

To Our Friends.

When trading with any of our advertisers in Birmingham, Pontiac or Detroit, it will be a great favor to us if you 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?

HOME NOTES.

New Advertisements.
William H. Ellis Co.—Dry Goods—Detroit
The J. L. Hudson Co.—Clothing—Detroit
Walter Ross & Robertson—Dry Goods—Pontiac

Did the bear see his shadow?
Little Lillian Monroe is suffering with tonsillitis.

Miss Jessie Baker is now employed in V. Nison's store.

Gus Beantine will work Frank Pearall's farm next season.

The Hupp farm has a change of adv't this week. Look it up.

Mrs. Plumstead and family visited Detroit relatives last week.

Charlie Frazier now looks after the welfare of the new street lights.

Willie Finn has returned from Toledo, where he has been visiting relatives.

John Roy of AuGres, Mich., is a guest of his brother, David Roy, for a few days.

The food sale given by the O. E. S. Saturday afternoon was a financial success.

Mrs. Trend returned from Chicago Saturday. Mr. Trend will follow in a short time.

M. Levinson is suffering with a severe attack of tonsillitis which is keeping him at home.

Wanted—Clover hay, in stack or by the ton. Address J. Baumann, Birmingham, R. F. D. No. 3.

The pedro club will meet with Miss Marion Porter on Friday evening. A very delightful time indeed.

Eugene Brooks has gone to Sarasota, Florida, called there by the serious illness of his son Frank.

Does Birmingham want a free public library? If so, it has a fine chance of help from the Library society.

Miss Nellie Gould has gone to Detroit to take a course in the De Lamorton Cutting School. Success to Nellie.

The finest corner lot on the Campbell subdivision for sale at a bargain; 7x110 ft. Inquire Albert Gully Royal Oak, Mich.

Nathan Fall has been a very sick man the past week with a serious brain trouble. He is somewhat improved at present.

Birmingham lodge, No. 44, F. & A. M., will entertain their wives and sweethearts in their lodge rooms, Friday, Feb. 17.

The West cottage on Stanley Ave., has been sold by James Davenport to Wm. Hamilton. Consideration \$600.00.

For Sale—One small size base burner, one season and in good condition. Address W. H., Box 55, Birmingham, Mich.

A number of the classmates of Roy Montgomery met at his home Friday last and a very enjoyable evening was passed.

Miss Florence King passed three or four days last week visiting relatives at Richmond—no, not Virginia—but Michigan.

For Sale—My house with four lots on Maple Ave. and 4 vacant lots on Woodward Ave. north. Talk with me. John Hanna, P. M.

Visitors at A. Bunyan's this week: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Howey of Novesta; Mr. and Mrs. Ransom Weeks and Mrs. Howey of Detroit.

Mrs. Keech, of Grand Rapids, who has been a guest of her aunt, Mrs. Samuel Mills, the past week, returned to her home in that city Saturday.

The Ladies of the First Presbyterian church are making preparations for an entertainment on Feb. 22, at Mrs. Geo. Mitchell's. Watch for particulars.

Our old and most highly esteemed friend John Baldwin solemnly avers that he has noticed that we most always have our coldest weather in the winter time.

A Genuine Bargain for Cash—Square piano, standard make, good condition, good as new. For particulars inquire of Mollie G. Smith, Birmingham, Mich.

The Ladies' Aid of the Baptist church is to be entertained by Mrs. Hamm on Wednesday, Feb. 8.

Further announcements from the pulpit next Sunday.

The attention of our readers is called to the new adv't of Adolph Eggags, Detroit's popular jeweler, this week. You will find the adv't on our first page.

Wanted—A sound, servicable horse about seven years old. Good for general work. Must be true and of good appearance. Address 535 Bellevue Ave., Detroit, Mich.

The most lone and careworn looking man in Birmingham these days is T. G. Holmes, his wife having been visiting in Chicago and St. Louis for some weeks and will not be home for some weeks yet.

Farm for Rent—56 acres, good buildings, no waste land, good soil 1 1/2 miles from electric road, 17 miles from Detroit. Well adapted for dairy farm. References required. Call on or address, Exchange Bank, Birmingham, Mich.

The Citizens' Mutual Fire Insurance Co. of Michigan, headquarters at Holly, has added \$600,000 worth of risks to their list during the past year and now has 6,479 members with over \$5,000,000 worth of property at risk.

Barney Roche, whom the older residents of Birmingham will remember, and who was taken to the county house at Eloise a few weeks ago for treatment, died there Thursday morning of last week. He was 68 years old.

Daniel Case and Mr. and Mrs. Will Fay left Monday morning for Indianapolis, Indiana. Mr. Case has charge of the live stock insurance business in that state and leaves to look after the company's interests there. Mr. Fay is also employed by the same company.

The Chicago Daily Review is the only Chicago daily you can get for one dollar a year, 75c for six months, 50c for three months. All important news, a daily magazine feature, complete market. Send a dollar to Daily Review, Coca-Cola Building, Chicago, Ill.

It is calculated that only 1 percent of the pins manufactured are worn out or broken. The other 99 percent are lost, but what becomes of them, where they go, and who gets them, or why some of them are not afterwards discovered and again put to use, are mysteries.

Our good friend the druggist, E. L. Keyser, of Pontiac, has slowly recovered from his second surgical operation and is now a great sufferer from rheumatism. Verily he hath his portion of sickness since last fall and we hope that springtime will put him in good shape again.

Died at the residence of her son, Ernest Ebel, on Wednesday last week, Mrs. Augusta Ebel, aged 71 years. Mrs. Ebel was born in Germany and came to this country some years ago. The immediate cause of her death was heart disease.

She is survived by Ernest and Julius Ebel of this place; Will Ebel of Bay City; John Ebel of Detroit, and a daughter, Mrs. Lizzie Horn of Roseville. Funeral services were held at the home of her son Ernest on Friday last. Burial was at St. Charles Lutheran cemetery, Detroit, a German Lutheran minister officiating.

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proprietor, said: "The old man thought this morning, that he thought I could get a position in your store." Looking him square in the face the business man said, "If I had a thousand positions that I wanted filled I wouldn't give one of them to a young man who speaks of his father as the 'old man.'"—Ex.

The man who kindles the fire with the catalogues from the department stores and gives all his trade to the home merchants, is the man who helps to put a better value on your property. The more a town grows and the more business it does, the greater the increase in the value of your property—both city and farm.

The man who patronizes the city department stores, thinking that he may thereby save a few pennies, is simply detracting from the wealth of his own community.—Lexington News.

The holiday trip of the University Glee, Mandolin and Banjo Clubs was more successful this year from a financial point of view than formerly, and the clubs have a surplus in their treasury. The net proceeds of the trip. They travelled 3,000 miles and gave nine concerts in six states: Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri and Iowa.—Trenton Times.

Guess all the good luck that has been because Kay-lade Whitehead was one of the party. He reports a most successful trip and a very enjoyable one.

Stock-raisers among our northern readers may be interested in learning that, according to information sent to the State Department by the consul at Mainz, a simple preventive against the hoof and mouth disease, so fatal in its effects among cattle, is reported to have been discovered by a scientific investigator of the disease. It is said that well-bolled milk, taken from the diseased cattle, be fed for a period of about eight days to those of the herd not yet infected, they will acquire complete immunity from the disease thereafter.

Having sold his farm William Hunt will sell at auction on the premises, one-half mile north of Birmingham, on the town line road, on Tuesday, Feb. 14, at 10 o'clock a. m., the following property: Bay team, gray mare, 5 milch cows, 1 heifer, 40 chickens, lumber wagon, pair of trucks, 2 top buggies, road cart, double buggy, surrey, harness, farming tools of all kinds, 4 tons of hay, 100 bu. corn, 25 bu. seed corn, 200 bu. oats, quantity of cornstarks, quantity of potatoes, household furniture, etc. M. H. Blunt, auctioneer. Lunch served at noon.

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during the month of February which bear on the family, the Rev. C. L. Arnold will address the Birmingham Business Men's club on Sunday afternoon on the subject "The Obligations of the Public to the Aged and Infirm." The Arnold homes of Detroit, were founded by this generous, warm-hearted man. One hundred of the city's aged and infirm have been made at home under his care. Many of these wholly without means, many with incurable diseases, turned from other institutions, find their last days blessed under the protection of these homes. Jacob Ries, of New York, says, "The Homes are peculiar to themselves, they are great institutions." Ex-Mayor Maybury says the like of them should be in every large city. The man who built them will tell us why and how it was done. All men welcome.

THE COMING PARTY.

Great preparations are being made for the third annual party to be given by the Young Men's Dancing Club, at Liberty Hall, Friday evening, February 7. The invitations are out and the committee on arrangements will see to it that nothing is left undone to make the affair one of leading social events of the season. Guy's full string orchestra has been engaged for the occasion.

The following exemplary young men form the club, and their names all are a sufficient guarantee that the aff' will be conducted in a pleasant and successful manner:

- Howard Montgomery
- Seelye Pocky
- Stanley Todd
- Ray Keyser
- Rudolph Burtraw
- Louis Erwin
- Guy L. Blair
- Will Finn
- Rita Platt
- Tom Baldwin
- Bill Bloomberg
- Robert Purdy

FARMING IN CALIFORNIA.

Beets grow so large in California that they have to pull them out with a stump puller. I have seen a cow that was that one would water a cow. They load them just as we do logs here on a wagon. I had a piece of land on a side hill and I sowed it to turnips. Well, one of those turnips grew so big that I dug stails into it and wanted to head of cattle on that one turnip and used the rind of it for a hay barn for five years. It finally caught fire and burned up.

J. WILKINSON.

AT THE THEATERS.

AVENUE.
When the management of the Avenue theater starts out to do a thing it is never done by halves. They were secured for this week, "The Imperial," a few, if any, better entertainments of extravagance and specialty have ever been introduced to head of cattle on that one turnip and used the rind of it for a hay barn for five years. It finally caught fire and burned up.

One of the marked dramatic successes of the week was "The Imperial," "York State Folks," has been secured as the attraction at the Lyceum next week. This humorous and new play, a portrayal of American village life made a very pronounced hit here last season, and the inquiry among many theater goers has resulted in an arrangement by which the return performance will be given here previous to the beginning of the New York engagement. As the latter will continue through the winter, and as the play will be booked for several other cities next season, this will be your last chance to see the original company and their scenic production. Among the favorites will be seen again James Lackey as the self-willed Simon Peter; Robert Fitzsimons, a prize fighter; and Miss Clifford Deane, a lovely organist; Harry Crosby as the gay young horse trader; Lem Dunbar; "The Bunce" as the miser; and the rest of the original cast.

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Robert Fitzsimons, who has won much fame in the world of pugilism and who is now endeavoring to win laurels as an actor, comes to the Whitney theater this week in a new play, "The Fight for Love." The piece is described as a comedy drama, and deals with the marriage of Vivian Ellington, only daughter of a wealthy New York banker, to Robert Fitzsimons, a prize fighter; and Miss Clifford Deane, a lovely organist; Harry Crosby as the gay young horse trader; Lem Dunbar; "The Bunce" as the miser; and the rest of the original cast.

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SPRING GOODS ON SALE THIS WEEK.

This week we display New Black and Colored Dress Goods in the newest weaves, shades of colors and most advanced styles.

Very latest creations in Silk Fabrics from houses whose goods are always correct.

New Colored Maslins, Dimities, Madras Gowns, Percales, Gingham, etc., for spring. Every yard this season's product.

Latest and best weaves in White Goods for Suits or Waists

Important Announcement.

Our Annual Sale of Nice Muslin Underwear commenced yesterday. An inspection will prove the truth of our assertions that the feature of these sales is well made garments of good materials, nicely trimmed—at prices as low as the usual showy but ill-made garments generally found at sales.

When the big circus kings of the country agree to dispense almost entirely with bill boards and do the bulk of their advertising through the newspapers, says an exchange, there must be a reason for it. It was only the other day that Bailey, Forepaugh and Ringling Bros. decided that hereafter they would discard fence posters and billboards. Since the circus more than any other line of business is best adapted for poster advertising, its abandonment is more than ordinarily significant, for the action of the circus kings proves that newspaper advertising is far more effective than any other form. Now days the wide awake man not only advertises to keep his store before the public, but goes to considerable pains to make his advertising news and attractive, so that it will read as much as are the news items of the day.

THE NEXT BOOK TO THE BIBLE.

Everyone knows that the Holy Bible has the largest circulation of any book in any country, but as the second largest there is a difference of opinion, especially in America, as to whether the most copies of "Uncle Tom's Cabin" or "Robinson Crusoe" are sold and read. It may surprise our readers to learn that the sale of "Uncle Tom's Cabin" has increased every year since the Civil War. We do not know which of these books it is, but we do know that both of them are included in our ECCENTRIC HOME LIBRARY and that copies of them can be obtained for 17c each as long as they last. Every person in this town should own both of these great books.

SOUTHFIELD.

Mr. S. C. Phelps is on the sick list. Arthur Simmons spent Sunday at home. Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Church spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Lee. Miss Silveston, of Detroit, was a guest of Mabel and Albert Jinks over Sunday.

A surprise party was held at Harry Russel's last week and was well attended. Justin Jinks had the misfortune to lose one of his cows Sunday night. She hung herself in the stable. A surprise party was held at Arlington Jinks' one night last week and all present had a most enjoyable time.

A party was held at Robert Church's and about 35 were present. Among them were "Jack of Spades," "Queen of Hearts," "Grandma," and the "Nigger Waffle." A fine supper was served and coffee was free.

TOWN LINE.

The Misses Davenport visited our Clark Jinks' family attended the show school at Levi Miller's. The Pedro club met at Webb Hendrick's Friday evening and had a fine time. A neighborhood from this vicinity went to a rag and dance at Robert Featherston's last week. Good time but poor sleighing.

The oyster supper given at Bruce Chaffield's one evening last week was a very pleasant event. Cards and music were the features. Mrs. Ashman, of Pontiac, visited her daughter, Mrs. Kelley, one day recently. Cold and storms do not daunt the old lady who drove her own horse and he is 65 years old.

Harry Thoms has been very ill with rheumatism but is better now. Dr. Shaw, of Birmingham, is in attendance. Nellie and John Thoms are home helping to care for their brother.

TRIOY.

Will Jennings and wife are co-located. Perry Jennings of Pontiac visited his children Saturday. Mrs. Ida Jarvis is feeling a little better the past few days. Little Frankie Cutting is quite ill with a gripple. Dr. Anderson is the attending physician.

Anna Edwards and Nell Thoms returned to Detroit Sunday after a week's visit.

William H. Ellis & Co.

Spring Goods for 1905

85c—Genuine Swiss made Chiffon Taffeta, plain or glace shaded colors, width 21 inches, absolutely correct style.

\$1.25—The Famous Rajah Pongee in Browns, Blues, Greens, Tans, White Lt. Blue, Leather, Raspberry, Nutters', Pastique and Champagne Shades. It is 30 inches wide and Pongee, most in demand.

\$1.00 yard—Solid Mescaline, the daintiest and softest of this season's new Silk. It drapes and perfect and has superb lustre. Colors are Hunter's Green, Black, Navy, Brown, etc.

\$1.00 for Very Choice weaves of Black Louine, Peau de Cerce, Balkan, Armoire and Tricotin.

Our Reduced Price Sale of Black and Colored Dress Goods lasts two days longer.

Free Instruction in Art Needlework

Professor Takahashi, the famous Japanese Needlework Artist, will give free instruction in "Art Embroidery" February 13 to 18, from 9 to 12 and 2 to 5 p.m., at our store. Members of Richardson Taka Embroidery Club are especially invited to be present.

AN INTERESTING STATEMENT.

Whitehead & Mitchell and Cobb & Cobb say they have at last discovered a Positive Cure for Indigestion.

"For years," said a member of one of the above drug firms, "we have been waiting for someone to discover a remedy that really will cure dyspepsia."

"We recently learned that a new remedy, Peppermint Tablets, had been placed on the market, and on investigation we found that at last there is a remedy that surely will cure."

No one should hesitate on trying a 25-cent box of Peppermint Tablets as they will not cost you a penny should they fail to relieve and cure the very worst case of indigestion and dyspepsia.

There is a difference between an offering and a collection in the mind of the donor. One who offers a colored preacher, who is persistent when he announces that he wants money for any certain object. Not a great while ago, when it came time to announce the collection, which is left over from the table in front of the pulpit in full view of the minister, he said: "I want you to give out of your heart and not a collection. It is anything that is left over. When you give an offering there is more heart in it than there is in a collection. Offering, brother and sister, it is an offering that I want as my main aim."

A MIDWINTER OUTING TO FLORIDA AND NEW ORLEANS.

A trip of two thousand, five hundred miles by rail through the picturesque portion of eight states, comprising eleven days, stopping at fourteen of the largest and most important cities of the nation, varying from three hours to three days each. A stop at Chattanooga to visit Lookout Mountain and Chickamauga National Park; a stop at Atlanta to visit the city of the South; a stop at Jacksonville, Fla., to visit the city of the South; a stop at Orlando, Fla., one hundred and ten miles south of Jacksonville; a stop at Tampa, Fla., one hundred and thirty miles south of Orlando; a stop at St. Petersburg, Fla., one hundred and thirty miles south of Tampa; a stop at Clearwater, Fla., one hundred and thirty miles south of St. Petersburg; a stop at Panama City, Fla., one hundred and thirty miles south of Clearwater; a stop at Panama City, Fla., one hundred and thirty miles south of Clearwater; a stop at Panama City, Fla., one hundred and thirty miles south of Clearwater.

Had to Keep His Eyes Open. There is an ancient mendicant, long known to those who go through Vesuvius street to the North River ferries, New York city, who has lately had away his "Pity the Blind" sign and his wretched little organ, and now helps pick up waste paper and fruit skins in the Pennsylvania railroad station, Jersey City. His excuse is convincing. "I'm blind," he says, "time gets on me. I just had to keep my eyes open on any business at all."—Success Magazine.

For Lung Troubles. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral certainly cures coughs, colds, bronchitis, consumption. And it certainly strengthens weak throats and weak lungs. There can be no mistake about this. You know it is true. And your own doctor will say so.

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. Keep the bowels regular with Ayer's Pills and true Haster's Recovery.