, late of Dobbs' Ferry, N. Y., now occupy the Hamlin home and are very much pleased with Birmingham life and its sociable inhabitants.

Gentlemen, Win. H. Elliott has something to say to you this week. Now is the time to "sit up." Read the ad carefully. Everything he says can be relied upon.

ROOMS TO RENT—Suitable for housekeeping for a family of two persons, at very reasonable rates and centrally located. Call at the home of Mrs. E. A. Crosby, 717

Why go out of town for a jardener when you can get them here for 20 cents and upward? See those beauties in Will O'Neal's Maple avenue window. Note change of ad.

FOR RENT—A nice home in Birmingham, \$10 per month. Bira on premises. Rented last year to school pupils for \$40, ten months. Call on Mitchell, Eccentric office. 2147

Bishop Davies administered the rite of confirmation to a class of seven in St. James church Thursday evening (a week). The sermon by the reverend gentleman was concise and helpful.

W. R. Owen, the Pontiac bazaar man is doing a rushing business now framing pictures. The beauty of a picture is greatly enhanced by a suitable frame and Mr. Owen is an artist in this line.

Another one of those popular excursions to Grand Rapids next Sunday, June 4th. Train leaves at 7:43 a. m. Fare for round trip \$1.85. Cheap excursion between intermediate stations.

Both Italians who were seriously injured late are still alive, and quite strong hopes are entertained of their recovery. Surgery has indeed made rapid progress during the past few years.

The baseball game between the Milwaukee team, of Detroit, and a picked nine, of this place, played here Decoration Day, was very exciting, resulting in a score of 9 to 8 in favor of the visiting team.

Last week Whitehead ran a mile to see Mitchell read the Bible, having heard that he was doing so, and found it to be true and that the Jr. editor was carefully studying the 91st Psalm. We wonder why?

Mrs. Fassoh, the Syrian missionary who spoke at the U. P. church on last Sabbath evening, will give a talk to the Ladies' Missionary Societies of this church and the Troy U. P. church on Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. All interested are invited.

Mr. Andrews, of Deckerleville, will occupy the pulpit at the Baptist church, both morning and evening, next Sunday, June 4. This is the gentleman to whom the Baptists are thinking of extending a call. A good full tonaire is therefore desirable.

Ho for Jackson! First excursion of the season to Jackson by Mich. Air Line Division of Grand Trunk Ry. System, next Sunday, June 4th. Train will leave this place at 7:38 a. m. standard time, arriving at Jackson at 10:35 a. m. Fare for the round trip \$1.00.

Geo. Gilchrist has purchased Mrs. M. E. Hemenway's fine new residence on Townsend street and himself and family are comfortably settled therein. The Gilchrist family formerly resided near Commerce. We welcome them as residents of Birmingham.

Alvin Wooster, while working on his new residence on Pierce street, Thursday last week, was stricken with paralysis and the old gentleman is in a very critical condition. The difficulty is in his throat and the only nourishment he can receive is by the aid of a stomach pump. He is a great sufferer.

Mrs. M. J. Eddy will soon be prepared to take boarders, and wants three or four when she gets settled, which will be as soon as possible in the house now occupied by D. M. Doty, on Brown street. This home is near the electric railroad, pleasantly located and no doubt Mrs. Eddy will do real well.

Whitehead, pere and fils, with Frank E. Brooks fished all day at Elizabeth Lake Decoration Day with most wonderful results, the catch amounting to 27 magnificent specimens of bass and pickerel and everyone of them bousters, the best pickerel weighing ten pounds and the bass all of them prize winners.

Services at the M. E. church in the evening, as usual that our town could do in the way of observing Decoration Day and the result was that our village enjoyed a quiet day of rest, everybody desiring to observe the day going to Detroit, Pontiac, Troy or Royal Oak, where the memory of soldiers is not forgotten.

Somebody's darling canine was electrocuted and trolley-carred Monday last in front of Mrs. E. F. Peabody's residence on Saginaw street, much to the good lady's horror and sorrow. After a good many attempts to mourn its fate, the marshal called around with a bushel basket and carefully removed the fragments.

The stockholders of the Southfield milk house will sell at public auction in front of the town hall in Southfield on Saturday, June 3rd at 3 o'clock p. m. the milk house and addition, 2 milk vats, weigh can, milk measure, 2 skimmers, 3 glass milk gauges, heating stove, set 5-bean Howe Scales, quantity milk coolers. Terms made known on day of sale. J. H. Russell, manager. 412

Seems as if there were about 500,000 men at work on the electric railroad between Pontiac and Detroit building the new double track. We are sure that when all is completed we will have the greatest suburban electric railroad in the world. The work is rushed to its utmost, regardless of price, and desperate efforts are being made to get the new track in running order.

Mrs. Emma Tibbils has purchased the Ellenwood restaurant and assumed proprietorship of the same yesterday (Thursday). Business under the new dispensation will be conducted in the same straightforward manner as it was under the old and everybody will be satisfied. We understand that the Ellenwood family will remain in town for a time at least, which we are glad to hear.

The editor of the Farm Journal asks: "Why have a mortgage on the farm, poor crops, rheumatism, sour bread, pig, 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, nearly five years, by paying a year in advance for the Birmingham Eccentric. This you can do if you are not too late."

The Parliamentary drills conducted here Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, by Mrs. Benjamin were instructive and interesting. Undoubtedly those who had the pleasure of attending the class felt themselves fully qualified to conduct a business meeting of convention in a truly scientific manner. Mrs. Benjamin is thoroughly versed in Parliamentary law and has the gift of being able to impart this knowledge to her hearers.

The recital given in Labray Hall Wednesday evening, week, by Mrs. Emma Burtraw Raviler and pupils, and assisted by J. Frank Ryan, tenor, of Detroit, was thoroughly enjoyed by all present. Every one on the program manifested ability for their respective parts, and reflected great credit upon their accomplished teacher of elocution. Mr. Ryan's solos were enjoyable numbers and Miss Grace Robbins most admirably presided at the piano.

It is a well known fact that Oakland County, one of the richest counties in the state, has the most antiquated county building to be found anywhere in Michigan. This need of a new building is not a local matter but one which is felt by every man, woman and child who believe that Oakland should have at least other far less pretentious country offices. Let everybody put their shoulder to the wheel and see what can be done.

There was a phenomenal arrival in the poultry kingdom under the proprietorship of Raynalde Wing, head Monday morning, in the form of a quadruped chicken, each pedal extremity being in perfect condition when the bird was hatched. Its head was of most peculiar outline, the brains, seemingly, to have settled in one group at the top, and its bill, according to Master Raynalde's description, bore a very mouthlike semblance. The prodigy's earthly career was brief, much to the sorrow of its young owner, who might have become famous as a traveling showman had the freak lived to attain the full stature of chickenhood.

The real estate department of Whitehead & Mitchell closed up two pretty rentals of property in this village last week with a lease attachment on each place for one year with the privilege of more if the property is still unsold. The places rented were the Ed Quick house to Geo. Purdy, and the Elder Houghton residence to Joseph Schooner, of Belleville, Mich. Everybody knows that Mr. Purdy is an exceptionally good tenant, while Mr. Schooner comes to our village with the best recommendations and will become a regular settler of our village, having the contracts for carrying the mail between Birmingham and Franklin and Birmingham and Circle for the next four years. The way to rent houses is to place them with folks that make a business of securing tenants. Anyone house-hunting can go at once to headquarters and be made happy.

Whitehead & Mitchell's Schemes. Have you ever used "Koffa Aid?" If not try 20 ounces for 20 cents. Mixed with coffee it not only improves it, but makes it a healthier drink, a better drink and is economical to date. Try one package at Whitehead & Mitchell's. Ask for trading stamps.

Only one more of those cute little gloves with two fine healthy gold or silver fish in for 25c. When these are all gone no more can be had until after next October. Why do you wait? Go for them at Whitehead & Mitchell's. Ask for your trading stamps.

Never before has there been so fine a line of Camera and Camera supplies offered in Birmingham as is now on sale at the store of Whitehead & Mitchell. A full supply of everything in the new "Cyclone" Magazine Camera is a wonder and pronounced by all photographers to beat the better. Have you seen it? You are invited to call and examine this wonder, whether you intend to purchase or not. Its superiority will cheerfully be pointed out to you. Trading stamps go. Ask for them, sure.

Flour at W. & M.'s—Ercy & Nixon's and Phelps', 45 cents; McCalland & Satterlee's, 50 cents; "Gold Medal" White Corn-Crosby's trading stamps go. Ask for them.

Timely Hints for June. From A. C. Year Book. Plant late potatoes and sow sweet corn; peas and beans for a succession. Keep up the cultivation once a week and be when necessary. Spray for insects and diseases. The last of the month thin peaches and pineapples and the branching red kinds. Cut away as soon as one quartet of the fruit is on the tree. Sow dwarf Essex Rape, one acre for each ten pounds. Continue to cultivate food crops frequently to conserve moisture. Pull weeds from grain crops and waste places. Build or repair the silo. The sugar beet who shows four leaves.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS. Ed Langle has accepted a position in Detroit.

Mrs. Blumberg, of Pontiac, was a guest of Mrs. John Bodine, Wednesday.

Mrs. G. H. Burse, of Ashland, Wis., is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. L. Todd.

Miss Helen H. Gibson, of Detroit, was the guest of Grace Hovey for a few days last week.

Miss Wallace, of Detroit, was a welcome guest of Mrs. McHugh in the fore part of the week.

Mrs. N. T. Shaw and daughter Helen are spending a week with relatives in Dawn Mills, Ont.

Mrs. Ben High and daughter Grace, of Detroit, have been recent guests of Mrs. Chas. Mudge.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cox, of Pontiac, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Austin Parks and other friends Sunday.

AGENTS WANTED—FOR "THE LIFE AND ADVENTURES OF ADRIAL DOWNEY," the world's greatest love story. By MARY HADLEY. This life-long friend and admirer of the nation's ideal. Largest and best book; over 300 pages, 160 illustrations, 100 pages half-tone. Only \$1.00. Numerous demand. High commissions. Quick. The Distribution Company, 44 Floor, Capton Bldg., Chicago.

Special Mention

William H. Elliott, Woodward & Grand River Aves.

Wool Sweaters for Men and Boys, 50c each. Fancy Negligee Shirts, two collars, pair of cuffs, 50c. Light weight Underwear for Men 25c a garment—very desirable grade too. Black and Tan Half Hose, 3 pair for 25c—well made and excellent fit. Farnamed Chester Suspenders, 5c and 5c a pair. Stiff Bosomed Fancy Shirts, very stylish effects, \$1 each; cuffs to match. Golf Hose, good quality, 50c a pair—no wheelsman should miss seeing them. Our splendid dollar Kid Gloves for Men in right colors and perfect fitting. Men's Blue and Fawn Colored Balbriggan Underwear, 50c garment. Shirts with silk fronts, beautiful styles, \$1.00 each.

To advertise our Men's Dept. properly we are selling goods awfully low.

W. H. ELLIOTT.

HOUSEHOLD INSTALLMENT CO., 224-226 Michigan Ave., Detroit, Mich.

We offer the following special inducements during the month of May. List of various household goods and their prices.

Village Improvement Notes.

The purpose of Village Improvement societies is the beautifying of towns and villages, and the power of making them more inviting places of residence.

Every one interested in his town should make himself or herself a committee of one to keep an eye on trolley and telephone line men to see that they do not injure trees, to see that horses are not hitched to trees or tree boxes, to look out that no bills are placed on trees or poles, just as members of humane societies are on the alert to note and bring to just punishment every person who causes a dumb animal to suffer.

A City Improvement Club gives us the following: Do make your yard and street front as clean and as pretty as you can. Bury all tin cans and other rubbish. Dig up and burn unsightly and harmful weeds.

Do not spit on sidewalks or floors. Do not spit on lawns, roads, or in the street. Do not spit on the sidewalk, put them in the baskets provided for that purpose. Do not mark sidewalks or buildings. Do not injure shade trees by bending or cutting. Do not spit on sidewalks or floors.

THE STAGE.

AT THE LYCEUM.

This week at the Lyceum the Cummings company is seen in a dramatization of Ouida's weird novel "Maiba." This is another of the class of offerings in which Mr. Cummings and his associates have shown to such good advantage, a strong drama, presented with ability, bearing interest and present day action.

BIG BEAVER.

Ellis Bookham and daughter are visiting his brother Linius for a week. Wilbur Newman and wife are keeping house in good earnest now, their goods having arrived on Monday.

Don Parrish is preparing his covered wagon, ready for his next big haul. Berry season, which is near at hand. Misses Marion Eddy and Belle Ward of Birmingham, spent Saturday and Sunday with Misses Grace Robbins and Pearl Lamb.

Quite a number of men from our village went to work Monday on the new electric road. They are all very anxious for its completion, so that they can ride and send freight to Detroit.

Discovered by a Woman.

Another great discovery has been made, and that too, by a lady in this country. "Disease" fastened its clutches upon her and for seven years she withered away, generally undressed by physicians. Her organs were undermined and death seemed imminent. For three months she could not even sleep. She finally discovered a way to recovery by purchasing of us a bottle of our New Discovery for Consumption.

New Millinery Goods

Children's Trimmed Hats. Prices ranging from \$1.00 up.

Miss R. DeLancey, Pontiac.

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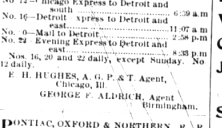
MRS. S. L. BIRD'S

Time Table in Effect May 7, 1899. List of train routes and schedules.

DIAMONDS, WATCHES, CLOCKS, JEWELRY AND SILVERWARE.

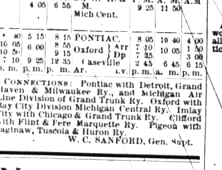
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No. 23 North Saginaw St., Pontiac, Mich.



ESTABLISHED 1863.

ALASKA SPECTACLES—The best in the world. They excite wonder and admiration by all who use them.



New... Millinery

Just received at MISS H. L. CARRHART'S.

New Sailors, 50c, 75c and \$1.00. Trimmed Hats from \$2.00 to \$2.25 up.

Flowers, Ribbons, etc., at reasonable prices.

MISS H. L. CARRHART, Pontiac, Mich.

The signal lights on the front of a locomotive are done away with by an Ohio man's brilliant attachment, having tubes extending downward from the headlight casing to the signal boxes, with reflectors inside the boxes to shine by the reflected light above.

The tuning pegs of stringed instruments are prevented from slipping by a new device, a friction collar being slipped over each peg, with links connecting the collars to prevent their turning when the peg is moved, the link being tightened to increase the friction.

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

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MONEY TO LOAN.

Money to loan in all sums. Call on or address J. F. Randle, Birmingham, Mich. 464

WAYNE HOTEL, DETROIT.

AMERICAN AND EUROPEAN PLAN. 82 TO 86-88. \$1.00 TO \$2.00. SINGLE BLEMES, 50c. UP TO DAY CASERS.