





NOTES ABOUT SCHOOLS AND THEIR MANAGEMENT.

Problem to Come Before the Southern Educational Association—Need of Reform in the System of School Punishments.

Race Problems.

The education of the negro race will no doubt be one of the leading questions before the Southern Educational Association again this year.

A State Flower.

The public schools of some States have adopted a State flower. The golden rod is claimed by Nebraska, Oregon and Alabama.

School Whippings.

The brutal beating administered to a 12-year-old pupil by a teacher in a public school the other day suggests the need of reform in the system of school punishments.

In some States corporal punishment of public school children is prohibited by law.

It is noteworthy that this prohibition has not weakened the discipline or in any other way reduced the efficiency of the system.

A Tiger's Spring.

The strength of a tiger in its dying struggle is said to be almost fabulous, writes Miss Maryatt in a letter from India.

The Tiger was on one side of a small stream, and Captain H— on the other.

and it was afterward ascertained that he had actually fired at the brute thirteen times before it sprang with amazing strength across the stream—amazing, when it is taken into consideration that Captain H— was in general a most successful shot.

Broke Up the Band.

The success of a boy in silencing a street band is recorded by the Philadelphia Record.

Docked a Cent a Minute.

Milwaukee is the only city in the country which runs its school on a penny basis. Probably no school commissioners in the land of the starry banner are more ingenious in inventing ways by which the salaries of the teachers of the public schools can be pared down.

Like a Bird.

Smith—You told me your friend sang like a bird. I think he has a horribly hoarse voice. How can you say it is like a bird's?

shall suffer a 2 or a 1 cent deduction, and there are few recommendations for mercy.

It is to the credit of the teachers that in spite of the ridiculousness of the matter and the implied insult every time they have to play the spy on themselves every one has promptly reported any absence.

Schools on Indian Reservations.

Schools are maintained in New York State on six Indian reservations. These are at Salamanca, South Onondaga, Hogansburgh, East Moriches, Akron and Suspension Bridge.

The Class in Physiology.

The following remarkable physiological statement occurred in the examination papers of a student in a Western school not long since: "The human body is divided into three parts—the head, the chest, and the stummick.

Must Not Accept Presents.

The Pottstown, Pa., School Board has adopted a resolution forbidding the acceptance of presents by teachers from their schools.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN.

OCCURRENCES DURING THE PAST WEEK.

Kalamazoo Official Fast Making a Record—Report of Condition of National Banks in the State—End of a Celebrated Battle Creek Case.

Sheriff Had His Nerve.

W. B. Snow, the new sheriff of Kalamazoo County, is getting broke in rapidly. The first day he caught three escaped jail birds. Next day he started after two sheep thieves.

Free but Ruined.

Justice Bidwell, of Battle Creek, gave his decision in the examination of Lawyer Wm. A. Crosby, Ernest M. Jewett and Mrs. Belle Smith. These parties were charged with conspiracy in the attempt to spirit away Miss Amelia Henselman to her home in Germany.

National Banks.

Comptroller Eckels gave out an abstract of the reports of the condition Dec. 17 of the eighty-three national banks in the State of Michigan, exclusive of Detroit. It shows total resources of \$42,234,782.

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Father Bogacki, the Bay City Polish priest, was arrested on two counts. He gave \$1,000 bail for his appearance.

The schools at Sebawaing have been closed on account of diphtheria. There are only a few cases of the disease at present, but this step is taken to prevent its spread.

Five Muskegon residences, all of them vacant except one, in the old settlement at the harbor entrance, burned the other night. It necessitated lively work to save the Crosby warehouse.

The Common Council of Negaunee is composed of truly good men, and they have enacted an ordinance providing that no resident of that city must play cards or shake dice on Sunday.

A number of abandoned mines in Keweenaw County may be reopened. Capitalists are having the delinquent taxes on the properties examined, and may acquire possession by purchasing the tax titles.

A couple of months ago a boy working for Charles Penke, of Harrison, found a roll of \$500 in greenbacks in an old tin can. He gave it to his employer, in return for a suit of clothes and a gun.

James Draper, a pioneer, died at his home near Jackson of old age. He was born in New York in 1817, and when a young man drove a blooded horse to Michigan. Over fifty years ago he purchased the farm on which he died.

While skating on the mill pond at Marshall with other boys Sunday afternoon J. Wilson, aged 18 years, broke through the ice and was drowned, his comrades being unable to render assistance. The body was recovered two hours afterward.

Mary Erickson, of Iron Mountain, was badly scalded and her life was despaired of on account of the fact that the skin on the scalded parts would not grow. Six men offered the skin necessary to cover the bare places, and the surgeons removed 204 pieces from their arms and grafted them upon the woman, who will now probably recover.

Clem Blood, the young ex-convict who shot Sheriff Snow of Kalamazoo, has waived examination before Recorder Peck and been bound over to the Circuit Court for trial on the charge of assault with intent to kill.

The Michigan crop report for January says that 165 correspondents in the State report that wheat suffered injury during December, while 508 report that it did not.

A "masher," who clerks in a Holland store and visits the postoffice unnecessarily about a dozen times a day, recently received a letter reading: "Sweet Boy—I love you; you know not who I am, but I have often admired you from a distance. I have noticed you going to the postoffice and take this method of reaching you."

C. M. Bentley, who perpetrated a fraud upon the Royal Arcanum whereby he secured \$3,000 upon the alleged death of Henry S. Ballentine, of Port Huron, by fraudulent proofs of death, was arrested upon a charge of perjury.

YOUR EMPLOYER.

Labor Commissioner Morse of Michigan has prepared an interesting chapter on the eight-hour day which will be incorporated with his report to the Legislature. He has made a poll of the employers and employed of the State, with these results: Out of 4,650 employes of manufacturing concerns, 3,498 favored an eight-hour day, and 1,102 were not in favor of it.

Barrels.

Table with 2 columns: District No. and Barrels. Lists districts 1 through 9 with corresponding barrel counts.

THE CENSUS FIGURES

LATEST STATISTICS OF MICHIGAN'S POPULATION.

Of the Total, 55.92 Per Cent. Is Native to the State—Ratio Slightly Less in the Cities—More Native Born Females Married than Males.

Interesting Record.

Secretary of State Gardner has issued an interesting census bulletin concerning the Michigan-born population of the State.

The total population of the State on June 1, 1895, was 2,241,641. Of this total 1,253,496 were born in Michigan. The Michigan-born were 55.92 per cent of the total, and 75.02 per cent of the native population of the State.

Of the total Michigan-born population, 4.36 per cent were under 1 year old; 19.99 per cent were under 5 years old; 37.48 per cent under 10 years old, and 52.20 per cent under 15 years old.

The civil condition of the Michigan-born population is reported as follows: Single, 195,244; married, 284,556; widowed, 12,933; divorced, 2,752. The civil condition of 11 persons is not reported.

The number of Michigan-born inhabitants old enough to legally marry is 535,133, of whom 253,598 are males and 281,535 females. Of the males 128,973, or 50.07 per cent, are married.

Of the total native population old enough to legally marry 59.80 per cent of the males and 61.20 per cent of the females are married.

Of persons old enough to legally marry, in 1,000 native males 698 are married; in 1,000 native females 618 are married; in 1,000 foreign-born males 686 are married; in 1,000 foreign-born females 718 are married.

In 1,000 Michigan-born males old enough to legally marry there are 97 less married than in all native males, and 185 less than in all foreign-born males.

State Salt Inspector George W. Hill has forwarded his fourteenth and the twenty-eighth annual report of the operations of the State salt inspection law for the inspection year ending Nov. 30, 1896.

STATE'S SALT INDUSTRY.

The salt producing territory of the State is divided into nine districts having manufacturing capacity as follows:

Some Old Heroes.

Superstition is not dead in the civilized world. There are yet many people who believe that King Arthur will awaken some day from his long sleep at Avalon.

Wheat and Flour Trade.

Wheat and flour form, next to cotton, the most important and valuable exports. In 1895 we sent abroad 76,102,704 bushels of wheat, valued at \$43,805,663.

Jews Read the Newspapers.

A foreign Jewish newspaper complains of the Jewish disregard for the Journals of Judaism. It says: "The great majority of Jews never read a Jewish paper, and there are very many educated Jews who do not know of the existence of a Jewish press."

MICHIGAN LEGISLATURE

Opposition to Governor Pingree was shown by Lieutenant Governor Dunstan and Speaker Gordon Tuesday, both naming standing committees opposed to all the proposed Pingree legislation thus far announced.

Gov. Pingree returned to the capital from Detroit Wednesday afternoon, but as the Legislature had adjourned for the day he could not send his appointments to the Senate.

Gov. Pingree sent his first nominations to the Senate Thursday and they were promptly confirmed by a unanimous vote without reference.

Bills paving the way for protracted contests were introduced in the Legislature Friday. The telephone bill will be fiercely fought by the Bell interests.

Aluminum Sign Letters. One of the fields in which, of late, aluminum has made most noticeable progress is its use for signs.

Aluminum letters are light and strong; they keep their color and their silvery luster makes them stand out boldly, especially at night.

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 2.80 Shoes for ..... \$1.75 to 2.00  
 1.50 and \$1.25 for ..... 1.00

Your choice of Men's—  
 \$3.50 and \$1.00 Shoes for ..... \$2.50  
 2.00 Shoes for ..... 1.50  
 1.50 Shoes for ..... 1.25  
 1.25 Shoes for ..... 1.00  
 Boy's, Girl's and Children's Shoes sold in same proportion.

**PANTS.**

Your choice of Men's—  
 \$4.00 and \$5.00 Pants for ..... \$3.25  
 2.50 Pants for ..... 1.75  
 2.25 Pants for ..... 1.60  
 1.50 Pants for ..... .95  
 1.00 Pants for ..... .83

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 \$1.00 Suits for ..... .83  
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THURSDAY, JANUARY 21, 1897.

**NEW AND CHANGED ADS.**  
 Elmer Aubil, liveryman.  
 M. L. Mattason, barber.  
 News Stand.  
 J. E. Ackerson, harness.  
 W. D. Gardner & Sons, hardware.  
 C. E. Stokoe, jewelry.  
 M. S. Keeler & Co., general dealers.  
 M. F. Dowling, jewelry and crockery.

#### LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

He thought her hair was all her own, Till she gave her head a twitch. He saw and fled—'twas another wreck, Caused by a misplaced switch. —Exchange.

Send a 2 cent stamp for a handsome set of Jaxon Soap pictures. 23\*

Attend the leaf social at Mrs. N. Griswold's this week Friday evening.

Your attention is called to the excellent program on eighth page to be rendered Jan. 27 at opera hall.

Most of the farmers are coming to town with sleighs today and if the snow continues to fall for a few more hours as it has during the day, we will have excellent sleighing.

Last evening about thirty-seven friends surprised Mr. and Mrs. Charles Spreen, south of the village. Refreshments and games caused the time to pass very pleasantly for all.

The Brown boy, who had diphtheria at Chas. Brandstetter's residence southwest of the village, has fully recovered and the premises were thoroughly fumigated on Tuesday and the quarantine withdrawn.

The defeated side in the contest of Crescent lodge will serve the winners a supper in the lodge rooms on Friday evening of this week. The supper will be a first-class one as Landlord Olmstead is to supply the same.

Our Bowen's Mills correspondent must have been misinformed last week concerning the marriage of Lewis Johnson of Yankee Springs to Miss Webster of Wisconsin, as the report was false, no such marriage having been solemnized.

The Ann Arbor Courier says: The most of men when they take a colt to a trainer want to go once in a while and see what kind of treatment the animal is getting. The most of men put their children in the public school to be trained and never go near them. Why?

The blue mark and other special sales will close Saturday and notwithstanding the cry of hard times, the proprietors say they have enjoyed a wonderfully large patronage and the clerks certainly look as though they were overworked and will be glad to have a let up.

Ex-Sheriff McKeitt drove in with his first cans of milk to the creamery this a. m. and it's really amusing to hear Mc tell about milking ten cows and how he used to milk his half of 64. Well as he enjoys a good cigar, he really claims he would rather milk than smoke.

Dr. J. P. Ferguson received a telegram announcing the death, Tuesday at 3 p. m., of Mrs. Dr. Fullerton, nee Myrtle Evans, of Waterloo, Iowa, caused by consumption. She was formerly a resident of this village and her old friends will sympathize with the bereaved husband.

No words but those of praise have been heard for the first concert of the season, given last evening by the band boys, assisted by some of our best talent. The numbers were all good, well rendered and well received, several being encored. The people always get more than the worth of their money when they attend a concert given by the band boys. Our town has reason to be proud of its band and should give its liberal patronage to the next concert, which the boys expect to give in about a month.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

There will be special Endeavor Day exercises at the Y. P. S. C. E. meeting, January 31.

Rev. Dan. E. Bradley's lecture on Cuba has been postponed until the fourth week in February.

Prof. F. A. Mills will give a concert in the Congregational church, on Wednesday evening, February 3, under the auspices of the Y. P. S. C. E.

Interest in the revival meetings at the Baptist church continues to grow. Sixteen have risen for prayers, some of whom are now rejoicing in the Saviour. The meetings will continue next week.

Reading club meets with Mrs. Rich Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 27. Reader, Mrs. G. L. Keeler; current events, Mrs. Rich; spelling, Mrs. M. S. Keeler; questions, Mrs. Saunders; critic, Mrs. Spaulding; Friendship, the subject for quotations.

Congregational church, H. Appleton, pastor. Service 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m. Subject for morning, "Power of a Savior." Subject for evening, "Our Part in Salvation." Sabbath school at the close of morning service. Junior C. E., 3:30 p. m. Topic, "What Are Some Things That Trouble You?" Ps. cxli: 1-7. (A question box meeting suggested, to be led by the pastor.) Y. P. S. C. E., 6 p. m. Topic, "Our Failures and Successes." Luke vi: 11. Teachers' meeting, Monday, 7 p. m. Prayer meeting, Thursday, 7 p. m. A most cordial welcome to all services.

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#### THE LEAF SOCIAL

Of the M. E. Aid society that was postponed will be held at the residence of Mrs. N. Griswold on Friday evening, January 22. Each gentleman is charged ten cents and the ladies five cents at the door. This entitles them to entertainment and refreshments. Come early and have a good time.

**FOR RENT**—Several desirable houses. 2-3 H. E. HENDRICK.

O. A. Carpenter of Parmelee has left at this office, a Cyclometer. Owner please call, prove property and pay for this ad. 2-2

Try the Chicago Record a week for 12 cents at the News Stand. \*

A lot of the latest sheet music, both vocal and instrumental, just received at the News Stand.

If you want a good story paper, buy the New York Ledger at the News Stand.

Not a few who read what Mr. Robert Rowls of Holland, Va., has to say below, will remember their own experience under like circumstances: "Last winter I had a gripe which left me in a low state of health. I tried numerous remedies, none of which did me any good, until I was induced to try a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. The first bottle of it so far relieved me that I was enabled to attend to my work, and the second bottle affected a cure." For sale at 25 and 50 cents per bottle by J. W. Armstrong, druggist. 1-4

Wheat (white)..... 81  
 Rye..... 28  
 Corn, per bu..... 25  
 Oats..... 20  
 Timothy..... 1 75  
 Flour (roller)..... 2 80  
 Bran per ton..... 10 00  
 Middlings..... 12 00  
 Butter (creamery)..... 19  
 Butter (dairy)..... 12  
 Eggs..... 14  
 Chickens (feather dressed)..... 6 04  
 Turkeys (feather dressed)..... 10  
 Beef (dressed)..... 4 5  
 Veal..... 5 6  
 Veal calves (live)..... 4 00  
 Hogs (dressed)..... 3 75 4 00  
 Hogs (live)..... 2 75 3 00  
 Lard..... 6  
 Tallow..... 2 1/2  
 Hides..... 4 5  
 Pelts..... 15 30  
 Hay (timothy)..... 7 00 8 00  
 Hay (clover)..... 5 00 6 00  
 Wood (dry maple)..... 1 25  
 Oil (retail)..... 10 13  
 Gasoline..... 12  
 Salt..... 75  
 Lime per bbl..... 80  
 Land Plaster..... 4 50  
 Potatoes..... 15 20

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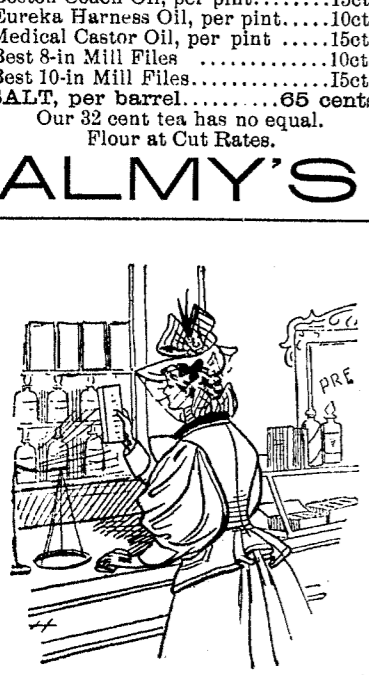


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## J. W. ARMSTRONG

#### PERSONAL POINTS.

J. N. Olmstead is in Grand Rapids today.

Mrs. W. J. Hayward is in Grand Rapids today.

M. F. Jordan is able to be out after a few days' illness.

John Campbell was in Grand Rapids on business, Monday.

M. S. Keeler's younger son, who has been ill, is improving.

Mrs. E. F. Blake, who has been quite sick, has nearly recovered.

Mrs. Metzgar fell yesterday and broke one bone just above the wrist.

Will McKeitt of Hastings expects to spend Sunday in the village.

Mrs. J. S. Johnson is the guest of her sons, Bert and Nevada, of Caledonia.

Miss Edna Campbell, who was quite sick the first of the week, is able to be out.

Messrs. A. A. Dibble and G. L. Keeler were in the Rapids on business, Friday.

B. L. Johnson was in Kalamazoo Friday to attend the funeral of his aunt, Mrs. Dean.

Mrs. Lucy Sanford and Mrs. M. A. Mitchell go to Nashville tomorrow to visit friends.

James Mason of Hastings, was in the village yesterday and attended the band concert.

Richard Watkins of Grand Rapids was in town, Monday, looking after his village property.

Miss Edith Wilson, southeast of the village, went to Grand Rapids today for a visit with friends.

Miss Belle Cook of Hastings was in the village Tuesday and Wednesday and assisted in the band concert.

Mrs. A. M. Gardner, who was numbered among the sick the latter part of last week, has nearly recovered.

Hon. M. S. Keeler and James L. Ackerson were in Niles, Tuesday, and the report is that Jimmie has the promise of reappointment to the cadetship.

Prof. A. O. Wilkinson, Jesse W. Cobb, Misses Southwick and Furniss were in attendance at the Barry Co. teachers' association at Nashville, Saturday.

Samuel Carlisle was in Orangeville yesterday and returned this a. m. with his wife, who has been at the bedside of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Mary Townsend, who died Wednesday, Jan. 20, of consumption, aged 39 years. Funeral will be held at the Baptist church in Orangeville on Saturday at 1 p. m.

**PHOTOGRAPHS.**

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- 10.00 Jackets for 5.00
- 8.00 Jackets for 4.00
- 6.00 Jackets for 3.00
- 4.00 Jackets for 2.00

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