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LOOKS VERY GOOD

Northwood, Three Miles South of Birmingham, to Become a Thriving Little City.

A sale was made last week by the Gerald-Stormfeltz-Loveley Co., of Detroit, whereby the property known as the Clawson farm located at Woodward and the 12-mile road, containing 290 acres, was sold to the Hudson Bay Blanket Co. The terms are private, but the property is valued at $160,000. This tract is considered one of the finest pieces of acreage in or near Detroit, and Dr. Clawson, who formerly owned it, has spent a great deal of money setting out shade trees and beautifying the property.

The Hudson Bay Blanket Co. has engaged Harley & Atcheson, architects to prepare plans and specifications for a mill, 60x300 feet, and expect to begin erection of a factory as soon as plans are completed and contracts let. The building and machinery to be installed will cost about $200,000, and it is expected the mill will be in operation about Sept. 1.

It is understood that the remainder of the property will be immediately subdivided and placed on the market by the G. S. L. Co. This property has a large Woodward avenue frontage, and will make a very choice residence subdivision. The woolen mill to be erected will be situated on the north end of the property apart from the residences, adjoining the Grand Trunk siding. The property is very high, and is finely adapted for surburban homes. The Hudson Bay Blanket Co. will put in a water system, so that the purchasers of this property will be supplied with the well known Royal Oak water.

F. C. Conrath, of St. Paul, Minn., together with Mr. W. E. Clougher, now manager of the Hilladale Wollen mills of Hillsdale, Mass., will have charge of the new woolen mill. It is expected that the mill will employ between 300 and 400 people. A number of well known Detroit, Royal Oak, Birmingham and Pontiac people will be financially interested in addition to the eastern capital. It is understood that the majority of the directors of the Hudson Bay Blanket Co. will be local men.

A book on rheumatism and a trial treatment of Dr. Shoop's Rheumatic Remedy—liquid or tablets—is being sent free to sufferers by Dr. Shoop, of Racine, Wisconsin. You that are well, get this book for some discouraged, disheartened sufferer. Do a simple act of humanity! Point out this way to quick and certain relief! Surprise some sufferer by first getting from me the booklet and the test. He will appreciate your aid. Sold by Charles J. Shain.

BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES.

Sermon themes, Sunday morning, "Power of Example;" evening, "Preciousness of Christ."

B. Y. P. U. prayer meeting topic, Pilgrim Progress series, "At the Cross." Leader, Harold Salyer.

There is considerable sickness among the members of the church just at present.

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UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NOTES

Themes: Sabbath morning, "A glimpse of Heaven," Rev. 7:13-14. Evening, "The hypocrisy of Unbelief," Prov. 14:12.

Young People's Prayer meeting, "Christian at the Cross."

Are you reading the Pilgrim's Progress? Hunt up your book and read Bunyan's immortal dream.

On Sabbath, May 16, at Troy U. P. church. Rev. Robert Maxwell, a returned missionary from India will speak, taking the time of the pastor's service beginning at 2 p. m. standard. All are cordially invited.

The End of the World,

Should it come tomorrow, would find most people suffering with some pain of either slight or serious degree. Those who use Renne's Pain-Killing Oil get relief quickly and suffer least. Taken internally it will cure colds, sore throat, colic, cholera morbus and diarrhoea. Used as a liniment it cures rheumatism, neuralgia, sprains, lumbago, bruises, etc. Price 25c, 50c and $1 per bottle. Sold by James W. Cobb.

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OUR CLUB NOTES

From the Woman's Literary Club Which Meets Tuesday Afternoon of Every Week

The last meeting of the Women's club was called to order at 2 p. m. by the president.

The roll call was omitted.

A ballot for the admission of Mrs. Dickinson resulted in a unanimous vote in favor of her membership.

A vote for the delegate to the state federation was ordered, which resulted in the election of Mrs. Ethol Crawford, she to appoint her own alternate.

The matter of our village motto was again brought up. The first motto chosen was, "We will do our best for Birmingham, village of health, happiness and homes," but later a member who had voted with the prevailing side moved a reconsideration, as the motto was thought too long. The motto finally adopted was, "We will work for Birmingham."

In view of a letter just received from the state board of health stating that the presence of uncleaned closets is a menace to the public health and that dust is an important factor in the spread of tuberculosis, and that each community should have its streets sprinkled to prevent the filth of the street from rising in dust and being breathed into the lungs. Therefore be it resolved that the Women's club ask the village board to take steps at once to require closets cleaned and to have main streets sprinkled. Further that as our gardens, lawns, shrubs and flowers are so over run with dogs, that our people are discouraged and unwilling to make improvements, therefore be it resolved that the Women's club requests the village board to stop this nuisance. These resolutions were adopted and Mrs. Snow and Mrs. Bigelow were appointed a committee to lay them before the board at their next meeting.

The following resolution was brought before the club, resolved that we promise to buy only such dried fruits, oysters in pails, dates, cakes, crackers, berries, string beans, lettuce, etc., as are kept covered and protected from dust and flies. After some discussion the motion to adopt was lost. A motion that a committee be appointed to request the dealers to cover these articles was carried. Mrs. Ethol Crawford and Miss Post were appointed on the committee.

Mrs. Clubbe gave a paper on "Our Inland Waterways," after which the afternoon was devoted to social pleasure. A bounteous lunch was spread and over 30 persons were served.

The club was again called to order to listen to the minutes of the afternoon, so that nothing be left over. At that time an application for membership was read from Mrs. Quarton. This completed the business for the year. Every paper on the program has received attention, every standing committee has given in a report. These reports have been forwarded to the chairman of like committies of state and county, the report of the corresponding secretary sent to the state secretary, and all business finished.

The retiring president thanked the club for their uniform courtesy and kindness, for their unfailing patience, and presented the gavel to the incoming officer with the hope that all might spend many happy hours together. The club adjourned, another year of club life finished.

The new year books, the work of the ECCENTRIC office, are a pleasure to the club, a credit to the program committee and a model of our printer's art.

A pain prescription is printed upon each 25c box of Dr. Shoop's Pink Pain Tablets. Ask your doctor or druggist if this formula is not complete. Pain means congestion, blood pressure. Head pains, womanly pains, pain anywhere get instant relief from a Pink Pain Tablet. Sold by Charles J. Shaw.

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An Unusual Amount of Painting Done in Birmingham This Spring.

"Everything comes to those who hustle while they wait" seems to be the motto adopted by our energetic merchant, James W. Cobb, for he has certainly been hustling this spring. In backing up his excellent advertising in the columns of THE ECCENTRIC his window displays have proved most effective. According to a conversation with one of our reporters there has been an unusual amount of painting done in Birmingham this spring. That's a sign of prosperity we're very glad to see.

This week floor paint is the leader in his window. How an old scratched floor or a marred bare floor can be given a hard, serviceable, easily-kept-clean surface is clearly shown by the sample he displays.

A WOMAN'S LOVE

And How it Has Been Crushed And Trampled on in the Past, But the Twentieth Century Woman, Never!

One can hardly take up a paper or a periodical, that there is not an article on how to hold a husband's love and in some of the papers several articles, "how best to hold a husband's love" but never a word about how to hold a woman's love. I suppose the general idea is that a woman's love will hold anyhow, if given a ghost of a chance. I cannot see, any better than Deborah of the Detroit Journal why any one should forever and eternally blame a woman for all the ills that befall married life. I can't see why a good, true woman with high ideals and lofty aspirations, can't hold any man's love if he is the right sort of a man. It is sad to relate that there are so many men that seem so unworthy of a good woman's love, in fact their love is not worth holding. Then there are men that it would be impossible to hold their love. You might rockabye it, sing to it, and pat it and embrace it, and get it to sleep and then it would not hold, it would slip through your fingers, roll right out of your arms in spite of everything, you might set the dog on it and then it would get away without leaving a shred of what had been. For my part I can't see what a wife wants to hold such love as that for.

Now the story of the neglected wife's journal just finished. I should judge from the story that he was a man of rare intellect, that she lacked in intellect what he lacked in virtue. I contend that it is just as necessary for the husband to be virtuous as the wife. She seemed to me a tiresome woman, one incapable of inspiring any man and disgusting every woman that had any spirit or self respect, she was so overwhelmingly in love without a particle of spirit toward him, it must have nauseated him; but on the other hand, he lacked manliness, back bone and if he had been true, he could have existed as well as she in her loneliness. I don't think a little homily advice will do the men any hurt. A good, true, honest, sincere girl always idolizes her lover, she places him on a pedestal, builds a wall around it; to her he is above reproach, for him she leaves a home where she has been shielded as far as possible from the cares and responsibilities of life. She ventures into a new life, an unexplored existance, she sails into the matrimonial harbor, with a comparative stranger for captain, she leaves all rear and dear behind, life long friends and companions are left for the one she thinks will bring nothing but joy and happiness. But after a short time of unalloyed bliss, very short indeed, many times she finds her idol is made of clay. He may find fault, let her do her best, the coffee and biscuit are not like mothers. Does he try to hold her love? does he consider her inexperience and as she steals away for a good cry? He fails to see what he has said or done and he settles into a chronic grumbler. Or he may be more contemptible, showing up her inexperience and ignorance to whoever happens in, that is a good way too to hold a wife's love. He perhaps tires of being cooped up in the house with only the paper, (notice) and his wife's face to look at and he informs her that he will go out with the boys and may not be back until late. Her heart sinks, she knows not why, and his once in a while becomes twice in a while and many times all the while and many times returns in an intoxicated condition. That is his way of holding his wife's love.

When children come trooping along, does he try to hold his wife's love by cooperating with her in bringing them up? Does he share her cares and responsibilities? Or does he leave it to the tired mother, with her endless tasks. He is proud of his children, but he is tired, they are so noisy he can't stand the racket, and the poor mother with every tired nerve a quivering, quells the noise. Another way to hold a wife's love.

Many times he smokes and chews. Treats the boys to cigars or drinks, whichever are indulged in, while she often goes, if not shabby, decidely out of style, and if she wants a little pin money, and the most love killing business of all for a woman is to have to go trembling and pleading and ask in a voice scarce above a whisper, for a dollar or two, then he blusters and bullies and wants to know what she did with all that money he gave her just the other day, which happened to be 25 cents. But thank heaven there are not many women at the present day that will so humble themselves that they will take in washings first. Another way of holding a woman's love. While that very man will tell the boys that he never refused his wife a cent in the world.

How many poor women with large families, take in washings, ironings, house cleaning, scrubbing, willing to do anything to get a living for her children, while the worthy husband wastes his earnings and all he can get out of her, many times in riotous living or seated on a dry goods box, squirting tobacco juice right and left. He rails about the female suffragists and says, "A woman don't know when she is well off. If she did, she'd let votin' alone, as taint no place anyhow at the poles for women, guess us men is capable of running the country." A woman left alone with a large family will manage somehow, if she has a ghost of a chance, to keep them all together, clothe and educate them; while a man left the same way will scatter the children to the four winds of the earth and marry a woman to take care of him. What is the word coming to anyway. Look at the deserted homes all over our fair country.

Men and women both fail in their duty. If man valued his honor more, his marriage vows as sacred and woman as well, there would be no broken homes and if neither could hold the other's love, they could hold each other's respect. As a usual thing men are usually decidedly pleased with themselves and if a pretty, silly girl smiles on him thoughtlessly, or purposely, straightway he knows its because he is so stunning. The poor girl can't help it. So he makes eyes at her, convinces her that he is her sincerest friend and she never weighs the consequences and too late a home is sacrificed, murder or suicide follows. The wife's love was not held, too late the affinity, the soul mate, is discovered an illusion. All men are not bad, neither are they all good; all women are not bad either, and if a man wanted to hold his wife's love and stand with her as he would like her to stand with him, let him frown down all wrongdoing, let him retain his dignity as a head of a household, let him hold his head so high that he neither sees or cares to see, the snares that are set for his unwary feet, for of course if he did he would be helpless to defend himself.

'Tis said that a man loves his wife and is proud of his children, that a woman loves her children and is proud of her husband, and let me tell you Mr. Man that as a general thing it is best for you to hold that pride, for no twentieth century woman is going to weep, mourn, faint, tremble and fall all to pieces when she is convinced that her husband has another woman he admires. He would give a good deal to know whether she cared or not, and as he looks at his proud spirited, noble wife and knows she is one any man might be proud of. He wonders if the game is worth the candle. No woman in the right should allow herself to be crushed by one in the wrong. All mankind admires a proud, high headed, high stepping horse, and so they do such a woman, and she will invaria bly hold her husband's love. The more pettish and calfy and small a man, the more he will admire his opposite.

A. W. W.

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SCOOL NOTES.

The program for Arbor day given by grades 1 to 5 inclusive were well performed and much interest shown by the pupils. Quite a number of school patrons were present.

Owing to the heavy storm last Thursday evening, the evening program which was to have been given at the high school was postponed and part of it was given Friday evening.

The gross receipts from the art exhibit were $48. On account of canceling Thursday evening's program, the receipts were smaller than they otherwise would have been. The expenses were $27, leaving $21 for pictures. The pupils in the grades 3, 4 and 5, got most good from the pictures as the exhibit was given in their rooms.

The senior class will take their final examinations Thursday and Friday, May 20 and 21.

All credit is due to Miss Starr for the success of the entertainment given in our schools last week. She planned it all and carried out her plans to the letter. The Lady of Shallott, given Friday evening was well rendered and well received.

The regular five week examinations are to be held next week Thursday and Friday.

The boys and girls glee clubs are going to discontinue, to reorganize again next year.

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