The Lure of the National Capital

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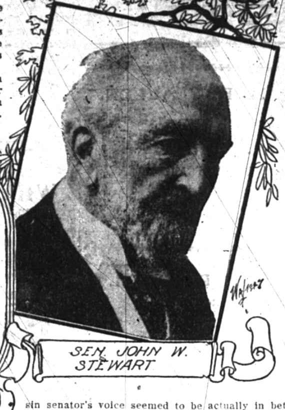
THEY cannot keep away, for the Washington lure is strong upon them. The attraction of the capital draws former senators and former representatives here just as surely as the call of duty summons the present officeholders. They drift down in November and scores of them stay until the adjournment, and other scores stay all through the summer.

Some men who before they were sent to congress rarely left the environments of their home villages have found after a term or two in the capital city, that the district had few attractions to offer them, provided there was money enough in their bank accounts to keep them in comfort in the city by the Potomac.

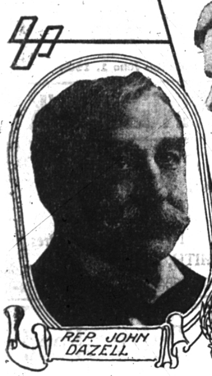
There are former senators and representatives whose influence has been sufficient to secure them government positions in the capital which will not only allow them to remain here, but which will pay them for their stay. The lot of these men seems to be particularly fortunate, and they are the objects of more or less envy on the part of those who would like to stay here, but who owing to pecuniary reasons and to inability to get office are compelled to return home.



SEN. JOHN W. STEWART

SEN. ROBERT M LA FOLLETTE

SEN. TOM GORE



REP. JOHN DAZELL

There are plenty of evidences that former representatives who have chosen, after having once been defeated in the home district, to stay away from the native heath, are not altogether free from the criticisms of the home people, and perhaps there is no reason why they should be. When a man who has spent his entire life among certain people is weaned away from them by a short residence elsewhere, it seems that resentment springs, and few denials probably will come to the statement that a good many of the former officials who stay in Washington in preference to going home are not without frequent intimations that the people back in the district regard them in some degree as deserters.

Of course there are exceptions to every rule and in the case of senators and representatives of long service, who are poor and perhaps too old to renew the practise of the law, or to take up again their mercantile business where they dropped it to serve their constituents, there is excuse for the acceptance of office in Washington in order that the way of old age may be smoothed.

Then again there are the cases of men who have been in Washington so long representing their states, or their districts, that Washington has become their real home, and here they stay after a change of party administration has removed them from representative office.

Of the men who stayed in Washington because the place was like home, there should be mentioned former Senator Stewart, "Silver" Stewart of Nevada, who died recently. He was a noted figure on the Washington streets all through his congressional career, and through the few years of his retirement prior to his death. Stewart's hair and beard were as white as the snow on the top of the Nevada mountains, but until within a few hours of his death he was apparently as strong as any tree that grows below the mountain timber line.

Frequently the former senators and representatives who live in Washington appear upon the floor of congress. They have the right there to appear because of their former services. There is one marked and shining exception, however, to this rule of occasional return to the chamber where the legislative service was rendered. When Senator Spooner of Wisconsin left congress in 1891, to be gone six years, he declared that he would never appear upon the floor of the senate while he was out of office, nor would he go to the capitol unless his professional business called him to practise before the Supreme Court. Spooner kept his word. He always had objected to the rule which admitted former senators to the floor of the senate. He did not say so, but he thought that in some few cases the lobbying opportunity might be too strong to be resisted by some of the senators who were not above using their personal influence with their former colleagues on behalf of some specific legislation.

In the spring of 1907, John C. Spooner resigned from the United States senate. After the six years of his absence from congress was ended he had been returned again to the upper house, but in the spring three years ago he resigned to enter the prictise of law. Since the day that Senator Spooner left for this supposedly the last time, he has not been seen in the senate of the United States, nor has he been seen in the corridors of the capitol. He is in law practise in New York, and occasionally he comes to Washington, but unlike many other former representatives he shuns the actual scene of his legislative activities.

Gen. Charles Grosvenor of Ohio, who was in the house of representatives for years, and who was considered one of its most picturesque characters, a man lively and energetic in debate and appealing personal qualities, stays in the Buckeye state most of the time now that he has retired from congress, but the Washington lure draws him here occasionally, and he is seen always in his old haunts. General Grosvenor was such a fixture that it seems impossible to realize when he comes back and appears in the old places that he has been away at all.

No one misses Charles Grosvenor more than Champ Clark, the Democratic leader. Grosvenor is a standpatter of such strength that Mr. Cannon it was said, used to sit abashed in his presence.

Mr. Clark is a free trader so sturdy that the other strong ones are weaklings; but nevertheless these two tariff extremes met and formed a friendship that time and separation have not been able to break.

It was said by some of the high tariff Republicans when General Grosvenor retired, that they were not entirely hopeless as long as John Dalzell of Pennsylvania remained with them. Dalzell recently had a narrow escape from losing the nomination for congress. If he by any chance should be defeated at the election it is believed that the lure will be as strong upon him as it has upon the others.

Dalzell is as picturesque in his way as Grosvenor is in his way. It always was said of him that he never slept. He is nervous energy in the essence, and more watchful of Republican interests generally on the floor than is the titular Republican leader. Mr. Dalzell is always looking out for the interests of his constituents.

One drowsy June day when the house was heavy and business was simply droning its way through, Dalzell yielding to environment, nodded and then napped. Instantly the wily, wide awake Democrats put through something to which no one saw any objection. It touched Pittsburg.

Dalzell awoke too late. He had been asleep at the switch. Had his eyes never known night since that hour, he could not have lived down the memory of that one unconscious moment. One day just before the close of the last session, as he was leaving the White House, three voices in unison called to him so that all within a block could hear: "Any sleep this session, John?"

Dalzell was wakeful to this emergency and his answer carried little comfort to the inquirers, for none of the three was a standpatter:

"Not if the tariff is up," he said.

During the closing days of the last session of congress something of a "filibuster" was attempted by the Democrats in the senate in order to make sure that action should be taken on the statehood bill. A filibuster is known to the parlance as an attempt to delay legislation. The senate has no set rules like those of the house, and so if one man chooses to talk on any particular subject, he can delay the consideration of any measure that he chooses, and the limit of his endurance is the limit of the delay that he can force although if he has other senators of his own mind they can "spell" him in the speaking, and thus in relays continue the filibuster almost indefinitely.

One of the most noted filibusters of recent years was conducted by three men still in the service, and curiously enough the arrangement for the filibuster was made by members of both parties. The active participants were Senators Stone of Missouri and Gore of Oklahoma, Democrats and Senator La Follette of Wisconsin, Republican.

These three senators made up their minds that they did not wish to have a vote taken on the currency bill which had been introduced by Senator Aldrich of Rhode Island, a bill which some of the senators said was a mere makeshift and would accomplish no good purposes.

In these days it is hard to find in congress a typical Yankee voice which the Englishmen say is our national characteristic. Gore of Oklahoma, however, has it. Why, it is hard to tell, but he has it in full measure, and no Maine coast man in Yankee voice characteristics can surpass this senator of the western plains state.

The filibuster in which Gore, La Follette and Stone took part was contained through a night and a day when Washington was hotter than it ever had been known to be before, at least so the natives say. When Washington heat takes possession of the capitol's interior it lays hold on the premises not to let go until November. It is impossible to keep cool in either house of congress when the heat of this climate strikes in.

During the fearful heat and humidity all one night long, Senator La Follette spoke in an endeavor to keep the currency bill from coming to a vote. He held the floor for 18½ hours practically without stopping. Senator La Follette is fortunate in one respect. When he was a boy, and a little later, he had a thorough training in elocution. If his teacher taugh him nothing else, he gave him the secret of strengthening his voice.

At the end of 18½ hours of strenuous effort, La Follette spoke as clearly as he did at the beginning. Perhaps this is not the exact truth, for as a matter of fact, curiously enough, the Wisconsin senator's voice seemed to be actually in better condition during the closing hour of his address than it was during the opening hour.

The Wisconsin senator naturally has rather a rasping voice which like the voice of Gore of Oklahoma, is open to the Yankee characterization, but twang, accent, idiosyncracy or whatever you may choose to call it, passes with the first few minutes of utterance. The roughness is smoothed away and the words fall smooth and rounded and with a certain appealing force, even though the subject have nothing of appeal.

When a senator has the floor in his own right, he can talk upon any subject under the sun. He does not of necessity have to confine himself to the subject in hand. So it was that La Follette did not speak entirely of the currency question, but about other matters as well. Occasionally in order that he might spare his brain the trouble of thought and so keep it unwearied, he read from a book of fiction.

During many of the hours La Follette spoke there were comparatively few senators in the chamber. Hour after hour he spoke, and then taking up his book of fiction, he read with a perfect regard for the rules of enunciation. His auditors were all sleepy and most of them were out of humor because there were only two who were in sympathy with the speaker, and yet perforce every person in the chamber gave heed to what La Follette was reading. For its subject matter perhaps they cared not a whit, and yet by the force of his reading eloquence he drove it home to their attention.

When La Follette had ceased speaking Senator Gore of Oklahoma, who as had been planned, took up the work and kept at it for some hours. He was relieved by Senator Stone of Missouri, who already was tired with his previous vocal attempt to keep the senate from a vote. The Missourian kept it up for seven hours and then Gore relieved him once more. That filibuster ended because Gore being blind, failed to note, and no one told him, that Senator Stone whom he expected was to relieve him, was not present in the chamber when the Oklahoma senator sat down for the third time. The vice-president instantly put the vote and the filibuster had been in vain.

WALKING FOR HEALTH.

Who has not heard that certain exercises are good for us because they "shake up" the liver? But it is not the best thing in the world to shake up the liver violently unless one is a trained athlete, and ordinary men and women are very far from being in that category. Exercise increases largely the liver's production both of bile and of sugar. Hence if it be more violent than that to which one is accustomed, more bile and sugar may be formed than can be taken care of by the system, and the subject may have what is called in popular parlance a "bilious attack." Now this is where walking comes in as a happy medium in exercise. We can often "walk off" a headache or a digestive disturbance when running would only aggravate the trouble.

It is a fact, supported by the highest authority, that a moderate exercise, such as walking, is a great aid to digestion. To run would retard digestion. In other words, you will digest your dinner better if you walk immediately after having eaten it, than if you sit still. Try this, and if you are thin you will gain in weight, besides saving more in the cost of living than you will lose in the wear and tear of shoe leather.

But suppose you are already corpulent, will walking after meals, in that case, make you stouter? No. Paradoxical as the statement may sound, walking will in that case make you thinner. Fat is a very unstable compound, and when it is present in excess more of it is destroyed by the increased amount of oxygen in the blood—due to the exercise—than is deposited by the blood, while on the other hand when adipose tissue is deficient the oxygen-bearing blood, which also carries fatty particles, deposits more fat than it can destroy, and thus the thin subject grows heavier.

Walking, then, in the open air is an exercise par excellence for everybody. It shakes up the liver just enough to keep it in good working order, it enriches the blood by increasing its amount of oxygen, thus favoring the destruction and elimination from the system of poisonous waste products, particularly by the lungs, skin and kidneys, and finally, by stimulating activity of nutrition in the muscles it tends to prevent the deposition of morbid matters of a tuberculosis or cancerous nature.

SULLIVAN, MICHAEL.

An East Boston doctor told of the experience of a druggist the other day who sold some alcohol to a new customer. After the man had signed the book as required he said: "Now, don't get that name twisted. It is Michael Sullivan, and not Sullivan Michael, same as they turned it around in the directory."—Boston Journal.

Promises to be Perfect

Mammoth Lens Recently Cast in France Seems to Justify Expectations.

The word's second 100-inch telescope lens was recently cast in France and is now in process of cooling. The first such large lens, which was attempted some years ago, proved a failure, yet everything seems to show that the one just cast will be a success. This, however, cannot be known with certainty until the cooling process is over, a few month being required to let the heat properly leave the lens.

Over eight feet in diameter, and five tons in weight, this lens is so large and cumbersome that its proper mounting will be difficult. As planned, it will be hoisted to the top of Mount Wilson, over a mile above the sea, there to be built into the observatory telescope. As this gigantic piece of glass must be so placed that it can be moved by clockwork to counteract the movement of the earth in rotating, it will be pivoted upon a steel bearing which has been immersed in mercury, as was the 60-inch lens, the largest hitherto in the world.

If it be remembered that to obtain a successful, flawless lens hundreds must be cast, the best of them selected, and so on until one clear and uninjured is obtained, this process often taking as long as three years, the cost and worth of this 8 1-3 foot lens will readily be appreciated. Astronomers all over the globe are said to be awaiting news of the success or failure of the lens with the keenest interest, as they believe it will; if successful, throw light on a great many as yet unexplained astral phenomena.—The Pathfinder.

But Without the Charm!

An old coquette has all the defects of a young one, and none of her charm.—Dupuy.

Real Estate Exchange

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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.

5

Elegant house, and lot 81-foot front by [illegible] (¼ acre) on East Maple Avenue. [illegible] portion of the purchase price.

150

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.

77

One lot on Woodward Avenue, just south of land owned by John German, 55 feet frontage. Any one wishing to purchase will find this a bargain. For particulars inquire of [illegible], 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 $700. Hurry up!

167

Wants to trade for 50 or 60 acres on or near electric. Ninety-four acres on a 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.

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 9½-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 $300 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 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 $2,200, and have your own way about payments. Ask the man at the bank.

222

Two-story tenement or terrace, on the east side of Woodward Avenue. Two distinct 2-story houses of 5 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 185 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 $3,000, and that's all we ask for the premises. Well worth looking at.

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 a 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.

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.

255

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

270

House and lot, west side of Ann Street; 2-story frame cottage, cement-block foundation, 5 rooms and cellar; one block from Woodward Avenue; $1,800; terms easy.

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.

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 $2,000. 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. $55 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 moving 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.

294

ACREAGE—23 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, $2,000 will handle it. R. E. Dep't Exchange Bank, Birmingham, Michigan.

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 [illegible], accommodation for 30 head of cattle, a cement-floor stable, milk house with flowing well, 15 acres timber, 250 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; 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 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—$1,000 cash and balance on easy terms.

302

Nice little farm of 60 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.

306

Two-story cottage on Campbell Addition, two blocks from cars; 8 rooms, city water, [illegible], cellar, small fruit; cost $1,900; will sell for [illegible] cash. Worth more money, but owner has [illegible] reasons for selling.

316

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

318

A cozy, convenient home which cost $[illegible] to build the house, and it is in one of the best residence localities in Birmingham, and would not be sold but for the conditions existing. [illegible] good fortune and no fault of the owner, and he will take $[illegible] and no grumbling. [illegible] easy and long time to the right kind of a purchaser.

320

Excellent business chance in a small village. Store and dwelling, 1½ acres, 5 buildings. Fine chance for some one with small means, unable to do hard labor, to make a living and something besides. Wealthy farming community, and a good country trade has been done in the same locality. The price is $1,600, and the terms can be made easy for any one who will pay enough to secure the loan. Ice house, barn, wood shed, 7-room house, good cellar, fine well, good brick cistern. Particulars for the asking.

321

Fine farm of 86 acres in the midst of the Bloomfield Hills, a little over a mile from the electric, nearly all Page fence; eight-room stone house, two basement barns, woodshed, ice house, hog house, 2 hen houses, tool house; wind mill supplies best water, never failing, piped to house and barns; rich, gravelly, loamy soil; about 5 acres pretty little grove and hickory. No waste land. Price $100 per acre. Terms easy.

323

If quality in farming lands is what you are looking after, here it is. One mile from the electric on excellent gravel road, 160 acres well fenced, and 10-room brick house with furnace; 2 best flowing wells in the country; basement barn 80x30, nearly new; hog house with cement floor, corn crib, horse barn, hay shed, tool house. Not a foot of waste land, and well known for its productiveness; fully drained by best tile. Farms in the immediate neighborhood (adjoining) have sold for $150 per acre, but we will sell this for less.

324

Ninety-two acres a mile east of the electric in Royal Oak, 10-room house, 5 other buildings; 8 acres apple and peach orchard; soil sandy loam. And listen here! $2,500 cash will buy it, and the balance of the purchase price can run on long time at low rate of interest. Let's look it over.

325

Eight and one-half acres just outside of the corporate limits of Royal Oak village. An acre of fruit trees; 10-room house—bath, toilet, cellar, hot-water heater, all conveniences. Price $4,750, or would trade for Birmingham, good improved.

326

Fifteen acres, no buildings—no waste land; 4 pear and peach trees just coming into bearing; three-quarters of a mile from Woodward Avenue, in the midst of the famous Bloomfield-Hills District; 30 rods frontage on Cranbrook Road; good fences, rolling land, and price low enough to make it interesting for a speculator or a homesteader. Let us tell you more about it, or introduce you to the owner.

329

Wait a minute! Here it is! Five acres of excellent land; good house—7 rooms; cellar, cistern, nice shade, new barn 16x24, chicken house 10x18, 50 apples, 4 cherries, 4 peaches,—all in good bearing; taxes last year $6; 80 rods from electric; hourly service to Detroit, fare 18 cents to city hall. Good roads, fine soil, no waste land. Price $3,000—no trade. All ready for a country home after your own heart.

330

Fine farm of 330 acres, 3 miles from Birmingham; 11-room house, 6 buildings; 20 acres orchard—apple, pear and peach; 15 acres timber; soil a gravelly loam and very productive. Price considerably less than $100 per acre, and land in the immediate neighborhood has sold for double the price within the year.

331

House, barn, lot 60 feet front and 320 feet deep, on one of the most desirable locations in the village. Fronts on two streets, and can be adapted to the building of two more good residences on the same lot without crowding. At $3,000 you can't lose any money on this offering, with real estate going up all the time.

332

Twenty acres with good buildings; 2 acres fine orchard; 8-room 2-story house; barn 31x36, and other buildings; 2 miles from steam and electric; fine location in best farming community on earth. Best reasons for selling at the low price of $4,000. Why, bless you! the buildings alone are worth $3,000—couldn't be replaced for anywhere near that amount. We'll talk about it, write about it or take you to see it if you will only let us.

334

Will trade for Detroit vacant or improved, house and lot in Birmingham, 5-minutes walk from the electric; lot 130x160, bungalow with modern conveniences—bath, water-closet, hot-water heating, gas, etc. Small barn on premises suitable for garage; about ¾ acre of excellent land. Price $2,500.

335

Will exchange for small farm near Birmingham, 180x103 on corner in the best part of Birmingham; 12 rooms, bath, water-closet, hot-air furnace, range. Two blocks from the electric. Price $5,000; terms easy. Plenty of fruit. One of the best-equipped homes in the village. Hurry up before he plants his garden.

336

Twenty-five acres, 1½ miles from Rochester electric line; small house, barn, two sheds; excellent land in high state of cultivation; easy terms. Price $2,500.

337

South side of Martin Street, Birmingham, three blocks from D. U. R.; 50 feet front, 103 feet deep; will sell house and 50 feet for $1,400, or vacant lot, 40x103 feet, for $300, or all together for $1,700.

339

Five desirable lots on Woodward Avenue, running back to frontage on street one block from Woodward Avenue. 9-room house, water-closet, city water, good barn 30x40. Plenty of room for garden and chickens; one of the best locations, and the price so low we are ashamed to tell it. Come and see us and make us an offer. Terms easy.

340

A good little farm of 37 acres, with fine buildings which would surely take your eye. Would exchange for city improved, but would rather sell for cash or cash or easy terms. Two miles from electric, 8-room house, 3 acres orchard (150 peaches in their prime). New State Road all the way from Birmingham; new wire fences; all the buildings in excellent condition. No waste land. Can be bought for considerably less than $100 per acre. Look at it at our expense any time—any day.

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Bully little farm of 64 acres, ¾ of a mile from the electric at Birmingham; six acres of raspberries; new wire fences; excellent drainage; house seven rooms; all buildings in excellent repair; barn 30x40, stanchions for 16 cows, cement floor; another barn 24x30 for horses and hay, with carriage house, corn cribs, chicken houses, pig pens, etc., to your heart's content; ½-acre new strawberry patch, just in its prime. On new State Road. Take you to see it! Won't cost you anything, whether you buy or not.

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Juse a minute! Nicest farm you ever saw; 70 acres at $80 per acre! Brick house, 10 rooms, nearly new; horse barn 28x32 with hip roof, carriage house, grain barn 36x45—stanchions for 10 cows; good granary; 700 rods of tile, making perfect drainage; entire farm fenced with Page woven-wire fence with cedar posts; 1½ miles to village with store, grist mill, blacksmith shop, telephone, etc. Two churches within 40 rods, 11 miles from city limits, 4 miles from Grand River Road. You can raise a hill of corn (if you want to,) on every foot of the land. No "pasture" or other waste land. Every bit of it in high state of cultivation. Let's go and look at it at our expense.

343

Good little farm of 38 acres in the Township of Southfield. Old-fashioned 10-room house, with cellar under whole house. Barn 35x60, and stable for 4 horses and 10 cows. Cement floor to granary. Corn crib, poultry house, tool house, tool shed. Land well drained, and all good tillable sandy soil, fine for truck farming. Price $2,800, and terms easy—but no trade at this price.

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New modern house—2-story and attic—with lot 60x160 on Maple Avenue. City water, electric lights, Peninsular hot-air furnace, fire place, laundry, bath, closets, hot and cold water—every possible convenience, and owing to the owner being compelled to change his residence, we will sell at greatly less than cost. Will cost you nothing to investigate—and the price is right.

345

House and lot in Birmingham. Will trade for good little farm in the vicinity of the village. Eight-room house, 2 stories; city water; good location—three blocks from electric. Price $1,750.

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Cheapest farm on our list—160 acres in Township of Southfield, 2½ miles from electric, 6 Birmingham, 12 Detroit. ½ gravelly loam, ½ heavier soil, 8 acres orchard, good house and other buildings; rolling land, fine shade, beautiful location, well fenced. But wait! The price is only $45 per acre, and will exchange for Detroit improved on west side.

347

Forty acres just outside of the corporate limits of Birmingham. Rich loaming land, 2 acres of orchard, 9 first-class buildings which could not be built for $8,600.00; 14-room house, bath, toilet, range—every convenience of city; city water. Just what you want. Costs nothing to investigate. Let us take you to see it.

348

House and 2 lots, 2 blocks from electric in Birmingham; 115 feet front and 188 feet deep. City water. 8-room new 2-story house and good barn. Would exchange for almost anything. Let us take you to the owner and you can dicker it out. Isn't that honest and square?

349

Three vacant lots in the Castle Addition. Fine location for residence building—and you know there isn't a vacant house in Birmingham, with demand for 50, and then some. These lots are easily worth $500 each, but just for fun we will sell the three in a bunch for $1,100.

350

A classic among the farms. 166 acres, half a mile from Birmingham and 10 rods from the electric, just on the edge of the Bloomfield Hills district. Pretty little stream, no waste land, and plenty of shade. Fine stone and cement house and ample barns; well fenced and the most productive land in the country. Will sell in parcels if necessary. The price is right, and when we take you to see it you will say the place is right, too.

351

Ten-room house, three blocks from electric in Birmingham; plenty of fruit, beautiful shade; about half an acre of good garden land. Barn in good shape. Will sell for $2,200 cash. You can't lose if you buy Birmingham property. Prices going up every day.

352

Forty-two-acre farm about half a mile from the electric; beautiful location. Pretty little branch of the River Rouge, with overhanging elms; no waste land; good, new, comfortable buildings; land under high state of cultivation. Couldn't imagine any better place for an ideal country residence. Land in the immediate vicinity has sold this season for $300.00 to $1,000.00 per acre, and yet this can be bought for $7,500. That's different, too. But there's a reason. Ask us.

353

Ideal little place for a country house and fine grounds. A mile and a half by the road to the electric; half mile from the village limits. No buildings—they wouldn't suit you if there were any. Well fenced; no waste land, on four corners, in excellent neighborhood. Five and one-half acres, nearly, and can be bought right.

354

One of the best-equipped and loveliest little farms on our list. Forty-seven acres, new stone house—10 rooms, furnace, bath, toilet, hot and cold water, city water, half acre of beautiful grove of native trees, 16 acres of best kind of fruit just coming into bearing; splendid new barns and carriage houses; just outside the village limits. Altogether the finest place in the vicinity, about 20 rods from the electric—and it can be bought for less than the buildings cost. Let's you and I go and look at it at our expense.

Silk Workers of England.

There were about 30,000 persons employed in the silk industry of England, according to the latest return, and of these over 20,000 were women.

Shooting Through Concrete.

Tests made by army officers indicate that projectiles fired from the heaviest guns when they penetrate concrete do so cleanly, not splintering or scattering it.

Same Thing.

The Grocer's Wife—Ach! no, my child, we cannot to de beach go in de winter; but ven de gustomers have vent away you may take your liddle pail and shofel and play mit de granulated sugar.—Harper's.

Country Work for "Worry."

Dr. A. T. Schofield has written a book on nervousness, in which he advises those who want a cure for the modern disease of "worry" to go out into the country and work there.

Success.

Success in any direction does not, in most cases, depend upon genius, but upon the cultivation of ordinary qualities to a more than ordinary degree.—Theodore Roosevelt.

Uncle Sam's Match Consumption.

It has been estimated that we of the United States consume 700,000,000,000 matches annually and that ours is a larger match bill than any other nation's.

To Prevent Dust Explosions.

To prevent explosions of coal dust in mines experiments are under way in Germany in which water is pumped into borings under pressure.