

To Our Friends.

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New Advertisements.

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W. I. McClelland - Hooper Potato Digger.

June, the month of weddings, is with us.

Rev. Mr. Mitchell of Pontiac was in town Decoration day.

Children's Day will be observed at the Presbyterian church next Sabbath evening, at 7:30.

Postmaster Hanna attended the 6th district Republican convention at Frenton last week.

George Wright is working on the new German church that is being built at Farmington.

H. D. Staley has been painting the residence of Secretary of State Warner at Farmington.

Don't forget the Ladies' Aid and tea meeting at the M. E. parsonage this Friday afternoon.

Miss Alice Justina of Inlay City visited with her uncle and aunt on Brown street the latter half of last week.

Cheap excursion to Grand Rapids, Lansing and Battle Creek next Sunday, June 8. For particulars see box.

E. Farmer, the piano man of Pontiac, is giving great bargains. Now on one, two sets of reeds and floor, \$10.

Mr. John Bodine still remains an invalid, is a great sufferer and does not seem to have any hopes of a recovery.

The Presbyterian society is agitating the question of a new church, and offers its present building and lot for sale.

The Junior hop, given in Liberty hall Tuesday evening, was well attended and a success socially and financially.

The W. H. M. society of the M. E. church will meet with Mrs. B. S. Shain next Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

The L. O. T. M. tea meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Frank Germy, Friday, June 13, at Flora Mudge, secretary.

Pontiac Pythians entertained their brethren from Farmington and Birmingham one evening last week. W. D. Cizhe of this place responded to a toast.

On Saturday Fair dates have been announced. J. E. Randle has handed us a special invitation to attend this great exposition, September 22-26.

G. A. Watkins and attendant, and Mrs. Mary Nide of missionary fame, also Miss Lou Nide, all of Detroit, spent Sunday at the Watkins farm.

Peninsular Lodge, K. P., Detroit, will visit Sidney Kelly next Monday evening and will be accompanied by Major John Sinclair in High Land costume.

George Ford, Sr., is comfortably situated with his son Arthur, in Troy. We suggested to the good man that he should buy a bicycle, but he firmly refused.

Married at the residence of Henry Wheeler of Royal Oak, June 2nd, Charles Wheeler and Miss Marie Baker, both of Detroit. Rev. M. H. Bartraan officiated.

Miss Lema Bartraan closes her school year today (Friday) and a picnic will be given tomorrow. Her position for the coming year will be in the Royal Oak school.

Next Tuesday is "Outing Day" for the Ladies' Literary club. A basket picnic will be held at Palmer park. Take the car at 2 p. m. All go and invite your friends.

The beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Perry in this village will soon be christened "Edgeland," a very appropriate name for the establishment. We notice that many d. city ones, too, are receiving names, and it is a good idea.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Willcox of Royal Oak, May 18, a fine boy, and the scales balanced at just 13 pounds. Grandpa and Grandpa Davidson will keep on earth.

Mrs. Emma Bacon and daughter, Miss Belle Bacon, of Boston, Mass., were the guests of Mrs. J. A. Bigelow over Sunday last and also visited with the family of A. Whitehead.

The Misses Mabel Pearsall and Mabel King will attend the summer normal school at Ypsilanti. Miss King will also return in the fall to attend the state normal school for the coming year.

At last a word is to be spoken in favor of the English sparrows. They are said to be lovers of locusts, and they may do us good service in case we should be visited by the seventeen year locusts as has been predicted.

You won't miss J. M. Lawson's new advertisement in this issue. Mr. Lawson has business ability enough for a town many times superior to his home town. In proof of this, he has in bins in his possession, all paid for, 200 tons of Lehigh Valley coal.

Miss Ruby Caroline Brownell, who was one of the singers at the Junior exhibition, assisted at a piano recital in Pontiac last week Wednesday evening and the Gazette says that "Miss Brownell has a very sweet voice and her selections were well chosen."

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

A low priced advertisement may be expected to contain a world of laughable errors. Advertising and commercial printing are in the same line with all other good commodities—if you want the best they cost a little more. See the point, you sticklers for low prices on printing!

We are pleased to mention the safe return of Wm. Black of Troy from his late California trip. In California he found all the Michigan people, and was treated most cordially by them. William is the man to enjoy life, knows a good thing when he has it and comes and goes whenever and wherever he wills.

Dr. Geo. Volkner and Miss Lillie Riley of Detroit were recent guests of Arthur Ford and family in Troy. Mrs. Ford Hamilton, Mr. Clemens, with Baby Hamlin, took in the late Junior exhibition, and on their return Mrs. Ford accompanied them and had a delightful visit in the Bath city.

Wm. Hillard has a good bicycle repair shop and can fix any wheel disabled, no matter how or why, at low rates. He wishes to inform everybody having a wheel at his shop that it is not called for it will be sold at auction to clean out and settle up old jobs. A word to the wise is sufficient.

Master Harry Spicer, son of Wm. Spicer, is suffering from a broken leg, the accident occurring in a very curious way. The lad had climbed up into a tree, under which a horse passed and kicked up its heels, with the result that the boy's leg was broken just above the ankle. Dr. Ducl of Franklin is in attendance.

This is the season of the year for noxious weeds to flourish. If every property owner would see that all noxious plants along the road adjoining his place were destroyed, it would take a short time and it would be a great benefit to the country at large. Why not give this matter some attention?

School teachers sometimes receive notes from parents of pupils which often have more common sense in them than poetry. One of our Oakland county teachers received the following note not long since which clearly illustrates: "Nature has provided a proper place for the punishment of a boy, and it is not his ear. I would thank you to use it here."—Ex.

Passing the Koal Kabin farm in Troy early this week we found J. S. Schermerhorn a very busy man. With his three horses he has plowed and got ready for seeding 53 acres of his farm. In eight hours, with his good man, Arthur Meade, he planted 12 acres of corn, and in one day dragged over 30 acres of land. Everything gets a move on at the K. K. farm.

W. I. McClelland is the busiest man in town and doing well. Having delivered his mowers, binders, etc. he is now just about ready to talk Hoover potato digger to our farmers. Now here is a wonder

and a needful implement for every farmer in Oakland county, or anywhere else for that matter. Read his advertisement in another column and act accordingly.

L. H. Tolles is foreman at the celebrated Watkins pony farm. He keeps everything in fine shape and is the right man in the right place. Both Mr. and Mrs. Tolles are very agreeable entertainers and the following have recently partaken of their hospites.—The Misses Celia Tobin and Mary Nichols of Detroit. Ice cream and cake started them home wards in fine style.

Frank P. Beekman is in great demand by farmers helping them to kill off the army worm, sometimes known as the canker worm. The state law says that orchards infested with this pest must be cut out or the worms killed off. Frank does this work effectually for \$3 per day and says the price will soon be raised to \$5 per day, as it is a dangerous and nasty business to be engaged in.

The returned Californian, Mr. and Mrs. F. Hagerman, accompanied by Mrs. Florida Packard and daughter, Miss Alice, all arrived safely home last Friday. They have enjoyed the past winter in fine health and spirits, and all return well and hearty. We are glad that the love of home, Birmingham and Michigan prevails strong enough to cause the wanderers to return.

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W. H. Snowdon of Pontiac, father of Justice H. H. Snowdon, is dead after a short illness with pneumonia. Mr. Snowdon was 71 years old and had been a resident of Pontiac 45 years. He was for many years engaged in the produce business and was known to the older people throughout the county. He came to this country from Manchester, England. He was hale and hearty up to the day of his sickness and his death was unexpected.

W. I. McClelland, our agricultural dealer, is a busy man nowadays, but Saturday last was a hummer. This was the day Will made his annual delivery of the celebrated Champion mowers, binders and rakes. There were 68 machines delivered and the buyers with their friends, all enjoyed a big dinner, such as Mine Host Fish of the National knows how to serve. Over one hundred enjoyed Will's hospitality, and the machinery they drove away with amounted to over \$3,000.

To rid cupboards of mice and ants, spread the mouse holes with cork dipped in carbolic acid and scrub floor and shelves with a diluted carbolic acid. A tablespoonful of the bucket of water will be right, but it must be hot water, and the carbolic must be stirred in with a stick till incorporated with the water, for carbolic acid is a powerful corrosive and great care is needed in handling it. This method has been successful when cayenne and other remedies have failed.

Decorations day passed off very quietly in Birmingham. The usual services were held in the afternoon at the soldiers' monument in Greenwood cemetery, conducted by comrades of Dick Richardson Post, G. A. R., of Pontiac. A beautiful new flag was presented to the Birmingham Memorial Association by Rev. H. S. Justema in behalf of the citizens of this place and Rev. M. H. Bartraan responded with a few appropriate remarks in behalf of the association. Our beautiful necropolis has seldom looked lovelier and many people were attracted there during the day.

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Down at the Addison farm are two bright, wide-awake boys, up to snuff and fond of pets. A nice flock of doves are cared for by the boys, but their greatest joy is a quartette of young crows, and they are a noisy lot (the crows, not the boys). The boys, Masters Harry and George, climbed a beech tree, at least fifty feet from the ground, and both lads secured four young crows. Four of the eight have since left this earthly sphere, but the four left behind made noise enough for the entire eight. Just as soon as the boys can get to it they will split the crows' tongues and have talking birds that will beat the best parrot that ever squawked "Polly watta a cracker."

Down in Troy at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Davidson the family of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tyrrell of Chicago have been visiting for two weeks, and all have had a happy time indeed. Mr. Tyrrell is from the Chicago medical institute, where 37 transcripts are under his paying one. During her vacation all these nurses are under Miss Mary Davidson, who fills the position temporarily while Mrs. Tyrrell is away. Miss Mary is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Davidson and is doing finely in this great medical institute.

The Arnold Home, one of the most praised and beneficent institutions of Detroit, was formally opened last week Thursday evening. The Home consists of two branches, a home for old ladies, at 111 Selden avenue, and a home and hospital for aged people of both sexes, at 110 Fort street west. Mrs. M. Terry, who made many friends in this vicinity during her recent canvass in the interest of the Home, has been installed as head nurse in the home and hospital on Fort street. This is a responsible and lucrative position and one, for which Miss Terry is admirably fitted by past experience.

Judge Robert of Detroit handed down on day last week the opinion of the court bench in the taxation case of the David Whitney, jr., estate. The court decided that David C. Whitney and Charles Stonefield, the trustees, are residents of Grosse Pointe and Bloomfield, Oakland county respectively, and therefore the personal property is taxable against them in the place where they reside. This decision removed the assessment of \$8,775,500 against the personal property of the Whitney estate from the Detroit rolls, and made the personal property assessable in Grosse Pointe and Bloomfield.

Mrs. Emma Bartraan Ravler, director of the E. B. R. S. of Emission and English Literature, Detroit, conducted a full course of entertainment at Grand Hill, Detroit, Tuesday evening of this week. It was a musical recital and the program of the Star of Detroit. Mrs. Ravler was the singer, a young position for a 20-year-old debutant, but to say that she filled all requirements is drawing it very mild, indeed. Mrs. Ravler had reason to be proud of the result of her teachings, and the friends of this first lady debutant all have a right to take pride in her efforts. She was ably assisted by other participants and we had the pleasure of again hearing the sweet voice in song of Miss Ruby C. Brownell, who was in the ranks of our vocalists when she sang here at the late Junior hop.

Three numbers were given by Mrs. Beatrice and had she been eighteen instead of eight she could not have done better. Her character sketches, recitations, and dramatics were all of the right character. Her powers of song are different emotions of the human heart all were fine and her facial expressions were truly beyond her years. She is a treasure and the pride of her home and school. Every member was heartily pleased and the friends of the ladies were numerous. "Initiating Pay," from Peck's Bad Boy, was a delightful recitation given in a girl's suit, seated on a barrel and with the utmost nonchalance possible. This little skit about certainly has a bright future before here and we congratulate her.

The hall was filled to overflowing and everyone present are indebted to Mrs. Ravler, Mrs. Beatrice Ely and their friends for their assistance for a delightful evening's entertainment.

She Touched the Doctor—Maybe. A popular M. D. of Pontiac while a passenger on the trolley car from Detroit, during the wind, rain and electrical storm that recently visited us, left his seat and gently quizzed a hysterical lady who was terribly agitated by the power of the elements. She wept, wailed, crossed herself again and again, calling on all the saints in the calendar to save her, grow her hair and deliver her from danger. The Dr. soothed her. He returned to his seat. He missed his fine watch and fob. He made a "holer."

The passengers decided that a house to house search be made, that is from pocket to pocket.

Then the hysterical passenger announced that she felt something under her foot, when lo! the Dr.'s time piece was found to be "it."

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WHY IS IT? That it usually rains when the umbrella is left at home? That a boy wants to be a man and a man longs to be a boy? That a woman always sits down on the floor to put on her shoes? That our own opinions of ourselves are better than those of our friends have of us? That a woman would rather hear her female friends condemned than praised? That contentment is within the reach of all yet it is as scarce as hen's teeth? That any American girl will pay a million dollars for a moth-eaten Edwardian Hat? That a girl who will brave the terrors of a breach-of-promise suit, is afraid of a mouse?

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