

THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC
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To Our Friends.

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THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC.

HOME NOTES

A Toast to the Old Year.

Here's to the Old Year, drink, boys, drink. Here's to the days that have had Old friends, old wine, old memories. Drink to the joys that are dead!

Write it 1922.

Take down the old calendar.

Out of the old almanac, into the new.

It's a happy New Year three days old already.

Miss Yates of Rochester is visiting Mrs. Owen.

Miss Grace Gegan is spending a few days at Milford.

Be careful how you date your letters and legal documents.

School began again Monday, letting out for New Year's day.

Miss Effie Ford of Detroit is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. V. A. Van Every.

Miss Winnifred Blair visited relatives and friends at Clawson last week.

J. H. Gerstung has severed his connection with the Detroit Sugar Company.

Mr. and Mrs. Wells of Orion called on their sister, Mrs. Blauvelt, Friday of last week.

Do you want to dance gracefully? Then read Geo. W. Clark's new advertisement in this issue.

The W. H. M. S. of the M. E. church will meet with Mrs. Simpson Thursday, Jan. 9.—Sec'y.

The Misses Frances and Bessie Quick of Toronto, Ont., have been visiting their many friends in town.

Mrs. Emma Tibbles was home for the holidays and her many friends were all glad to see her once again.

Miss Cornia Berger returned to Battle Creek Tuesday after spending a few weeks with her parents at Franklin.

A happy gathering of the Hagerman family was held on New Year's day at the home of William Hagerman, at Circle.

The club of Merry Jumping Jacks met at the home of Miss Iva Caple last Tuesday evening and cast a pleasant time.

Arthur Craft of Milwaukee is visiting his sister, Mrs. N. T. Shaw. His many friends are rejoiced to shake his hand once again.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Allen are visiting during the holidays at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Dr. F. E. Thomas of Mason.

The regular meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held with Mrs. Miller next Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. All are cordially invited.

The Menominee Leader came to our desk last week in a fine holiday dress with a large amount of reading matter appropriate to the season.

Ladies wanted to do writing at home. No canvassing, \$20 per month. Send stamped envelope.—Mrs. A. R. Prickett, Rutherfordton, N. C.

The Ladies Aid society will meet in the M. E. church parlors this Friday afternoon. Supper will be served from 5 o'clock until all are served. Everybody invited.

A wonderful holiday season has just been passed. Presents galore for everybody. Fine mild weather and every thing to make man happy and contented has been given us.

The old reliable Rochester Era did itself proud again this season on the occasion of its holiday issue. We hope to receive such a copy every Christmas for years to come.

On Dec. 30 Mrs. M. E. Rundel through her attorney, Seward L. Merriam of Detroit, obtained a divorce on the ground of cruelty from Morgan W. Rundel. Mrs. Rundel was given absolute control of their only child, Thurlby Rundel.

The Chrysanthemum Pedro club spent a very pleasant evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Munro last week. Acc prizes were won by A. R. Parks and Mrs. S. C. Mills. Second prize was won by Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Blair.

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Mrs. J. C. Rainey has just returned from a holiday visit with her daughters, Mrs. Frankie Gleason and Mrs. Agnes Poud, both of Richmond, Mich. She had a delightfully pleasant time and was very well remembered by Santa Claus.

M. R. Blair, our new grocer and news dealer located in the Parks block, has contracted for an advertising space in the ECCENTRIC columns. He is making a specialty of fine teas and coffees which we trust our readers will sample. See advertisement.

The Detroit United Railway cars on our division have closed and sealed the side door, a wise thing to do in order to keep the cars warm all passengers enter and leave by either the front or rear door and during the recent cold weather the cars were very comfortable.

The happiest holiday visitors visited at the home of Mrs. Mary I. Durke, where her son, Jefferson Irish, wife and three children are visiting. Mr. Irish's home is in Detroit, Minn., and he is a prosperous and prominent citizen of that little city. Miss Lulu Durke was home also for a short visit.

Mr. Joseph Farner received a telegram last Sunday telling him of the death of his niece, Miss Maggie Farmer of Midland. Miss Farmer was in Birmingham about a year ago working for Edgar Poppleton. She was a member of the Baptist church and made many friends who will be pained to hear of her death.

We had the pleasure recently of perusing a neat little gift volume of poems from the fertile pen of Mrs. Grace Eldred of this place. The thirty-six poems which compose the booklet display the versatile character of the author's writings and contain many gems of thought which will make one better for their careful perusal.

Geo. W. Clark of Detroit will start a dancing class in Library hall and the first assembly will be on Friday evening, Jan. 10. Mr. Clark is principal of Clark's Dancing Academy of Detroit, a most flourishing and popular dancing academy. Those wishing information should at once see Guy L. Blair, who can furnish all information.

Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Boyd of Vassar smiled on old friends in this place recently. Both are hale, hearty and well, and we are sorry to say their home will always be at Vassar. Their daughter, Mrs. Nettie Miller, has bought them a comfortable home there and the good couple see no reason for walking away from such kind considerations—and we don't either.

The Sunday school of St. James' Episcopal church held their Christmas exercises last Friday evening and enjoyed a very pleasant time. The Christmas tree was a beautiful arbor vitae tree and was well laden with the fruit that children love best. A pleasing program was also rendered, a fine feature of which was the selections by Miss Ball of Detroit.

At the annual meeting of the M. E. Sunday school last Friday evening the following officers were elected for the coming year: Superintendent, Mrs. T. Bookham; assistant superintendent, James Brooks; secretary, Arthur King; treasurer, Charles Parks; chorister, Mrs. Ida Parks; organist, Miss Nellie Randall; librarians, Fred King and Eugene Smith.

Mr. James R. Brooks is justly proud of being chosen from among many good men to be the executive board member of the Pontiac division of the Detroit United Railway. In any trouble between the men and the Company it will be Mr. Brooks' duty to represent the men and a better man could not have been selected, as a more careful, conservative, honest man does not move in this vicinity than the same James R. Brooks.

That Will Davenport of Troy is the most rapid man one earth, ably assisted and seconded by Riley Tombs, has been fully demonstrated. One afternoon last week Will sold Mitchell three cords of dry wood, it being understood that the tree was standing in the woods—dead timber. Well, the next day before dinner Will Davenport had that wood in Mitchell's cellar a long way before the little man could reach around and find the cash to settle. That's rapid transit and free rural delivery for you.

Just about Christmas day Mr. Eugene Brooks received a large case of tropical fruits from his son, Frank, of Sarasota, Fla. The contents of the box were all of Frank's own raising and consisted of oranges, tangerines, grape fruit, lemons, etc. The fruit arrived in good condition and many of Gene's friends have enjoyed it with him. The oranges are finely flavored, very sweet and most excellent. The grape fruit is very large and from a tree hardly four feet high Frank picked 47 of these pumpkin-sized yellow fellows from it. The South had a cold snap not long ago and it was feared the crop would suffer somewhat, but it rallied.

A bright merry Christmas was observed at the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Kankall who was blessed with a visit from her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Converse of Orosco. A Christmas dinner was served at noon and a Christmas tree, was stripped at night and all were entertained. Mrs. Melvin Rose was "in" also Miss Carrie Kimball of Royal Oak and Mrs. Noble. During this holiday week Mr. and Mrs. Converse visited Detroit and one whole day was spent with friends and relatives in Pontiac. The season closed by Mr. and Mrs. Birdsey Mattison of Pontiac spending Sunday with Mrs. Randall and Miss Nellie.

Our friend Geo. H. Maxwell of Royal Oak, who is filling a successful engagement with the Six Hopkins Co. under management and control of Miss Rose Melville, is at the Lyceum this week. The company is a popular one for Detroit theater goers and the house is filled to its capacity every performance. During his stay in Detroit, this week Mr. Maxwell comes home nightly after each performance, but he didn't Sunday night because, much to his sorrow, the car did not wait until the theater closed. After her run with his stage clothes and paint on and called to the conductor he heard not, neither did Papa Hopkins ride home that night. Every Birmingham theater goer will hear G. H. Maxwell as Papa Hopkins this week and loudly applaud the only Six Hopkins in the world.

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Library Hall...
Commencing for Adults—
Friday Evening, Jan. 10th,
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We had to pull the phlegm out of his
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Bissell's Celebrated Carpet Sweepers, for \$1.98 each.
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Stylish Axminster Carpeting, great bargain, 90c yard.
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QUEER FADS OF THE AGED.

Mary McDonnell, a vigorous old woman of Macheratempy, Ireland, in 1784, when 137, walked 14 miles. Col. George Perkins of Norwich, Ct., who died 12 years ago, aged 190, made a practice of walking four miles a day until within a few years of his death.

Peter Mastania, who died in Marcella, in 1745, aged 120, lived in the river Segura every morning from the beginning of spring until the stream froze.

Sally Morris, who recently died near Parkersburg, W. Va., at the age of 114, went to two years previous to her death, walked 20 miles to town and back, one day in each week.

Mary Wilkinson of Yorkshire, England, who in 1788 died at 109, walked to London when she was past 90. The distance was 290 miles. She made it in five days and three hours.

The great age of Apollonius, a Pythagorean philosopher, alleged to have been 130, was attributed to the fact that from youth he never drank wine, ate meat, wore shoes or cut his hair; and that he dressed only in linen. He lived five years without speaking.

I have used olive oil for 30 years, and feel younger today than I did when I began, though I am now in my 102 year," writes G. E. Diamond of San Francisco. "The description given in the Bible of the anointing of the chosen king of Israel with oil of olive for the purpose of increasing his number of years first suggested the idea to me."

"Walking appears to be the form of physical exercise most favored by centenarians. It is related of one Macdonald, who died in Highlands, Scotland, in 1721, aged 101, "that he was a great pedestrian, and the year before he died, at the age of 100, undertook a wager to walk 60 miles in two hours with a halibut which he performed. He was accordingly presented to the king at Windsor."

William Hotchiss, known as "the doctor," who died in St. Louis in 1865, and whose Masonic record was traced back 100 years, "showing conclusively that he was at least 121 years old," attributed his long life to hobbies, described as follows: "He is said by those nearest to him to have not taken a bath for over 25 years, but secured himself with sand. He claimed to have flayed the skin of his face at regular intervals he stood over a smoking brazier and allowed the smoke to envelop his body."

"It was his frequent custom to promote perspiration and then change his linen, particularly as he advanced in life," recounts a biographer of Charles Fleckin, the English playwright, who died at 107. It was his custom, further custom "not to sleep on a feather bed, but on a mattress, which was a couch without curtains, placed in the center of the room. He usually slept with his head high. It is further stated, "but for the last 20 years never took off his clothes unless to change them." His linen, or he was rubbed all over with warm brandy or gin."

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