

BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, EDITION

Devoted to Our Own Locality—We Labor for Its Interests.

TWENTY-FIFTH YEAR.

BIRMINGHAM, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5, 1902.

NO. 32. WHOLE NO. 7281.

A REMINDER

Our shipments of Fall Trade are all in. We have a complete and beautiful line of



Cut Glass

Diamonds
Watches
Sterling Silverware
Etc., Etc.

Our location, just a few doors off Woodward Ave., places us in a position to
SAVE YOU MONEY
An inspection and comparison solicited.



Shetland Floss

See box the best.

MEN'S AND LADIES' UNDERWEAR

from 25c up.

The Best Line of Hosiery in Town and prices right.

OUTING FLANNELS

from 5c up.

IN SHOES

I can give you better values at 10 to 20 per cent less than my competitors.

Yours for good goods and low prices.

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Special attention given to amateur work of all kinds

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Marble and Granite

Monuments

Birmingham, Mich.

Parties contemplating purchase of a monument or tombstone will save money by consulting with me before placing their order.

D. M. DOTY.

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Practice Limited to

EYE, EAR, NOSE, THROAT.

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A. W. CAMPBELL,

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Notary Public

If you want real estate insurance at the lowest rates, inquire at my office.

Wood Block, Birmingham, Mich.

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Guaranteed Rubber Goods

Going's Rubber Footwear

as always been noted for its RELIABILITY. We guarantee

our FIRST QUALITY RUBBERS, first to be PERFECT when sold.

Second, that the uppers will not crack before the sole and heels show sufficient wear.

The purchaser stands all risks as to premature tears and cuts

Rubber Boots

Felt Rubbers

Sock Rubbers

Arctic Light Rubbers

Heavy Rubbers

Best grade of Knit Boots, Felt Boots

and German Socks

Our line of Rubber Footwear is complete from beginning to end and we know we can save you money.

GOING'S Corner Shoe Store, Pontiac

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New Fall Goods New Fall Styles

5000 rolls New Fall Patterns WALL PAPER at 4, 5, 6, 8, 10 and 12 1/2 per roll—Borders to match, same price
75 lbs Saxony, Midnight and Shetland Floss YARNS at 100 skein
New styles of Black Taffeta and Fancy RIBBONS—5, 8, 10, 15, 20 and 25c per yd
A new line of OUTING FLANNELS at 5, 6, 7, 8 and 10c yd
All shades of FLANNEL SOCKING at 12 1/2c yd
We are daily receiving
and we make Detroit prices on the same at

NEW NOVELTIES in the DRY GOODS LINE

F. Blakeslee's

BIRMINGHAM

Don't Forget Us

BEST OF PHOTOGRAPHIC WORK

at moderate prices

We not only SAVE you car fare—we give ABSOLUTELY AS FINE RESULTS as you can get out of town, or anywhere. COME YOURSELVES. BRING GRANDMA, GRANDMA AND THE BABIES.

Remember! The name stands for merit in our line

E. & F. E. CLARK,

FORD BLOCK BIRMINGHAM

Prices Correct Work Guaranteed

Special attention given to amateur work of all kinds

23d Annual

FAN SALE

Our Annual Fan Sale commenced Friday, November 28. In addition to our own stock we have purchased a lot of

One Thousand Fans

and we offer the entire assortment, which makes probably the handsomest display of Fans ever offered in Detroit, at from ONE THIRD to ONE HALF BELOW THE REGULAR PRICES. We shall make a display of a portion of them.

Special Sale of Silks

3,500 Yards of Novelty Silks and Black Taffeta to be sold at a great sacrifice. Sale commenced Monday morning, Nov. 24. High-grade NOVELTY SILKS, former value \$1.00 to \$1.50, all at one price, 69c yd.

Black Taffeta, regular value 60c, sale price, 53c yd.

Illustrated Catalogue Sent Free.

The Taylor-Woolfenden Co.

165 to 169 Woodward Ave. DETROIT

AN OKLAHOMA LETTER

Mrs. H. B. Horn Writes Entertainingly of Her New Home in the "Promised Land."

OKLAHOMA, O. T., Nov. 12, 1902.

Editor of ECENTRIC:

Thinking my friends would like to hear from us again, I will try to tell you a little more about Oklahoma. We are having fine weather, with no frosts yet. A splendid rain visited Oklahoma last week and set the ground in fine condition for wheat, a large acreage of which has been sown. Mittinging glories and many other tender plants were out to greet us on election day. The second crop of potatoes is looking fine and they tell us there is an orchard a few miles from here that has several trees full of fine peaches that have grown since the first crop was harvested. This may sound rather "dumb" to you people, but all things are possible in this "promised land." We have plenty of green onions and radishes too. Think of all this when you read this letter in the old edition of Michigan, then you will know some of the reasons why we like our new home.

I presume you have had frosts, ice and possibly snow, and all abundance of warm weather gone for weeks past. How the ground somehow warms everything into activity, and the winter never cold enough to check the hand of industry. True, we have in winter some disagreeable days and occasionally a hard frost, but they are followed by others so perfect that there is no long stagnation. In summer we have some days of intense heat, but the nights are always cool and the constant breezes temper the heat of the sun.

As to our crops, that Oklahoma certainly stands out very prominently. It is a wonder country. History teaches us that no territory has ever made the advancement that Oklahoma has. Only twenty years ago a virgin prairie, now the fields are almost completely disappeared and the fields are as fertile as any in the world. The land here is a hundred years old. All the farmers harvest a million crops a year. Everything grows as if it were planted. The fields that have not been plowed have grown up thick with volunteer wheat and corn, making the picture for cattle. There seems to be no failure in every line of the business states of the world. The crops are so good that the home has an organ of money. The best of the land is in the hands of the people, and the people are the best. The land is a top-bag in the shell and a boy's on the front porch.

The new corner of the past year have, as a rule, been of the most desirable class. We have some Prussian, Bohemian and German, but the majority are American born. There is no reason to believe that the social conditions in Oklahoma are different from those of the states. All the religious denominations have representatives here, and are doing good work. Young people's societies and Sunday schools are found everywhere and the reports of their work create surprise.

There are still thousands of acres of government land open for settlement, west of us, where the homeless settler can gain a farm.

I never saw such an abundance of fruit as I saw during the past season. We bought peaches that weighed 10 and 12 ounces for 50 cents per bushel. Many trees bear the second year. Peaches ripen from June 1st until November. Our little boys planted a small melon patch and we harvested on melons all summer. Millions of 10 and 20 pounds of melons were here and they have produced them well, weighing 10 pounds.

We all attended the Kingfisher county fair at Kingfisher. Here we saw wealth and style in the region. The fair was a grand success, paying all expenses, which is something unusual for the first year. The display in fine arts and crafts far exceeded anything I ever saw in the west. The greatest attraction for us was the Indian, there being about 40 there, and the blankets and shawls they wore were gorgeous, some valued at \$25 and \$30. I asked one of the women what she would take for her shawl. She said "one" and walked away. I am bound to have some Indian blankets if I have to steal them. You say you can get anything they have for chicken or cake, so when I go to the Indian school I am going to take a good supply of both articles. I don't get blankets I shall feel very much disappointed.

I fear my letter is already too long, so will close with kind regards to all.

Mrs. H. B. HORN.

Saved at Grave's Brink.

"I know," writes Mrs. N. H. Newsum, of Detroit, Ala., "if I had not been for Eber's Bitters, for three years I suffered untold agony from the worst form of Indigestion, Waterbrash, Stomach and Bowel Dyspepsia. But this excellent medicine did me a world of good. Since using it I can eat heartily and have gained 35 lbs. For Indigestion, Loss of Appetite, Stomach, Liver and Kidney troubles, Eber's Bitters are a positive, guaranteed cure. Only at Whitehead & Mitchell's and Cobb & Cobb's drug stores, Birmingham, Mich."

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State Association of Live Stock Breeders.

The annual meeting of the State Association of Breeders of Improved Live Stock is set for Tuesday and Wednesday, December 16 and 17, in Detroit. The headquarters of the Association will be at the Griswold House, where persons for the various breed meetings will be furnished. It is proposed to have all the latter meetings closed up on Tuesday, so that the entire day of Wednesday can be given up to the combined meeting. The program being arranged for this meeting will be of the most practical description, the various topics discussed being opened by experienced breeders.

This state was the first to start such meetings, where those interested in the various breeds first met and discussed matters pertaining to their special breed, and then met in general convention to discuss questions of the business by attending them. The breeder, the dealer and the general farmer can get a great deal of good out of these meetings if they will attend them and take part in the discussions, it is only to ask questions.

"Blessed Sleep." After fifteen months of patient waiting from the effects of paralysis, Mrs. H. B. Mitchell peacefully passed into the life beyond on Sunday morning, November 10th.

Harriet Olson was born at Batavia, N. Y., on the 26th of March, 1818. At the age of seven years she came with her parents to Michigan, the family settling near Mt. Clemens, the country at that time being a wilderness.

She was married in 1841 to Venetia H. Olson, by whom she had six children, four of whom are living. She was married a second time in 1867 to R. J. Mitchell, and in the spring of 1868 moved to Birmingham, where she has been a resident for nearly 35 years.

Mrs. Mitchell had reached the ripe old age of 84 years, and had a short of life, and was ready for the heavenly garner. She had been a Christian and a member of the Presbyterian church from her girlhood. Her mental faculties remained unimpaired to the last, rendering her a pleasant companion to old and young, able to tell many interesting incidents of pioneer life as well as of early history, coming of an English ancestry that was able to trace its genealogy back to the fifteenth century.

Her four living children were present at the funeral, namely, James W., of Danville, Ind.; Henry C., of Canastota, N. Y.; Mrs. Anne Bryant of Saratoga, N. Y.; and Charles H., of Detroit, Mich., the latter of whom, with his wife, attended her and did all possible for her comfort during her last illness. She also had one sister, Mrs. Minerva McCall of Detroit.

The funeral was held at her late home Tuesday afternoon, conducted by Rev. Mr. Rogers, and the remains were laid in Greenwood cemetery to await the resurrection of the just.

A Pleasant Surprise.

The Troy and Birmingham United Presbyterian congregations give a reception to their minister and wife, Rev. and Mrs. M. Maxwell, on Friday last. After about one hour had been assembled at the church in this village they went to the parsonage requesting Mr. Maxwell to come over to the church to look at some books they had been purchasing for their library, but when they suspected that something was going on. They found a bountiful dinner waiting their arrival and their surprise was complete when Mrs. Robert Hann, in behalf of the two congregations, presented to them a purse of \$22.50 for the purchase of a sewing machine. Mrs. Maxwell having ungraciously remarked that she was saving wedding money for that purpose, Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell wash through the E-Extract, thank these good people for this and many other expressions of appreciation during the more than four years of the present pastorate.

This is the season of the year when the prudent and careful housewife replenishes her supply of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is certain to be needed before the winter is over, and results are more prompt and satisfactory when it is kept at hand and given as soon as the cold is contracted and before it has become settled in the system. In almost every instance a severe cold may be warded off by taking this remedy freely as soon as the first indication of the cold appears. There is no danger in giving it to children for its constant harmful substance. It is pleasant to take—both adults and children like it. Buy it and you will get the best. It always cures. For sale by Whitehead & Mitchell, druggists, Birmingham.

One hundred miles shortest to Chattanooga, Queens & Crescent Route.

HOUSE COATS BATH ROBES

Lounging Robes—Dressing Gowns—what would be more appropriate for his holiday gift than one of the four?

Our stock of each now complete, and it's our best. Finest choosing these days—can be done so much easier than when the Christmas rush is on. We've the most magnificent display in Detroit and the largest, too.

MEN'S HOUSE COATS \$5, \$7.50 and up to \$15

Fifty different patterns in reversible cloths and many fine velvet and Venetian cloth ones.

BATH ROBES \$5 to \$15

A variety large and varied—all the newest and best of course—there are no old robes to bother you.

LOUNGING ROBES \$5 to \$12

Of blanket cloths—great large comfortable ones in both gay and plain patterns.

DRESSING GOWNS \$12, \$15, \$18, \$20 and \$25

Luxurious garments which any man would like to own. You can have any you select reserved till Christmas by paying a small deposit when you choose the garment.

R. H. Traver Company

171, 173, 175 Woodward Ave.

AT THE THEATERS.

LYCEUM.

The attraction at the Lyceum theatre next week will be the season's excellent success, "Sweet Governess," a play that is credited with having charmed large audiences in every city in which it has been presented. "Sweet Governess" is said to be a delightful four-act pastoral play, beautifully staged and splendidly acted by Brothman & Currie's company headed by Miss B. T. Young and Miss Blanche Hall. The charming play of the Connecticut farm lands was written by Pauline Phelps and Marion Siefert.

WHITNEY.

A new play is announced for the Whitney theatre for the week beginning Sunday afternoon. The play is a sensational comedy drama, entitled "Oh! a Shop Girl," which is a dramatization of the novel of the same name. It is a four act play which is described as being semi-comic, semi-dramatic and semi-tragic. The story tells of a shop girl's trials and vicissitudes when employed in the large department store, and appeals to the sympathy of the army of workers employed throughout the land as salesladies.

Advertised Letters.

The following is a list of letters received at the Birmingham postoffice Nov. 29, 1902.

Mrs. Crainer Smith, Mrs. Eliza L. Moore, Cornelia Ladd, Mrs. L. L. Dumas, Mrs. Birdie Heiber, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Maloney, Will Carpenter, Mr. W. Shaffer, Richard James.

JOHN HANNA, P. M.

The Pride of Heroes.

Many soldiers in the late war wrote to their friends for Scotch, Bruises, Cuts, Wounds, Corns, Sprains and Stiff Joints, Bucklin's Arnica Salve is the best in the world. Name for Burns, Scalds, Blisters, Skin Eruptions and Piles. It cures or relieves. Only 25c at Whitehead & Mitchell and Cobb & Cobb's drug stores, Birmingham, Mich.

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"My wife was so ill that good physicians were unable to help her," writes M. M. Austin of Winchester, Ind., "that was completely cured by Dr. King's New Life Pills." They work wonders in stomach and liver troubles. Cure constipation, sick headache, biliousness, etc. At Whitehead & Mitchell and Cobb & Cobb's drug stores, Birmingham, Mich.

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