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To Our Friends.

When trading 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?

THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC.

HOME NOTES.

Got your oats in?
 A new and large hotel for Pontiac is in sight.
 You will find additional local on eighth page.
 Remember the school entertainment May 1.
 Art Blakeley of Rochester was in town Monday.
 A lady's gold watch for sale cheap. Read ad in want column.
 Today is Arbor Day. Let every one plant a tree or shrub.
 Come on gentle spring we are ready and waiting for you.
 Inscribe the date on the tablet of your memory—May 1—Library hall.
 The horrors of war will only be tolerated to the extent of promoting justice.—Chicago Sun.

See fine horse for sale in want column.—The Cooper farm offer a fine equine for sale.
 Miss M. E. Moutter, the popular milliner of Pontiac, has a new announcement this week.
 Mrs. J. McQuarters, who has been ill for some time, died of consumption on Tuesday morning.
 The man who is not represented in his local paper is certainly not up to the needs of his best interests.
 "Rah for Teddy!" He refused to shoot mountain lions in the Yellow Stone Park and wasn't afraid, either.
 Ira J. Chaffield has just finished painting Mrs. E. E. Keyes' house a pure white and it is a great improvement.
 Mr. and Mrs. Homer Smith of Oxford were the welcome guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Randall over Sunday last.

Edwin Phelps, of Pontiac, was given a reception by his many friends one day last week in honor of his 75th birthday.
 The W. F. M. S. of the M. E. church will meet with Mrs. Peck on Wednesday afternoon at 2:30, April 29. All welcome.
 A new Star windmill now graces the farm of George Randall in Southfield. It is a dandy and W. I. McClelland put it up.
 A monument to J. Sterling Morton, the father of Arbor Day, is to be erected by the Arbor Day Association of Nebraska City.
 An Iowa judge accommodatingly granted a divorce to the wife of his colleague on the bench. Could that be called judicial courtesy?
 Hobson, as a candidate for Congress, will have plenty of opportunity as a kisser. He will probably salute all the babies in his district.
 If powerful nations combine to destroy a weaker power, other alliances will be formulated to prevent the catastrophe.—Chicago Sun.
 Wanted, by a single man, board on a good farm, near stream or electric road, with small, quiet family. B. Box 216 Birmingham.

Chicago's city council has passed a law forbidding the sweeping of dirt from floors into the street; also throwing papers on streets or vacant lots.
 A new bunch of those late styles in burnt straw and champagne shades in head-gear just arrived at the millinery emporium of the Misses Fergusson and Knapp.
 The car barns of the Detroit United Railway at Pontiac were burned last week. The loss included freight cars and building and the damage is \$8,000.
 City people are looking every day for boarding houses and many are house-hunting. Our village could have so more families this spring had we the houses for them.
 John D. Rockefeller offers a million dollars for a new stomach. He might have ours at that price, but the difficulty would be in giving a clear title.
 Tom Thurbly will soon be sheltered under his own roof. He has purchased the house recently vacated by John Snow and moved it to his Maple avenue lot.

On the evening of May 1 the pupils of the intermediate grades will give an entertainment of exceptional interest, at Library hall. Admission 10 cents. Have your dimb ready and waiting.
 The Oakland Co. Federation of Women's Clubs have been working for the improvement of school grounds throughout the county. It is hoped that many trees and shrubs will be planted.
 Thos. Neely, of Rochester, Mich., is suing the Detroit Sugar Co. for \$10,000 damages to his millinery property which he claims has been damaged by the refuse from the sugar refinery.

Mrs. Moore and son, of Virginia, Minn., are visiting relatives in our town. Mrs. Moore is a daughter of Mrs. Fannie Kimball and the visit is much enjoyed by all participants.
 Mr. and Mrs. Wellington Johnson, of Detroit, passed a very pleasant Sunday with relatives at Franklin. Wellington has a fine city job and never gets homesick for country life at all.
 Miss H. Flynn has just added another large assortment of new shades and modes to her already large stock of millinery goods. She would like you to call when in Pontiac.

The proper place to sink a double compartment working shaft has been found and there will soon be "doings" at the Cadillac mine. Holders of Cadillac stock are congratulating each other.
 Mrs. Dal Gano, of Waterford, committed suicide Monday of last week shortly before noon by taking carbolic acid. She is survived by her husband. No reason is assigned for the deed.
 Before the Emperor of Germany tries to twist the tail of the Monroe doctrine he should give his mustache an extra twist. Your Uncle Samuel is not at all impressed with either his greatness or his ferocity.

An adjourned annual meeting of the Pine Lake Cemetery Association will be held at Wm. J. Harris, in West Bloomfield, May 2, 1903, for election of officers, etc. E. H. Hoskins, Sec'y.
 J. R. Blakeley comes to the front this week with a new ad. You will find it in its old position on the first page. See Roy when you want anything in the hardware or tinware line.
 The debate in the street corner debating club for the "past few weeks has been on the question: "Resolved, That a person has a right to disfigure his own premises and the public street to suit his own ideas."

Miss Tillie Walker has been on the sick list with the grip for a few days. She is accompanied in her illness by Mrs. Mitchell with a bad cold and Miss Adelmito. Life is earnest now—amely with y editor Mitchell.
 The dog killers have been let loose in Morristown, N. J., and 1,000 dogs were killed in one day. If other cities follow this style of "sure cure for rabbies," we won't need any "rabbri hospitals" in a little while.
 Spring and summer millinery. A nice assortment of dress hats ready-to-wear and school hats. Latest styles and lowest prices. Be pleased to have you call and look them over. Mrs. L. H. Rousseau, Southfield avenue, Birmingham, Mich.

The new court house at Pontiac is a go. The former vote on the question was "no" 749. This year's "yes" 786 and won. Milford township gave a decided "no" vote and also the largest percentage of gain on the "no" side of any town in old Oakland.
 Mrs. George H. Maxwell of near Royal Oak is very low with an attack of pneumonia, and as we write all hopes of her recovery are given up. Mr. Maxwell hastened home from Boston to be with her, and he has the sympathy of a host of friends in his sorrow.
 The Ladies' Aid Society, of the M. E. church will meet at the home of Mrs. Sheldon, May 1, Friday. Committee for refreshments: Mesdames Thurlby, Parks, Kimball, Peck, Zimmerman, Randall, Hagerman and Camp. A kind invitation is extended to all. By order of secretary.

The farmers of the northwest will certainly share their supplies with the starving people of Sweden if a special food collecting train is sent out from Chicago. There are no more liberal minded people on earth than these same farmers of the northwest.
 Wm. Parks is certainly making great improvements on his H. Irving property on Maple avenue. He has taken the fence away from around his entire yard and will soon repair the house. The inside has been decorated by Parks & Carter and now Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Parks have as fine a home as one could wish.

There is talk of putting the union label on money, and if it goes members of organized labor will have to refuse all money not bearing the union label. Our printers will have to take just what they can get, if they get full pay, but if they do it they will not be labeled money, we see a chance to save something in the future.
 Mrs. Ellen Hanley has 92 acres of land on section 17, Royal Oak, on which she believes there is oil. Thirty years ago Dr. Duffield, of Detroit, made an examination and said there was either oil, coal or salt below the surface. At the time Dr. Duffield made the examination there was a substance on the surface resembling lard, that emitted a gas that could be lighted by a match.
 Sunday excursion to Jackson via the Grand Trunk Railway, April 26, 1903, next Sunday. Special train leaves Birmingham at 8:15 a. m. and reaches this place on the return trip at 9:15 p. m. Bicycles and baby carriages will be carried free on train at owner's risk. No baggage checked. The fare for the round trip from this place is only \$1.00.
 The old Hodges house of Pontiac will be reconstructed. Two more stories will be added and all the modern improvements are coming. Dr. W. C. Watson, its new proprietor, has always had an ambition to own a hotel of his own and promises that nothing in Michigan will be superior to his Hotel Hodges when he sits down and says "it is finished."

We scarcely knew Henry Stevens, of Southfield, when he entered our sanctum the other day. He looked at least a foot taller and a hundred pounds heavier, and wore a smile on his countenance that would be worth a million to John D. Rockefeller if he could duplicate it. We soon learned it was a sure thing by this time, and we could blame Henry for being swelled on himself in this case.
 An exchange tells a story of a merchant who lost his life in a peculiar manner. The merchant, it seems, persistently refused to advertise in the papers. One day a customer entered his store, and in his haste to effect a sale, the merchant fell from a step ladder into a mass of cobwebs that had accumulated in the corner of the storeroom and was smothered to death before he could be rescued.
 A new song-book for our school has been secured and supplied by Prof. Field without cost to the pupils of the school. The expense is all paid for by the advertisers who are represented inside the covers. The song-book is Happy Moments and Woodland Echoes, published by S. W. Straub & Co., of Detroit, contains 304 pages and is a fine volume. The pupils ought to sing from sheer joy over such a song-book.
 J. Roy Blakeley ably assisted by James J. Shain have just finished a very satisfactory piece of work for Theron B. Smith at his dwelling in this village. They have installed a fine water heating plant guaranteed to keep the house warm as toast regardless of the weather outside. Good enough. This same team have the contract to place in commission for the masons and for A. Whitehead at the Exchange Bank a fine oil-set outfit something the lodge and bank have needed for years. The money is in sight and the improvements will at once be installed.

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The Epworth league gave a banquet to members and invited guests at the M. E. church parlors on Tuesday evening. Rev. Bartram was toastmaster and some witty remarks were heard, especially when the "date, before date, after date, out of date" toasts were responded to. There were all kind of dates and all enjoyed the evening until it came time for the young men to keep the dates they had made with the young ladies earlier in the evening.
 Last the best of all the Sales! Greatest Auction Sale in the vicinity for many years. The Elliott Farms of Southfield sell out everything from "many other articles too numerous to mention" to twenty-four head of Jersey and grade cattle, medium and heavy weight horses, all live stock, tools, garden utensils, agricultural implements, hay, oats, corn, potatoes, buggies, wagons and carts. No reserves. Everything sold to close out the farming business. Lunch served at noon. What's that? The date? Oh, yes, don't you forget it, Tomorrow, Saturday, April 25, '03, at 10 o'clock a. m. sharp. Martin H. Blunt, auctioneer.
 William Wilson, a farmer of West Bloomfield, lost his barn by fire last November. With it all of his stock, excepting one cow was burned. The origin of the fire was a mystery and some ugly rumors resulted. Wilson worked diligently for a clue and some months after the fire discovered some bones while poking in the ashes. He could not place the bones as belonging to any of the cremated stock, so he turned them over to a physician for analysis. The doctor, consulted, stated that the bones were the remains of a human pelvis. Wilson is now convinced that a tramp, attempting to enjoy a quiet smoke in the barn, was the cause of the fire.
 The bill to exempt mortgages from taxation is exciting considerable comment just now and there appear to be good arguments on both sides of the question. It is claimed that under the present system all the banks, trust companies and corporation lenders of money are now exempt from such taxation and that it is only the comparatively poor man or woman who has a few hundred to loan on mortgages who pays the taxes, while the rich corporations and banks virtually pay no taxes on their mortgages at all, and not only that, at the same time it obliges the borrower to pay a little higher interest than he otherwise would. The only argument in favor of taxing mortgages is that if that law was repealed it would take quite a lot of variations of the tax rolls.
 The calendar for this term of circuit court shows 117 cases, arranged as follows: Criminal 7, jury civil 16, non jury civil 22, chancery pro confesso 42, chancery contested cases 25. The seven criminal cases on the calendar are as follows: People vs. Emma J. Dudley and Henry D. Fiske; People vs. Bernard Cassidy, burglary; People vs. Virgil K. Brown, keeping bar open on Sunday; People vs. George W. MacKiunin, manslaughter; People vs. Albert Ferguson, selling liquor to husband after being forbidden; People vs. Frank Campbell, larceny from a building; People vs. Albert Ferguson, keeping bar open on Sunday. Forty-six divorce cases are on the calendar for trial during this term.
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