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THE PUBLISHERS.

HOME NOTES.

The Exchange Bank opens every morning at 8 o'clock standard time and closes every day at 4 o'clock standard time; Sundays and holidays excepted.

'Tis colder.

A Happy New Year.

Almost time for that January thaw.

Have you noticed that the days are getting longer.

Harry Bayley, of Chicago, is visiting his sister, Mrs. Zylpha Smith.

Miss Zoe Spencer will enjoy the holidays at her home in Linden, Mich.

School teachers are all away to their respective homes for the holiday vacation.

Roosevelt is not the first President of the United States who worked on a canal.

A. MacDougall, from Cedarville, Wis., is home with his family for the holidays.

Don't forget the entertainment for Rest-room January 11. Full particulars later.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. Church will meet with Mrs. Worth on January 4.

A public telephone in the D. U. R. waiting depot will soon be installed at Royal Oak.

Miss Anabelle Corson enjoyed a home Christmas from her school dutiee, way down in Ohio.

Don't forget the Jubilee singers at the M. E. church next Thursday evening, January 3rd.

Regular meeting of O. E. S. Wednesday evening, January 2. Work. M. Gravelin, Secretary.

Have you got your 1907 calendar yet? Many of our merchants have them ready for distribution.

Bert Blakeslee, with his wife and family, spent a few days at Christmas at Father Blakeslee's.

'Tis mighty easy to criticise other people but how it cuts when the other people exercise, "Lex talionis."

Miss Mabel Camp is home from her visit with Detroit friends. She has been most royally entertained.

The closing year's party is given by the Birmingham Dancing Club at the Johnston-Shaw Hall this (Friday) evening.

Miss Mabel Zimmerman, of Owosso, has been visiting friends here, making her headquarters at Mrs. Elizabeth Randall's.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Bortle ate Christmas dinner and enjoyed a few day's visit with Henry Parry and wife of Detroit.

The spelling in the President's message was simplified, but his desires expressed in it were as numerous and complex as ever.

Troubles have not come singly to poor San Francisco. Earthquake, fire, Schmitz, labor unions, the Japanese and now the Big Stick.

FOUND—Between Birmingham and Pontiac, parcel containing curtains, etc. Owner can have same by proving property and paying for this notice.

FOR SALE—Four pairs Mammoth Toulouse geese. $5.00 per pair, $7.00 per trio. Apply to David G. Fisher, Birmingham, Mich., R. F. D. No. 2. 4jan

Helped to eat the editor's turkey Christmas—Mrs. Caroline Utter and daughter, Miss Mary E., and Mrs. N. M. Corey and daughter, Miss Ida Belle.

Mrs. Roy Blakeslee and Miss Grace Blakeslee gave a Christmas supper to their primary Sunday School class of about 50 little tots, last Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Staley passed a happy Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. M. L. Cooper, at Drayton Plains. Roast duck with all the trimmings was one of the principal attractions.

D. C. Doyle and wife spent Christmas with their children in Detroit—the first Christmas in 42 years that they have wandered from their own fireside, this being D. C.'s 70th birthday.

There will be a silver-medal contest at the Southfield Reformed Presbyterian Church on Tuesday evening, January 1. A fine program is offered, well worth the 15c admission asked. You are invited.

The ladies of the M. E. church had a most successful sale of Christmas goods and gave a most satisfactory chicken-pie supper, last week Wednesday and cleared up almost $100. Very good, considering the many such functions just ahead of the good ladies.

Of Interest to Many.

Foley's Kidney Cure will cure any case of kidney or bladder trouble that is not beyond the reach of medicine. No medicine can do more. All druggists.

"There are 14 ways to hell," says Rev. W. R. Newell, and he might have added that the transportation facilities are pretty fair on all of the routes. No eating on either route. Take your choice.

The President is not at all worried over the criticism of his right to dismiss the army and navy whenever he feels like it. The thing that troubles him is that he cannot do the same with the Senate.

The very latest happy subscribers for the telephone are James L. Tod, 86L, and S. J. Curnow, 86J, both on Pierce Street, and after a wait of over a year, Alexander Parks is now in. Call him at 14J4.

Both Methodist and Presbyterian Sunday schools gave their pupils a Christmas tree and supper—a real old-fashioned Christmas celebration, and enjoyed by large crowds of happy youngsters.

Considering the increased cost of living and the decreased chances of making anything on the side without being caught, it does look as if a salary of $7,500 a year was not too much for a Congressman.

There are many striking examples of the value of good roads. Wherever roads have been permanently improved it has been found that there has been a very great increase in value of the adjacent property.

All conductors and motormen on this division of the D. U. R. have a warm spot in their hearts for Ashley Pond and wife, the generous couple having remembered "the boys" with a dollar each for Christmas.

Superintendent Bellis and wife will visit the Professor's parents at Mt. Pleasant for the holidays. Of the teachers, Miss Smith will go to Ypsilanti, and Miss Green will spend her time at Batavia, N. Y.

Miss Mary M. Wilson, sister of Harvey C., who came from Glendale College, Glendale, Ohio, to make a visit and enjoy Christmastide, is well satisfied with her visit. The other members of the family are happy also.

Miss Jessie Tolles, all the way from Lake Odessa, Mich., nearly 300 miles away, arrived here on the flyer for a Christmas visit with her father, Luther Tolles. She will remain two weeks, and is having a real good time.

The subject for Dr. Welton's sermon for next Sunday morning at the Baptist Church will be "The Second Coming of Christ." In the evening he will give his second lecture on Genesis. Subject, "The Fall of Man and Its Results." Everybody welcome.

J. P. Campbell, formerly of Troy, now of Kitchikau, Alaska, writes us of his being transferred from Sitka, Alaska, to the above mentioned place, and aside from a raise of $400, he quaintly adds that it is 400 miles nearer sunshine. Good enough.

For sale, or trade for sheep, 10 Durham cows, all due in the spring. These are all good milkers, and from 4 to 9 years old. Will also sell the Johnson farm of 86 acres—good farming land. Call on or address Thomas L. Cook, or at the farm in Southfield.

Eight fine building lots for sale cheap in the Buell Addition to Birmingham—six on Ann Street and two on Purdy Street. $10 down and $10 every three months until paid for. Drop a postal card to 425 Vinewood Avenue, and I do the rest. feb E. L. BUELL.

Miss Charlotte Blanding is a very sick young lady. She has pleuro-pneumonia. A consultation of physicians with her last Monday did not give much hope to the sorrowing relatives. Besides the best of physicians she has two professional nurses to attend her wants. We hope she will recover.

The merchants in Birmingham will do themselves proud and confer an everlasting favor on the farmers who come in from the west, by fixing up the watering trough at the handle-factory. It has been talked of for some time by the village authorities but somehow or other they dont get at it and the farmers need it.

There was a Christmas gathering of the Wilkinson family at the home of W. H. Wood on Christmas night. Every one present received a pleasant reminder of the occasion. D. B. Wilkinson called each by name, and "Buster" Wood entertained all in various ways. Everybody had a good time and went home happy.

Gambling is to be stopped in Pontiac. Sheriff Greer has said so, and what George says usually goes. All this starts from David A. Gould's action against the Pontiac Whist Club to recover some $2,500 from that company, which he now charges with gambling. Looks as though David was not a dead-game sport.

The Xmas tree, with the preliminary program for the little folks, was an entire success at the M. E. Church on Christmas Eve. Corlis Shotwell, as Santa Claus, kept the children and all happy, and with the exception of a few misplaced candy bags all went merry. Arms full and pockets full of presents and hearts full of good cheer.

Ardelle Babcock is the lucky boy—getting the fine coaster offered by I. Lee Truax. He was lucky, but his luck was supplemented by the hardest kind of work. Not satisfied with depending on his Birmingham friends (as were most of his competitors) he skirmished among the farmers for several miles around the village, and inducing them to use his coupons.

Long Tennessee Fight.

For 20 years W. L. Rawls, of Bells, Tennessee, fought nasal catarrh. He writes: "The swelling and soreness inside my nose was fearful, till I began applying Bucklen's Arnica Salve to the sore surface; this caused the soreness and swelling to disappear, never to return." Best salve in existence. 25c at Whitehead & Mitchell's and Cobb & Cobb's, druggists

Postage stamps of the issue of 1907, put on sale at the 6,000 Presidential postoffices, will bear on their face the name of the State and city in which the postoffice is situated. The chief reason of this innovation is said at the Postoffice Department to be the belief that it will help to do away with the big postoffice robberies and make it much easier to trace criminals.

When the high-minded philanthropists and much befogged and one-sided and one-minded critic's abuse the President for discharging the colored soldiers who shot up the town of Brownsville in Texas and killed innocent people and wounded women and children, they fail to ask themselves, "What would we do if those soldiers had killed our own friends." Officers are supposed to keep peace and protect all citizens. The receiver of stolen goods is equally guilty with the thief when he knows the goods were stolen.

Bert Brown, aged 17, son of Willard Brown, of Oakland township, was instantly killed early Saturday morning at Thurston's crossing, which is also known as "Dead Man's" crossing, because of the number of accidents there. It is two miles north of Goodison and five miles from Rochester. This young man was a general favorite and would have graduated from the Oxford school next year. The horse he was driving was instantly killed and the buggy scattered. The boy was thrown 50 feet and badly mangled by the Michigan Central flyer.

THE ECCENTRIC dipped into the calendar business this year, just to see if we could handle that line, and do the work as well as others. We find by comparison we can save our dealers just one-third on their purchases in many cases, and can save to them from $1 to $4 on every order. Don't place your 1908 order until you have seen our new line of samples which we will show as soon as they are issued. We shall make a specialty of calendars for 1908. Watch our smoke. We have just turned out some very fine calendars for 1907 for J. M. Lawson, of Royal Oak, and Exchange Bank, Chas. J. Reynolds and Frank Hagerman, all of this village. This is our first effort in this new line, and we are glad to say we gave the very best of satisfaction to our patrons, and in each case saved them a good bit of money. We shall make a greater effort in 1907 for 1908 business.

We have been talked about for printing several items of news about people who live here, or have lived here that "brought disgrace upon other members of the family." We did not bring the disgrace. If the father, mother, sister or brother had conducted themselves in the proper manner, we would not have been able to print those disagreeable article. Do not blame us for the misdeeds of your friends or relatives. We are here to print the news and we are going to do it. You and your friends should keep your fingers where they belong if you do not want them pinched. If you think what we publish is not true, we invite you to make us prove it, but if you don't want us to publish your misdeeds, quit your meanness. It is the duty of every decent paper to make an effort to improve the morals of the community in which it is published. Some have one way of doing this and some another. We believe in publicity.

The weekly country paper has as definite an excuse for being in the world as can be furnished by the city dailies. Such a publication is not only a business guide, but is a pulpit of morals; it is kind of a public rostrum where the affairs of the state are considered; it is a supervisor of streets and roads; it is a social friend, a promotor of friendship and good will. Edited by a broad and just man, such a publication so treats the different sects that they realize their brotherhood and become in reality what they are pictured in print, the town would dare not be Presbyterian, or Methodist, or Baptist, but must select the valuable in each church, and thus it becomes the harmonizer of discord. It binds those whom theology would often separate. Even the so-called small matters of a village or incorporate town are small only to those whose hearts are full of personal interest. It is very important if some school boy reads a good essay, or speaks well a piece, or sings well a song, or stands high in the class room, that kind of mention should be made publicly of such success, for more young minds are injured by the want of cheering words than are made vain by excess of such praise.

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State of Michigan, the Probate Court for the County of Oakland. At a session of said Court, held at the Probate office in the City of Pontiac, in said county, on the 5th day of December, A. D. 1906. Present, Hon. Joseph S. Stockwell, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of

HENRY SALISBURY, Deceased.

John A. Starr, administrator of said estate, having filed in said Court a petition praying for license to sell at private sale the interest of said estate in certain real estate therein described.

It is ordered that the 5th day of January, A. D. 1907, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition; *it is further ordered* that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

JOSEPH S. STOCKWELL, Judge of Probate.
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METHODIST—Rev. W. A. Kishpaugh, Pastor. Sabbath services—Preaching at 10 a. m. and 6:30 p. m.; class meeting at 11 a. m.; Sunday school at 11:30 a. m.; Epworth League devotional meeting at 5:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday, at 7:30 p. m. Official Board meets first Monday evening of every month. Ladies' Aid Society meets first Friday afternoon of every month. Business meeting of Epworth League last Saturday evening of every month. All standard time. All are welcome to these services.

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