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THE PUBLISHERS.

HOME NOTES

Coasting, catching on bobs, skating, etc. are the sports of this country just now.

Northville has done what every town ought to do, it has put its wires under ground.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence McHugh, of Royal Oak, spent Sunday with relatives at Orion.

Mrs. Grace Eno and child, of Milford, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Davenport.

WANTED:—to buy a farm of 40 acres or more. State location, price, etc. Address, Lock Box 6, Birmingham, M.

The Ladies Aid of the M. E. church will meet at the home of Mrs. Shotwell on Friday p. m., Feb. 7th. Supper 15 cents. All are welcome.

We have certainly been enjoying a most delightful winter so far. Not yet has the old thermometer seen zero and all in all it is a dandy winter.

Capt. Still and wife have been entertaining a gentleman from Saginaw for a few days, an old employee of the Capt. and all had a pleasant time.

Fred Mallender is now recovering from a severe attack of the grip. A doctor twice a day means sickness and Fred is one of the boys that don't lay down until he has to.

The Ladies' Auxilliary of St. James Church will hold its next regular meeting with Mrs. L. W. Snell, Thursday, February 6, at 2:30 p. m. A full attendance is requested.

The Holly Advertiser was issued a day late last week, owing to the editor getting caught in the snow drifts of Sanilac county. Better put a "sub" on when walking for your health in the back districts.

When our women went to Lansing, they took with them 175,000 indivual signatures besides petitions from women's clubs and other organizations aggregating 100,000 more. Yet they say woman don't want to vote.

Morris Levinson, proprietor of Birmingham's Department store, with his son, Aaron, are off on a two months trip to Cuba. During his absence R. H. Weller will run the business in his usual successful and pleasant manner.

Miss Edith Shotwell, of Woodward ave., the other day slipped and fell in front of the M. E. church, and fell to the walk. Hat, hat pins, etc. flew to the four winds and as a result of the accident, the young lady had to take to her bed for a few days.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary society, of Franklin, will meet with Mrs. Dover at the parsonage for dinner, Thursday, Feb. 6th. They will also hold their annal thank-offering bazaar. All members are please requested to furnish some article to be sold. A cordial invitation is extended to every one.

Why not Birmingham? Many of the small towns are making the children happy by flooding vacant lots, thereby converting them into skating rinks. The children enjoy it, mothers are relieved of the anxiety of having the little ones in dangerous places. It would take our marshal but little time and would take but little water.

The segregation of saloons in Tennessee has caused a rise in the value of property in the district from which the saloon has been banished. There are only five cities in the state where liquor is sold and in one of these a collection for temperance work, at an evening meeting brought in $7,500. Even the legislature is strong for prohibition.

What do you think of this? A Woodward ave. young lady after a party out in the country one night recently, reached home at four a. m. The key hole wouldn't fit the key, try as hard as ever she could and so the dear child just stood and "friz" in the vestibule, until seven, when those inside woke up and let the lady in. Talk about the chillness of a step mother's breath.

Louis J. Roy writes home from Albuquerque, New Mexico, of this safe arrival in that country, and all are safely housed, and living, and he is encouraged as to his health. Louis' experience with the natives there, is, that they are grasping and mercenary. We hope he will continue to recover and soon te able to write back that he is well. He has a host of friends here all wishing him the same.

Every lover of dogs should read Sarah K. Bottno's "Our Good Friend the Dog." Girls who like the works of Susan Coolridge will be glad to read, "A Greensey Lily." E. Chapney has written about Vassar girls and now she gives us "Six Boys and A Daughter of the Hugnenots." Ask for them at the library. Edward Everett Hale, the venerable chaplain of Congress has a little book of poems entitled "For Fifty Years." Perhaps you would like to look it over.

Mrs. Frank McHugh, has been on the sick list.

Have you noticed Blanch Heth and her sleighing outfit. Beats a Russian establishment all hollow.

The regular meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held at the home of Mrs. Utter, Thursday, Feb. 6th at 2 p. m.

Notice — The rent for your Safety Deposit box is now due. Kindly call at the Exchange Bank, and pay for 1906.

WANTED:—to exchange flat building in Detroit, annual rental $2600, for farm and part cash. Address, Lock Box, 44, Birmingham, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Shippy arrived in town the 23rd and will spend a month with their daughter, Mrs. Frank Stiffler. All are having a good visit.

The Ladies Aid of the Baptist church will hold their monthly business meeting and dinner at the home of Mrs. Jackson, Wednesday, Feb. 5th. Meet at Mrs. Kinnesten's at 10:30 standard time.

Mrs. Mary Butler, of Detroit, a reader who has had charge of the temperance contests will give an entertainment at the U. P. church, in Southfield, Feb. 7th (Friday). Admission 15cts. Everybody come.

The regular monthly meeting of the Missionary society of the First Presbyterian church will meet at the home of Mrs. T. A. Ward, Feb. 5th. Topic, "The Indians," leader Mrs. Hemenway. Gentlemen are invited for tea.

NOTICE — The party who took George Hurlburt's pocket book and the seventeen dollars last Saturday forenoon, off from John Hanna's counter, had better return it at once or stand exposure and prosecution, as the party is known.

The B. H. S. Sigma Tau sorority gave their annual party last Friday evening. This year they gave a theatre party and twenty-two of the young ladies, with their Matron, Mrs. W. D. Clizbe, saw Robert Mantell in "Macbeth" at the Detroit Opera House. The play was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

"Who's who in America and England for 1908," called by the Nation the best reference book of the year, can be found at the Library. All American and English and a few other celebrities are included. All of the authors books are given; his home, his family, his sports, his address and country clubs.

Seventy happy couples enjoyed the dance of the year at the K. P. party, Tuesday evening. Finney's orchestra furnished sweet music, refreshments were served and every one, like one big family pitched in and certainly did enjoy the party. Dr. N. T. Shaw is the only male demonstrator of the new barn dance.

At last Tuesday's meeting of the Woman's Literary club, a paper on "The Art Education in America," was given by Miss Baldwin. "A Study of Ant Life" by Mrs. McClelland. "The Coldwater School," by Mrs. C. J. Hupp. The club accepted the invitation of Mrs. Hemenway to meet with her during the month of February.

The Fortnightly Club, a society of Detroit's finest young people, aside from having a meeting every two weeks, once a year have a dazzler. This year their annual outbreak came to Birmingham, where just 50 couples came last Friday evening, brought Finzell's band with them and danced until two a. m. Two special cars carried the happy tired 100 home — but hold! In the flurry of getting away, two couples were left, and consternation seized their souls. But good John Barkley, supt. of the D. U. R. took a car and ran it himself down to the city with the tardy ones. Well! What do you think of that. Another good thing to say about this fine 100, after leaving, only two cigarette stubs and a cigar stub were left, showing that the young men were a clean crowd.

The L. O. T. M. M. Hive is very busy just now, last Saturday p. m., fifteen of the Mary D. Hive took in the Lyceum theatre in a body and all enjoyed a most hearty laugh over the funny antics of "Bizzy Izzy." Just a short time ago, this Hive's new officers were installed by Lady Grand Commander, Sarah J. La Tour, of Detroit. A social event was made of this gathering, followed by a banquet. After every body had wined and dined to their fullest capacity Lady Georgia Wilson, in a neat speech on behalf of the Mary D. Hive No. 393? presented Past Lady Commander, Anna M. Parks, with a solid silver meat fork. After the surprise and congratulations were over, the Past Commander, Lady A. M. Parks, on behalf of Mary D. Hive, presented Grand Commander Sarah J. La Tour a sterling Birmingham souvenir spoon, which was a surprise for the recipient. The evening was a splendidly arranged gathering of many surprises and all left for their respective homes pleased and happy.

Miss Emma Smith, aged 25 years, elder daughter of Fred D. Smith, and grand-daughter of Mrs. Mortimer Smith, of Hamilton avenue, was instantly killed by a run-a-way horse some two weeks ago, at Santicoy, Cal. This estimable young lady was on a visit to her sister, Miss Winnifred, who is a school teacher, at Santicoy. Towards evening of the day she was killed, a young gentleman friend invited Miss Emma for a short drive behind a very spirited horse. While getting into the vehicle, the horse broke away and ran at a fearful speed. It is thought the helpless victim fainted, and fell out of carriage, breaking her neck and dying instantly. Many of our readers will remember these two pretty little girls, who lived with Grandma Smith, some seven years, and went to California to live with father, about 15 years ago. Both the young ladies were here on a visit four years ago, and were very popular. The relatives here have the sympathy of all in their sorrow and bereavement.

The serious illness of Mrs. Wm. Parks on Maple ave. still continues. She is a very sick lady and at times it has seemed that it would only end fatally. At this writing, she is comfortable and being cared for, by her two daughters.

Quite a number from here attended the O. E. S. meeting at Pontiac Monday evening. The Pontiac Chapter entertained members from Detroit, New York, Clarkston, and Birmingham. The Detroit Chapter did the work beautifully, after which an elaborate lunch was served in their dinning rooms.

You won't need spectacles to see and read the wonderful bargains that Volney Nixon is offering our people on the last page of this paper. The careful and sharp buyer in this town always waits for Mr. Nixon's announcement. This year Nixon has cut and slashed prices away down so low that it really is almost beyond believing. You will have to carry the cash with you in taking advantage of his most generous offers. Read the advt. all through and then run for Volney's.

The Oakland County Teachers' Institute will be held the week of Feb. 3rd, with three sessions daily. Institutes will be held as follows: Monday at Commerce, Tuesday at Novi, Wednesday at Milford, Thursday at Clarkston, Friday at Oxford, Saturday, a teachers rally at the Court House in Pontiac. Prof. P. A. Barbour, of the Michigan State Normal college will be present. It is hoped that all teachers of the county will be present and come prepared to join the society.

Last Friday evening the Masons had work on the Third. A banquet followed and a genuine good time was enjoyed by all present. Toasts and speeches followed, to the hearty satisfaction of all members of old 44. During the evening a Master's Jewel was presented to retiring Master, Ellsworth Randall, Dr. Jamieson doing the talking necessary to the art, in his usual happy manner. Brother Randall was taken by surprise but was able to say "Thank You" in a few happy words. Birmingham Lodge No. 44 and Master D. M. Johnston have a pleasant and prosperous year ahead of them. Good.

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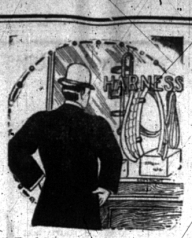

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State of Michigan, County of Oakland, ss. Notice is hereby given, that by an order of the Probate Court for the County of Oakland, made on the 26th day of December A. D. 1907, four months from that date were allowed creditors to present their claims against the

Estate of William Erity,

Late of said county, deceased, and that all creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said Probate Court, at the Probate office in the City of Pontiac, for examination and allowance, on or before the 27th day of April next, and that such claims will be heard before said Court on Monday, the 27th day of April next, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon of that day.—Dated December 26, A. D. 1907.

(A true copy.) JOSEPH S. STOCKWELL, Judge of Probate.
ROSS STOCKWELL, Probate Clerk. an3-4t

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COMMISSIONERS' NOTICE.

In the matter of the estate of Edward B. Schanhite, deceased. The undersigned having been appointed by the Honorable Joseph S. Stockwell, Judge of Probate in and for the County of Oakland, State of Michigan, Commissioners to receive, examine and adjust all claims against said estate, and four months from the 30th day of December, A. D. 1907, having been allowed by said Judge of Probate to all persons holding claims against said estate, in which to present them to us for examination and adjustment, notice is hereby given that we will meet on the 2d day of March, 1908, and on the 30th day of April, 1908, at 10 o'clock a. m. of each day, at the late residence of Edward B. Schanhite, deceased, in the Township of Bloomfield, in said county, for the purpose of receiving and adjusting said claims.

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Commissioners.
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Estate of Lancelot B. Dawson,

Late of said county, deceased, and that all creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said Probate Court, at the Probate office in the City of Pontiac, for examination and allowance, on or before the 4th day of May next, and that such claims will be heard before said Court, on Monday, the 4th day of May next, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon of that day.—Dated January 3, A. D. 1908.

JOSEPH S. STOCKWELL,
(A true copy.) Judge of Probate.
ROSS STOCKWELL, Probate Clerk. 10jan-7feb

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