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To Our Friends,

When reading any of our contributions please to Birmingham, Publishers of the Eccentric, it will be a great favor to us if you will mention the fact that you noticed that our advertisement in your paper. A word from you at the time of reading, costs you nothing and benefits us greatly. Will you be good and do so?

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.

Scandal loves the scent of tep.

The echo always has the last word.

Many a sword is made of scap iron.

Even the cannibal loves his fellow man.

Living on love is all right between meals.

When you want some good shoes, go to H. R. Merritt's. See ad in this issue.

Never say fail. Leave that to your friends.

It upsets a man terribly to lose his balance at the bank.

A grass widow and a rake usually get on well together.

Look out for the young fellow that works over time trying to be good.

Visitors from Ont. are the welcome guests of the family of Rev. Jamieson.

Miss Agnes Knowles of the Eccentric spent Sunday at her home in Orion.

Mrs. Frank Allen is enjoying a visit with her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Allen.

Henry Pauli, Pontiac, is showing a fine new line of shoes. See his ad elsewhere in this paper.

Many a man that kicks another when he is down refrains from kicking a dog when it has a tin can tied to its tail.

Louis J. Roy has purchased a new modern house, on Fifteenth avenue, in Detroit and will move there immediately.

It is not difficult for the rooster to crow, but the jackass makes ludicrous work of it. Moral—Stick to your work.

We are pleased to say that Mr. Ed McQuarter is doing finely after his crush last week. He will soon be able to be around.

Floors are being laid in the O'Neal Johnston, Shaw Block, next comes the plate glass front and the tenants are expected soon to move in.

There will be a regular meeting of Birmingham lodge K. of P. on Monday night Oct. and. Every member is requested to attend.

The man that fritters away his time will have few nice, warm fritters in this world. It takes money to buy beef, fritters and "things."

The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. Deir on Tuesday, Oct. 2 at 7.30 standard. A full attendance of the members is desired. Sec'y.

The Masonic brethren had a big raising last week Thursday. Nearly 150 members were present and a banquet was served that was a daisy from start to finish.

The dancing party given by the club of young men in the Library hall on Friday evening was a great success. Good crowd, good music, good weather, good time.

A late number of "Our Dumb Animals" contains a pathetic story of a horse suffering from toothache. Before you whip a horse find out what is the matter with it.

The members of the Baptist church and their friends are invited to a farewell reception in honor of Mr. Rogers, to be held in the church on Saturday evening of this week. Y

The ladies of the Presbyterian church will have a food sale at Whitehead & Mitchell's Saturday afternoon. Come and buy your Sunday bread and cake, all five and edible.

The regular monthly business meeting of the Epworth League is to be held Friday evening, Oct. 6 at the home of Mr. Heacock. A social hour follows the business session.

The women's foreign missionary society of the M. E. church meets at the parsonage at 2:30 p. m. on Wednesday, Oct. 7. At this meeting will occur the annual election of officers.

A. J. Marble has nine acres of the finest corn ever raised, judging

from the sample that he left at the Eccentric office. Say, if A. J. had the knack to reduce his corn to juice he'd have a fortune.

Simon Turwirth is giving his house a double coat of Detroit White Lead Works liquid white paint with Joe McBride for principal assistant. His home will look fine when finished.

The foot ball season will open Saturday Sept. 30, with a game between our boys and the McGraws of Detroit. These teams played a game last year and the score was 0 to 0 so you can expect a good contest.

Mrs. Laura Rogers of Chatham, Ont., has been visiting her friend, Miss Marie Wilson, during the past week or so and perhaps the young ladies have not been enjoying the land of the Dominion and the great U. S.

Waterman P. Stison of Holly has again tried in the circuit court last week and the jury again brought in the verdict of guilty, after being out less than two hours. His sentence is not less than one year nor more than ten.

Dr. Geo. P. Raynald and wife have moved to Detroit. Dr. Geo. P. will practice in the city and has a fine office on Horton avenue just two doors off Woodward. Our best wishes to the young M. D. in his new practice and home.

Last Monday while playing at school Morell Davenport, son of Will Davenport in Troy, fell and broke his arm at the elbow. Dr. N. T. Shaw reduced the fracture and in due time the unfortunate lad will be as good as ever.

Miss Ellen Randall of Owosso has been making a visit among her friends in this vicinity and returned home last week. She made her principal visits with Mrs. S. J. Harris and Theo. H. Bloomberg and their respective families.

Miss M. E. Moutter of Pontiac announces the winter millinery opening Friday and Saturday Sept. 29 and 30 with a new and complete line of the latest importations and new and smart ideas for the coming season. The ladies of Birmingham and vicinity are cordially invited.

The state tax levy this year amounts to \$3,868,724, and Oakland county is assessed \$8,372,81, which amount is \$20,000 more than the assessment of last year and is \$3,000 less than the one of two years ago. The appropriation for the Eastern Michigan asylum this year was \$10,000.

Miss Maud Camp is certainly enjoying a fine visit with E. L. Keyser's family at Pontiac and on Friday evening of last week she was one of the happiest in the audience listening to the charming opera, Sam Toy. Quite a Birmingham delegation were in attendance and all had a delightful time.

The ladies aid of the M. E. church will meet with Mrs. John Crawford on Friday afternoon, Oct. 6. You will meet at the church from 2 to 2:30 p. m., where rigs will be in waiting to convey you to the scene of action. The usual lunch will be served and all are invited.

The 6th Mich. Cavalry reunion will be held at Lansing, Mich., Oct. 10 to 1905. The headquarters are at the Hotel Wentworth and business meeting in the committee room at Capitol building at 10:00 a. m. Wear your badges. State papers please copy. J. Allen Bigelow, President, Birmingham, Mich.; B. F. Johnson, Sec'y, Albion, Mich.

Geo. H. Toms has been leading a very strenuous life the past week. He has enjoyed a visit with his sister-in-law, Mrs. E. J. Pierce and grand daughter, Miss Marguerite of Chicago. This couple with Mrs. Geo. Toms have had a week's visit with relatives at Farmington and

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Miss Chlo Clüss of Chicago and her father of Detroit, who worked in this place 51 years ago, visited Mrs. B. Shain last Thursday. He said every thing was changed except the hotel, it looks about the same. Mr. Grinley was in there at that time.

A widower not a thousand miles from Buck Horn Corners took his second wife home one day last week and introduced her to the children by saying: "This is your new mamma." They looked at her critically and the youngest blurted out: "Is that the best you could do, papa?"

Kessel, Dickinson & Dickinson have nearly completed the alterations and additions which they have been making in their store in Pontiac, and which have improved the appearance of the interior to quite an extent. A number of new show cases have been purchased and electrical fixtures have been placed throughout the store. The walls have been redecorated and the woodwork revarnished.

Charles A. Burr's bank at Warren enjoyed a little excitement in the way of a run but all fears subsided when depositors found that their money was all ready for them at 100 cents on the dollar. A Pontiac bank supplied \$20,000 to stem the tide and many of the depositors looked foolish when they brought back their money to re-deposit. Detroit papers say Warren never saw such a wad before.

The man who opposes every need improvement, however beneficial to the community it may be, because it will slightly increase his taxes, is made of very common clay. He is little use to his family, his country or his God. He can be found at the cross roads store, the town and city. Like the fly, the mosquito and the chigger, he is not fatal but he is mighty disagreeable.

Birmingham holds the world's champion-hip for the highest "sitting high jump" and won it last week when the teacher of the kindergarten class took her flock of little ones down in Mattie's jungle to study nature. Gathering her flock of little shavers around her she unconsciously sat down on a yellow jacker's nest and the record was made instantly and will no doubt stand for years.

An exchange says that the people who need religion are: The man who left his horse stand out in the cold all day without a blanket on; the man who grows like a wild beast when his wife asks him for money; the woman who is not what she ought to be; the minister who is looking for an easier place and a higher salary, the man who walks the streets with his hands in his pockets, while his wife carries the baby; the man who keeps a dog and says he cannot afford to take the home paper.

At a recent meeting of the Detroit board of health measures were taken toward reporting to the D. U. R. every conductor who does not enforce the "spitting" regulations on his car. Health officer Kleier has 25000 "Do not spit on the sidewalk" signs to post around the city. It will be remembered that once the woman's club of this village offered to print and post similar signs, provided they could have the law back to them.

The Woman's Literary Club will meet next week Tuesday with the Misses Post at 2 p. m. standard. All members urged to attend.

The funeral of Mrs. Mathew Edwin aged 85, takes place this p. m. at her late home with her son-in-law North McClellan. Burial at the Southfield Gravel cemetery.

Here's good luck to you, Jim, Mr. James R. Brooks, who has long been successfully connected with the City and Suburban Homes Co. of Detroit has severed his connection with that firm and has become associated with the firm of Lambrecht, Kelly & Co. of Griswold St. as manager of their real estate department. We certainly extend to him our best wishes and he invites all his old friends to call on him for the latch string is always out.

When you have been cross and rude, don't let false pride stand in the way of asking forgiveness. It isn't easy to say, "I'm sorry," in fact sometimes it's desperately hard, but once you've said it you'll feel so much happier that its really worth the sacrifice to your foolish pride. The longer you wait the harder it will be to say it; the angry feelings will grow like a snowball, until what has merely been a slight grievance assumes the proportions of a real estrangement.

David P. Beck of Troy and Sam Levi of Big Beaver are at law. Beck says that he had a contract with Samuel Levi to cut and haul a certain quantity of hay, about 50 tons. Levi was to get 2-5 of the crop but he states that Levi is going to the barn and helping himself to the hay and that he claims 2-5 as his share. The barn is two miles from the home of Beck and he claims that Levi broke the lock on the barn and entered. Being unable to protect his interests there he asks that the court grant an injunction restraining Levi from entering the barn and that he be compelled to carry out his contract.

There are a great many retired farmers in Birmingham who are renting their farms, and about the first of March in each year there is a hustling among them to rent to new tenants. In the general scramble they frequently rent to undesirable tenants. The man who takes time by the forelock is the one who gets the pick of the bunch. Whitehead, at the Exchange Bank, has a list of desirable tenants whom he can personally recommend; so, if your present tenant is not all that could be desired, why not go and inquire about it? If you do not make the lease to any of these men, it will cost you nothing, and if you do, you ought to be very willing to pay for it.

The farmers are having the hardest kind of luck this year with their threshing machines burning up all profits. The barns on the farm of C. V. Seeley, two miles west of Franklin, caught fire on Monday from the thrasher. All the barns and stacks and all his grain were destroyed. The stock was saved, and on Friday last the barns of H. J. Boughton, north of Franklin, were completely destroyed, from the same source. The wind was blowing a perfect gale and for a time it was feared the house would surely catch fire. Nearly everything was carried out on the lawn. Mr. Boughton lost all his hay and grain, but saved his farm tools and stock. Boughton's loss aggregated \$5000 partly covered by insurance.

THE CHURCHES

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN—W. W. H. Hamlin, pastor. Sabbath service at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Monday evening, 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday eve. at 7:30 p. m.

ST. JAMES—Rev. David Thornbury, rector. Morning service at 10:30 a. m. Evening service at 7:30 p. m. Holy Communion on first Sunday in the month. 10:30 a. m. and on third Sunday in the month at 7:30 a. m. Evening school on second and fourth Sundays at 7:30 p. m. Prayers at 7:30 p. m.

UNITED PRESBYTERIAN—Rev. M. W. Maxwell, pastor. Sabbath service at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Monday evening, 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30 p. m.

ARE YOU ENGAGED?

Egged people should remember, that, after marriage, many quarrels can be avoided by keeping their digestion in good condition with Electric Bitters. S. A. Brown of Bennettsville, S. C., says: "I was very much afflicted with dyspepsia, complicated with a torpid liver, until she lost her strength and vigor, and became a mere wreck of her former self. Then she tried Electric Bitters, which helped her at once, and finally made her entirely well. She is now strong and healthy." Whitehead & Mitchell and Cobb & Cobb, druggists, sell and guarantee them, at 60c a bottle.

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