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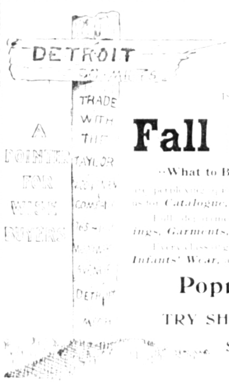

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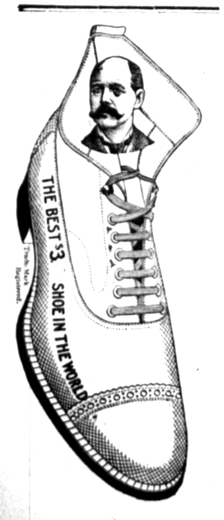

Men's Fall Footwear

We have just opened our new Fall Styles of MEN'S FINE SHOES and we feel it is an exceedingly strong line. It embraces all the latest fads and fancies in modern shoemaking from the popular leathers, Box Calf, Vici Kid, Enamel and Patent Leather. Extension soles, punked vamps, freak lasts, all are to be found.

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Ask to see our new Rubber Heel with the Steel Disc Ice Creeper. It never slips.

Going's Corner Shoe Store,
Pontiac.

CHICAGO TO DENVER.

Another Descriptive Letter from Bert Blakeslee.

HASTINGS,
central part of Southern Nebraska.

Dear, dear folks at home:

Dropped you a line yesterday, but it is about 8:30 p. m. and everyone feels a little tired after the day's trip and are either thinking or chatting quietly. Everyone is so disgusted with Chicago. One boy in speaking of it said that if he owned both Chicago and Hell, he'd rent Chicago and live in Hell. We left there at 11:30 p. m. and during the night made about 300 or 350 miles, crossed the Mississippi river about 6 o'clock, but I was in an upper berth so didn't see it. We crossed the Missouri and Platte rivers today. The Missouri is not as wide or as deep as the Saginaw, runs very slowly and is a deep mud yellow. never saw such water except in a mud puddle. The Platte river bed is much wider but has dried up so there are just two small streams coming down, each about twice as wide as the little creek at home. It, too, is very muddy but not as much so as the Missouri.

The country through Iowa is very dry, no grass at all. Corn is very backward and is withered by the heat. Soil is a hard clay, go for miles and miles and not see a stone. Nebraska is the place for big farms. In the corn belt a farmer puts all his land to corn, acres of it, as far as your eyes can see, just about waist high. Most of the farmers have small frame houses, unpainted, and great large corn cribs, lots of them. We got into a belt where oats were ripe and standing, a few miles farther and the farmers had cut them, 25 or 50 miles still farther and they were all threshed.

Omaha has the prettiest depot I have ever seen, large marble columns, circular iron stairs, inlaid marble floors, everything just fine. We get into Denver tomorrow morning at 7:10 and lay over 50 minutes. Pull out of there at 8 and get out of Colorado on the way to Salt Lake City about midnight. Then get into Ogden at 10 [illegible] on Saturday and get into 'Frisco at 4:25 Sunday night. Boat sails [illegible] on Tuesday. We may go by way of Hong Kong instead of by way of Honolulu, as [illegible] there is a plague of some kind on the Hawaiian Islands. Our car holds about 20 or 30 people, out of them eight are young fellows like me going through to the Philippines. We are getting pretty well acquainted now and it helps to pass the time. They are all nice and pleasant. Each one knows a lot more who are on the way. The ones I know are from Yale, Harvard, Cornell, two from New York, Princeton. We met a lot more at Ogden.

Friday a. m. about 50 miles east of Denver. This morning we are on the prairie, level as far as the eye can see, fences are of wire and fields contain hundreds of acres, grass is very dry and pasturage poor. Off in the distance I can see quite a drove of horses. In Nebraska there are very few fences, just one along the railroad track with only one wire to mark the line was all I noticed. In a good many places along in Nebraska the farmers do not live on their farms but at harvest time come out in a couple of large tents and camp there until the work is finished. We have come about 10 miles now and the only house I have seen is a little cottage not any larger than Mrs. Thorne's. On the prairie here is lots of sage brush, which grows in little clumps and looks like that white root we have at home only no flower to it. This sage is not good for cooking but is a great liver medicine, strong like quinine. We passed thro' a dog town a little while ago. The little fellows were playing around in the dirt, but we couldn't see any real close. A good many owls were sitting on the ground, three were right close together in a line and it looked so comical to see them, they were so solemn.

The air here is so different from that east, so cool and invigorating, and not a bit of dust. Yesterday a good many slept till 10 o'clock, but this morning all are turning out early so as to see Denver. We are to stop 50 minutes. Our train, though, is a little late, but perhaps will make up lost time. The soil here is sandy, yesterday it being all hard clay. A little bit of a flower grows here about 9 inches high and the flower is about ½ of an inch wide, just a regular little sunflower. They are quite cute and pretty and there are thousands of them. Today I expect to see some very beautiful scenery and will write you about it tomorrow or tonight. We will be in Denver now in a little while, so will close. With much love to you all.

BERT

A Secret Disclosed.

The day for kind deeds has not yet passed, neither have all the thoughtful and kind hearted people departed to the bright land beyond.

No one has been caught Eavesdropping, but somebody has met with a pleasant discovery, and although no permission has been granted to tell all we know, yet the liberty is taken to make known this secret. So we whisper it to you. The Jubilee Singers who are to favor Birmingham with their presence and excellent entertainment on Wednesday evening next, have been doing more than simply giving entertainments and making money for the past few months, and have certainly demonstrated their right to be called "doers of good deeds."

Don't tell anybody—but whatever the members of this company earn above their own expenses is set aside to be used in the endowment of a Bible School for the colored people of the South.

Now, if you wish to spend an enjoyable and profitable evening and help along a good work, don't fail to hear the singers Wednesday evening.

Breeding Stock for Sale.

I will sell cheap for breeding purposes one well-bred Guernsey bull calf and one fine bred Jersey bull calf.

FRED BROOKS,
Brooks Farm, 1 mile west of Birmingham.

IN MEMORIAM.

Mary R. Bassett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bassett, was born in Bloomfield township, August 26, 1878, and departed this life September 26, 1901, aged 23 years and 1 month.

Deceased was well known in this vicinity having attended school here for quite a number of years, graduating with the class of '98. She was a favorite with all who knew her and will be sadly missed. The disease that caused her demise was a complication of stomach troubles and so slow had been its approach that not until a few weeks ago was any fear felt at the state of her health. Everything possible to save this young life was done, but it was not to be and the final summons found her ready to go.

The funeral was held from her late home Sunday afternoon and was largely attended by those who came to pay their last respects to one whom all respected and loved. M. H. Bartram, of the M. E. church, delivered the funeral sermon, after which the remains were laid to rest in Greenwood cemetery to await the call of Him who doeth all things well.

THE STATE FAIR.

It has come and gone and a great deal has been learned. The Fair financially has been a most wonderful success. Nothing like it in a money way has been held for years, not since it was held in Detroit. The receipts were over $25,000. The great crowds attending simply paralyzed the railroad facilities for conveying people to and fro. The Old Reliable D., G. H. & M. couldn't carry all who wanted transportation while the Detroit & Pontiac Electric the whole week was crushed to almost a finish. It was intended to have a ten-minute service but the power was inadequate. A schedule time was abandoned and on the double track cars were run continually but not enough to begin to carry the immense throng that asked to go to Pontiac. Very many people here would take a car going to Detroit just to get a chance to get to Pontiac, pay their fare, ride the 26 miles in two hours just to be on the car so as to reach Pontiac. The fare was only ten cents to the grounds and thousands were carried by the electric without harm to a single passenger. The D., G. H. & M. was equally fortunate. A car jumped off the track and for 2½ hours Thursday night not a car came back. Many walked home, some hired livery rigs and came back but in time all were safely returned. The racing part was fine and its success was due largely to our townsman, J. F. Rundel, who labored long and industriously for the success of the State Fair.

Tot Causes Night Alarm.

"One night my brother's baby was taken with Croup," writes Mrs. J. C. Snider, of Crittenden, Ky., "it seemed it would strangle before we could get a doctor, so we gave it Dr. King's New Discovery which gave quick relief and permanently cured it. We always keep it in the house to protect our children from Croup and Whooping Cough. It cured me of a chronic bronchial trouble that no other remedy would relieve." Infallible for Coughs, Colds, Throat and Lung troubles. 50c and $1.00 at Whitehead & Mitchell's Drug Store.

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AT THE THEATERS.

WHITNEY.

A good story well told introducing original dramatic situations and climaxes of a thrilling nature and bristling with new comedy scenes are promised in the presentation of the comedy drama, "Human Spiders," which is to be the attraction at the Whitney Opera House all next week. A company of more than usual excellence appear in the different characters. During the engagement matinees will be given daily except Wednesday.

LYCEUM.

Dresher and Hennessy will present their Pan-American comedy, "Put Me Off at Buffalo," which is a clever farcical absurdity headed by the funny comedians, Fisher and Carroll, at the Lyceum Theater for the week commencing next Sunday evening. The play abounds in pretty dances, sparkling music and goes with a laugh from start to finish. Wherever the company has appeared it has received the highest praise of both press and public. Matinees will be given Wednesday and Saturday.

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Sometimes a fortune, but never, if you have a sallow complexion, a jaundiced look, moth patches and blotches on the skin,—all signs of Liver Trouble. But Dr. King's New Life Pills give Clear Skin, Rosy Cheeks, Rich Complexion. Only 25 cents at Whitehead & Mitchell's Drug Store.

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Village Engineer's Report.

During the past 155 days we have used at the Birmingham Water Works 91½ tons of coal.

IRA REED,
Village Engineer.

A Typical South African Store.

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A. J. LEFEVE,
258 Bellevue Ave., City.

Testimonial No. 113.

I suffered with headaches a great deal and could not look at anything close without my eyesight blurring. Several physicians treated me without giving any relief, but it cost me considerable money. Was advised to have my eyes examined by Mr. Goldsmith at Shafer's and the glasses he fitted me with give perfect relief.

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"When a child I burned my foot frightfully," writes W. H. Eads, of Jonesville, Va., "which caused horrible leg sores for 30 years, but Bucklen's Arnica Salve wholly cured me after everything else failed." Infallible for Burns, Scalds, Cuts, Sores, bruises and Piles. Sold by Whitehead & Mitchell, Druggists, 25c.

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If you suffer from Rheumatism, Lumbago, Gout, Sciatica or from affections of the Kidneys or Bladder, or from Bright's Disease. When doctors fail to cure you, write to us and we will send you a trial bottle free, of our wonderful German Remedies. We have special prepared remedies for each affection which has cured thousands of sufferers, among them chronic cases of 30 years standing.

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Mrs. Lock, Della Satare, Emma E. Thorndale (2), Charles F. Abraham, S. Vernor Beattie, John Husted, J. K. Snyder, August Schneider, Henry Hatchkiss, L. Agan.

Persons calling for the above will please say "advertised."

JOHN HANNA, P. M.

Stricken with Paralysis.

Henderson Grimett, of this place, was stricken with partial paralysis and completely lost the use of one arm and side. After being treated by an eminent physician for quite a while without relief, my wife recommended Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and after using two bottles of it he is almost entirely cured. GEO. R. MCDONALD, Man, Logan county, W. Va. Several other very remarkable cures of partial paralysis have been effected by the use of this liniment. It is most widely known, however, as a cure for rheumatism, sprains and bruises. Sold by Whitehead & Mitchell, Druggists.

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