THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC

One Dollar Per Year in Advance

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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?

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HOME NOTES.

New Advertisements.

I. Lee Truax—Hardware—Birmingham.
The J. L. Hudson Co.—Clothing—Detroit.
William H. Elliott Co—Dry Goods—Detroit.
Waite Bros. & Robertson—Dry Goods—Pontiac.
Whitehead & Mitchell—Drugs—Birmingham.

Read the bond issue adv't.

Bert Shearar, of Detroit, was in town last Sunday.

Miss Gertie Mudge is improving after an attack of tonsilitis.

Miss Minnie Peck spent the past week with her friend, Miss Gertrude Mudge.

Miss Sadie Jessop, of Windsor, was a guest of Miss Libbie Goodwin part of this week.

Will A. Fox, of the Rochester Era, is now a member of the Elks of Pontiac. Good enough.

Mr. Frank S. Postal, of Evart, Mich., visited old time friends at J. W. Perry's on Saturday last.

At the Wm. Hanna auction sale, on Tuesday, March 29, there will be sold about 40 hens, some laying.

E. & F. E. Clark have gathered in many photo coupons and they want more. They tell you what they want in their new ad this week.

That man Truax is at it again. He's going to be generous again this week. See what he has to say in his new adv't.

One of our Sand Hill belles was asked by her hopeful intended: "Do you think my mustache becoming?" She replied: "It may be coming, but it hasn't come yet."

There will be a special meeting of the O. E. S., Wednesday evening, March 30, at 7:30 o'clock. Officers and members are requested to be present. M. E. Daniels, Sec.

The robin and the bluebird are mighty poor weather prophets or else they have some means that we wot not of making themselves comfortable when the ground is covered by a foot of snow.

A Franklin girl said: "Maw, I wish the Lord had made made me a man," and Maw answered: "He has made you one, I reckon, if you'll hunt for him."

The regular annual meeting of the Birmingham Cemetery Association will be held Saturday, April 2, at 3 p. m., at the library room. All interested are invited to be present. M. Baldwin, Sec'y.

A kicker often reminds one of the skunk that tried to stop an express train. All there was left was a deficit and the stink he had stirred up. Moral: Don't butt a stone wall, if you are a cipher, or you may get your rim knock off.

The regular annual meeting of Village Improvement society will be held at the home of Mrs. Mary Cooper, Wednesday afternoon, Mar. 30, at 3 o'clock. Everybody who wants to improve the village is invited. Fannie Shain, secretary.

Only six bids were made for Oakland county's $100,000 court house bonds, all of which have been rejected. The board have decided to raise the value of the bonds to $1,000. Several minor changes in the court house plans were also deemed necessary by the board.

Special meetings are in progress at the United Presbyterian church. Services at 7:30 each evening. The meetings are for the general public and all are invited. Rev. H. C. Shaw, of Royal Oak, will be the speaker tonight, Friday.

We received a short pleasant call on Wednesday afternoon from our old friends, Messrs James and Geo. Geddes. Both are in good health and have wintered well, and we hope to see them enjoying life for many years to come.

If you are in want of any young Hereford and Durham heifers or cows, or want to buy a hand or power cutting box, read our want column. All can be found at Holmes Grove. If you don't know where it is ask any one—they can tell you.

An exchange says, "The Dallas Civic Improvement is working to make Dallas a good place to come to, and a good place to live in." That is just what our Village Improvement Society is trying to do and in that work they should have the support of every resident of our village.

Chas. Soults, business manager of the Menominee Daily Leader, made this office a pleasant call Wednesday. Mr. Soults, we are sorry to say, is not enjoying the best of health at present, and he is rusticating at the home of his parents in this place.

New books in library: "The Trail of the Grand Signeur," by O. L. Lyman, is a story of Michigan and Canadian forests in the early days. It contains some history and much of adventure and the hardy life, which tho' hard and rough, enables us to say, "Michigan, My Michigan."

Organized union labor of Pontiac is making an effort to have a union man appointed to superintend the construction of Oakland county's proposed new $100,000 court house. A committee from the trades council has called on the different supervisors soliciting their support.

You won't overlook the new Detroit advertisements this week. Both firms, the Traver-Bird Co. and the Taylor-Woolfenden Co. are old friends of our readers, and are ever ready to give you the glad hand with royal bargains every time you call.

Register of Deeds, G. F. Brondige, recently made his report to the State Tax Commission of the number of mortgages filed and discharged during the past six months, which shows that the total number of new mortgages filed was 290, and the number of mortgages discharged was 337, showing that the county is in a prosperous condition.

Daines & Bell are out with their wall paper announcement this week. They have just received a carload of fresh stock and advertise it in another column. Only one year in the wall paper business assures the public that there is no old stock on hand. They invite you to examine their latest arrival in wall paper, mattings and furniture.

Galucia Gibbs, of Big Beaver, is in poor health but was in town one day recently. We also had a nice old fashioned visit with H. M. Gibbs, of Howard City, and his brother Willis and wife. Both of these lads are successful and influential business men in their own homes and bound to grow wealthy.

Seventeen of the twenty-one tables which will be spread at the Jefferson club banquet in Pontiac on Tuesday night, March 29, have been disposed of, and there is indication that there will be a shortage of tickets. A special train over the P., O. & N. will bring big delegations from the northern part of the county, and special electric cars will bring delegations from other directions.

Through the kindness of Mr. and Mrs. Bray the library has been presented with a handsome volume of the "Queen of the Household," by Mrs. M. W. Elsworth. It contains a vast fund of information of use to housekeepers, and is a handsomely bound volume. Mr. and Mrs. Bray have recently taken up their residence with us and we hope to convince them that there are many pleasing things to be found in living in our village.

The last of the rural free delivery mail routes in Oakland county asked for will be inspected by the last of the week. There are something over fifty mail routes in the county, placing Oakland at the head of the counties in the sixth district. Postmaster Hanna calls attention to the fact that if residents of any part of the county who are not now supplied with rural mail desire the service, they had best make application at once.

John H. Parks, a pioneer resident of Pontiac, died at his home at 87 Auburn avenue on Sunday afternoon, March 13, aged 81 years. He enjoyed good health until a few days before his death, when he was seized with pneumonia which proved fatal. Mr. Parks was born at Birmingham, July 12, 1823, and moved to Pontiac with his parents while a child.

It is said that railroads and electric lines will be at a great expense the coming spring and summer in repairing their tracks. While the winter has been a hard one, it has frozen the ground but little and the ballasting of the roads has suffered greatly. The tracks in many places are rough and will need a great deal of attention as soon as the weather becomes of a settled nature.

This offense is rank and smells to heaven as well as to the Holly girls who sit in boxes at the Opera House. The Holly Advertiser says: "If the young men who vented their spite upon a bevy of girls by smearing the boxes at the Opera House with Limburger cheese, because the girls beat them out in securing the box seats, will hand their names in we shall be glad to publish them, so that the public may know just who are deserving of the credit for such a gentlemanly performance."

If you did not see either Ben Hur or Buster Brown in Detroit last week then indeed you must be lonesome. One would hardly think Buster Brown would compete with Ben Hur but the kids are loyal to their Buster and an extra matinee on Friday helped all to see the prankish kid. At the Lyceum and Detroit Opera House every seat was sold in advance for each and every performance while the gallery lines at both places formed three hours before the performances began.

"Quick sales and small profits" was the order of the times in the times in the real estate department of the Exchange bank this week. Alfred Johnston placed his lots, on the corner of Fremont and Pierce streets, in the hands of Cashier Whitehead on Wednesday morning, and before the ink was dry Whitehead had sold the north half of the lots to Frank Young and the whole business was done, deed signed, sealed and delivered, money paid and everybody happy. Now the south half of these lots is for sale with house and barn, and the price is very low. Next Gentleman?

A. P. Jacobs, our fellow citizen and general good man all around, has been fighting to live for the past two weeks. Engaged in business in Detroit he was taken suddenly ill and went to his brother's for the night and rapidly grew worse until he had a full and complete attack of pneumonia. Two trained nurses and Dr. H. O. Walker with Mr. J.'s own grit pulled him through although at times his life was despaired of. At this writing he is easy and on the road to recovery and we are glad indeed.

"Annual Tree Butchery," is the heading of an article in a leading magazine. The article shows how trees suffer at the hands of incompetent trimmers. We had an example of that last year when the fine maples near the depot, planted and cared for by our Village Improvement Society, were so mutilated. Would it not be well for our town to require the telephone company to cable their wires and thus prevent a recurrence of that affair? Our village board has the power to require this, and they would have the property owners back of them in the effort. M. B.

The following jurors have been draw from this vicinity for the April term of the circuit court: Addison, Chauncey E. Gladden; Avon, L. G. Satterlee; Bloomfield, Frank G. Hendricks; Farmington, James Browne; Pontiac township, Edwin Phelps, Jr.; Royal Oak, Henry Landon; Southfield, George H. Code; West Bloomfield, John E. Young; Pontiac, first ward, Pierre Buckley; 2d ward, George Bracken; 3d ward, William Schlelshier; 4th ward, Rodney B. Smith; 5th ward, Thomas Patton. The jury for the February term will finish up the balances of the cases for that month on March 28.

It is reported that the lakes without tributaries in the township of North Independence are liable to be depleted of fish, the severe winter having frozen the water to such a depth that the fish have little air to breathe. When holes are cut in the ice fish of all kinds come to the surface in nearly a dead condition for the needed oxygen to sustain life. Pails can be lowered in the holes cut and pulled out full of fish or they can be picked out with the hands. If the game wardens would employ a little of their zeal in keeping holes open in several places on each lake where there is no open outlet, millions of the finny tribe might be saved.

A fine old fashioned thunder, lightning and rain storm Monday night helped to loosen the snow and ice, and say it cannot go too fast to please us. We would be delighted to see the green, green grass once more. The River Rouge got on a rampage and an ice gorge formed at the bridge near the powerhouse, and dynamite was freely used to blow it up so that the pent up waters could go on their way. During Tuesday afternoon Electric park became a lake of rushing water and the D. U. R. tracks were covered for several hundred feet with four feet of water. Zimmerman's factory was a recptacle for two feet of water and loose timber had to be anchored to keep it from whirling away on the bosom of the turbulent and seething waters.

TANKS

Square Tanks
House Tanks
Cistern Tanks
Tower Tanks
Half Round Tanks
in fact
All Kinds of Tanks
for every purpose.

Built of Louisiana Cypress or Northern White Pine, in the best manner possible; superior to any other tanks on the market.

Ask your dealer or write us.

National Engineering Co.,
Saginaw, W. S., Mich.

WATCH OUT

Get Your Name in the New Local Telephone Directory.

MR. FARMER—You can get a long distance Telephone in your house, putting you in touch with the outside world for only, per yer year

$15.00

Make your Application TO-DAY

MICHIGAN STATE TELEPHONE CO.

GEO. H. MITCHELL, Manager.

UNDER THE HAMMER

The Following Will Be Sold on Dates as Specified Below--Many Useful Articles May Be Found in the List.

March 25, at 10 a. m., Hubbard Hall will sell at auction on the premises, 2 1-2 miles west and 1-2 mile north of Royal Oak, the following property: Cows and young heifers, horses, sow, binder, mower, hay tedder, cultivators, roller, top buggy, wagons, harness, quantity of hay, new heating stove, and many other articles. The household goods and personal property of Holday Foramaze, deceased, will also be sold. M. H. Blunt, auctioneer; Fred Puvorle, clerk.

Everyone in this section knows about Wm. Hunt's fine herd of cows, well, they are to be sold at auction and Saturday, March 26, at 1 o'clock p. m., the sale will commence at William's farm, 1 1-2 miles south of Birmingham on the gravel road. Sixteen head of milch cows (for full description see large bills). Besides these many farm tools will be sold among which are, John Deere corn planter and 80 rod of check-row chain, cultivators, 70-tooth spike drag, lumber wagon, single buggy, road wagon, Evans' potato planter, Empire drill, etc. M. H. Blunt will wield the hammer.

March 29, at 1 o'clock p. m., Wm. Hanna has an auction on the premises, 3 miles east of Southfield Burg, 4 miles west of Royal Oak, 6 miles north of Grand River Road, and 4 miles south of Birmingham, at which time there will be sold 25 head of cattle, 15 hogs, 2 set of work harness, Gale steel plow, new Champion binder, road wagon set of bobsleighs, hay rake, cutting-box nearly new, 10-horse power and jack, etc. Terms reasonable. M. H. Blunt, auctioneer.

J. H. Reside will have an auction on the premises, known as the Ezra Bailey farm, 2 miles west and ½ mile south of Troy, on Wednesday, March 30, at 1 o'clock p. m., the following property to be sold: One pair geldings, 6 work horses, one Champion mowing machine, plow, drags, cultivators, garden seeder, wagons, top buggy, set bobsleighs, 3 tons mixed hay, 100 bu. oats, cook stove, heater, and household goods. Terms as usual. M. H. Blunt, auctioneer; A. Bailey, clerk.

Advertised Letters.

The following is a list of letters remaining in the Birmingham postoffice March 19, 1904:

Arthur Bigg, Mr. Ed Smyth R. F. D. No. 2, Mr. George Lenard R. F. D. No. 3.

JOHN HANNA, P. M.

Working Overtime.

Eight hour laws are ignored by those tireless, little workers—Dr. King's New Life Pills. Millions are always at work, night and day, curing Indigestion, Biliousness, Constipation, Sick Headache and all Stomach, Liver and Bowel troubles. Easy, pleasant, safe, sure. Only 25c at Whitehead & Mitchell's and Cobb & Cobb's drug stores.

Whenever I hear a man boasting that his wife made him all that he is, I wonder how many men will confess that their wives have unmade them all that they ain't.

The husband of the average hawk-billed, deep-voiced reformer is perpetually whitecapped by his wife, until it is natural with him to be so this that when he eats cranberries they stick out like buttons on his vest.

Rajah — Carpets and Rugs

WILLIAM H. ELLIOTT CO.

We offer you great inducements to buy your Ready-to-Wear Garments here. Easter is a scant distance off. Come early before assortment is broken.

THE ELLIOTT SILKS

Suiting Silks in brown, blue and reseda; also very effective combinations—choice lines at **75c, 85c and $1 00.**

Checked effects in our Royal Taffeta Silk Suitings; also the latest designs in floral and striped effects for Waists and Suits. All these Silks are washable, the price is particularly low—19 inches for **75c** yard.

New line of Bonnet's beautiful Blacks, the Lynns-made Taffeta that has our guarantee back of the makers that it wont tear or break, money back if it goes wrong within a reasonable time. Prices are **75c, 85c, 89c and $1.00**

Special lot fine quality Satin Fourlards for suits—particularly pleasing shades—75c value for **59c** yard.

Pongees—we are noted for. Our assortment is very large, and the qualities cannot be duplicated at our prices—24 inch **39c, 50c and 75c**; 27-in., **85c, $1.00 and $1.25** yard.

Ask to see Armure Pongee, Canvas Pongee, Gros Grain Pongee and the Popular Rajah Pongee.

We sell a pure Silk Taffeta in colors that you would select, equal in quality to some of the 75c sort elsewhere, for **59c** yard.

Gladiator Taffeta—at Elliott's only can it be found—makes friends as it is the best for linings and foundations—all Colors and Black.

Colored DRESS GOODS

46-inch Snowflake Voile, in 8 new shades **$1.25** a yard.

46-inch Imported lightweight Novelty Goods for Shirt Waist Suitings—**$1.39** yard.

Polkla Dot and Woven Figured Blue and White Sicilian and Mohair; best English makes and perfectly fast colors—**50c** yard.

Two beautiful Blue shades in 45-inch Sicilian Mohair for **50c** yard; and in the 54-inch, 75c value, for **59c** yard.

Best Austrian Wool Crapella Cloth, full $1.00 value, now **75c** yard.

Seven fetching shades in Check Goods, 50-inch wide, for Shirt Waist Suits, $1.75 value for **$1 25** yard.

54-inch fine, mixed Tweeds, 7 new shades, very light weight, Shirt Waist Suitings, **$1.25** yard.

All wool English Crash Suitings, 46-inch, light weight and the stylish light colors—**$1.00** yard.

Tailor Kersey Suitings in Mixtures that are exceptionally stylish, 56-inch wide, only **$1.50** yard.

ART GOODS

Prices Particularly Low.

Richardson's new Shades in Embroidery Silks.

Hand-drawn Japanese Doilies—a complete New Line—**25c** each.

Venetian Doilies—very dainty affairs—75c values, for **25c.**

New Ideas in "Tinted Centerpieces"—**25c** each.

Pillow Tops—the latest tinted effects—**25c and 50c** each.

Embroidered Swiss Shams—very nice work—**$2.00** a pair up; also Swiss Scarfs to match.

Doilies—very daintily embroidered in a variety of designs—**98c** each.

Squares and Scarfs—our new assortment at **25c** each.

18 and 20 inch Centerpieces—new line—**50c** each, etc.

Picture Frames—circular and oblong—value 75c to $1.00, **25c** and **39c** each.

Sheer Muslin Shams and Scarfs—Tambour work—**25c** each.

DOUBLE YELLOW STAMPS FOR FIVE DAYS

I have just concluded arrangements with the TRADERS' REBATE CO., to give two Yellow Stamps with every ten-cent purchase made in our store during the period

From Feb. 22 to Feb. 27.

If you are saving Yellow Stamps this is a splendid opportunity for you to fill your BOOK quickly, as you will receive TWO STAMPS instead of one for every ten-cent purchase.

Yours for Good Goods and Low Prices.

Birmingham, Mich

V. NIXON

Wall Paper

Eight Thousand (8,000) Rolls just received and more coming. Remember we have only handled WALL PAPER one year and we have no old stock.

Prices Range from 3c Up.

Matting

Twenty-five Patterns to select from. THESE GOODS were bought last Fall before the ADVANCE in PRICES, and our customers get the benefit.

Furniture

Don't fail to Call and see our LARGE STOCK before buying We invite comparison of prices and quality of Goods.

DAINES & BELL,
Furniture and Wall paper
Birmingham, Mich.

Continued Until Easter

BECAUSE OF BAD WEATHER

Our Coupon Offer As Advertised for 15 Days.

BRING US YOUR COUPONS on any FIRM or THIS AD. AND GET

14 BEAUTIFUL CABINET PHOTOS.

AND ONE 11x17 PANEL

FOR ONLY 3 DOLLARS.

Come and See this Work.

E. & F. E. CLARK.

BIRMINGHAM, MICH.

It Saved His Leg.

P. A. Danfort of LaGrange, Ga., suffered for six months with a frightful running sore on his leg; but writes that Bucklen's Arnica Salve wholly cured it in five days. For Ulcers, Wounds, Piles, it's the best salve in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25cts. Sold by Whitehead & Mitchell and Cobb & Cobb Druggists.

FOR SALE.

1 Short Horn Bull for sale, 1 year old. 1 Guernsey Bull for sale, 1 year old, good ones. On the Snow farm ½ mile east and 2 miles north of Birmingham.

apr15 G. A. MUDGE.

Tragedy Averted.

"Just in the nick of time our little boy was saved" writes Mrs. W. Watkins of Pleasant City, Ohio. "Pneumonia had played sad havoc with him and a terrible cough set in besides. Doctors treated him, but he grew worse every day. At length we tried Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, and our darling was saved. He's now sound, and well." Everybody ought to know, it's the only sure cure for Coughs, Colds and all Lung diseases. Guaranteed by Whitehead & Mitchell and Cobb & Cobb Druggist. Price 50c and $1.00. Trial bottles free.

Registration Notice.

To the Electors of the Township of Bloomfield, County of Oakland, State of Michigan:

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Board of Registration of the township above named, will be held at the Town Hall in Birmingham village, within said township, on Saturday, April 2, A. D. 1904, for the purpose of registering the names of all such persons who shall be possessed of the necessary qualifications of electors, and who may apply for that purpose, and that said Board of Registration will be in session on the day and at the place aforesaid, from 9 o'clock in the forenoon until 5 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose aforesaid.

Dated this 22nd day of March, A. D. 1904.

By order of the Township Board of Registration. C. H. CARTER, Clerk of said Township.

Annual Township Meeting.

To the Electors of the Township of Bloomfield, County of Oakland State of Michigan:

Notice is hereby given that the next ensuing election for said township will be held at the Town Hall in said township, on Monday, April 4, A. D. 1904, at which election the following officers are to be chosen, viz:

One Supervisor,
One Clerk,
One Treasurer,
One Highway Commissioner,
One Justice of the Peace (full term),
One member Board of Review (full term),
Four Constables.

The polls of said election will be open at 7 o'clock a. m. and will remain open until 5 o'clock p. m. of said day of election.

By order of the Board of Election Inspectors of said Township.

Dated this 22nd day of March, A. D. 1904.

C. H. CARTER, Clerk of said Township.

A GENEROUS OFFER.

The Youth's Companion makes the following offer:

To the 500 schools in Iowa and to the 500 schools in Michigan showing the greatest interest during 1904 in the setting out of trees, shrubbery and vines, and improving their grounds in other ways, we shall present a set of six historical pictures, namely: "Washington," "Lafayette," "Signing the Declaration of Independence," "The Constitution," "Surrender of Cornwallis," and "The Landing of the Pilgrims."

To the 10 schools in each state doing the best work we shall present a large American Flag.

In every public school in Iowa and Michigan there are, no doubt, those who are readers of The Youth's Companion who will see this notice. We shall ask each one of these Companion readers to show this offer to the teacher of the school, to the school committee, and to as many friends of the school as possible, and also to urge that the school grounds shall be made beautiful.

Michigan's State Superintendent is doing everything in his power to help on this work. Woman's clubs, teachers and children are all at work. Let parents help and encourage.

A crop of Paderewski fat hair and a wheezy consumptive old violin is enough to set some women crazy.

The dearest spot on earth is not always "home." That may be a very cheap concern, or "dearest" may be way off.

A married woman is never at a loss for plenty to talk over with hubby even if she has to scandalize her mother-in-law.