

## Phelps & Schroeder

Wish to call the attention of the public that they have secured the agency for the celebrated Peninsular Paints of all kinds. They carry a complete line of Oils, Varnish, White Lead, Lac-stain, Roofing Paint, best in the market. Brushes and headquarters for Laundry and Fishing Tack-le.

LAUNDRY--goes Monday and Thursday and returns Thursday and Saturday.

## Phelps & Schroeder.

Farmington, Mich.

## BEST DENTISTS' CO.

Hours: 8 to 8, Sundays, 9 to 5.

Phone Main 4437. 54 Grand River Ave., Detroit, Mich.  
1st Floor, 1 block from Griswold House.

At Best Dentists Last Meeting of the Board of Directors the Whole Talk Was

Employ only the very best dentists; reg-  
istered graduates of not less than five  
years' experience. Pay them the best  
salaries. Use the very best material that  
can be had; buying in large quantities  
direct from the manufacturers for spot  
cash. Making all our crowns and bridge  
work of double thickness gold; it won't  
wear through.  
Full set of Teeth Pt. section, \$5. to \$8.  
Silver, Platinum and Gold fillings, 25c.  
50c \$1.00.

We are determined to do only the best,  
up-to-date dental work that can be turned  
out. This we must do, as we guarantee  
the work for 20 years, backed by the  
combined money of over 300 interested  
people. There would be no profit in  
having to do the work over. Now we  
promise you this and we will prove to  
you that our prices are much lower than  
the lowest.

## IS YOUR MONEY - MAKING MONEY ? FOR YOU ?

The more of it you have employed for you, the  
less you need to work yourself. Have you  
ever thought about it? Deposit your funds with

## The First Commercial Bank of Pontiac

And it will earn you 4 PER CENT Interest.

A Full Line Of

## Cultivators and Plows on hand.

KRAUS. IRON AGE. PLANET Jr.  
BUKEYE. RODERIK LEARN and  
Gale Line.

All other Tools, Wagons, Buggies, Machine Oil and Wagon Grease.

## W. M. GROVES

FARMINGTON

## PERFECT PAINT

A few reasons why you should use BOYDELL'S  
Best prepared paint.

The Best is the Cheapest in the long run.  
It is a greater and better covering capacity than  
any other paint.

## Boydell's Best Prepared Paint

has been on the market over forty years and is now  
considered the most perfect preservative and beauti-  
ful that can be delivered to you in the paint form.

Let us furnish you with your PAINT.

## W. H. Walters

Farmington, Mich.

## DISASTROUS FIRE

OCCURRED HERE MONDAY  
AFTERNOON.

House, Four Barns and Other  
Property Burned.

The most disastrous fire that has  
occurred in Farmington in a long  
time happened Monday July 5. As  
the family of L. W. Sowle were  
preparing to partake of the noon-  
day meal, a fire was discovered in  
the barn just back of the house,  
fanned by a heavy wind. The  
alarm was given and in a few  
minutes the fire company and will-  
ing citizens were on the spot ready  
to assist in doing what they could  
to save the furniture and put out  
the fire. Owing to the headwind  
which the flames had gained, it  
was soon evident that the residence  
and store north of the house must  
go. After the furniture was safely  
removed attention was given to  
saving adjoining property.

The next house north which is  
occupied by A. Kuster and family,  
and owned by Mrs. Minnie Owen,  
was saved by the use of the  
chemical engine and a steady  
stream of water carried in pails  
and very little damage was done.  
The furniture was also removed  
from this house to a place of safety.  
Mr. and Mrs. Kuster and son were  
away from home at the time, hav-  
ing gone to Detroit a short time  
before the fire broke out.

The barn belonging to Miss  
Owen was burned to the ground.  
The barn owned by the Misses  
Barton and that of Mrs. Stamaun  
were also destroyed.

The Baptist church caught fire  
on the roof from the burning shingles  
which were flying through the  
air, but was extinguished by the  
hook system.

Miss Addie Beach's house was  
discovered to be on fire, the furni-  
ture was removed, and the fire put  
out by willing workers after the  
roof was partly destroyed.

It was only by the heroic work  
of the citizens that several other  
buildings were saved from the  
flames. Several times it looked as  
though the town was doomed to  
destruction by fire, and we have  
reason to be thankful that it was  
not worse.

There are a good many theories  
as to how the fire started but the  
most feasible one advanced is that  
it caught from a firecracker, as  
these were several children cele-  
brating by firing firecrackers.

A good time to prepare for war  
is in time of peace, and a good  
time to form a fire company with  
some working system is when there  
is no fire. There should be several  
different men in town who thor-  
oughly understand the working of  
the chemical engines and they  
should be charged ready for use in  
moment's notice.

The buildings were partly cov-  
ered by insurance, but like all  
fires, there will be some losses.

### Card of Thanks.

I wish in this manner to express  
my gratitude and appreciation to  
all those who labored so faithfully  
to save my property.

MRS. MINNIE OWEN.

### Card of Thanks.

L. W. Sowle and family wish to  
express their sincere thanks to  
each and everyone for the assist-  
ance given when the fire destroyed  
their home and buildings. They  
feel that all did all they possibly  
could do.

## WHEN THE OLD FARM IS SOLD

Aged Veteran Watches Effects  
Go Under Hammer.

The most conspicuous character  
in the history of the humble tragedy  
of the abandoned farm is very often  
the rural auctioneer. He it is who  
rings the curtain down with care-  
less gait and boisterous jest. Per-  
haps his burly presence has been  
menacing, the household through  
long years of gripping struggle with  
adversity. The land has been be-  
coming poorer, the ambitious men  
of the family have gone away to  
seek their fortunes elsewhere, and  
on the heels of misfortune has fol-  
lowed the chattel mortgage. Un-  
sung heroism, incredible econo-  
mies, till unceasing, have not  
sufficed to check the steady de-  
cadence of the farm and its affairs.  
Some day, when the ultimate dis-  
aster can be no longer held at  
arm's length, a printed bill, an-  
nouncing the sale at auction of the  
stock, tools and household goods,  
is posted in the village store and  
the postoffice.

The idlers scan the bill with  
curious interest, but with no  
marked symptoms of surprise.  
The auction has been a foregone  
conclusion for some time. The  
storekeeper remarks to his leisurely  
customers:

"Old Jonathan Woodman has  
lived alone on the farm for years  
and years. He's the last of 'em.  
All petered out, aint they? He's  
going to live with his granddaugh-  
ter in Newmarket, so they tell me.  
Hung on longer than I expected.  
The old man did. Too old to do  
much farming and no money to  
hire help."

On the morning of the sale the  
roads leading toward the Wood-  
man place are populous with ve-  
hicles more serviceable than ele-  
gant--concoats, democrats, bug-  
gies, carry-alls and rattling  
wagons. An auction is a diver-  
sion, a mild excitement, and the  
women-folk forsake their spicy  
kitchen to enjoy a day's outing,  
with the biling dinner basket  
tucked under the front seat. Long  
before the auctioneer is ready to  
begin his task, the Woodman  
house, dooryard and barn are over-  
run by a curious, shrewdly calcu-  
lating crowd, discussing the family  
history and the values of its goods  
and chattels.--Collier's.

## June Financial Report for M. E.

### Church.

RECEIPTS  
Paid to Steward Truett \$ 7 00  
Ladies Aid society 10 00  
Loose collection 2 17  
Envelopes 28 53

\$47 70

### DISBURSEMENTS

Paid Pastor \$47 70  
Pastor has received for ten months  
\$478.04.

### Bridge Notice.

The town line bridge known as  
Bigelow bridge on town line be-  
tween Farmington and Southfield  
will be let to the lowest bidder at  
the place of building on Monday,  
July 19, at 2 o'clock p. m. The  
bridge is to have cement arch of  
24 ft. span. Specifications can be  
seen at the clerk's office in Farm-  
ington, Mich.

### Card of Cards.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Kuster wish to  
extend thanks to all who assisted  
in saving their household goods  
and removing them to a place of  
safety last Monday.

Cook & Co. give a discount on  
CASH. Get their plan.

## USE PEERLESS FLOUR.

FOOD made of WHEAT FLOUR

is the cheapest and best FOOD to be had today. Be econ-  
omical by eating less expensive food and use more Wheat  
Flour foods. When buying flour be sure to decide upon

## our Peerless Flour

which is always RELIABLE.

GILDEMEISTER'S FLOUR MILLS.

## DRUG STORE.

WE ALWAYS carry an up-to-date stock of DRUGS, PAT-  
ENT MEDICINES, PERFUMES and TOILET AR-  
TICLES; also CIGARS and TOBACCO.

## T. H. MCGEE.

P. D. Warner, President S. D. Holcomb, Vice President  
C. W. Wilber, Cashier

## Farmington Exchange Bank

Transacts a general banking business. Receives deposits  
subject to check. Issues certificates of deposit payable on  
demand.

INTEREST PAID ON ALL TIME DEPOSITS

Money to loan in large or small amounts at reasonable rates.  
We solicit business from Merchants, Farmers and others.

### SAFETY DEPOSIT BOXES

In our Fire-Proof Vault to rent at low rates.

Proprietors and Owners: P. Dean Warner, S. D. Holcomb, Fred  
M. Warner, M. B. Pierce, C. W. Wilber, G. G. Collins, Mary  
E. Sprague, Adm.

## Otis' Lumber

## and Coal Yard

For Hard and Soft Coal, Lum-  
ber, Shingles, Lime, Cem-  
ent and Roofing Paper.

AMOS OTIS, Farmington, Mich.

It is nearly time for

## Binder Twine and Etc.

of which I have a stock on hand, at fair prices both  
Standard and Proof Hemp, also repairs for Osborne  
goods.

See me before buying a Carriage. Harnesses  
made and repaired on short notice.

Yours for business.

H. LEE, FARMINGTON, MICH.

## KILLED!

A Beef.

Over a thousand men took part  
in the giant athletic tournament at  
the exposition at Seattle during  
the opening week of the fair. This  
is the largest athletic meet ever  
held in the United States.

### If Not--Why Not?

Because your hens don't lay is  
the reason your grocery bill is so  
large, and the reason they don't  
lay is because you don't feed them  
Harvell's Condition Powders. It  
keeps your hens in fine condition  
and makes the egg problem easy.  
Good for horses, cattle, sheep,  
hogs, etc. Price 25c per package.  
Sold by T. H. McGee.

To insure the appetite, the  
good digestion and the health,  
buy all your meats, lard, sau-  
sages, etc., from

## L. F. Schroeder,

Farmington, Mich.