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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.

Miss E. Flynn—Millinery—Pontiac.
William H. Elliott Co—Dry Goods—Detroit.
Waite Bros. & Robertson—Dry Goods—Pontiac.
The Taylor-Woolfenden Co.—Dry Goods Detroit.

Miss Mable Clark is visiting in Pontiac.

Food sale at Logan's feed store tomorrow night.

Found, a pair of spectacles out west. Call at this office for them.

Mr. and Mrs. Crary of Deckerville are visiting at the home of Will Crary.

Miss Mable Craft spent Saturday and Sunday with friends in Farmington.

Mrs. Charles Mudge entertained the Euchre club at her home on Maple avenue.

The barns of the old Trowbridge farm are being moved to the Benedict farm.

Ed Russell and family now occupy Alfred Johnston's house on Pierce street.

Mrs. Sinclair and daughter, of Chicago, are guests at the home of T. A. Ward.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Marsaw visited old friends in our village Saturday evening.

Our base ball team defeated a team from Pontiac, Saturday, by a score of 15 to 9.

Mr. and Mrs. Wort Cooper of Clintonville are visiting at the home of her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Aldrich, of Troy, called on Birmingham friends one day last week.

Miss Webster of Detroit has been spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. Herbert Poppleton.

There is a change in the D. G. H. & M. time table this week. Look it up or you may get left.

The Sorority girls will hold a food sale at Logan's feed store on Saturday night of this week.

Miss Lema Bartram has been engaged to sing at the high school commencement exercises at Rochester next week.

The Woman's Press club, of Detroit, were entertained by Miss Baldwin yesterday afternoon and evening.

For Sale Cheap—One phaeton and one road wagon in fair condition. Inquire C. R. Soults, Maple Ave., Birmingham, Mich.

A. P. Jacobs and family recently entertained the Rt. Rev. G. Mott Williams, D. D., Bishop of the Marquette diocese.

For Sale—A six octave organ; also a number of White Wyandotte fowls. Inquire of Geo. W. Fay, Birmingham, Mich. 2

Samuel Alexander, who sold his farm to Mr. Booth of Detroit, has purchased property in Ann Arbor and will make his home there.

For Sale—A large refrigerator—large enough for any business, too large for small family. Good as new. Cheap. See H. Hamlin at once.

Wm. Shuler, of Franklin, claims to have invented a fishing reel out of an old alarm clock. It works to perfection and he thinks of having it patented.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Burtraw, of Lansing, Mich., are visiting among their many relatives and friends in this vicinity and having a real good time.

Mrs. M. L. Noble has moved back to Birmingham and is now comfortably situated in her new home with Mrs. Burr up on Baldwin Ave. west side.

For sale at a bargain—A very pretty summer cottage on Union Lake in Commerce township, or will rent. Write Mrs. H. Endriss, 163 Columbia St. E., Detroit.

Frank Young has a split finger, the result of a stone falling upon another stone with Frank's finger between them. Dr. Campbell fixed it up and he is as good as ever.

Dr. John M. Church, of Detroit, an osteopathic physician of celebrity will be at Ellsworth Plumstead's residence during the coming summer. See his card elsewhere.

Our village marshal, Harvey Hedding, has resigned. He solemnly avers that he can make more gardening on six acres than he can on the village salary. The new marshal has not been thought of yet.

Tickets for commencement will be on sale Wednesday morning at store of M. R. Blair, F. Hagerman and Whitehead & Mitchell. Price 15c. Don't fail to hear Prof. Laird and the M. S. N. C. quartette.

We are in receipt of a very nice and interesting magazine, The Pacific Northwest, published at Seattle, Wash. It came to us through the kind thoughtfulness of Mr. Wm. A. O'Neal.

The Village Improvement Society wishes to thank the people who so generously furnished, and those who so liberally bought at their food sale last Saturday. Sixteen dollars and sixty-six cents were the receipts.

Parks & Carter are giving Miner Spencer's house in Troy a fine coat of Detroit White Lead Works Rogers paint, handsomely trimmed, and the result is satisfactory in both appearance and price. Get an estimate from these boys on your job of painting. You will be pleased.

Children's Day was observed by the Baptist and M. E. church Sunday schools last Sunday. Both houses were filled and at the M. E. church it was estimated that 400 enjoyed the children's program. The exercises at both churches were very interesting.

The North End base ball club of Detroit defeated the high school team by a score of 15 to 12 on Friday afternoon of last week. Batteries—Detroit, Miller and Miller; Birmingham, Hanna and Faint. Our boys can lay their defeat to two wild throws.

It hardly took five minutes for A. Whitehead to sell Mrs. Gorham's pleasant little home on Middle street. Frank Burnette occupied the house. Mrs. Sarah Aldrich bought it and resold it to Mr. Burnette on a land contract. Consideration $600.

Mrs. J. C. Rainey, one of our finest Birmingham pioneer ladies, has been a little under the weather but has recovered enough to make a visit to Detroit where she is with her daughter, Mrs. Thos Bigley, out Lafayette Ave., and having a delightful visit.

A delinquent subscriber was dying and the editor dropped in to see him. "How do you feel?" asked the pencil pusher. "All looks bright before me," gasped the subscriber. "I thought so," said the editor. "You'll see the blaze in about ten minutes." —Exchange.

Oakland county comes fourth in the list of counties of the state in life benefits in the Maccabees, according to a table arranged at the meeting at Battle Creek. Oakland county has 25 tents with a life benefit insurance amounting to about $4,239,000.

Franklin will celebrate the 4th this year in an appropriate manner. Fun all day long. Scottish games, greased pole, greased pig, horse race, etc., etc. Dance both afternoon and evening. Supper will be served. Don't fail to witness the grand display of fireworks. A good time for all. 2

A merchant put an ad on a board and stuck it in the middle of the prairie. A few curious people wandered out to see what it was, but the wise merchant, the other fellow, put an ad in the newspaper that does its own walking. Moral—It is hard to bring the mountain to Mohammed!

It is now proposed to authorize postmasters and deputies to open letters on which no postage stamps have been placed, to learn the name of the writer and avoid sending it to the deadletter office. If all who write would have their name and address printed on their envelopes as the government requests, no such trouble would arise.

An applicant for a pension the other day from Sand Hill declared himself as having been ten times married and eight times divorced. As a record of consecutive polygamy this would be hard to beat. The humorist side of the incident is that no doubt this much married man really thinks the Mormons very wicked people.

Dr. Bert Randall of Lapeer, son of Mrs. Lucius Randall, was in town this week on his return from an extended trip east, during which he saw nearly all the sights of New York, Baltimore, Atlantic City, Buffalo, Niagara Falls and many other eastern cities. In the meantime the doctor's wife visited friends in our village, while the doctor enjoyed his well-earned vacation.

Nelson Shattuck, the live man of the north in real estate, has made another very satisfactory deal in selling off more of the old Wilde farm. He sold last week to Mr. Newell Elwell of Pontiac, 25 acres on the east side of the gravel road. Mr. Elwell on the proper spot of his new purchase will at once erect a $4,000 home.

The work of removing the old court house at Pontiac still continues at a rapid rate. The roof is now removed and likewise nearly everything constructed of wood about the building. The bricks are being taken down carefully and wheeled to the south side of the Macaroni factory where a new factory is to be constructed.

It is with regret that we announce the death of Comrade David M. Doty, who was stricken with paralysis Tuesday afternoon at the old Whitehead homestead on the banks of Elizabeth Lake, about 12 miles northwest of here. He was on a fishing excursion with Capt. J. Allen Bigelow when stricken. Owing to a lack of data we are unable to give details until next week.

Many a woman goes shopping dressed in silk and enveloped in perfume, whose hardworking husband hasn't had a new suit of clothes or a decent meal in five years. Yes, and many a loafer stands on the street with a stinking pipe in his face; his tank full of booze and his mouth full of profanity, whose hardworking wife hasn't had a new dress or a kind word since she was married.

The Knights of Pythias will observe Pythian Memorial day next Sunday at Greenwood cemetery at 3 o'clock, and at the Crooks cemetery in Troy at 5 o'clock. Hon. Elliott G. Stevenson, a member of the Birmingham lodge, is expected to make an address under the oaks at the entrance of Greenwood cemetery. The Pythians will be assisted by a delegation from Pontiac. The interested public is invited.

Cheap but comfortable and cozy little home on Middle St. near the railroad, and the cash will get it so cheap that you won't care to look anywhere else. Good house, excellent neighborhood, city water, etc. Take it right off the bat while the other fellow is getting ready and you will always thank us for calling your attention to it. The Exchange bank has it for sale and will give you all necessary information.

An unusual event occurred at the Masonic Hall yesterday afternoon and evening (Thursday, June 16). Lodge opened at 2 p. m. and during the afternoon and evening, or night rather, seven candidates were made Master Masons. Supper was served and aside from the business part of the proceedings, the brotherly love and social friendship was a beautiful feature.

The Michigan Christian Endeavor convention, to be held at Lake Orion June 28, 29, 30 and July 1, will be one of the largest gatherings of the kind ever held in the state. This is already assured by the responses from local unions which have been received at the secretary's office. The convention will be the 17th annual and many able speakers will be present.

That the Birmingham telephone exchange is steadily growing admits of no argument. Tuesday of this week, Mons. Burdeaux, with an assistant, installed six new phones as follows: Geo. Booth, on the Alexander farm, Geo. N. Brady, Trowbridge brothers, at Klondike Ridge, J. West Patchet, Nelson Shattuck, A. C. McGraw, who bought the Myers farm. W. T. Barbour was connected with the outside world a week or so ago.

Next Monday, June 20, 1904, Eugene Brooks administrator of the estate of Calvin Ellenwood, deceased, will sell at auction in this village, at 10 o'clock a. m., the warehouse and lot next to Library Hall, and the vacant lot east of Presbyterian church. In the afternoon at 3 o'clock a summer cottage site on the east bank of Pine Lake will be sold. All these parcels of land are desirable and will bring a good price.

Chairman Frank J. Vowles, of the board of supervisors, of New Hudson, was called to Pontiac Saturday afternoon to sign the bonds for the $100,000 county building bond isssue. Vice President Frank H. Hale of the Pontiac Savings bank and Cashier Charles A. Waldo, of the First Commercial bank, turned over to County Treasurer Sibley the $100,000. The money was placed on deposit in the two banks, $50,000 each.

Well, who would have believed it? Tuesday we received a very pleasant call from our former clerk, Joe Andrews, who has developed into a fine gentleman, and he holds a lucrative position with the Santa Fe R. R. Co. Although Joe did not come in his private car this trip it is only a matter of a few years when he will do so. As it is he now enjoys all the vacation and pass privileges of a railroad president. Mr. Ed. Beer, a friend of Joe's, was with him and the day was passed in visiting Joe's many friends.

Mr. Alonzo Ferguson, of Otisville, Mich., is visiting his sisters, Mrs. Polly Stanley and Mrs. Clarissa Alger, and his brother George. Is he having a good time? Sure thing. He is enjoying the life of an epicure. Chicken, fish and frog suppers and dinners follow each other that fast that one doth tread upon the heels of the preceeding, and Lonzo waxes fat and enjoyeth life. After leaving here his itinerary will cover visits among relatives at London, St. Thomas, Aylmer, Dutton and many other of the prominent cities of Ontario. He will be absent about six weeks.

The other day at Holly Ben Thomas demonstrated in several ways the uncertainty of human calculations. He first worked off a counterfeit dollar on a saloon man, who, when he found that Ben had acquired a very real drunk on bogus security had his hilarious customer arrested. Afterward he decided that if Ben would give him a good dollar he would withdraw the complaint. When the officer went to interview the prisoner to that effect it was discovered that the latter had himself withdrawn—through the transom, and was one drunk and a good start ahead. Now here is an authenticated case of transom-migration for the what-you-callems.—Northville Record.

The Michigan Fresh Air Society, which for the past nine years has been sending out poor children into country homes for a two or three weeks' vacation, is about to begin operations for this season. During the society's existence (originally known as the Michigan Grange Fresh Air Society up to 1902) upwards of 1,600 children have been sent out to such homes among respectable farmers as were offered them. The Society in Detroit provides the children, and furnishes transporation to and from the homes—the only expense to farmers being the keeping or boarding of the children, which many of them gladly offer to do. The children are usually under twelve years old and of a class that otherwise could have no vacation. Further information may be obtained by addressing the secretary of the society, Dr. James A. Post 114 Bates Street Detroit, Mich.

The Sorority girls met at the home of Miss Aggie Harbison in Troy last Friday night and administered the 109th degree to Pussie Robinson, Juanita Plumstead, Ella Davenport and Leihla Davenport. As usual the boys followed along to have some fun, but they came to grief this time "Our new milk man" had hitched up his horse, gathered hisload of boys and had just reached Vick James' corner when some one grabbed the horse by the bit and demanded them to hold up their hands. The boys tumbled out and got out any old way, so long as out, and took themselves to the high timber. The hold-up man started after them, but he turned off and went back to the house where the girls were. Pretty soon "our new milk man" sneaked back and got the rig and made a bee-line for town. Two of the girls laughed so hard over the affair that it will take another week for them to get their faces back in normal shape.

SOUTHFIELD.

Mrs. L. C. Phelps is very low at this writing.

At present writing Mrs. Irish is failing very fast.

Many of our young people spent Sunday at Orchard Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. George Jenks were Sunday visitors at L. C. Phelps'.

Children's Day was observed at the Presbyterian church Sunday.

Mrs. Lela Tucker spent the past week with her sister, Mrs. Marion White.

Warm weather has come again and we sincerely hope this time it is here to stay.

Miss Sadie Covel and Mr. Hugh Harmon are to be married at Rev. L. Clark's Wednesday. The bride is a very popular young lady of this place.

Mr. and Mrs. George Simmons and Miss Ina Maitrott, of Franklin, and Mr. and Mrs. John Pettibone and son Charlie, of Farmington, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Simmons.

JUNE SALE OF MUSLIN UNDERWEAR

William H. Elliott Co.

Your money goes a long ways at this store. Nearly every Department has Lines to Close Out and at Prices that means Bargains for you.

WASH STUFFS

Now is your buying opportunity. Prices are very low.

10c a yard for 15c quality Fine Fancy Dress Muslins in rosebud designs and dots.

5c a yard for choice of a lot of nice Colored Muslins in pretty designs.

10c yard for 32-inch Waist and Shirt Madras Cloth, 15c quality.

15c a yard for choice fine Muslin or Organdy, in stylish colors and designs, 18c and 25c quality.

25c a yard for latest designs in colored "Irish" Dimity—choice things.

25c a yard for 45-inch Fine Fancy Dress Swiss—a rare Bargain.

25c a yard for 39c and 50c Cotton Suitings, handsome effects.

We have a new line of Fast Black Effects in Indian Linen at **10c** and **25c** yard.

FOR COTTAGES AND SUMMER HOMES

Screen you Porch—We sell all sizes of the Vudor Shades They are guaranteed not to warp or fade, being boiled in oil. Colors to match your house.

White Curtains of nice Muslin, prettily ruffled, **39c** pair.

Our special offer of Ruffled Net Curtains means a Bargain to you—**98c** per pair.

Odd pairs and two pair lots of Lace Curtains, sold very cheap.

Very nice quality of White Muslin for Curtains, as low as **8c** yard.

Good quality of Drapery Silkoline at **10c** yard.

Ornamental Cretonne for covering Skirt or Waist boxes.

We take orders for Skirt and other boxes covered to suit you.

Carpets, Rugs Mattings Linoleums and other floor coverings. We make a specialty of Fiber Rugs and Matting for porches and summer cottage floors. "Fiber" is washable and in many respects ideal.

We offer you Straw Mattings at wholesale prices by the roll.

Remnants of Wool Dress Goods, Colored Wash Goods, White Goods, etc., at litt e prices.

WANTED.

WANTED—Two rooms with board for mother with two children (ten months and two years old) for the summer and possibly longer. Prefer home where there is a girl to help with the children. Address, with particulars and price,
DR. S. J. HERMAN,
11 Park ave. Detroit, Mich.

COMMITTEE REPORT.

The Committee on Town Improvement of the Ladies' Literary club gave the following report at the closing meeting recently held:

Your committee on Town Improvement beg leave to make the following report:

In March each member of the committee sent out ten or twelve postal cards to persons living within a mile of our village in each direction asking that they plant trees along the roadside. In response to this the Detroit United R. R. have planted 25 trees along Woodward Ave. and Harmon street. Mr. Hanna planted seven on Woodward Ave. Five have been planted on the Campbell subdivision. The Ladies' Literary club planted four around the Advent church. The Improvement society planted two trees for a poor widow. The Maccabees planted one. The Lady Maccabees one. Miss Baldwin planted seven on the north side of Maple Ave. between the village and mill. Mr. Faint planted four, two on Southfield Ave. and two on Martin street.

Your committee would suggest that the committee next year again ask that planting be done along the roadside leading to the village, as we believe that in time, perseverance will accomplish it.

MRS. EMMA SNOW,
MRS. CARRIE SATTERLEE,
MRS. ESTELLE HEMENWAY,
Committee on Village Improvement.

ATLANTIC CITY EXCURSION
via
GRAND TRUNK—LEHIGH VALLEY ROUTE

Single Fare, plus $1.00 on all trains May 31st, June 1st, 2d, 4th and 5th. Return limit June 13th, 1904, stop-overs at Philadelphia and Niagara Falls on return trip, for further information call on local agent, or write to Geo. W. Vaux, A. G. P. & T. A., Chicago, Ill. june3

CHICAGO EXCURSION
via
GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM

Single Fare, plus 25c, on all trains June 16th to 20th, inclusive. Return limit June 29th, 1904. Excursion Tickets will also be sold via Grand Haven and boat at Single Fare, plus 75c, for further information call on local agent, or write to Geo. W. Vaux, A. G. P. & T. A., Chicago, Ill. june3

Driven To Desperation.

Living at an out of the way place, remote from civilization, a family is often driven to desperation in case of accident resulting in Burns, Cuts, Wounds, Ulcers, etc. Lay in a supply of Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It's the best on earth. 25c, at Whitehead & Mitchell's and Cobb & Cobb's Drug Stores.

ATHLETIC FEAT COSTS A LIFE

Fatal Accident in Hammer-Throwing at Badaxe, Mich.

Badaxe, Mich., dispatch: During the annual field day meet of the Thumb High School Athletic association held here in the hammer-throw contest the hammer slipped from the hands of one of the contestants. It went into the crowd, which had not been kept back a proper distance, striking A. Frost, a boy 14 years old, crushing his skull.

That Throbbing Headache

Would quickly leave you, if you used Dr. King's New Life Pills. Thousands of sufferers have proved their matchless merit for Sick and Nervous Headaches. They make pure blood and build up your health. Only 25c, money back if not cured. Sold by Whitehead & Mitchell and Cobb & Cobb, Druggists.

A WOMAN HATER'S GROWLS.

No love letter ever becomes a back number with women.

He who weds and runs away, may live to wed another day.

A cat may look at a king—and still not know what he's looking at.

I can sometimes gauge the frailities of a married man by the mannerisms of his wife.

Whether we do good to others or do others good is a question that is always open to debate.

The marital barque is a transport of joy, but the marital bark is an entirely different kind of transport.

I am topsy-turvy with joy. I positively expected to receive an invitation to a progressive euchre, and it has failed to come.

Whenever I am called upon to grace an occasion, I spend twenty minutes polishing my pate till it glistens like sparkling sunlight. It is a hair-raising spectacle.—New York Telegraph.

NOW HE RESTS IN PEACE.

He gave up meat.

He quit drinking coffee.

He slept in the open air.

He abandoned tea drinking.

He stopped eating vegetables.

He adopted the no-breakfast fad.

He walked ten miles a day for exercise.

He cut out noon lunch for health's sake.

Now he rests in peace beneath the beautiful snow.—Petropolis Post.

MAN CAN'T UNDERSTAND—

How his wife forgets her trials and calls up a smile every blessed night when he comes home from work.

How she bears his tobacco smoke and overlooks his slouchiness.

How she gives up her girlhood friends without a word of regret.

How she does the marketing on less money than he.—Newark News.

Kuropatkin says he is glad the Japs have crossed the Yalu. Satisfactory all round then.

According to recent investigations there are 44,000 hotels in the United States—mostly bad.

Gen. Stoessel and staff expect to spend the summer months at their seaside resort in Port Arthur.

Fried onions, they say, will kill germs in the human system—also, sometimes, long-standing friendships

DYSPEPSIA ON THE DECLINE

Whitehead & Mitchell and Cobb & Cobb Claim Pepsikola Cures 30 Cases Out of 40.

Why anyone in Birmingham should continue to suffer with indigestion when a 35 cent box of PEPSIKOLA will cure is certainly a mystery.

The above druggists have been selling PEPSIKOLA for some time now, and they know from actual experience right in their own stores just what this famous little chocolate coated dyspepsia tablet will do, and if you make inquiry these druggists will tell you they never knew a remedy to prove so decidedly beneficial in the treatment of indigestion, dyspepsia, palpitation, sleeplessness and other forms of stomach trouble. It certainly ought to give you confidence when you know that every box of PEPSIKOLA contains 10 days treatment, and at the end of that time if you are not decidedly benefitted all you need do is to go back to the druggist and get your money. PEPSIKOLA is sold right on its own merits. It cures indigestion simply by toning up the stomach and digestive organs so that the food will assimilate and give strength to the system just as nature intended. And PEPSIKOLA is such a grand nerve tonic, too. Just try a 25 cent box and see if it don't give you new energy, new ambition and new courage to carry out your plans and daily work. If it doesn't, your money back.

The black sheep of the family always gets four times as much credit for doing well as he would have received if he had been decent from the start.

The winnings of the bank at Monte Carlo are said to average $25 a minute. This may account for the fact that there are so many poo- fools in the world.

TOIL.

The ugly duckling of the world is toil.

Toil transfigured is the glory of the earth.

It is pictures, poetry, literature, music, philosophy, science.

Toil, which all the world despised and rejected, becomes the beautiful swan every day.

Toil, metamorphosed, is gems and gowns, palaces and automobiles, travel and entertainment.

It is the artist that makes the world lovely; it is the scientist that makes the world comfortable.

It is kings of wealth, it is wizards of invention, it is lords of learning, it is potentates of progress.

So, whatever your job, be glad, not that you can make a soft snap of it, but that, as far as in you lieth, you can help do the world's work.

Liver Pills

That's what you need; something to cure your biliousness. You need Ayer's Pills.

Want your moustache or beard a beautiful brown or rich black? Use Buckingham's Dye
50 cts. of druggists or R. P. Hall & Co. Nashua, N. H.

NOTE THE BARGAINS BELOW

100 pieces Torchon Lace and Insertion to match, 1 to 3½ inches wide, a flyer at **5c** a yard.

Just received—a complete line of Ladies' Muslin 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 Ginghams 5c per yard.

My line of Men's and Boys' Hats and Caps is the largest in town and they are all new and up to date.

SHOES of all descriptions in the latest styles. These goods were bought for cash and you get the benefit of the discount.

Come and buy your goods of me and save from 10 to 15 per cent, the amount some of my competitors have added to their goods since the advance in cotton

Traders' Yellow Rebate Stamps given with each cash sale.

Yours for good goods and low prices,

V. NIXON.