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THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC.

HOME NOTES.

The Knocker Thinks He's Many, But He's Only a Few. Chirp, Don't Croak—You're a Dead One If You Do.

See Whitehead & Mitchell's new stock of lamps. Prices 25 per cent less than Detroit or any other town.

Don't fail to see Whitehead & Mitchell's fine line of lamps. 25 per cent cheaper than Detroit or any other town.

Regular meeting of Birmingham Chapter No. 220 O. E. S. Wednesday evening, Oct. 18. M. Gravelin, Sec'y.

Will the owner of the book No. 65, of the defunct bank of Birmingham please call at this office and receive the book.

Regular communication of Birmingham Lodge No. 44 F. & A. M. on Thursday evening of next week. Work on the first degree.

The ladies and society of the Presbyterian church will meet with Mrs. J. F. Rundell next Wednesday Oct. 18. All are cordially invited.

A reception to Rev. S. R. Williams will be given in the parlors of the M. E. church Tuesday evening, Oct. 17 '05. Everybody invited.

If you want some light, go to Whitehead and Mitchell's and see their fine stock of lamps. 25 per cent less than in any other place.

Mr. and Mrs. James W. Ross of Calumet and Miss Edith Meads of of Ann Arbor were visitors at Mrs. Ellenwood's Saturday and Sunday.

Regular Convocation of Birmingham Chapter R. A. M. Monday, Oct. 9th. Companions please notice this and come. D. M. Johnson, Sec'y.

The ladies of the Birmingham church society will meet at the home of Mrs. J. Rundell Wednesday afternoon, Oct. 18. All are invited to attend.

Don't forget the dance given by the Birmingham Dancing Club Friday evening. They have Guy's orchestra from Detroit and a good time is expected.

In the case of Carrie McDonald vs Henry Hamata, of Royal Oak, in the circuit court, a damage of six cents was awarded the plaintiff. She sued for $5,000.

Wm. McNally is the new flagman at the G. T. Ry. Maple avenue crossing, a new official position lately established by the railway for the safety of the traveling public.

Twin girls have been born to Mr and Mrs Clarence H. Cowles of Detroit. Mr. Cowles formerly resided here. He is now on the editorial staff of the Detroit Free Press.

A lady agent called at the home of Peter Baxter one day last week and after asking if she could see Mr. Baxter she proved to be his sister, Mrs. John Fletcher of Pontiac, whom he had not seen for 19 years.

LOST! A bundle. Anyone finding a bundle—cheesecloth done up in paper—just a bundle worth nothing; lost between postoffice and Mrs. A. P. Jacob's, please leave at Mrs. H. C. Wilson—this lost bundle.

Cornelius Sullivan of Troy is busily harvesting his second crop of strawberries and one day lately donated us a liberal supply—for this time of the year. He has none for sale however—his family are the main users.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church are busy working and getting ready for their fair of fancy work that they expect to have Dec. 7 and 8. Save your money and buy your Christmas presents for they will be able to please you.

Protect your homes and the savings of a life time, protect your wages and family's support, insure your homes in the Grand Old Hartford and your wages against loss by accident and sickness in the Ætna. J. A. Bigelow, agt.

Attention, Mich. Cavalry Brigade re union, Oct. 19, '05 at Lansing, Mich, 1st, 5th, 6th and 7th Mich. Cavalry. Call to order at 10 a. m. You will be on time if you answer to your name at 11 a. m and get your order in for dinner at 12:30.

John Dohany, formerly a prominent resident and farmer of Farmington township for many years, is dead. Mr. Dohany has many friends in this vicinity and also the town of Southfield who will be saddened to hear of his death. He was 70 yrs. of age.

Jerome Aldrich, having sold his farm, will sell at auction on his premises 1 1-2 miles south of Troy corners on the electric line, Oct. 12, 1905, at 10 o'clock a. m., all of his farm tools and implements and household furniture, also some very fine horses and cows. W. H. Hulsizer will wield the hammer.

Three cheers for Mr. and Mrs. John Crawford, who entertained the ladies and society of the M. E. church one day last week and gave them such a fine supper and a good time but I would advise Mr. Crawford to count his turkeys as we saw feathers peeping from behind one of the ladies coats on her return home.

Faith in all things is strong in the mind of R. A. Parker, attorney of Detroit who "made good" for running a little behind on his subscription. Being five years back he sent ten dollars which makes us behind five years and here's hoping we will all be here ready for another ten years run when this subscription expires. Here's hopin'.

Decatur Kyser, having rented his farm will sell on the premises 3 1-2 miles east of Birmingham and 1 mile south of Big Beaver, Wednesday, Oct. 18 '05 at ten o'clock a. m. all of his farm stock, tools and implements. He will offer Jersey and Guernsey cows, steers, calves, hogs, wagons, harnesses etc. etc. etc. Read large bills. Household goods go too. Terms easy. W. H. Hulsizer, Auctioneer.

The Royal Oak Council held a meeting at that village Saturday night for the purpose of awarding the contract for the lighting of the village. The Peninsular Lighting Company, of Detroit, put in a five year contract but no action was taken upon it and the meeting was adjourned to next Friday to give the council time to look into the matter more thoroughly.

Carrie set up that her personal reputation had been damaged by slander on the part of the defendant and the air of the court room was rather stifling when some of the witnesses finished giving testimony. Judge Smith suggested that the place be fumigated when the case was finished. The testimony brought out that Carrie McDonald was not a very popular woman in her vicinity.

Mrs. George Greer, wife of sheriff Greer, died at her home in Pontiac Saturday morning as a result of nervous prostration, causing a general break down. The end came very suddenly being sick only two days. Mrs. Greer was a very popular woman in West Bloomfield having spent the greater part of her life there. She had lived in Pontiac since spring and was very popular with those she had met.

Mrs. Sarah Decker was taken up in Justice Snowden's court on Friday with a fourth offense of drunkard and tippler. The testimony on the people's side was given by Alex, Lewless, Richard Rose and Geo. Sigsbee and the case adjourned until Oct. 17. The testimony showed that she was guilty of being drunk nearly every day for four days shortly after she had been released from the Detroit house of correction of third offense of drunkard and tippler.

Miss Louise Algrim, swore out a warrant on Oct. 2 o'5 against John Proctor, for assault and battery when Wilson Bray, deputy sheriff went to make the arrest about eight o'clock at night he went to one door and his prisoner went out the other door into the woods and escaped being arrested that evening, later, deputy sheriff Bray located him at Sand Hill and pounced upon him before he knew it. He was arranged before Justice Campbell court and pled guilty thereto, and the court sentenced him to the Detroit house of correction for sixty five days.

Mrs. Greer flatly denies the report that she tried to kill herself by cutting her throat and tells rather a pitiful tale. Her home was recently set on fire by some unknown person and she is not very popular with the neighbors and she says they are trying to prove that she is insane so as to get rid of her by putting her in the asylum. She claims her husband tried to kill her, but the police say not. As yet, the police, who are quietly working on the mystery of who set fire to the house, have made no arrests in the case and are keeping mum for the present.

Clara Decker was proved guilty of the charge of truancy and disorderly before Circuit Court Commissioner Matthews Saturday morning. Tetsimony by some of the best citizens of Royal Oak showed that she was not attending school as she should and that her conduct and environments were not of the best sort and was sent to the Adrian Industrial school until she is 21 years of age. Her sister, 12 year old Almira, who came up on Tuesday on the same charge was not sent to Adrian but adopted by Mrs. Martha Greene of Birmingham.

Dr. J. L. Campbell is away this week attending to his duties as a member of the state board of medical examiners. Monday in company with Drs. LeSeuer of Detroit, Bell ot Belding, Harrison of Sault Ste. Marie they inspected the medical colleges and schools of Detroit. The balance of the week is passed at Lansing examining all would be doctors in Michigan. The doctor will be home today (Friday) and has enjoyed the duties of his office very well indeed.

The following is a list of officers of the O. E. S. for the ensuing year, Mrs. Elva Blakeslee, W. M.; Mrs. Birdie Dawson, Asso. M.; Mr. Gus Vermilyea, W. P.; Mrs. Mary Gravelin, Sec'y.; Miss Ida Corey, Treas.; Mrs. Bessie Munro, Cond. Mrs. Julia Randall, Asso. Cond.; Mrs. Martha Blakeslee, Chaplain; Mrs. Minnie Anderson, Adah; Mrs. Zina Mills, Ruth; Mrs. Nellie Blair, Esther; Mrs. Maude Vermilyea, Martha; Mrs. Hattie Schlaak, Electa; Mrs. Bertha Randall, Warder; Mr. Ira Chatfield, Sentinel; Mrs. Carrie Brown, organist.

A very pleasant time was enjoyed one evening recently by the members of the Baptist church and their friends. The occasion being a reception given in honor of Mr. Rogers, their late pastor. A purse of gold amounting to $90 was presented to him by Miss Whitney in behalf of the church and Mr. Rogers replied in feeling words. Refreshments were served, songs and recitations were rendered and short speeches were delivered by the pastors of the other churches. For want of space we are compelled to crowd out the poem written by Mr. T. C. Williams for the occasion but which will appear in next week's issue.

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At any rate, you seem to be getting rid of it on auction-sale principles: "going, going, g-o-n-e!" Stop the auction with Ayer's Hair Vigor. It checks falling hair, and always restores color to gray hair. A splendid dressing also. Sold for over sixty years.

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SOLD TO THE MICHIGAN FARMER.

In January, 1904, the Free Press Publishing Co. merged its semi-weekly edition of the Free Press into the "Free Press Farm and Live Stock Journal," afterwards The Michigan Farm and Live Stock Journal. They soon learned, that the Michigan Farmer, established in 1843, had a strong hold on the farmers of Michigan, secured through a thorough business knowledge as to the management of an Agricultural publication, added to their untiring efforts to serve their readers practical, up-to-date matter. A few weeks ago negotiations were begun by the Free Press Co., with the above result.

The subscribers of the Michigan Farm and Live Stock Journal are to be congratulated, as they will receive the Michigan Farmer, at 50 per cent more costly paper, for their full unexpired time, in place of the Michigan Farm and Live Stock Journal.

The Michigan Farmer is also to be congratulated on being able, through the transfer, to add to their list so valuable a clientage.

SENATOR PLATT'S SUCCESSOR

Connecticut Republicans in Caucus Name Congressman Brandegee.

Hartford, Conn., special: Congressman Frank B. Brandegee of New London, representing the third district of Connecticut, was chosen by the Republican caucus of the general assembly as successor to the late United States Senator Orville H. Platt on the thirty-seventh ballot. Mr. Brandegee was a close personal friend of the late Senator Platt.

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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN—Rev. W. H. Jamieson, D. D., Pastor. Sabbath Service at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m., standard time. Sunday School, 11:30 a. m. Prayer Meeting Wednesday eve. at 7

ST. JAMES—Rev. David Thornbury, rector. Sunday school at 9:15 a. m. Morning service 10:30 a. m.; kindergarten service 7 p. m.; Holy communion on first Sunday in the month at 10:30 a. m. and on third Sunday in the month at 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at Royal Oak at 2:15 p. m.; Evening service at 7 p. m.

UNITED PRESBYTERIAN—Rev. M. B. Maxwell, Pastor. Sabbath School at 1:30 p. m. Service at 2:30. Prayer Meeting Wednesday evening at 7.

Wants

For sale—Good strong work horse cheap. Nelson Shattuck. 2t

Wanted, a small cottage or living rooms for three. Apply at this office.

Wanted at once, a girl for general house work. Apply to Mrs. A. P. Jacobs.

Don't wait for the "sharp stick" but step in and pay your back subscription.

Wanted, a girl for housework, two in family. Apply to Mrs. A. Whitehead tf

Wanted—furnished room and board by single gentleman. Apply at Eccentric office. 2t

Lost, a ladies brooch with the picture of a child. Finder please leave at this office.

For sale—A second hand cooking range, gasoline stove and wood stove cheap. Inquire of M. B. Maxwell.

For sale, Peninsula steel range good condition, in use less than a year. Mrs. Wilson, Maple avenue.

If you want your gasoline stove cleaned call on E. C. Gardner. First class work—prices moderate.

Lost.—A large white brooch. Finder will be rewarded on returning it to owner, Miss M. Baldwin.

For sale—Good hard coal heating stove used one year, also a good couch. Reasonable prices. Hattie A. Hanks. 2t

A Retort Oak stove for sale, burns soft coal. Good as new. Inquire of Chas. E. Smith, Fremont St. Birmingham.

Salesman wanted to take orders for lubricating oils and greases and house roof and barn paints. Vulcan Chemical Co. Cleveland, O.

Pigs For Sale.

I offer for sale to the farmers of this vicinity nineteen fine fat shoats, two brood sows with ten fine pigs. Call at Lone Pine one mile north of Birmingham (trolley car).

HARRY JENKINS.

Farm For Rent.

For rent or work on shares, a farm of 80 acres and a house to rent until the first of March. Enquire of John Young 1 mile south and 1 mile east of Franklin or 1-2 mile south of Erity's school house 2 miles west. 4t

CLEVERNESS AND CHARM.

Woman's Greatest Charm is a Glowing Complexion.

Every woman's aim should be to cultivate a fresh, blooming complexion, for while Nature may not have made her attractive in form and feature, the charm of a clear skin and a healthy complexion can be had if she will only try for it. The greatest enemy of a good complexion is constipation, and if it were known how many Birmingham ladies have improved their appearance through using a simple laxative remedy on sale at Whitehead & Mitchell's and Cobb & Cobb's drug stores it might surprise you. Laxakola Tonic Tablets are a perfect combination of dandelion, cascarin and other vegetable extracts known to have a peculiarly beneficial action upon the skin. They open the pores, enrich the blood, aid the natural changes of the skin, quicken the circulation, put new color in the cheeks and cure chronic constipation by regulating and encouraging the action of the bowels. Whitehead & Mitchell and Cobb & Cobb would not continue to recommend this remedy if it did not possess unusual merit, and unless Laxakola Tonic Tablets do benefit you as claimed we will return your 25 cents without the least argument.

According to Prof. Elihu Thomson's explanation anybody can withstand a current of half a million volts through his body. Prof. Thomson is merely a discoverer—not a physical phenomenon.

Mrs. James Brown Potter denies that she borrowed $60,000 from a London attorney—quite an interesting variation of the enterprising press agent's overworked lay of the stolen diamonds.

A stone was turned to some purpose when the heirs of the late Phineas J. Stone, old-time mayor of Charlestown, found that his brother's forgotten note for $20,000 had grown to be worth over $50,000.

Post Cards, Magazines and Stationery

William H. Elliott Company

Our stock of goods for fall is large; to push sales and tempt you to anticipate in your purchases, for cool weather will surely come, we quote particularly low prices:

There are no goods you run more risk in buying promiscously than black Broadcloth. Our buyer is a specialist who has spent years of careful study of this fabric; that is why

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On Monday we shall sell exceptionally fine quality fine worsted warp black Broadcloth that hangs or drapes to perfection; light weight for comfort, but wear resisting, for $2.29 a yard. Sponged and shrunk to be absolutely spot proof.

We announce the fall opening sale of our 56-in. real French Broadcloth. This cloth never changes, and no woman's wardrobe is complete without a gown made of it. Price $3 a yard. Also our 44-in. black silk warp Henrietta, which we shall offer Monday at $1.25 a yard. 50-in. Cream Bearskin, extra heavily covered, a superior quality, for $2 a yard. We certainly do give you a bargain in evening shades of Bastiste, extra fine quality, only 50c a yard. 38c a yard for choice Broadcaded Silk, in pink, light blue, Nile white, Mais, ivory, turquois pearl, gray, cardinal and cream, with raised silk figures, open work design, exquisite material for evening dresses, waists, etc. It is positively 69c value. On account of the deep cut in prices we cannot give samples. 67c a yard, novelty silks, newest designs in stylish colors, hair line effects, checks, self colors, dots and broadcades. These silks were made purposely to sell this season and are worth up to $1 a yard. You'll find them piled on table at silk department. $1 a yard, rich Chiffon velvet, of English make, black and colors, 24 inches wide and the proper weight for gowns and suits.

The Greatest Assortment of Reds

in all desirable cloths, this color is the leader this season. We show many tints unobtainable elsewhere, 50c to $2 a yard. Next comes green as a color favorite this fall. We show by far the best line of green cloths in town, 50c to $2 a yard. Plumes and heliotrope in imported fine satin Pruella and Chiffon broadcloth, very exclusive and stylish, $1.25 to $2.25 a yd. Of popular gray cloths we show a very strong assortment in light and medium weights for dresses, shirtwaist suits and tailor-made gowns, 50c to $2.25 a yard. Checks and plaid cloths, choice styles for shirtwaist suits or dresses; some of them can't be found elsewhere, 50c to $1 a yard. Ram coat cravenette we sell the material that is rainproof. You only do justice to yourselves in looking at our splendid line, the largest in Detroit, $1.10 to $2 a yard.

VITAL STATISTICS OF RUSSIA.

Facts About the Empire of the Czar Are Interesting.

Final results of the Russian census of 1897 are still appearing at intervals. Among the latest figures published by the statistical department are as follows: The total population of the Russian empire (excluding Finland) on May 10, 1897, was 126,586,525. Of these 87,123,604 were members of the orthodox church. Old believers and other sections numbered 2,204,596; Mohammedans, 13,906,972; Roman catholics, 11,407,994; Jews, 5,215,805; protestants (Lutherans), 3,572,653.

A division of this population on the basis of classes gives the following results: Hereditary nobles, 1,220,169; nobles for life, or by virtue of office, 630,119; priests of all Christian denominations, 588,947; honorable citizens, 342,927; merchants, 281,179; burgesses, 13,386,392; peasants, 96,896,648 Cossacks, 2,928,842; foreigners, 8,297,965.

Illiterates numbered 99,070,436 (79 per cent); literates, 26,569,585. Students at the universities and other institutions for higher education numbered 104,321.

Scrap of History.

Here is a story that comes from the Wenona fire department.

Pat was a recent importation, but instead of landing a job on th' foorce he got an assignment as a teamster.

Unaccustomed to the ways of this country, he was continually getting into trouble with his wagon, owing principally to the fact that he insisted upon turning to the left instead of the right.

At last these occurrences became so numerous that the stable boss informed him he would give him just one more trial.

Pat had been away from the barns, after this warning, only a short time when word came that his outfit had been badly demolished again and the report was confirmed later by Pat himself.

"Didn't I tell you always to turn to the right?" asked the boss.

"Well, sor," said Pat, "I did turn to the right whin I met the fire engine, but fwhat good did it do? Right afther thim was a gang of drunken painters wid a wagon load of ladders an' they run right into me, sor!"

Sea Song.

A wet sheet and a flowing sea,
A wind that follows fast
And fills the white and rustling sail
And bends the gallant mast,
And bends the gallant mast, my boys,
While like the eagle free
Away the good ship flies, and leaves
Old England on the lee.

O for a soft and gentle wind!
I heard a fair one cry;
But give to me the snoring breeze
And white waves heaving high;
And white waves heaving high, my lads,
The good ship tight and free—
The world of waters is our home,
And merry men are we.

There's tempest in yon horned moon,
And lightning in yon cloud;
But hark the music, mariners!
The wind is piping loud;
The wind is piping loud, my boys,
The lightning flashes free—
While the hollow oak our palace is,
Our heritage the sea.
—Alexander Cunningham

Miss Morgan a Type.

Miss Anna Morgan, daughter of J. Pierpont Morgan, is a healthy, happy and hearty young American woman, devoted to outdoor sports, especially riding, driving, golf and tennis. Her greatest chum is Miss Florence Rhett, to whom her father pays a handsome salary for looking after his charitable interests. Miss Rhett also looks after a good deal of the practical housekeeping for Mrs. Morgan.

WEALTHY FARMER IS MURDERED

Coroner Investigates Finding of Body in the Mississippi River.

La Crosse, Wis., dispatch: Suspicion of murder is entertained by the coroner's jury at Trempealeau, Wis., in the investigation of the death of Fred Claffer, a wealthy farmer of Stockton, Minn., whose body was found in the Mississippi river there. He was supposed to have a large sum of money on his person. It is thought that Claffer went to Winona, Minn., and there either was murdered for his money or committed suicide.

Longing for the Unattainable.

We all wish for riches, happiness, joy, wit, pleasure; yet the best actor is not able to play every role.—A. Barratin.

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Midget Train is Wrecked.

Pittsburg, Pa., dispatch: When a large crowd of Sunday pleasure seekers filled Kennywood park a miniature railway train jumped the track and its passengers were badly hurt, but none fatally.