THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC.

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

TWENTY-SEVENTH YEAR. BIRMINGHAM, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1903. NO. 32. WHOLE NO. 1315

For—

AUTUMN WEDDINGS

SILVERWARE

We have a large assortment in Sterling Silver and Rogers' Silver Plated Ware, from which you can easily select a suitable gift.

CUT GLASS

There is nothing appreciated more than Cut Glass. Our line contains many beautiful pieces.

CLOCKS

A Mantle Clock or a French Clock makes a very appropriate Wedding Present. We have many new designs in reliable Clocks.

The Adolph Engelhardt Co.

TRUSSES

THE RIGHT KIND TO BUY.

you can buy Trusses for almost nothing, or you can pay a very high price for them; but the price of a Truss does not prove that it is going to be the Truss which you need. Every case has to be fitted individually. That is where we have our big success with Trusses. No one goes out of our store with a Truss that does not fit perfectly. Therefore a great many people are wearing our Trusses and sending their friends to us for Trusses. If you are wearing a Truss and it does not feel right or stay in the right place come-m and see us about it We will tell you whether it is the right Truss for you to wear.

E. L. KEYSER,
PONTIAC, MICH.

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STEAKS,
CUTLETS,
CHOPS,
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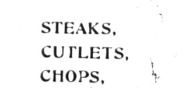
The Corner Market Man.

Poultry, Game, Fish and Vegetables in Season.



WHEN IN DETROIT

—EAT AT—

61 MICHIGAN AVENUE.

Meals 15c.

Clarence L. Cowles,
Architect,
21 and 22 Chase Block,
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Residence 108.

John D. Riker, M. D.
Practice Limited to EYE, EAR NOSE, THROAT.
Pontiac, -:- Mich.

FALL ARRIVALS
1903.

WE QUOTE THE FOLLOWING PRICES:

5,000 yards new Fall Outings at 5c, 8c and 10c per yd.
2,000 yards all-wool Trecots at 25c per yd.
1,500 yards fancy Fleeced Waistings at 10c per yd
1,000 yards fancy Ramona Flannels at 15c per yd.
New Line of Sorosis Skirts at $1.00, $1.50 $2.00 and $2.50
New Line of Ladies' Gowns at 50c, 75c and $1.00.
New Line of Corset Covers at 25c, 35c and 50c.
New Line of Gents' Night Shirts at 50c, 75c and $1.00
New Line of Taffeta Ribbons, all shades, at 5c, 8c, 10c and 15c a yard

BLANKETS BLANKETS

10 4 at 50c, 6 4 at 75c per pair.
11 4 at 75c, $1.00, $1.25, $1.50 and $2.00

We are now receiving our New Fall Stock, and can quote you low prices on Clean, Fresh Goods.

F. BLAKESLEE
BIRMINGHAM - - MICH.

BANK of BIRMINGHAM
POWER & SMITH, Bankers

Responsibility - - $50,000.00

We do a general banking business. Pay 4 per cent on certificates of deposit and also issue Savings Books.

We have small banks which we loan to depositors. Call and get one for your child and teach him to save and know the worth of a dollar.

Personal attention will be given your banking business by proprietors, who have had ample experience. We want at least a portion of your business.

CHAS. E. TOMS, Cashier

HARDWARE.

WE CARRY A FULL LINE OF

SHELF GOODS, STOVES OF ALL KINDS, RANGES, ETC.

When in need of Paints or Oils get our prices before purchasing Elsewhere.

PLUMBING AND TINNING
ARE OUR SPECIALTIES.

Our Line of TINWARE is complete in every detail, and contains everything essential to the thrifty housewife who delights in the Culinary Art.

Your Trade Solicited.

J. R. BLAKESLEE.
Hardware Merchant, Birmingham Mich.

BLACK AND COLORED DRESS GOODS
FOR HOLIDAY GIFTS

We have selected from our regular stock over 300 Dress and Skirt lengths, which are marked at a great reduction from regular prices.

Also a large assortment of NOVELTY WOOL WAIST PATTERNS at much under value.

ONE LOT NOVELTY SILK VELVETS.

Comprising over 50 styles—choice colorings and designs suitable for entire costumes, Separate Waists, etc. Nothing more suitable for a Holiday Gift. These goods were manufactured to sell at $1.45 to $1.50 a yard—our price for choice of entire lot, 79 cents per yard.

LACE DEPARTMENT

We have just purchased a small lot of manufacturer's surplus stock in the latest styles of LADIES' HAND-MADE NECKWEAR worth from $1.00 to $2.50 each. We offer this choice of the lo. at 75c each.

HOSIERY DEPARTMENT

We have just received our case of LADIES' PLAIN BLACK INGRAIN and DROP-STITCH LISLE HOSE that we have always sold at 50c or three pairs for $1.00. We offer this lot to close at 25c a pair.

SECOND FLOOR

Continuation of our

GREAT ANNUAL FAN SALE

This magnificent collection of Fans will be sold at one-quarter and much below regular prices.

Send for Illustrated Catalogue.

The Taylor-Woolfenden Company,
165 to 169 Woodward Ave., Detroit.

OUR HOLIDAY STOCK

Is coming in and we must have room to display it. Prices will be cut and every day will be Bargain Day for the next two weeks. The Ladies of Birmingham should not miss this opportunity.

MRS. G. W. TERRY,
Lawrence Street East, Pontiac, Mich.

A PLEASANT MEETING

Of O. E. S. Held at Commerce, Tuesday, December 1.

The fourth meeting of the Oakland County Association O. E. S. held at Commerce on December 1st, will be one long remembered by those present. Mrs. Powers, Grand Marshal of the Grand Chapter of Michigan was in attendance. Mrs. George Kuttler, of Pontiac, and W. A. Buttraw, of Birmingham, president and vice-president of the association were in their chairs. Five of the Chapters of Oakland County were well represented. The address of welcome, given by Mrs. Green, W. M. of the entertaining Chapter, made everyone feel that they were indeed heartily welcome at Commerce. The address was ably responded to by Mrs. Kingsley, W. M. of Milford.

It being the annual meeting of the association we then proceeded to elect officers, with the result that Mrs. Kuttler, of Pontiac, and W. A. Buttraw, of Birmingham, acting president, and vice-president of the association, were unanimously re-elected. Miss Bertha Elmer, of Oxford, was re elected secretary and treasurer.

A short program was arranged. Bro. Sherrick, of Grand Rapids, gave several recitations in his usual pleasant manner. Remarks by members of the different Chapters were then listened to, after which we adjourned to the banquet hall where the tables were loaded with the good things which the ladies of Commerce Chapter know so well how to prepare.

After supper we returned to the Chapter room where the work was demonstrated by officers chosen from the different Chapters. A few remarks followed, after which a rising vote of thanks was given Commerce Chapter for the kindness and hospitality shown us. We then adjourned to meet with at Holly in April. All then returned to their homes with the satisfaction of knowing that it was a day well spent.

ONE WHO WAS PRESENT.

PARTS OF THE ANATOMY.

A friend of THE ECCENTRIC in Detroit sends in the following to test your guessing powers. See how many you can make out.

Two lids.
Two caps.
Two musical instruments.
Two established measures.
Articles carpenters cannot do without.
A number of small shell fish.
Two lofty trees.
Some fine flowers.
Two playful domestic animals.
A great number of small wild animals.
A fine stag.
The product of a camphor tree.
Whips without handles.
Weapons of warfare.
A number of weather cocks.
Entrance to a hotel.
Votes in a political meeting.
Instruments used in church music.
Part of a wagon.
Two immortals.
Two fine buildings.
Something used by artists.
Two students.
Useful to cross a river on.
Knives without handles.

Notice to Troy Tax Payers.

For the purpose of receiving taxes I will be at the following places on days specified:

Troy Corners, every Monday in December, 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th, and first Monday in January, 4th, from 8 o'clock to 3 p. m.

Big Beaver, every Tuesday in December, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th and first Tuesday in January, 5th, from 8 o'clock until 3 p. m.

Colerain, Wednesday, December 16th and 30th from 8 o'clock until 3 p. m.

At home, ½ mile west of Troy town house, every Friday, December 11th and 18th and January 1st and 8th, from 8 o'cl ck until 3 p. m.

Exchange Bank, in Birmingham, every Saturday December 12th, 19th, 26th, and first two Saturdays in January, 2nd and 9th. JOHN TRUESDELL,
(jan1) Treasurer of Troy.

Bloomfield Taxpayers Attention.

Until and including January 10, 1904 I will be at Cobb & Cobb's drug store in Birmingham every day except Saturday for the purpose of receiving township taxes. Saturdays I will be at the county treasurer's office, in Pontiac, for the same purpose. THOS. H. CONN,
(jan1) Bloomfield Township Treasurer.

Southfield Taxpayers Attention.

I will be at the following places for the purpose of collecting township taxes on dates specified:

Southfield Berg, December 16
Erl y's Mills, December 23.
Geo. Bingham's, in Franklin, December 30.

At home, every Friday during month.

JAMES S. PARKS,
jan1 Southfield Township Treasurer.

A Frightened Horse.

Running like mad down the street dumping the occupants, or a hundred other accidents, are every day occurrences. It behooves everybody to have a reliable Salve handy and there's none as good as Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Burns, Cuts, Sores, Eczema and Piles disappear quickly under its soothing effect. 25c at White Bread & Mitchell's and Cobb & Cobb's drug stores.

School Notes

EDITED BY THE PUPILS.

Editor-in-Chief—CLARENCE WEST.
Associate Editors { JESSIE BUCKLOW, IDA HANNA, STELLA REED, MAE IRWIN.

Mattie Rosso has entered school again.

The pupils are back to work again with renewed energy after the Thanksgiving vacation.

Amelia-Kurth has entered school after an absence of about two weeks caused by sickness.

What has become of our associate editors? The editor-in-chief needs their help in preparing the items for this column.

Miss Koontz' room is very much pleased with the new seating. They have been very unsettled heretofore. Forty-seven are enrolled.

Newsy items were given by the following people Wednesday: George Deer, Ella Davenport, Ethel Roy, Earl Birr, Cora Storz, Letitia Davenport, Lindle Hunt.

Ed Hanna, '04, has a black eye, the result of the football game at Royal Oak. The H. S. Team went to play with Royal Oak but upon reaching that place, Royal Oak refused to play.

Wednesday afternoon after the hard work of exams was finished an informal program was given. Miss Craft's pupils gave an exercise, Misses Pepper's and Koontz' rooms a song, and Misses Plumstead and McClellan, reading. An Armenian who is attending the Detroit College of Medicine, gave a short sketch of child life in other countries.

AT THE THEATERS.

AVENUE.

High class vaudeville reigns supreme at the Avenue Theater this week, and next week will be seen some of the finest acts and sketches from life ever produced on a vaudeville stage. There will be no raise in the prices.

WHITNEY.

"Queen of the Highway," a melo drama from the pen of Chas. A. Taylor, which was presented here last season, will be repeated at the Whitney Theater next week. It is said to be greatly improved, many new features having been added. The horses, wolves and dogs which help to make it realistic have become perfect in their roles from long practice. The same beautiful but bad woman disguises in male attire and meets her death in attempting to hold up the old overland stage coach. The same funny Jew is punished for selling firewater to the Indians. But a new and handsome hero falls in love with Jess, the pride of Laughing Hollow, and the same villain of last season tries to separate them. The play should be well patronized. Matinees will be given daily except on Wednesday.

LYCEUM.

Magician Kellar is too well and favorably known to need much by way of commendation to theater goers in this city. He has made a life study of Oriental occultism, and this season advances still further into that wierd field. Of course the result he obtains is brought about by purely natural and mechanical means but how he applies the means to the end is Kellar's secret. Inanimate objects of weight, as well as human beings, remain suspended in the air where his magic touch has placed them. The reincarnation of human beings, the projection of astral bodies, the following of the precepts of India, self decapitation, the growing of a rose tree, etc., are examples of the type of illusions Kellar is presenting this season. Kellar comes to the Lyceum for one week, beginning next Sunday evening. Matinees will be given on Wednesday and Saturday.

HERE'S PATRIOTISM.

There is a boy in our town who has turned trator and hauled down the old flag that has waved over my house all summer. Its colors are faded but yet it shall wave.

"O'er the land of the free
And the home of the brave."

AN AMERICAN BOY.

Friday Evening Service in St. James Church.

Each Friday evening during Advent, service will be held in St. James church. The discourses will be on the following topics:

Dec. 4. Christ in the modern Christian Home.

Dec. 11. Christ in the modern Christian Church.

Dec. 18. Christ in the modern Christian.

Beginning with the New Year a Bible study class will be organized to make a critical study of the Life and Teachings of Jesus. Membership in the class will be open to all.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank our many friends for their kind sympathy and friendly acts during the short illness and after the death of our sister. Such acts will live long in memory.

GEO. PARKS AND FAMILY.

The Greatest Clothing Sale

EVER HELD IN MICHIGAN

Tax your memory as you will, you can't remember a selling event offering such values, that equaled in any way this Great REORGANIZATION SALE.

It has swept all precedents aside and created a new one. It has been one continued success since its beginning. What better proof of the values offered than that very fact?

It is not a selling of second, third or fourth quality clothing, but one of the highest which means the Best Made in this great country of ours.

Just the kind you've always found at Traver's—nothing else. This sale is to dispose of our entire stock and in order to do it we mark every dollar's worth of our

Men's and Boys'

FINE CLOTHING, HATS and FURNISHINGS

AT PRICES NEVER BEFORE NAMED ON SIMILAR MERCHANDISE

Every article has been marked down except E. & W. Collars and Cuffs which we cannot cut in price.

Had not Mr. S. L. Bird of Chicago purchased a half interest in this business this great sale would never have happened. His doing so made this great buying opportunity for you.

Late shipments (orders partially filled) which have arrived but recently have made our selections equal to the best you can find.

R. H. Traver Co.
171-173-175 Woodward Ave., Detroit.

Advertised Letters.

The following is a list of letters remaining in the Birmingham postoffice November 28, 1903:

Mrs. Wm. Angelin, Mrs. Wm. Cowny, Mrs. Will Hutchinson, Mrs. Davis Miller, Mr. Wm. Porter.

JOHN HANNA, P. M.

Something New for the Children.

The Upside Down Colored Pictures now running in The Detroit Free Press Colored Supplement every Sunday have proven a great success. The "Brownies in the Philippines" and "Buster Brown," funny features, have always been popular. Taken as a whole, the Colored Supplement of the Detroit Free Press has no equal. The Sunday Detroit Free Press is the greatest newspaper published in Michigan and should be taken in every home. Order it for next Sunday. If you give it a trial you will always want it.

Revolution Imminent.

A sure sign of approaching revolt and serious trouble in your system is nervousness, sleeplessness, or stomach upsets. Electric Bitters will quickly dismember the troublesome causes. It never fails to tone the Stomach regulate the Kidneys and bowels, stimulate the Liver, and clarify the blood. Run-down systems benefit particularly and all the usual attending aches vanish under its searching and thorough effectiveness. Electric Bitters is only 50c, and that is returned if it don't give perfect satisfaction. Guaranteed by Whitehead & Mitchell and Cobb & Cobb, druggists.

December Sale.

Special bargains in Ladies' and Children's Beaver Hats. Latest styles in Velvet and Felt Hats. All goods at less than cost. Call and get prices.

MRS. ROUSSEAU.

SENTENCE SERMONS.

An example is the best argument.

Sin is not cured by calling it names.

Forgiveness is the sweetest revenge.

The man of great sighs is usually a small man.

A sledge is slower than a tackhammer; but——!

He is a fool who milks no wisdom from adversity.

A man can feel good without being especially good.

You cannot whitewash yourself by blackening others.

A wise man will watch himself as well as his children.

Sheep that can be stolen are apt to turn out poor mutton.

A heavy sermon makes a good sinker, but a poor bait.

That virtue is always desirable which the devil derides.

Compared to the atheist, the devil is a monument of credulity.

Heights of philosophy are good places on which to freeze.

It is a sad religion that is never strong unless its owner is sick.

Every man who lets himself loose binds himself fast to the devil.

Habit is an incubator; everything depends on what you put into it.

SPARLING'S POPULAR PRICED DRY GOODS HOUSE

Stylish Ready-Made Garments, New Dress Goods, Fancy Hosiery, Silks, Linens, Etc.

Women who have'nt bought their Fall Suits, Dress Goods, Etc., will find it to their decided advantage to visit our Exposition of New Nobby Styles.

$1.00 | 46 inch make a leading price for all fashionable weaves in Dress Goods, (Cheviots, Mohairs, Venetians, Crepe Cloth, Camel's Hair.....$1.00 yard

$1.25 | SUITS for autumn wear, for Suits or separate Skirts, 36 inch materials (Sole of Black—all the.....$1.25 yard

$15 | HANDSOME SUITS in a variety of Mixtures and Plain Cloths, the (several models, satin and Taffeta lined.....$15 each

25c | FULL LINES of staple and fancy Hose, including all kinds of (Cotton, Fleeced Lined and Wool.....25c pair

75c | 15 CASES Cotton Blankets, all full 11-4 size, hemmed and ready for (use, in Tan, Black or White.....75c pair

59c | LINENS, just what every person will be glad to see. Table Linen (Sheets, White Vestings.....59c ya

33c | 500 YARDS BLACK TAFFETA SILK, good quality for a short time (only, at.....33c yard

Green Trading Stamps with all cash purchases

SPARLING & CO., McCall's Bazaar Patterns 10c and 15c. None higher.

155 and 157 Woodward Ave., Detroit.