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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.

New Advertisements.

I. Lee Truax—Hardware—Birmingham.
The J. L. Hudson Co.—Clothing—Detroit.
William H. Elliott Co—Dry Goods—Detroit.
H. B. Merritt—Shoes—Pontiac.
Waite Bros. & Robertson—Dry Goods—Pontiac
Miss E. Flynn—Millinery—Pontiac.

Home over Sunday Miss Edith Koontz with her parents.

Mrs. Fuller spent part of last week with friends in Farmington.

Mr. and Mrs. John Baldwin visited relatives at Oxford this week.

The Gleaners will meet with Mrs. Charlie Shepard, in Southfield, Dec. 14.

Miss Anabelle Corson spent Thanksgiving with the family of M. H. Bartram at South Lyon.

Fred E. Brooks has gone into the horse business and will have a car-for sale each week. Read his new adv't on front page of this issue.

The Ladies' Aid of the M. E. church will meet with Mrs. Bookham, Friday afternoon, Dec. 2. All invited.

H. C. Wilson is a very busy man now-a-days with his gate contracts. He is in Ohio now for a few days on business.

A goodly number of our citizens are having their houses piped preparing for acetylene lighting. It's said to be great.

Mrs. F. E. Brooks is making preparations for an apron sale under the auspices of the Queen Esther Circle.

The W. F. M. Society of the M. E. church will meet at the parsonage at 7:30 p. m., Dec. 6. All are welcome.

Mrs. H. C. Wilson is visiting a cousin, Mrs. John Custard, at West Williamsfield, Ohio, and enjoying a fine trip.

Two rooms to rent—convenient for roomers or light housekeeping. Inquire of Mrs. Flora Beattie on Daines street.

Special meeting of the O. E. S. Wednesday evening, Dec. 7th. Refreshments will be served. Mary Gravelin, Sec'y.

Miss Ella Poppleton ate Thanksgiving turkey with her mother and sisters and all together had a most enjoyable visit.

Home over Thanksgiving, Messrs. Lloyd Campbell, Raynale Whitehead, Glenn Robinson, and Harold Corson, all from Ann Arbor.

Miss Elsie Rofe, of Pontiac, and her friend Miss Mildred Seill, spent Friday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Sturman in Southfield.

For Sale—One small size baseburner, one season and in good condition. Address W. H., Box 55, Birmingham, Mich. tf

Our farmer friends will be interested in the new adv't for the Hupp farm. All interested in ducks are invited to call and look them over.

J. S. Cannon has just returned home from the World's Fair where he has spent eight or ten days with his son-in-law, A. W. Woodruff, of Watervliet.

Election of officers at the regular meeting of Mary D. Hive L. O. T. M. M. Saturday night, Dec. 3. All members will please be present. Harriet Smith, R. K.

The pantomime social under the direction of Mayme Tabor, was a good show, everyone had a good time, and cleaned up over $10.00. Object, to buy books for the boys.

Ford Purdy is back in Parks' market, having recovered from his carbide burns which he received some time ago while charging the gas lighting plant.

We are sorry to tell you of the continued illness of Charles Reynolds. He has been obliged to give up his place with the gas company and at this writing is confined to his bed. We hope he will soon recover.

For sale at a bargain, a family horse (black) and a run-about; also one yearling heifer. For prices, etc., call at Geo. Maxwell's, on electric road, running from Campbell's corner to Woodward avenue, Royal Oak.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Reynolds, of Armada, enjoyed a Thanksgiving dinner with their daughter, Mrs. I. N. Baker. Besides visiting Mr. Baker's family this good couple saw many old time friends and all in all had a most enjoyable visit all around.

Whitehead & Mitchell ask your attention to their new adv't telling of Mitopo the great Tooth Powder of the age, 15c per bottle, and Mitchell's White Pine Cough Cure, the greatest and most successful Cough Cure known today.

Eli Sawtelle, formerly of Pontiac, but now constable at Hamtramck, Wayne county, has been arrested on a disorderly charge. He is also alleged to have attacked a man with a knife while under the influnce of liquor.

The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary society of the First Presbyterian church, will meet with Mrs. Mary Poppleton, on Wednesday, Dec. 7, at 3 o'clock p. m. All the ladies of the congregation are urged to be present.

Visitors at Mrs. C. Utter's on Thanksgiving day, Mrs. Daniel Stewart, of Detroit, and her daughters, Mrs. Grace Godfrey, of New York, the Misses Jennie and Lucy Stewart, of Detroit; Mrs. Hattie McBride, of our village. Good time for all.

A. Mark's factory for making hoops and staves is now running right along, employing a goodly gang of men, and the prospects for a long run is fine. Mr. Millspaugh buyer of elm timber is still on the watch for more.

Now is a real good time to begin to think about your selection of books for Christmas. That line of the "Cameo" series of over 600 publications can not be beaten. A 50c book for 16c. See adv't on last page. Also books in sets of 5—fine for presents.

Rev. Mr. Sweet, Presiding Elder of the M. E. church of this district, gave an address just particularly to the elderly members of the M. E. church of this place last Sunday evening. It was a fine and interesting discourse. Mrs. C. Utter was the oldest member present.

A man will play billiards half the night at 25 cents a game, and drink 15 cent whisky every 10 minutes without expecting any part in the management of the saloon. But if he pays two cents a day for a newspaper, he thinks he ought to have something to say as to its policy.

Look at the address on your paper and if the date shows you are in arrears for subscription kindly call or send us the amount. We have several hundred due us on subscription accounts and can use the money. The amounts are small but if all would attend to it the editor would be on easy street.

The reservoir is about ready for business at the gas house, and the street lamps are placed and ready for business. The lamps are certainly beauties and everything about the plant as far as we can see is put down and up in a thorough, substantial manner, one it seems that has come to stay.

Now that you have returned from your visit to Turkey and your farm work is all done, teams in good shape and roads good, why not haul those drain tile so that you will have them ready next spring? A full stock of 3, 4, 6 and 8 inch on hand at the yards of the Birmingham Brick & Tile Co.

There was one ballot in a Clinton county township which was thrown out by the election inspectors because it bore a distinguishing mark. There was not a cross on the ticket, but across the top the man who had voted it had written the query: "Where in h——l is Roosevelt's name on this ticket?"

Mrs. Augusta Walton Chiera, of Detroit, enjoyed a Thanksgiving dinner with her aunt, Mrs. Electa Keyes, and cousin Jennie, and also waited over a day or so for a cheerful visit. This lady is a great traveler and has seen all the World's Fairs from Philadelphia down to St. Louis, and she says "St. Louis against the world for everything in the line of World's Fairs.

The county board of election canvassers had some pretty hard work on the returns from the recent election. Of the 30 precincts in the county, the returns from only two were correct, Bloomfield and Orion. In Bloomfield the election board counted the votes on the night of election and then adjourned until the next day before making out the return sheets.

Oxford township boasts of a nonegenarian in the person of Aunt Charity Stevens in her 77th year who goes as she pleases and comes when she gets ready. The Oxford Leader says: "We don't expect to ever be a nonegenarian but if we could be as smart and happy and useful as Auntie Stevens we would like to be a centenarian—and we hope she will be one."

There is a strong possibility that the legislature will be asked to protect quail for the next two years. The birds were never so scarce in Michigan as this season, the extreme cold and hard winter of 1903-4 thinning them out. In sections known as the haunts of quail none can be found by the cleverest dogs Reports from the northern part of the state say partridges are fifty per cent more plentiful than a year ago.

Miss Nellie Gould, at A. Whitehead's, by error swallowed a teaspoonful of Fowler's solution of arsenic thinking it was a quantity of nerve medicine. About 15 minutes after taking the dose she discovered her bad mistake and a hurried run was made to Dr. C. M. Raynale who in a few hours pronounced her safely out of danger. It was a narrow escape and hereafter the young lady lights a lamp and reads the label on all medicines taken.

Supt. Dewey states in reference to the new court house at Pontiac: "The work has made wonderful progress. It is a full story higher than I expected to see it at this time. Cakland county is getting a good job, a piece of honest work and one that every resident should be proud of. As soon as the roof is on, the windows can be enclosed, a heating system installed, and the work can then go on all winter."

The monthly bulletin of vital statistics which has just been issued shows that during the month of October there were 45 deaths in Oakland county, four were under one year of age, and 20 were over 65 years of age. Two deaths resulted from pneumonia. Two from cancers and four from violence. The annual death rate per thousands in the county is 11.6 and the population, according to the last census, is 45,746.

The Royal Oak Woman's club gave a very delightful entertainment at the home of Mrs. A. Wilcox last Saturday afternoon. Mr. Kyosin Inui, of Kobe, Japan, a student at Ann Arbor, gave a very instructive talk on the causes of the present war in the far East and the reasons why the sympathy of nations were with his people. The guests were received by ladies in the costume of Japan, and tea and rice were served in a veritable Japanese tea room.

W. H. Rasmussen will sell at auction on the Jim Campbell farm, at the Ten Mile and Campbell Road, on Saturday, Dec. 3, at one o'clock p. m., mare, Jersey cow, wagons, compressed air sprayer, cultivators, plow, corn planter, harnesses, a quantity Hungarian hay, cornstalks, cider press and grinder, household furniture, 50 lbs. assorted bolts and washers, 4,000 cabbage, and other articles. Easy terms. M. H. Blunt, auctioneer.

Holly will get the new Advent manual training academy established by the Eastern Michigan conference. An option has been secured on the William Lacy property, just west of that town, consisting of 77 acres for which they agree to pay $4,500. Free lighting, fire protection, telephone service, etc., will be asked of the village, which no doubt will be granted. An academy building 48x70 feet, two stories high, will be erected in the spring. It is intended to accommodate 100 students.

"Many a mickle makes a muckle," could not be better verified than it was last week in the Children's Free Hospital of Detroit. It was announced as a request to the pupils of Detroit schools in the lower grades that each child bring as a donation to this worthy cause, a potato, turnip, carrot, etc., or anything else they felt like bringing for the children's use. What was the result? It took three full dray loads to deliver the children's donation. Thirty bushels of potatoes, three barrels of turnips, three barrels of cabbages, 50 pounds sugar, quantity of tea, coffee, and all in all it was a surprise to everybody and a great help to the Children's Free Hospital.

On Wednesday, December 7, M. H. Blunt will sell for Robert Hawthorne, five miles east of Birmingham, and four miles north of Royal Oak, at nine o'clock a. m., six horses, two yearling colts, five cows ranging from four to eight years old, three two-year old heifers, one yearling heifer, one calf eight months old, sixty coarse wool ewes, 40 lambs, ten shotes, brood sow, wagons, harnesses, buggies, hay, oats, corn, and all the latest machinery required to work a first-class farm; also twenty acres of good land with eleven acres of wheat on the ground. Terms on land made known on day of sale. Generous lunch at noon. See large bills.

After all, there wouldn't be one law suit where there are fifty, if people didn't get gritty. If you are renting your farm you tell your tenant that the understanding was so-and-so, and you really think you are right. The tenant calls upon high heaven to witness that you are wrong and there you are. Now wouldn't it be better to take no chances either way, but go to the Exchange Bank and get your farm lease properly made by a competent person and filed where it is instantly procurable at any time. Then there can be no disagreement or misunderstanding. Try it this year. It don't cost a thousandth part or a law-suit.

ADDITIONAL HOME NOTES.

T. G. Holmes is in Chicago visiting the big stock show.

The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. J. B. Field on Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 6, at 2.30.

Alex. Porteous has bought the Pearsall farm in Southfield and will take possession in the spring.

Brown N. Cannon, the unconquerable, is home from Denver on a visit to his father, J. S. Cannon of Southfield.

Mrs. J. B. McKellar has returned to her home after a pleasant three weeks' visit with her sister, Mrs. Stiffler.

Mrs. John I. Mason of Chicago has been visiting with her brother, T. G. Holmes of this place for some days past.

Miss Maud Reynor of Chicago, the celebrated prima donna, was in Birmingham a few hours one day last week visiting friends.

Adolph Ruggass has something to say concerning Christmas gifts in his new adv't on first page this week. His goods are within the reach of your purse.

Our readers are requested to give particular notice to the opening Christmas announcement and sale of Waite Bros. & Robertson, which appears next week in circular form.

The third number of the Citizen's entertainment course comes next week. The Lewis Vicary Concert Co. has the evening, and a fine treat of vocal and instrumental music is to be given.

Tuesday, the 29th day of December, was the 84th birthday anniversary of Stephen B. Cooper. The day was appropriately observer by Stephen, his daughter, Mrs. Mary Poppleton, and the rest of the relatives.

Our old codfish skin gets a rest—thanks to Ed. Daniels, who brought us in a fine dinner of venison steak on Tuesday last. Say, you ought to taste it! Our nimrods got 22 deer and all had a fine time without any accident whatever.

Fred Brooks has a carload of Iowa heavy draught horses—not bought at Chicago auctions, but picked up among the farmers with great care. Good judges of horse flesh pronounce them a fine bunch. They are for sale.

The remaining numbers of the Citizens Entertainments Course are as follows: Louis Vicary Concert Co., Prof. T. S. Goodrich of Albion college and Mr. Clarence Burgdurfer, the impersonator. Tickets for these three excellent numbers is only 60 cents.

There will be a grand masquerade and torchlight parade, tonight, given by the dancers of Royal Oak. Among the prizes we notice, first, fine gold-pointed fountain pen, value $1, given for the feniest gentleman's costume; $1 bottle of triple extract perfume for lady's costume. Other prizes will be given.

One night last week a south bound car in charge of Conductor Lockwood and Motorman Herrick stopped at the power house for air, and another car in charge of Conductor Fay and Motorman Brown hove in sight at the top of the hill a hundred rods away. Motorman Brown applied his air brake, but the brake rod broke and the car came down the hill on the jump. Brown reversed his power but could not avert the collision. Both cars were put out of commission. Motorman Brown jumped to save his life, and if William Cobb had jumped he might have saved his ten dozen eggs that went to decorate the interior of the car.

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.

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Uncle Eben.

"De man dat goes through de world findin' fault," said Uncle Eben, "has picked out sech an easy job foh hisse'f dat he can't expect much appreciation."—Washington Star.

A Costly Mistake.

Blunders are sometimes very expensive. Occasionally life itself is the price of a mistake, but you'll never be wrong if you take Dr. King's New Life Pills for Dyspepsia, Dizziness, Headache, Liver or Bowel troubles. They are gentle yet thorough. 25c, at Whitehead & Mitchell's & Cobb & Cobb's drug stores.

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Our Gowns make very acceptable Holiday Gifts—We're asking little prices for desirable Silks.
PRETTY PLAID SILKS—Range of new colors and combinations—$1.00 yard.
Suiting and Waist Silks in new Greens, Browns and Blues—75c to $1.50 yard.
Very latest in Chameleon effects, high class Taffeta Silk—89c and $1.00 yard.
A very beautiful Taffeta, ample weight for Gowns, 85c quality, this week, 75c yard.
Lyons beautiful Black Silk, Stock full of these untearable and unbreakable Silks—75c to $2.00 yard.
Special Extras—
Black Peau de Soie—1 yard wide, $2.00 quality, for $1.47
Black Peau de Soie—1 yard wide, $2.25 quality, for $1.75
Black Peau de Soie, 22 inches wide, $1.00, quality, for 89c

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Particularly adapted for gift purposes, Green and Blue Checks (some with red), the scarlet material for Shirt Waist Suits—New lot just unboxed—$1.00 yard.
Evening Gown Goods, delicate shades of Grays, Blues, Browns, Greens, etc., in Batistics and Crapella Cloth, beautiful, stylish—75c yard.
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54 inch Plain and Herringbone Cravenettes for Rain Coats—A full line of colors to choose from—$2.00 quality, now $1.50 yard.

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Has an attractive assortment of Shirt Waist Patterns nicely boxed for Holiday Gifts.
Exquisite designs in fine Challies for Kimonos, Sacques and Children's Dresses. Very complete color assortment of latest Waistings of Wool.
Silks Eolienne for Evening Waists and Dresses—49c yard.
Some particularly new effects in Outing Flannels just received, 10c yard.
Fleeced Goods for Wrappers, very nice designs—10c, 12½c and 15c yard.

ART GOODS

The Washable Photograph Pillow Tops are taking Detroit by storm. Yours or anyone's photograph copied exactly (but larger) on a pillow top, $1.50—We alone take orders in this city. Also photographic productions of State Bank, Masonic Temple, Chamber of Commerce, Tashmo, etc., on pillow tops—Strictly Washable—50c.

AT BLACK GOODS DEPT.

Double Warp Cheviot, one lot of the 59c grade to be sold out at 50c yard.
50-inch Cheviot, sponged, our 75c quality, cut to 59c yd.
Black and White Checks in good Mohair—exceptional value, for 50c yard.
Reversible Black and White Check Waistings, new and very desirable, 59c yard.
Mohair Waistings in evening shade and cream, new, 50c.

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Tapestry effects, Genre Subjects Colored Photographic Scenes, Pastel Sketches, Dutch Pictures, English Hunting Scenes, Ideal Heads. Many pictures to choose from—each appropriately framed ready to hang. Prices range from 25c to $10.

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Are sold on the second floor. Navy and Royal Blues, Brown's Grays, Maroons and Greens, the sort of Coats men like—$4.00 to $10.00 each.

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The manufacturers are so sure that Pepsikola tablets will aid and strengthen your digestion, make the rich, red blood course through your veins and put new life, new energy, and new vigor into your stomach, that they have instructed Whitehead & Mitchell and Cobb & Cobb to tell all dissatisfied purchasers that they can have their money back, cheerfully and without argument.

Prohibit Opium Smoking in Public.

Opium smoking in French ports on the Mediterranean assumed such large proportions of late that a law has been passed prohibiting the smoking of opium in all public places in Marseilles, Toulon and other cities.

France and Horsebreeding.

The French government has for a long time done much to encourage horsebreeding, and the result is now seen in the number of good horses in that country and in the high-priced horses she is constantly sending to other countries. There has been a vigorous attempt there to reduce horse breeding to a science. Legislation and government money have been freely applied in the direction of safeguarding the breeding of horses. The government stallions have been of course the great factor in this forward movement. The French horsemen say that this expenditure of money and effort has paid well.

The Goat and Disease.

One thing in favor of the goat is that it is little subject to disease. Whether this is true of all of our common diseases we do not know. Doubtless the goat is subject to some disease. At least it is asserted that the goat does not have tuberculosis. If this is so it is a strong factor in its favor. Its milk should, in that case, be used more and more, and new and better breeds of milk goats should be developed. We are supposed to have about two million goats in this country. A physician says that we should have twenty millions just to supply milk for the babies of the country.

Wasted Kindness.

Some individuals make it a habit to bestow kindness only on those who do not require them.

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