

To Our Friends.

When traveling with any of our advertising... it will be a great favor to us if you will mention the fact that you noticed this advertisement in our paper...

THE BIRMINGHAM ECCESTRIC

HOME NOTES

I. Lee Tracy—Hardware—Birmingham.  
The J. L. Hudson Co.—Clothing—Detroit.  
William H. Elliott Co.—Dry Goods—Detroit.  
Whitehead & Mitchell—Dry Goods—Pontiac.

VOL. XXVIII, No. 1.  
Myron Skinner died recently at Flint, Mich.

Mrs. Frank Harfil, near Pontiac, is very ill.  
Edward Smith has a new automobile.

Notice change in Grand Trunk time card this week.

Pontiac has hatched out its first full grown automobile.

Mrs. M. Smith wishes to rent her house on Middle street. Call at the house.

The W. H. M. S. meet with Mrs. S. Masters next Thursday afternoon, May 12.

Mrs. Lillian Ross, nee Ellenwood, and daughter have returned to their Calumet home.

Miss Ethyl Balesler, of Rochester, visited friends here part of last week.

Wanted—A companion for an invalid lady. Apply to Dr. I. Neff, E. M. A., Pontiac, Mich.

Wanted—Man and wife to work farm on shares. Good chance. Inquire at this office at once.

Mrs. Henry Johnson, of Detroit, visited her brother, W. I. Deer, one day last week.

Last week the Ladies' Literary club was entertained by Mrs. Mary B. Poppleton, of Woodward Ave.

James Zimmerman has finished his new house on Maple Ave., and Ira Reed will soon occupy it.

For Sale—White corn meal in any quantity for feeding stock. See Web Bay at once before they all go.

Phasant eggs 20c each; Golden Wyandotte eggs 30c for setting of 15. Inquire of John Wilkinson, Southfield Ave.

For Sale Cheap—A large, heavy work team, about 1400, both mares, sound in limb and wind. Call and see them at the Watkins farm.

Hardware merchants are sorely distressed—from one day to another they don't know whether to display the snow shovel or the lawn mower.

The B. Y. P. U. held a business meeting at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Will Cray a few evenings since. A fine luncheon was served.

Not long ago the Sunday-school class of Miss Maynard Taber was entertained by her at her home on Brown street. Twenty boys frolicked.

If people were always as obliging as they are when they turn after other people's hats on a windy day, what a delightful world this would be.

A new widow in Pontiac wired her friend: "Dear Joseph, I am dead," and then to temper the sad news added, "Loss fully covered by insurance."

Will Bailey, a 14-year-old son of Robert Bailey, of Troy, had his leg broken by a runaway horse last Tuesday. Dr. Smith reduced the fracture.

A landscape gardener will save every tree and build up banks and hills, but the average idea of fixing up things is to cut everything and level everything.

D. M. Doty has just finished two large monuments at Woodmere cemetery, Detroit. Those city people who know where to get good work at low prices.

Th. M. E. church Aid Society will meet at the home of Mrs. J. N. Zimmerman today (Friday). Supper will be served from 5 to 7 and all are cordially invited.

For the first time in the history of Oakland county two brothers now sit on the board of supervisors, viz: E. L. Davis of Springfield and J. L. Davis of Independence.

If every mother and every father would teach their children not to

break trees and shrubs, and to keep off other people's property. Life would be worth more in some places.

The monthly W. C. T. U. meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Hulda Miller on Middle street, Tuesday of this week. A good crowd was present and a fine time enjoyed by all.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Spaulding have vacated the Mattie Baldwin house and moved to Detroit. Mr. S. has a fine job in the Cadillac Automobile Works and is in line for promotion.

Owing to the resignation of Mrs. H. T. Randall as matron of the high school society, because she has gone to California to live, Mrs. Warren Clizbe has been chosen as matron.

The ladies of the O. E. S. gave the gentlemen members a little surprise at their meeting Wednesday night by serving a fine supper. And the gentlemen said, "Bless the ladies."

Mrs. Olive Phelps and daughter Frankie, and Mrs. Morrison, a sister of Mrs. Phelps, moved to Pontiac last week. The best wishes of many friends in this place accompany them to their new home.

The Paul Parks farm has been sold, and a payment made to secure it to J. Allen Bigelow the salesman. It will be in the future the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar McBride. The price, \$3000.

A week from Saturday, May 14, the B. Y. P. U. will give another of their famous dinners, from 6 to 9, at the church parlors. This means a fine dinner and a social evening that we will all enjoy. The proceeds will be applied on the building fund.

Rudolph Buttraw looks like a Spanish war veteran having had an accident at his work at the American Blower factory in Detroit. Not a serious one but painful and disagreeable to say the least. A cut in his face and chin.

Louis Ry has transferred his business office for the same firm from Albany, N. Y., to Detroit, Michigan. It's easy enough if you know how and the generous salary goes right along. Mr. Roy is bound to make a mark. Watch our prediction.

Our old friend Samuel Alexander has been appointed City Forester of Ann Arbor, will buy property there and settle permanently in that city. A good big salary goes with the office and we are pleased to note Mr. Alexander's good fortune.

Next June Miss Belle Ward will graduate from the Alma Co. college in her chosen profession kindergarten teacher. She has secured a fine position as teacher in one of the Pontiac schools and we predict for this young teacher success beyond measure.

We have names for many of our farm homes now, for not only have our main country roads named and marked, but Maple Ave. runs east and west into the country, Woodward Ave. to Pontiac, and none the others. Ten cents each for those living on these roads will pay for marking the signs.

On account of the severe illness of Mrs. Bartram, Miss Dotie Daniels will take Miss Lema Bartram's position in the Royal Oak school for the present. A trained nurse is caring for Mrs. Bartram and we hope the good lady will speedily recover.

Orion, of summer resort fame, may be a dry town the coming year. When the question of liquor bonds was voted on at the council meeting Tuesday night of last week, the result was a tie and the president cast the deciding vote in favor of a dry town.

The Automobile club, of Detroit, numbering nearly 400 members has rented John Keist's home about two miles south of our village for a club house. Next season they will buy the entire property. Its use will be a restaurant, lunch-house, repair shop and an auto livery. Vettis, we are growing right along.

About 75 friends of Ezra Gray swooped down on him last Saturday evening and gave him the surprise of his life. It was a social evening long to be remembered and was enjoyed by all present. Supper was served and pitch and drench reigned supreme. "Those Baptists never do anything by halves, anyway."

The Pontiac Macaroni factory (in which but one Pontiac man is interested) is to begin business soon as repairs can be made, and new machinery added and a proper flavoring extract be secured. Then will be produced some of the genuine Italian stuff, calling for more of Fred Warner's cheese product.

A Rochester girl was caught kissing her sweetheart a few nights ago.

Her mother took her to task for such actions, but the girl answered her by this quotation: "Whatever ye would that men should do unto you, do ye even so to them." The old lady wailed. Memories of old were brought forcibly to mind.

A Potiac director of the Michigan State Agricultural society gives out the information that the society, will probably put \$15,000 with the \$35,000 that Detroit is to pay to the society for the permanent buildings on the site Detroit will donate. The society will have to do some tall hustling to get in shape for the fair, which is slated to open September 12.

When the fair went to Pontiac in 1901 work on the buildings was not begun before the middle of May, and great effort had to be put forth to get them in readiness for the fair the last of September. Pontiac had the advantage of having its race course and about half the buildings already constructed.

Not so very long ago Rev. A. McLeod, D. D., of Greenleaf, Mich., wrote a humorous, big, booting recommendation for Dr. J. M. Whiteley that had cured him of dyspepsia and nervous prostration. Some other ministers wrote the Whiskey Co. that he was a minister—no. In a column ad of the Sunday Free Press he calls on all the saints above and the reverend gentlemen below to prove that he is a minister and belongs to the Detroit Presbytery and is the oldest of the lot. He calls on Rev. Luther McCampbell, of Almont, Mich., on Bro. M. H. Maxwell, of this place, Rev. Archibald Leach, of Greenleaf, to prove that he is a sinner in the word D. D. And he still reiterates that Dr. J. M. Whiteley is the son.

With the state fair proposition disposed of politics is again the principal topic of discussion in the county. There are two or three contests which will be fought out at the county nominating convention of the Republicans, Frank L. Covert, Geo. A. Sifton and A. L. Moore of Pontiac, D. M. G. Milford and Geo. O. Kinsman of Oxford, are all out for the nomination of pro-secutor, Geo. Greer of West Bloomfield, Charles Green of Farmington, and R. D. Belt of Pontiac are all out for the nomination of sheriff. Judge of Probate Joseph S. Stockwell has announced his candidacy for renomination and George Hogle of Pontiac and Fred Wieland of Orion are both out for the same nomination. K. P. Rockwell is also mentioned as a possible candidate for probate judge. The nominations for the positions of register of deeds, treasurer and clerk did not fair to go without contest to the present incumbents.

The Woman's Civic League of Kalamazoo has taken charge of a portion of the street cleaning. Prominent society women and prominent club women are supervising large numbers of men who are at work in alleys and streets. Photographs of certain places placed in public places urged on the work. Some one has said, "Why not photograph some of our alley?"

The new firm at the yards of the Birmingham Brick and Tile Co. Ltd., half a mile south of the postoffice, is finished and next week will see the first batch of hollow blocks burned which will go to the W. T. Barbour place for the new barns which are to be erected there. This new attachment to this company's plant cost over one thousand dollars but will more than pay for itself and was a needed addition.

Fred Warner is getting the delegates right along and the outlook is that he will get the gubernatorial nomination hands down. He has his forces well organized and has the proper people working for him. Homer Warren's workers seem to be shy on even the necessary and legitimate campaign funds. It is the delegates who will do the business this trip. Primary reform will probably have to be fought out in the caucuses.

Inquiries among the farmers in this vicinity indicate that the wheat, generally speaking, has suffered comparatively little damage during the winter. In some localities there are spots where the grain is apparently dead, although a favorable weather may yet cause the grain to start up fresh from the root. At any rate these form an insignificant percentage of the whole acreage, and with good conditions during the remainder of the season, a very fair crop may be expected.

One of our village belles had to take a sudden trip to the depot one day lately. Spying a man's wheel she mounted her A. la closthen. On her way back her skirt caught in the chain right on the car track on Woodward Ave. The man behind rubbered. So did everybody. The marshal came to the rescue spreading an immense umbrella the escape was made unobserved and unscathed with the aid of a jack knife. The blushing damsel walked home and the marshal returned the bike from whence it started.

Died at her residence in this village on Tuesday morning of paralysis, Mrs. Mary Ann Sturman, aged 86 years. Mrs. Sturman, with her late husband, settled in the township of Southfield at a very early date, and has lived in this village for more than 65 years. Her good works and kind deeds remain a monument to her memory. She leaves one daughter, Mrs. Mary A. Adams, four grandchildren and 20 nieces. Rev. M. H. Bartram officiated at the private funeral held at the house Thursday morning and the remains were buried in Southfield.

A Potiac director of the Michigan State Agricultural society gives out the information that the society, will probably put \$15,000 with the \$35,000 that Detroit is to pay to the society for the permanent buildings on the site Detroit will donate. The society will have to do some tall hustling to get in shape for the fair, which is slated to open September 12.

When the fair went to Pontiac in 1901 work on the buildings was not begun before the middle of May, and great effort had to be put forth to get them in readiness for the fair the last of September. Pontiac had the advantage of having its race course and about half the buildings already constructed.

Not so very long ago Rev. A. McLeod, D. D., of Greenleaf, Mich., wrote a humorous, big, booting recommendation for Dr. J. M. Whiteley that had cured him of dyspepsia and nervous prostration. Some other ministers wrote the Whiskey Co. that he was a minister—no. In a column ad of the Sunday Free Press he calls on all the saints above and the reverend gentlemen below to prove that he is a minister and belongs to the Detroit Presbytery and is the oldest of the lot. He calls on Rev. Luther McCampbell, of Almont, Mich., on Bro. M. H. Maxwell, of this place, Rev. Archibald Leach, of Greenleaf, to prove that he is a sinner in the word D. D. And he still reiterates that Dr. J. M. Whiteley is the son.

With the state fair proposition disposed of politics is again the principal topic of discussion in the county. There are two or three contests which will be fought out at the county nominating convention of the Republicans, Frank L. Covert, Geo. A. Sifton and A. L. Moore of Pontiac, D. M. G. Milford and Geo. O. Kinsman of Oxford, are all out for the nomination of pro-secutor, Geo. Greer of West Bloomfield, Charles Green of Farmington, and R. D. Belt of Pontiac are all out for the nomination of sheriff. Judge of Probate Joseph S. Stockwell has announced his candidacy for renomination and George Hogle of Pontiac and Fred Wieland of Orion are both out for the same nomination. K. P. Rockwell is also mentioned as a possible candidate for probate judge. The nominations for the positions of register of deeds, treasurer and clerk did not fair to go without contest to the present incumbents.

The Woman's Civic League of Kalamazoo has taken charge of a portion of the street cleaning. Prominent society women and prominent club women are supervising large numbers of men who are at work in alleys and streets. Photographs of certain places placed in public places urged on the work. Some one has said, "Why not photograph some of our alley?"

The new firm at the yards of the Birmingham Brick and Tile Co. Ltd., half a mile south of the postoffice, is finished and next week will see the first batch of hollow blocks burned which will go to the W. T. Barbour place for the new barns which are to be erected there. This new attachment to this company's plant cost over one thousand dollars but will more than pay for itself and was a needed addition.

Fred Warner is getting the delegates right along and the outlook is that he will get the gubernatorial nomination hands down. He has his forces well organized and has the proper people working for him. Homer Warren's workers seem to be shy on even the necessary and legitimate campaign funds. It is the delegates who will do the business this trip. Primary reform will probably have to be fought out in the caucuses.

Inquiries among the farmers in this vicinity indicate that the wheat, generally speaking, has suffered comparatively little damage during the winter. In some localities there are spots where the grain is apparently dead, although a favorable weather may yet cause the grain to start up fresh from the root. At any rate these form an insignificant percentage of the whole acreage, and with good conditions during the remainder of the season, a very fair crop may be expected.

One of our village belles had to take a sudden trip to the depot one day lately. Spying a man's wheel she mounted her A. la closthen. On her way back her skirt caught in the chain right on the car track on Woodward Ave. The man behind rubbered. So did everybody. The marshal came to the rescue spreading an immense umbrella the escape was made unobserved and unscathed with the aid of a jack knife. The blushing damsel walked home and the marshal returned the bike from whence it started.

Died at her residence in this village on Tuesday morning of paralysis, Mrs. Mary Ann Sturman, aged 86 years. Mrs. Sturman, with her late husband, settled in the township of Southfield at a very early date, and has lived in this village for more than 65 years. Her good works and kind deeds remain a monument to her memory. She leaves one daughter, Mrs. Mary A. Adams, four grandchildren and 20 nieces. Rev. M. H. Bartram officiated at the private funeral held at the house Thursday morning and the remains were buried in Southfield.

WILLIAM H. ELLIOTT  
A CUT IN SILKS  
Best grade of Black or Colored Wash Silks, etc. value, now 25c yard; 24-40 best Tussock Pongee 40c 39c yard. Large wide Tussock Pongee for 59c yard.

Rich Black Sailing Silks, extra stoutly made for Waukegan Suits; it will not crush, the best of blacks ever guaranteed the wear, two grades, 85c and \$1.00 yard.  
Extra quality of yard wide Lustrous Black Taffeta Silks, four numbers that can't be matched for our low prices elsewhere—89c, \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50 yards.

POPULAR CARPETING AT LOW PRICES.  
Solid wearing Grand Carpeting, worth buying, 19c yd.  
Mercerized Ingrain Carpeting, pleasing patterns 25c yd.  
Extra Super Ingrain Carpeting (C. C.), now only 56c yd.  
Special offer all-wool extra Super Ingrain Carpeting, 66c.

est spoke for her individual style. Being an emotional actress, quite naturally she prefers appearing in plays in which these talents are generally displayed. Miss Blair's wardrobe are superb and the feminine world may expect to gain a few new ideas regarding the latest fashions.

WORLD'S FAIR EXCURSIONS  
Via Grand Trunk Railway System.  
Excursion tickets on sale daily, commencing April 25, 1904, and continuing during the period of the Exposition.

School Notes  
The ball game which was to have been played last Friday was postponed. Gladys and Blanch Commander of the first grade have moved to Royal Oak. The lost pair, advertised last week, has been found and returned to its owner.

Quick Arrest.  
A Gallegher, of Verona, Ala., was taken in the hospital from a severe case of pneumonia 24 hours after he had been admitted. He died before the end of the week.

The Death of Clara Purdy.  
On the morning of April 27, the spirit of a lovely young life was set free from its earthly sufferings, when the call came to Clara Purdy, 30 years of age.

A Starting Test  
To save life, Dr. F. G. Merritt, of No. Mohopawpa, Pa., made a startling test resulting in a wonderful cure. He writes, "I was attacked with violent vomiting, caused by indigestion, and had an attack in 14 minutes."

AT THE THEATERS.  
Crane Brothers' "The Madwoman of Minstrel"; George Thatcher, monogramist; Louis Simon and Gene Gardner, presenting "The New Coachman"; Gallagher and Hill, comedy artists; Bill and Gordon, leading grotesques, and four other acts will furnish the entertainment of the Avenue theater next week.

Made Young Again.  
"One of Dr. King's New Life Pills each night for two weeks has put me in my 'merry again' writes Dr. H. Turner of Des Moines, Pa. 'It is the best in the world for liver, stomach and bowels. Purely vegetable. Never gripe. Only 25c at Whitehead & Mitchell's and Cobb & Cobb's drug stores."

NOTE THE BARGAINS BELOW  
100 pieces Torbon Lace and Insertion to match, 1 to 3 1/2 inches wide, a flyer at 6c a yard.  
Just received—a complete line of Ladies' Mouslin Underwear and Corset Covers at 25c, 35c and 50c. Drawers, 25c to 50c. Skirts, 50c to \$2.00. Gowns from 50c to \$1.25.  
Spring Dress Gingham 30c per yard.  
My line of Mrs. and Boy's Hats and Caps is the largest in town and they are all new and up to date.