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To Our Friends.

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THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC.

HOME NOTES.

Got smallpox yet?

Geo. N. Brady, of farm fame, is the last one to sign a contract for a farm telephone.

Regular meeting of O. E. S. Wednesday evening, Oct. 7, at 7:30 o'clock. Mame Daniels, Sec.

C. W. Bruce hands us in a block of Capac peat and says the factory is slow to market their product.

The oyster supper at the Baptist church last Friday evening was a success in every way. A neat little sum was realized.

Anyone finding a school classification register for district No. 7, Royal Oak, will please leave it at this office or at Northwood.

Lost, a pair of gold spectacles in a black case. Finder please leave at THE ECCENTRIC office and greatly oblige the loser.

Salesman wanted to look after our interest in Oakland and adjacent counties. Salary or commission. Address Lincoln Oil Co. Cleveland O. 3

Mrs. Geo. H. Jackson, of Troy, is visiting relatives in Barry county. Meanwhile the housework goes merrily on carefully superintended by Miss Jackson.

Mrs. Robert Hanna and Mrs. B. F. Stiffler went to Holly Tuesday to attend the county Sunday-school convention in session there this week.

Ray Hamlin has resigned his job at the McVittie farm. He is followed by Mr. F. E. Crary who will be a farmer instead of a good motorman.

The Detroit Journal is now installing a new quadruple press. It will cost $30,000, and will print, fold, paste and count 800 papers a minute.

They do say that the German carp have driven from the Birmingham and Erity millponds all the pickerel, perch and bass. Wonder if they have?

Every member of Birmingham Chapter, No. 220, O. E. S, are requested to be present at the regular meeting Oct. 7, to elect and install a Worthy Matron, W. M.

Pinder Worth brings to us a fine mess of strawberries picked for the second time this year from his vines. He has ripe and green berries and blossoms in great profusion.

C. H. Carter has made his home very beautiful with two coats of Detroit White Lead Works paint. It's a beauty and Cassius takes pardonable pride in its ownership.

Mrs. H. C. Wilson has been a happy visitor with relatives at Washington Courthouse, Ohio, for the past month. She returned with Mr. Wilson last Saturday and is again at home to her many friends.

Now girls, honestly, what would you think if your mother should should quit the house immediately after supper every evening and trapse the streets until 10 and 11 o'clock?

Music and drawing have been added to the curriculum of Farmington's school, and an instructor from Detroit will devote one day in the week teaching the Farmington young idea how to aim at harmony and art.

For Sale Cheap—McCormick steam corn-husker and shredder. Has been used for only about three weeks. Inquire of F. G. Pearsall, Birmingham, Mich., who will show you the machine and explain all necessary particulars.

The Lady Foresters of Royal Oak meet with Mrs. James Shain next Wednesday, October 7, at 3.30 p. m., to have their quilt drawing and tea. Everybody invited, especially those holding tickets on the quilt. Supper 5c.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlton, of Owosso, were guests of Mrs. C. Utter last week. Mr. Charlton is Owosso's heaviest contractor and builder. He longs for a tidy little farm near Birmingham and will have it some sweet day.

Mrs. Thos. Thurlby and daughter, Mrs. May Hupp, have returned from a two weeks' visit with Mrs. Thurlby's brothers at Ubley, Mich. The good ladies had the trip of their lives and enjoyed every moment of the time while away.

Messrs. Monroe and Gravlin, painters, have just finished painting all of Bert Peabody's property in Troy and his home in Birmingham red. They have finished a fine piece of work and the result is good and satisfactory to all.

J. Roy Blakeslee is the latest business man to put in a phone, this step is caused by the growth of his business which is steadily increasing. He wants everybody to know that telephone orders will be cheerfully received and promptly acted upon.

UGH-GH-GH-GH!—Another winter has rolled around, its worries to begin, and I have not a sorry pound of fuel in the bin; alas! alack! come pity me, ye folk of wealthy station—for heated now my house must be with naught but indignation.—Baltimore News.

Next Sunday, October 4, the Grand Trunk Railway System gives another of its popular excursions. You can go to Grand Rapids and return for $2.60; Battle Creek, $1.75; Lansing, $1.25; Saginaw and Bay City, $1.55. Train leaves Birmingham 7:52 a. m., returning at 11:10 p. m. No baggage checked on Sunday excursions.

Visitors at H. P. Saltzer's the past week were: Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Randall, of Detroit; Miss Hunt and Mr. G. M. Hunt, Battle Creek; Mrs. A. B. Saltzer and Miss Saltzer, Detroit; Miss Erb and Mrs. Erb, Royal Oak, and Miss Charlotte Beardslee, Mrs. Keyser, Miss Keyser and Mrs. James Cobb and daughter Elsie.

The latest real estate deal made by the Exchange Bank is the place on Willow avenue, just west of Woodward avenue, formerly known as the Kelcher property. It was sold on Tuesday to Mr. A. E. Rosso of Royal Oak, who is at present occupying the position of car dispatcher of the Detroit United Railway at that place. Mr. Rosso and family will take immediate possession.

The new law which went into effect last week provides that notaries public shall hereafter append to all certificates on legal papers the date of the expiration of their commissions. The law is intended to prevent notaries from performing official duties after their commissions have expired, as sometimes occurs.

The recent brilliant sunsets have given to those who chanced at that hour to look westward on Maple avenue as fine a view as can be seen anywhere. The trees nearly meeting from either side of the street seem to make an arched way direct into the gold of the sunset. Long may these beautiful trees be spared from vandal hands.

The young boys ranging from five to sixteen years should be very careful how they swear and use profanity on the streets and in public places for fear they may draw their fathers and older people into the habit. The young boys of this village could have much influence over the older people of the village if they only would. Boys, only think of the responsibility that rests upon you.

The fire alarm wires got crossed Saturday and the mocking bird whistle (we had no hand in naming the whistle) awoke the town and in less time than it takes to tell it the hose carts were out and manned ready to do battle. If a mocking bird is anything like that whistle we age glad the hooting, screeching, unearthly yelling things don't live in this part of the country.

Manager Mitchell of the Michigan Telephone Co. has promises of a new 60 drop switch-board. This is a necessity arising from the constantly increasing number of subscribers to his exchange. This new switch-board will have all the latest inventions brought out for quick and sure service to the company's patrons and with Miss King to manage it, no other office in the state can excel in giving perfect satisfaction to its patrons.

Mrs. Flora Beattie is sawing her Woodward avenue house right plumb in two. She will move the rear part along side of the part unmoved and in less than a month will have two pretty homes to rent at popular prices. Mrs. Mary Poppleton will shortly move into one of them. Carpenters Marsh and Culver are doing the work while McKinney, the house mover, does the moving.

A St. Clair county woman who was suing for a divorce stated in her bill of complaint that her husband had at one time tried to throw her out of a second story window at their house. The judge was somewhat impressed by the husband's cruel act until the latter told him that their home was only a one-story structure, with all the rooms on the ground floor, and then the jig was up.

There are a couple of interesting matrimonial laws which went into effect on the 17th of this month. One is that first cousins cannot marry. Another is one that makes it a felony when a man deserts his wife and goes into another state. By making it a felony a man who deserts his wife and goes into another state can be brought back by extradition papers, and sent to states prison for from one to three years.

Don't fool away your money on investment companies. When a man represents that his companies will pay you 30 or 50 per cent. in 90 days or a year on some scheme, don't you believe him. The country is full of fellows who can make fortunes for other people, but never made a cent for themselves. These concerns have no way of making your dollar into two dollars by a series of loans. Some fellow is going to get left in the deal.

Now the great fair is over the chief topic of conversation in Oakland county is the question where will our $100,000 court house be placed? Listen to what another county has just done: "We have a good wide street on four sides of our grounds."—C. J. Chambers County Clerk, Ithaca, Gratiot Co., Mich. Jesse G. Harmon, Deputy County Clerk, Charlotte, Mich., says: "We have a very fine up-to-date court house, and for the size of the town, one of the finest."

Mr. James E. Quick of the Grand Trunk System, chief baggage master over all, was in town Saturday of last week looking over his real estate and visiting among many friends. He is in fair health, looks well and enjoys his work. We are sorry to say that his youngest daughter Miss Bessie Quick's health is not as good as we could wish, but we are sure she will soon recover her good health and spirits. A host of friends here send out such a thought and wish.

On Tuesday, Oct. 6, Frank Dunn has an auction sale on the old Maney farm, one mile north and one mile east of Royal Oak. Horses, 14 head blooded cows, heifers, brood sows, pigs, wagon, cultivators, 100 chickens, one horse-power, potato crates, 2 heating stoves, 100 bu. oats, 10 tons hay, 4 acres corn fodder on the ground, and many other articles will be sold. Terms easy. M. H. Blunt, auctioneer; Wm. McKeavy, clerk. Sale commences at 10 o'clock a. m. Lunch served at noon.

The biggest mushroom of the season was captured by Mr. E. C. Poppleton and brought to our office. We wouldn't undertake to tell just what particular species this one belonged, but it was a great big round affair and weighed 3 pounds and 10 ounces. It was a mushroom sure enough for a patron of THE ECCENTRIC asked what we would take for it and in the fulness of our heart and the gladness thereof we gave it away. We know it to be a true, honest, genuine mushroom because the entire family are alive and well after slicing it, frying it and eating it. Say, we wouldn't take a chance on it for any sum of money.

The Imlay City Times says in regard to the filthy practice of spitting on the sidewalks: "This nuisance should be abated and with that end in view, some of the business men have inserted neat cards in their windows bearing this request, 'Please do not spit on this sidewalk.' Gentlemen will not persist in this nuisance and an ordinance would have a desirable effect on the other kind." Though this item appeared last week it is worth repeating and it is only truth to add that the women of the Literary club asked for such an ordinance last year and the request was made a subject of ridicule.

The report in circulation Monday that Henry Housted, the smallpox patient, had been examined by an expert doctor from Detroit and his disease pronounced something different from smallpox, is without the least foundation. No expert has been here. The man was examined in the first place by five good doctors—LeBaron and Drake of Pontiac; Campbell and Raynale of this place and Gass, health officer of Troy, all of whom pronounced it a case of smallpox. On Tuesday Housted was well covered with smallpox pustules, but is now on the road to recovery. He will be detained for some time yet.

To satisfy the people of the Tabernacle church in Detroit six ministers have been changed by the bishop since the conference at Flint. Rev. M. H. Bartram was shifted several times during conference, but was finally returned to Birmingham for another year, and now Bishop Walden has changed the order of things and Brother Bartram goes to Stockbridge and we get Dr. Shier, the presiding elder of this district last year. Mr. Bartram leaves here with the best wishes of a multitude of friends, and we hope Dr. Shier will receive the welcome which a man of his cloth so justly deserves. Later—Changes have again been made in the above pastorates but we go to press too early to give the latest news from the seat of war.

Mr. J. Hunt, secretary of the Detroit and Parry Sound mining company, and Joe Donaldson of Pontiac (everybody knows Joe) have just returned from the Parry Sound mining district, where they have been on a tour of inspection. Joe was a prospective buyer and made the trip to satisfy himself that everything was all right. After a thorough examination he saw no reason why he shouldn't invest his money in such a good property and he forthwith subscribed for 62,000 shares of the stock. The Birmingham stockholders are assured by Mr. Donaldson's action that their money has been well invested. The stock is selling at the low price of 15c per share. C. H. Hoffman is the agent.

A preacher came at a newspaper man in this way: "You editors do not tell the truth. If you did you could not live; your newspapers would be a failure." The editor replied: "You are right, and the minister who will at all times tell the whole truth about his members, alive or dead, will not occupy his pulpit more than one Sunday, and then he will find it necessary to leave town in a hurry. The press and the pulpit go hand in hand with whitewash brushes and pleasant words magnifying little virtues into big ones. The pulpit, the pen and the gravestone are the great saint-making triumvirate" And the great minister went away looking very thoughtful, while the editor turned to his work and told of the surpassing beauty of the bride, while in fact she was as homely as untrimmed hedge fence.

Last Monday evening the Literary club gave a reception to the teachers of the school at the home of Mrs. Bigelow. A few words of welcome were given by the president, Mrs. Clizbe, and a response from Mr. Field, telling some things the club might do to help the school. A pleasing song and encore from Miss Bartram was followed by a few words from Miss Baldwin, who read a report from the Bay City Woman's Club on "Town Improvement," after which she took the occasion to thank the teachers for the interest they had shown in neatness of the town by urging the children to pick up papers both on the school ground and in the street. Mr. Bigelow was called on and made the pleasing statement that if the men of our town took the same interest in its advancement that the women did, there would be added improvements. A social hour followed in which the need of another teacher in the school to take charge of the music, drawing and kindergarten was discussed by many who wish to see our school keep pace with the times.

DAN'S DILEMMA.

D. M. Johnston and wife with James H. Wooster and wife have all returned home safely from a Canadian trip and visit. They took in the London, Ont., fair and on one Saturday afternoon while rubbering round St. Mary's the quartette wandered into a Catholic church. The day was cold, doors and windows open and the Yankees all bundled up. Pretty soon the priest walked in with a portly tread and dignified movement, folded his arms and looking straight at Dan thus he spoke: "I am surprised that fellows that look like men should deport themselves in this outrageous manner, and come into the house of Christ and not remove their hats." Wow! Off came the hats in a twinkling and Dan advanced toward his highness saying that being strangers from a distance, as it were, they did not know the customs of the church. Priest would not listen to the apology but stalked away with Dan yelling after him, "You old jack-in-the-box come out in the alley and I will knock your block off," and then they, the Birminghammers, all walked out quietly and orderly the gents with their hats off while the band played "Annie Laurie."

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