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THE PUBLISHERS.

HOME NOTES.

Her arms were soft and round,
He said,
And that is why he lost
His head.

He really can't be blamed
A speck—
Her arms were soft, and round
His neck.

Birmingham, the dry town.

Attention! Mo. 93 R. A. M. Regular convocation Monday evening, April 13, '08. J. A. Bigelow, sec'y.

The W. F. Missionary society of the M. E. Church meets with Mrs. Guy Watkins Thursday, April 16th.

FOR RENT—On Pierce street, Birmingham, the residence recently occupied by Ward H. Lessiter. Inquire of Mrs. Fuller, owner. tf

Mrs. H. Wilson is collecting for the Rest Room at Pontiac and it is hoped that every woman in this township will send in a contribution.

Czar of Russia Oats for seed, also some nice barley at C. G. Parks. Prices reasonable. Address C. G. Parks, Birmingham, R. F. D. No. 1. 2t

Wanted—Board and room in modern house for gentleman and boy. State price and kind of accomodations. Address J. H. Sanford, 972 Warren ave., Detroit, Mich. 2t

It is said that the white plague is increasing in Michigan and that if our expectoration laws are not better enforced the rate will soon be one in three instead of one in seven.

Mr. John Crawford is seriously ill with erysipelas at the home of his brother, Frank, at Walnut Lake. He but recently left Crystal River, Florida for his home in Bloomfield, but was taken ill before he reached home. Dr. Galbraith is attending him.

Mrs. Zilpha Simmonson is home from Bancroft, where she has pleasantly passed the winter. She is now caring for the sick people at J. McBride Milwaukee ave., Detroit. Mr. McBride is in very poor health and his son, Louis, is in a very bad condition as regards his health.

Out on the Franklin road last week a dear old lady had just handed a hobo a nickel and smilingly asked, "Now what will you do with it?" His answer ought to be recorded for he said, "Well ye see mum, if I buy an auto, there ain't enough left to hire a shofur, so I guess I'll get a schooner, I can handle that myself.

Mr. and Mrs. Nixon royally entertained the Lady Maccabees of the World at one of their famous pedros recently. The house was filled with friends and here Mrs. Noble Gravelin and Frank Ash won first prize and Mrs. Gardiner and George Newman consolation. Refreshments were served by the guards.

The ladies' church society of the First Presbyterian church will meet at the home of Mrs. George Furgeson on Wednesday of next week. All those having the yard of pennies will kindly bring them on that day as all strips are expected to be turned in by that time. A cordial invitation is extended to all, gentleman for tea.

Park E. Davis & Co., of Detroit, are looking after blooded stock for experimental purposes and of course came to Birmingham, where they know the best is to be had. Arthur Groves has just sold them four head of his blooded Guernseys at a good round figure. He has quite a herd of this choice stock and has several more sales in view.

On account of the leap year advantage she had just popped the question to a Southfield lad last Sunday. He had respectfully declined and hastily added, "But I shall always be a brother to you," he murmured. "Well if I had any use for a brother," she replied sweetly, "I could reach under the sofa and get one right now."—and she could.

FOR SALE—2 Velvet carpets as good as new, 2 bed steads, springs, and mattresses, 1 commode, 1 decorated chamber set, 1 decorated dinner set, 1 extension table, dinning chairs, rocking chairs, 1 upholstered skirt box or chest on casters, 1 four burner gasolene stove as good as new, 2 base burner stoves, 2 hanging lamps, 16 yares linoleum, 1 sewing machine, and several other articles. Mrs. C. T. Beardslee at R. H. Weller's Southfield ave. 2t

A new firm in town. You will note the new advt. of Peter Kerr & Son in this issue. This new firm will keep at all times for sale a full line of fresh staple and fancy groceries and are ready at all times to promptly supply the smallest order. A line of crockery will also be on hand. They are easily settled in the Ford block and will be pleased to have all their freinds call. Telephone your orders No. 128 and see how quickly and satisfactorily Bert will "get there."

The April "Outlook" can be found at the library.

Please do not wait to be called on but send in your cemetery dues at once.

Nice housekeeping rooms for rent. Inquire of Mrs. Mortimer Smith, Hamilton avenue. 2t

Mr. and Mrs. L. As Sherman, of Port Huron, visited her brother, T. A. Ward over Sunday.

Quite a collection of books has been given to the library by Mrs. Bertha Bigelow Neff.

After May 1st you will have to drink your own tonic at home, out of the cellar—or a bottle.

FOUND—A ladies fur muff. Owner can be put next to finder by calling at this office, laying down a quarter to pay for this notice.

If you are interested in forestry or the best ways to preserve lumber, you can find any amount of literature on the subject at the library.

Rev. Rapson, of Pontiac, will preach at the Baptist church next Sunday morning and evening. A cordial invitation is extended to all to come and be with us.

Harry L. Pierson and wife have returned home after a winters' vacation at Bat Cave, N. C. Their many friends are glad to see them back again in dear old Birmingham.

74 majority. Oakland county gave for a dry county. Many a voter in Bloomfield before the two years are up will be pawing the ground and champing their bit to vote back again.

At the next meeting of the village board, there will no doubt be a clean-up day appointed, and on that day, the Village Improvement Society will remove ashes. Many requests are coming in.

The Log Cabin Sunday school will have a maple sugar social at Arthur Groves' Friday evening, April 10th. Everybody come and eat your fill of the finest and best maple sugar you ever tasted.

The Methodist supper given at the home of Mrs. Wm. Eugene Smith was the finest event of the season. The large house was filled to a crush, everybody had a fine supper, and everybody praised the event and the ladies most interested praised the crowd for leaving nearly $25.

Contrary to our doubts and fears the Presbyterian ladies on Election day increased their treasury nearly $40. The men were hungry, generous and delighted with their dinners and suppers. Frank German felt so non-plussed after he got home to think he had eaten so much for a quarter, he walked clear back and gave the delighted ladies a dollar bill. "Bess his generous heart!"

The past week has been a boomer for the real estate branch of the Exchange Bank. On Tuesday they sold to S. E. McKinney lots 32, 33, 34, 35 and 36 of the Whitehead & Mitchell addition, and on Wednesday sold the Bloomfield Mills, at Birmingham, for Satterlee & Burtraw to N. J. Maugh, of Marine City. These sales are in addition to that of the C. A. Kelley's farm notice elsewhere. Seems like that was going some.

The Womans' Literary club met with Mrs. Whitehead Tuesday last. Items on forestry were given for roll call. Mrs. Bigelow read a paper on "Kemberly and the Diamond Mines." A paper was read by Mrs. McClelland on "The Kings of the Rand," Mrs. Whitehead read a paper on "Madagascar and other Islands," a paper was also given by Mrs. Shaw, "Rhodesia, Victoria Falls, Ancient Ruins." The meeting adjourned to meet in one week with Mrs. Hulbert.

The ladies' church society of the First Presbyterian church will meet with Mrs. George Furgeson on Wednesday, April 15th. This is the meeting we are to have the yards of pennies brought in. We would be glad to have all come that have yards of pennies on hand then to some of the members. Gentleman are invited for tea. Come and have a social time.

Eight members from Camp 6522, M. W. A., took Charles Boughner and our old friend, John Barclay, Supt. of the D. U. R., to Pontiac last Thursday evening, where the Pontiac boys initiated the candidates into the mysteries of Woodcraft. All enjoyed a good time even the canidates. Can they chop? Ask John. This lodge is rapidly increasing in members, it is not only the largest, but the best insurance order in the United States, having now over a million members.

Real estate is surely booming in and about Birmingham. Recently has been made the sale of the C. A. Kelley farm of 40 acres in Troy to Mr. George Reynolds; the William Edgar farm of 57½ acres in Royal Oak township to Jacob Stumpf; and a house and lot on the east side of Stanley avenue, Birmingham, for Judge Spier, of Mt. Clemens, guardian, being sold to Mrs. Nettie Beekman, of Birmingham. These salee were made by the real estate department of the Exchange Bank. If you have property to sell, list it with the bank and if you want to buy, look the large list over and see if there isn't anything that will interest you.

Those Wedding Bells! On Monday evening at 7 o'clock p. m., at the home of Mrs. A. J. Morrow, of Birmingham, occurred the marriage of her daughter, Eusabia E. to Clarence Conway. The beautifully arrayed bride, was accompanied by Lila Rear, of Northville, as bridesmaid. The groom was attended by the bride's brother, Orville Morrow, of Albion college. The ceremony was performed by the bride's pastor, Rev. W. A. Kishpaugh, following the Wedding March, played by Gladys, sister of the bride. This happy couple are most highly esteemed in this vicinity, and all agree in wishing them a happy career.

T. B. Smith has bought the beautiful home of H. A. Poppleton on Maple ave. and will soon move to their new home. Mr. Smith will soon engage in business in our village and we are glad that Birmingham is not going to lose this popular couple.

An excellent baseball game will be played between the Buster Brown Sluggers, of Birmingham, and the Cadets, of Detroit, Saturday at 3 o'clock standard time. Follow the crowd to the foot of Bates street. Everybody welcome. Come.

During Holy week there will be a service in St. James' church every morning at 10 o'clock, except that on Good Friday the hour will be 9:30 in order that those who wish may more conveniently reach the city in time for the Three Hour services.

Say you lovers of fishing can you go by Ed. O'Neal's show window and not buy? We doubt it. His window shows a fine display of seasonable goods, fishing tackle, base balls, bats, etc., etc. His display of reels of all kinds and base ball bats would honor a Detroit Woodward avenue display.

You wont fail to read the auction sale advt. of Mrs. Valentine Groth, who who lives on the Stephen Newman farm, one-half mile east, and one-quarter mile south of Clawson, to be held Tuesday April 14th. '08, at 9:30 a. m. Lunch at noon. M. H. Blunt, auctioneer. See big bills, and read the ad. Do it now.

A change has been made at Larkspur in the care takers. Mr. H. J. Myers after three years of faithful service, has resigned to go back to his old home and his place is filled by Mr. William Bayliss, an English gardner of note and of many years experience in Old England. Under his care, experience and skilled labor "Larkspur" will be a wonder and admiration of all who pass by, not to mention the many guests who will enjoy the genuine hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wendell.

Wanted Sealed Proposals for Construction of School House

The Building Committee of District No. 2 Royal Oak, will receive sealed bids up to noon, April 15, A. D. 1908, for the erection of a new school building, said bids to conform to the following specificatie ns:

All walls to be ten inches thick, with two-inch air space. One chimney with eight by eighteen flue; said chimney to start from foundation, to be lined with chimney crock; at bottom of chimney there shall be constructed a soot pan of same proportions as flue. Good sharp sand to be used for mortar. The foundation shall be of Portland cement, five to one; from bottom of trench four feet high, one foot thick, and shall be blocked from grade line to brick work. All bricks to be used, to be No. 1 red brick, said brick to be 2x4 eight inches long. The middle wall of said building shall be the same as foundation. The building to be twelve feet between joists. All joists used in said building shall be 2x10 hemlock, to be of good material; all joists to be 16 inches from center to center, braced every four feet. First floor to be one-inch hemlock, laid diagonal fashion; main floor to be No. 1 hard maple, ¾ inch thick. Said building is to be wainscoted two feet ten inches from floor with Southern pine, No. 1 material. All inside walls shall be plastered with hard-wall finish; two coats; gypsum hard-wall finish to be used on all inside walls. All window and door sills and caps shall be of limestone; window sills to be six inches thick; window caps to be four inches thick; wrought-iron plates 1x4 inches shall be used on both walls; all door sills to be 8x12; door caps shall be six inches thick, with one and a half-inch wrought-iron plates to project one foot in wall each side of door. There shall be one outside double-door, two inches thick, two feet six inches wide, to swing both ways, with three four-inch brass butts. All partitions shall be 2x4 lathed and plastered, and the clothes room shall be 8x6 each side of hall, and there shall be one single 2 ft. 8 door leading from clothes room to school room, to swing both ways, and there shall be one door 2 ft. 8x6 ft. 6, from the entry to each clothes room, to swing each way. There shall be one double-door leading from entrance to school room, 1½ inches thick, five feet wide, to swing both ways, with three-inch brass butts. All windows to be 14x20 double strength glass, double sash, to be hung on weights; windows to have lift and side locks. Outside platform to be 8x12, four inches thick of concrete. Steps to be same as platform, five to one of cement. Rafters to be 2x6 inches, to be placed 16 inches from center to center. Roof boards to be No. 1 hemlock. Shingles to be No. 1 red cedar, to be laid four and one-half inches to the weather. All cornice lumber to be No. 1 white pine. Said building is to be 28x40 inside. Roof to be half pitch. Belfry to be lined inside with tin, to be in proportion to building, with a flagstaff 12 feet high from top of belfry. Building to be painted outside with white with green trimmings; inside to be Berry Brothers' hard-oil finish. There shall be four black-boards, 4x4, to be of black mortar. Outside door to be mortised lock, heavy. Said building to be completed August 1, 1908. Contractor to furnish a suitable bond for the construction of said building. Plans can be seen at George Dondero's place, on Main Street, Royal Oak village. The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

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Smith Bros & Hagerman will deliver hard coal in the village during April at $6.85 per ton. If cash is received with order, a futher reduction of 25c per ton will be made. 2t

FOR SALE—Quantity of dirt for grading. Inquire of E. C. Gardner, Birmingham. Phone 108 L. apr

Miss Mollie Beardslee has a parlor organ for sale. Inquire of Mrs. C. T. Beardslee at R. H. Weller's. 2t

FOR SALE—Two mahogany tables, 1 oak chiffonier, 1 oak sewing chair, good as new, 1 oak patent rocker, 1 high top black walnut bedstead, springs and mattress and feather bed, and gasolene stove used very little; inquire at this office. 2t

House and lot in Flint within four blocks of the Buick Motor Engine Works; worth $1800, can be traded for a house and lot of equal value in Birmingham, or will trade for 15 to 30 acres of farm land near Birmingham. Any one interested please call on Mitchell at the ECCENTRIC office. A machinist could get work at Buick's the year round at good wages. apr24

FOR SALE—25 Throughbred Brown Leghorn chickens, including two roosters. A. E. Rosso, Willow avenue, Birmingham. tf

FOR SALE—Old Trusty Incubator, 150 egg size, used one season and as good as new. Mrs. Ed. Schanhite apr10

FOR SALE—House and lot in Birmingham on Forest ave. Two blocks from electric line. Finished in oak, upper and lower story. Heated with new furnace both floors, gas, basement under all, bath room on first floor. For particulars address box 83 Birmingham. tf

AGENTS WANTED—16x20 crayon portraits 40c, frames 10c and up, sheet pictures one cent each. You can make 400 per cent or $35 per week. Catalogue and samples free. Frank W. Williams Company, 1208 W. Taylor st. Chicago, Ill. apr18

HOUSE TO RENT—Inquire of E. A. Parks. tf

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