

THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC
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To Our Friends.

When reading any of our advertisements 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, sends you nothing but benefits to us. Will you be good and do so?
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HOME NOTES

The Ketcher Thinks He's Many, But He's Only a Few. Chilly, Don't Cook—You've a Dead One If You Do.

Schoolbegin.
Do you enjoy the breeze?
Say—Put on a clean collar.
Did you hear the sermon last Sunday morning?
Burton Kerr has returned from his northern trip.

How many of the Eccentric readers like Dutch cheese?
Miss Dot Daniels is teaching in the Farmington schools.

Miss Maude McDonald is teaching school near Rochester.

J. L. Brown just took 95 bushels of wheat from a acre.

Wm. Foreman of Wing Lake was buried on Tuesday afternoon.

Wanted—Girl for general house work. Mrs. H. A. Poppleton.

Miss Lillian Newman is visiting his sister, Mrs. J. G. McKinney.

Miss Ada Eglin of Harbor Beach is visiting at the home of Dr. Shaw.

Miss Lillian Riley of Detroit was a guest of the Misses Ford Sunday.

The steam heating system is being installed in the new J. and S. block.

The small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Miller of Chicago is quite ill.

Mrs. McDonald would like school pupils to room or board. Girls preferred.

Last week Wednesday and Thursday wasn't a very cool day for the Eccentric.

Miss Grace Yates of Rochester is spending the week with Miss Ethel Johnson.

W. D. Millspann has moved into the Hanna house just vacated by Mr. Hutson.

John McKinney of Holly is visiting his sister, Miss Grace McKinney of this place.

Winfield Soules and wife of Ionia is spending this week at the home of Wm. Soules.

Nelson Stutzack, Mr. Ford and Mr. Adams left Tuesday for a week's visit in Virginia.

Girl wanted for house work, apply at once. Good wages. A. P. Jacobs, Birmingham.

The Oakland County Medical Society meets in the parlors of the Y. M. C. A. at Pontiac.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society will meet at Mrs. Corson's Sept. 14, at 2:30 o'clock.

Miss Mable Percival's school started Tuesday at the Brick school three miles east of this place.

Quite a number of our young people attended the Labor Day assembly at Franklin Monday evening.

Mrs. Parker has accepted a position as teacher of music and penmanship in the schools at Cadiz, O.

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

If you want your gasoline stove cleaned call on E. C. Gardner.

First class work—prices moderate. Found—A string of gold beads. Call at this office, pay 25c for this ad for your property and take it away.

Mrs. McKinney of Fremont street is quite ill. If she lives until next June she will have passed her 90th mile stone.

Miss Helen Gould has removed her dress-making parlors to Mrs. Bloomberg's residence on West Maple avenue.

The ball game Monday between the Birmingham team and the Asylum team of Pontiac had to be called off on account of the rain.

Jay Boardless of Pontiac has accepted a position as foreman of the gentlemen's clothing department in Levinson's department store.

There will be a special meeting of Mary D. Hive, No. 393, Saturday evening, Sept. 9, for initiation. All members are requested to be present.

Suppose we State Socialists, in Japan state socialism is favored by the government and taught in the schools.

We are proud to note the success of our butcher, A. R. Parks. That surely is the place to go for boneless steaks and such other fancy meats.

Rev. E. H. Thompson will occupy the pulpits at both Troy and Birmingham U. P. churches at the usual hours of service next Sabbath Sept. 10th.

Mrs. Ira Slade of Detroit has been the guest of H. C. Wilson and wife the past few days and has pleasantly passed the time meeting many old friends.

It would be a great advantage to fruit growers if some authority on such things would tell us just what the yellows are, or make an exhibit so we could see.

Miss Taber will organize her classes in elocution next Saturday afternoon, Sept. 9. All interested please call at her home between 2 and 4 o'clock.

A reception was tendered Rev. and Mrs. Maxwell at the United Presbyterian church on Tuesday evening. A large number of their friends were present.

Miss Olive D. Dwyer resumed her duties as teacher of music and will be at Mrs. D. Roy's, Brown street, Thursday, Sept. 14, to meet any pupils who wish to talk over music.

The Milan Mich. Leader has been sold by its successful publisher, W. H. Houseman to F. L. Gates Imlay City. What "House" will do next is the wondering thought of the sad hearted Milanites.

Our village board, by their competent men under J. L. Keyser have finished a capital cement walk, 6 1/2 feet wide for W. Nixon and W. I. McClellan past their business places on Woodward Ave.

Little Henry Hubert is nursing a left hand that was under a window that suddenly fell. Two bones were broken and the little fellow bears his burden like the little man that he is.

Warren, village marshal, arrests bicycle riders who use their side-walks instead of the streets for travel. Their last victim Geo. German, paid costs and was let go under suspended sentence.

Mrs. Frank Quirk Peirce with a very beautiful baby girl is visiting her many friends in our village. This happy family will move from St. Louis Mo. to Kokook, Ill., where Wiley will have a fine situation.

Last week Thursday while a little extra pressure was on the water main to flush the hydrants, the main near the power house bursted and water flew galore until Street Commissioner L. Keyser's got in his work.

Regular annual meeting of Birmingham Chapter No. 220 O. E. S. Wednesday evening, Sept. 10th. Election of officers. Every member requested to be present. Mary Gravelin, Sec'y.

Farmers Attention! Martin Potts on the J. Bert Finckley farm in Troy has the finest wheat for sale in the county. The variety is the celebrated Farmer's Friend and it is warranted to be free from rye, smut or any impurity.

There is a very fine display of flowers at Vintea. Mrs. W. said a man who spent several weeks in our village this summer "when I see how much pains is taken to keep these streets clean and free from paper and rubbish, the utter carelessness of some people astonishes me."

The W. C. T. U. of Michican has been given ground for their use at the state fair and in time erect a building. This year the Union have a large tent with seats and tables, tea and coffee will be sold. Among the good things to entertain, will be contest Wednesday p. m.

The Misses Frazier, Nellie Boughner, Mable Pearson, Marian Porter, Grace Adams and Messrs. Chas. Boughner, Van Horn, Fred Zartton, Walter Groves, E. H. Hexcock picked at Carpenter's on Island lake, Monday. Did they enjoy cake? The shock was so great that one young fellow fell in the lake.

The flower show that was advertised for the 16th will be held on the 15th instead. It will be held in the lower hall at the school building from 10 to 5 o'clock. The children are requested to bring flowers at noon. The prizes will be given to the room making the best display.

Mrs. W. W. Robinson of Detroit will address the people of Birmingham at the Y. M. C. A. church on Sunday evening next, at 7 o'clock, in behalf of the Home Mission, and will speak especially on the necessity of the silver offering for next year. All are most cordially invited.

The fine things said about the neatness of our village by Mr. Scripps, should not only give great pleasure to our people but should inspire us with courage and zeal for further effort. No man in the state is more competent to judge these matters than the man who has given so much of his life to library work and to placing good things in art and literature in the hands of the masses.

Next Sunday, Sept. 10, the Grand Trunk railroad will run an excursion to Grand Rapids, Owosso, Ionia, Lansing, Battle Creek, Saginaw and Bay City. Fare round trip to S. J. and Bay City \$6.55; Lansing \$1.25; Battle Creek \$1.25; Grand Rapids \$2.10. Train leaves Birmingham at 7:43 a. m. Returning arrives at 11:00 p. m. G. and has a good time.

The common curl of Flint has improved a license of \$8 a day for selling on the streets and \$4 a day for selling from house to house. This will give the dealers who pay taxes and in other ways help keep the town, a little better chance to make a living.

Dr. P. A. Knight died yesterday at Utica, Mich., aged 77 years. He was born in New York state, and removed at an early age with his family to Michigan. He graduated from the U. C. M. in 1874, and soon after moved to Utica and entered upon the practice of medicine. He leaves a family of five children.

If Mr. Rockefeller would taint our mill-pond and adjacent bogs with petroleum, so as to kill all the "pesky missetors" we might be prevailed on to accept a liberal wad, as a beneficial experiment—tainted or not tainted. We live and have—orville Hustler, Mich.

Yes, the Eccentric has printed many a complimentary word for fellows who never appreciated it. It is the gall and wormwood of newspaper life. If all men were as grateful to their helpers as the town dog who has had a tin can loosened from his tail, there would be more satisfaction in editorial philanthropy.

In the death of Mary Mapes Dodge, children all over the land have lost a friend. For many years she was the editor of St. Nicholas, she has placed before them the best, most attractive work. Of her own writings, perhaps the best known is "Hans Bricker or the Silver Skates." If there is a boy or girl in the village who has not read it, let them call at the library.

The Eastern Mich. Press Club next month for two or three days will be the guests of Dayton Ohio in general and the National Cash Register Co. in particular, who will entertain and banquet the entire club. It is expected that 150 will attend and without a doubt Vice President Fairbanks of Washington D. C. will attend as an honorary guest of the E. M. P. C.

Wonder what garment a woman will wear next, says a crabbled old bachelor of the town. She may be arrayed in a silk worm dress, sensu saque, ostrich feather and beaver hat, goshkin shoes, whalebone stays, kidskin gloves, tortoise shell buttons, spick dog muff, minktail collar and alligator hide purse. Sulphon in all his glory had no such a menagerie as this, and yet many love them no matter what they wear.

We are glad to note the success that has attended the work of Rev. Levi P. Goodwin. His Birmingham's young representative in the Michigan dist. ministry. After a decidedly successful year's work at the Fourth Quarterly conference of the Gratiot and Leveille churches, Detroit, which he has served have requested his return by the coming Annual Conference which convenes in Detroit next week. In token of their esteem they have voted a material increase in salary.

The ladies of Mary D. Hive have been having a contest to see which side could obtain the most endow members in a given time. The finance keeper and her chosen ladies took one side and the record keeper and her chosen ladies took the other. The R. K. side won and the F. K. and ladies gave the winning side a supper. Needless to say the supper was fine and everybody had an enjoyable time. The R. K. and ladies wish to thank the F. K. and ladies for the pleasant time.

With her divorce decree from George Donovan of Bay Co., Mrs. Minnie A. Bigelow is given \$1,850 for alimony, payable in installments, payments to be secured by stock of the Kneeland, Bishop Lumber Co., of Bay City, of which the husband, Charles A. Bigelow, is secretary and

treasurer. Mrs. Bigelow is an invalid. She made the scriptural charge against her husband.

Little Johnny's compassion on "heads" might fit several of our fellow citizens: "There is a lot of blockheads, bald heads, and soath. Pa he's got one. It's bald. Ma he's long-headed and p. he's bald-headed and I am red head. The smart end of a boy is his head, except when he gets spanked, but the smart end of a boy is his head. Oh, no. Pa says if a fellow has a head on him he can get ahead in the world, but I don't want a head on me like he gets on 'him when he's got all night with the boys."

Elmer Livermore of Detroit, visiting at Maro Robinson's down at Southfield road, one day took his trusty shot gun and went hunting birds. He wound up by bringing home the biggest snapping turtle that ever swam in Erly's mill pond. This rare bird measured 13x15 in. and weighed 33 pounds. Everybody in the township had some of him to eat. There were seven different kinds of meat such as chicken, turkey, mutton, veal, beef, rabbit, squirrel besides other varieties, but no one, not even the oldest inhabitant could name it. It was a "festa" day for the neighborhood.

The Northville Record says that one of our dear old ladies, Aunt Caroline, is it thou? "Birmingham's latest leader" is a lady of 85 who not only keeps boards and does most of her own work but is a skillful player of that nerve trying game, "finch." Also this in the same snappy paper. "A peculiar acting man was being watched by the sheriff on our streets Thursday. It is thought he was from the asylum at Pontiac—Birmingham Eccentric. Now don't lay everything to the E. M. A. Maybe he had a flea on him or had been 'bitten' by a bumblebee or had boils or something. Lots of things will cause folks to get peculiar." He might have been a baneful man trying to get our courage to propose.

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CHANGED HER APPEARANCE.

Birmingham Woman's Ambition Realized.
Nearly every woman in the world wants to be beautiful and attractive for it is one of the chiefest and noblest of her every standpoint, and correct beauty means perfect health. If one's complexion is sallow, it is due in most cases to improper diet, a torpid liver, high living, impure blood and constipation. After trying many different remedies with disappointing results, a prominent Birmingham lady was induced to try Laxa-Ko's tonic tablets and in her own case they have worked wonders. They act as a real tonic, cure the blood, and late the liver, encourage the action of the bowels, put new life in the skin and give the complexion a healthy, glowing nature, to do its own perfect work. Whitehead & Mitchell and Cobb & Cobb have secured Laxa-Ko's tonic tablets for some time now and from the rapidly increasing demand Birmingham has secured this fine tonic from Detroit.

There is absolutely no risk for a 25c package of Laxa-Ko's Tonic Tablets. Must do all we claim or we will promptly return your money.

THE DUTY OF ATTRACTIVENESS.

Why Every Woman Should Look Her Best.
Too hard that rocks the cradle rules the day, but the woman who is truly beautiful reigns over a larger kingdom than her own family. She is admired and respected by all who know her. Nature intended that every woman should have a beautiful complexion, but in these twentieth century civilization, with its starchy, rich foods and unnatural conditions, has done much to rob her of her rightful heritage. The secret of a good complexion is in having rich, red blood, an active liver, perfect bowels and a regular, daily action of the bowels. Every woman who cares for a good healthy color in her face, for bright eyes, a sunny glow, a clear skin and a happy, contented nature, should use every night until her condition is just what it should be. Laxa-Ko's tonic tablets are a natural, safe, and effective way of accomplishing the action of the bowels, and cure chronic constipation by a natural, safe, and effective way. If you want the blood and complexion of a clear, healthy skin try Laxa-Ko's Whitehead & Mitchell's and Cobb & Cobb's recommended medicine. It is a tonic bottle you see no improvement in 25c should try it back your money without the least argument.

Last days. Great sale of Mexican drawn work, Mexican blankets, lace pieces, etc. DETROIT

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Particular Attention: We shall sell this week until everything is sold, an Art Collection stock of Mexican goods consisting of real Mexican drawn work cloth, centerpieces and small pieces; terrific lace collarettes, Mexican leather novelties, carved canes, Mexican blankets and other articles. Some of the drawn work cloths were \$150 each. We shall sell everything at less than half price.

Wash Goods Sale:
12-12 for Persian effects in kimono for 30c; 25c for 2 1/2 yd; 5 yd; 8 yd for 4c; 6 yd; 10 yd for 8 yd; 12 yd for 2 1/2 yd; 10 1/2 yd; 13 1/2 yd for 9 1/2 yd. We will close out at reduced prices some spring patterns of which we can get no more. \$31.00 for 8 1/2 W. 120s rugs were \$37.50. \$27.50 for 8 1/2 yd. 10 1/2 yd. Wilton rugs were \$34.00. \$18.50 for 8 1/2 yd. Wilton velvet rugs were \$22.50. Matting at lower prices than ever before. Our fall styles in carpets are now ready to show. 25 per cent off on Venetian porch shades, don't miss them. Sample sale of metal beds, mattresses and springs.

Nursery

Fruit Trees, Berry Bushes, Shade Trees, Ornamental Trees, Vines, Roses, Herbaceous Plants. Anything that you want to ornament your lawn; to shade your street or to plant your orchard.

R. J. CORVELL

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THE CHURCHES

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ST. JAMES—Rev. David Thornberry, Pastor, Sabbath School at 10:30 a. m. Prayer Meeting Wednesday eve at 7:30 p. m.

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ARE YOU ENGAGED?

Engaged people should remember, that, after marriage, in my quarts can be avoided by keeping their digestions in good condition with Electric Bitters. N. A. Brown of Bennettsville, S. C., says: "I had a severe case of indigestion, with dyspepsia, complicated with a torpid liver, until she lost her strength and health. After using Electric Bitters for some time, she was cured, and finally made her entirely well. It is now strong and healthy." Whitehead & Mitchell and Cobb & Cobb, sell and guarantee them, at 50c a bottle.

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The April fool story printed in Benin about the looting of Uncle Sam's treasury was taken seriously. The Scotch apparently are not the only people who seem to be getting a joke into the brain cells.