

OUR CHAUTAUQUE

Following is a Correct Statement Regarding the Chautauque Finances to Date.

A detailed financial statement. It is to be expected that in a public enterprise such as the Chautauque, the elusive "they" will always have something to say. This time "they" are saying that the local committee must have had a "rake-off." Now for the benefit of "they" and others who may have some misgivings, the Executive Committee, wishes to publish this statement which they can now do in detail, asking all to note it carefully.

We had on hand from the 1916 Chautauque \$26.75. This year we had a balance of \$57.60, which added together gives a total of \$84.35.

You will see that this is \$2.00 less than the amount published in the Eccentric last week, a bill of \$2.00 for printed postal cards having been presented and paid during the week, so instead of \$86.35 we have \$84.35.

Our season ticket sale amounted to \$967, our \$200 guarantee to the Redpath Company should be deducted from this \$967 which leaves us as yet \$1,167. According to contract this amount should be divided between the Redpath Company and the local committee, but the Redpath Company allowed us \$50 for our expenses and permitted us to deduct the \$50 expense money before making division, leaving \$1,117 to be divided equally by the Redpath Company and the local committee of \$58.50 each. One half added to the \$800 already noted makes \$858.50 for the local committee and \$58.50 for the local committee. Now add the balance of \$26.75 from the 1916 Chautauque and this \$885.25, which totals \$885.25, from this deduct 90 cents, for our expenses were 90 cents more than the amount allowed us by the Redpath Company and you have \$884.35, the balance now in the bank.

Our expense list is as follows: Postage..... \$ 4.90 Printing and Publicity..... 13.75 Drayage..... 35.20

The members of the executive committee feel that this bank balance of \$84.35 should be held as a Chautauque Fund and placed at interest, and succeeding years of the Chautauque if the fund should accumulate until it amounts to \$350 or thereabouts, which is the deficit of the 1915 Chautauque, then the sum should be divided equally between the guarantors of the 1915 Chautauque which plan would undoubtedly prove most acceptable to all concerned. If you add to the \$858.50 previously noted, the \$340.00 office receipts, you have the amount of \$1,198.50. This \$1,198.50 has been expended in season tickets, we would have had half of it or \$599.25 to add to our \$84.35 which totals \$683.60, and we would have been just that much nearer our 1915 deficit of \$500. Kindly bear this in mind and next year by season tickets, for the season ticket sale only is of benefit to the local committee.

The members of the executive committee of the local committee for this year were: Rev. F. R. Kraft, General Chairman; Charles B. Randall, Secretary; Thomas D. Cobb, Treasurer and Chairman of the ticket committee; W. Scott Jones, Chairman of the Grounds Committee; L. J. Bailey, Chairman of the Publicity Committee; P. W. Farmer, Advisory member.

If anyone wishes to inquire further into the finances of any part of the Chautauque plan either for this or subsequent years, Mr. Kraft, our general chairman, will be pleased to entertain such inquiries. E. L. BAILEY, Chairman of Publicity Committee.

Safe Remedy for Children. Charles Baker, Brownsville, Texas, writes: "For years I have used Kelly Day's honey and tar and found it especially efficient for bad sores and my children. I recommend it to my friends as the best remedy for children as it contains no opiates. It is certain to bring quick relief in all cases of eczema, eczema, eczema. Sold everywhere.—Adv."

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—REV. WM. C. MCGHEE, PASTOR.

In the Tabernacle all services will be held next Sunday, September 16, as usual, with the pastor speaking both morning and evening. At 10:30 a. m. worship and sermon. Subject: "The Perils of Church-going." At 12 noon, Sunday School. A graded school with classes from the beginners to the adult. At 7:30 p. m. Popular evening service of song and helpfulness. Gospel singing. Hearty, good cheer. Sermon subject, "The glory of Inoffensiveness." Wednesday evening at 7:45 the mid-week service of prayer, praise and confession. A service for everybody in connection with "the religion that counts." To all services a hearty invitation to everybody with a cordial welcome for all.

ADVERTISED LETTERS

The following is a list of letters remaining undelivered at the Birmingham Post-Office for the week ending Sept. 8. Dargatzis, J. R. Campbell, Mrs. Myrtle Foster, C. C. Hichman, Mrs. K. W. Dr. M. S. Merritt, Mrs. Thelma Pease, Mr. C. Piage, Irva Kim Sutherland, Miss Beatrice POST CARDS Burr, Mrs. Cronin, Mrs. L. T. Hanning, Rev. George Miller, Fred J. Suterwaldy, Mrs. O. S. Sillbury, Mrs. Frank Sallier, E. L. Tulett, Miss Ruth Whittington, Frank Whittington, Mrs. Frank PARSONS calling for any of the above letters will please say "advertised." GEORGE H. MITCHELL, P. M.

SCHOOL NOTES

The Junior high school has 165 enrolled and will probably reach 175 by the end of the month. The grades in the Hill School enrolled 235 and in the Barnum School 155. The Junior and Senior high rooms in the Baldwin have been seated and are ready for the final annual work. The planning of the auditorium will be finished this week. The gymnasium apparatus has arrived and is ready for installation. The football teams have been practicing on Barnum field. The season opens with a game at Ponton September 29, with the high school there. Ypsilanti will play here on Barnum field October 13.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The Principal of the Ponton High School, Mr. S. M. Dudley, who is an expert band director, has consented to take charge of a county Y. M. C. A. band. The first meeting will be held at the Ponton High School, Friday, September 21, at 7:30 p. m. Eastern time. Every fellow who wishes to get in on it, must be present the first night. The time is short in which to get ready for the State Older Boys' Conference at Day City, where we wish to compete in the band tournament.

Applicants must be able to play simple music before joining and it would be a great advantage if they could come with help from the band leaders of their respective towns. They must be willing to buy a uniform which will cost about \$12, and pay their own expenses to rehearsal. Also they must be willing to take part in at least one concert for the purpose of raising money to help pay their expenses and the music will be furnished.

The Ponton High School will form a nucleus for this organization and Mr. Dudley will select boys according to ability and interest. Any boys who wish to join will please see Robert Peck at the Birmingham Bank.

At the County Committee meeting held at the Camp August 27, Mr. Crazer Smith, Vice President of the Ponton Synagogue, was elected Treasurer. He fills the vacancy made by the resignation of Harry J. Serrell, who has rendered splendid service in that capacity.

Several of the boys' groups are about to begin their regular weekly meetings are looking forward to a big year's work.

UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

DAVID H. DUREY, PASTOR. Services for September 15. At the usual hour of morning worship at 10:30 we are to have Kelly Day exercises. We invite you and yours. Juniors at 2:30. Topic, Doing Good. Young Peoples meeting at 6:30. Subject, "A Christian's Power." Leader, Mrs. Sarah McCord. Public worship at 7:30, sermon by pastor on Backsliding. The Church where you will be helped, helpful and happy has an invitation and welcome for all.

Hardest Worked Need Help First.

"Through all the years the kidneys are at work filtering out impurities that clog the blood and start to render it. Is it any wonder that they are overworked and in need of help? Foley Kidney Pills are tonic and strengthen in action. Get rid of backache, rheumatic pains, stiff joints, sore muscles. Sold everywhere.—Adv."

Some Truth in It. "Have you ever noticed," said the nervous young man, striving to make conversation at the tea table, "that some rich men get married more often?" "Yes," replied the masculine-looking lady, wearing the colors of the militia. "I have. 'Abi, Abi—how do you account for it?' 'Very simply. Poor men marry and rich men don't. Men are always ready to divide nothing with a woman than something'."

"HEART TAG DAY"

A Worthy Cause. It is Hoped that Everyone Will Do Their Utmost to Help Crippled Children.

A "Heart Tag Day" will be conducted in Birmingham September 15, to benefit crippled children in care of the Michigan Child Welfare League. It is the work of the league to secure for the crippled and physically defective children such treatment and such medical and surgical science indicate and extend as they need help. Many children of this county have received surgical aid through the services of the League.

A local committee of ladies will have charge of the Heart Day, they will be assisted by Mrs. Nina Lewis, District Superintendent of the League. The financial committee who will receive the collection will be Mrs. Minnie T. Jarvis and Mr. Thomas H. Cobb, and through them directly to the work of the League. The Headquarters of the Heart Day will be in the First National Bank.

The committee hope that many of the young ladies will volunteer to sell Heart Tags on Friday. A meeting will be called Friday afternoon at headquarters for the Heart Day Committee. The volunteers will sell heart tags at the banks and supplies will be given out. Mrs. Lewis will explain the work thoroughly to the young ladies.

The Surgical Directors of the League include the leading Ophthalmic Surgeon and physicians of Detroit and other cities who command high fees but give their skill and time gratis to the children of the poor whose parents are unable to pay and with the same cheerfulness and fidelity as to the children of the well-to-do. The surgeons tell us that out of every 100 physically defective children, 90 can be made practically normal by treatment.

The work is non-sectarian and supported by the fine will gifts of the people entirely. The larger and more numerous the gifts the greater the number of children that can be benefited. Your gifts will be most heartily appreciated.

For the consolidation of the VanLearvan Borne Hospital School and the Michigan Child Welfare League has taken place recently, and the new organization will be known as the Michigan Hospital School.

BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES.

REV. P. M. MACKAY, PASTOR. Morning worship at 10:30, subject, "Forgiveness and Confession." Sunday School at 11:45. A class for every member of the family. Young Peoples meeting at 6 o'clock. Evening service at 7:30. Subject, "Present Day Family Life."

The Home like Church with a welcome for all. Combs and Brushes. Combs and brushes have now been in use for some while and few of us would feel fit for the day's work without applying them to our hair. The quality of the comb and brush is so familiar to most of our readers that we scarcely need touch upon it here.

The human race is the only species of the animal kingdom that has found the comb and brush a necessity. Lots of other sorts of animals have more hair but they seem to do so, usually in good conditions, to relinquish any other instrument and secure the post.—London Tit-Bits.

Broken Broker. The late Judge Penypacker of Philadelphia was an advocate of the ethnological study of man, but he was an advocate of justice in the relationship between the sexes, for man. "Woman," he said, whimsically one day at the Pennsylvania Historical society, "mustn't play it both ways. She mustn't get the vote and the equal wage through man's sense of duty, and then get all kinds of unfair privileges through his sense of gallantry. There's a lot of truth in the story of the young broker who, after his failure, was shown by a priest in a doorway why was the engagement broken off? A banker asked the ruined broker, "Well," he answered, "after I'd given her a string of pearls, an open box and a birthday gift of a 12-cylinder automobile, I went to smash and her people accused me of amusing myself at her expense."

Victorious But Conquered. A certain worthy bishop was very fond of a quiet smoke, and he did not think that the habit was out of keeping with his high office. The archdeacon of the diocese, however, thought differently, and did not hesitate to proclaim his opinion. On one occasion the archdeacon was the guest of the bishop, and passed at the cathedral in the evening service. Having returned to the episcopal palace, he was gazing from the library window when he detected the good bishop walking in the garden below, smoking a cigar, as he thought, in safe privacy. "Ah, bishop," said the archdeacon, as he opened the door, "I have caught you smoking in the garden." "I have caught you smoking in the garden," said the archdeacon, "but I didn't know he was so near."

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Whalebone King. A New Bedford man, with whom both Europe and America have to deal, is said to handle the entire whalebone supply of the world in his small store. And this man's career in whalebone amounts to only 100,000 pounds.

Garrick Theatre.

Alice Nielson, whose advent in grand opera a few seasons ago aroused such world wide interest in musical circles owing to the suddenness with which she forsook lighter for more serious roles, reappears on Monday, night at the Garrick Theatre in opera. After having won all the laurels obtainable in the great opera houses of Italy, France, England and her own country.

Miss Nielson will be seen in her new musical play, "Kitty, Davin," which has been adapted from David Belasco's famous play "Sweet Kitty Bellairs," which was presented here with great success a few seasons ago. It has splendid comedy plot involving a bewitched Irish widow, who becomes the toast of a British garrison stationed at a watering place, and is courted by so many officers that she flirts with them all, accomplishing her ends in a state of rapturous infatuation with no effort except the calm power of her beautiful presence.

It is a part that suits Miss Nielson who once more afforded the opportunity of giving play her splendid ability as an actress, a rare talent for a singer to possess, and who has grand opera prima donna has little chance to display by reason that all grand opera performers act a fresco. There will be but one matinee, Saturday, the Wednesday matinee being omitted.

Will Be Repaid for Their Work.

Women everywhere suffer from kidney trouble—backache, rheumatic pains, swollen and tender muscles, stiff joints. Mrs. C. J. Ellis, 505 Eighth Street, South Field, Iowa, writes: "I am sure if anyone bothered me as I was will give Foley Kidney Pills a fair trial they will be repaid for their work." Sold everywhere.—Adv.

Not Much Repaid.

The newspaper which succeeded in getting the following paragraph printed in the "Lack" has it in its office. There were applicants who, if you could come up to snuff, "Subeditor—Smart, up-to-date, and contented for a leading literary journal, about the man of initiative with a nose for good 'copy,' with practical knowledge of printing and publishing routine and capable of making up a copy and seeing through the press, office hours—daybreak till midnight. Salary—whatever he is worth. No conventional 'fixed salaries' or 'set rates' for newspaper journalists' salaries need apply. Must be a man of the world, with a wide human sympathy, with no 'kinks'—either moral, political or artistic—of any kind, and with a strong sense of duty and faith in the inherent goodness of mankind and the policy of making the best possible use of this life as a sound investment for the next. Must always wear a smile—but never a snigger. Dress optional. Must treat his work as one continuous holiday. It may say any amount of good for conditions, to relinquish any other instrument and secure the post.—London Tit-Bits.

Times Change.

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Team Work on Battleship.

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Islands Made for Silence.

Iona is the most fertile and beautiful of the Hebrides of which there are some 500 scattered about the waters to the west of Scotland, an exchange states. Only about 100 of those islands are inhabited at all, and the greater part of these latter support less than a dozen people each. It is a region of rain and mist, with rare clear days that are like the infrequent rays of a sun that kindly nurtured. The atmosphere of the archipelago is made for dreams and silence. It seems out of the modern world.

When Daughter Marries.

It doesn't take long to forget. In a few weeks after the oldest daughter marries, she says: "I never acted like my sister is acting. Did I, mamma?"—Fourth Worth Star-Telegram.

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Hard Reputation.

"Biggers"—Old Grant! tells me that he began life by running away with a circus. "I don't doubt it. He would run away with anything that wasn't nailed down."

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