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HOME NOTES.

The wagon sticks its tongue out
When first we od begins to shed,
And th bell rings down the curtain
When the bed stands on its head.
The table tries to cross its legs
The carpet always lies—
Meanwhile the new potato
Is making goo-goo eyes.

July 18, and nothing done about water yet. Why is it?

Mrs. G. Weller of Corunna visited at V. H. Lee's last week.

The grounds of the Ladies' Library society are neatly mown.

Mrs. G. A. McKinney is settled in her new home on Brown street.

Henry Spicer of Detroit visited his parents the latter part of last week.

The grounds of the Episcopal church are kept as church grounds should be.

The Misses Mary Utter, Flora and Jennie Keyes were Pontiac callers last Thursday afternoon.

The raspberries are very fine this season, the plenteous rains producing large and luscious fruit.

Some of our townspeople do not seem to know that the law forbids hitching to trees and tree boxes.

Mrs. M. J. Whitaker of Tampa, Florida, is spending the summer with her daughter, Mrs. F. Brooks.

J. W. McKinney and family of Holly attended the funeral of Will Miller, Mrs. McKinney's nephew, last Sunday.

Miss Via Munro, who has been the guest of Mrs. Elmer Munro the past two weeks, has returned to her home in Novi.

Lost—a lady's purse, dark green, a key and a small amount of money. Finder will please leave at this office and receive reward.

Miss Mabel Keyser of this place has been elected by the Pontiac school board to fill a vacancy in the new Baldwin school.

And there are people in town who say that if outward neatness is a sign of inward grace—some of our churches are in a bad way.

The Oakland County Democratic convention is to meet at Pontiac on Friday, July 25, 1902, to elect delegates to the state convention.

Mrs. Manwarring, a daughter of Mrs. Henry Potter and a granddaughter of Mrs. Mason James, has been spending a few days here.

Regular meeting of the O. E. S., chapter No. 220, next Wednesday evening, July 23. All members invited to be present.—Elva Blakeslee, Sec.

A door key was lost between the M. E. church and Mrs. E. M. Leonard's home. Finder will please leave it at this office and receive the everlasting thanks of the distressed loser.

Mrs. Marion Masden and little daughter Hattie, of Lebanon, Ky., and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Frink and daughters, Grace and Vivian, of Port Huron, are guests of Mrs. Seeley Peck.

J. Harvey Carter has just finished a fine well for John T. Shaw's country home, "Whysall," near Circle. The well is a beauty and no one is more pleased over it than its owner, Mr. Shaw.

The old familliar huckleberry has made its appearance this week. There should be a good crop this year, but from all accounts some form of navigating device will be needed to secure it.

The farmers can find one solace in this excessive rain-fall that gives them so much cause for complaint. The potato vines are so far under water that the festive potato bugs have no chance to get at them.

Mrs. Esther M. Leonard is visiting her grandson, Chas. M. Leonard of Ishpeming. A pretty long trip for an elderly lady, but we will wager Charley will see that she gets value received for the exertion.

F. W. Sherman has opened his ice cream parlors in the Library hall where you will always find a choice stock of ice cream, candies, etc. He strives to please his many patrons and we wish him success in his endeavor.

Miss Mary Utter has sold her place occupied by Prof. E. F. Waldo, to Thomas Langley, who takes possession on Mr. Waldo's leaving for Ovid. Consideration $1,000. Mr. Waldo has purchased a home in Ovid.

The entertainment given at the M. E. church Tuesday evening by pupils of the blind school at Lansing was of a very choice nature, greatly enjoyed by all present. It is to be regretted that a larger audience was not in attendance.

The friends of Rev. and Mrs. H. S. Justema are cordially invited to attend a reception to be given them by the ladies' society of the church on Friday evening of this week at the home of Mrs. E. C. Poppleton, from 8 to 11.

Miss Nora Shippey of Bismack, Canada, returned home last Saturday after an extended visit of two or three months with her sister, Mrs Henry Stuffler of Southfield avenue. Mr. and Mrs. Stuffler accompanied her as far as Detroit.

Many farmers complain that their clover is rotting at the roots as a result of the large amount of rain that has fallen. The unusual growth, however, in consequence of the heavy rainfall, will no doubt fully make up for all the rotting.

The Salvation Army of Michigan and Indiana will meet here for a reunion early in August, the affair to last 10 days. Large tents will be erected in Electric park and a tabernacle tent will be utilized in which meetings will be held during the encampment.

The following is the record of the Birmingham rural delivery carriers during the month of June: L. H. Rousseau, carrier No. 1, delivered 5,120 pieces of mail; Joseph Schoonover, carrier No. 2, 4,774; Fen Weston, carrier No. 3, 6,035. Total amount carried, 15,969.

Claire W. Aldrich, for the past five years the capable and faithful foreman of this office, has accepted a position on the Livingston Herald and reported for work last Monday morning. Claire is a good and reliable workman and we wish him the best of success in his new position.

A congenial party of ladies, consisting of Miss Wilson, Mrs. H. C. Wilson and Mrs. E. F. Peabody, have gone to Chautauqua, N. Y. They will remain at this pleasant educational resort a month or more, enjoying literary pursuits as well as passing the heated term very pleasantly.

A. Whitehead and son Raynale, Ray Whitehead of Lansing and Capt. M. O. Bigelow, U. S. A., from West Point, N. Y., are away up in Georgian Bay country trout fishing, and on the side picking up any stray bass, muskalonge, lake trout or anything else that wears scales. Their success is phenomenal and they are having the trip of their lives.

Word has been received from the adjutant general's office at Lansing that the application of the Oakland Light Infantry of Pontiac for rifles will be acted upon by the state military board as soon as the required bond which has been sent to Pontiac for signatures, is received at Lansing and presented to the military board.

Promoters of a trolly line between Pontiac and Flint, by way of Drayton Plains, Waterford, Clarkston, Davisburg, Holly and Fenton, have again got busy. They are negotiating for the old Smith-Sawyer-Taylor privileges and for franchises in Pontiac, Waterford and other townships. J. A. Rundall of Detroit is one of the promoters.

Fred Lambert, near the toll gate, has brought to us fine specimens of clover and oats grown by him on his father's farm. The clover is a strong healthy stem, four feet and seven inches in length, and the oats measure nearly six feet tall and headed out to beat the band. Fine fields of this kind of clover and oats belong to the successful, Fred.

The husband of a beloved deceased wife came to see her bust. "Pray, study it well," said the artist; "it is only in the clay, and I can still alter it." The widower looked at it with the most tender interest. "It is her very self!" he exclaimed; "her large nose—the sign of goodness!" Then bursting into tears, he added: "she was so good! make the nose a little larger!"

Mitchell, ye country editaire; S. A. Sloman of Detroit, ye capitalist; the Paulaus Bros., John and Richard, of Detroit, and Messrs Robinson and Lyon of Cincinnati, Ohio, enjoyed a four-days cruise down Detroit river and out on Lake Erie. A beautiful and safe sailing yacht, a congenial crowd and fine weather made Mitchell a vacation that seldom comes more than once in a life time.

President Roosevelt will be in Detroit for two days the latter part of September. He has not fied the Spanish war veterans, who are arranging for the national convention of that society, that he will arrive in Detroit Sunday, September 21, and stay over Sunday, September, 22. At that time a big civic and military parade will be given, and many from this locality will undoubtedly embrace the opportunity to see the Rough Rider and spend a day in the City of the Straits.

It may not be generally known, but dog days began July 3 and continue until August 11. They are so called from Sirius, the most brilliant of fixed stars in the head of the constellation of Canis Major, or the great dog. During this period this star and the sun rise within the same hour, and the ancients who worshipped the dog attributed the extreme heat of summer to the influence in this constellation—a superstition which has been perpetuated to the present day in the use of the term "dog days."

Says a writer in Ainslee's Magazine: "Detroit, the oldest city on the lakes, and most closely associated with their history, is also the most beautiful. With nine miles of water frontage and a magnificent city park on one of the largest islands in the river, it is even more picturesque in its approaches than Cleveland-on-the-bluffs. It has grown so steadily in commercial importance that its business characteristics now possess a greater interest than either its scenic features or historic localities."

Those who contend that the business of the smaller towns along the trolly lines is sacrificed for the benefit of city trade, can find an argument on the other side in the following from the Sparta Sentinel: "Since the electric roads between Grand Rapids and Holland began operations, business in the small villages between the terminal points has more than doubled. More buildings are being constructed than ever before in their history, city people removing to them in large numbers in order to take advantage of the lower rents and living expenses than can be had in the big cities."

Down in the rural district it happened that the Mean Man invited the preacher to dinner. The Mean Man had plenty of money but he didn't spend it on his table, which on that occasion showed but scant fare. "Parson," said the Mean Man, "times air hard and groceries high, but such as it is, you're welcome. Will you ax a blessing?" "I will," replied the parson. Then he said: "Lord, make us thankful for what we are about to receive—for those greens without bacon; this bread without butter; this coffee without sugar; and after we have received it give thy servant strength to get home in time for his dinner."

One of the prettiest entertainments of the season was given last week Wednesday evening in the guild room of the St. James' church. The program was an unusually choice one given by Messrs Beyer and Chilson and Misses Beyer and Field, all of Detroit. Miss Beyer was heard here during the baccalaureate services and everyone was delighted with the privilege of hearing her again. Mr. Beyer, her father, is a very pleasing soloist and reader. Miss Todd also pleased everyone in her part as reader, and Mr. Chilson, who is always welcome, was in fine voice. Ice cream and cake were served at the conclusion of the program.

William A. Miller, son of Joseph Miller of Southfied, died at the family home on Friday last and was buried from the house Sunday afternoon. He was sick about two weeks with typhoid fever, which it is probable that he contracted while in the employ of the Detroit City Gas Co. It is claimed that the visits that the young man made to cellars and basements in performance of his duties reading meters laid the foundation for the disease that caused his death. The deceased was a graduate of the Birmingham high school and a member of the junior class of the Detroit College of Law. He was a very bright student and very popular in his class. Burial was in Southfield cemetery.

We acknowledge the receipt of courtesies from the Simpson Park (Romeo) Campmeeting Association, also program of the meeting which opens Thursday, July 24, and continues until August 3. The opening date will be young people's day, admission free, and the services will be in charge of Dr. W. W. Washburn. Among the speakers this season we notice Rev. Joshua Stansfield, Rev. W. J. Balmer, Rev. F. C. Pillsbury, Dr. Wm. Dawe and Miss Grace Todd. For the campmeeting the Michigan Passenger Association will sell round-trip tickets at one and one third fares, July 23 to August 6, to Romeo over the Grand Trunk, the Michigan Central, the Pere Marquette and the Pontiac, Oxford & Northern railways.

The Michigan crop report for July states that the total average precipitation for the month of June was, in the upper peninsula, 3.32; northern counties, 3.79; central counties, 5.37 and southern counties, 6.78 inches. This excessive rain fall did considerable damage and prevented farmers from cultivating their corn properly. The wet weather also materially interfered with the planting of beans and late potatoes. On the other hand wheat, oats, meadows and pastures made good growth. Conditions were very unfavorable for corn. Some of it was drowned out by high water, while much more was damaged so that it is yellow and small. On account of continued wet weather many fields intended for beans are being summer fallowed. In some cases it has been difficult to weed and thin the sugar beets yet, but if ordinary conditions prevail, the prospects will be good for a fair yield.

R. B. Watson, representing the Michigan Telephone Co., has been busy in our midst equalizing telephone rates, which, to say the least, were decidedly out of proportion. Some subscribers are paying $24 per year while others for the same instrument, a long distance solid back telephone, the best that inventive genius and experienced machinists can make, are paying only $12. This is not right and the company knows it. What Mr Watson proposes to do is to secure new contracts, put all subscribers on the same paying basis, i. e., $15 per year, which is a very low price for the service rendered. All who will still use the old fashioned Blake transmitter can do so if they choose; but really a Blake transmitter is a back number. There is as much difference between a Blake and a "solid back long distance" phone as there is between a Blake and no phone at all. You pay your money and take your choice.

Village Improvement Notes

Home and Flowers says: "Let the pansies rest if the weather is hot and dry. Cut away the old growth and remove the buds. Then in the cool September they will blossom like young plants."

Memorial forestry is a new thing in statecraft. It has started in front of the State Department building at Washington. Memorial trees are to be set in memory of great men and many of these living monuments are in place.

The Social Service club of Kansas City has collected $1,000 to form a prize fund in the interest of lawns, flower and vegetable gardens.

The Village Improvement society of Idaho Falls, Idaho, has a club of seventy of the leading women of the city. Fifty rudbish boxes, through their influence, have been distributed over the city, regularly emptied at public expense.

Excursion to Los Angeles and San Francisco, Cal., via Grand Trunk Railway System.

Tickets on sale August 1st to 7th inclusive. Return limit September 30th. 50c extra charge for execution of ticket for return trip. For further information call on local agent, or write to Geo. W. Vaux, A. G. P. & T. A., Chicago, Ill.

Summer complaint is unusually prevalent among children this season. A well developed case in the writer's family was cured last week by the timely use of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy,—one of the best part cut medicines manufactured and which is always kept on hand at the home of ye scribe. This is not intended as a free puff for the company, who do not advertise with us, but to benefit little sufferers who may not be within easy access of a physician. No family should be without a bottle of this medicine in the house, especially in the summer-time.—Lansing, Iowa, Journal. For sale by Whitehead & Mitchell.

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