MOUNT VERNON SHRINE of AMERICAN PATRIOTISM

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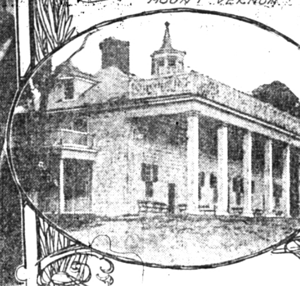
WASHINGTON AND HIS FAMILY



WASHINGTON'S HOME, MOUNT VERNON.

WASHINGTON.—In the novel of "Ivanhoe," Isaac the Jew tells the knight that he knows it is the custom of the Christians to put on pilgrims' garb and to walk barefooted for miles to worship dead men's bones. There is something of a sneer in Isaac's tone and Ivanhoe rebukes him with a truly heroic, "Blasphemer, cease!" I don't know how many thousands of Americans go yearly to Mount Vernon to pay a visit to the repository of a dead man's bones, but the number is something enormous.

If George Washington never had lived at Mount Vernon, never had visited there, never had died there, and had been buried in the antipodes there would be excuse enough for the visits to the place of seventy times seven the number of the pilgrims who go yearly down the Potomac to stand on the towering hill and to look off down the valley

It is with an utter shame that it is confessed that after four years residence in Washington one man American born and with some lurking pride of patriotism in his makeup never until recently went to the place where the father of his country and the exponent of the American school teacher's ideal of truth lies buried.

Mount Vernon is the ultimate object of the voyage down the Potomac. There are other objects every paddle-wheel stroke of the way, for the hills on either side are hills of rare beauty crowned with trees that saw the revolution and that in the fall are wearing the raiment which belongs to the kings of the forest.

On the boat going down there was a young German gentleman, who had married an American wife. He was much more interested in the beauty of the Potomac's banks and in the history of the country beyond the banks and in the life history of George Washington than was she. The German asked his American wife if George Washington was born at Mount Vernon. She answered that he was; which he wasn't, not by many miles. He asked her many other questions, to each and every one of which, but with unerring inaccuracy, she made answers. This was a traveled American girl. There is a fairly well-grounded belief that she met and captivated her German husband while she was doing Europe in an automobile or was rhapsodizing on the Rhine.

Some day, perhaps—vedy likely, in fact—she will go back to her husband's land and will listen to his telling of his American trip, and in the enthusiasm of the nature which he made manifest on the Potomac he will tell the "historic truths" concerning George Washington which he learned from his American wife

It may be that some of the Germans who know something of the life of the American general who was the friend and fellow soldier of Steuben will come to think, as some Americans have come to think before this, that a little American history might be included in the course of study of the average American girl, and that not a dollar should be spent on her passage money to Europe until she knows without stopping to think whether it was George Washington or Abraham Lincoln who crossed the Delaware, and who, something later, forced the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown. This may seem to be a matter that is beside the mark, but, while the listener had none too thorough a knowledge of American history, there were some things said on the boat plying down the Potomac that if they had been said by an eighth-grade schoolboy ought to have brought him a flogging.

Mount Vernon has been written about by pretty nearly everybody who has seen the place. It hasn't fallen to the lot of everybody to see it in the fall. It is a noble place, a fitting resting ground for the first American.

It seldom falls to man's lot to see such heroic trees. There is a giant oak which stands sentinel over the first burial place of Washington. The body was removed from the base of the oak about 75 years ago. It never should have been removed.

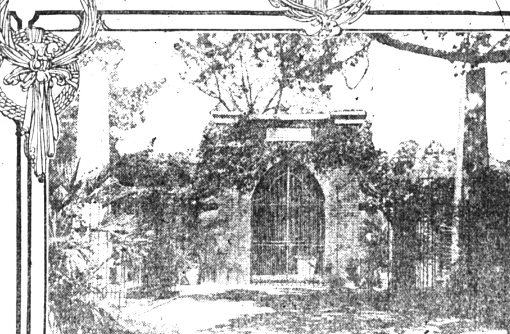
It is said that Washington selected the place where his body now lies and left instructions that one day the change of sepulcher should be made. The oak which guarded the first grave must have been standing for three centuries. The view from the place is inspiring enough to enkindle the eyes of a dead man. The view from the new tomb is fine in its way, but it is as nothing to the grand sweep of river, hilltops and forests which moves before the eye from the place where Washington slept for 30 years.

Hundreds of visitors go to Mount Vernon daily. They peer into the tomb and then straightway go to the house. There is an interest, of course, which must attach to any of the belongings of Washington, but it seems to be a legitimate matter of regret that of the thousands who go to Mount Vernon the interest in the mirror which Washington used when he shaved and in the spoon with which he ate his porridge, if he ate porridge, is far greater than in the forest trees under which he walked and in the garden whose hedges of formal cut were planted with his own hand.

Indoors at Mount Vernon everything is dead; outdoors everything is alive. The forest and garden are instinct with Washington; the contents of the house are as dust.

There is a real interest, however, in the library of the old home. In the main the books are simply copies of those which were on the shelves in Washington's time. The originals, as I understand it, are in several libraries of the country. There are two originals, however, which are open at the title page, so that if the light be good, one may read Washington's name written in his own hand and the title of the book which he thought worthy enough to buy.

The light wasn't good on the afternoon in mind and all that one pilgrim could make out of a book's title, above which was written Washington's name, was the

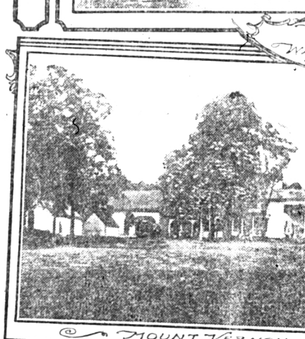


TOMB OF WASHINGTON

word "Sentimental." The wonder was, and the poor light was responsible for its remaining a wonder, if the father of his country had not in his quiet hours been reading "A Sentimental Journey." If the gentle Martha had peeped into the pages and had reproved George because of what she saw there one can imagine his ready answer that the book was written by a holy priest of her own chosen church.

The man with the megaphone on the Washington "rubberneck" wagons tells his audience of passengers as they roll by the Metropolitan club house: "This is the club of the nobs." In another minute, as the big sight-seeing bus passes another clubhouse the megaphone man says: "And this is the club of the cranks."

"The club of the cranks," as this information howler calls it, is the Cosmos club, and a most interesting organization it is. Its membership is composed of scientists, some physicians and clergymen, a few lawyers and two or three newspaper men. The scientists are in the great majority.



MOUNT VERNON

It costs a pretty penny to join the Metropolitan club and to pay the dues and to live the life of the organization. The initiation fee at the Cosmos club is rather small, and the dues are light, but there are scores of members of the Metropolitan club, "the club of the nobs," who willingly would pay twice or thrice the Metropolitan's initiation fee and the Metropolitan's dues if the expenditure could gain them admission to the club where the "cranks" foregather.

Every Monday night is called "social night" at the Cosmos club. Of course the clubhouse is open at all times, but on Monday evening the members make a special effort to be present and there is always a large gathering in the great, sweeping rooms of the house where once lived Dolly Madison.

They don't intrude "shop" upon you in the Cosmos club. The members are a genial body of men and they have many guests from all parts of the world. They find out what the guest likes to talk about and then some one who knows the subject is promptly introduced to him. There are few world subjects upon which you cannot get an expert opinion in the Cosmos club.

The members, of course, have their hobbies and they ride them. In one corner of a room there will be an astronomical group, and there will be another corner with a fish group and another corner with a bird group and another corner with, it may be, a mushroom group. It isn't all science, however, in the Cosmos club. The members play billiards and pool and bridge, and they have a fine time of it generally and at no great expense, for it is one of the hard facts of earth that men devoted to science have little money. Learning doesn't bring high pay in the market.

INVENTER OF GRAHAM BREAD

Sylvester Graham the First to Popularize Article of Diet That Bears His Name.

The housewives of America make many loaves of graham bread during the year, but few of them know the history of this article of food, nor have they ever taken the trouble to learn why and how it came to be first prepared.

Sylvester Graham, a native of Suffield, Conn., was the man who invented the bread, and it has borne his name ever since.

Graham was the pioneer "crank" on the food question, and he popularized his theories throughout the country.

While lecturing under the auspices of the Pennsylvania Temperance society in that state, about 1830, he conceived the idea that intemperance could be prevented and totally cured if the man who wanted alcoholic drink would confine himself to a purely vegetable diet.

He argued in public and private that by following up his course of treatment and using only vegetables in the diets, drunkards could shake off the clutch of alcohol and become proof against the habitual craving for strong drink.

Graham was himself in delicate health at the time he discovered his vegetable theory, so he started in to try his theories on himself. After practicing his preaching for some time he announced in public on various occasions he had met with remarkable results in his own case, and detailed the improvement in his condition occasioned by his following a vegetable diet.

He followed up his studies along the line of dietetics, with the result that he finally advocated a strict vegetable diet as a cure for all the diseases which human flesh is heir to

Real Estate Exchange

Of WHITEHEAD & MITCHELL,

Exchange Bank Birmingham Michigan

The following is a partial list of Farms, City and Village Lots, and Real Estate generally which we have for sale. As our list is constantly changing we request that parties will write us if they do not see what they want in this list.

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Elegant house, and lot 63 feet front by 20 rods deep (½ acre) on East Maple Avenue. Fine barns and every modern convenience—furnace, bath, closet, etc. Can be bought for what the buildings cost. Will exchange for improved city property for portion of the purchase price.

55

Village lots on Woodward Avenue, bounded north by land of Mollie G. Smith, east by D., G. H. & M. R'y, south by Bower Street, west by Woodward Avenue—108 feet on Woodward Avenue, 178 feet deep on north side and 148 feet on south side; all in the Village of Birmingham, Michigan. One of the finest building sites in the village.

77

One lot on Woodward Avenue, just south of land owned by John German, 50 feet frontage. Any one wishing to purchase will find this a bargain. For particulars inquire of Mollie G. Smith, or at Exchange Bank.

147

Nice little home for some one of small means—1½ acres in n w ¼ of n e ¼ of sec 31, Township of Troy; 7-room house; barn in good shape; well at both barn and house, never dry; ½ mile east of Rochester electric; fare to Detroit 15c; R. F. D. All cash and no grumbling will buy it at $750. Hurry up!

167

Wants to trade for 50 or 60 acres on or near electric. Ninety-four acres on e ¼ of s w ¼ of sec 11, Troy township; 3 buildings valued at $2,000 (insured for $1,700); flowing well piped to barn; farm well adapted for stock or dairy; 1½ miles from electric at Troy Corners, where there are good schools and churches. Fare 17c to Detroit. $60 per acre.

178

Seven-room cottage on west side of Bates Street; lot 42 feet front, 120 feet deep. You couldn't build the house for $1,200, and that's all we ask for it. City water, woodshed, cellar, all ordinary conveniences. One of the best bargains we have. Show it to you any time.

180

Farm in Avon township; 55 acres of good clay loam, all cleared; small orchard, no buildings; small amount down. For sale, or exchange for small farm.

188

One of the best-arranged and finest-equipped residences in the village, and in absolutely the best location—East Maple Avenue, 2 blocks from electric road; bath, toilet, hot and cold water, city gas, 10 rooms, 2 stories; rebuilt last year, better than new; 3 buildings, fine orchard; 112 feet on Maple, 330 feet deep; plenty of room for chickens and garden; good barn, fine workshop—— Say! What else do you want, anyhow? Will sell house and 52 feet front by 150 feet deep for $2,800. One of our best bargains.

193

Thirty-five-acre fruit farm, 1¼ miles north of Birmingham, on the town line; 6 buildings, insured for $1,350. All kinds of soil—clay, gravel, sand and dark loam. Last year this farm produced 123 bushels raspberries, 20 bushels blackberries, 111 bushels strawberries, 10 tons hay, etc. A gravel ridge 60 rods in length, with an almost inexhaustible supply of gravel, is worth almost the price of the farm alone. No waste land, and under a high state of cultivation. Worth looking at anyhow. Price $5,000; terms easy.

194

Fifty acres in Township of Troy, adjoining the Joy Stock Farm; 5 buildings, good house, basement barn, plenty of small fruit, orchard of excellent fruit; 2½ miles from Flint Division D. U. R.; 2 wells and fine spring. Price $4,000.

195

Fifteen acres in Township of Royal Oak; no buildings; small grove of maples is a pretty feature; new land, well drained, clay bottom, black top soil; corner of the 9-mile and Campbell Roads, ¼ mile east of electric road; adjoins J. L. Hudson and Duffield tracts, which are held at $500 per acre, 1½ miles north of State Fair grounds. Price $300 an acre; will exchange for Detroit property.

193

Ten acres 1 mile east of Royal Oak village; excellent land; 40 fine apple trees, no buildings. Price $1,200. The place is well fenced, and the price will enable you to build the kind of house you may require.

201

Fine 2-story residence on Maple Avenue, corner of High Street; 50 feet front, 125 feet deep; hot-water heater, hot and cold bath, toilet, city gas, city water—every convenience found in the best class of city residences. Cement walk (cost $200) and best neighborhood in town. House would cost at least $3,000 to build today; ask any one to build it for less and see what they say. You can buy this beautiful home for $2,800, and have your own way about payments. Ask the man at the bank.

219

Tidy little place for some one with moderate means. Corner Chestnut and Palm, Campbell Addition. Lot worth at least $500, and the house is insured for $1,200—that's $1,700, and prices are advancing all along the lines in that location. If you come right away we will consider an offer of $1,500, and if that is too high after we have shown you over the premises, we will introduce you to the owner, and you can make your own terms.

222

Two-story tenement or terrace, on the east side of Woodward Avenue. Two distinct 2-story houses of 8 rooms each. Furnace, water-closet, bath, hot and cold water, city water and gas, each independent of other apartment. Rent for $15 per month each. $40 per year will pay all taxes and insurance. Good barn on the premises, and the lot is 70 feet front on the best frontage on Woodward, and 188 feet deep; room for a nice garden; can live in one apartment and have a steady income from the other. This is something to ponder over. Come and let us help you ponder. Always at your service. If you can't call, write.

229

A pleasant and sightly farm of 71 acres in West Bloomfield, ½ mile from the Northwestern electric; 3 acres orchard, 4 acres good timber; 5 buildings worth $3,000, and the price is only $5,000—and it is well worth it. Soil, sandy loam and clay loam, under high state of cultivation. Better investigate.

241

Fine new house with all modern conveniences, within 300 feet of the west side of Woodward Avenue; 8 rooms, hard-wood finish; lot 56x100; plenty of fruit. You could not build the house for $3,600, and that's all we ask for the premises. Well worth looking at.

243

Farm of 160 acres, Saginaw county, 2 miles from Fergus Station, on the M. C. R'y. Clay loam, good buildings valued at $5,000, and $8,000 will buy the farm if you come right away—now. The place is within 2 miles of active coal mines, and there is a rich coal deposit under the entire farm; 6 miles to Chesaning, 16 miles to Owosso, 4½ miles to St. Charles and 22 miles to Saginaw. Well drained, good fences, and altogether worth the money.

244

If you could buy an acre and a quarter of land with a brick house equipped with hot and cold water, bath, water-closet, furnace, and every possible convenience, and barn, chicken house, plenty of fruit and cement walks—and the house alone cost $6,000—for $3,000 on easy terms, you'd call it snap, wouldn't you? Well, we can do it. Come on and we'll show you.

246

One hundred and twenty-seven acres in the Township of Avon. Six buildings worth $5,000, 7 acres of timber, 5 acres of orchard; well watered (Clinton river runs through the farm); no marsh; land is 120 feet above the river; fine cedars; 4 wells, 2 good houses, 2 barns in good repair, well fenced; only 1 mile from the thriving Village of Rochester. Will trade for a smaller farm, or will consider an offer of $8,500, with one-third cash. Take you to see it any old time at all.

247

House, barn, and about an acre of good garden land on north side of Hamilton Street. Good, old-fashioned house, and a cozy home at a low price. Party has decided to go West and wants to sell badly enough to make a decided sacrifice. Ask the man at the bank about it.

249

Nice, warm, old-fashioned house on the south side of Maple Avenue, among the best class of residences in the village. Plenty of room for a good garden, and it can be bought for $1,500. No? Why not? Well, just come and talk it over with us; and after you look the premises over you will make us an offer anyhow.

250

Now; here is a "Beaner!" House, barn and chicken house, with two acres of land on westerly side of Woodward, opposite Electric Park, known as "Elmcrest." 10 rooms, bath, toilet, 2 cellars, furnace room, good hot-air furnace, 2 grates and mantels, one of the best-equipped lot of buildings in the village—city water, drains, fine shade trees and beautiful lawn; buildings insured for $4,000. $3,500 cash will buy it, and the balance of purchase price can be had on long time and low rate of interest. Without exception, this is the finest location and the best lot of buildings on our list; and the price is right.

251

House and lot in Campbell's Subdivision; corner lot 60x110, fine hedge on front and side, cellar, city and cistern water in the kitchen, fine veranda on front and side; cherries, peaches, pears, crab apples—all bearing—and some smaller trees. $1,450 will buy it, and terms can be made so that it won't take a millionaire to handle it. Come on.

258

Lots 23 and 24, Buell's Addition, Birmingham. Price $400 for both lots. Terms, $25 cash; balance on contract.

269

House and lot, east side Woodward Avenue; will exchange for other property; lot 105x97; house 6 rooms; small barn, large garden, some fruit; $1,000; buildings are insured for $600.

270

House and lot, west side of Ann Street; 2-story frame cottage, cement-block foundation, 8 rooms and cellar; one block from Woodward Avenue; $1,800; terms easy.

271

Forty feet front on Southfield Avenue, 176 feet deep; 2 buildings, 6-room house, 3 bedrooms, water in house, garden, fruit, new cement walks; $1,350.

273

New cement house, one block from Woodward Avenue, 4 bedrooms, bath and closet on second floor, 4 rooms downstairs; large veranda, hot-air furnace, hot and cold water, hardwood floors, good barn large enough for horse or auto; cement walks, cistern, etc. Worth looking at; also worth more money than we ask for it, but we'll sell it for $3,500 on easy terms.

274

Nice little country place for some one of small means. House, barn, and all necessary outbuildings with two acres of good land; buildings insured for $725; cistern, good location, 2½ miles from Clawson on the Flint electric line; $900 terms easy.

275

Fine new house and 102 acres of good land on west side of Woodward Avenue, near Pontiac; 10 acres timber, 5 acres orchard; 2 buildings, valued at $7,000; hot and cold soft water, tubular hot-air furnace, bath, toilet, water closet; grapes, peaches and apples in great abundance; one mile from Pontiac on D. U. R. electric. Prices and terms on application.

276

Farm of 160 acres, west of Birmingham; excellent soil, good buildings, fine location; 16 acres orchard, 20 acres timber; one of the finest farms in the country. Price low and terms. Take you to see it any day.

267

Forty acres on the line of the Flint electric, at Harris Corners, in Troy township. Excellent soil, clay loam, no waste; one of the pleasantest locations for building a nice country residence. The place is held for more money, but make us an offer of $2,600 cash, and we will see what we can do for you; or, will sell from one to 20 acres in any sort of parcel, or any part of the 40, at prices which cannot fail to interest you.

277

Farm of 160 acres in Southfield; gravelly loam and clay; 4 good buildings, 6 acres orchard, 40 acres oak timber, 1 mile from cheese factory and Village of Franklin; 2½ miles from electric road; telephone, R. F. D., and $45 per acre will get it if sold before March 1. Postal will get full particulars, or we will take you to see it at any time.

278

How would you like a good big farm in Crawford county, Michigan? 540 acres, and the north branch of the Au Sable river runs across it. 90 acres cleared, 2 acres orchard, 2 buildings valued at $3,500; good house 8 rods from the river; abundance of game and fish, fine climate, pure air, school house on the same section; only four settlers in the township; ideal place for club buildings for hunting and fishing. Price $15 per acre; terms easy, and we will take some stock in a corporation to buy it. A postal will bring full particulars, photographs and map.

280

Farm of 228 acres in Troy—15 acres oak and maple timber, 5 acres orchard, 4 acres apples; 7 buildings valued at $4,000, insured for $3,000. No waste land. Soil rich loam; flowing wells; tank and tank house; buildings fair; one mile from Rochester electric; 9-room house with good cement bottom cellar; 200 rods of new Page wire fence. $85 per acre will buy it, and the terms are easy at low rate of interest.

281

Two very desirable lots in the Buell Addition can be bought for $325 on account of the owner leaving town. Bound to go soon, as same class of lots in the neighborhood are selling for twice the money.

282

Lot 4 in Block 7, Campbell's Subdivision; good house insured for $850; fine location; price $1,200. Nice cozy little home for some one with enough cash to make a small first payment.

283

Lots 23 and 24, Buell's Addition; one of the best locations in the whole plat; can be bought for $400, and you can get them by paying only $25, and the balance on land contract with easy payments.

284

House, barn, and 1¼ acres of excellent land with plenty of fruit; 8-room house, good barn with cement floor; fine location on west side of Woodward Avenue, near Electric Park; good drainage; cement walks. Price $2,500.

286

Fine farm of 56 acres on Franklin Road, 1½ miles from Court House in Pontiac. No buildings, good well and new windmill, no waste land, well fenced, nice grove of 3 acres on west end, new gravel State road ½ mile to city limits, ½ mile from electric; fine view; farm well fenced. Price $6,000; enough cash to secure, balance on long time at 6 per cent.

288

Acreage, 16 acres one block from Woodward, streets on two sides, excellent land well drained; just the thing for platting. Price $4,000. Terms, $2,600 cash and balance on mortgage; easy terms.

289

Two-story frame house, practically new; 10 rooms, good furnace, nice barn and carriage house, 120 feet frontage on south side of Townsend Street, two blocks from electric, cement walks—everything in excellent condition; city water, all conveniences, and will be sold for $3,000 cash, or enough to secure and balance on easy terms. One of the best bargains on the list. Come and see it.

292

One of the best equipped and loveliest little farms on our list. 47 acres, new stone house, 10 rooms, furnace, bath, hot and cold water, city water, ½ acre beautiful grove of native trees, 16 acres of best orchard just coming into bearing, all kinds of fruit, fine hip-roof carriage house; just outside of village limits; 22 rods to electric; no waste land; prettiest location in the country. Owner has business which takes him to other parts and will sell at a great sacrifice. For price and terms call at the Exchange Bank and if you want something better than the ordinary at almost your own price you will go with the man and look it over. Any time—any day.

293

Forty acres good farming land suitable for cutting up into lots or parcels for building to suit purchaser, on line of D. U. R., 18 miles from Detroit. No nonsense. No buildings. No trade. Price $2,100. Let's go and see it.

294

ACREAGE—22 acres, high and dry, in the village of Birmingham. Just the thing for platting. Street on two sides and through the middle. One block from Woodward Avenue. Price low; terms easy. $3,000 will handle it. R. E. Dep't Exchange Bank, Birmingham, Michigan.

295

Nice little Chicken Farm on the Rochester electric line, 7½ acres, 9-room house with furnace, bath and toilet, flowing well, barn and chicken house, all new buildings and finely equipped. Owner going South on account of health. Can be bought for what the buildings cost, and all the cash required is the equity above the mortgage, which can continue. Worth looking into. You can't help liking it, and we will show you the premises any day, without expense to you.

296

Nice 8-room house, built last year in Village of Royal Oak, one block from both electric railways—cellar, cistern, lot 50 feet front and 120 feet deep. Cost owner $2,600, but will sell for $2,100.

297

Without exception, the finest farm for stock raising or high-class farming in the county. On the line of the Rochester electric, 18 miles from Detroit, 2 flowing wells, pond of nearly an acre of pure spring water furnishing an abundance of pure clean ice, 9-room house, new silo, barn 74x40, accommodation for 30 heads of cattle in cement-floor stable, milk house with flowing well, 15 acres timber, 345 rods new wire fence with cedar posts, 142 acres of black-loam land and not a foot of waste land; pretty little creek runs through farm. Nothing finer on our list, and less than $100 per acre will buy it on easy terms. There!

298

House, barn, wagon shop, blacksmith shop, two lumber sheds, two acres of land, fine orchard; buildings in good repair; 2¼ miles from electric, in Village of Franklin, prettiest village in Michigan. All ready for an enterprising blacksmith and wagonmaker to make a good living in a prosperous farming community. Best of reasons for selling, and $2,000 cash will buy it right off the bat.

299

FOR SALE—80-acre farm all under cultivation, good buildings; on rural mail route and telephone line. Four miles from railroad station, in a well-settled country, and ½ mile from a proposed railroad from Grand Rapids to Ludington, which is sure to be completed within two years. This farm is all No. 1 black soil, the very best for corn, hay, oats, onions or peppermint. A good distillery and boiler to go with the farm. One-half mile to church and school. This farm is well worth $4,000.00, but to make a quick sale will take $3,500—$1,500 cash and balance on easy terms.

300

GOOD BUSINESS CHANCE.—Country store, stock of general merchandise, house and barn for sale. Eight-room house, hard and soft water, hot air furnace in store and dwelling, acetyline gas machine; stock will inventory $2,000; sales run from $20 to $30 per day. One mile from electric. Telephone and R. F. D. Fine farm trade—best of reasons for selling. Will make sacrifice for cash. Take you to see it any day. Address R. E. Dep't Exchange Bank, Birmingham, Mich.

301

Good two-story house and barn on south side of Maple Avenue East; 77 feet frontage and 20 rods deep; 10-room house, good cellar, excellent garden, large barn, plenty of bearing fruit trees, and small fruit in abundance. Two blocks from electric. Price $2,800; half cash, balance on long time and easy terms. City water and gas. Conditions make a sale very desirable. Better look it over.

302

Nice little farm of 63 acres, about a mile from the electric, and 1½ miles from Birmingham. Rolling country, beautiful view, 4 acres orchard, fine maples, pretty little brook, excellent gravel State road, 12-room house just finished, fine new barn with accommodation for 20 cows, cement floor, ample hay room, good new stables, 40 acres plow land, 20 acres timber—and a trifle over $100 per acre will buy it. Glad to show you any time, and if you don't buy you will not be scolded a little bit. Worth looking at anyhow.

303

One of the nicest lots on the Buell addition, facing on Woodward Avenue, 50 feet frontage and 120 feet deep. Corner lot, and one of the most desirable building lots in the village. Can be bought for cash at a price that will surely appeal to any one—either for building purposes or an investment.

312

Eight-room, 2-story dwelling on west side of Southfield Avenue; large barn, fine shade, cement walk, good neighborhood. Why, see here! The buildings would cost at least $2,500 to build today, besides the other improvements, and that's all we ask for the whole outfit; will take $1,000 cash and balance on mortgage on easy terms. If you don't look at this, you will be sorry after you have bought elsewhere.

313

The very cream of all farms on or near the electric on Woodward Avenue, between Birmingham and Pontiac, in the fashionable Bloomfield Hills district; 166 acres, nice old-fashioned farm residence built of stone, with more modern cement and frame additions—7 buildings in all; 10 acres of good timber; beautiful branch of the River Rouge runs through the farm near the house, with fine old elms and other shade trees. 3 acres of finest apple and peach orchard; farm well fenced and one of the best and most productive in the county. The price is high for farming lands, but no higher than other places in the vicinity, and 10 times more desirable. This is the first time it has ever been put on the market. We want you to know about it. Take you to see it any time—any day.

304

Fine large 9-room house three blocks from electric, practically rebuilt this year: water-closet, bath, electric lights, city water, small barn, lot 80x133; best neighborhood and location in the village; cement walks; house newly painted and decorated, ready to occupy without further expense. $3,000.

305

New 7-room cottage just finished, one block from electric, lot 60x93, west of Woodward Avenue, north side of street; house 28x30. Fine cozy home for any one of small means. Everything new and neat. House never rented or occupied. Sure to please you at $1,600.

306

Two-story cottage on Campbell Addition, two blocks from cars; 8 rooms, city water, wood-shed, cellar, small fruit; cost $1,200 will sell for $1,350 cash. Worth more money, but owner has best of reasons for selling.

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Twenty-seven acres on the line of the Rochester electric in Troy township; rich sandy loam and clay; no buildings; 1½ acre orchard; good school, nice neighborhood; just the thing for chicken farm, and build to suit you, or nice country residence. Car stops directly in front; fare to Detroit 13 cents, and can be bought for $2,700, on easy terms.

308

Now, here it is! Best-equipped stock-farm in the country. Township of Troy, 225 acres, 14-room house and seven other ample buildings, all practically new; 28 box stalls, cold pure water piped to all the buildings; 125-barrel storage tank; water in every field but three, beautiful shade, fine view, no waste land, and every acre under high state of cultivation—altogether one of the most beautiful as well as profitable farms in this country of fine farms; buildings insured for $12,000; big old-fashioned fire-place, hardwood floors, bath, water-closet, etc.; in fact, all the buildings, fences, drainage and every detail in apple-pie order. Let us take you to see it. Only three miles from our office, and good roads. Come on!

309

Vacant lot, Merrill Plat, fronting on Merrill Street, 40x103, near Methodist Church; fine location. Price $350.

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Brand-new 2-story cottage, finished in golden oak, with bath, water-closet, city water, electric light, and every convenience to be found in best-appointed city residences. Lot 40x103, and only two blocks from electric, and two blocks from Birmingham High School. Price $3,000, and terms easy. You must be convinced that this is very cheap after you look at this beautiful, new, well-equipped, cozy little home. Let us show it to you.

314

Good comfy 2-story, 9-room cottage on Purdy Street, with good barn. Lot 50x120, one block from electric. City water, hard-wood floors; and the price is so low and the terms so easy that you will have to call at our office and let us take you to see the property; and when we tell you the circumstances you'll sit up and take notice. Try it!

315

Fine Lake Farm, with good buildings, excellent natural drainage, well fenced with cedar posts and Page wire; ¼ mile gravelly lake front, with solid banks and plenty of shade; stone barn with cement floor, five stalls, new shingle roof; six acres oak timber; six acres excellent orchard, all kinds of fruit; seven buildings. And all at a price which ought to decide at once after you have looked over all the other lake propositions in this county of beautiful lakes. Take you to see it without expense any day—any time. Only about 20-minutes ride from our office.

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New brick house, two blocks from electric; bath, closet, furnace, city water, electric lights—all modern conveniences; 2-story up-to-date residence, nine rooms, cement walks; finest location in village. $2,700 above little mortgage will buy it. Ask us about it.

Ambergris.

The essential characteristic of ambergris is the penetrating and peculiar odor, similar to that of musk. It is so powerful and so diffusive in its perfume that the most minute quantity when mingled with any other strong scent is still perceptible.—New York Times.

Pride Is Necessary.

Pride may be allowed to this or that degree, else a man cannot keep up his dignity. In gluttony there must be eating, in drunkenness there must be drinking. It is not the eating, nor is it the drinking that is to be blamed, but the excess. So in pride.—John Selden.