CHRISTMAS A HUNDRED YEARS FROM NOW

CHRISTMAS a hundred years from now will be the same old Christmas, no doubt, but it will be celebrated under such vastly different conditions that if you should go to sleep now and wake up a century later you would think you were in a different world.

The Christmas spirit will be the same. But whether it is a hundred years from now or a thousand we may be sure that when the Christmas season comes the world will be full of the Christmas spirit. Little children and grown men and women still will be made happy by giving and receiving, grudges and grouches will be forgotten, enemies forgiven and good will will prevail.

Nothing can kill that. The golden motto: "Peace on earth, good will to men," will be just as sacred and as new to the hearts of men as it was nineteen hundred years ago. Everybody will give everybody else a present—but the presents will be different.

Little Johnny will not covet a railroad train. Real cars on a real track, pulled by a real locomotive that makes smoke will not seem a wonderful thing to him, as it does to the little Johnny of to-day. The lad of the next century will want a model of the latest airship in his Christmas stocking. He will expect a working model, too—one that will sail through the flat like a live bird, and perhaps carry his own weight.

Within the last hundred years steam and electricity have been developed and it is entirely reasonable to imagine that within the coming century men will travel through the air as commonly as they now travel over the land. The automobile, the trolley car, the railroad train, and the horse as a draft animal—all will be gone. Men will use the earth, as the birds do, for a resting place for their homes and the principal source of food supply; but when they want to move from one place to another, they will mount into the ether, even as the birds do, and flay swiftly and safely to their destination.

It is probable that there will not be a wheeled vehicle of any kind on the streets of a great city on Christmas day, in the year 2009. Our tunnel system will have developed until the vast subterranean net work of horses, chutes and pneumatic tubes will carry on the heavy traffic of the city without noise or confusion. The streets will be given up to pedestrians—to those who walk for pleasure or wish to travel short distances. The sidewalk as it is now will be no more, but the entire width of the street will be given up to foot passengers. There will be neither car tracks nor moving vehicles to annoy.

The suburbanite who does not fly to work in 2009 will be shot through a pneumatic tube, traveling the five, ten, or fifty miles of distance in a space of time that may be only a few seconds, and certainly cannot be more than a few minutes. It may be that few people will walk anywhere in the year 2009. When man learns to fly he will scorn walking as too slow a means of progress. Perhaps our great-great-grandchildren, who no doubt will live in immense apartment buildings towering a half mile from the ground, may go for weeks at a time without setting foot to the earth.

With the passing of the Christmas sleigh there will be no longer any need for reindeers for Santa Claus. He, too, will travel by airship, and while the old Santa Claus will be a myth, the new Santa Claus will be as real as the bewhiskered and befurred boys who now entertain the children in the department stores.

It is not hard to imagine that the big stores will develop the Santa Claus idea to the point that Christmas purchases will be delivered on Christmas eve by an airship driver made up to impersonate Santa Claus. A hundred years from now, if you want to avoid the rush and do your Christmas shopping in your own apartments, the scientists probably will have provided for you a combination of telescope and moving picture machine by means of which you can connect your room with the toy department and see the display by wire—or perhaps by wireless—and at the same time you get prices and leave your order with the clerk by telephone.

But perhaps the woman of 2009 will enjoy the mad rush of the shops as much as she does today during the holiday season, and then she will go to the big store and order her toys and presents. The store could deliver them through the pneumatic package tubes which will go to all parts of the city, but it will be more poetic to have them delivered by Santa Claus.

Christmas eve a score or a hundred Santa Clauses will set out from the various shops with their airships laden with Christmas gifts to be delivered at the various addresses. It will no longer be necessary to "deliver all goods in the rear" of the big apartment building, but whether you live on the twentieth or two hundred and twentieth story of the big house you will have your own private airship landing, and while the family is gathered at the door to receive Santa Claus the airship will settle on the landing and the cheerful "Merry Christmas" of the aeronaut will greet you as he hands in the packages.

The Christmas tree of a hundred years from now will be an electrical marvel. Festoons and wreaths of rainbow colored lights and "chasers" will scintillate from its green branches. But the presents that hang on it will be even more wonderful.

There will be dolls as large as the little girls who will receive them. There will be dolls that can walk and with the improved phonographic arrangements of another century there will be dolls that can talk and others that can sing beautiful songs. Some of them, no doubt, will be able to dance gracefully and to do tricks that would seem miraculous if performed by an automaton to-day.

The mechanical toys of 2009 will be marvels of perfection. The most imaginative man cannot possibly conceive of the new things that will be invented in the way of machinery, but it is safe to assume that the wireless transmission of power will be perfected. Wheels will spin without any visible motive power. Power may be taken from the sun's rays or wireless power stations may be operated by the waves, the waterfalls, or even the winds. Before the coal supply is exhausted the need for coal, either for warmth or power, will have passed away.

And whatever triumphs men make in the industrial world they impart to their games and toys and the inconvenience of life in a cottage, it is possible, will drive most of the city dwellers into the apartment buildings, which will grow bigger and taller as the years pass until they will be literally "skyscrapers" within a century.

In one of these big buildings, while the machinery will be out of sight, domestic affairs will be so mechanical, even automatic, that you can get almost anything the family needs simply by turning on a switch or pressing a button.

The flat dweller of that distant day will not be bothered with servants or the servant problem. By pressing a button the Christmas dinner will come up noiselessly from the kitchen on the mechanical waiter or perhaps in a pneumatic tube.

After your Christmas dinner is over the dishes will disappear as silently and swiftly as you could wish. Some sort of mechanical dish washer in the kitchen will take care of them—or, what is more likely, they will be made of a cheap composition and will be destroyed by burning after they are used once. The antiseptic precautions of the modern surgeon will be common to the kitchens of the next century and hygiene will be a real science.

When you have eaten your Christmas dinner, if you want to go out for the evening you can press a button and an aerocab will come to the landing at your door. Or, if you prefer it, you may drop down the pneumatic elevator to some point 50 or 100 feet below the surface of the earth and be whirled through the pneumatic subway at a dizzy rate of speed to your destination. Only the speed will not make you dizzy. You will not be able to feel it. You may sit in your cushioned car, well lighted and warmed and ventilated by some process yet to be discovered, and before you realize it the miles will speed away and you step out to the opera or the play.

If you prefer to remain at your apartments the telautoscope attached to your telephone may be connected to any theater you desire, and you can sit in your easy chair and smoke while you see the play projected on the wall like the most perfect moving picture. All the stage settings will be there to make the play seem real, and the improved telephone will bring every gesture and subtle inflection of the actor's voice to your ear.

It seems certain that this telautoscope arrangement—the exact word to describe it will be coined after the process is discovered—will be one of the triumphs of the coming century. It will enable you to see the person you are talking to over a telephone.

The flight of the coming airship probably will be so rapid that the business man and even the salaried worker, if he loves the country, can have a villa or a chalet at a great distance from the city and go to work in his own airship at slight cost.

On Christmas day in the good century to come this flight in the air will be the means of many family reunions that are impossible now. A few hours will take one to the most distant part of the country, and the practical cessation of business during the holiday week will leave all free to forgather with the loved ones and pay deferred visits.

recreation. So it is certain that the Teddy bear and the toy dog of the coming century will be mechanical marvels. The "Rover" dear that the little boy gets will be life size. He will prance about on his four furry legs and lie down and roll over at the bidding of his master.

Perhaps the most wonderful feature of all in our Christmas in 2009 will be the changed methods in our daily life. The housekeeping arrangements of that time would seem incomprehensible to the woman of to-day if she could picture them in her mind. The lack of com-

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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 61 feet front by 20 rods deep (½ acre) on East st., in Avenue. Fine barn and every modern convenience—furnace, bath, closet, etc. Can be seen by calling at building next. Will exchange for improved city property for portion of the purchase price.

55

Village lot 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 Gorman, 50 feet frontage. Any one wishing to purchase will find this a bargain. For particulars inquire of Mollie G. Smith, at at Exchange Bank.

147

Nice little home for some one of small means—1½ acres in w. ½ of n. ½ 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. Have forty-four acres on e. ½ of s. e. ¼ of sec 11, Troy township; 3 buildings valued at $2,000 insured for $1,700; fencing 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; 460 per acre.

178

Seven-room cottage on west side of Bates Street, at 42 feet front, 120 feet deep. You couldn't build the house for $1,500, and that's what 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; 15 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, 220 feet deep; plenty of room for chickens and garden; good barn; fine workshop—a bargain. What else do you want, anyhow? Will sell house and 82 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 $1,300. 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 inexhaustable supply of gravel; is worth almost the price of the farm alone. No waste land, all 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; nice grove of maples in a pretty location; new land, well drained, clay bottom, black top soil; corner of 13 Mile and Campbell Roads; ¼ mile east of electric road; adjoins J. L. Hudson and Duffield tracts, which are held at $500.00 per acre; 1½ miles north of State Fair grounds. Price $120 an acre; will exchange for Detroit property.

198

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 allow you to build the kind of house you may require.

201

Fine 2-story residence on Maple Avenue, corner of Shirley Road; 50 feet front, 132 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 $2,850 and take 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 is 50 feet front by 132 deep and can be 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 make an offer of $1,500, and if that is too high after we have shown you over the property 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, 50 feet front; 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 premises. Would cost the lot is 70 feet front on the best frontage on Woodward, and 180 feet deep; room for a nice garden; can live in one apartment and have a steady income from the other. This is worth your while 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 north-western electric; 1 acres orchard, 4 acres good timber; 5 buildings worth $3,000, and the price is only $6,500—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 $50 feet of electric and Woodward Avenue; 8 rooms, hard-wood finish; lot 50x150; plenty of fruit. You could not build the house for $3,000, and that's all we ask for the property. Well worth looking at.

243

Farm of 160 acres, Saginaw county, 2 miles from Fergus Station, on the M. C. R'y. Clay loam, soil; buildings valued at $5,000; will sell the whole farm if you come right away—now. The place is within 20 miles of Saginaw and Bay City, and a rich coal deposit under the entire farm; 6 miles to Chesaning, 16 miles to Owosso, 4½ miles to St. Charles and 4 miles to Ingalsbe. Well adapted to 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 to build under easy terms, you'd call it an o. 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, 30 miles from Detroit, 3 miles to 7 acres of timber, 5 acres of orchard; well watered (Clinton river runs through the farm); all tillable land in 120 feet above the river; fine cedars, 4 wells, 2 cisterns, 3 miles of gravel road; well fenced, only 1 mile from the thriving Village of Rochester. Will trade for a smaller farm, or will consider an offer of $5,500, 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 cosy 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-fash oned 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 $1,600. 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. $2,500 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 80x150, fine hedge on front and side, cellar, city and electric water in the kitchen, fine veranda on front and side; cherries, peaches, pears, crab apples—all bearing—and some smaller trees. $1,400 will buy it, and terms can be arranged so that it won't take a millionaire to handle it. Come on.

252

Lots 33 and 34, 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 103x97; house 8 rooms; small barn, large garden, some fruits. $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. $1,850; terms easy.

271

Forty feet front on Southfield Avenue, 176 feet deep. 2 buildings, 6-room house, 2 bedrooms, water in house, garden, fruit, new cement walks; $1,800.

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 $8,800 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 18 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, 25 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 for 10 to 20 acres in any sort of parcel, or any part of the 40, at prices which cannot fail to interest you.

278

Farm of 160 acres in Southfield; gravelly loam and clay; 4 good buildings, 6 acres orchard, 40 acres oak timber; 1 mile from Rouge 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, 840 acres, and the north branch of the Au Sable river runs across it. 90 acres cleared, 2 acres orchard, 2 buildings valued at $2,500; good house 8 rods from the river; abundance of game and fish, the 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—18 acres oak and maple timber, 8 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; 8-room house with good cement bottom cellar; 200 rods of new Page wire fence, 1888 pattern. Will sell for $8,500 at the terms 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 saving 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 $650; fine location; price $1,800. Nice easy little home for some one with enough cash to make a small first payment.

283

Lots 33 and 34, Buell's Addition; one of the best locations in the whole city for a home; well drained and you can get them by paying only $25 a lot the balance on land conjpact on easy payments.

284

House, barn, and 1¼ acres of excellent land, with plenty of fruit; 6 rooms and bath; walks with cement floor; fine location on west side of Woodward Avenue, near Electric Park; good drainage; cement walks. Price $2,600.

286

Fine farm of 55 acres on Franklin Road, 1¼ miles from Court House in Pontiac. No buildings, good well and new windmill, no waste land, well fenced, nice grove of 4 acres on west end, new gravel State road ½ mile to city limits, ¼ mile to new electric line now in course of construction; $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; will sell the whole tract for $500, or will divide and sell in parcels to suit purchaser; $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 $2,000 cash, or will take $2,200 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, 5 acres of choice variety of native trees, 18 acres of best orchard just coming into bearing, all kinds of fruit, fine barn, carriage house and sheds just outside of village limits; 22 rods to electric; no waste land; a perfect gem 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 First Savings Bank, and if you want something better than the ordinary at almost any price you will be with the man and love it over. Any time—any day.

294

ACREAGE—82 acres, high and dry, in the village of Birmingham; fine for gravel or platting. Street on two sides and through the middle. One block from Woodward Avenue; price low; terms easy. $2,000 will handle it. R. E. Dep't Exchange Bank, Birmingham, Michigan.

295

Nice 8-room house, built last year in Village of Royal Oak, one block from electric railways cellar, cistern, lot 60 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, 16 miles from Detroit, 2 flowing wells, pond of nearly an acre of pure spring water; furnishing an abundance of pure clear ice, 9-room house, 2 barns, 40x60, accommodation for 30 heads of cattle in cemented floor stable, milk house with flowing well, 15 acres timber, 346 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!

299

House, barn, wagon shop, blacksmith shop, two lumber sheds, two acres of land, fine orchard; buildings in good repair; 2½ 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 level, 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 school and church. This farm is well worth $4,000.00, but to make a quick sale will take $3,600 —$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; acetylene gas machine; stock will inventory; $2,000; sales run from $250 to $300 per day. One mile from electric. Telephone and R. F. D. Fine farm trade—best of reasons for selling. Will take merchandise for cash. Make you to see the stock. Address R. E. Dep't Exchange Bank, Birmingham, Michigan.

3052

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, 7½-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, 40 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.

304

Fine large 9-room house, three blocks from electric, practically rebuilt this year; water-closet, bath, electric lights, city water, small barn, lot 80x132; best of location and handy to 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 80x80, west of Woodward Avenue, north side of street; house 22x30. Fine cosy home for any one of small means. Everything new and modern. 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 $1,300 will sell for $1,050 cash. Worth more money, but owner has best of reasons for selling.

307

Twenty-seven acres on the line of the Rochester electric in Troy township; rich sandy loam and clay; no buildings; 1½ acres orchard, good school, nice neighborhood; just the thing for chicken farm, and build to suit you, or raise country residence. Car stops directly in front; fare to Detroit 18 cents, and can be bought for $1,700, on easy terms.

303

Now, here it is! Best-equipped stock-farm in the country. Township of Troy, 228 acres, 16-room house and seven other buildings, all practically new; 28 box stalls; cold pure water piped to all the buildings; 125-barrel storage tank; water in every field but two; beautiful house, 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-closets, etc., in fact, all the buildings, fences, drainage and every detail in apple-pie order. Let us take you to see it. Only —miles from our office, and good roads. Come on!

309

Vacant lot, Merrill Plat, fronting on Merrill Street, 46x148, near Methodist Church. Fine location. Price $300.

310

Brand-new 2-story cottage, finished in golden oak, with bath, water-closet, electric lights, and every convenience to be found in best-appointed city residences. Lot 40x150, 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.

312

Eight-room, 2-story dwelling on west side of Southfield Avenue; large barn, fine shade, cement walk, good neighborhood. Why, we have it. The buildings would cost at least $2,500 to build today, besides the ground costs, and all 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; 160 acres, nice old-fashioned farm residence built of stone, with mere modern comforts and frame additions—7 buildings in all; 20 acres of good timber; beautiful branch of the River Rouge runs through the house, and the finest kind of an old elms and other shade trees; 2 acres of finest apple and other orchard trees; all fenced; one of the best and most productive in the country. The price is high for farming lands, but not higher than other places in the vicinity, and 10 times more desirable. This is the first time it has ever been on the market, and we don't know about it. Take you to see it any time—any day.

314

Good comfy 2-story, 9-room cottage on Purdy Street, with bath, hot and cold water, lighted from electric. City water, hard-wood floors; and the price is so low and the terms so easy that you will have to call and see us about it. Price is for the house and lot, 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 frontage, with solid banks and fine shade; house 8 rooms with cement floor, five stalls, new shingle roof; 40 acres oak timber; 2 acres orchard; buildings all kinds of fruit; seven buildings. And all at a price which you will say is low 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.

316

New brick house, two blocks from electric bath, closet and water, hot and cold; lighted by all modern conveniences; 2-story up-to-date residence, nine rooms, and finished in finest location in village. $2,700 above little mortgage will buy it. Ask us about it.

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Fruit and Poultry Farm of 23 acres—1¼ acres full-bearing grapes; berries, currants, peaches, plums, apples, cherries, and rhubarb in abundance. Flowing well supplies an abundance of water for the house and six other buildings; on line of electric, about 29 minutes from Detroit; fine shade and large green house; farm newly-equipped with woven wire fences, and all buildings in excellent repair. Price and list of other property on application.

NOT SAID BY DR. JOHNSON

George Augustus Sala Responsible for Phrase Credited to the Great Lexicographer.

The Johnson celebrations have brought out a flood of sayings, or pseudo-sayings, of the "great lexicographer." The wit and wisdom of that great man were of the sledge hammer order, and invariably preceded by "sir," so that it is comparatively easy for anyone who has acquired the trick to invent a retort, or remark, in the Johnsonian style. One of the most effective of these pseudo-sayings of the doctor is "And now, sir," said Dr. Johnson, "we will take a walk down Fleet street." There can be but little doubt that Dr. Johnson did make this remark, for he was always walking down Fleet street, but it is not recorded that he did so. The saying is due to George Augustus Sala, who, when the magazine Temple Bar was being started by Mr. Maxwell, imagined a quotation from Boswell as a motto for the venture. The thing was intended as a joke, but for a long while it was absolutely believed to be a quotation from Boswell, and perhaps there are still some who would say unhesitatingly that Dr. Johnson did say the words, so seemingly authentic are they. However, Sala himself always acknowledged that he invented the phrase, and added that to the best of his knowledge and belief Dr. Johnson had never said a word about taking a walk down Fleet street. There are other legends about Johnson, however, which it is not so easy to kill.

But One Thing Insupportable.

To a reasonable creature that alone is insupportable which is unreasonable.—Epictetus.

Progressive.

She—"The doctor says I have heart failure." Hustling Young Lawyer—"Then appoint me receiver at once."

MARKET FOR ICE IN TURKEY

Company Shaves Product Until It Resembles Snow, Which the Natives Demand.

There is a newly erected ice plant at Smyrna, Turkey, built by an American company, which is doing a very good business. An ice plant there has been making daily about six tons of poor ice, which it sold at $15 a ton.

The new company makes from distilled water a fine, clear ice, which it sells at $5 a ton, and although it has been running scarcely 30 days it is selling from 25 to 40 tons of ice daily.

The company has some unique competition from the mountain folk, who bring to Smyrna snow packed in skins. They save the snow in the winter by having it packed in trenches and covered with pine needles.

The Turks are very conservative, and it is difficult to get some of them to use ice instead of the snow to which they have been accustomed for many years, even though the latter costs them one cent a pound, or $20 a ton.

The new company puts a block of ice in a box, with small circular saws at one end, and produces an article that cannot be distinguished from snow and which is sold in successful competition with the mountain snow.