

To Our Friends.

When reading with any of our advertisements either in Birmingham, Pontiac or Detroit, please mention the fact that you noticed this advertisement in our paper. A word from you at the time of trying, comes with nothing and benefits us greatly. Will you be good and do so?



Mrs. Mand Campbell was home for a short visit Monday.

"The Aristocrats" by Gertrude Atherton is the last book in the library.

There are two things this village wants—water to sprinkle its streets and electric lights.

Don't forget the Ladies' Aid and the 10-cent supper at Mrs. Bookham's this Friday evening.

This Friday evening and tomorrow afternoon are the last two chances for you to see Julia Marlowe this season.

Mrs. Hattie McBride will illustrate by painting the "Fish-bait," "Shandon Bells," at the St. Patrick banquet.

The Sigma Tau sorority held a very pleasant meeting Tuesday night at the home of Miss Grace Robbins of Clawson.

The young gentlemen gave a very successful party at Library hall last Friday evening. They will give another in the near future.

We are informed that Mr. Samuel James of Big Beaver has married a most estimable lady of Allegan county. Uncle Sam has our congratulations.

The L. O. T. M. tea meeting will be held in the Macabee hall Friday, March 14. All are welcome. Come and have a good time.—Flora Malje, secretary.

The quarterly communion service will be observed in the M. T. church next Sunday morning. The quarterly conference will be held next Tuesday evening.

James H. Lynch of Pontiac will speak to the toast "The Irish American" at the St. Patrick banquet to be given by the Ladies' Literary club of this place.

If one boy with one pocket handkerchief can't make one of lamp clean, how many boys and how many pocket handkerchiefs will it take to clean a gasoline lamp?

Persons wishing to read at the library Saturday will find two late numbers of the Youth's Companion, one last week's Christian Work and recent copies of The Southern Field.

Ira Reed will, next month, resign his position at the Waterworks, and at this writing only 20 candidates are in sight. We see 19 disappointed men and 19 hopes blasted.

Editor McCracken of Farmington has been selected by the superintendent of the Northville schools to act as judge on the Northville-Plymouth debate to be held on the 14th inst.

The regular monthly meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held at the home of Mrs. E. F. Waldo on Tuesday afternoon, March 11, at 3 o'clock. A full attendance desired.—Secretary.

The Chrysanthemum Pedigree club held its regular meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Barr. The prize prizes were won by S. C. Mills and Mrs. Bessie Muoro. Bobby prizes fell to L. M. Habert and Mrs. Zina Mills.

Those small green tickets with the inscription, "St. Patrick's Day, 1902," were printed at the Eccentric office especially for that date. They can be purchased from members at 25 cents each, if you don't wait too long.

Miss Nellie Carey of Toledo, O., has been visiting her Grandmother Carey and other relatives in this village. She is on a tour and has been visiting friends and relatives at Orion and Detroit, having a good time all around.

Christopher Brent of Royal Oak paid a fine of \$15 in Justice Linaury's court recently for beating his wife. The Brendts live at Royal Oak and the tale told by the wife was a pitiful one. The court assumed an air of sternness and the recreant spouse was given a sound lecture at the end of which he was permitted to pay a \$15 fine or serve 30 days in the county jail.

All diseases start in the bowels. Keep them open or you will be sick. CASCARETS act like nature. Keep liver and bowels active without a sickening griping feeling. Six million people take and recommend CASCARETS. Try a box box. All druggists.

Four notable women's conventions have just been held in Washington, D. C.: The National Women's Suffrage Association, National Council of Women, Daughters of the American Revolution and the National Congress of Mothers.

We understand that the large painting by Mrs. E. M. Leonard of the old "Handsome" house, of which mention was made in these columns recently, was presented to the Oakland County Pioneer society at their annual meeting in Pontiac week before last.

I will sell at public auction on my premises in Birmingham, second house on 10th Street, on Saturday, March 15, my household goods, consisting of furniture, kitchen utensils, crockery, etc.—George Blauvelt, proprietor, M. H. Blunt, auctioneer.

Many complaints are heard about a service on the Ozon & Flint road. The cars are habitually full; meanwhile passengers complain that the cars are not properly warmed. It is said that the cars cannot stand the strain of the fast time between Detroit and Flint.

Large numbers of fish are dying in many of the small lakes in Springfield township. Owing to the continued cold weather the lakes in many instances, are entirely frozen over and the fish are dying for necessary air. This is especially true of lakes that have no inlet.

Off for Florida Tuesday morning for a month's visit started our old friend, Eugene Brooks, to visit his son Frank, near Sarasota. Mr. Brooks' health is none too good—he will get a needed vacation and a change, and he deserves it, too. All of his many friends wish him a happy visit and a safe return.

Having rented my farm, I will sell at public auction on the premises, one mile west and one-half mile north of Bedford, on Wednesday, March 12, at 1 o'clock p. m., my farm stock, farming implements and a quantity of hay and oats.—Mrs. L. McDonald, proprietress, M. H. Blunt, auctioneer.

The Ladies' Literary club will meet with Mrs. Bigelow next Monday evening. The subjects are among the most interesting in Russian history. A full attendance is most earnestly requested that arrangements for the meeting on the 17th may be fully perfected.—M. Baldwin, president.

If you want a medicine better than Peruna, Celery Compound, Lydia Pinkham or any other make, and one guaranteed to give satisfaction, ask at Whitehead & Mitchell's for Alexander's Liver and Kidney Tonic. This is the medicine that John Barron of Howell is so enthusiastic over.

Being about to move to Turon county, I will sell at public auction on the John Stanley farm, one mile east and one mile north of Birmingham, at noon, Monday, March 10, horses, cows, hogs, wagons, buggies, farm implements and many useful articles too numerous to mention.—Peter Anderson, proprietor; M. H. Blunt, auctioneer.

Considerable changes are taking place in our midst. Will Newman has left the Watkins farm and moved into one of Mr. Hamlin's houses on Southfield avenue. Guy Watkins is now foreman on the Watkins farm and L. H. Toiles is his first lieutenant. Mr. Friend and family have moved to Osceola county and the good work goes on bravely.

Several newspapers of the state have reported the killing of muskrats which have abandoned their winter quarters, and found running about barns and stacks, attributing the same to mildness of weather. The fact is that the little fellows are starved out. The ponds are dry or frozen at the bottom and are not frozen for them. It is said by old residents that swamps and ponds are dried out more than they have ever seen them in this time of year.

Miss Lou McDougal was the happy victim of a genuine surprise party last Friday evening. About sixteen of the Birmingham young people planned a pedro party, serving refreshments and enjoying a very pleasant social time. Louis Roy captured the gentlemen's best prize, which was a deck of cards, and the ladies' best prize, consisting of a cup, saucer and plate, was taken by Miss Florence Bloomberg. The consolation prizes fell to Miss Lucy Ward and Neil Bloomberg.

Call attention to the advertisement of the Bank of Birmingham in this issue. The new bank was formally opened on Saturday last under favorable auspices. The corner apartment of the Ford block has been handsomely fitted up for a large, light and convenient banking room, and Mr. Lewis, the cashier in charge, will be found a very pleasant gentleman to do business with. Success to the new enterprise.

Western Kansas editors have a unique way of prodding up delinquent subscribers, as will indicate: "If you have frequent headaches, dizziness, fainting spells, accompanied by chills, cramps, corns, bunions, chilblains, epilepsy and jaundice, it is a sign you are not well, but are liable to die any minute. Pay your subscription a year in advance, and these make you self solid for a good obituary notice."

One of the classes in our composition was required to produce compositions this week on "A World Without Domestic Animals." The following is one youngster's opinion of the conditions that would prevail: "If all the animals should be some night when the people were asleep, they would have to hitch their automobiles onto a freight car and cart them off as fast as possible to the sausage grinder. We would have to live on vegetables when our meat gave out."

The quickest way to warm a house in the morning is to open the doors or windows for a few minutes, long enough to change the air. The philosophy of this is that the air of a house or room after being closed over night is sluggish, somewhat like muddy water. Fresh air is pure, buoyant and active, and will circulate quickly through the rooms, carrying the warmth of stoves or radiators swiftly to every corner. Besides that there is joy and comfort in breathing fresh air.

Geo. Robinson, second son of Wm. Robinson, gave us a pleasant call Tuesday. He is a veteran Detroit street car conductor and has been in the employ of the Detroit Union Railway for thirteen years.

He is No. 1 on the Sherman line, an honorable position among street car men and one that our Birmingham boys can hold as long as he wishes. Will, an older brother, and Tommy are also street car men now, and very lately George had the pleasure of breaking into the business world as a conductor. Here's luck to all of you, boys.

For the past month or so James B. Hunt has been working with and for Julian Leet, who has been equipping street cars at Cleveland with his company's air brakes. Mr. Leet is most successful in securing large orders for his company, the bills running often into large figures. At the close of his work in Cleveland he received orders to go at once to Los Angeles, Cal., where a big contract is waiting his coming. The Birmingham colony at Milwaukee are well, happy and contented and prosperity is at the hand of all of them.

Master Raymond Finch, a bright-colored boy of eleven years, grandson of Mrs. Harner of near Royal Oak, got into a "mix-up" with a cutting box last Friday afternoon. His mother brought him up to Dr. C. M. Kavnale, an operating room was made off Whitehead & Mitchell's drug store, and with A. Whitehead and Eugene Brooks as assistants with chloroform q. s. Dr. Kavnale told us that amputation was not necessary. He patched up, sewed up, and made good the lacerations, the boy standing the ordeal like a little major and tickled to death to think he still held a full hand.

Why doesn't it rain? Everybody's cetera ad dry. Spring is still to come. Last week we thought it was here. Mrs. Coaler is quite ill with a very severe cold. Henry Higby's auction went off very nicely, but he did not sell his farm as there was not money enough in sight to suit him. The parties at Chas. Higby's were both very pleasant affairs. J. W. James and family have moved from their farm to stay—no more living to the city every fall. Mr. Skeller of New Hudson visited at Emore Higby's last week. The W. H. M. S. will have a mite box opening at the home of Mrs. W. J. Harris on the 20th. All are welcome. Mrs. J. Kyle is still in Pontiac. Mrs. Grinnell will soon move, having some interest in the farm to her honor.

WEST BLOOMFIELD. Miss Grace Johnson and Mrs. W. J. Sherman are entertaining the mumps. From the 1st to Mrs. general and heavy storms of rain, sleet, snow and wind, while farther south look for a change to southerly winds and dangerous, even tornadic, storms. The first stage of storms during the month will be warm, with plenty of Heaven's artillery on their southern and eastern borders, followed by cold water and extreme windy conditions for the season. Threatening weather will continue from the 1st to the 8th, with another greater storm from then to the 10th. Warmer weather will then set in, lasting by a general storm period, lasting to the 16th. Another storm period may be expected about the 20th, with another greater storm from then to the 24th. We may reasonably expect heavy wind accompanying the epicyclic storm period, at which time a blizzard may be expected extending, perhaps, to the central states. This will be followed by warmer weather as the month goes on. The public is especially warned against great danger from ice masses and overflows early in the month, caused by heavy rains and the sudden melting of long banks of snow and under the ice in the northwest. The prediction ends with these words: "We beg all concerned to cast about and be ready for the crash of ice and the wreck of waters."

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CLAWSON. Mrs. Mary Starr and daughter of Olivet visited the former's sister, Mrs. Francis Poole, last week. Mrs. Flora Powers returned to her home in Clawson last week. Miss Jessie Bowers has been sick with the mumps. Mrs. Maria Bean is on the sick list. Miss Mabel Sage of Linden visited the Misses Robbins last Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Baker spent Sunday at Gosport Point. Rev. H. S. Jansena of Birmingham was calling in this neighborhood yesterday last week. Mrs. A. M. Hunt has been sick with the mumps. El Martin of Royal Oak works for H. J. Bowers.

ELECTION NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that an election has been duly ordered and called by the Board of Supervisors of the county of Oakland, state of Michigan, to ascertain the will of the qualified electors of said county, whether or not a Court House shall be erected upon the present site not to exceed One Hundred Thousand Dollars. Said election will be held in accordance with said order which is as follows: Resolved, That it is determined that it is necessary to build a new Court House, Jail, Jail House and county office; that it is necessary to raise the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars for the purpose of erecting a Court House and county office; that for the purpose of procuring such bonds the county parties shall be authorized to issue bonds to the amount of \$100,000 per annum, payable annually, and that said bonds shall be in the denomination of the sum of One Hundred Dollars each, and shall be numbered consecutively from one to one thousand inclusive; and that the said bonds be sold on the 1st day of April, 1902, at the rate of One Hundred Dollars each for each year for ten years; that the question for raising said sum by bond be submitted to the electors of this county in the several townships, city and wards of any city of this county at the next annual township meeting to be held on the 1st day of April, A. D. 1902, and that notice of this determination and of the time when said question shall be submitted to the electors of this county be published in two of the newspapers printed and circulated in said county, to-wit: the Detroit Free Press and the Detroit News, for at least three successive weeks prior to the holding of said election, and be further Resolved, That the form of the ballot be as follows: "Shall the Board of Supervisors of the county of Oakland, state of Michigan, borrow on the faith and credit of said county the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars, and issue upon the same the several rolls of the township and wards of said county for the purpose of erecting a Court House and county office building on the site of the present Court House of said county?"

"For the Loan," Yes

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Pursuant to the above order said election will be held in and for said township of Bloomfield, in said county, at the same place and hour as the annual township meeting on Monday, the 1st day of April, A. D. 1902.

Witness my hand and seal this 24th day of February, A. D. 1902.

JOSEPH A. BROWN, Clerk for the county of Oakland.

A FLOOD PREDICTED.

Rev. Irl R. Hicks' Dismal Forecast for the Month of March.

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