

To Our Friends

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THE PUBLISHERS.

HOME NOTES

There was a maid in Albuquerque. Who nothing did but smile and snuggle a gay sonnet.

And you may be sure she never did a lick of wuerge. Co-operate and assist not criticize and find fault.

Mrs. Sarah Mills entertained Miss Sage of Detroit, over Sunday last. Joseph Casey of Lexington, Mich. visited at Elmer Munro's last week.

A new post office building for Milford is what makes 'em smile over there. Miss M. Gould has moved to the first house south of the St. James church.

500 bushels of early Everet seed potatoes. Inquire Tom Cook, Townsend street.

James Munro and wife of Novi, were the guests of Elmer Munro and family last week.

How many people can read the list of improvements in our last issue and say I helped.

Special meeting Birmingham memorial association. Tuesday evening May 8th at council room.

The Woman's Literary club will meet at the home of Mrs. Clizbe Tuesday afternoon, May 8th.

Eighteen new members were added to the roll of the M. E. church last Sunday. Fourteen were adults.

C. E. Belmont, of the Little Cadillac, requests that those wanting Sunday dinner please order on the day before.

Regular meeting of Birmingham chapter No. 220 O. E. S. Wednes day evening May 9th. Mary Gravelin, Sec'y.

Miss Christine McKay of Albany N. Y. is the welcome guest of her sister Mrs. Bert Quorton just north of the village.

Miss Myrtle Watkins and Miss Bertha Fitch of Detroit were visitors at the home of Harry Watkinson on the Coryell farm.

Mrs. Elizabeth Baldwin, Willet street has about six cords second growth oak wood for sale cheap, split and ready for use.

The W. F. M. S. of the Presbyterian church were entertained Wednesday of this week by Mrs. Weller of Southfield avenue.

Having sold my apples I have a good work-horse for sale, serviceably sound, \$60. Frank Tibbits, 3 miles southwest of Karli.

Our readers are requested to note particulars of our offer in another column. We mean business and the time to catch on to these offers is when we make them.

Regular convocation of Birmingham Chapter No. 93 R. A. M. next Monday evening at 7:30 sharp. A full attendance earnestly requested. D. M. Johnston, Sec.

Mr. and Mrs. William Ahl and daughter, Clara, of Detroit, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Hoffman, Mr. Schulte and friend, of Pontiac were also present.

The Fleur-de-lis club give another of their popular parties this Friday evening and a fine time is expected. Dancing is to start at 8 o'clock sharp with programs at 9 o'clock.

Any one desiring pleasant rooms or light house keeping in a pleasant neighborhood can be suited by calling on Mrs. Mortimer Smith, on Hamilton Avenue. Terms reasonable.

The ladies aid society of the Baptist church will be entertained by Mesdames Wm. Hunt and Jay Hoyt at their home next Wednesday, May 9th. Supper served from 5 until 7. Every one invited.

This town needs a society for the prevention of cruelty to animals. Twice last week horses were seen on our street that were a disgrace. An old junk dealer with a heavy load started for Detroit with a horse that could hardly stand. One man tried to stop him but found we had no law. Why not have the society and the law that goes with it?

Farmers interested in spraying their trees won't have any trouble in being suited at Trux's in the selection of a sprayer. You can be suited at from 75c to \$5.50. Read his new adv't this week.

Mr. Phillip Crombie, an old Birmingham boy, after nearly twenty years of absence, called on many old friends this week. His home is Victoria, B. D. and he has been visiting his mother at Saginaw.

At the Methodist church Sunday evening, Mrs. Moore, superintendent, of the deaconesses home, Detroit will deliver one of her popular talks. Come and hear her. Subject, "A Lonesome thread in the skein of yarn."

Mrs. Ed Gibson of near Pontiac, a pioneer of Bloomfield died suddenly, Monday night. She had been away all day and on her return went up stairs, changed her clothing and suddenly expired, heart trouble was the cause.

Say if you have any items you would like to see in the Eccentric don't be bashful about calling Mitchell by phone and tell him all about it. Call No. 21 and all will be well and he will thank you besides. Why don't you try?

The ladies of the M. E. aid society will meet at the home of Mrs. Eugene Smith this week Friday p. m. May 4th, all the members are requested to be present to make arrangements for a supper the 15th of this month. No supper at Mrs. Smith's Friday.

The next three months Birmingham will be seen at her very handsomeness as far as nature can do, and it behooves everyone to pick up and clean up all the time at their yards and all along their street front. Keeping everlastingly at it will do the deed. Try it.

Residents on Pierce street, the far south, are anxious for a new cement walk, and with the addition of four new homes to be built at the south end, one of them to cost at least \$5000 and over we don't think that our village dads will see the new sidewalks laid to mud very long.

It was a good thing for our base ball boys that it rained Tuesday afternoon, and that there was no ball game. Mt. Clemens came over with a nine composed nearly all of old time professional players to eat up our high school nine and our boys think that they would do it too easy.

The Baptist church people were the first ones to improve their grounds this year and the notice was the first one written up for our improvement number but by some chance it was one of several left out. The choice variety of shrubs and vines will soon proclaim the good work done.

Every morning on the 9:30 car towards Pontiac you would think an excursion party was leaving town a stag party as it were, but it is only labor going to Barbour's and Stinchfield's for work. It takes 20 men every day from this village to supply the demands for labor at these two immense farms.

The Purdy brothers, Ford and Robert, have gone west to grow up with the country, the boys having an idea that the west offers a better chance for enterprising young men than the east. No matter where the boys land or what they go at they will win out. It is in them and there is no such word as fail for a Purdy.

A class of young ladies in the M. E. Sunday school will give an ice cream social in the parlors of the M. E. church, a dish cream, a glass ice water, a piece of cake and may be two, all for 10c. Don't forget the date Thursday, May 10. Instrumental music with the delicious flavor of the cream will give you a pleasant half hour.

Sales made the past week by the real estate department of the Exchange Bank, Chas. M. Baird to Wm. Hathaway, house and lot, Hood addition; Wm. R. Hathaway to Jas. T. Tedr, house and lot on Bates; Jas. property, Jas. L. Todd to Harriet Keating; G. W. Gray to J. H. Bortle, house and lot on Maple Ave. West.

Howard G. Carter's mining company has paid its third dividend at 1c per share. Some people in our midst are \$35 richer, and their stock cost them only 7c per share. All stockholders' shares are as good as gold. If you own shares drawing six per cent with promises of doing a great deal better by next September. Howard is a winner.

James J. Shaia, a practical plumber, announces his business elsewhere. Mr. Shaia is a practical hot water heating man, understands the business from the furnace grate to expansion tank, the thing better. He has overhauled and made good jobs put in by others, to the great satisfaction

of his employers. Get his figure, before contracting with any one.

Thirty six years ago May 1st '77, Allen Bigelow wrote his first policy for the Hartford fire insurance co. Since then he has written 1897 policies and 927 renewals and the Hartford has paid out for losses \$48,000,000 and is still doing business. Now is a good time to have your buildings insured in this solid, tried and strong company. J. Allen Bigelow, agent.

L. C. Phelps of Southfield burg has sold his mill property and now will clean up on everything else he owns in Southfield. Tomorrow, Saturday May 5th, at one o'clock p. m. Martin Blunt will sell Phelps all out to the highest bidder. One origin good as new, and all his household goods, everything good, nothing reserved. If you want anything, kitchen utensils, table linen, bedroom suits, now is the time to buy.

The following good news from E. Brook Randall, San Francisco, Cal. Apr. 21st, tells its own story. We will survive the earthquake and conflagration here. Can't describe it. Will write later, whole town a wreck, have to live on what they give us, no lights at night, cock in the streets, people shot if they disobey the soldiers, but everybody well and nappy. We came out as well as any one. Love to all. Brook and Carrie. Still at 2711 Pine St.

In the matter of an appeal of Geo. W. Sherman, et al. from an order of the probate court in the estate of Julia Partridge, the circuit court of Pontiac last Monday gave this case a hearing and the jury sustained the will. P. H. Sherman of our village, Geo. W. Sherman of Farmington and Mrs. Brusha sister, all have a share of the estate. A number of witnesses for and against were in attendance at court ready to be called but the case was very short.

Mrs. Sarah Poppleton of Maple Ave. celebrated her first birthday anniversary Wednesday of this week and the good lady is wonderfully smart for one of her years. A party of friends gathered in and made merry. A fine luncheon was served and flowers galore made the occasion a very happy event for all present. We noticed Mesdames Elles Drew, Carrie Crombie, W. H. Jameson, Jonathan Todd, Wm. Parks W. H. Smith and others.

While alighting from a Northwestern car in Pontiac Monday afternoon, Mrs. W. C. Mills, wife of the editor of the Farmington Enterprise Herald and a sister-in-law of Gov. Warner was seriously bruised and rendered unconscious by being thrown to the pavement. It is said that the car started up too quickly. It was a first thought that she was injured internally, but today she is reported improved. She was taken to her home in a special car.

Base ball is now on and the first game of the season came off last Saturday on the new grounds back of Mrs. L. Stanley's where the boys have secured a lease of the land for the coming season. The first game was a good exhibition and won by Birmingham, score 6 to 7. The feature of the day and the winning stroke was Fred Harding's saving hit: with two men out, two on bases and two strikes against him he lined out the winning strike, saved the disgrace and won the game. Did the boys "holer" 'em?

Mrs. John Duncan of Pontiac was in the San Francisco earthquake and conflagration, and had a narrow escape from death. She was at the St. Francis hotel on the seventh floor and with other friends experienced all the dread and horror of the awful catastrophe. The party gave a \$50 bill for a carriage to take them to a private car standing on a track at the depot where they lived two days before an engine would haul them out. Like every true Oak

land county resident, she thinks home is good enough for her.

J. H. Myers, of Kibbe Mich made us a pleasant call on Monday last. Mr. Myers has sold out his farming business and has bought back his blacksmith shop where he deals in coal and feed, making him a nice profitable business and assisted by his eldest son, they do make business dry, and also manage to lay aside a little profit besides. Brother Myers is only five miles from South Haven, the Gretta Green of Chicago and says it is a sight to see the excursionists roll into town Sundays by the foot load. A big ship is towed along behind the steamer full of refreshments, mostly liquid. Big day.

Wanted For Sale For Rent

Four lots for sale, each 150x200 ft. Will sell cheap. Lots in Randall sub-division, village of Birmingham. Call on H. J. Myers on the Woodward place just north of this village on Woodward Ave. 15 May

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THE CHURCHES

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