Real Estate Exchange

Of Whitehead & Mitchell at the Exchange Bank, Birmingham, Mich.

The following is a partial list of farms, city and village lots and real estate generally which we have for sale. As our list is constantly changing, we request that parties will write us if they do not see what they want in this list:

No. 1.

John McCarroll has a nice little farm of 11 acres in the town of Southfield and John says he must sell it pretty soon. All necessary buildings in good repair and ready for the successful prosecution of a profitable farm and the establishment of a happy little home. Lots of good fruit and all necessary conveniences. Terms easy. Price $1,500, of which $500 will be taken on a mortgage at 6 per cent. Speak quick or you lose it.

No. 3.

Twenty nine and two thirds acres of land near the Irish church in Royal Oak township. It is excellent land, four good buildings and fences all in good repair; 75 apple trees, 100 plum trees, plenty of other small fruit. Buildings insured for $1,000. Price $2,800. Terms easy. The place is just on side of the lighter soil of Royal Oak and cannot be beaten for anyone requiring a small farm suitable for small fruit or poultry farming. Come and let us show you over the place some day.

No. 4.

Tenant house and two lots with 105 feet frontage on Saginaw St., and 97 feet deep. Cellar, well, cistern, etc. Price $550. Electric cars pass the door.

No. 5.

Elegant house and lot 66 feet front and 20 rods deep on Maple Ave. East, (half an acre). Fine barn and every modern convenience. Furnace, bath, closet, etc. Can be bought for what the buildings cost. Will exchange for improved city property for portion of the purchase price.

No. 6.

The VanEvery farm on the north shore of Wing Lake, 160 acres, two good houses, three barns, fine lake frontage, 10 acres fine orchard, 20 acres timber. Excellent fishing, boating and bathing. Terms easy.

No. 7.

The J. E. Quick homestead in Birmingham with 141 feet frontage on Saginaw St. and about 180 feet deep. New modern dwelling, good barn, fine lawn, shrubbery and small fruit. Electric cars pass the door every half hour for Detroit and Pontiac. Lake [illegible] for Pontiac [illegible]. Owner [illegible] and must sell. We will make it an object for anyone to investigate this bargain. Make us an offer.

No. 8.

One of the best farms in Oakland county. It is almost enough to say when we tell you that it is the John Bartolph farm in the town of Troy. 120 acres; excellent buildings, two good flowing wells. Carp pond well stocked, 9 miles of tile, fine orchard, 5 miles from Birmingham, 2 miles straight south of Troy corners, where there is a church, store, postoffice, school, etc. Price low and terms easy.

No. 9.

Excellent farm on Gilbert Lake, about three miles from Birmingham. Good buildings, fences in good shape and everything in good repair. Lovely location on the lake and fine fishing, boating and bathing; 197 acres of as fine farming land as there is in the county of Oakland. Will exchange in part for good improved city property. Thirty acres of good heavy timber. Terms very easy.

No. 10.

Large roomy two story house on Townsend St in Birmingham, good barn, city water and all ordinary conveniences, 120 feet front and 103 ft. deep. Small fruit and good neighborhood.

No. 11.

The old Shutes farm in the township of Troy, one mile east of Birmingham, 50 acres, all cleared, 7 acres of the finest orchard, good house and two barns. All the advantages of the village and none of the inconveniences. There are other things, too. Come and find out all about it.

No. 12.

The Bayley farm in the town of Troy, 127½ acres. Good farm house and farm buildings; flowing well at the barn which is the wonder and pride of Troy; 20 acres good beech and maple timber, 4 acres fine grafted orchard. Circumstances render it advisable to sell at once and the man who comes first will secure one of the best bargains in the country. Look it up.

No. 13.

A fine farm of [illegible] acres near [illegible] in the center of the very productive [illegible] township [illegible] Waterford, Oakland county [illegible] orchard. There are two sets of complete buildings on the place, with a good well and windmill at each house, so that it can be used for two [illegible] if necessary. It is owned by [illegible] and on account of ill health and the necessity of removing to better climatic conditions, he will sell for $40 per acre. [illegible] on the property and the terms will be made very easy indeed.

No. 14.

Two hundred and fourteen acres in sections 15 and 16, Southfield, with finest farm buildings in the township. Large and productive orchard of all kinds of best varieties of fruit, 10 acres of very heavy timber. Will sell or exchange for city property and will divide the two farms if required. Buildings on each tract. Price as low as any on our list, all things considered. Ask us about it.

No. 18.

A small farm of five acres being part of the W½ of section 2, Southfield township, Oakland County. Four good buildings; house, barn, fowl-house and pig pen. Buildings insured for $1,200. Premises abundantly supplied with cold pure water from flowing well, which is piped to the barn, furnishing plenty of water for stock or other purposes all the year 'round. Good fences, excellent soil, gravelly loam in high state of cultivation. House, two-story and wing; 9 rooms, woodshed, cellar, cistern and all conveniences; 2¾ miles from Birmingham, over roads which are the best in the country; 40 rods from good school; 80 rods from Erity's mill. Excellent neighborhood. This little farm is ready for business, without a cent for repairs or improvements. Price $1,500; Terms easy.

No. 19.

A farm of 100 acres in the township of Rose, Ogemaw County, Mich.; 50 acres cleared, 50 acres mixed hard wood timber. Barn worth $100. Soil, sandy loam. Price $25 per acre; terms $500 cash, balance on long time at 5 per cent. Here is a golden opportunity for a poor man to acquire a good home in a short time. Better investigate.

No. 20.

This includes all of the Corson addition left unsold, comprising lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7. Lots 1 and two face woodward Ave., next to the residence of W. C. Jenks and the others face out on Vinewood Ave. These are, without exception, the finest building lots in the village. High and dry, city water; convenient to the D. & P. Electric R'y and will be sold cheap and on easy terms. Prices range from $125 up. Let us tell you all the particulars about 'em. We also include in this number lots 49, 50, 31 and 32, Block 5 in Urbanrest, near Royal Oak, at $20 per lot.

No. 21.

The Corson Homestead on Maple Ave., consisting of lots 6, 7 and 8 of Willitt's plat, being 60x116½ feet each. 180 feet front on Maple Ave. one of the most valuable residence portions of the village. A good comfortable house and good barn, with ample room for a garden. Fine shade trees and best neighborhood in the village. Frontage along this locality on Maple Ave. is worth $25 per front foot; that would make $4,500. Now, owing to the fact that Mr Corson wishes to sell and sell right away, he will take $3,500, and it ought to be spot cash at that; but that can be arranged so that the terms need not worry you at all.

No. 22.

One hundred and ten acres in the township of Troy on section 35, 85 acres cleared, 25 acres in timber, beech, maple and elm. On the line of the Detroit, Rochester & Lake Orion Electric Railway, cars every hour each way; 15 miles from the city hall, Detroit. Good wells, cisterns, cellars, with house on each side of the road with barns complete with each outfit. Cider mill with three complete presses and 10-horse power steam engine in good repair. Good productive farming lands under good state of cultivation. Best of reasons for selling. The farm is owned by Adam Most and here is the most interesting part of it—he will sell it at $50 per acre and that is less than he paid for it before electric railways were thought of. Only 40 rods to a good school and half a mile to the post office.

No. 23.

Feed Mill at Royal Oak, Mich. Four lots, 2-story and basement mill with 20-horse power and steam engine. Ypsilanti feed roller process. Building alone worth $1,000, to say nothing of the lots. Good farming country, no competition. Well established business with excellent run of custom. Satisfactory reasons for selling made known to customer.

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His satanic majesty may not run all the newspapers in the country, but no one can deny the fact that no newspaper can be printed without the aid of the "devil."

The chief French railroads have removed all the advertising billboards from along their routes, so that the many strangers who visit France this year will be able to scan the beauties of the landscape without incessantly being reminded of the virtues of wares they do not need. Americans will note the reform with pleasure, and may be moved to say, with Sterne, "The order this matter better in France."

President Frost of Berea College tells of the success of a Kentucky mountain girl who taught school in a particularly unpromising district. A native observer praised her enthusiastically, saying that to look at her you would think she was having "the finest kind of a time." Possibly some teachers in favored regions miss the highest success because to look at them you would think they were having the worst kind of a time.

Value of Diamonds. An idea of the great increase in the cost of diamonds imparted by the labor of polishing and mounting, as well as by the profits of traders, may be obtained by comparing their price at the mines [illegible]

[illegible]

Puerto Rico's exportation of coffee is larger in volume than that of any of the other native products of the island, and according to Gen. Roy Stone, much of the coffee sold as genuine Mocha and Java. The average Puerto Rican agriculturist, whatever his deprivations otherwise, is usually the possessor of a coffee patch which he cultivates and from which he secures a sufficiency of the berry to supply the needs of his family. He bakes the berries till black, and pounds them into powder in a mortar. The beverage resulting therefrom has the color of ink and the consistency of broth. Since the close of the war, some of the natives have learned to prepare coffee for drinking purposes after the American fashion, but most of them practice the ways of their fathers.

In the light of recent discoveries one of the greatest wonders of the heavens appears even more wonderful. There is a small class of variable stars, less than twenty in known number, the most conspicuous member of which is Algol, the "Demon" of the Arabs, which at brief intervals suffer a partial eclipse from the interposition of dark or invisible companions revolving around them. Mr. Roberts of Cape Colony and Mr. Russell of Princeton, working independently, have lately shown that all of these bodies are surprisingly light in their composition, hardly more than whirling clouds. In only one case can the limiting density exceed half that of water, and in six cases it is less than one-tenth that of water. The average is one-sixth that of water. This density these stars cannot exceed, although they may fall far below it. The density of our sun compared with water is 1.41. The possibility exists that the Algol stars may each have a denser nucleus surrounded by an enormous cloudy envelope.

The border line between gifts and bribery has been so often crossed that scrupulous officials seldom accept a gift of intrinsic value. A late president of the United States, who had nearly two hundred curious and historic canes, used to say that such gifts necessitated the offer of "neither the ministry to England nor the post-office at Podunk." Not all gifts, however, are of suspicious complexion. For example, the check of one hundred thousand dollars recently sent to the president of a street railway company by certain prominent members of the corporation was a notable token of their trust in his integrity and of their appreciation of his devotion to the interests of the corporation and the public. The gift is probably the largest ever made by a corporation to a single salaried officer. That the recipient not many years ago was a brakeman, and that he owes his permanent advancement to no influence but his own industry, ability and faithfulness, is sufficient protest against the too common assertion that boys of today have "no chance."

The reciprocity treaties recently negotiated by the executive have not found favor with the senate. In the case of the arrangement with the Argentine Republic the time limit fixed within which the treaty must be ratified passed without action by the senate. Those with England relating to the West Indies would have lapsed in the same way had not the British government agreed to an extension of the time. The time limit in the French treaty was March 24, but it was extended with the consent of the French government.

Evidences of the preparation for the grand national contest for control of the government during the next four years are now to be found everywhere. Caucuses and conventions for the election of delegates to local, state and national conventions draw the attention of every man of whatever party to the culminating political duty which he is to perform in November. Discussion of "issues" grows warmer, and consideration of statesmanship of prospective candidates becomes eager and pointed.

TALMAGE'S SERMON.

THE RESURRECTION, THE SUBJECT LAST SUNDAY.

The Blooming of Flowers Fittingly Celebrates the Bursting of Christ's Tomb — Easter the Season of Rejoicing.

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Text: John xix, 41, "In the garden a new sepulcher."

Looking around the churches this morning, seeing flowers in wreaths and flowers in stars and flowers in crosses and flowers in crowns, billows of beauty, conflagration of beauty, you feel as if you stood in a small heaven.

You say these flowers will fade. Yes, but perhaps you may see them again. They may be immortal. The fragrance of the flower may be the spirit of the flower, the body of the flower dying on earth, its spirit may appear in better worlds. I do not say it will be so. I say it may be so. The ancestors of those tuberoses and camellias and japonicas and jasmines and heliotropes were born in paradise. These apostles of beauty came down in the regular line of apostolic succession. Their ancestors during the flood, underground, afterward appeared.

The world started with Eden, it will end with Eden. Heaven is called a paradise of God. Paradise means flowers. While theological geniuses in this day are trying to blot out everything material from their idea of heaven, and, so far as I can tell, their future state is to be a floating around somewhere [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] how refreshing to come into this suburban retreat, botanical and geological!

Most Celebrated of Tombs.

Wandering in the garden, I behold some rocks which have on them the mark of the sculptor's chisel. I come nearer, and I find there is a subterranean recess. I come down the marble steps, and I come to a portico, over which there is an architrave by the chisel cut into representatives of fruits and flowers. I enter the portico. On either side there are rooms—two or four or six rooms of rock, the walls of these rooms having niches, every niche large enough to hold a dead body. Here is one room that is especially wealthy of sculpture.

[illegible] in which to wait for the coming of the resurrection. Mark well this tomb, for it is to be the most celebrated tomb in all the ages. Catacombs of Egypt, tomb of Napoleon, Mahal Taj of India nothing compared with it. [illegible] just been murdered and his body is to be thrown to the dogs and the ravens like other crucified bodies, unless [illegible] prompt and efficient hindrance. Joseph, the owner of this mausoleum in the rocks, begs for the body of Christ. He washes the poor, mutilated frame from the dust and blood-stains, and perfumes it.

I think that regular embalmment was omitted. When in olden times a body was to be embalmed, the priest with some pretension of medical skill would point out the place between the ribs where the incision must be made, and then the operator, having made the incision, ran lest he be slain for a violation of the dead. Then the other priests would come with salt of niter and cassia and wine of palm tree and complete the embalmment. But I think this embalmment of the body of Christ was omitted. It would have raised another contention and another riot.

The funeral hastens on. I think Joseph, the owner of the mausoleum, Nicodemus, the wealthy man who had brought the spices, and the two Marys. No organ dirge, no plumes, no catafalque. Heavy burden for two men as they carry Christ's body down the marble stairs and into the portico and lift the dead weight to the level of the niche in the rock and push the body of Christ into the only pleasant resting place it ever had. Coming forth from the portico, they close the door of rock against the recess.

The government, afraid that the disciples may steal the body of Christ and play resurrection, order the seal of the sanhedrin to be put upon the door of the tomb, the violation of that seal, like the violation of the seal of the government of the United States or Great Britain, to be followed by great punishment. A company of soldiers from the tower of Antonia is detailed to stand guard.

Shattered Beyond Repair.

At the door of the mausoleum a fight takes place which decides the question for all graveyards and cemeteries. Sword of lightning against sword of steel. Angel against military. No seal of letter was ever more easily broken than that seal of the sanhedrin on the door of the tomb. The dead body in the niche in the rock begins to move in its shroud of fine linen, slides down upon the pavement, moves out of the portico, appears in the doorway, advances into the open air, comes up the marble steps. Having left his mortuary attire behind him, he comes forth in workman's garb, as I take it, from the fact that the women mistook him for the gardener.

That day the grave received such shattering it can never be rebuilt. All the trowels of earthly masonry can never mend it. Forever and forever it is a broken tomb. Death, taking side with the military in that fight, received a terrible cut from the angel's spear of flame, so that he himself shall go down after awhile under it. The king of terrors retiring before the king of grace! The Lord is risen! Let earth and heaven keep Easter today! Hosanna!

Some things strike my observation while standing in this garden with a new sepulcher. And, first, post mortem honors in contract with ante-mortem ignominies. If they could have afforded Christ such a costly sepulcher, why could not they have given him an earthly residence? Will they give this piece of marble to a dead Christ instead of a soft pillow for the living Jesus? If they had expended half the value of that tomb to make Christ comfortable, it would not have been so sad a story. He asked bread; they gave him a stone.

Christ, like most of the world's benefactors, was appreciated better after he was dead. Westminster abbey and monumental Greenwood are the world's attempt to atone by honors to the dead for wrongs to the living. Poets' corner in Westminster abbey attempts to pay for the sufferings of Grub street.

Go through that poets' corner in Westminster abbey. There is Handel [illegible]

[illegible]

Make the Living Happy.

On your annual children do not give your parents so much tombstone, but a few more blankets, less funeral and more bedroom! If 5 per cent of the money we now spend on Burns' banquets could have been expended in making the living Scotch poet comfortable he would not have been harried with the drudgery of an exciseman. Horace Greeley, outraged while living, when dead is followed toward Greenwood by the president of the United States and the leading men of the army and navy. [illegible]

[illegible]

Plant Flowers.

Brooklyn has no grander glory than its Greenwood, nor Boston than its Mount Auburn, nor Philadelphia than its Laurel Hill, nor Cincinnati than its Spring Grove, nor San Francisco than its Lone Mountain. But what shall we say to those country graveyards, where [illegible]

[illegible] to your [illegible] expect any respect for your bones if you have no deference for the bones of your ancestry. Do you think these relics are of no importance? You will see of how much importance they are in the day when the archangel takes out his trumpet. Turn all your cemeteries into gardens.

Again, standing in this garden of the new sepulcher, I am impressed with the dignity of private and unpretending obsequies.

Joseph was mourner, sexton, liveryman—had entire charge of everything. Only four people at the burial of the King of the Universe! Oh, let this be consolatory to those who through lack of means or through lack of large acquaintance have but little demonstration of grief at the graves of their loved ones. Long line of glittering equipage, two rows of silver handles, casket of richest wood, pallbearers gloved and scarfed, are not necessary. If there be six at the grave, Christ looks down from heaven and remembers that is two more than were at his obsequies.

Not recognizing this idea, how many small properties are scattered and widowhood and orphanage go forth into cold charities! The departed left a small property which would have been enough to keep the family together until they could take care of themselves, but the funeral expenses absorbed everything. That went for crape which ought to have gone for bread. A man of moderate means can hardly afford to die in any of our great cities. By all means, do honor to departed, but do not consider funeral pageant as necessary. No one was ever more lovingly and tenderly put away to sepulcher than Christ our Lord, but there were only four people in the procession.

Wake Up to Gladness.

Again, standing in this garden with a new sepulcher, I am impressed with the fact that you cannot keep the dead down. [illegible]

[illegible]

Oh, my brethren, death and the grave are not so much as they used to be, for while wandering in this garden with the new sepulcher I find that the vines and flowers of the garden have completely covered up the tomb. Instead of one garden, there are four gardens, opening into each other—garden of Eden, garden of the world's sepulcher, garden of the earth's regeneration, garden of heaven. Four gardens. "Bloom, O earth! Bloom, O heaven!" Oh, my friends, wake up to gladness on this Easter morning! This day, if I interpret it right, means joy. It means peace with heaven, and it means peace with all the world.

One thing more flowers! [illegible]

[illegible]

Royal Elopements in Spain.

[illegible]

New Story of Kitchener.

[illegible] Kitchener is said by [illegible] Rhodes [illegible] for the [illegible] Kimberley and [illegible] one day [illegible] Kitchener that Rhodes' [illegible] getting unbearable. Kitchener's prompt answer was: "You [illegible] in chains."

Didn't Know the Difference.

Gilson—I saw Bjones at the temperance lecture last night.

Mrs. Gilson—Humph! I'll bet when he got home he couldn't tell his wife where he'd been.—New York Press.

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