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What does it profit a man if he lay up riches for himself, only to lose them through thievery, fire or the numerous risks that beset the Bureau Drawer Bank. Our vaults, safes and

Constant Safeguards

afforded our depositors give you safety for your money and you can always get it when you are in need. Why not be safe with no chance of being sorry? Come and open an account with us.

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Sam'l D. Holcomb, Vice Pres.
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HOME MAKING

The first step in buying or building a home is the Savings Account.

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The sooner you begin, the sooner you will live in your own home.

FIRST COMMERCIAL BANK
Pontiac Michigan

Lumber and Coal Yard

Lumber Shingles, Lime
Cement Roofing Paper
Hard and Soft Coal

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MUST MEET THE NEW CONDITIONS

Country Merchants and Country Newspapers to Face the Changed Methods Brought by the Parcel Post

The parcel post is, now with us and doubtless has come to stay. The measure has been fought savagely by the country newspapers and country merchants on the supposition that it would be an aid to the big mail order houses and department stores and would work detrimentally to the country merchants.

However, everything new has always had opposition from source. Railroads were opposed because it was thought that they would ruin the business of the country taverns and they did, but we would not go back to the old way. Neither will we ever want to discard parcel post after once becoming used to it, but will want still further governmental aid in transportation and will not be content until the robbing express companies are put out of business and the government takes over the telephone and telegraph business.

Now, instead of working longer against parcel post the country merchants and the country newspapers must work with it. We must progress with the times and take advantage of the new order of things.

Undoubtedly the manufacturers of the country will now largely attempt to do their business in a more direct way. They will seek to get nearer the consumer by eliminating the jobber and this is where we, the country newspapers and the country merchants, can get in. Every storekeeper who is alive and awake will secure the catalogues of the manufacturers of each and every article used in his community and will be prepared to take the orders of his customers for anything wanted. The country merchant will largely take the place of the jobber hereafter.

By judicious local advertising, energetic country merchants can forestall the mail order houses and the department stores and get a larger and a better trade than ever.

Reurion E. Palmer Sherman's. There was a gathering of relatives and friends at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Palmer Sherman on Dec. 29th—that partook somewhat of the nature of a home coming.

Those present were Bios Sherman from Moorhead, Minn.; Hudson Sherman from St. Johns, Mich.; Abram Sherman from Edmore, Mich.; Phoebe Ross of Farmington; Josephine Taylor and son of Lansing; Rhoda and Bert Roach of Farmington; Grace Anglin, son and daughter of Farmington; Ruby and Ruth Blindbury, granddaughters from Stanton, Mich.; Rev. D. M. Ward and wife of Farmington and Wallace Brown of Pontiac.

It proved to be a delightful reunion in every way and was greatly enjoyed by all while it brought joy to Mr. and Mrs. Sherman, who are always at their best when surrounded by their friends.

An "Old Time Social"

The Ladies Aid will hold an "old time social" in the new Firemen's hall on the evening of the 9th of January. Light refreshments will be served beginning at five o'clock. Please look up all your old-fashioned clothes and dress to look as much like old times as possible. Invite all your friends. Everybody welcome.

Fred Coon of Plymouth is spending the holidays with his uncle, John Turner.

OAKLAND COUNTY LAGS ON ROADS

The Sentiment of the People on the Question Can Only be Earned by a Vote

Oakland county is rated one of the best counties in the state and one of the most progressive. It has advantages of soil, location and topography not enjoyed by many counties. It should, and usually is, a leader in everything progressive. But, we are backward in roadmaking. Oakland county is already several years behind many less favored counties in Michigan in the matter of good roads.

Every acre of good land in Oakland county ought to be worth \$300 and it is but won't bring it because of the lack of decent roads. Detroit will have a population of a million within the next 10 or 15 years and land within teaming distance of the city will be in great demand. It will be divided into small parcels and cultivated on a more intense scale. The sections which first gets good roads will first reap the benefit of the new conditions that are bound to come.

Our supervisors should take the matter before the voters and learn whether the sentiment is for improved roads or for a continuance of the present system.

The board is to convene next week and the question doubtless will be acted upon in some manner.

A Good Investment in Realty

People in a rural locality may be divided into three classes: First, those who invest in real estate; second, those who place their earnings from their former labor in savings account, and third, those who waste it in extravagance.

Of course the man who wastes is condemned already, and a small payment on a piece of property will not only teach frugality, but will in the end bring a competence for old age. But the person we most wish to appeal to is the one who hoards his earnings either in a hiding place at home or in a savings account which pays a small interest. Lots bought today in Redford will double and triple in value in five years, making not 5 percent but 20 to 40 percent per annum. Savings accounts are generally for safety, but real estate is still more safe and Redford lots are sold on payments which provide that no payments are to be made when sick or out of work.

If you are not saving, start now by making a small payment on a Redford lot. If you are saving, invest your accumulation and obtain a good profit.

This paper contains a notice this week of an advance in Redford lots Feb. 1, amounting to upwards of 10 percent. There will be another advance soon.

Relief in Sight at Last

The board of county canvassers has finally reported the city vote on the Greenfield annexation scheme and the figures show that the proposition carried by a heavy majority in both city and country.

This means that the last vestige of poor road will be eliminated from Grand River avenue for the city can, and doubtless will, pave that small portion which still remains undone. A blessed relief to all who are obliged to drive to the city from this direction.

I have a customer who wants a good small farm on or near the Grand River road, in the vicinity of Redford or Farmington and would be glad to hear from anyone desiring to sell such a place.—C. E. Ramsey.

TO THE PUBLIC—Our Department Store can supply your needs in nearly every line of merchandise. Our stocks in the various lines are large and well assorted. We certainly make lower prices than the city stores do.

In starting out on this new year let's resolve to be as neighborly as possible. Come in and see us and we'll try to pull together in 1913 for our mutual benefit.

Very truly yours,

Fred L. Cook & Co.

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FARMS WANTED

List your farms with me if you want to sell quickly. I have a customer now waiting for a small place on, or near the Grand River road. See me about it if you have something good at a fair price.

Offices at both Farmington and Redford.

C. E. RAMSEY