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THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC.
 HOME NOTES

Home Notes.
 Mrs. M. C. Friday of Pontiac was happily engaged in entertaining Mr. Stanley Bray of this village; also his lady companion, her relative, Mrs. Nellie Stinson, over Sunday.

The Oakland County Association O. E. S. will give a basket picnic at Orchard Lake on Wednesday, August 31. All Masons and their families are invited to join in the fun.

The union service next Sabbath evening will be held at the U. P. church at 7:30, the Rev. Warren Rogers officiating. There will be no service in the afternoon. Sabbath school at 7:30.

The W. H. and F. M. society of the Presbyterian church will meet with John German, Wednesday afternoon, August 3. Subject for study at this meeting is "Alaska." A cordial invitation is extended to all.

The Democratic county convention for the purpose of choosing delegates to the state convention will be held at Pontiac on Saturday, July 30. The state convention will be held at Grand Rapids on August 3.

The boys and girls who are raising flowers and vegetables for the premiums offered by the Improvement society, will please notify either Mrs. Cooper or Miss Baldwin so that the committee may know where to make their visits.

Miss Maud Gales of Detroit made many of her old friends happy last Saturday and Sunday. Miss Maud is a stenographer and typist for Chad S. Hampton in the Majestic building, and Secretary of the Democratic state committee.

Mr. Ed McHugh and Miss Maud Berry took part in the Old Maid's Convention at Royal Oak July 22. Miss Berry played the part of Old Maid and Ed McHugh played the part of Minister. The Convention was a financial success.

Somebody over to Rochester owns a bear and "bear shoots" are the principal attractions in the beet sugar town. They don't shoot directly at the bear, but just have him around as an attraction. The man making the best target gets the bear.

The Ladies' Aid society of the M. E. church will hold their annual meeting in the church parlors, Friday, August 5. Supper served from 5 to 7. Table committee: Mesdames Atter, Allen, Zimmerman, Aldrich, Bookham, Bartram and Allen.

Peabody & Warren, of Pontiac, have opened a paint shop the Reed building (up-stairs) next to Walter Nichols' spindle works on Maple Ave. east, and would be pleased to have a share of your patronage. They guarantee all work. Look up their new adv't in this issue.

Henry Clew, a farmer living west of here, is minus his stock of harnesses. Thieves called on him the other night and carried off four or five sets of harness, and report says they didn't leave Henry straps enough to hitch up a goat. Officers are working on the case.

The township of Troy and the southeast portion of the county was visited with a hail storm Friday afternoon which lasted for nearly half an hour. Several fields of corn were badly stripped and beaten down, but the crop will not be greatly injured.

Visitors the past four days with the family of Mr. Jones south of the Post-Office in the Lowes house; Mr. L. S. Jones of Jackson; Miss Addie Jones of Northville, a daughter, and Miss Rebecca Forsh of Jackson. All had a jolly, good, old-fashioned visit.

The annual meeting of the W. F. M. society of Franklin will be held at the home of Mrs. R. C. Cummings, Thursday, August 4. Everyone is cordially invited.

Lost—in Birmingham Tuesday morning last, a small heart-shaped gold brooch, with enameled flower in center. Finder please leave at this office and receive reward.

Members of the D. O. K. K. whose dues are due can pay them and get a receipt therefor at the Exchange bank. There's a fun ahead, boys, so pay up and look happy.

The next business meeting of the B. V. P. U. will be held in the basement of the church on which occasion the young men of the church are to make an effort toward providing and serving all the refreshments independent of help from anyone else. Date, Monday, August 1.

The surveyors on the new electric railroad between Grand Rapids and Oshtemo will commence a survey this week for an electric road by way of Veron, Durand and Holly. E. Hopkins, of Detroit, and Frank Westcott, of Veron, are interested in the new road.

Pontiac's population, according to the census just completed, is 10,884, which is an increase over the census of 1900 of 1,113. This is a very good showing for our county seat town, as the increase during the last four years shows a greater increase per year than in the ten years between 1890 and 1900.

Saturday morning last Mrs. Rosella L. McKinley, a patient at the E. M. A., was found hanging from the window lattice in the room on hall C, by a fragment of a sheet taken from her bed. Deceased was the 48 years of age and was sent to the asylum from Deerfield, Livingston county. No inquest was held.

Verne Blumberg, who was struck in the head by a flying pulley one day last week, is doing nicely. He is unloading hay with a hay fork when the rope broke and the pulley fractured his skull. Drs. Campbell and Shaw removed four pieces of bone from the wound. He was lucky to escape with his life.

What's the matter? Will you people ever wake up? Here's the Lowes property on the east side of Pierce street for sale at so low a price that you can't afford to overlook a good two-story brick house, which rents for \$10 a month, and nearly half an acre of land for \$1,000. For particulars inquire at Exchange bank.

The other day a farmer living west of Milford was awakened by his wife tickling his feet to call him to breakfast. He kicked so vigorously that his better half had to be brought to Milford where it was found that two ribs were broken. It was a warning to women who are in the habit of tickling their husband's feet to awaken them in the morning.

There is no other base ball team in the country like the Nebraska Indian base ball team. In the first place they are genuine Indians and in the second place they play the finest base ball of any team traveling. They will play the Pontiac team at Pontiac, on Tuesday, August 9. No one who enjoys sport or novelty should miss this event.

The fourth annual Bible conference will convene at Lake Orion July 28-Aug. 3. The best talent in the country has been secured. There is no charge whatever for any of the meetings. The conference is designed to help pastors, Sunday school superintendents and teachers, and Christian workers of every kind. Speakers of renown make addresses every day.

The method in vogue for years of estimating population on a basis of five people to the family will have to be discarded on the showing of the present state census. The average appears to be not more than four to a family, and in no city reaches five. In Flint the average is 3.99; Monroe, 3.32; Adrian, 3.45; Mason, 3.25; Wyandotte, 3.77; Oshtemo, 3.38; Lansing, 3.95; Pontiac, 3.35.

"Why in thunder" says a good father, "don't the school board get a move on and either establish a kindergarten department or more primary room?" With our primary room filled with 79 children it is high time some relief was granted to teacher and benefit to pupil. But the ordinary taxpayer objects to taxes for a public nursery. Well, we all had mothers once. Call a district meeting and order the school board to act and immediately.

Here is a lady who came a great distance to visit among friends. Mrs. Stewart Crawford, daughter of Rev. Jos. McCracken formerly of near our village, with four youngsters, is the visitor, and she comes all the way from Beyroot, Syria, without harm or worry. It takes more than a month of steady travel to reach Birmingham from Beyroot, but the brave little lady never faltered.

Joe Haley, arrested by Deputy Crouch one half last week on suspicion of having stolen a valuable ring which he was trying to dispose of for \$3.00, now languishes

in the Pontiac jail for 30 days in default of a \$25 fine. Meanwhile the officers hope to locate the owner of the ring. This was Justice Campbell's first case and crooks and criminals had better steer clear of this burg.

Rev. J. E. G. Hilder, formerly co-pastor of Jefferson avenue Presbyterian church, Detroit, and now pastor of the Church of the Covenant, will occupy the pulpit of the Presbyterian church Sunday at 7:30. All welcome. Seats free.

Mr. Millsapp, for the coming new industry, the Mack stove and heading mill, has bought more than 1,000,000 feet of elm timber to be worked up in this mill. It will be set up in three weeks the moving here and setting up of the mill will be begun, and is expected to be running full blast by September 1. Mr. Mark, the proprietor, was in town the other day and is well pleased with the outlook in our city.

The Farmington Enterprise man says the following to Farmington spitters, and it applies here just as well: "At the request of a number of our lady subscribers we suggest to the council that a few cuspidors placed along the sidewalk on the main business streets would prove a great convenience to some of the lords of creation and render pedestrianism less terrifying to their wives, daughters and sweethearts."

Various fish stories of different magnitude have been coming in from various parts of the county and now Oxford sends in one which is a fish story concerning some potato bugs. The story is as follows: "Thousands of potato bugs were seen on Washington street in Oxford on Tuesday morning on the east side of the electric road. They all went westward, attempting to crawl over the rails, but a very few got over the first rail and none over the second."

Within the past two years one or two fraudulent imitations of the Nebraska Indians have sprung up, one of them even going so far as to imitate the Nebraska Indian stationary and hold themselves out as the original Indian team. Our people may rest assured that they see the original team here which was organized and is still owned and managed by Guy W. Green. They will play the Pontiac team at Pontiac, on Tuesday, August 9.

A citation of An street puts up a "loud holler" because a land owner down that way, when he cultivates his corn, if he follows his former tactics, comes to the nice, clean cement walk, turns his horse on the same, travels over it, and leaves mud all over everywhere, much to the discomfort and anger of the other land owners. One prominent tax payer offers us that will prosecute the offender for breaking a village ordinance (driving on sidewalks) unless he quits the business.

Should the village set an example of neatness to the individual by keeping up tools, wagons, etc., on the street, and cutting the weeds around its municipal buildings? We have a strenuous law against allowing Canada thistles, dock, burdock, etc., to go to seed along the highway or anywhere, and our pathmen take an oath to enforce that law, yet no attention seems to be paid to it. Whole lots, even in our town, are filled with them. Let us have some legislators who cannot only make laws but enforce them, and some people with backbone enough to complain when the law is not enforced. Thanks to our marshal our streets are clearer, but there are places where he has no authority—some of our alleys, for instance.

It is worth your while to hear Mrs. Mary Cooper tell of her hair breadth escape from shipwreck last week, while on a summer excursion trip from Detroit to Chatham. The company was made up of Mrs. Cooper and her friend, Miss Anna Mulhane and her sister, Mrs. J. Ryan of Detroit. And the storm was simply terrific, waves run mountain high—in fact much higher than they did when Mitchell made his memorable trip to Mackinac a few years ago when the boat tipped first one side and then the other until the smokestack slipped fish out of the lake, which were fried for dinner the next day. Mrs. Cooper solemnly vears that every passenger was seasick and scared to death, but the staunch little City of Chatham, brought them back to Detroit safe and sound.

A HERD OF MOOSE.
 Joshua Hill, owner of Forest lake and park, on which there is a herd of elk, proposes to remove the animals and replace them with moose. He states that the elk have become parsimonious and recently there has been much fighting among them. Moose are even scarier than elk, but Hill thinks he would have but little difficulty in stocking his preserve if the elk were gone.

Clearing Sale.
 You can buy them cheap here and they're more popular today than ever.
 39c a yard for choice of plain or fancy Mohair or Sicilians, value up to 75c goods.
 60c a yard for 46-inch Sicilians, Gray, Blue, etc. New this season and \$1.00 value.

Too Many Mohairs and Sicilians.
 \$1.25 a yard for 48 and 58-inch Fancy Mohair and Sicilians—regular \$2.00 goods.
 \$1.00 a yard for 48-inch Melange Sicilians in Grays, Browns, Blues and Tans—never offered before on the \$1.50 yard.

Too Many Silks.
 Prices Cut Fearfully Low to Close Them Out.
 49c a yard—Choice of Satin Brocade in evening shades, Pompadour Silks, White Fancy Silks, Novelty Silks for Waists and Skirts, Irish Poplins, Black Fancy Silks, Striped Silks. These silks were very recently \$1.50, \$1.25, \$1.00 and 85c a yard. They are neither soiled or shabby. Styles are good. We simply have too many and it's your opportunity.

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25c a yard for choice of best quality Wash Silks, Romaine and Stepped, all Silk Short Buds and Knots, Black Ends of Fine Foulard Silks and odds and ends generally. You can certainly use many yards at the price. Come.
 60c a yard for 19-inch Rich, Black Taffeta Silk—our leader.
 \$1.00 a yard for 36-inch Lustrous Black Taffeta Silk—our leader. Besides the above items you will find other Silk Bargains galore; it certainly is your opportunity.

Too Many Wash Goods.
 Prices Desperately Low.
 19c a yard four Mousseline de Soie, fancy figures, very nice, was 30c yard.
 10c a yard for choice lot New Gray Chambray—was 20c yard.
 7c a yard for Stylish, Fancy-styled and Figured Dress Materials—were 10c yard.
 8c a yard for Fancy Challies and Batistes, light and dark shades—was 9c yard.
 15c a yard for Fine Irish Dimities, Stylized Designs, were 35c yard.
 10c a yard for choice lot Fancy Batistes and Dimities that were 15c yard.
 12c a yard Fast Colored Printed Madras for Waists and Skirts also stylish Cotton Waistings—formerly 25c yard.
 25c a yard for high class Fancy Waistings that were 50c, 75c a yard.

WHITE GOODS.
 Lines to be closed out marked 10c, 12c and 15c, containing a lot of all sorts of popular White Fabrics of Cotton.

LADIES' FURNISHINGS
 Many Bargains in Sight.
 Odds and ends of Waishable Neckwear, choice 15c each White Ribbon, good styles, cut to 10c yard.
 Embroideries in wide widths, that were 10c and 40c, for 25c yard.
 Ladies' Initial Handkerchiefs, all linen, only 8c each.

TOILET ARTICLES.
 A large glass jar of Talcum Powder, 10c.
 Bradley's Violet and Colgate's Violet Cashmere Toilet Talcum, 5c each.
 A sale of BOYS' WASH SUITS now going on that no mother can afford to miss.

Advertised Letters.
 The following is a list of letters remaining in the Birmingham postoffice July 29, 1904:
 Mr. E. A. Stanton, Mrs. George Skelton, R. F. D. 3, Mrs. George Slatt, R. F. D. No. 5, Mrs. Charley Smith, R. F. D. No. 1, Mrs. Amelia White, R. F. D. No. 3, JOHN HASNA, P. M.

CLAWSON.
 Mrs. E. E. Avery is gaining a little.
 H. J. Bowers visited at Amy on Sunday.
 The Phillips and family visited at Vera Sunday last.
 Dr. Croft, of Detroit, visited at T. H. Hunt's last week.

BOYD'S CORNERS.
 Glenn Donaldson, of Flint, is visiting friends in this vicinity.
 Mrs. Finn, of Detroit, spent a day with Mrs. Sullivan this week.
 Mrs. J. M. Todd, of Detroit, was a recent guest of his sister, Mrs. C. Sullivan.
 Miss Julia Lakin is very ill at present writing. Dr. Anderson is the attending physician.

SOUTHFIELD.
 J. S. Cannon is on the sick list.
 Mrs. Helen Gregg is visiting in Detroit.
 Geo. Rusch and family were Detroit visitors Saturday.
 Visitors from Royal Oak and Detroit at Mr. Sulkowski's last Sunday.
 Mrs. Mary Crawford has returned to her home in New York state.
 The Willing Workers met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. J. M. Reddow.
 Mrs. J. M. Reddow and daughter Pearl have returned from their visit in Ohio.
 Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shepherd visited friends at Sand Hill one day last week.
 Mr. Schull and family, of Sand Hill, now occupy Mrs. R. C. Wright's house.
 Mr. and Mrs. Volney Miller and children visited friends in Bloomfield last Sunday.
 Wm. Murphy, of Sand Hill, died last Saturday. He was succeeded by an uncle, Geo. McKinley of this place.
 The reception given Friday night at Mrs. Mary Bell's in honor of Rev. Patterson pastor of the Covenant church, was a very pleasant affair.
 Arthur Simmons is home again.
 Roy Johnson spent Sunday at home.
 Henry Russell is under Dr. Holcomb's care.
 Mrs. J. S. Cannon is very ill at present writing.
 Charles Simmons is away on a business trip to Saginaw.
 A number of young people from here spent Tuesday at Orchard Lake.
 Mr. and Mrs. Orion Ewart are the proud parents of a fine baby boy.
 Miss Jennie White was being spending a few days with her aunt in Detroit.
 Mr. and Mrs. Morris Eagle spent Sunday with Mrs. and Mrs. Clyde Hooper.
 The Misses Flora and Loraine Angstrom, guests of Southfield friends recently.
 Mrs. Mary Chapman has returned to Toledo after a welcome visit with Southfield friends.

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 1/2 Miles West of Birmingham.

CHEER UP.
 Why Worry About Indigestion When Pepsicola Will Give You Relief.

"Why anyone should worry about indigestion" said the head clerk in a Whitehead & Mitchell's drug store. "Is hard for you to understand."
 "We have been selling PEPSICOLA for several months and in all our experience never knew a remedy to give such universal satisfaction."
 "We know of four or five chronic acid dyspepsias on the verge of despair for years. They were cheerful and happy, all because of the cheerful effect of a little chocolate-covered tablet taken after each meal."
 "If people would only realize what a wonderful relief it is and how much good it has done right here in this town, they would not doubt or hesitate a minute."
 "It is a fact that the PEPSICOLA has had done in Birmingham and PEPSICOLA must be a remedy for more than unusual merit, for if Whitehead & Mitchell and Cobb & Cobb had to refund their money for every unsatisfied customer they would certainly discontinue selling it on their own personal guarantee. Ask yourself if it is not true."
 "If you are thin, nervous, worried and in low spirits, just cheer up and try a 25c box of PEPSICOLA on the drugstore's gift, and if it fails to give you new nerve force, new ambition and new energy, you can get your money back without any question or argument."

HAIR FALLS
 "I tried Ayer's Hair Vigor to stop my hair from falling. One-half a bottle cured me."
 J. C. Baxter, Braintree, Ill.

Ayer's Hair Vigor is certainly the most economical preparation of its kind on the market. A little of it goes a long way. It doesn't take much of it to stop falling of the hair, make the hair grow, and restore color to gray hair. 25c a bottle. All druggists.

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SUNFLOWER PHILOSOPHY.
 When a man begins talking Wise, we want to go away.
 There is a time for everything. Don't do a good thing at the wrong time.
 These nights are ideal. If you don't want to be engaged, go to your room early and stay there.
 When a girl over 10 years of age wears white stockings her legs look too long.
 Don't hurt any one who likes you. As you grow older, you will find they are plentiful few in number.
 Some authority in fashion ought to also come to the aid of the fat men with a dip trowel.
 Occasionally every woman rubs it in on her husband by complaining how hard she has to work.