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**To Our Friends**

When reading with any of our advertisements, other to mention, it will be a great favor to us if you will mention the fact that you noticed their advertisement in our paper. A word from you, at the time of reading, will do you nothing and benefit to yourself. Will you be good and do so?

THE PUBLISHERS.

**HOME NOTES**

Have you seen the bird houses?  
Banks will be closed Monday next.  
The Woman's club library on Italy, has been returned to Lansing.  
Next Monday, April 5, being a legal holiday, the banks will be closed.  
Pay your electric bills promptly at the Exchange Bank and save 10 per cent.  
"The Blue Flower" by Henry Van Dyke, is the last new book in the library.  
Miss Mollie G. Smith is home again from Danville, Ill., and at present the guest of Mrs. Fred Trumbull.  
The Ladies' Aid of the M. E. church will hold their regular business meeting in the church parlors Friday, April 9.  
Any one wanting to buy cheap a good 16 horse power engine and thresher should see Mr. Ed. Schanlike at once.  
Mrs. Frank McHugh is quite seriously ill, so much so that he expects with the Lady Macabees had to be broken. Too bad.  
The Young People's society of the First Presbyterian church will give a mapple supper saturday at the church Tuesday evening, April 6.  
Twenty milk cows for sale, just arrived from Sanilac county. Call at W. J. McClure's, Pierce street, two blocks south of the postoffice. 2t  
Will the officers of each school district do something to improve the school grounds? Plant some trees and shrubs. As a rule school grounds are attractive. Let us make them so.  
FOR SALE—10 acres of good land, good house and barn, 24 acres of black berries and other small fruit. One mile east and 4 mile south of Big Beaver corners on the Rochester suburban line. 2t  
Mr. Sibly, of Southfield avenue, and father of Mrs. Guy Watkins, is recovering after a long siege of sickness, which at one time pretty near proved fatal. His many friends rejoice over his recovery.  
The annual parish meeting of St. James' church will be held in the Sunday school room on Monday in Easter week, April 12, at 7:30 p. m. All communicants and regular supporters of the Parish should be present.  
Drs. Shaw and Crawford, Col. J. P. Wootter and Elder L. H. Rosteeau all took in the K. P. banquet Tuesday evening. All made speeches, except Dr. Shaw, who was so busy eating, so Rosteeau says, that they couldn't choke him off.  
Irene, the 12 year old daughter of Mrs. and Mr. Will Ellwood, of Southfield, died Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock, of rheumatism of the heart. Deceased had been a great sufferer for about a year. Funeral, Friday at 2 o'clock at Royal Oak.  
The ladies of the M. E. church will give an Easter supper in the church parlors on Friday, April 9. Menu, creamed chicken, mashed potatoes, Dutch cheese, pickles, hot cross buns, fruit salad, cake and coffee. Supper, 25 cents. Supper served from 5 o'clock until 6:30.  
A fifty light gas machine, complete with all accessories, as good as new. Made by Detroit Heating and Lighting Co., and formally used in the Exchange Bank and Shain's drug store. Having installed electric lights we will sell the lighting plant very cheap. Ask the man at the bank.  
Beginning March 1, the rural mail carriers started their campaign of counting mail. During the month of March, April and May every rural carrier must count every piece of mail which he carries from the postoffice to the country and every piece which he picks up on his route for mailing; every postage stamp sold, many orders made out and all business must be represented in the count. It is the way the postoffice department has of keeping tab on the business of the department performed by the rural carriers and on the importance of the farmer as a customer of the rural routes.  
Detroit paper is proud of the fact that its messages from Port Huron are carried by Clark wireless. There are some people in Birmingham who bought stock in the Clark company, who never even got a wireless message for their investment. And there are thousands of dollars going out every year from Birmingham for investments in gold mines, copper stock, oil wells, etc., when, if they would figure it up, they would find that in all the thousands invested in the past 10 years, there has been less than one per cent of the investments ever came back to the optimistic investors. How long, oh Lord, how long?

Don't forget the R. Y. P. U. social Friday evening, April 9.  
Special meeting of the Birmingham lodge No. 44, F. & A. M., next Thursday evening, April 8.  
Harpers for April is at the library.  
The miracles of modern surgery tells of some marvelous things done in our hospitals today—is one of its leading articles.  
FOR SALE—One 16 horse power Huber engine in good condition; 9x50 50 separator used one fall. Certainly bargain. Price \$1,000. Mrs. Ed. Schanlike, may 28.  
Mrs. E. G. Butterfield, of Moberly, Mo., who has been visiting her daughter, Miss Nellie Camp, for the past two months, started for Sacramento, Cal., last week.  
The regular annual meeting of the Birmingham cemetery association will be held at the council room Saturday, April 3, at 2 p. m. A full attendance is requested. M. Baldwin, secretary.  
LOST—A black tie with a stick pin set with an Egyptian motif, between Peter Kerr's store and corner of Brown and Pierce street. Finder please leave at the ECCENTRIC.  
Prayer for temperance. The bell at the M. E. church invites every temperance person to unite in the state movement of prayer for temperance. This is a state wide movement.  
Mrs. Esther Boyd, of Vassar, is a happy guest of Mrs. Mary Cooper, and from this place as headquarters she makes short visits among her many friends in this vicinity and Pontiac. The ECCENTRIC office was honored, Wednesday.  
A candidate for citizenship was asked "how is the country governed?" The answer was, "by Roosevelt," "who makes its laws." Answer, "Thomas Jefferson." He got his papers and is a citizen, well educated, cultivated women are always aliens.  
Any one who will put up boxes for birds to nest in, will find them occupied and the occupants will kill off hundreds of bugs and worms. Most domestic birds like to rear their young near a house. If 50 robins could be colonized in an orchard, they would keep the trees free from insects.  
Auction sales are now in order, and this office makes the best bills. All getting bills printed at this office receive a free notice in this paper, which goes into two-thirds of the homes in this vicinity. The notice in the paper is alone worth more than the bills cast and no other paper can give you any such value as we can.  
John Wilkinson is home from his sunny southern home and brought every last member of the ECCENTRIC a real ripe red orange which he picked from one of his own trees. He has had a most enjoyable winter and when snow does not fall his J. W. for the sunny south and his plantation. He looks fine, healthy and happy.  
Presbyterians, Methodists, Baptists, Episcopalians and all non church groups, please take notice! Don't miss the play to be given at the home of Miss Bess Bigelow Friday evening, April 16. Give for and by the Young Women's Guild of the Episcopal church. Better than anything the wonderful Frohman ever produced. Dancing afterward.  
George E. Randall would like to meet the rascally thief who stole his new rubber boots from his buggy last Saturday after putting them there himself. A new pair of fishing boots from M. Levinson's, cost \$5.25 and no trace at all of them. The sheriff was notified and Marshall Smith got in some work on the case but can't find any trace of them.  
Miss Fannie J. Shain is having a most royal winter's visit in California. She has been with Mrs. E. F. Peabody the past few weeks and these two Birmingham ladies have enjoyed themselves "mother." Mrs. Peabody has forgotten also a Michigan winter and it won't be so very long now before these two travelers will return to Michigan.  
The editor of the "Ditch (Kans.) Enterprise evidently was thinking of some subscriber who is in arrears when he wrote this: "The man who refuses to pay an honest debt is as great a criminal as the man who commits a theft. And he is a greater criminal, for he violates a trust. The pick-pocket is a gentleman beside the man who gets into your debt for a dollar and then refuses to pay it. (And that's just what we think too.)"  
When dried fruit, dates and candy are left uncovered in our stores, they get the dust from the sweepings, are brushed against and fingered. Many of these things it is impossible to wash thoroughly, especially grapes, things so exposed have been found to have the bacilli of tuberculosis on them as long as we are satisfied to buy food contaminated with dirt, dust and flies, we can not expect dealers to go to any extra trouble to raise his standard of cleanliness. It is no wonder that one in seven dies of tuberculosis.  
The Rev. H. H. Fox, of Pontiac, will be the speaker at the children's services at the St. James' church this week Friday at 3:30 p. m. The services at St. James' church during Holy week, April 5-11 will be as follows: Monday, 3:30 p. m. evening prayer and litany; Tuesday, 3:30 p. m. evening prayer, confirmation, lecture; Wednesday, 3:30 p. m. litany and concluding prayer; Thursday, 3:30 p. m. Holy Communion, at 7:30 p. m. children's service, address on the sacrament of the Lord's supper; Good Friday, three hour service from 12 to 3 o'clock; Saturday, 2:30 p. m. evening prayer and baptism; Easter day, Holy Communion, at 7:30 a. m. children's service 9:30; morning prayer and sermon 10:45. Evening prayer and sermon, 7 p. m. All are most cordially invited to all these services.

"Brush Up" is suggested for a village motto; also "Get busy, now."  
A farm to rent or work on shares. Eighty acres with a big barn, 40x50. A bargain for some one. Call on or address John Young or Thomas Cook Birmingham. 2t  
Ernest Reibel, of Royal Oak, has quit teaming and will sell out at auction in Royal Oak, corner of Center and First streets, Monday, April 5, at 2 o'clock p. m., sharp, two horses, wagon, top buggy, harness, string of hick, buffalo robes, etc., etc. M. H. Blunt, auctioneer; Henry Wheeler, clerk. Big time. Big sale.  
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