

Royal Oak

Latest From Our Sister Village

Dr. Graves was in Detroit on business last Saturday.

James Clinton, of Detroit, was a Sunday visitor in town.

Don't fail to attend the bovery dance at Lafayette Park July 30.

C. W. Gillson has been engaged as janitor for the coming year.

Miss Rosa Luth, of Birmingham, was a Sunday visitor in town.

Mrs. Potter, of Los Angeles, is visiting her niece, Mrs. F. P. Graces.

Mrs. Laura V. Linn was at Grange Pointe last week visiting relatives.

Mrs. John Formiller, of Detroit, visited relatives here the past week.

Isaac Brace returned Friday from a week's visit with relatives near Lansing.

Wm. McCavey is the proud owner of a new Buick, four seated, automobile.

Mrs. Wright, of Oxford, visited at the home of her son, R. T. Wright, Sunday.

Goats Dondoro went to Grange Pointe Sunday to see his brother who is quite sick.

Mrs. John Sullivan and children, of Detroit, visited friends in town last week.

Charles Mathews, of Pontiac, was in town last week fixing up his political fences.

Mrs. John Hamilton, of Pontiac, was the guest of her brother, Wm. Wilson, Sunday.

James and Robert Willson accompanied their father on his return to Owosso last week.

John Lawson's new house is well under way and will be a fine addition to Washington avenue.

Mrs. Fox, of Rochester, was a guest last week at the home of Mrs. M. J. Carley and Mrs. J. M. Lawson.

Why is it that some people take pleasure in making the streets and alleys look as ridiculous as possible?

Peter Serenson has recently reshingled his house and put in two new dormer windows, which greatly adds to the appearance of the place.

Are the citizens of our village willing to let another summer pass without taking some action on the waterworks question? Why not wake up?

The good roads proposition is being discussed considerably by our village citizens and it seems that they have no right to vote on a township question.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union met last Friday at the home of Mrs. Tom Bell. Plans were made for the annual open air meeting to be held next month. Full particulars will be given later.

Mrs. A. C. Campbell entertained the following friends from Detroit one day last week: Mrs. John Jones and children, Mrs. John Hutchins, Mrs. Charles Felker, Mrs. Grant Ferguson and Mrs. Wm. Briggs.

Henry Russell has moved here from the upper peninsula. He is a brother of R. A. Russell, of this place, and is well known by the older inhabitants of the place. We are pleased to welcome Mr. Russell among us.

Save your old newspapers and donate them to the W. C. T. U. This will help you to get rid of something that you do not want and it will also help the local union, as they will sell these papers when they have secured enough to make a car load. A committee, whose names we shall announce later, will have charge of this work.

The Sharpsteen Comedy and Medicine Co., that held forth here for a week, pulled up stakes Saturday night and removed to Farmington, where they will remain a week. They were a gentlemanly lot of people and made lots of friends here by their honest, upright dealings. We hope to see them here again sometime in the future.

Company from Washington at M. J. Carley's last week.

The annual Sunday school picnic of the Baptist church will be held at Palmer Park August 4. They will take the 9 o'clock car.

The annual Sunday school picnic of the Baptist church was held at Palmer Park Thursday, July 28. They took the 9 o'clock car and all enjoyed a good day's outing.

Oakland County club women are asked to donate a can of fruit or a jar of jelly to the new Oakland hospital. One basket of fruit has already gone from the Royal Oak Woman's club. Members of the club who have not already done so, may leave their contribution at the store with Mrs. Kidder and she will see that it is forwarded to the hospital.

SOME PRIZE WINNERS.
The stock department will be one of the big features of the State Fair this year, Sept. 19-24.

ANIMALS' POWER OF REASON
French Scientist Advances Arguments to Prove Their Possession of Thinking Mind.

Professor Lipinay, who has made long researches into the habits of domestic animals, in a lecture the other day at the new Dogs' and Cats' home near Rueil, said that he was convinced that animals have a certain amount of reasoning power. He declared that a simple kind of reasoning and reflex thought must be admitted to exist among them.

Cats, more than dogs, he said, learn to imitate their masters' voices. A pet canine has different ways of asking for different things; and their cries are really understood. This fact seems to prove that the animals make an effort to raise themselves to the level of human beings.

It is also well known that dogs, cats and birds have become familiar friends, understanding the meaning of certain words without a person's gesture. The intelligence of a bird, he compares to that of a child. If a strange canary is placed in a cage containing several others, all will stop their chirping and singing to look at the newcomer; and it has often been observed how one of the birds will pick a feather out of the stranger and bound away. This is merely to tease the intruder, as children are seen to do when strangers come among them.

As for animals in general, which are so clever. This cleverness Professor Lipinay attributes to habit rather than any particular intelligence.

PRETTY NEARLY CORRECT.
A school teacher in a lesson on orthology to her pupils one day, having been discoursing on the ostrich when in the day, suddenly broached the question to her class as to what bird "had wings and couldn't fly." All previous instruction was apparently cast to the winds and the little fellow gave the very ingenious reply: "A dead one, mam."

SMOKER WHO FOUND HIMSELF.
It is doubtful whether the confirmed smoker ever really enjoys smoking. The habit of becoming merely mechanical, M. Maeterlinck hit upon a happy expedient whereby he continued to enjoy the pleasure of his pipe and at the same time escaped against its injurious effects. He is, it appears, the slave to a habit "Without the help of tobacco," writes a recent biographer. "He seemed incapable of inspiration or crystallizing it in words. If he has not overcome the habit he has at least, it seems, king, he noticed, had lost its virtue as a stimulant, and instead of rousing the brain to activity, as at first, had so far along the lines of modern development as to contemplate such an enterprise. On the other hand, seeing that, so far as human beings have, he has electric lights already, and in view also of the fact that the far wistler Barada, the river of Damascus, could, though he did not, be easily converted to do the same work

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The second floor, on the other hand, is divided into five bedrooms, each rather small, yet large enough for all practical purposes. Each bedroom has a clothes closet in connection. The general design and exterior appearance of this house is of a type which right now is enjoying a great popularity. It is exceedingly simple,

It is sometimes quite a problem to design a house of medium size and moderate cost for a large family. If one is able to put up a residence of unlimited size with wings and alle and third-story additions, at the same time having no thought as to the cost, the task of the architect in providing suitable accommodations for all the members of a large household is comparatively easy. All he has to think of is the architectural effect, and other things being equal, the larger the house the more beautiful and imposing it is from an architectural standpoint. Unfortunately, however, or rather fortunately, the great majority of home builders in this country have to count the cost and have to figure to get the required accommodations in a residence of medium size and cost.

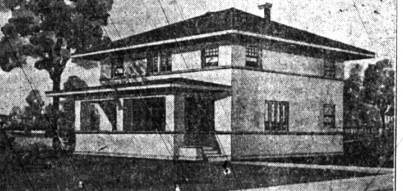
And it is just this which has brought the science of house planning to such perfection during the past four or five years. Architects have made a special study of the requirements of the small or medium sized residence, with the result that today American house planning has reached a degree of perfection never before equaled.

The house illustrated herewith is one of these designs. In size 29

feet 6 inches by 36 feet, and costing \$2000, this house gives ample accommodation for the most comfortable first floor is very little broken up, most of the space being given to the large living room, 13 by 23 feet, the dining room, 12 by 12 feet, and the kitchen, 10 by 10 feet. A central stair hall connecting these two rooms. Thus more than three-fourths

GETTING LIGHT FROM JORDAN
Scheme to Harness the Sacred River to Supply Electric Current for Cities of Palestine.

without denting the sacred stream, and it is to be hoped that the proposal may fall through. If, however, it is adopted, here will surely be light out of darkness, for the Jordan is the most fertile stream in all the near east.—Fall Mall Gazette.



of the entire downstairs space is available for the activities of the home life. The large porch, 23 feet 6 inches by 7 feet, forms a valuable addition also to this place.

W. NIXON'S Annual August Clean-Up of Summer Goods

These goods must be sold for cash only, and at prices less than they cost to manufacture.

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One lot Infants' 10c Hose at 7c per pair. Ladies' 25c Tan Hose at 19c per pair. Men's \$1.50 Dress Shirts at \$1.29. Men's Tan OxforDs, 11 to 2, \$2.00 value at \$1.39.

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EACH ELM COST PINT OF RUM
How the Shade Trees of Kittery Point Were Planted by Patriotic Citizens.

One of the most striking attractions of the old town of Kittery Point has long been her towering elms, says the Kennebec Journal. They are magnificent above trees of all other varieties and in summer with their foliage encompass her quiet streets in delicious green coolness, transform the fine old place into a veritable seashore fairyland, and last but not least entrance the summer visitor.

For nearly two miles along the highway, which for the most part follows the shore of the harbor, these splendid specimens rear themselves as fairly regular intervals, though the actual time past brought some of the monarchs crashing to the earth.

The story of the circumstances attending the planting of the giants, as it has been handed down from father to son, runs as follows: "Major Thomas Cutts, one of the old town fathers, who conducted a fishing business, foreign commerce, a store and a tavern in the famous Peppercorn mansion (which he conceived the very commendable idea of beautifying his native town by setting out trees.

"Accordingly in 1791 he gave one Samuel Blake the contract. Samuel's remuneration was nothing more or less than a pint of rum, doubtless brought from the West Indies, by one of the major's plenicks, for each tree planted. There were originally 90 of them, and they extended from the Seavey lot, northward with the First Christian church, now stands to the 'Top of the Point' or the shore of Spruce creek."

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WORTH KEEPING IN MEMORY
Life's Lesson That, Well Learned, Would Lessen the Number of Unhappy Wives.

It is a lesson that men have apparently never needed to learn, that marriage is for life, not life for marriage, and that the world is teeming with other interesting things that would make most wives vastly more capable, more interesting, and certainly happier if they could bear about with them the same conviction that the world is full of other interesting things. It would be balm to many an unsuccessful marriage. For, despite all the wisdom in the world, all marriages are not, and cannot be made, happy and successful, and certainly the fewer of these failures that are hung out for public advertisement the better. Let men and women learn to make a workable compromise, and make the very most of the other interesting things in life. For, in the end, marriage as in life, we experience only ourselves. What we get out of life is just what we have put into it. And if your undertaking is a failure, you may just as well bring it home to ourselves and say: "I am a failure along that line." For, of marriage as of life, I know no profounder truth than that we can't experience ourselves.—Harper's Bazar.

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Oldest Club.
There are many chess clubs in this city, but the one which holds the record for age is the New York Chess club. It was organized in 1800, and its membership roll contains the names of many of the most noted players the world ever has known, many being active members and others being in the honorary membership class. Names also are to be found there which have figured largely in politics, commerce, art, letters and war. By the same token it may be said that the club's record of match games, national and international, held under its auspices is an inspiration, and that modern players who can't do New York Chess.

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