THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC
ONE DOLLAR PER YEAR IN ADVANCE
WHITEHEAD & MITCHELL, PUBS.

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.

H. B. Merritt—Shoes—Pontiac.
I. Lee Trust—Hardware—Birmingham.
William H. Elliott Co—Dry Goods—Detroit
The Taylor-Woolfenden Co.—Dry Goods Detroit.

Strange but true! that 'tis easy for a peck of trouble to come out of a pint flask.

For Sale—Early and late seed potatoes. Inquire of H. F. Daniels. 2

Two things that can be found in the dark—a carpet tack and a piece of limberger cheese.

Well, well! well!! The cleaning of our alleys has actually begun. How time doth fly.

Mrs. W. E. McClellan is in Rome, N. Y., attending the funeral of her father, M. B. Knapp.

Did you ever stop to think that all men are not homeless, though some are home less than others?

Do you know or was it ever telephoned to you that men set up the drinks and drinks up set the men?

For Sale—Good hickory mill wood, $2.00 per cord, delivered. Inquire of W. L. Miner at handle factory. 2

A pair of spectacles await the owner at M. Levinson's department store. Call and get them and leave 25c to pay for this notice.

A rosary in a box awaits its owner at the Eccentric office. It will cost 50c to pay the boy who found it and this adv't. Call early E. H.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Myers, of Kibbe, Mich., are back again among Birmingham friends who are all glad to give them a hearty welcome.

Property for sale on Saginaw street. Terms reasonable. For particulars inquire at Exchange Bank or of Mollie G. Smith. tf

Charles Spears after 15 years' absence called on old friends last Wednesday. Will Lakie was around with him also getting the glad hand.

The Retail Clerks' Union of Pontiac is doing its level best to bring about early closing, and hopes by reorganizing to be able to force its claim.

Gardner Pierce and family, of Detroit, were guests of Mrs. Goerge Toms one day last week. Mr. Pierce thinks Birmingham a very fine little town.

Why not go with your boy to an evening's entertainment, and know whether he is behaving like a gentleman, or disturbing everyone around him?

F. Blakeslee's new awning with the motto "Dry Goods and Wall Paper" tells its own story in a neat, tasty, business-like way, just the same as its owner.

Anyone wishing trees planted in the street in front of their premises, will be cheerfully accommodated by notifying Mattie Baldwin or Mrs. Mary B. Cooper.

Lost—Between Birmingham and Poppleton's school-house, a shoelace hand-bag, containing a pocketbook and sum of money. A suitable reward if returned to this office.

The baseball season will be opened here on Friday, April 28, when the local team will cross bats with the Walpole Indians. Turn out and give the boys a good send off.

The entertainment given by the Ideals at Library hall last week was much enjoyed. It was one of the best, if not the best, ever given here by a company that always pleases.

For Sale—One lot and a-half on Southfield Ave., 60 feet front, south of W. D. Clizbe's residence. It can be bought cheap. T. Robinson, 476 Belvidere Ave, Detroit, Mich.

Whitehead & Mitchell have a change of adv't this week and now are on the seed question. If you want seeds of any kind, call on this firm and they will be pleased to fill all orders.

Pupils Wanted—I am prepared to take a few pupils in piano music. Terms amde known at my home on Ann street. Lessons given at home of pupils if desired. Mrs. J. B. Parker. 2

Elmer Long is missing from home at Troy, 15 years old. Left Sunday night. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Long, would like to learn of his whereabouts. Anyone meeting the boy kindly notify them.

Our Weather! Last month in some cities men received sunstrokes—this month up to the present time, many of the same fellows have been found frozen stiff—and dead—maybe.

A cheap home for someone. I offer for rent tenant house on my farm in Southfield, one-half mile south and two miles west of Erity's Mills. Call or write Jno. Young, R F. D. Birmingham, Mich. 2

Rev. Axtell, the pugillist-preacher-barber, has moved to Farmington where he will work in a barber shop. Axtell's history is well known to the people of this county, his latest exploit being an arrest for peeping into windows of Detroit houses.

The young people of the Baptist church intend serving maple syrup, salmon salad, friedcakes and coffee in the basement of the church on Tuesday evening, April 25. Everything ready at 6 o'clock and the public is invited.

"Doc," the family dog and pet of the King household, passed in his checks Monday last. "Doc" was of the Daschund breed, 12 years old, and so liked by the neighbors that his death cast a gloom over the whole neighborhood.

To R. A. Members: You are hereby notified that a special convocation of Birmingham Chapter, No. 93, will be held next Monday evening, April 24, 1905. A full attendance is urged. D. M. Johnston, Sec'y.

The Birmingham Dancing club has reorganized with the following officers: Robert Hulbert, Treas.; Neal Blumberg Sec.; Ford Purdy, Kay Keyser, Seeley Peck, and Don Blair, Reception Comm. They will give a party on Friday Eve., May 5th.

The new cigarette bill recently passed by the lower house of the Michigan legislature forbids absolutely the making, selling, bartering, or giving away cigarettes or cigarette paper, and provides a penalty of $25 fine or 90 days in jail for violation.

John H. Snow by his foreman, Gus Mudge, at Oak Grove farm, has for sale a fine lot of Early Everett seed potatoes. It will pay you to look up his adv't and if you want seed potatoes, the best ever, see Gus at the farm and he will lay the baby down long enough to fill your order.

W. T. Barbour and Wm. Storey had a reception committee job on their hands last Monday evening. Two Texas ponies arrived on the midnight trolley freight and were royally received. They were burros for Briar Bank farm and have begun their duties already.

Information is asked as to the whereabouts of Harry Brayman who left his Pontiac home last Monday. Anyone who can give any information of this lad should leave word with our village marshal or write to Enos Brayman, 452 South Saginaw street, Pontiac, Mich.

In this number of The Eccentric you will notice that Lyman Hood has gone into the well-driving business in a manner bigger and better than ever before by anyone. Read his adv't elsewhere that tells all he will do for poor, suffering humanity that needs water.

The members of Mary D. hive, No. 393, L. O. T. M. M., will give a tea at Maccabee hall, on May 3, 1905, from 5 p. m. to 8 p. m. Every member is requested to help furnish refreshments. Those holding tickets on the book, please be present at the drawing to be held in the evening. Supper 10c. R. K. 2

Mr. Al Linabury, of New York City, made us a delightful call last Wednesday. He was alone. He frankly owned that he would not take any chances by bringing the new Mrs. Linabury to Birmingham among such Wolverines as we have here—and we admire his careful judgment.

A goodly number of the relatives and friends of Mr. and Mrs. John Toms gave this worthy couple a surprise at their home north of this village Tuesday evening last. It was the forty-third anniversary of their wedding day. Refreshments were served, while games and social conversation made the evening a very pleasant one.

A friend in Birmingham has received the following from Ovid Mich: Ovid school representative to District Oratorical Contest took first prize over Saginaw, St. Johns, Alma and Ithaca. Contest held at Ithaca. The winner, Lou West, visited Birmingham during the last holiday season. Yours, E. F. Waldo.

Royal Oak district No. 1 school scholars are just now enjoying surprise parties, two having occurred within one month. Tuesday night Lee C. Blodgett was surprised by Miss Felder and the scholars it being his 14th birthday. Now you can ask the scholars and the teacher how they enjoy playing "Judge."

Something doing in Pontiac all the time. Chief of Police Toynton is kept busy with complaints against chicken owners for allowing them to run at large, and also bicycle riders that will persist in riding the walk will have to pay for their law breaking. Such an action of our marshal would not be bad in Birmingham.

Lyon township elected a "noxious weed commissioner" at the recent election. Weed all be glad if every township would do a similar act, provided the officer would attend effectively to business, it being distinctly understood, of course, that the adjective should apply to the undesirable vegetation, not to the commissioner.—Northville Record.

Marie Peirce, of 20 Frank street, Detroit, entertained many hearers at the High School literary exercises last week Thursday evening by giving several fine and artistic readings that brought tears to many eyes as well as pleasure and laughter. Her rendition of "Nobody's Child" was fine and worthy of a much older reader.

Mrs. Sarah Decker, of Royal Oak, was given 90 days in the Detroit house of correction, Monday afternoon, by Judge Smith, of Pontiac, on conviction of being drunk. This is the second time Mrs. Decker has been committed to that place. She had been held for some time at the Oakland county jail awaiting trial, and incidentally, serving a justice court sentence for being drunk.

Beginning May 15th solid rural mail delivery is promised for Oakland county. The postmaster general at Washington having issued an order to that effect. The solid delivery will give a total of 68 rural routes in Oakland county, eight of which will start out of Pontiac and five out of Birmingham, with more in sight. Forty-five thousand patrons of thiscounty are thus supplied with their mail daily.

Today, Friday, April 21, is the day set that the celebrated Railroad Commissioner Tim Atwood will be in town inspecting our Maple Ave. railroad crossing—a dangerous proposition to the teaming public. This inspection means a railroad gate to be lowered and raised according as the flyers fly. We should have such protection and it is a wonder to us that some terrible accident has not happened 'ere this.

The historical cannon, a rebel gun fired against Farragut in Mobile Bay during the Civil War, is now mounted at the school yard under the auspices of the Birmingham Memorial Association. The pedestal was built up by John Felder and the way it is aimed now, should it ever "go off," we can see a finish to Toms' woodshed. Considerable trouble was enjoyed before our famous cannon, a relic of Fort Morgan, was located, but she is now as solid as a rock.

Our Village Improvement Society is in receipt of a letter from Wyandotte asking for suggestions in regard to "Making the Town Beautiful." The writer says: "We have a Business Men's Association that is much interested and will deal with the larger problems." We, too, have a Business Men's Association. When we are asked what problems they are dealing with, what should the answer be?

A club of real young people was formed one day recently at the home of Miss Whitney. The officers elected for the first three months are as follows: President Lila Burnett; vice-president, Martha Nye; secretary, Frances Crossman; treasurer, Zelda Jones; with Miss Whitney as director. The "Little Lights" meet once each month and have very enjoyable times together. May we hear from them again.

Some time since the educational committee of the Ladies' Literary club gave a little entertainment on the anniversary of the birthday of Robert Burns. The collection amounted to between three and four dollars. Of this amount one dollar is offered by this committee as a prize for the best essay on "Village Improvement," and the remainder is to be used for the purchase of articles used in connection with the drawing and handwork in the lower grades.

We are pleased to note that our Birmingham boy, James F. Wooster, is doing finely at Clarkston and contemplates remodeling his hotel, soon, and Clarkston will, with his plans materialized, have a hotel equal to any in the state for a village of that size. He intends to change the interior of the office and the bar to a more modern style, and on the out side will build a large, two-story veranda running around three sides of the building and extending out over the sidewalk in the front.

Samuel C. Martin, aged about 65, one of Troy's brightest and best men for many years, but later of Warren, Mich., was buried Monday of this week, funeral from his late home. Mr. Martin was for years Troy's mainstay, and you might say, a pioneer. He raised a family of thirteen children and saw them all grown up and many of them with families of their own, and his death is the first that has broken the family circle. A large number of neighbors and friends attended his funeral.

The Ortonville Hustler says: A man in a neighboring town, who secured his wife through a matrimonial agency, is trying to secure a divorce. Just another instance of finding that mail order bargains are not what they are represented, and that a much better grade of the same article could have been obtained at home. Good enough for him; he ought to have patronized home industry. The home grown articles are usually the best.

Detroit will for sure have the State Fair held on the new grounds next September. A deed of the grounds has been handed over to the society, $10,000 in cash and personal pledges for $25,000. The entire bonus will amount to $86,000. The legislature will be asked to appropriate $8,000 for transportation and erecting the Michigan building from the World's Fair, St. Louis, in addition to $5,000 that is always donated for premium paying. Racing premiums to the amount of $7,200 will be offered.

Ward Lessiter, of Orion, last fall had a flock of 80 bronze turkeys which, during the winter, have been sold, and which brought their owner a total revenue of $550. They were all sold for breeding purposes and have been sent to every state in the union. The last lot went to Mexico last week. The bronze turkeys are considered among the best, many of them weighing as high as 40 pounds. Mr. Lessiter considers that the turkeys are among the most profitable products his farm has produced in years.

Are our city fathers going to make any formal recognition of Standard time? The first of May, Detroit will adopt Standard time. At the same time the Electric line will do the same. It is Michigan's legal time, and while it may not be necessary, it would be a good thing to officially announce that Birmingham will be up to date and use Standard time. We're for it. Our postoffice runs by it, also the telephone, railroad and court of justice. We vote by it, let's all adopt it.

Walter J. Snyder, secretary of the Detroit Driving club, announces that Michigan's two classic events, the $10,000 Merchant's and Manufacturers' trotting, and $5,000 Chamber of Commerce pacing stakes have filled beyond expectation. A total of 35 responded to the call for entries in the Blue Ribbon classics, 23 in the M. and M., and 12 in the C. and C. Michigan is represented in the M. and M. by Nanco entered by Muir & Rooks, of Grand Rapids. As usual the best horses in the country are numbered among those entered, and next July when the bell rings, the greatest race ever witnessed should be the result.

Madison Lot Brings $28,000.

Madison Wis., dispatch: Land in State street, this city, which Lafayette Kellog, the deceased clerk of the supreme court, bought for $150, has been sold for $28,000.

Prohibits Polygamy.

Washington dispatch: Senator Dubois introduced in the senate a joint resolution providing for a constitutional amendment prohibiting polygamy and polygamous cohabitation.

WILLIAM H. ELLIOTT CO.

WAIST SALE

One Hundred Chiffon Taffeta Waists with Shirred Yoke effects and trimmed with fine Lace, all colors and black—choice until sold, $3.98. You will see waists in windows ticketed $5.00 no nicer.

MATERIALS FOR GOWNS

Silk Finished Henriettas—a very complete assortment of shades for Spring and Summer. This beautiful material is being made up into gowns by the society people of this country and abroad. Our price $1.00 yard.

46-inch Pure Silk Warp Henriettas from Frederick Arnold the best maker in the world. We show the only assortment of colors shown in Detroit. Price $1.50 yard.

The Grays, the Popular Eastern fad for Gowns, in mixtures and Shadow Checks—$1.00 and $1.25 yard.

Beautiful Cravenettes from the noted Androus Mills. Six new and delightful shades in the $2.00 quality—$1.59.

Silk finished Fancy Sicilian Mohairs—new colors and designs unboxed every day. Over 50 styles—$1.00 yd.

PARSIVAL BLUES, the "Hit of Season." We have just unboxed several different fabrics for gowns in this choice color.

Crimson Rambler and Dorothy Perkins Rose Bushes (2d shipment)—10c each.

SPECIALS IN SILKS

Yard wide Black Silk from Bonnett, Lyons, France—equal to the $2.00 quality of other makers, for $1.25 yard.

19-inch Pure Silk, Black Taffeta, usually 75c for 59c.

White Habutai Silk, the kind that will wash, only 25c.

Lyons Dyed Japanese Silk in 30 different designs and colors, width 23-inches, colors guaranteed best—59c yd.

We have unboxed a superior lot of Suiting Silks for complete suits and Gowns in designs that are not and will not be common. They are now on sale at 59c to $1.50 yard.

Handbags and Purses—The latest shapes and styles in black or colors We excel in these things.

Our Art Department has many little articles suitable for Easter Gifts. Gilt Clocks, Candelabras and odd pieces. Oval and other gilt frames, pictures, etc. Orders taken for Photograph Pillow Tops that can be washed. Any photo can be copied.

BOYS' CLOTHING
Best in Quality—Lowest in Price.

Select your boy's Suit early while the assortment is complete. We save you at least $1.00 on a suit.

Single Breasted, 2-Piece Suits, Straight, not Cut-a-way sizes 10 to 17—$2.50 to $7.50 each.

Norfolk Suits with Bloomer Pants, 6 to 16—$4.00 to $7.50.

Navy Blue Serge and Fancy Mixture Cloth—Buster Brown, Russian and Paton Sailor, 2½ to 10—4.00 to $7.50.

Boys' Overcoats in Fancy Tweeds and serges and Cheviots—$4.00 to 6.00.

Young Men's Suits and Overcoats in the newest styles—our first season in this line.

THREE SPECIALS IN BLACK

Fine imported Black Voile—right fresh from the makers. A quality we usually sell at $1.25. On sale at 85c.

Ecroyd's Celebrated Black Brilliantine and Sicilian. We give you choice of tether weaves, rich black and unbeck luster. Positively $1.25 quality. Only $1.00 yard.

Black, also Cream Etamine—all wool guaranteed—39c yd.

SPECIALS IN LADIES' GARMENTS

$25.00—We will Sacrifice fifty choice suits—of Panama Cloth, Broadcloth, Cheviot and Silk, at $25.00 each. Theses suits are taken right from stock and were $40.00, $35.00 and $30.00 each.

$15.00—Choice of Seventy-five Suits for Ladies at $15.00 each. These Suits are handsomely tailored from Panama Cloth. Broadcloth, Cheviot and Shepherd Check Cloth and were leaders in our stock at $25.00, $22.50 and $20.00. No charge will be made for altering these suits.

HOSIERY

Plaided effects in Reds, Greens, etc., dotted designs—$1.00 and $1.75 a pair.

Lace effects in Greens, Browns, Blues, Grays Reds, White and Black—50c and $1.00.

Plain Color Lisle Hose, in White, Gray, Blue, Brown, Red, Green, etc., 50c.

Silk Hose in stylish colors and black—$1.00 to $10.00. Velvet Grip, Hookon and Military Hose Supporters.

THE BIRMINGHAM GAS COMPANY

Is now ready to make connections with stores and dwellings.

Acetylene light is the 20th century light.

It is absolutely safe and clean.

It requires no care, and is always ready for instant use.

It is cheaper than electricity or city gas.

It is cheaper than kerosene or gasoline, when allowance is made for lamps, mantles, wicks and care.

It is so satisfactory that almost every customer has testified to the company their appreciation of the light and its moderate cost.

Birmingham residents have a better light for less money than residents of Detroit.

Why not get rid of the dangerous and bad smelling gasoline and the dirty oil lamp when you can save both money and care by so doing?

Summer days are coming when a brilliant light with almost no heat will be doubly appreciated. Did you know there is 10 per cent less heat in any given candle power of acetylene than in electricity? It's a fact.

Free service will be run to all stores or residences where an order is given prior to May 1st

Give us an opportunity to present you with detailed information.

THE BIRMINGHAM GAS COMPANY

For the Children

To succeed these days you must have plenty of grit, courage, strength. How is it with the children? Are they thin, pale, delicate? Do not forget Ayer's Sarsaparilla. You know it makes the blood pure and rich, and builds up the general health in every way.

The children cannot possibly have good health unless the bowels are in proper condition. A sluggish liver gives a coated tongue, bad breath, constipated bowels. Correct all these by giving small laxative doses of Ayer's Pills. All vegetable, sugar-coated.

Made by J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass. Also manufacturers of

Ayer's HAIR VIGOR. AGUE CURE. CHERRY PECTORAL.

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Don't contract with anyone until I call on you

J. F. Rundel.

CLEARS UP THE COMPLEXION.

Whitehead & Mitchell and Cobb & Cobb Say Laxakola Tonic Tablets Work Wonders for the Skin.

It is hard to tell just why these little tablets have become so popular with Birmingham ladies but considering the short time they have been advertised, the demand for them has been cause for wonder.

They are no different in appearance from other laxative tablets, but they really must possess unusual merit for from our own personal observation we know that they always do just what is expected of them.

Their action upon the skin and complexion is remarkable for the principal ingredient in them is extract of dandelion, and your own doctor will tell you that dandelion is one of the greatest skin alteratives known to the profession.

If your bowels are inactive, your skin sallow, your tongue coated, your breath foul, and if you are troubled with pimples, billious spells and sick headache, a 25-cent package of Laxakola Tonic Tablets will clear up your complexion, tone up your liver, encourage the action of your bowels and make you sweet, clean and healthy, inside and out, or these druggists will gladly pay back your money.

Hardy Flowering Plants.

Perpetual snow is the only limit to flowering plants. In Tibet these have been found growing freely at heights of from 16,000 to 18,000 feet.

Gallantry of "Grand Monarque."

Louis XIV. never passed even a chambermaid without touching his hat, and always stood uncovered in the presence of a lady.

Mexican Pumpkin.

A curious plant has recently been found in Mexico. It is similar to a pumpkin, with a rough, corky bark, resembling that of an oak. It has been named "palma."