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TWENTY-SIXTH YEAR.

BIRMINGHAM, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN, FRIDAY, JANUARY 2, 1903.

NO. 27.

WHOLE NO. 1285.

A REMINDER

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



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Diamonds Watches Sterling Silverware Etc., Etc.

Our location, just a few doors off Woodward Ave., places us in a position to SAVE YOU MONEY



Shetland Floss

Best line of HOSIERY in Town and prices right.

OUTING FLANNELS IN SHOES

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

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DEALER IN Marble and Granite Monuments Birmingham, Mich.

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

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Pontiac, Mich.

A. W. CAMPBELL,

Fire and Tornado Insurance and Real Estate Agents

Collector of Rent and Notary Public.

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

Ford Block, Birmingham, Mich.

Seasonable Goods Reasonable Prices!

5000 rolls New Fall Patterns WALL PAPER at 4, 5, 6, 8, 10 and 12 1/2 per roll. Borders to match, same price

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 of town, or anywhere.

Remember! The name stands for merit in our line. E. & F. F. CLARK, FORD BLOCK, BIRMINGHAM

Prices Correct Work Guaranteed

Special attention given to amateur work of all kinds

As we Start upon 1903

At the advent of a new year we wish to extend to our friends the compliments of the season, and to express our appreciation of the favor shown us by the people of this community.

To old customers, to new ones, and to those we hope to serve during the coming year, we extend best wishes for a New Year of happiness and prosperity.

Whitehead & Mitchell "The Druggists," BIRMINGHAM, MICH.

BUY

Guaranteed Rubber Goods

Going's Rubber Footwear has always been noted for its RELIABILITY. We guarantee our FIRST QUALITY RUBBERS, first to be PERFECT when sold--Second, that the uppers will not crash before the sole and heels show sufficient wear.

The purchaser stands all risks as to premature tears and cuts

Rubber Boots Artics Felt Rubbers Light Rubbers Sock 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

PROMISING OIL WELLS

Those Controlled by the Wolverine and Buckeye Company.

The Pontiac Daily Press, Dec. 31. Yesterday afternoon a meeting of the directors of the Wolverine and Buckeye Oil Company was held at Birmingham.

The property of the company is one of the most promising in the Lima field, comprising 338 acres in Perry township, Allen county, and 624 Acres in Orange township, Hancock county, Ohio.

At yesterday's meeting a block of 100 shares were set aside to be sold for future development of the company, which will be largely taken up by the present stockholders.

Heaven on Earth. KOWKA CO. (Kas.) Times. A man had went to heaven, as a man should, but it was noticed by the angels that he was not particularly well pleased with the life.

Christmas and New Year's Excursions. Via Grand Trunk Railway System. One and one-third fare for the round trip.

SCRAPS IN BRIEF. Looking glasses--spectacles. A crank is a person whose enthusiasms we do not share.

Volvo (from up stairs, to autor in garage) George, when you have will you please throw in the morning paper?

Friend--And do you belong to the realistic school of writers? Author (despondently)--I guess not. I have never been able to realize on any of the stuff I've written.

Starting Finds Way to Live. The startling announcement of a discovery that will surely lengthen life is made by editor O. H. Downey, of Churubusco, Ind., who writes, that Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption is the most infallible remedy that I have ever known for Coughs, Colds and Grip.

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A LITTLE HINT FROM NATURE

Oh, de main it come a fallin'! An' de clouds in mighty black, An' de lightning stabs a-shoootin'!

But de sunshine come a laughin', Jus' as cheerful as befo', De Him shinin' at de day.

Ev'ry body's happy, honey, You see, an' you see de sun shine, You see an' you see de sun shine, De victory an' de Washington Star.

FLASAE'S OF FVMS

Ridley--"I am the architect of my own fortune." Ridley--"Aren't you afraid of a visit from the building inspector?"

Ever is human when you say: You surely cannot doubt it; And even more human as the way lost a sense and his strength.

"Greatest habitually wears a pained expression." "Yes, he always looks as if he had accidentally sat down on the pinnacle of fame"--Harper's Bazar.

Little Willie--"Say, pa, what's a dill?" Pa--"Well, my son, is the art of knowing how you know without letting others know it." Chicago News.

First Fuser--"What do you see attractive in that girl, anyhow?" Second Fuser--"Why, man, her hair! Her First Dill--"Oh, I see. Just capillary attraction." Yale Record.

The automatic squire. He takes along some gasoline And amine like a Washington Star.

"Is this, then, to be the end of our romance?" she asked. "No," she answered. "My love will call on you in the morning. I have a bus and a half of your letters." Chicago Record-Herald.

Yes, he takes a great interest in people who he has been familiar with the inside of so many of them. "Indeed! As a criminal?" "Not exactly. As an automaton!"--Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Colwiger--"I would prefer a literary life, but as I have business ability I owe it to myself to go into trade." "If you have the business--the thing you can make more money at--I prefer that at anything else."--Judge.

Woderly--"What makes you think the widow who has just moved in next door is Mrs. Woderly?" "Indeed, I was talking to her across the back fence today, and she told me how I ought to raise my little girl!"--Chicago News.

Mr. Gairns--"I wish I had lots of money." "I wish I had a son who could get what he wished for." I think I should wish first, common sense, and then for money."--Chicago News.

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and that's satisfaction, and it's your own fault if you are not perfectly satisfied with anything you purchase of us.

We are anxious to right any wrong--you must be suited and if it cannot be done at this store where quality is the Highest, Prices the lowest and fair, and courteous treatment assures it is not possible to do it at any other store.

Perhaps the subject of Heavy Overcoats might interest you, any way we really feel that we should again mention the great values we are giving at \$10, \$12, and \$15.

A man should see them though he doesn't wish to buy--gives him a good idea of what the highest quality at fair prices does mean at Traver's.

R. H. Traver Company

174, 175, 176 Woodward Ave. BIRMINGHAM

Notice. DETROIT, Mich., DECEMBER 1, 1902. To the Township Board of the Township of Bloomfield.

The rights of the Birmingham & Pontiac Plank Road Company to maintain the road and collect tolls thereon between Birmingham and Pontiac expires this day and possession thereof is hereby surrendered.

Yours, etc., R. H. TRAVER, President.

To be notified tax payers: I will be at the following places from 8 o'clock a. m. until 3 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of receiving taxes.

At Erby's mill, December 24, Parks' store, December 27, Franklin, December 30, Town hall, January 6, Heddow, January 8, and at home all Fridays until January 10, 1903.

L. J. HAUK, Township Treasurer.

To THE TAX PAYERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TROY: Notice is hereby given that I will be at the following places from December 5, 1902, to January 10, 1903, from 8 o'clock a. m. to 3 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of receiving taxes.

Fridays, December 5, 12, 19, 26 and January 2, 9 at home.

Saturdays, December 6, 13, 20, 27 and January 3, 10 at the Exchange bank Birmingham.

Mondays, December 8, 15, 22, 29 and January 5, at F. D. King's store, Troy.

Wednesdays, December 10, 17, 24, 31 and January 7 at Samuel Levy's store, Big Beaver.

Tuesdays, December 16, 30 at Geo. Harris' store, Colbran.

Township Treasurer, J. W. CHATFIELD, Detroit.

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Electric Bitters regulate Stomach, Liver and Kidneys, purify the blood, and give a splendid appetite. They work wonders in curing Kidney Troubles and Female Complaints, Nervous Diseases, Constipation, Dyspepsia and Malaria.

Notice. I will collect Township Taxes every week day from December 1st to January 31st at the store of Cobb & Cobb, except every Saturday at County Treasurer's office, Pontiac.

T. H. Cobb, Twp. Treas.

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Dress Goods, Silks and Velvets and Ready-to-Wear GARMENTS

The new creations of the season--immense variety of styles and prices--many broken lots of the most popular goods and the quickest sellers, at

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