

THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC

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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 this 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?

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HOME NOTES

New Advertisements.
 William H. Elliott—Dry Goods—Detroit.
 H. H. Traver Co.—Clothing—Detroit.
 The J. J. Hudson Co.—Clothing—Detroit.
 M. Levinson—Department Store—Birmingham
 Whitehead & Mitchell—Writing Materials—Birmingham.
 The Taylor-Woodford Co.—Dry Goods—Detroit.

Fishing is the order of the day. Miss Libbie Goodwin is under the doctor's care this week.

See John H. Snow's potatoes for sale. A bargain for all.

The town had its city airs on again last Saturday night.

Claire Aldrich was a little under the weather part of last week.

Miss Froua Finn, of Orion, visited relatives in town last week.

The Maryland Legislature at its recent session passed anti-spitting laws.

Is the law about muzzling dogs to be enforced or was it passed for fun?

Tomato plants and cabbage plants for sale. R. H. Weller, Southfield avenue.

Ed Montgomery has a two-horse power boiler, nearly new, for sale cheap.

Mrs. Frank Simpson, of Wayne, called on relatives and old friends in town last week.

Saturday and Sunday last were typical spring days. We mean lovely, perfect days.

Mr. and Mrs. George Powers, of North Farmington, visited at John VanEvery's last Sunday.

Grand Opera has the floor at the Detroit Opera House this week and the coming next two.

G. Arthur Dewey and family are comfortably settled in Mrs. Hemeway's home on Pierce street.

Members of the alumni please read over carefully the notice found elsewhere in these columns.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Aurie Smith, Saturday, May 9, a fine baby boy. Everyone doing nicely.

Work has commenced at the cemetery and money is needed. An early payment of dues is requested.

Miss Anna M. Parks was the guest of friends at Port Huron on Sunday last and did enjoy a most delightful visit.

The Presbyterian aid society will meet with Mrs. J. McKinley next Wednesday afternoon, May 20. All are welcome.

Do you want a family trap? No, not a rat or mouse trap, but a vehicle for family use. See Brooks' adv't in want column.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Gleason, of Richmond, spent part of last week with Mrs. Gleason's mother, Mrs. James Rainey.

Special meeting of Birmingham lodge, No. 44, F. and A. M., on next Thursday evening, May 21. A full attendance is requested.

Joe Goulette will inaugurate a series of auction sales on Saturday, May 23, and have a sale every two weeks until everything is sold.

You won't believe it but Mitchell is crawling close to his 50th birthday anniversary. Don't let it get out around for he is dreadfully sensitive on this subject.

Maple Ave. west was once the pride of our village, but now with a great gap in its beautiful line of trees, with its untidy lawns, paper strewn fronts, etc., what can we say?

The city of Ann Arbor has given to the University of Michigan seven acres of land to be used as a botanical garden and arboretum. It will show the beauty of our native trees and shrubs.

If the party who borrowed our hose from our store last fall will return it at once no trouble will ensue, but if not forborneance will soon cease to be a virtue. Whitehead & Mitchell. Bring back our hose!

If you want the best result in a job of painting, you err if you do not use Rogers' Best Liquid Paint, made by the Detroit White Lead Works and represented by Wes Faint, demonstrator.

Attention! Members of B. H. S. Alumni—your presence is earnestly requested at a meeting to be held at the home of Miss Marie Keyser Wednesday evening, May 20, as important business is to be transacted.

Mrs. M. L. Noble, who lives in part of the house with Mrs. Randall on Brown street, has been ill for some time and is made as comfortable as possible by Mrs. Randall and other neighbors. We hope she will soon recover her good health.

The Literary Club met with Mrs. Clizbe last Monday evening. Mrs. Cooper gave a reading of Owen Wister's last book, "The Virginian." Whatever one may think of the book as a whole, many fine points were brought out.

The ice cream social advertised in our last issue to be held under the auspices of the B. Y. P. U. on Wednesday evening of next week is to be held on the previous Tuesday evening, instead. Cream served from 7:30 to 8:30.

Mrs. Julia Clemons, of Troy, died suddenly Sunday last, aged 55 years. She leaves a husband and one daughter, Mrs. Jesse Caswell, of Troy. Funeral was held Wednesday. Burial in the Crooks cemetery.

Joseph Carey, son of Al Carey, who lives in Detroit, died of a small pox at that city's pest house a short time ago. He leaves a widow and one child. His remains were brought to Royal Oak for interment which was done in the night time.

After five months of home visiting in the "Sunny South" with her mother in Florida, Mrs. Frank Brooks has returned to her Michigan home much to the joy of her relatives and a very large circle of friends.

We understand that Mr. Thompson and family, who occupied the H. Irving home last summer, have returned to the Randall house just vacated by Tom Thurby who has moved into his own little home on Maple avenue.

Had you noticed the tip up of the earth down near Warren last week? That was the day that Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Martin, Jr., were presented with a bouncing baby boy weighing ten pounds exactly. Grandpa Sam C. is as happy as can be and all is well.

Rev. Hiram Hood, we are sorry to say, had a stroke of paralysis on Tuesday evening of this week. Dr. C. M. Raynale was summoned from the Masonic festival and made the aged gentleman as comfortable as possible.

Will some kind hearted subscriber please send us copies of THE ECCENTRIC of the following dates: December 19, 1902; November 14, 1902; October 17, 1902; June 20, 1902. They are wanted to complete office files and will be greatly appreciated.

Mr. Bryan thinks Mr. Cleveland might run for the presidency as a republican. Mr. Bryan has not said so plainly, but he stands ready at all times to lay his hand on the only man he considers worthy of the honor of leading the Democracy. In fact, Mr. Bryan could find this man right in the dark.

When a land investment company sends to a two column "clipping" for publication, just to show us how the preachers have been abusing them, and expect us to print it, they ought to send along an X just to keep our printers good natured. We don't care anything about the space it takes.

Three ice cream foundries running in Birmingham this season ought to furnish all the refreshments in this line that can be desired. Cobb & Cobb have it. John O'Connell has it, too, while E. M. Mattison is still in the ring. Get busy ye lover of frozen cream, they are all waiting for you.

Practical and Stylish hats—We have just received a fine lot of chiffon hats which we will sell from \$1.50 to \$5.00. We also have a nice assortment of ready-to-wears which we are selling at reduced prices. You should remember we can fix up the little folks in the latest style. Ferguson & Knapp.

Wednesday of this week Dr. C. M. Raynale, assisted by Dr. J. L. Campbell, and a competent nurse in the person of Miss Anna Parks, performed an operation for Mrs. B. A. Thorne, from which it is hoped the good lady will recover her former health. Miss Chichease of Warren is on the case at present.

Ice is ice this season and those who can afford must pay the ice man. We have a city ice man and prices run from 15c to 25c per 100 lbs, and you don't guess off the weight either. It is all weighed and you get full weight, pressed down and running over. Wouldn't

you like to be the ice skat

Next Sabbath morning May 17, at the M. E. church, Miss Clara Merrill of Flint, recently returned from China, will speak of her great work in that country. A thank offering will be taken to further the work of the Women's Foreign Missionary society in this benighted country. Everybody is urged to be present.

Mr. and Mrs. William Allen, of Bloomfield, purchased the first two glasses of ice cream soda thereby opening the season in our village, at John O'Connell's bakery, etc. They were on their honeymoon.

Mr. Wm. Allen and Mrs. Manly Leach were married last week and although along in years they are bound to be happy. Congratulations are in order.

Messrs. Monroe & Gravelin are busy decorating the cottage home and barns of J. Bert Peabody at Pine Lake. Bert is the man who, when summer approaches and the heated term is at hand, knows just what to do to make life worth living. He takes his whole family to the most complete summer home in the state and keeps cool, healthy and wise until next fall.

Some of our young ladies attending school seem to be hard up for hats to wear. If the hatless young ladies will call on C. H. Hoffman at this office he will present each one with a summer hat. He has purchased a bundle of the latest styles in pressed sea weed and they will be given away as long as they last. First come first served.

Mr. Shoemaker is relieving agent at the D. & M. depot in place of G. F. Aldrich, who is taking a well-earned vacation. He is visiting at Hudson, this state, for a few days.

The Home Missionary Society of the M. E. church has postponed their meeting to next week Thursday, May 21, when it will be held at the home of Sister Electa Keys. All are urged to be present.

You may scoff all you want to at the poor country editor, but just the same one of him—he of the Manistique Pioneer-Tribune—had \$10,000 in cold cash in his possession last week. That's just what he did! It was a portion of the note issue of the National bank in that city, and had been brought to his office to have the edges of the bills trimmed before they were sent out.

The following note was recently received by a Big Beaver school teacher: "Respected Miss: please excuse Willie for absents. He fell downstairs just before school time and we feared his internal insides was hurt at first, but they ain't. The doctor says that no part of his anatomy was hurt, but the brewing of the epydermis of the outside hide and also his hipp butt some. But he narrowly escaped death. So kindly excuse."

The Masonic chickenpie social last Tuesday evening was a fine success. About 150 guests enjoyed a fine evening's entertainment, a social and a great big chickenpie supper!

at a nominal cost. Mrs. Florence Masters, ably assisted by other mason's wives, made everything pass along pleasantly. The prize graphophone, that is to be given away soon in Mitchell's drawing, contributed to the joy of those present.

Sample of dramatic criticisms "as she is wrote" in Charlotte: "The health board has decided that the extremely unsanitary condition of the town Wednesday evening was due to the 'root' attraction, that is giving an alleged performance at the opera house. The local management should be given to understand that hereafter violations of the ordinance governing the health of the city will not be permitted."

As pretty a house in the village today is Cassius W. Crawford's comfortable home corner of Brown and Pierce streets. It is a beauty and if you want to see harmony in house color painting, go look this dwelling over. The job was done by Messrs. Monroe and Gravelin of our village and in a very satisfactory manner, too, so says Mr. Crawford who is surprised at the small quantity of paint used to produce such a happy result. Ask him what paint he used. We are too modest to name it.

The Birmingham Brick and Tile Company, Ltd., have been working tooth and nail to get their plant in working order and after tedious delays in the arrival of machinery they made a trial run last Saturday and the results were such that Manager Daniels had a smile on him that was good to see and on Monday the whistle blew at 7:00 a. m. for work in dead earnest. The first effort of the new plant will be to try and catch up with orders for tile which have been piling up for the past three months and then the accumulation of stock will commence. This is without doubt: the most complete brick and tile yard in the county and as such, entitled to the patronage and good words of every one interested in the welfare of our village and its institutions. Orders for brick and tile can be promptly filled after a few days. First come, first served. Send in your orders at once.

Dr. J. L. Campbell, Messrs Ford, Miller, Hagerman and Snow all went to Lima, Ohio, Wednesday and witness the shooting of wells to and to 12. The company's fineluck is with them right along, and the boys are surely growing wealthy.

A Sure Thing.
 It is said that nothing is sure except death and taxes, but that is not altogether true. Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption is a sure cure for all lung and throat troubles. Thousands can testify to that. Mrs. C. B. VanMetre, of Shepherdston, W. Va., says, "I had a severe case of Bronchitis and for a year tried everything I heard of, but got no relief. One bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery then cured me absolutely." It is infallible for Croup, Whooping Cough, Grip, Pneumonia and Whitehead & Mitchell and Cobb & Cobb, Druggists. Trial bottles free. Regular size 50c, \$1.00.

Every woman takes a lot of satisfaction in the thought that she would be a fertile bird if she didn't have such high ideals.

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HOUSECLEANING AND MOVING develops many "wants" in Table Cloths, Napkins, Sheets, Signs, Quilts, Towels, Doilies and other necessities. EVERY MAY we have a "REDUCED PRICE SALE" in the LINEN DEPARTMENT" purposely to enable housewives to replenish stock easily. This annual May SALE Commences TO-MORROW.

FINE DAMASK.

For Table Cloths, full bleached, all linen 68 inches wide, small lot to be closed out at once at 90c a yard. EXTRA QUALITY BLEACHED DAMASK, that we sell regularly at \$1.35, will be closed out at this sale for \$1.00 a yard. Napkins to match. That splendid MERCERIZED DAMASK we sell at 50c and 60c a yard cut to 50c

Bordered all around, and napkins to match, closed out at prices as follows: Size 8 1/2, \$1.00; size 8 1/2, \$2.00; size 8 1/2, \$2.50; and 10 inch Napkins at \$1.75 a dozen.

ODD TABLE CLOTHS.

2 1/2 and 3-yard lengths, for which we have no napkins, will be sold at cut prices to close out. There are a few J. A. BROWN'S Celebrated Damask Cloths among them, slightly soiled, otherwise all O. K. You'll get bargains. We have prices marked on them mean great opportunity to you.

We sell a lot of one hundred dozen SOLID HUCK TOWELS, hemmed, at 8c each—they're 18 1/2x34. Some RUSSIA that we've accumulated will be 6c a yard until the whole lot is gone. Splendid TURKISH TOWELS, a little soiled, that were 25c each, go at 2 for 20c at this sale. Balance of those WHITE SATIN SPREADS, the sort that we sell quantities of every week at \$2.75 each, will be \$1.88 at this sale. Some pretty WHITE BEDSPREADS, a sort that we sell for their price—cut down to 79c each. Our SPECIAL FRINGED SPREAD will be \$1.25 each now. You'll get GLISS BROWN COTTON, 8c quality, for 8c a yard.

SHIRTS, size 12 1/2 to 16, best 50c sort, will be 39c each. SHIRTS, size 14 to 16, best 60c sort, will be 50c each. SLIP SHEETS, size 12 1/2 to 16, best 1.00 sort, will be 70c each. SHIRTS, size 14 to 16, best 60c sort, will be 50c each.

SOLID HUCK TOWELS we usually sell at 17c and 19c go at 2 for 25c. GUEST ROOM TOWELS, hemstitched SHIRTS and SCARFS, lots at 25c and up. Some SLIGHTLY SOILED DOVILIES will be 10c each. LUNCH CLOTHS, PILLOW TOPS—all kinds, none reserved—prices cut in two.

THIS WILL BE BARGAIN WEEK.

In White Cotton Fabrics for Waists and Suits. We intend to close out the lines as fast as possible. IT'S YOUR OPPORTUNITY.

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You talk about something for nothing—here's something that is worth looking after. Fifty Beautiful \$3.50 Rocking Chairs to be Given away free to Customers who buy twenty-five dollars worth of Merchandise at my Department Store.

You can purchase the amount a little at a time. You will receive tickets for every purchase over five cents. When you have twenty-five dollars worth bring them to me and you will receive a \$3.50 ROCKING CHAIR absolutely free. Remember this is no fraud like some of the merchants who are giving away a cheap grade of Dish and try to make you believe they are worth a whole lot more than they really are. You can buy these dishes at any five and ten cent store. It won't take you long to get one of these beautiful ROCKING CHAIRS, as I am selling my goods for from 20 to 30 per cent less than you can buy them elsewhere.

Saturday, May 17, 1903, will be the day I commence to give tickets with each cash purchase. Be sure and come. Don't Miss it. Don't fail to read the following low prices:

30 pounds H and B Sugar	1.00	3 cans string beans	25
2 pounds of good prunes	25	3 cans berries	25
3 cans corn	25	Large can Jackson baking powder	10
3 cans of tomatoes	25	10 lb cigs tobacco	25
3 cans pumpkins	25	4 large assortments of cakes, per pound	10

Crockery and Glassware at very low prices. Boots and Shoes at low prices that will astonish you.

GENTS' TAILOR MADE SUITS in all styles and colors at low prices. Boys' Suits, all up-to-date, at very low prices. Children's two and three piece suits at your own price. CHILDREN'S WASH SUITS at 50c, 75c and \$1.00. I am also offering great bargains in DRY GOODS DEPARTMENT. Ladies' Dress Skirts and Shirts Waists—a large line to choose from—at very low prices.

MILLINERY! MILLINERY! MILLINERY!

I carry a popular line. My prices are lower than elsewhere. I show a larger and more complete line of ready to wear and HAND MADE HATS than ever was shown in Birmingham. Ladies' Sailors, black and white, at 25c, 50c and 75c. Ladies' Ready to Wear HATS at 10c, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$3.00. Children's Bonnets at 25c and 50c. Children's wide rim Straw Hats at 25c and 50c. Ladies' wide rim Straw Hats at 10c, 15c and 25c. Gents' wide Straw Hats at 10c, 15c and 25c. Gents' fancy Straw Hats at 25c, 50c, and 75c. Boys' wide rim Straw Hats at 10c, 15c and 25c. Boys' Straw Hats at 25c, 50c and 75c. Gents' Wool Hats at 10c, 15c and 25c. Gents' Gauze Underwear at 25c and 50c. Ladies' Misses' and Children's Gauze Underwear at 10c, 15c, 20c, 30c and 50c. All other goods not mentioned will be sold at very low prices.

GINNELL BROTHERS, the largest Millinery Dealers in the state of Michigan, have a beautiful piano at my Department Store and offer it very cheap. Come and examine it. This is a good chance for you to buy cheap. You will be convinced when you hear the beautiful music we will have Saturday afternoon and evening. Mrs. Noble Gravelin, the well-known music teacher of this place will play for you, and you will be able to enjoy yourself by visiting my General Department Store.

Yours Respectfully,

M. LEVINSON,
 General Dept. Store, Birmingham, Mich.

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Curtain Poles, white enamel (complete)	10
Curtain Poles, oak (complete)	10
Window Shades, cloth (complete)	25
Room Mouldings, per foot	1 1/2
Vestibule Rods, each	10
Picture Hooks, per doz	10
Shelf Paper, per doz	1

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