

**To Our Friends.**

When treating with any of our advertisers either in Birmingham, Pontiac or Detroit, it will be a great favor to us if you will mention the fact that you noticed their advertisement in our paper. A word from you at the time of trading, costs you nothing and benefits us greatly. Will you be good and do so?



Who saw a robin?  
Frank Blakeslee is slipping up his front foot.

O. E. S. oyster supper at Masonic March 11.

Farm to rent or work on shares. See cheap column.

A fine lot of milk cows for sale. See cheap column.

Mr. Brooks of Detroit Sundayed with his son Fred at the farm.

Mrs. W. C. Reynolds has been under the doctor's care, but is better at this writing.

Mrs. Charles Dickinson of Elmcrest is quite ill, and is in Detroit for treatment.

Clare Aldrich, St. Johns was visiting relatives and friends in town Monday and Tuesday.

Royal Oak will petition for the privilege of voting for electric lights at the coming election.

Rev. N. W. Carry will occupy the pulpit of the Presbyterian church next Sabbath morning.

March came in a little on the lamb-like order, but there is no telling what the end will be.

The toad is a funny creature. If you will notice when he runs he hops and when he stands he sits down.

When you buy goods from our Pontiac advertisers just let them know you saw their ad in this paper.

A. Chilcott of Royal Oak will sell his household furniture at auction on Thursday March 12, at one o'clock p. m.

The monthly meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held at Mrs. Dawson's on Tuesday, March 10, at 8 o'clock p. m.

Eddie McHugh has secured a situation as motorman on the Fort Street line in Detroit. Success to the young man.

Mr. S. H. Bortel is slowly recovering, and at present himself and wife are enjoying a short visit with relatives at River Rouge.

Wm. Robinson and Frank Smith hung over 300 roll of wall paper at the National hotel in seven days. We would call that lively work.

The dead body of Mrs. Rebecca Watch of Royal Oak was found on her doorstep one evening last week. Death was caused by heart disease.

The St. Louis Post-Dispatch facetiously remarks that it is absurd for men to talk about what they would do if they had a million dollars. They would undoubtedly buy coal.

The ladies aid of the Baptist church is to meet with Mrs. Hanna on Tuesday afternoon, March 10. Conveyances will be in waiting at Mr. Kinnister's store at 2.30 o'clock. Everybody welcome.

The oyster supper and musical to be given at Masonic hall by the O. E. S. will be given as first planned, Wednesday evening, March 11, 1903.

Those who were fortunate enough to attend the birthday social at the Baptist church last Friday night had a good time and were well entertained.

England and Germany will do well to take timely warning. Spain was kicked bodily out of the western continent, and your Uncle Samuel's boot is still in prime condition.

The W. H. M. S. meet with Mrs. J. Shain next Thursday afternoon, March 12. Come early and work. Light refreshments will be served. Fannie Shain, secretary.

The map offer is over, but we have a few left and you can get one as long as they last, which won't be long. Hurry up, come up, pay up and we'll put up the map up.

"The Misses Ferguson and Knapp will open up an up-to-date millinery parlor in the Sawyer building, Pontiac, on March 23. Will give further notice of our earlier opening.

Changes in our advertising columns this week: Traver, Elliott, Detroit; Beattie & Tobin, Waukegan; & Robertson, Pontiac; F. Blakeslee, Whitehead & Mitchell, Birmingham.

Last Sunday evening Dr. Shaw of our village read a splendid paper on the physiological effects of alcohol, before a large company of young people at the Epworth league services. Thanks doers; come again.

Patti gets \$375,000 for singing 60 songs on her next American tour. We would like to figure it out and see how much she gets for each song, but we are not subject to heart disease and dare not do it.

The Maccabean dance for old folks was so largely attended and so successful that the management has decided to give another at the same place, Friday evening, March 20. You are notified to be in readiness. Particulars later.

Have you not yet secured your tickets in the music box and graphophone distribution? You'll miss it if you don't get one. Every one holding a ticket goes to the concert free and it is going to be a rouser.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Lamb were serenaded one evening last week and Mr. Lamb who did it, but they say it was Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Peabody ever come down there again with their music box they will get their names in the paper.

Mr. John N. Heth recently paid a visit to his aunt at Langston, Mich. This lady is 103 years old, walks about the house with a cane, and eats three meals a day. Her mind, though, brings to show signs of failing.

Beardsley, Herron & Beattie, the dry goods men of Pontiac, are out with their anniversary sale of carpets, curtains, linoleums and dress goods. Their prices are within the reach of all. Look up their ad in this issue.

Amly Anderson has resigned the office of division superintendent of electric at this place, and has taken the proprietorship of the National hotel. We wish Amly all the success possible in his new undertaking.

The shooting match at the Daniels range one day last week was a very successful affair. About twenty crack shots contested for the prizes and the main honors of the day were won by Mr. Hantz from the Grand River Road, with Ed Daniels of this place a good second.

Mrs. A. P. Jacobs gave a very delightful luncheon on Saturday, February 21, followed by a most enjoyable game of whist. The guests were Mrs. Ford of Jackson, Mrs. Cave, Mrs. Raynale, Miss Verona Post, Mrs. Bigelow, Mrs. Stearns, Mrs. White and Miss Grace White.

Beattie & Tobin, the furnace men and plumbers of Pontiac are out with their new spring ad, this week. They want a chance to figure on your hardware, plumbing, lighting, heating and tinning. Some of their up-to-date work can be seen at the residence of John Snow.

Probably one of the largest auction sales of the season will be that of William Parks, one mile north and two miles east of Birmingham, on Wednesday, March 11, at 10 o'clock a. m. When Martin Bunt will sell a lot of farm machinery, live stock, household goods, etc. Lunch at noon.

Mrs. J. myselow gave a luncheon in honor of Mrs. Truesdale of New York, on Tuesday last week. The afternoon was delightfully spent in playing whist and euchre. Mrs. Jacobs, Mrs. Ford of Jackson, Mrs. Case, Mrs. Neff, Mrs. Cooper, Miss Belle Smith, Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Dickinson and Mrs. Harris were invited to meet the guest of honor.

We are pleased to learn that we entertained given at the Baptist church some time ago is to be repeated on Tuesday evening, March 24. Several new features are to be added, among which are the Babes in the Wood, the Yankee and perhaps Adam and Eve. It is hoped that no other entertainment will conflict. More particulars later.

A New York minister recently administered spiritual comfort to his congregation by a sermon on the lady and the lap dog. The reverend gentleman made the remarkable statement that society ladies of today think more of their dogs than they do of their babies. He probably foresees an early extinction of the American race.

A subscriber who was in arrears to an exchange was dying and the editor dropped in to see him. "How do you feel?" asked the pencil pusher. "All looks right to me," gasped the editor, "you thought so," said the editor, "if you will see the blaze in about ten minutes." Moral: Don't get behind on your subscriptions. Pay up at once.

Brown Bros. of Pontiac, the leading wall paper men of Oakland Co., have received their spring stock

and call your attention to it in their big ad in this issue. If you are going to paper let Brown Bros. figure on the job. When they quote prices and explain their manner of sending out and taking back wall paper you can't help but be satisfied.

Ex-Prosecuting Attorney, Seth C. Randall, formerly of Dundee, fell on the sidewalk at Ann Arbor Monday morning, with heart troubles, from which he has been suffering for some time. He was resting easy at home, but the attack is serious. Mr. Randall will be remembered as former Birminghamer, and one who left many friends here who will deeply sympathize with him and his family over his illness.

Last Friday morning the family of J. F. Rundel was saddened by the sudden illness of Mrs. Rundel, who had received a slight stroke of paralysis. Dr. J. L. Campbell was called and did all that medical skill could do to ease the sufferer. She has steadily improved since the attack. She has a trained nurse in constant attendance and her many friends hope for a steady and comfortable recovery.

Maccabee hall, Big Beaver, is one of the prettiest local rooms in the state, and by it a fine little stage with dressing rooms that would make many a larger town look to its laurels. Miss Brayman and Mrs. Jay Hunt, and Mrs. Ben Eldred & Mrs. Jarley, took their wax "fingers" down there last week and gave the large and appreciative audience a fine entertainment. All enjoyed the treat, the figures just as well as the audience.

Kissing an Owasso girl comes high. Three hundred dollars for three kisses is what one man paid. They don't come that high in this town. Why? down here you can sip the nectar from virgin lips of a ruly hue, which are surrounded by the daintiest of dimpled chins and rosy cheeks, twinkling eyes of heavenly blue and a nose and eyebrows that would stir the soul of an artist, far—well, to tell the truth we don't really know. Perhaps some of the younger men about town can tell you.

After eight years of uninterrupted service at the postoffice window Miss Mollie G. Smith has resigned her position to enjoy a much needed rest. We can say without fear of contradiction that no one can stand at a postoffice window as long as Miss Mollie has and enjoy the best wishes, friendship and respect of the many and varied patrons of the office as she has. Her tact, obliging nature and desire to please all, rich or poor, has made her a host of sincere friends who will regret her resignation very much indeed.

We can't imagine what Will S. Walker drank while on a short visit to his brother Wat, down east, but this is what he says he saw at Canandaigua, Avon, Genesee and Lima: He says he saw grey squirrels down there thicker than sparrows are here, and so tame they will eat off your hand, leg or foot or any old place where they can get hold. Now wouldn't that scorch you? and he claims they are nice big fat ones and every one a beauty. What drink is it that will bring grey squirrels to view?

The Rev. Dr. Mead of New York gave one of the finest temperance sermons at the M. E. church on Sunday evening last that was ever listened to by a Birmingham audience. He is a man of wide experience and the lesson he taught should bear fruit in every household represented in that large audience. The young men present should take warning from the scenes of misery and want depicted by him and forever and ever shun the flowing bowl and grow to manhood in such a manner that their parents may be proud to call them sons.

Lou, Lou, my Louisiana; Lou sends the following to Mitchell: "An editor is a millionaire without money, a congressman out of a job, a king off a throne. He constructs without saw or hammer, builds railroads without rails or spikes, and farms without a plow. He runs a butcher shop in the journalistic world and deals out brains cheap for cash or credit. He loves those who advise with him as he loves himself. The editor is a preacher, a lawyer, a teacher and he sends out truth to save souls and gets lost himself. He dials the wounded, cares for the dying, and rescues the perishing, and starves himself when a ham sandwich would jerk him from the jaws of death.

Drink water and get typhoid; drink milk and get tuberculosis; drink whiskey and you get the jim jams; eat white flour and get appendicitis; eat soup and get Bright's disease; eat beef and encourage ap-

plexy; eat oysters and encourage toxemia; eat meat of any kind and get indigestion or some kind or germ disease; eat vegetables and weaken the system; eat desserts and take on paralysis; smoke cigarettes and die early; smoke cigars and take on catarrh; drink beer and obtain nervous prostration; drink beer and get dyspepsia; drink wine and get the gout. In order to be healthy one must eat nothing, and even before breathing one should see that the air is properly sterilized.

The Michigan press association, when it goes to Sault Ste. Marie next winter, will be treated to the representation of the play of "Hiawatha" in an open-air amphitheater by a tribe of full-blooded Ojibway Indians on the very spot Longfellow describes in his poem. The chamber of commerce will give the newspaper men a carriage ride about both Saults, taking in all points of interest. The ferry company will give a boat ride up the river to Lake Superior. The Algoma Central R. Y. will give a special train into the mountainous regions of Algoma, north of the Canadian Soo, which stretches in an unbroken wilderness to Hudson Bay, and either a banquet or an evening session will be arranged for, and some of the best speakers in Michigan will be there to talk.

The finest and largest exhibit of pictures ever held in the state can be seen at the Normal school to-day and to-morrow, all day and evening. Over three hundred examples of the greatest old and modern masters in etchings, engravings, carbon, platinyes and colors, have been sent from the famous galleries of W. Scott Thurber of Chicago. Mr. Seymour J. Thurber is in constant attendance and will explain by comparison and descriptions any of the pictures, which will add greatly to our lasting enjoyment of them. In many ways this opportunity exceeds in value to the galleries of Europe and should be grasped by all.—Isabella Co. Courier. Prof. Thurber will exhibit his collection at the high school to-day and to-morrow, both afternoon and evening.

Up at Ovid our once Prof. E. F. Waldo is in clover and giving the patrons of the Ovid schools the class of good work he gave us here for many years. His high school has just closed a reception to the nation that pleased every one of the multitude present. The number of tickets sold was 1,300. The gross receipts were \$85. One-fourth of the net receipts of the high school were applied on the piano fund. Prof. Waldo has been elected for another year with a generous raise of salary, and in his new quarters they spell Superintendent with a big S, and give him an excellent list of electric lights. He certainly has a fine situation and the Ovid Register-Union says this about him: Prof. Waldo planned the reception and its great success is a fitting tribute to our bustling superintendent. The parents, patrons and friends through-out the vicinity were much pleased with the event, and Mr. Waldo can feel justly proud of his pupils and teachers. The community has been brought in closer touch with the school and a lasting benefit will surely accrue.

**White Cotton Dress Goods**  
A Strong Feature at "Elliott's"  
Mercedized Yarn White Madras Cloth—many designs in this pleasing fabric—50c and 60c yard.

**WILLIAM H. ELLIOTT CO.**  
Last year's materials were handsome, no doubt, but the weavers have sent us goods for this season's gowns that overshadow all former productions. We ask you to personally inspect them. We have taken the Notion Counter space for Dress Goods, the extra room being absolutely necessary.

**Colored Dress Goods**  
Knickerbocker Examine—46 in, superservicable—decidedly stylish and the latest in cloth—only \$1.75 yard.  
The delightful "Fanne" effect cloth—in fetching shades of color—a cloth that is uncommon—rather leaner in style and very popular for "best" dresses—46 inches wide—only \$1.25 yard.  
Scotch Looking Tweeds are what ladies seek in the Tweed effects—these most advertised as Tweeds that are—show this week 50 and 50-inch genuine Scotch Tweeds—latest colors and most popular to wear—weights for full Suits or Siganette Skirts at \$1.00 to \$2.60 a yard.  
Mahar Knib Crash—a colored wool fabric with knots—its new colorings, with 50 inches, and only \$1.00 yard.  
48-inch Sain Finished Venetian Cloth—fine quality for "best" dresses—its new color shades—we guarantee this cloth not to roughen-out—\$1.25 yard.  
Heavy weight high finished Venetian—springing does not phase its rich finish—50 inches wide, at \$1.60 yard.  
Colored Etonnes, London Twines, Mixed Twine Effects—choice of a bunch of a charming lot—46 inches wide, for \$1.00 yd., with or without all Wool Crepe Cloth—the richest of a lot from very best of high grade crepe material—44 and 46 inch, 65c to \$1.60 yard.  
Its popular to have the "blues" this season—we have them—300 pieces of them—in Crepe, Canvas, Basket, Etoupe, London Twine, Mohair, Section, Knit Mohair's, Knit Crapes, Vailles, and Etonnes—from 50c to \$2.00 yard—a collection of Blue Dress Goods never before dreamt of—be interested.  
For Shirt Waists, English Mohairs or Sicilians are sought—we show Monday, 45 inch in either fabric at 60c yard.

**Black Wool Goods**  
An Elliott Co. Specialty for Years  
Dust Proof, All Wool Black Etonnes—extra extra—50c yard. For our special number Black Wool Chestnut, sprigged and checked, ready to make up—a durable cloth at a very low price—39c yd. Black S. Clean—with very fetching white wovens spot—a fabric very hard to find as it is so popular for Shirt Waist Suits—more out low price, 75c yard.  
We sell a Black Sicilian Cloth at 50c a yard—just say, judging from its superior luster, it was fully a 75c grade.  
A fact about our Imported Black Etonnes—they do not catch and hold dust like the American weaves that cost you just as much. We have the coarse, medium and fine weaves at \$1.00 yard. It's astonishing the attention our Cream Wool Goods receive—folks go all over town, samples in hand, and come back to us—because our styling qualities are lower in price. For instance, heavy Cream Sicilian for full Unlined Suits or Skirts, equal to anybody's 75c suit, 69c yard, and a better grade 83c would be cheap for we sell at 75c yard.

Good reliable 32-inch White Cotton Cheviots, qualities at 60c, 60c and 66c yard.  
Plain Cheviots or Family Sized White Madras at 60c, 65c, 75c yard.  
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48-inch White Batiste and French Lanes, 45c to 75c yard.  
Pretty White Crystal S. R. Finished Lanes, 75c and \$1.00 yard.  
Best makes of White Varsity Lanes 10c to 35c yard.  
White Linen, new assortment, 25c to 50c yard.  
White Lanes for Suits or Waists—breaded and creased-up to the fine close weaves and crash effects—50c, 75c and \$1.00 yard.  
White Checked Madras for Aprons and Children's Dresses—10c, 12 1/2c and 15c yard.  
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**REFUGES FROM WINTER**

The Great Resorts of California and the Southwest Reached by Michigan Central.

From the Michigan Central comes a reminder that it isn't winter everywhere and that, while in the parts of the world that are gray and cold, in other parts there are lands not far away and easily accessible by the "Niagara Falls Route" where the heavens are blue and smiling, where the flowers are at their brightest, where cold and ice, snow and sleet, sleet and Arctic overhauls are not.

This is the time of year when the wise residents of the North so situated that it is able practically to apply his wisdom, takes his vacation and "goes where summer awaits him" on the shores of the Pacific in California, to Arizona, to Florida.

Within a few years the winter resorts of California and Southern California—San Bernardino, Pasadena, Los Angeles, Santa Barbara, Pao Hobbs, Riverside, San Bernardino, Redondo Beach, etc.—have become world-famous. Their exquisite natural beauties and advantages have been so supplemented by man's enterprise that scores of the largest, finest and most complete hotels in the country have been established at these points and everything that can contribute to the comfort and enjoyment of guests have been provided. Though the winter and less the winter season, the tourists from the rigors of a Northern winter crowd into California at this season, there is plenty of accommodation for all.

An advantage of these resorts is the fact that they can be so easily and comfortably reached by residents of this part of the country by means of the Michigan Central, which is the magnificent route for winter with every comfort and luxury that modern railroading offers to the traveler, makes the journey a pleasure instead of a weary one, so quickly accomplished that the tourist leaves his "hotel on wheels" almost unwillingly.

The Michigan Central makes a specialty of the passenger traffic between the East and the winter resorts of California, Colorado and Arizona. Full information is readily obtainable at all places and how to reach them will be gladly furnished to applicants by O. W. Ringler, general passenger and ticket agent, at Chicago, or by William H. Kierstead, general passenger agent, No. 209 Main Street, Buffalo, N. Y.

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