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THE PUBLISHERS.

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LEGALS.

Friends of THE ECCENTRIC are requested when they have Probate business to ask the publication of the legal notice in this paper. By so doing they will be at no more expense than elsewhere, and will do us a great favor.

LOCAL

H. G. Spencer and Co., have some fine bargains in their new advertisement. Look them up.

Old and young are invited to the "Watch Night" (Dec. 31) services at the Methodist church. A fine supper, and a varied program until midnight.

Charles Parks of Southfield had the misfortune to injure his hand so that it was necessary for Dr. Hilty to amputate a finger and repair other injuries.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Hedding and family wish to thank the people of B'ham and vicinity for their kindness and assistance, during the loss of their home by fire.

Tonight (Friday) the Epworth League social and business meeting of the Methodist church will be at Miss Grace Old's on North Woodward avenue. All are invited.

WANTED—A good, sober, reliable man, over 25, to drive large motor-truck. Experience not necessary, but a man not afraid of work is wanted. Address Motor Truck, Eccentric office.

Mr. and Mrs. Walters P. Durkee of the far west are guests at the F. P. German home in this village. Mr. Durkee's health is none of the best and he hopes a winter in Michigan will see him completely recovered.

The Misses Hazel and Stella Wendorph and Mesdames Elizabeth Wendorph, Ida Dawson, Zilla Dodge and Adelide Hale, attended Fannie E. Tompkins Temple Pythian Sisters at Pontiac, last Monday evenig.

Mr. J. A. Wendorph, Supt., of the Roseland Park Cemetery, was greatly surprised last Friday when he was presented with a 17 jewel gold watch and chain from the employes of the Cemetery. It is a grand gift, and is valued very highly by the recipient.

You have tried the rest now try the best, which is the new Century flour, sold only in Birmingham by the Miner Grocery Co. The best bread and cake makers in Birmingham are wise to this flour and will use no other. You will eventuely, why not now? Ask Tunis or Winnie, or any of the Smiths at Miner's and see what they say.

There is a grain of comfort in the increased taxation, as it will no doubt develope into a resultant cement road from Pontiac to Detroit, when in the light of cheaper automobiles, almost any one can live in Birmingham and drive back and forth every day except in inclement weather, when the 15 minute car service is ready.

An appreciative audience listened to the fourth choral concert, given at the Methodist church last Friday evening. The work of the chorus was shown to a good advantage in the contrasting works that were given. The heavy Wagnerian chorus "Union, Liberty" which opened the program revealed the full power of the chorus, and the lighter works, Fannings, "There is Dew," Pensutis "Goodnight" showed their ability to handle well more delicate shading and blending. The chorus have worked together long enough so that tonal quality is delightful. Perhaps the best work was done in the cantata, "The First Walpurgis Night" by Mendelsohn. The music, representing the festival of devils and witches in the German Mountains, is at times soft and melodious, and again fast and dramatic. The program was varied by selections by the ladies octet, quartetes, duets and pleasing violin solo. The organization of 65 voices, open to all interested in singing, includes 40 high school students and many of the more recent alumni. The work is enjoyed and also beneficial, in that it teaches sight reading of music, gives the amateur more confidence in vocal work, develops the voice and cultivates an appreciation for and an ability to enjoy the best music. Artistically the income from the concerts fails to pay for the rental of music and concert expenses. Of necessity the society will discontinue the work for this season.

Don't fail to see "Protea" a five reel drama at the Family theater next Wednesday night.

We will insist, however, that when the fire goes out, it does not necessarily ase the fire escape.

Ads and copy must be in early next week as we go to Press on Wednesday instead of Thursday.

Read Miner grocery company's new advertisement issue. It is full of bargains for the season's trade.

Looks to us now as if Caspar Case of near Franklin, shows signs of soon becoming a Birminghammer.

Doc. Bray left last Monday morning for Wyandotte to take a position at the Detroit Ship Building Co., there.

Mr. Leonard West and Miss Cecil Martin were married recently at Detroit. Mr. West was formerly a Franklin boy.

To Rent:—Six rooms with every convenience for housekeeping. Call at Mrs. Wooster's 515 Pierce Street, or dhone 195—J. 2c

We hear that Stuart Leonard is dead. He died at Spokane, Wash., and leaves two brothers, Charles, of Lake Superior country, and Homer, of our village. No particulars of the sad event has reached us yet.

Married at Bad Axe, Mich. at the residence of the bride's brother, and by the bride's brother, the Rev. Douglas Carmichael, Mrs. Nancy Hays and Mr. Thomas D. Roy, both of Birmingham Here's congratulations.

On December 29th the Methodist church celebrate Christmas. A new program of music, stories and stereopticon pictures is promised. The admission fee will be one or more potatoes. It will be a "White-gift", Christmas, each one bringing something to make happy the sick and neglected.

Mr. Ebri Barr of Harmon Street has accepted a situation with the American Blower Co., Detroit, one of the big businesses of our metropolis. His position is best placed as Systemizer of this institution. For over five years Mr. Barr has been studying hard to fit himself as an accountant and an auditor and this fine salaried situation is the result. Success to yon.

There will be a Union service of all the churches of Birmingham on Christmas morning, at ten o'clock, in the Episcopal church. Dr. Jamieson will be the preacher. The music will be the singing of the well known Christmas Carols, by the combined choirs of the churches. Let us all join heartily in this service of praise and thanksgiving to God, and commemorate the Birth of the Son of God, Jesus Christ, the Savior of the world.

"A glorious Christmas and a prosperous and useful New Year; yours respectfully, (signed) Three Score and Sweet Nineteen, Royal Oak, Mich." That's the way the card read and it listened to us like Uncle John Lambie. But whether it means that our old friend is married to "sweet nineteen" or simply announcing that he is three-score and nineteen years old, is still somewhat problematical. We wish him joy and long life anyhow.

The holiday business is beginning to be felt at the Postoffice. Everybody, the rural carriers, the clerks and the P. M. are all geared up to nine points and all ready for the rush. Miss Nelle Camp has been engaged as an extra through the holiday rush, and her specialty will be parcel post Xmas packages. The decks are cleared, the officials are ready so now rush in your gifts that go through the malls. Remember all packages by parcel post MUST have the name of the sender on. Every piece of mail should be so marked anyway, for then if not delivered it will come back to you.

"LITERARY CONVULSIONS." That, s the name of a series of Dementia Hallucination with which we are going to drive blues and melancholy from the homes of our readers all through the year 1914. These articles are not silly space fillers, but are original, clever, copyrighted sunshine distributors from the pen who will make you laugh whether you want to or not. The first "Convulsion" will be printed in this paper the last week in December, then at least two each month throughout 1914. If you are not a subscriber, become one now. Your neighbor may loan you her paper with a smile, but she makes faces at you after you're gone. Have a paper of your own.

The Christmas Bazaar and supper given by the St. James' ladies was a remarkable success in both a social and money way. Fancy work sold finely,—everybody ate heartily, and the doll's department excelled in attraction and nd was a first-class money maker. The ladies directly interested in this branch, and who prepared and dressed the dolls were the Mesdames Thompson, Shaw, Smith (Zilpha), Cooper, Miner, Kraft, Shephans, Allingham, Lick, Raynale (Hannah.) and Mrs. F. A. Gordon. Thirty three dollars and twenty cents was added to the total amount of profit just from dolls made by these ladies selling from 25 cents to ten dollars each.

Many friends of Rev. S. V. McKee, who years ago here filled the pulpit of the First Presbyterian church, will be saddened to here of his death, at his home in Peoria Ill. He died December 9, 1914 Deceased was stricken with paralysis some two months ago. He has been a resident of Peoria nearly three years, having made his home during that time with his youngest daughter Mrs. Flora McKee Elliot. Funeral services from the Grace Presbyterian church, Peoria, Thursday December 11. Interment at Remmington, Indiana. One son, Wm. N. McKee, Long Beach, California; and three daughters survive him, Mrs. Geo. Benedict, Detroit, Michigan; Mrs. C. Fuller, Mt. Linda, Michigan; Mrs. W. M. Elliot, Peoria, Illinois.

Read Lawson Erb Lumber Co.'s new advertisement.

To Rent:-North half of double house at 139 Woodward avenue. D. W. Bray 2p

For Sale:-Bull puppy three months old. Very intelligent. Apply Mrs. John Berry, 205 Frank Street. 2p

Notice:—All stores will be open Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday night of next week, also New Year's Eve.

The treasurer of the Monitor Insurance Co., Mr. Wm. Narrin, will be in Birmingham for the collection of the annual assessment on January 13.

Send your Christmas presents,—wrap them securely,—and be sure to write your name plainly in the upper left hand corner. Then all will go o. k. via Parcel Post. Try it.

Granting, for the sake of argument, that you can buy real estate in either Royal Oak or Highland Park, cheaper than in Birmingham; (with apologies to Mr. Post,) "there's a reason!"

WANTED:—Girl for general housework, family consisting of two children ages seven and eleven and two adults. Good home and we appreciate good help. Write Jones Box 179, Birmingham. 2p

Nine white men, one colored man and five negresses were found in a Clinton Street resort in Pontiac last Saturday night, when raided by the police. Dat lil culled boy was suah found in awful bad cump'ny.

A fine bunch of Trojans last week accepted an invite to come down to the Greenfield House to a venison dinner. Say! They all went. On their return it looked to a man up a tree, that the drinkables were all right, but the venison was too awful ripe.

Inspector Ballard of Chicago from the Post Office Department was in town looking over the ground with the idea of leasing for 10 years or even five, a Post Office place. Proposals to rent to the United States a post office room will be advertised for in the near future.

The will of the late Jacob B. Popeshil of Bloomfield township was filed in the probate court on Saturday last, and hearing set for Jan. 10. The estate is estimated at $6,000 in real estate. The widow is left the entire use of it during her life time and at her death it is to be equally divided between the six children; Frank, Joseph, Henry, Emilie and Mrs. Mary A. Kilpatrick and Mrs. Josephine M. Kilpatrick.

You can go to the Birmingham Post Office and send money anywhere in the world. From the Postmaster down the line he or any of his clerks will take your U. S. money and transmit it in pounds, shillings and pence, in kronas and ore, in marks and pfennings, francs and centimes, florines and cents, reis and copeks, crowns and hellers, etc. Try the office on a remittance to Bolivia, Chile, Hongkong, Japan any city, Peru, Salvadore or Honduras. No country is too far away to be reached. And for depositors they should call at the Post Office and get posted on postal savings accounts.

HOW TO AVOID COLD-WEATHER DISEASES.

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Rexall Olive Oil Emulsion is the ideal blood and nerve-food tonic. You who are weak and run-down, and you who are apparently well now, but are liable to suffer from various cold-weather ailments, due Rexall Olive Oil Emulsion to get and keep well and strong. For the tired-out, run-down, nervous, emaciated or debilitated—the convalescing—growing children—aged people—it is a sensible aid to renewed strength, better spirits, glowing health.

Rexall Olive Oil Emulsion—king of the celebrated Rexall Remedies—is for freedom from sickness of you and your family. You'll be as enthusiastic about it as we are when you have noted its pleasant taste, its strengthening, invigorating, building-up, disease-preventing effects. If it does not help you, your money will be given back to you without argument. Sold in Birmingham only at our store—the Rexall Store—one of more than 7,000 leading drug stores in the United States, Canada and Great Britain. Charles J. Shain.—Adv.

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Ruskin's Creed of Work.

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"Murder" Among Animals.

Murder is not uncommon among animals, "murder" in this sense being applied to that kind of killing that has nothing to do with the struggle for existence, but which arises from malice, pure and simple, or from downright passion. Storks, it seems, frequently kill members of the flock which, at the time of migration, either refuse to follow them or are unable to do so.

H. G. SPENCER & CO.

Holiday Necessities!

Lowney's Box Candy	½ and 1 pound
Bulk Candy, per lb	10c to 60c
Oranges, per doz	30c, 40c, 50c
Lemons, per doz	30c
Grape Fruit, each	6c and 10c
Bananas, per doz	20c
Dates and Figs, per lb	10c and 25c
Spanish Onions, per lb	5c
Good Cooking Onions, per peck	40c
Mixed Nuts, per lb	15c
English Walnuts, per lb	25c
Olives, plain and stuffed, per bottle	10c, 15c, 25c

All flavors of Jello and Tryphosa.

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