

PONTIAC BILL POSTER

James Felker, a Royal Oak merchant, died last Thursday, of consumption, aged 55 years. *Sept 1 1886*

Mrs. Richard Muirhead, of Pine Lake, died Monday night of diphtheria, and was buried Tuesday. *Sept 15 1886*

Wm. Fisher, of Pontiac township, died Monday at his home on the old Rochester road, of diabetes, aged about 80 years. Funeral from the house Thursday afternoon at one o'clock. Deceased was a pioneer and had lived in the town over forty years. *Sept 15 1886*

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Miss Chloe Crofoot, of Bloomfield Center, died at her home on Saturday night. Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon. Deceased had been a resident of the county for thirty years. Further particulars next week.

Gazette: "Mrs Mary Ann Harris the sister of Fred and John P. Foster, died at her home in Vernon last Monday, aged 70 years. The funeral was held Thursday, friends from this city attending." *Sept 22 1886* ✓

Death of James W Bateman.

James W. Bateman, for a term of years a familiar figure about town, died on Tuesday evening of last week at his rooms in the Arcade building. Jimmie, as he was more familiarly known, was born at Walled Lake, this county, where his parents still live, and was, at the time of his death about 28 years old. Jimmie, though living a life never free from illness or pain from his babyhood days, in consequence of his unfortunate deformity, was notwithstanding, one of those bright, sunny-spirited mortals who act as a social leaven. He had always a pleasant word of greeting for his friends, was rarely betrayed into anger and for his honor and integrity was as thoroughly respected as he was liked for his social qualities. He was a graduate of our high school and of the Michigan University in the law department. He was admitted to practice to the Oakland Co. bar and held the offices of city clerk and circuit court commissioner each two terms. Jimmie had mental qualifications which, if their development had not been restrained by his physical disability, would have placed him in the front rank of the legal profession. The funeral services were held at his home at Walled Lake on Wednesday afternoon of last week. Though the notice was short, yet about fifty Pontiacers attended, including an escort from the legal brethren of the deceased, and the last tribute of respect and friendship was paid sincerely and impressively. *Sept 15 1886*