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THE PUBLISHERS.

HOME NOTES

Did you go?

This is the last day of the 1908 State Fair.

Mrs. Nort McHenry has been very ill the past week.

Flower show at the school house Sept. 18th at 3:30 p. m.

E. L. Magner, of Buffalo, N. Y., is visiting at William Parks'.

S. J. Salyer and wife visited at the home of Rev. Salyer over Sunday.

Miss Nellie Baker returned Saturday from a ten days visit with Milwaukee friends.

Sermon themes of the Baptist church Sunday morning, "Our Hope," evening, "Reasoning Together."

The Aid society of the Baptist church at Mrs. Brown's last week was largely attended and greatly enjoyed.

Don't miss the musical given by Prof. Harry P. Saltzer next Tuesday evening Sept. 15th. Admission 15 cents.

Mrs. Jamieson left Wednesday for Toronto, where she will enjoy a visit with her son, Dr. Leonard Jamieson.

Mr. S. Bortel has fine early Crawford peaches that he raised from the seed itself and is a proud peacherino raiser.

Don't forget the food sale given by the Aid society of the Baptist church at Austin Parks' store on Saturday of this week.

The county officials may not be successful in enforcing the local option law, but the weather man insists on having a dry time.

The Ladies' Aid of the Baptist church will have a food sale at the store of Austin Parks, beginning at 10 a. m. Saturday, Sept. 12.

B. Y. P. U. prayer meeting of the Baptist church topic, "Commending our society by church attendance." Leader, Miss Jennie Todd.

Don't fail to read T. B. Smith's new advt. concerning lumber and coal. He has an office and yard in the Campbell sub-division and wants to see you.

Mrs. Frank E. Brooks left the first of the week for Toronto, Canada, where she will join Mrs. Fred G. Crawford, who is visiting her mother, Mrs. E. Parkinson.

Welcome guests at the home of Mrs. David Roy, on Brown street, are her brother, Joseph Casey, of Sanilac county, and Mrs. Deneen, and daughter, of Flushing.

The Ladies' Church Society of the First Presbyterian Church will meet at the home of Mrs. George H. Mitchell next Wendesday afternoon. Gentlemen are invited to tea.

On Thursday evening Mrs Carrie Clark entertained Detroit and Pontiac friends for Charles Chapmen, who left Friday for West Point where he will remain two years longer before returning home.

Any one needing the services of a first class piano tuner or repairs can do no better than to drop a card and call for F. W. Henrich, Highland Park, who is an expert in his profession and who makes the right prices.

The regular annual meeting of the Franklin Cemetery Association will be held in the Franklin church on Monday evening, Sept. 14th at 7:30 p. m. Every one interested in a lot are invited to be present and vote for officers for the coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. Theron B. Smith have donated to the public library a handsomely illustrated history of the Civil War also an atlas of the world and a handsome record of the Jameston Exposition containing maps and is valuable for reference.

James W. Kennedy, wife and two daughters, Josephine and Genevieve, of Columbus, Ohio, were the guests of Elmer Monro and family last week. After taking in the fair, theatres and all having a good time they returned home Saturday morning.

Vandalism is rampant in our little city. Some hoodlums upset the heavy cannon at the school house one day last week, throwing it from its cement foundation and breaking a corner off the stonework. We would think that this act would rank in equality with descerating our country's flag.

The State Fair this year beats all former records for profit, cash receipts, and attendance. Editor's day eclipsed all former day attendances. No doubt the country prices effectually aided in the good work. The State Fair promoters Messrs Postal, Slocum and Doherty have set a pace that perhaps will never be overcome, only by themselves. The Fair folks treated the Editor's handsomely, everything on the grounds belonging to the craft on Tuesday of this week. The ECCENTRIC sold 1,550 tickets and remitted to the FAir treasurer $465. Good work all along the line.

Let us encourage the love of flowers by attending the Flower show Sept. 12.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Goodman, of Southbend, Ind., visited Mrs. Nellie Camp the first of the week.

The Epworth League will soon give a home entertainment. The colored orchestra will be the drawing card.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Smith and Master Murray, of Hamilton, Ont., are spending the week with Mrs. MacDougall.

The Missionary offering made last Sunday at the Baptist church was probably the largest ever made by that church.

Mrs. E. J. Garver, of Indianapolis, Ind., is making an extended visit with her sister, Mrs. J. H. Bortle, of Maple avenue west.

Prof. Harry P. Saltzer will give his third annual musical next Tuesday evening, Sept. 15th at the M. E. Church, admission 15 cents.

Coming! The Southland Sextette Jubilee singers at the M. E. Church under the auspices of the Epworth League, Sept. 23rd.

Mrs. Clara Baker and daughters, Jessie and Nellie, were the guests of Mrs. G. H. Thomas, Watkins Lake, Sunday and Monday.

Mrs. Kerr slipped on a banana peel carelessly thrown on the sidewalk, and received a bad hurt, and she is not able to step on sprained ankle as yet.

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The annual meeting of Birmingham chapter, No. 220, O. E. S. will be held Wednesday evening Sept. 16. Election of officers and payment of dues. Mame Daniels, sec.

As the longer evenings come on, bring guests and children to the library. There are papers, magazines and books to look at and maps for the children to put together.

The Woman's Literary club will meet with Mrs. Bigelow Tuesday, Sept. 15th at 2 o'clock. It is Pioneer Day and it is hoped that each member of the club will meet their old friends.

Ladies of the Mary D. Hive 393 L. O. T. M. M., you are cordially invited to a basket picnic at Lady Mills' cottage Sept. 18th at Pine Lake. There will be boats to take you to the cottage. All members come and have a good time.

We have suffered from the evils of spitting on the sidewalk and knows how to sympathize with Rochester. Things are better here now, only now and then some one seats himself on a three inch ledge, obstructs the walk and spits on it, thinking one cannot see his filth.

A fire insurance policy will not prevent fires, but a policy in the Grand Old Hartford will help you in case you meet with a loss by fire. A health and accident policy will not prevent accident or illness, but a policy in the Aetna Health and Accident company, will help to pay bills and loss of wages, in case you meet such and have a policy with J. A. Bigelow, Agent.

We have been requested to say to the lovers who have taken the liberty to move the seat at the corner of Woodward avenue and Cemetery street, that the seat was placed there for the accomodation of persons waiting for the street car and that the Cemetery Association will make complaint against the persons interfering either with that or with any of the seats in the cemetery grounds.

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TEMPERANCE NOTES

THE MINISTER'S GUEST.

He Came in Hate; He Remained a Convert of Love.

The city was passing through a period of so-called reform. The minister had conducted an investigation, and preached a sermon in which he denounced the alliance of the officers of the law with the breakers of the law. There was protest, ridicule, charge of notoriety-hunting, a demand that he prove his statements, and then a feeble and spectacular attempt at reformation.

The minister's friends were divided in sentiment. Some said he had acted unwisely, others commended him, for his courage. A law-and-order league rallied to his support; money was contributed for the expenses of courts and publicity; some bad men were fined; a few notorious places were closed; the police assumed a temporary and reluctant vigilance; and the world moved on in its accustomed and indifferent way.

While the matter was at its height, the minister was advised to keep his study door locked, and to be sure that the janitor or some other person was within call whenever he was in his study, either alone or with an unknown caller; and the advice was not unreasonable, as two or three experiences proved. Yet the minister was unaccustomed to precautions of this

"Hold On, Joe! You're Not Going!"

character, and the way to his study from the street was well known and often traveled, both by good men and bad.

One day there came a knock at his door and he called: "Come!" There entered a heavy and determined looking man, much the worse for drink, whose menacing advance at once revealed the purpose of his call. The minister looked about for something to use in his defense, and saw nothing better than the ruler on his table, and that was neither heavy nor strong.

"Sit down," he said, but the man did not sit.

"I've come to see the man that has been telling those lies," said the visitor.

"Sit down," again said the minister "What is your name?"

The visitor answered with an oath.

But in that instant there came to the minister a recollection so swift it seemed a revelation, and he said: "I know your name. You are my college classmate, Joe Bailey."

The visitor stopped as if struck, and then asked: "Are you Billy Powell?"

"Certainly, I am," said the minister. "Didn't you know my name?"

"I knew the name, but it never occurred to me that Billy Powell had become a preacher. They'd sooner have thought it of me 20 years ago."

"So they would, Joe. Where have you been? They have asked after you at class reunions. They lost sight of you altogether. I didn't know what had become of you.

Joe's answer was a groan.

"I'd better go, Billy. I didn't know it was you. We don't have much in common."

"Yes, we have! We have memories in common, many of them. And that isn't all, Hold on, Joe! You're not going! We're going to get acquainted again!"

It was a sad story of a man whose brilliant life prospects had been wrecked by his bad habits, and who had dropped utterly out of the knowledge of his old friends, and become a fugitive from home and love and restraint. His life was not worth saving now, he said. He might as well finish it up in the way he had been going. But the old friend stood with his back against the door and would not let him go.

"Never, Joe!" he said. "I'll never consent to let you go to the bad. If you go, you shall not go friendless!"

A week later Joe, clothed and in his right mind, sat down to dinner in the parsonage with the minister's family. And then he set forth to win back his lost character by hard work and faith in God and the help of his old-time friend.

Learn to Cross the Road.

No limitation of speed can prevent accidents from occurring to people who will not use their common sense, and who do not know what it is to be systematic in their actions. It only remains for the carelessly inclined to be made to realize their individual responsibilities before accidents will be as rare on the roads as on the railways.—Automotor Journal.

Dangers of Sentiment.

It is useless trying to explain on sociological, psychological or other mysterious grounds the extraordinary number of crimes committed recently in this country. The cause of the crime wave is simply the suppression of capital punishment. Only fear of the guillotine will stay the arm of the criminal.—Petit Journal, Paris.

DUE TO A MOTHER'S GRIEF.

How the Blanche Ferry Sweet Pea Was Brought to Perfection.

There is an interesting story told by Paul Kirk in a recent issue of the Housekeeper, concerning the accidental discovery of the Blanche Ferry sweet pea. The story is this:

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When the funeral was over, the mother, stricken with grief, gathered from the old farm place a few seeds of the old Painted Lady sweet pea. These seeds she carried away with her to the poor little home by the stone quarry. There she planted them.

They flowered, and the mother saved some of the seed for another season's planting. From year to year, in this manner, the flowers were perpetuated and the memory of the child was kept beautiful. After 15 or 20 years the flowers had undergone a change—had taken on a new beauty, as fine as the sorrowing mother's devotion. They no longer resembled the old Painted Lady blossoms. The thin poor soil, with its large element of lime, had dwarfed the vine, but in compensation had given more abundant flowers, larger and brighter colored.

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ORDER FOR PUBLICATION—General.

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 29th day of August, A. D. 1908. Present, Hon. Joseph S. Stockwell, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of

ELI GILLETT, Deceased.

Almeron Whitehead, administrator of said estate having filed in said Court a petition praying for the examination and allowance of his final account and for the settlement of the estate.

It is ordered that the 28th day of September, A. D. 1908, 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,
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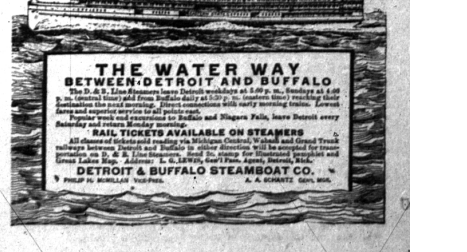

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