BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC

STARTING OUR FIFTIETH YEAR

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matter in this life; spiritual and intellectual advancement. This must come through the arts and
sciences and the library furnishes the treasure house
for both.

Persons could easily say that a good library
does not necessarily indicate a community interseted in culture any more that a beautiful cover fan
adding machine—the fire of genius and the
promises a good book. This in itself is true, but if
fortunately does not apply to Birmingham.

Records ahow a tremendous increase in the
number of persons patronizing the library here.
They show that the new library is an absulter sequisite to the village. The present quarters are finde
quate to offer to the people of Birmingham what
they most want in this respect.

Our sincerest admiration, noes to they persons
who have been instrumental in completing details
which made it possible for the critizens here to have
what they desire and need as a stimulant to ther
self-development.

DOING YOUR BIT FOR TREES

Next week, April,21 to 30, is American Forest
Week, during which time an attempt will be made all
over the United States to remind people of the
preclousness of trees. Citizens of Michigan ought
to be interested in this important natural resource
and do all in their power, to aid those who seek to
Teforest our lands. Of course, it, is not expected
that the individual citizen is to go out into the state
and plant one or more trees; but it is hoped that
every citizen will do all he can to back his governmental officials in their desire to restock our demanded timber land, and to exercise every precaption
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THE COMMUNITY HOUSE ROLL CALL on Beginning April 28, and ending May 19, the fourth annual drive for funds for Birmingham's Community House will be put on here, when nearly a hundred local citizans will wist every hone, seeking support for this worthy project.

Statistics reveal that the Community House has been been being many of our boys and girls.

The Birmingham Community House offers a service to this community House offers a service to this community House offers a service to this community that is hard to duplicate in any other civic agency; it is a sort of leaven for the whole, and ought to win easily the sympathy and support of all.

Let's show those who are actiovely behind the Community House that Birmingham and vicinity are back of them.

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Hather, hat week's paper reflects traly the condition of this village. The churches are husy, they are creating news. The criminals are—someplace lake.

Whether the rule of cause and effect enters into his jost of the conditions of this village. The churches are how the superior with the papers too controversial to be settled or adequately discussed in the amount of space allowed an editorial.

We pass it on to you, however, in the hope that it will provide material for the kind of thought that, it will provide material for the kind of thought that it more, we hope The Eccentric will strong that is more, we hope The Eccentric will strong the control of good to evil that it carried last week.

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2/ "Well Done, Thou Good and Faithful Servant"!



FROM THE ECCENTRIC COLUMNS -of Long Ago

Bits Of News Gleaned From Old Fifes Of The Eccentric-The Items That Make Up The Historical Background Of The Birmingham Qf Today.

The Birmingham moonlight se-renaders have been in training, and their music is similar to the

How oft have we, when day was done.
With mother at the window stood,
And very still were we, and good,
As we three watched the setting sun.

How eagerly we pointed out
The pictures in the evening sky,
The ships that sailed so slowly h
The birds that seemed to fly about.

Sometimes 'twas Sis, and sometimes me That found some wonder grand and new In that expanse of gold and blue That mother never failed to see.

The white sheep home to rest,
The little lambs that fain would play
And roam along the heavenly way!
That was the picture we liked best.

Each lovely bit of sky and cloud, Each shaft of gold and crimson That newly burst upon our sight With childish fancies we endowed.

WATCHING THE SUNSET

That happy hour was void of care
When mother laid her tasks aside
To watch the golden gates swing wide
And breathe with ds an evening prayer.
—Beatrice McDonald.

Ole Back says fi must be hard for the modern mother to smoke a capareties and put firsh, we weralls on the baby at one and the same for the Northeastern Civic association.

BLOOMFIELD BIRMINGHAM

Women and children first

the maternal instinct—the mother's determination to protect her children from the congestion of the city which started the big pa-rade to these beautiful lakes and hills.

And perhaps - in the years gone by— in the days of "get out and get under" the man of the house paid the pio-neers' penalty for neers' penalty for these privileges he

If he did - it was long ago - before the advent of good roads - before the automobile became universal.

DERHAPS it was It was before Bloom field, Oakland and all other golf clubs made their contribution to the social life of this communitybefore Wider Woodward came.

> Perhaps it is the same old instinct which brings new thousands out here year after year.

It may be the children first-but talk to the mothers' and fathers, and they, too, willtell you that there is a charm to this Bloomfield-Birmingham life which makes it irresistible.



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