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Time Table for Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

Going South.

STATIONS.	A. M.							P. M.					A. M.
Pontiac (City Hall) ..... Dep	6 30	7 30	8 30			6 00	6 30	7 00	7 30	8 30	11 30		
Circle City	6 30	7 30	8 30			6 30	6 50	7 30	7 50	8 30	11 30		
Birmingham	6 00	7 00	8 00	And every		6 30	7 00	7 30	8 00	9 00	12 00		
Royal Oak	6 15	7 15	8 15		30 minutes	6 45			8 15				
Six Mile Road	6 28	7 28	8 28		after 9:30	7 00	7 30		8 30				
Detroit (City Hall) ..... Arr	6 00	7 00	8 00			7 30			9 00				

Going North.

STATIONS.	A. M.				P. M.					
Detroit (City Hall) ..... Dep		7 30	8 30		2 00	3 00	4 00	5 00	6 00	11 00
Six Mile Road		7 58	8 58		2 30	3 30	4 30	5 30	6 30	11 30
Royal Oak		8 13	9 13		2 45	3 45	4 45	5 45	6 45	11 45
Birmingham		8 28	9 28		3 00	4 00	5 00	6 00	7 00	12 00
Circle City	6 30	7 30	8 30	9 30	3 30	4 30	5 30	6 30	7 30	12 30 a. m.
Pontiac (City Hall) ..... Arr	6 30	7 30	8 30	9 30	3 30	4 30	5 30	6 30	7 30	12 30 a. m.

Time Table for Saturdays and Sundays.

Going South.

STATIONS.	A. M.					P. M.					
Pontiac (City Hall) ..... Dep	6 30	7 30	8 30			2 30	3 30	4 30	5 30	6 30	12 00
Circle City	6 30	7 30	8 30			2 50	3 50	4 50	5 50	6 50	12 20
Birmingham	6 00	7 00	8 00	9 00	And every	3 00	4 00	5 00	6 00	7 00	12 00
Royal Oak	6 15	7 15	8 15	9 15	30 minutes	3 15		5 15		7 15	
Six Mile Road	6 30	7 30	8 30	9 30	after 9:30	3 30		5 30		7 30	
Detroit (City Hall) ..... Arr	7 00	8 00	9 00	10 00		4 00		6 00		8 00	

Going North.

STATIONS.	A. M.				P. M.					
Detroit (City Hall) ..... Dep		7 30	8 30		2 00	3 00	4 00	5 00	6 00	11 00
Six Mile Road		7 58	8 58		2 30	3 30	4 30	5 30	6 30	11 30
Royal Oak		8 13	9 13		2 45	3 45	4 45	5 45	6 45	11 45
Birmingham		8 28	9 28		3 00	4 00	5 00	6 00	7 00	12 00
Circle City	6 30	7 30	8 30	9 30	3 30	4 30	5 30	6 30	7 30	12 30 a. m.
Pontiac (City Hall) ..... Arr	6 30	7 30	8 30	9 30	3 30	4 30	5 30	6 30	7 30	12 30 a. m.

STATIONS.	A. M.					P. M.					
Detroit (City Hall) ..... Dep	6 30		7 30	8 30		2 30	3 30	4 30	5 30	6 30	12 00
Six Mile Road	6 58		7 58	8 58		2 58	3 58	4 58	5 58	6 58	12 28
Royal Oak	7 13		8 13	9 13		3 13	4 13	5 13	6 13	7 13	12 43
Birmingham	7 28		8 28	9 28		3 28	4 28	5 28	6 28	7 28	12 58
Circle City	7 30		8 30	9 30	And every	3 30	4 30	5 30	6 30	7 30	12 30
Pontiac (City Hall) ..... Arr	7 30		8 30	9 30	30 minutes	3 30	4 30	5 30	6 30	7 30	12 30

Going North.

STATIONS.	A. M.				P. M.					
Detroit (City Hall) ..... Dep	7 30		8 30		2 00	3 00	4 00	5 00	6 00	11 00
Six Mile Road	7 58		8 58		2 30	3 30	4 30	5 30	6 30	11 30
Royal Oak	8 13		9 13		2 45	3 45	4 45	5 45	6 45	11 45
Birmingham	8 28		9 28		3 00	4 00	5 00	6 00	7 00	12 00
Circle City	8 30		9 30		3 30	4 30	5 30	6 30	7 30	12 30
Pontiac (City Hall) ..... Arr	8 30		9 30		3 30	4 30	5 30	6 30	7 30	12 30

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TIME TABLE

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In Effect July 23, 1900.

GOING NORTH.

Stations.	No. 2	No. 4	No. 6	No. 12	No. 14
	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.
Pontiac	6 30	8 45	2 45	5 45	8 15
Eames	6 45	8 58	3 00	5 58	8 28
Lakes	6 52	9 05	3 07	6 05	8 35
Oxford	6 59	9 12	3 14	6 12	8 42
	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.

GOING SOUTH.

Stations.	No. 1	No. 3	No. 5	No. 11	No. 13
	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.
Oxford	6 40	10 10	11 55	4 25	7 25
Lake	6 47	10 17	12 02	4 32	7 32
Eames	6 54	10 22	12 15	4 45	7 45
Pontiac	7 10	10 40	12 30	5 00	8 00
	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.

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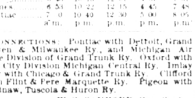

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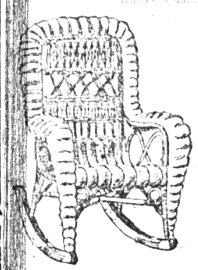

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Every time a small boy gets a whiff of the odor arising from the kitchen he proceeds to get hungry.

If unable to decide whether to buy or hire a horse, bear in mind that of two evils you should choose the leased.

TO CONQUER SELF.

Help and Comfort your neighbor.

Realize that it can be cured by persistent effort.

Attack it definitely as something to be overcome.

Cultivate a spirit of gratitude for daily mercies.

Forgive your enemies and conquer your aversions.

Realize worrying as an enemy which destroys your happiness.

Bishop Vincent gives these helpful rules for conquering worry:

Consider what is to be involved in the truth that God is infinite and that we are in part. His plan.

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Fitznoodle (to gamekeeper)—When I was in Australia I shot the biggest kangaroo the natives said they ever saw! Gamekeeper—Indeed, sir! What was you a-halmin' at?

Visitor—I hear that your next door neighbors have got a new American organ. Do you know how many stops it has? Host—About three a day, and those are only for meals.

Friend—I suppose the baby is fond of you? Papa—Fond of me? Why, he sleeps all day when I'm not at home, and stays awake all night just to enjoy my society!

Twynn—I hear that the weather man has been taken to the hospital, Triplett—That is true. The shock was too much for him. "What shock?" One of his forecasts came true."

Mother—Tommy, what makes you so late? Tommy—Had some words with the teacher, and she kept me in after school. Mother—You had words with the teacher? Tommy—Yes, mother, I couldn't spell 'em.