

THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC
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To Our Friends

When reading with any of our advertisements in this issue, please do not fail to mention the name of the advertiser in your conversation with your friends. It will be good to do so.

THE PUBLISHERS.

HOME NOTES

Ladies' and Misses warm lined slippers for Christmas at Nixon's.

Be sure to read Roosevelt said about our forests. Read it twice.

Mess, ladies and childrens handkerchiefs for Christmas from 5c to 25c at Nixon's.

Our valued Troy correspondent, Miss Rhodie Niles, has gone to Chicago for a visit. Good luck and a safe return.

The Lady Macabees of the World will give an assembly party at the hotel Friday eve, Dec. 18. All are invited. Good music. Doughnuts and coffee served. You miss it if you miss it.

In Michigan, during the past winter, hundreds of goldfinches, chickadees, and field sparrows were killed and a bounty was collected on them as English sparrows. No wonder the trees were covered with worms.

This is the time of year when good cheer and kindly feeling prevail, about the time when you should protect your property with insurance in good old strong companies. J. A. Bigelow offers the grand old Hartford and German American fire and the Etina for life and accidents. Ask him about the new benefit contracts, \$10 per year for accidents and health.

The general Charlie Walton, treasurer of the Monitor Insurance Co., will be at the Exchange Bank on Monday, Dec. 28, 1908, for the purpose of receiving assessments in the Monitor but if you happen to be coming to town before that time, just take your card and money to the Exchange Bank and it will be attended to without expense and you can call for your receipt at your convenience.

A Colorado editor wanted to announce that church attendants on the following Sabbath would be permitted to inspect the most beautiful stained glass windows in the world. The blundering blooming printer made read "the most beautiful, stunning grass widows," and before the singing of the first hymn the next Sabbath the sexton found it necessary to hang the "Standing Room Only" sign.

The Troy Farmer's club met for their December exercises with Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Spencer and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Howarth. A large attendance was present and the officers elected for the coming year are as follows: President, Wm. Herbison; vice-president, H. W. Wattle; second vice-pres., Mrs. I. N. McCotter; recording secy., Mrs. F. S. Schuch; corresponding secy., Mrs. O. G. Hodgdon; treasurer, Mrs. L. B. Wattle.

Oakland county, one of the "dry" spots in the state, has a set of officials that are a credit to themselves and the people who elected them. They are enforcing the local option law. That tells the story of their worth. If Oakland is to have local option, it should be so postal ruling.

The Equal Suffragists of the United States are working to send a petition with 1,000,000 names to the next Congress, asking for an amendment to the constitution, which was adopted by the legislatures of the several states, shall enable us to say in fact as well as in words, that "taxation without representation is tyranny." Mrs. Fern Richardson Roe, of Grand Rapids, is state chairman, Miss M. Baldwin has charge of the matter for Oakland county.

The funeral of Samuel Butler, was held from his home in Troy Saturday afternoon, at 1:30 o'clock. The services both at the house and at the grave were in charge of Rev. Cross, of the Troy M. E. church. Interment was made in Woodlawn cemetery, Detroit. Samuel Butler died at his home last Wednesday. He was stricken with apoplexy the Monday previous at noon but rallied once before becoming unconscious. He leaves a widow and two sons—Wm., an attorney for the G. T. & H. of Chicago.

That Frank Blakeslee had a funny sort of a man. Last Sunday he went to the home of his daughter, Mrs. Fred V. Quanton, arriving there all out of breath and panting like a lizard, anxious to see the baby. Before being presented to her ladyship he became interested in a flock of young lambs—the chickens, ducks, pigs, geese, horses, cows, hogs, mules, springers, etc. He forgot all about seeing the little grand daughter, but that night, Mrs. Mattie Blakeslee awoke and found him lying on the floor, holding the pillow like a baby and softly singing, "O to sleep my baby darling." What does all his sayings.

Ladies black skirts, \$1 to \$1.50 at Nixon's.

The public library will be closed Christmas and New Years.

Captain Barnes entertained company from Detroit last Tuesday.

Ladies' hand embroidered handkerchiefs all linen at Nixon's.

The season of year is at hand when you will be permitted to clean your walls.

The November and December number of Bird Lore, one book, is in the library.

The Misses Ethel Blakeslee and Kitty Hawthorne spent the latter part of last week visiting friends in town.

Loor-West's Modern History, last bound Power House and Southfield, ave. Finder please return to the post-office.

Miss Helen Haines, of Pine Lake county, is visiting her auntie, Mrs. Harry Jenkins, and the young lady is enjoying the trip here.

The Misses Ethel Blakeslee and Kitty Hawthorne and the Messrs. Bert Ingalls and A. P. Fix took in the "Man of the Hour" at the Detroit last week.

I will take a limited number of pupils in voice culture. Anyone wishing instruction, call at my home on North Woodward, Mrs. CARIE LEE BROWN.

Notice! During the holidays no work taken after Monday for delivery that week. Not open Christmas and New Years. Birmingham Steam Laundry.

Magazines are among the most valuable of reference books, and if lent much, get into such a condition that they cannot be bound. Don't ask to borrow them.

At a recent meeting of the Library Board it was decided to keep their library open Saturdays from 3 m. to 8 p. m. in addition to the three days that it is now open.

Have a lunch counter for birds. Put it up where the cats cannot get to it, nail a board on a cross piece of the grape vine frame, and put your crumbs on it. The pleasure of watching the birds will more than pay for your trouble.

The Presbyterian ladies and the Methodist ladies are both jubilant over the success of theirazaar enterprise and after served last week. Both churches had a record breaking record and the receipts were close to \$100 in each case.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Pierson have left Birmingham for the winter and with their family have gone to Arizona. They will return in the spring and build a beautiful home on their farm purchased, a portion of the George N. Brady farm.

Died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. William Hunt, Mrs. Terry, on Saturday last. Deceased was 87 years of age and she remains were taken to her old home, at Aurora, Ills, where the funeral will be held. The remains left her daughter's home last Monday.

R. J. Sullivan Co., the largest store in Detroit for the sale of furniture, house keeping goods, etc., on the easy payment plan, call your attention to this issue for their latest and most up to date, call become acquainted and look over their immense stock. It will pay you.

Practical Christmas gifts can be found at the dry goods store of F. Blakeslee and the new line of assortd ribbons, lace, collars and ties, mufflers, handkerchiefs, hosiery, baby jackets, perfumes, toilet soaps, etc. Oh go and see, hear Frank Smith, and buy, bless you buy.

Have you noticed your label lately? Just look at the paper this week and see if your date after the address is up to date or in advance, and remember that we cannot send the paper more than a year after the time to which it is paid according to the recent U. S. postal ruling.

The great bargain sale in the millinery line is now on at Nusbaumer & Steiner's at Pontiac. Great reduction in prices too and right now when you need to make every penny count. Call and see these enterprising ladies. They can save you money in plenty if you will let them. Read their new advt.

Last Thursday night Ed. McHugh, of Southfield, was struck by a street car near Detroit and badly shaken up. The wagon was completely demolished and one of the shafts driven through the horses side, killing the animal. "It was asleep at the time and thrown to the pavement with considerable force," says Ed.

There are many interesting Christmas advertisements in this issue of the ECCENTRIC. Our merchants are alive to the holiday trade and invite their customers to come in and see the displays. It pay to trade in Birmingham and that is the reason why people come for miles to get the benefits of large stocks and right dealers.

Frank Boyce's trouble shooter for the Mich. State Telephone Co., was taken to Pontiac by Sheriff Greer, charged with threatening the life of his wife. For the past few weeks it was noticeable that his mind was failing and no doubt the asylum will be his fate. Too bad. He was a good man and a steady worker until this affliction overcame him.

A very pleasant surprise was tendered Mrs. T. G. Holmes at her home in Holmes Grove by a number of Detroit ladies, on Tuesday evening of this week, the occasion being her birthday anniversary. All the ladies were formerly members of a Circle of King's Daughters, over which Mrs. Holmes presided. She was the recipient of many beautiful presents. A dainty lunch was served and a musical program followed.

Gloves and mittens, all kinds, from 15c to \$2 at Nixon's.

Marshall Smith received a dress and apron that had evidently been stolen from some clothes line. Owner can have same by proving property.

The K. of P. Lodge will give a Pedro party Tuesday evening, December 29th. A good lunch and a good time. Everybody is invited. Don't forget it.

Miss Rena Denison has not been at her post of duty the past week or so, but now is slowly recovering from her illness, and hopes soon to be back in office again.

FOR SALE—50 brown leghorn hens, mostly roan comb, all nearly one year old, also six fine roosters. Inquire of J. F. Randle, or at the farm of Thos. Sanford, fireman.

Mrs. John Wilkinson and son were called last Friday to the bedside of her brother, Charles Mallett, at Carleton, Mich. He was not expected to live the day out, but at this writing he bids fair to pull through.

Lunch cloths, plain and fancy, 50c, \$1 and \$1.50 at Nixon's.

Wanted For Sale For Rent

WOOD FOR SALE—16-inch black wood, dry elm. Inquire of Ward Parks, R. F. D. 1, Birmingham or call phone 124 J-2.

Good hard wood for sale, dry and fine. Call on or address James Thompson, of Redford, R. F. D. Southfield township.

FURS WANTED—I buy all kinds of furs and pay the highest market price. Boys; see me before disposing of your stock. Duper Kenyon, at Frank Dunes, near Detroit Scenery Co.'s studio. If

PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

DR. J. M. RAINEY,
Dentist.
Office hours—8 to 12 a. m. 1:30 to 5 p. m.
Parks Block, Birmingham.

Dr. Lillian J. Courts,
Osteopathic Physician,
Graduate of the American School of Osteopathy at Kalamazoo, Mich., Diseases of women and children a specialty. Examination free. Office hours, 9 to 12 a. m. and 2 to 5 p. m. 12 Davis Block, Post-office Bldg., Oakland phone.

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BAKERY

There's no difference in the quality of materials between our and home baking. But we mix them differently and our baking is better. Why don't you try it? We give all our mind to baking and our oven is built especially for that purpose.

This's Why Our Baking is Best

Don't be satisfied with our word for it. Make us prove it. We are willing enough if you give us the chance.

F. J. WARNER
Get Your Clothing Made in Birmingham
Chas. Peck Merchant & Tailor
Has opened tailoring parlors in the Schlaack Terrace with a choice assortment of cloths and samples. You can be fitted for moderate price.
Cleaning, Pressing and Repairing
Work and prices satisfactory.

Hygiene Bakery
C. F. PILLEN, Prop.
Home-Made Bread
Cream Puffs Cookies
Pies
Puff-Paste Pastry
Currant Bread
Buns
Brown Bread
Wedding Cakes a Specialty
BUY FROM THE WAGON
ORDER FOR PUBLICATION—Probate

For Christmas Presents
That are really useful, and that are appreciated, you had better look at my line of goods before you buy.
Harness, Travelers' Goods,
Trunks, Horse Blankets,
Plush and Fur Robes, Fur Coats, Glove and Mittens, and many other good things.
Don't fail to call. It may help you to settle the question.
E. A. O'Neal
Birmingham

ECZEMA
Cured in less than four weeks.

Those who have had experience with this stubborn disease can hardly believe at first that Wonderful Dream Salve can do more than do eczema.

There is no doubt about the matter whatever. A great many letters are on file in our office from grateful patients, telling of the quick and easy way in which Wonderful Dream Salve has removed all traces of this torturing skin affliction.

Mr. John T. Kealey, a well-known business man, located in the Stevens Bldg., Detroit, Mich., was recently afflicted with a bad case of eczema of fourteen years' standing. After trying with many doctors and taking many remedies without relief, Mr. Kealey was induced to try Wonderful Dream Salve and in four weeks was entirely cured. He writes:

"I certainly consider this a remarkable cure. I have never known of anyone with this horrible disease being cured so soon. The cure of my case proved of other cases, some of which even at your remedy, and I have demonstrated the value of Wonderful Dream Salve as a great skin healer."

If you have eczema, why not try a box of Wonderful Dream Salve. If it fails, your druggist will refund your money. Isn't that fair enough? Keep it in your home or Chamberlain's, Chamberlain's, Pills, Cuts, Burns, Frost-bites, Moils and Sores of any kind. You will never use anything else. 25c each. Buy your druggist or mail-order pre-paid direct.

Write for Sample and Dream Salve containing 300 Dream Salve Co. Detroit, Mich.

OAKLAND ELECTRIC CO.
Motors Wiring
Fixtures Bells
Repairs
Orders left at D. B. Wilkinson's Plumbing Shop will receive prompt attention. Call Phone 937.
C. E. UNSELD, Mgr.

WATCHES
CLOCKS & JEWELRY
CUT GLASS & JEWEL BOXES. MOORE'S NON-LEAKABLE FOUNTAIN PENS. ROYERS BROS. FORKS, KNIVES, TEA SPOONS, ALL LATEST STYLES, BERRY SPoons, SILVER SHELLS, BUTTER KNIVES, OYSTER FORKS, FRUIT KNIVES, STERLING SILVER SOUVENIR SPoons. First-class Goods at Reasonable Prices.
H. W. BAXTER
Established 17 Years
Peck Block, Birmingham

FOLEY'S HONEY & TAR
for children's use. Run. No opiates

William H. Elliott Company
DETROIT

Two Special Values in New Fall Skirts
Black, blue and brown Panama Skirts (strictly all wool), two styles, one a flare-gored model, other a 22-gore pleated model, with wide folds in each color; just an even hundred skirts in the lot, at choice, while they last.

\$3.95

Real Comfort
Dressing Jackets, made of fleece-lined material, Persian effects, with poplin and high necks, all now at \$6c, 75c, \$1.00.

Fail Gloves
Ladies' 2-clasp Cashmere Gloves, silk lined, at \$6c.
Ladies' 2-clasp double Silk Gloves, black only, at \$1.00.
The nonpareil Glove Kid Gloves, 2-clasp, all colors, at \$1.00.
The Elliott Kid Glove, equal to the best \$1.50 Glove, at only \$1.25.

Handkerchiefs
Ladies' all-pure linen, hemstitched, barred, special at 9c.
Ladies' all-pure linen, imitation Appenzel-embroidered, at 12c.
Ladies' all-pure linen, Appenzel-embroidered, 30 styles to select from, all choice goods, at 25c.
Men's all-pure linen Handkerchiefs, full size, a special at 10c each.

Our New Shoes
We are showing many new Fall Styles, such as Patent Calf, Doll Calf, Ox-Blood and Tan Calf Walking Boots, the new style waists and perforated Patent with Doll Kid and Cloth Tops, Narrow Heels and Ties, Narrow Medium and Wide Toe, High Medium and Low Heels. In fact, all the new things here. Prices \$3.00 and \$3.50.

New Millinery SPECIALS AT \$5.00
Lot 1—Small and medium Fall Hats, trimmed in wings, quills and ribbons, at \$5.00.
Lot 2—Brown, Navy, Green and Grey Hats, in all the popular shapes, trimmed in the same or contrasting colors, all at choice for \$5.00.

Get Your Gifts Here

Our Line of Christmas Footwear
Was never better. We call attention to a few practical gifts

Men's Christmas Slippers, in tan and black, at 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75.
Ladies' Nullifiers, fur trimmed, in brown, grey and black, \$1.00, \$1.35, \$1.50 and \$2.00.
Children's Slippers, 80c, 90c and \$1.00.
Full line of Men's and Ladies' Overgaiters, in black, red, brown, green, grey, pearl and blue, at 25c to 75c.
Complete line of Children's Leggings, in grey, brown and black, at 50c to \$1. inspection.

HENRY PAULI PONTIAC

Special Sale
of
Fancy Wings and Feather Novelties
Commencing
Saturday, Dec. 19
All Trimmed Felt Hats at
HALF OFF
Nusbaumer & Steiner
Pontiac

A New Deal in LUMBER and COAL

T. B. Smith, Lumber and Coal dealer, wishes to announce to the people of Birmingham and vicinity that he is now prepared to deliver Lumber of all kinds, and Coal in any quantity to people within his reach, promptly and at a fair price.

Wishing for a share of your patronage, which will have my personal attention, I am yours for trade.

T. B. SMITH