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To Our Friends

WHEN TRADING WITH ANY OF OUR ADVERTISERS, IN THE BIRMINGHAM, PONTIAC OR DETROIT, 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 US AT THE TIME OF TRADING COSTS YOU NOTHING AND BENEFITS US GREATLY. WILL YOU BE GOOD AND DO SO?

THE PUBLISHERS.



FREE—Coffee and wafers at James W. Cobb's, Saturdays. (Feb. 11)

C. J. Shain has the biggest stock of Valentines you ever saw.

The ladies of the First Presbyterian church will celebrate St. Patrick's day in the church.

Remember Saturday, February 12th, (Lincoln's birthday) being a legal holiday, the banks will be closed.

The Messrs. Jerry Johnson and Wm. Fin attended a dancing party at Grand Hotel's Thursday evening.

Myron Blalock, proprietor of the auction sale last week, H. Blunt, auctioneer and Waldo Blunt clerk, will sell Wednesday, Feb. 23, at 10 o'clock a. m., horses, cows, hens, hay, all his agricultural implements, household goods, etc.

State Game Warden Pierce states that the hard winter is killing many quail in Michigan. The deep snow has prevented them from getting food. In some sections, sportsmen and even farmers have made efforts to protect these birds by feeding them.

There are four eclipses billed for the year 1910—two of the sun and two of the moon. A total eclipse of sun May 8; invisible here. A total eclipse of the moon May 23 and 24; visible here. A partial eclipse of the sun Nov. 1; invisible here. A total eclipse of the moon November 16; visible here.

The express company will carry 100 pounds from New York to Chicago for \$2.50, a rate of two and one half cents a pound. For hauls of one tenth of this distance the government is paying the railroads for carrying mail 9 cents a pound—and blaming the rural express for the deficit in the postoffice department.

Mrs. Jennie Page Armstrong (our cousin) has been visiting Miss Jennie Keyes the past two weeks. She came all the way from Lindington for this visit and solemnly avers she is more than paid for her trouble. Of course Detroit came in for a share of the visit—the principal play houses being often visited while here.

Every day in this wide and wicked old world some old man or old woman is deserted by his or her children, and sent to the poor house. You may imagine that your children love you too well, but don't forget while thinking of this to hang on to your money. There is a friendship in a dollar honestly earned that never tires of serving you.

Elizabeth Stuart Phelps Ward wrote the following on the death of George T. Cook, the man who was famous for his work for the dumb animals who cannot speak for themselves. "I would rather have done his life's work than to achieve literary fame. There are thousands of people out to serve people, but but few to serve dumb animals."

Sunday, Feb. 20, will be local option field day in the churches of Oakland county. Speakers under the direction of the anti saloon league will speak in the Baptist, Methodist and U. P. churches in Birmingham and vicinity at the regular morning service. In the evening there will be a union mass meeting at the Methodist church. Women to announce the next case next week. Let everybody come and hear these men tell why Oakland should be kept dry.

Birmingham in the scramble! Volney Nixon and M. R. Dennis the first men to hold Congress with a whip. S. C. Mills as a close second two miles north of the seven mile house. Sunday night, Feb. 6, 1910. Just after supper, of fried onions and cabbage, going in a south west direction—red light on blue meaning danger, green on stem meaning sink or swim, white and blue interspersed meaning live or die, survive or perish. Too dark to recognize either Perry, Cook or Ben Butler's underdandy. The fast floating phenomenon passed over Birmingham but this inscription was read wherever discernible. Birmingham awaits! The coming of Detroit! Wood! Water! Wingless Angel! sure cure for growth! All pointed on half ton tread words, with blue ink red preferable. This same airship could have been seen in San Francisco, if discernable with this empaneled banner. More blessed to give than to receive—Christy! clear. The same bright heavenly body could have been seen by the hoop factory, the handle factory, and the auto factory, if visible.

Get your Valentines at C. J. Shain's Last Sunday Morning it was good meat and cold, but from 3 to 5 below zero? Freeze? Ubbles.

Mrs. Cornelia Smith, of Hamilton ave., one of our oldest pioneer residents is quite ill at this writing.

Special prices on red or white cedar shingles. Let me figure on your lumber bill. Homer Harwood, Warren, mar. 18.

The primary department of the First Presbyterian church will enjoy a sleigh ride Saturday afternoon thru the kindness of Richard Erwin.

Mr. Clinton McGee, attorney of Pontiac, will speak on Local Option, Feb. 17, P. church, Birmingham, February 17th, Thursday evening at 7 o'clock. Everybody come.

Miss Sarah E. Sly has just returned from an extended trip in the east, being in New York for several days, and as representative. Terms to visit friends and relatives in Wilkesbarre, Pa.

A full meeting of all the members of the Girl's Friendly will be held at the home of Mrs. Helen Hulbert next Monday, Feb. 14. All members urged to be present. Com. F. F. Kraft will preside.

Miss Florence Rev. of Brown St. has left her happy home, and is now a contented student at a convent school in Monroeville, Mich. one of the finest educational institutions in our great state of Michigan.

Miss Martha Baldwin is home again after a few weeks absence during which time she has been a happy guest of Mrs. Adams, of Elgin, Ill., an old friend. Her many friends here are delighted over her safe return.

Mrs. Knox Poppleton delightfully entertained 18 ladies at a beautiful luncheon and bridge at her home on Maple avenue last Monday. The table was artistically arranged in yellow, with a huge basket of jonquils decorating the center, and masses of yellow ribbon and smilax festooned about the table.

Rev. R. G. Pinkerton called on Brother W. P. Cooley, of Military avenue U. P. church, Detroit. He and his boys conduct, in the church basement, a fine and efficient picture framing plant. They fill frames any picture you take them, artistically and cheaply. Rev. Pinkerton can give them your order. The proceeds are for the benefit of their Sabbath school.

Mrs. Rachael VanEvery, sister of our village marshal, Mr. Ira Rogier, has been ill for a long time, and was taken ill first at Royal Oak, where she received medical treatment for some time. Later on she developed congestion of the lungs, and went to Detroit, where under the treatment of Dr. Samuel J. Hanna of 630 Baker St. Detroit she entirely recovered her usual good health.

Died at her home in Bay City, Wednesday morning, after an illness of a few days, caused by a stroke of paralysis, Mrs. Lucy A. Cowles. She was a former resident here for years, and was universally loved and respected by all who knew this good woman. Her remains are cremated today, (Friday) in Detroit. Her funeral was held at her late home in Bay City, Thursday afternoon.

In a friendly letter of recent date, from Seattle, Wash., our old time friend, Mr. Wm. Soultz, says to L. H. Rousseau, sez he: we are all usually well at present. The winter here has been all through January very mild; so frosts but we had some cold days in December, when the mercury went down to 25, seven degrees below zero, and the people here thought that it was terribly cold. If very mild flow, and they do say, it will be warm in February. Hope so."

Farm for sale or rent. A beautiful farm of 80 acres of just as good land as there is in Southfield for all kinds of crops. A good barn, and two good wells of water close by. A living stream of water runs through this farm right at the back end. As good an apple orchard as there is in Oakland Co. One mile of wire fencing, 35 acres of woods and timber. Will rent on shares to suitable man with team and tools. No irresponsible man need apply to John Young, at Thos. Cook's in Birmingham, or Will Cook's on the farm. tf.

Elmer J. Thrasher, deputy game and fish warden, wrote out a warrant before Justice Campbell, Monday against Floyd Bell, a D. U. R. conductor in Detroit, charging that he did unlawfully pursue, injure, capture, kill and destroy a fox squirrel, contrary to the laws of this state. The case was tried and provided, and against the dignity of the people of the state of Michigan. Mr. Bell was brought into the Justice Court by said Game Warden Bell, when arraigned, plead not guilty thereto, was court adjourned to the next case until Tuesday Feb. 15th., at nine o'clock a. m. for trial, and may God have mercy on his soul. He was let off by the Court on his personal recognizance to appear at same time and place for trial.

The latest fad in society is the tub cure. In this the patient arises just as the crisp air of the morning is mellowed by the first sunbeam. An ordinary bathtub is then filled with water and soap suds into which various articles of linen are thrown. After they are thoroughly saturated the patient takes them one up at a time and rubs them briskly up and down on a washboard or soap suds in the tub. The patient then goes into the open air and hangs all the linen articles on a line stretched across the yard for purposes. The one completing the task first announces the time over the telephone, and is entitled to a prize. It is exciting sport and also invigorating exercise.

Don't forget to send her a valentine next Monday—it's due her.

The ladies of the First Presbyterian church will give a St. Patrick's supper in the church on March 17.

Mrs. Hannah, wife of Blacksmith Haman, had a stroke of paralysis last Thursday. She cannot move her right side and is in had shape at this writing.

Friday evening, Feb. 11, there will be a shadow box social at the home of Robert J. Hanna, Jr., in Southfield. Conveyances will be at the postoffice at 7 o'clock.

The church of Mrs. Wm. C. Reynolds, of Willett street, was held Thursday of this week. She died Tuesday and has been a great sufferer for a very long time.

Birmingham chapter, No. 220, of E. B. will have a box social Feb. 16, in Macabache hall in the Ford block. All are cordially invited to attend. Ladies are requested to bring a box.

Don't forget the great sock social at the Baptist church Friday evening, Feb. 18. A fine program will be presented and the size of your sock gauges—the amount of your bill.

Just arrived at the Birmingham horse market a carload of northern Michigan horses, weighing from 1,000 to 1,400 pounds. Every horse sold must be as represented. Terms to suit purchaser. L. C. Stanley, proprietor, 21 Michigan.

The Ladies' Church society of the First Presbyterian church will hold their regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. George H. Mitchell on Wednesday afternoon of next week, at 8 p. m. Gentlemen are invited for tea.

Being about to quit farming H. C. Middlemas will sell at auction on the old Wm. Soultz farm one mile west of Woodward avenue on the 12 mile road, Saturday, Feb. 26, at 1 o'clock p. m. sharp. Span of mares, weight about 2500, five milch cows, farming tools, harness, new washing machine, bed room suit, etc. M. H. Blunt, auctioneer.

At a recent sale of thoroughbred horses down in York state, Mr. W. W. Collier, of this township, made two purchases, paying \$1,025 for Baron Peter, a hay colt trotter by Peter the Great-Brown Annie by Baron Wilkes, 2:12. His other horse, The Spokeman, bay colt trotter, by McKilloe Director, by Director, 2:17, for which he paid \$275. He has reason to be proud of his purchases.

The Detroit police are anxiously looking for a young and modestly dressed thief who has been two working checks on two Woodward avenue dry goods stores in Detroit, recently. She received goods and money to the value of \$80 and made a safe get-away. The name of a prominent business man of his place was used. Since making the deal the fair forger has been conspicuous by her absence.

TOOK ALL HIS MONEY.

Often all a man earns goes to doctors or for medicines to cure a stomach, liver or kidney trouble. Dr. King's New Life Pills would quickly cure at little cost. Best for dyspepsia, indigestion, biliousness, constipation, jaundice, malaria and debility.

25c. J. W. Cobb's, C. J. Shain's and J. F. Wooster's, Birmingham.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE FIRST STATE SAVINGS BANK AT BIRMINGHAM, MICHIGAN, at the close of business January 31, 1910, as called for by the Comptroller of the Currency.

ASSETS

Loans and discounts, \$14,940.00

Commercial Department, \$14,940.00

Savings Department, \$14,940.00

Furniture and fixtures, 34,529.80

Real estate, 10,000.00

Due from banks, 24,492.96

U. S. and National Bank currency, 2,823.00

Gold coin, 750.00

Silver coin, 1,000.00

Notes and cents, 32.52

Cheques and other cash, 117,264.84

LIABILITIES

Capital paid up, \$20,000.00

Surplus, 5,500.00

Additional liability, 50,000.00

Total to secure deposits, \$105,000.00

4 Per Cent

Paid on deposit Savings money loaned on Bonds and Real Estate Mortgages.

We solicit your patronage.

A. F. NEWBERRY, Cashier.

ORDER FOR PUBLICATION—General State of Michigan, Probate Court for the County of Oakland. At a session of said Court, held in and at the City of Pontiac, Michigan, on the 20th day of January, A. D. 1910, the will of WILLIAM McCLILLAND, deceased, in the matter of the estate of WILLIAM McCLILLAND, deceased, was admitted to probate. It is further ordered that publication of this notice be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three consecutive weeks previous to said day, in the Birmingham Eccentric, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF OAKLAND, ss. I, T. J. COOK, Clerk of said Court, do hereby certify that the above statement of assets and liabilities is a true and correct copy of the books and records of the First State Savings Bank, as shown and sworn to before me this 4th day of February, 1910.

JAMES W. COBB, Attorney-At-Law.

FRANK JULY, Attorney-At-Law.

W. R. HARRIS, Director.

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If you buy a Base Burner or Range at our store and after trying it for 30 days find it is not satisfactory, we will come to your house and take it out. You will not be to the bother of packing it up for shipment. We are safe in making this offer, because the Rubys Steves and Ranges give universal satisfaction. We have never had one complaint in this town.

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Of Pontiac, Michigan

Organized in 1903

Capital, \$50,000.00

Surplus, 5,500.00

Additional liability, 50,000.00

Total to secure deposits, \$105,000.00

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LINEN SALE

ELLIOTT-TAYLOR-WOOLFENDEN CO.

WOODWARD AND GRAND RIVER DETROIT

CURTAIN DEPT.—4th Floor

\$4 to \$5 \$2.95

Values

Including Brussels Net, Cluny Serim, with stenciled borders and Scotch Cable Net Curtains; also Faguet Armure Portieres, with Persian border; or plain, trimmed with Van Dyke edge.

About 200 Odd Pair

Including Lace, Mullin, Madras, Nottingham, Grenadine, Silk, etc., at greatly reduced prices.

Shoe Department—4 Floor

Every woman with a taste for good Shoes will be greatly interested in our Fall and Winter Footwear. They are showing Shoes that are something more than "just shoes". They are shoes of refinement, style and durability. Shoes for every purpose. Made in all 140 styles from the sharpest gunmetal calf boots for the street or stormy days, to the handsome boots made in Patent Calf and Black Suede for dress wear with Cuban and French heels, \$3.00 and \$3.50.

Wear-resisting Shoes for Boys and Girls, high cuts, lace and button, gunmetal calf and patent calf, \$1 to \$1.25.

11 1/2 to 2, \$2.50 and \$2.75.

2 1/2 to 5, \$3.00.

Special Values in Rugs

\$37.50 value, \$212 Wilton Rugs, at \$31.50

35.00 value, 8.3x10.6 Wilton Rugs, at \$26.50

25.00 value, 6.6x10 Wilton Rugs, at \$18.75

27.50 value, 9x12 Bigelow Axm. Rugs, at \$21.75

25.00 value, 8.3x10.6 Bigelow Axm. Rugs, at \$19.50

17.50 value, 9x12 Best Tapestry Brussels, at \$13.50

15.00 value, 8.3x10.6 Best Tapestry Brussels, at \$13.75

15.00 value, 9x12 Tapestry Brussels, at \$11.50

13.00 value, 8.3x10.6 Tapestry Brussels, at \$9.75

12.00 value, 9x12 Shirvan, at \$9.50

10.50 value, 9x10.6 Shirvan, at \$8.25

9.00 value, 9x9 Shirvan, at \$6.50

8.00 value, 9x10.6 All-Wool Art Square, at \$4.95

7.00 value, 9x9 All-Wool Art Square, at \$3.95

7c and 8c All-Wool Ingrain Filling, 45c yard

Colored Dress Goods

SEBES—Navy Blue, for Sailor, Peter Thompson and Gymnasium Suits. A great range of much-wanted shades—75c, 85c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 yard.

PLAIDS—Imported Genuine Scotch and German Plaids, beautiful, bright, pretty, small plaids, for children's dresses, \$1.00 yard.

CATAWBA SHADE—These colors are scarce. We have a nice assortment in all the new waists, plain and striped, \$1.00 to \$2.50.

PAON AND CANARD BLUES—Hamilton Serges, Taffeta, Satin, Hosiery, correct weight, waives and finish, for the best dress—\$1.40 to \$2.00.

MAN-TAILOR CLOTHS—Gray Cloth, best Scotch, English, French and German waives. These cloths in all the new smooth and rough waives, including the new two-colored Droughs—\$1.00 to \$2.00.

SILK AND WOOL POPAINS—A popular material for the one-piece dresses in a beautiful range of new shades—Special, \$1.35.

TODAYS

Pre-Inventory SALE

Beginning Feb. 12

In order to reduce my stock to the lowest possible level before inventory, which is rapidly approaching, I have inaugurated this greatest of all Reduction Sales.

Ladies' \$2.50 Sweater Jackets at \$1.59

Children's 25c Underwear at 16c

Ladies' Outing Flannel Skirts at 19c

Men's and Boys' 25c Gloves at 19c

Men's and Boys' 50c Gloves at 39c

Men's and Ladies' \$1.00 Gloves at 79c

Every one of my Men's and Boys' 50c Caps at 29c

Misses' and Children's 50c and \$1.00 Tams at 29c

All of my Men's and Ladies' Warm Lined Shoes at one-quarter off

All of my Men's 50c Negligee and Work Shirts at 43c

I will give you 10 per cent discount on all my Men's and Boys' High-cut Shoes

One lot Men's and Boys' 50c and \$1.00 Sweaters at 39c

All Ladies', Misses' and Children's W when Underwear at 10 per cent discount

One lot Men's Cotton Hose at 5c

Broken lot of Men's, Ladies' and Misses' Shoes at one-quarter off

A fine line of Embroideries at the old prices

Ladies' Outing Gowns for 50c to \$1.50

One lot Laces and Embroideries at 4c yard

Best Prints at 6c yard

A fine pair Bed Blankets at one-quarter off

Remember, first come, first served. These goods will not last long at these prices.

On Saturday, Feb. 12, I will sell Ladies 50c Back Combs at 29c.

Yours respectfully,

V. NIXON.

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