THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC
ONE DOLLAR PER YEAR IN ADVANCE.
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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 close of trading, costs you nothing and benefits us greatly. Will you do good and do so?

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HOME NOTES.

Have $10,000 to loan on First class Real Estate and Farm Mortgages. For particulars inquire of
HOWARD G. CARTER & Co
839-40 Majestic Bldg.
Detroit, Mich.

New Advertisements.

H. B. Merritt—Shoes—Pontiac.
I. Lee Truax—Hardware—Birmingham.
William H. Elliott Co—Dry Goods—Detroit.

Birmingham will shine this spring.

Mrs. David Roy visited Mrs. Clency in Detroit, Saturday.

Clean up your own yard first before you go for your neighbor's.

Miss Zoe Spencer, the new teacher, rooms with Mrs. Utter.

Do not forget the Ideal Entertainers Tuesday evening, April 11.

For Sale—Early and late seed potatoes. Inquire of H. F. Daniels. 4

Memorial trees are to be planted by our lodges and by many of our societies.

Plant that unused street corner to flowers, and let us have a village beautiful.

M. Levinson has his spring opening on Saturday, April 8. See displayed announcement.

The attention of our farmers is called to the adv't of E. J. Ferguson elsewhere in this issue.

Mrs. Wm. Cargill and daughter Delores, of Port Huron, visited Mrs. James Shain over Sunday.

Over 500 packages of flower seeds have already been ordered by our Village Improvement society.

Plymouth Rock eggs for sale, 50c for setting of 15. Mrs. A. M. Hendrickson, Clawson, Mich.

Having sold half of my farm I have young cattle, brood sows and pigs for sale. E. C. Poppleton.

Mrs. T. A. Ward is home from Chicago where she has been attending the funeral of her mother.

"Laugh and the world laughs with you." So say the Ideals who appear at Library Hall, April 11.

V. Nixon is out with a new ad this week telling in quite forcible terms of the merits of Elkskin shoes.

The Ladies' Aid of the M. E. church give a 10c supper at the residence of Mrs. N. T. Shaw tonight.

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

Go to Birmingham on April 11 and hear the Ideals, latest musical ompositions, for the benefit of the Ladies' Library society.

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

Remember the old Scotch proverb, "When you've nothing else to do, Jock, plant a tree; it'll aye be growing while ye're sleeping."

To rent—A farm of 80 acres to let on shares. Inquire of John Young, half mile south and 2 miles west of Erity's school house.

The Ladies' Aid of the Baptist church will be entertained by Mrs. Cone on Wednesday afternoon, April 12. Everybody welcome.

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

Dr. Geo. P. Raynale is enjoying a short visit with friends in Cincinnati, O. He will be away from home and business about two weeks.

Mrs. Nicholas Kittle's funeral was held in Detroit yesterday. Many of our readers will remember her as a Birmingham resident a number of years ago.

Married, at Howell, April 1, Miss Gertrude M. Bray, of Birmingham, to L. G. Miltz, of Toledo, Ohio. Many friends wish them much joy and happiness.

Golden, Silver, Buff and White Wyandotte, and Rhode Island Reds eggs for hatching. Inquire of John Wilkinson, Southfield Ave., Birmingham, Mich.

An exchange says: "A public library is the most valuable asset a town can have," and Birmingham refused a gift of the best site in town, 2,300 books, and $8,000.

Nathan Fall U. S. jurist surprised and delighted his wife by the present of a fine gold watch one day last week. It is a beauty and was purchased from Mr. F. Hagerman.

Mattie Baldwin has bought Mrs. Zilpha Simonson's home on Fremont street, and she then sold it immediately to Samuel Masters, who moved into his new home Tuesday.

Mrs. Dr. Vincent and Mrs. Reed of Deckerville, Mrs. Clency of Detroit and Mr. Ennis of Applegate, were guests of Mrs. David Roy part of last week.

Birmingham may not long enjoy the honor of being the only village in the county whose poles are not covered with tags. The County Federation of Woman's clubs are working to clean up other towns.

Married, at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McBride, on Tuesday last, Mr. Frank Pereira to Miss Hazel McBride, Rev. M. B. Maxwell officiating.

The Rev. A. W. Martin, of Fairgrove, will preach at the United Presbyterian church Friday and Saturday nights of this week at 7:30 o'clock and will assist the pastor at communion service on Sabbath. All are invited to these services.

The popular dry goods firm, The Taylor-Woolfenden Co., 165-169 Woodward Ave., Detroit, are out with a new adv't on the first page in this issue. They advertise bargains, and what they say can be relied upon. A call will convince you.

All those having mite boxes belonging to the W. H. M. S., please bring the contents to the meeting at the M. E. church, April 13, in the afternoon, and have a good 10c supper served from 5 to 7 next Thursday afternoon. Mite Box Sec.

You will notice the big adv't of Birmingham Gas Co. It tells its own story and it seems that about fifty new takers will go in this spring. The company is now all ready for business and only need your "say so" to go at once and install this light.

Eugene Brooks is home from the South looking and feeling fine and dandy. He reports his son Frank's health a great deal improved and expects him and his wife Mrs. Flora home some time in June. Eugene says that for the sunny South they have had lots of cold weather there.

Well now we are glad to say that Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Smith are back again in their Birmingham home after a winter in Southern California where all is warmth, peace, plenty and sunshine. The good couple look it—are glad they are back again and so are their many friends.

Louis Stauch will own all the houses in town soon if he keeps on buying. His recent purchase was the pretty little home lately occupied by D. L. Case and family. Mr. Stauch will at once renovate and fix over the place and then have the finest home in town. He paid, we understand, $3,600.

Our photographer, Mr. E. Clark, wishes it distinctly understood that he has not closed out the gallery in this place nor has he any intention of doing so. Reports being circulated to that effect are false in every particular. The firm of E. & F. E. Clark is still doing business at the same old stand.

We now have a village dove cote. At the orders of someone a wire screen was placed over the window openings to the fire tower, shutting out the doves to the mercy of a cold, unfeeling world—so the birds thought. But some good hearted people made a fuss and a compromise was effected and now the doves have their home partly back.

Changes in Birmingham are very numerous just now. Mr. James Phillips has moved back to his farm, John Berry, freight motorman, moves into Mr. Phillips' house, and Mr. John Barclay and family move into the Donaldson house vacated by Mr. Berry. And there is a spirit of moving all over the village.

The Knights and Lady Maccabees will hold their last joint meeting at Maccabee hall, on Friday, March 14, at 8 p. m. This is calculated to be a "rouser" and each member is to bring a friend and lunch basket, and don't forget that you are going to have a good time. Claude Harris and Jerome Aldrich must not fail to be present.

Thursday afternoon, Merrill, one of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schlaack's three-year-old twin boys found some pills in a box and thinking them candy ate some of them. They were strychnine heart tablets and made the little lad deathly sick. Drs. C. M. and Geo. P. Raynale were quickly summoned and soon had the little lad out of danger.

Joe Schoonever was pressed to resign his R. F. D. route, not because of his pension, but the rules of the department say a Star Route carrier cannot be a rural carrier, so our own Joe has gone to farming on the D. L. Case farm. He still carries the mail to Franklin at evening just the same. Joe says that he has worked off five pounds of flesh and is happy.

The beauties of Birmingham have won again. Dr. R. A. Clark whose professional card appears elsewhere, decided to locate in our village because he was struck with its handsome, homelike appearance, and announces that Birmingham is to be his home hereafter. The doctor has made lung troubles a special study and offers his services as a specialist in this dread disease.

The Business Men's club will be addressed next Sunday afternoon by Rev. Walter S. Watson on "The Slums of New York." On account of Mr. Watson's personal work in the slum district of New York, he is particularly qualified to discuss the subject and the address will doubtless prove an exceedingly interesting one. As this is Mr. Watson's last Sunday in Birmingham it is hoped the men will show their appreciation of him by turning out in full force.

From her southern home our dear old friend Mrs. Wallace never forgets to send her yearly dues to the Cemetery association and her thanks and appreciation of the work they have done and are still doing. She also says, "I sympathize with you all in your efforts to advance Birmingham's interests, and am very sorry the majority of the taxpayers have not seen it, yet a little more sober reflection may change their minds. Be patient."

Things are doin' up in Nelson Shattuck's vicinity and real estate deals are in the air every moment. Mr. A. C. McGraw has sold his farm home to Mr. Harry Holden of Detroit, terms private, and Mr. Shattuck has sold 15 acres of his own land, a portion of the Wilde farm, to Mr. J. H. Wendell of Detroit, and now Bro. Shattuck is finally driven into town where he will make the Sawyer home property shine and an ornament to our village.

Robert J. Lounsbury, of Pontiac, has been appointed by Judge Smith as receiver for the Pontiac, Oxford & Northern railroad, with a bond of $60,000. The appointment is the result of the suit of Charles H. Stone and others against the railway, and is really a contest of the minority stockholders against the majority holders, in which mismanagement is charged. The majority of the stock is held in New York. Supt. W. C. Sanford, Auditor F. H. Carroll and Attorney John H. Patterson will be retained under the receivership.

The annual meeting of the Cemetery Society was held last Saturday. At the meeting a resolution was adopted that will affect those persons who are paying for lots by installments. The resolution provides that not less than $5 be paid down, and that one-half must be paid by the end of first year, and the whole amount by end of second year. The time has come for the payment of the yearly dues, Mrs. Eva O'Neal is treasurer and the society requests that dues be paid at the earliest date possible. Those now paying for lots on the installment plan, will have two years in which to pay the balance, subject to the above rules.

The greatest auction sale of the season of 1905 is yet to come. Bills are out announcing the immense clearing up auction sale of F. E. Brooks at his farm one and one-half miles west of Birmingham on Monday, April 10, 1905, at 10 o'clock a. m., of registered stock. There will be horses of all kinds, O. I. C. pigs and dairy cows. This sale is a go. Everybody will have a chance to get Registered Shorthorn cattle to suit each particular taste; 20 cattle and 15 horses to choose from and O. I. C. pigs galore. Martin Blunt will make his last appearance in public as auctioneer at this sale and all are invited to come and see the finest stock ever offered for sale at auction.

Frightful Suffering Relieved

Suffering frightfully from the virulent poisons of undigested food, C. G. Grayson, of Lula, Miss., took Dr. King's New Life Pills, "with the result," he writes, "that I was cured." All stomach and bowel disorders give way to their tonic, laxative properties. 25c at Whitehead & Mitchell's and Cobb & Cobb's drug stores, guaranteed.

ACETYLENE vs. GASOLINE.

Have you noticed that while gasoline is good enough to use in generating power for automobiles, when a brilliant light is required, it is furnished by acetylene.

TROY.

Mrs. Emma Richards was in Detroit shopping Monday last.

Sam Jarvis, running for town clerk, ran way ahead of his ticket.

Daniel Butler, formerly of Troy, lies very ill at his home in Pontiac.

Ladies' Aid work day at Mrs. R. Richards' Wednesday from 10 to 4.

Miss Taylor, of Oxford, a former school teacher in this place, Sundayed in Troy.

Ed Jarvis, of Birmingham, brother of Cyrus Jarvis, was a visitor over Sabbath in Troy.

Jerome Aldrich has sold his home here to Orion parties, giving possession in the early fall.

The Junior League "Sock" social will be held May 26 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Wattles.

Pearl Burrows left for Kalamazoo last Saturday. Her father, A. J. Burrows, is convalescing slowly.

At the "Anatomy" social at the parsonage Friday night, supper will be served instead of box refreshments.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Dell Smith, a daughter, April 1. Mother and child are doing nicely. Mrs. Terry, of Big Beaver, is caring for Mrs. Smith.

The many friends and relatives in Troy of Mrs. Emma Dewey are very glad to learn of her recent change for the better, she having been such a sufferer all winter.

The repairing of the M. E. church will be begun this month. The solicitors will no doubt call on the people of Troy and vicinity, so please plan to help the good work along.

SOUTHFIELD.

Mrs. Arlington is on the sick list.

Bert Cole has moved to his new home.

Rober Churches has hired another man

Many have started plowing and some oats are sown.

A lively time took place this week when Mrs. Dora Johnston took possession of her place. She told her husband to stand back and with an ax broke down the gate and smashed in a window.

CLAWSON.

Mrs. Rogers visited Mrs. E. E. Avery a few days last week.

Frank Blair, of Lansing, visited his parents one day last week.

Ike Poole's family of Pontiac, visited at Francis Poole's Sunday last.

Mrs. Sarah Carter, of Birmingham, visited at H. J. Bowers' last week

Mr. and Mrs. Fall, of Birmingham, visited at Henry Blair's last Sunday.

Mrs. Rhoda Hendrickson spent a few days at Marlette last week on business.

Mrs. Minnie Fall was presented with a nice bible from her class and Sunday school.

Last Hope Vanished.

When leading physicians said that W. M. Smithart, of Pekin, Ia., had incurable consumption, his last hope vanished; but Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Cough and Colds, kept him out of his grave. He says: "This great specific completely cured me, and saved my life. Since then, I have used it for over 10 years, and consider it a marvelous throat and lung cure." Strictly scientific cure for Coughs, Sore Throats or Colds; sure preventive of Pneumonia. Guaranteed, 50c and $1.00 bottles at Whitehead & Mitchell's and Cobb & Cobb's drug stores. Trial bottle free.

Faint Heart.

I wonder if she knows how much
My heart cries out for her dear heart
I wonder if she's felt the touch,
The joyous thrill, the bitter smart
Of Cupid's dart.
I wonder.

I wonder what she'll say to me
When I have told my tale to-night,
O will it be my fate to be
Transported to the sun-kissed height
Of sheer delight?
I wonder.

I wonder if I'll tell my tale
At all! I've often tried before,
By Jove! I feel my courage fail,
And here, a timid mouse once more,
On past her door
I wander.

—T. A. Daly, in Catholic Standard and Times.

GRAVEL AND SAND FOR SALE!

Anyone wishing gravel or sand, in the pit or delivered, can secure same of George Dawson on the E. C. Poppleton farm, mile north of Birmingham on the town line. apr13

Does Your Heart Beat

Yes. 100,000 times each day. Does it send out good blood or bad blood? You know, for good blood is good health; bad blood, bad health. And you know precisely what to take for bad blood—Ayer's Sarsaparilla. Doctors have endorsed it for 60 years.

One frequent cause of bad blood is a sluggish liver. This produces constipation. Poisonous substances are then absorbed into the blood, instead of being removed from the body daily as nature intended. Keep the bowels open with Ayer's Pills, liver pills. All vegetable.

Made by J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.
Also manufacturers of
Ayer's HAIR VIGOR. AGUE CURE. CHERRY PECTORAL.

Choice of those large Pictures with the artistic frames that were 79c now 50c each. The frames are worth much more than the original price.

Magazines

William H. Elliott Co.

Some Silks

$1.25 a yard for yard wide, purest dye, Lyons woven Taffeta Silk—the rich black for which "Bonnet," the maker, is famous. We guarantee it dependable. This week we offer the $2.00 quality for $1.25.

59c for 19-inch Black Taffeta Silk, very rich black, and a quality we usually sell at 75c yard. Special at 59c.

59c—Suiting checks—New Changeable Taffeta—the latest color combination for suits.

59c—White, Ivory or Cream Taffeta Silk, standard quality, and equal to what you see about town at 75c.

69c—Black and White Shepherd Check Louisene and new Colored Check Louisene. Unmatchable elsewhere at our low price.

89c—Beautiful Lumineaux Peau de Cygne Silks 22 inches wide, in the best new shade of Green, Brown Gray, Navy, etc. Simply delicious in appearance, excellent to wear and equal to others elsewhere for which $1.25 is asked.

75c—Now ready—New Spring Suiting Silks from New York. Check, Hair-line effects, Floral designs, Plain and changeable effects. Very swell designs. We'd like you to see them.

You will remember how much we emphasized Rajah Pongee Silk lately. Well, our new color line is in, and we show choice Emerald, Navy, Gobelin, Brown, Pastourelle, Champagne, Oyster White, Cell Blue, Tomato Red, Heliotrope, Reseda, etc., in 30-inch at $1.25 a yard. We alone have the right to sell Rajah Pongee. Don't be allured into buying something "just as good" elsewhere before you really know what "Rajah" is.

Black Attractions

Our buyer carefully studies conditions and in that way always secures the best Black Fabrics for the least money, otherwise we could not offer you the items below at any such price.

39c—Think of it, for good, Black Etamine, all wool and a 50c quality.

59c for 43 inch Fine Black Panama, equal to any store's 75c sort.

75c—Choice French Voile, imported direct. No better dye, yarn or finish. We offer it at less than wholesale.

89c—Wiry, Black Voile, fine quality, but like iron to wear. For years this quality has been $1.00 a yard.

$1.00—Two leading weaves of Royal Black Brilliantine and Sicilian. Now on sale at $1.00 a yard, which means a saving to you of 25c on every yard, as the regular price is $1.25.

59c, etc—Fancy designs in Black and White Check Goods. Quite different from the conventional Shepherd Checks. You'll be interested in looking them over. Prices range from 59c to $2.00 yard.

CREAM FABRICS SPECIAL.

39c for Cream Etamine, fresh, crisp and clean. An unusual offer which it is to your advantage to seize quickly

59c—Splendid Cream Tamise Cloth, free from flaws, thoroughly sponged and shrunk. Make ideal plaited or shirred Skirts and full gowns. Another thing, it as washable as a cotton fabric. We also have a better grade at 75c.

89c—Last call. Pure Worsted Storm Serge, best of Cream. Don't wait too long, this price won't occur again.

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

GROW SUGAR BEETS FOR Mt. Clemens Sugar Co.

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HAVE SPECIAL INDUCEMENTS TO OFFER

Don't contract with anyone until I call on you

J. F. Rundel.

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.

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 people 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.

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."